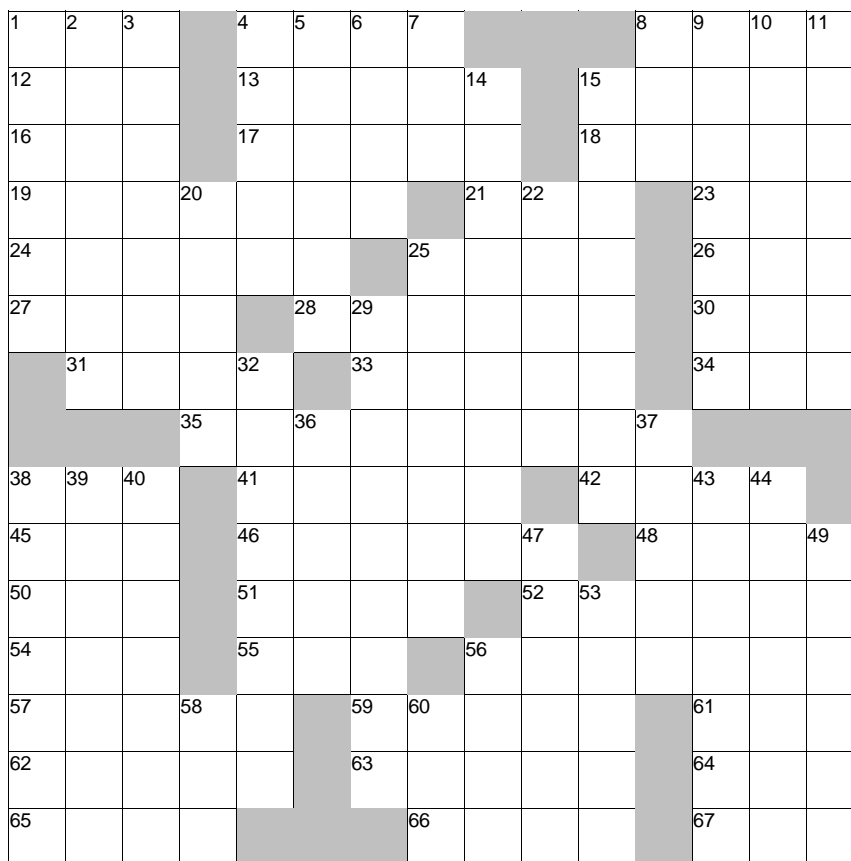


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ACROSS

1. Shoe with holes in it?
4. A la ____
8. Chuck
12. Disease that affects the liver, for short
13. Loved to bits
15. Mink variety
16. It's a bad scene
17. Città metropolitana where the pizza was supposedly invented
18. Total fake
19. Crime boss
21. Big pig
23. Smile from ear to ear
24. Split personality?
25. Be of ____ (help out)
26. Pasta whose name means "barley"
27. Bruce of the "The Hateful Eight"
28. Entered quickly, like the scene
30. Range
31. Kicks the bucket
33. Thief
34. Plus-size model Holliday
35. Computer network protocols that block unauthorized actions, and a hint to four sections of this puzzle
38. Planets
41. Sweden's acting prime minister Löfven
42. Toy sounds
45. Early "This Old House" host
46. Arranges
48. Place for an observation post?
50. Emergency copter operation
51. French term of endearment



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52. Home with a distinctive roof
54. Senator's milieu
55. "Knight Rider" car
56. One prepping for LASIK surgery
57. Plasma alternative
59. Maine national park
61. It's a small matter
62. Team building?
63. English county where the Battle of Hastings was
64. TV warrior who wields chakrams
65. Split hairs?
66. "Along ____ lines"
67. Perfect place

DOWN

1. Didn't come through in the clutch
2. Made a dance version of a song, say

3. Hospital test not done in a tube
4. Change over time?
5. More stringy
6. Early video game movie
7. Wiggly shocker
8. Chinese philosophy
9. "Watch closely"
10. Real scumbags
11. Preached words
14. Off-key and cacophonous
15. In an inconsistent fashion
20. Yiddish thief
22. '80s swinger Ivan
25. Oblivious
29. LBJ-nominated Justice
32. Grieve, as Jews
36. Adjust anew

37. Big name in hummus and guacamole
38. Venn diagram's representation
39. Nice spot?
40. More vanilla
43. Like surveyors' charts
44. It could be anybody
47. Declared, without question
49. Like bratwurst and pretzels
53. Compost heap "residents"
56. Quick run
58. "Claws" channel
60. "And we're done," directorially