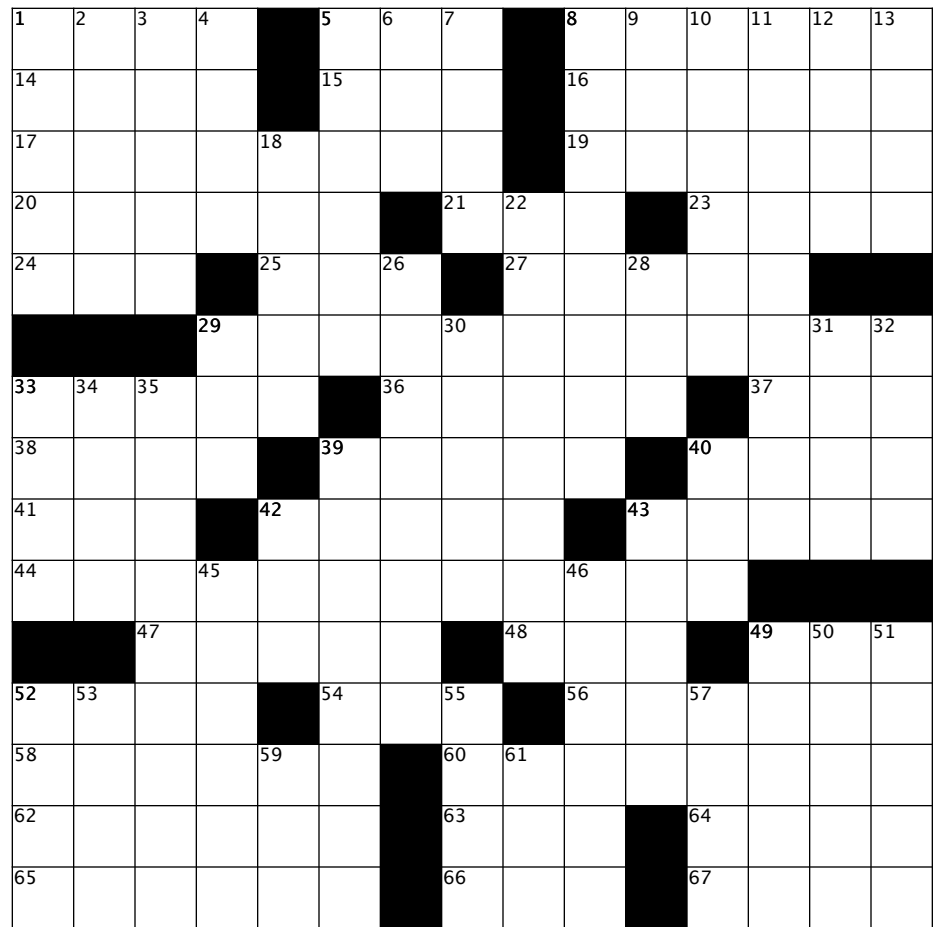# Xmas

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ACROSS

1. Genie's abode, in fable
5. Small explosion
8. Nursery inhabitants
14. Olfactory stimulant
15. Be sorry about
16. Kenya neighbor
17. Construction for an out-of-control office holiday party?
19. Red-suited, white-bearded, ho-ho-hoing holiday figures
20. Short, stout vessel with handle and spout
21. Reclusive
23. Rubies, sapphires, garnets, etc.
24. Prefix with name or face
25. Succumb to decay
27. Not just hate
29. What Attila hoped to maximize?
33. Prospector's parcel
36. Common chemical compound
37. Distinct period
38. Smile sources
39. Crazed
40. Thor's father
41. Source of mischief
42. Jazz composer who renamed himself for an Egyptian god
43. Trojan horse occupant
44. Nixon's Checkers, or Romney's Seamus, or Biden's Commander?
47. Entertain
48. Lion sign
49. "We three kings of Orient ___"
52. Increase
54. Viper
56. Caught
58. Like Chile and Peru
60. Footwear mogul?
62. Visually attractive
63. Fall below the horizon
64. Words of understanding
65. Offer for sale
66. Half of a third of a dozen
67. Journalist's product

DOWN

1. Places for hay or choirs
2. Gallic goodbye
3. Back tooth
4. Get ready, briefly
5. Atom part
6. "Don we now ___ gay apparel"
7. Strokes gently
8. Meddler
9. Palindromic Ottoman title
10. Maine city
11. Get between
12. Cheesy anagram of "dame"
13. Impertinence
18. Place to talk
22. Needs nothing
26. Beats decisively
28. Color
29. "The glories of ___ righteousness"
30. More than is required
31. Niagara source
32. Went down
33. Hair restraint
34. Prom hire
35. Expressed approval
39. Pest
40. Assoc.
42. Alphabetical nickname
43. ___ better (outdo)
45. Loom over
46. Mississippi explorer
49. Cease to recline
50. Not allow to lapse
51. Rectangle's quartet
52. "Sorrow : sigh :: surprise: ___"
53. Not never
55. "Hey there"
57. Related
59. Be sick
61. Take an ax to

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