

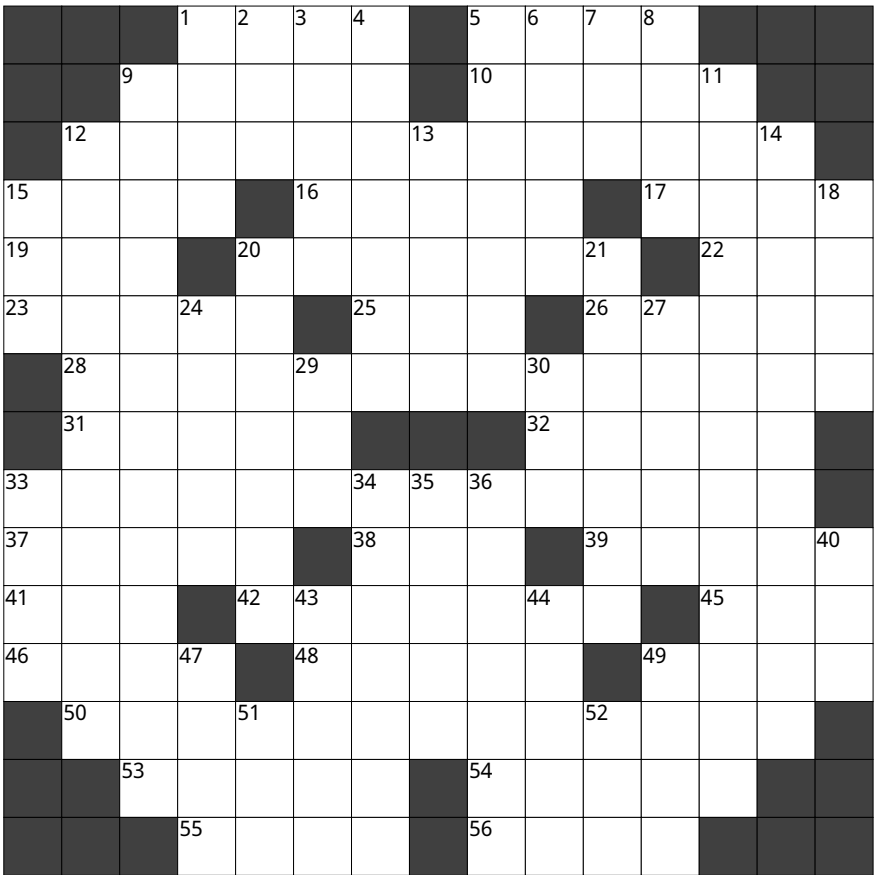
ACROSS

- 1 Like Scrooge McDuck
- 5 Ill-fated Biblical brother
- 9 SoCal ballplayer
- 10 Imitated a cow
- 12 Nixon's Checkers, for one
- 15 Rightsize, in euphemistic business jargon
- 16 Monty Hall (or Wayne Brady) offerings
- 17 Midwest college town
- 19 Sports bar fixtures
- 20 Household fixtures (that are an anagram for the poet who wrote "The Hollow Men")
- 22 Word after poison or live
- 23 Modern pagan religion
- 25 Man told to "hop on the bus" in Paul Simon lyrics
- 26 Edible whose production requires heating to the hard-crack stage
- 28 Ladyfingers-and-Bavarian cream dessert (that may or may not be named for a queen)
- 31 Value to the right of a decimal point, often

- 32 Sealy competitor
- 33 Recurring "Top Chef" challenge whose teams create pop-up eateries in 24 hours
- 37 Remove from a mood board, maybe
- 38 "Don't Bring Me Down" band: init.
- 39 Tickle
- 41 Absolute mess
- 42 "The usual"
- 45 Uno e due
- 46 Actress-inventor Lamarr
- 48 Michaels who offered the Beatles \$3,000 to reunite
- 49 Do some prewashing
- 50 One who might be on the march
- 53 Aired on Nick at Nite
- 54 Foul moods
- 55 Email folder
- 56 Fit

DOWN

- 1 Timed contest
- 2 "Beats me," via text
- 3 System of beliefs
- 4 Announcement before taking a risk
- 5 Most abundant
- 6 Trumpet
- 7 The present is the Phanerozoic one
- 8 1977 movie heroine with a distinctive hairdo



- 9 Its starting price is roughly \$164,000
- 11 They might be on the march
- 12 Multi-purpose arena
- 13 Word that might go with Champagne, in Champagne
- 14 Tempts from the straight and narrow
- 15 Online initialism of victory
- 18 Terrier named after a Scottish island
- 20 Some family emblems
- 21 Attached with a simple machine
- 24 "Pleeeeeeeeeee ase?"

- 27 Acoustic
- 29 Baton Rouge sch.
- 30 Superlative suffix
- 33 Adrenaline surge
- 34 Get right back on that horse!
- 35 Watchful
- 36 Around midday
- 40 Cartoonish cry on seeing a mouse
- 43 "Lenore" poet's middle name
- 44 "Bleeding Love" singer Lewis
- 47 First name in French couture
- 49 More than meet a need
- 51 It's in veins
- 52 Low football score