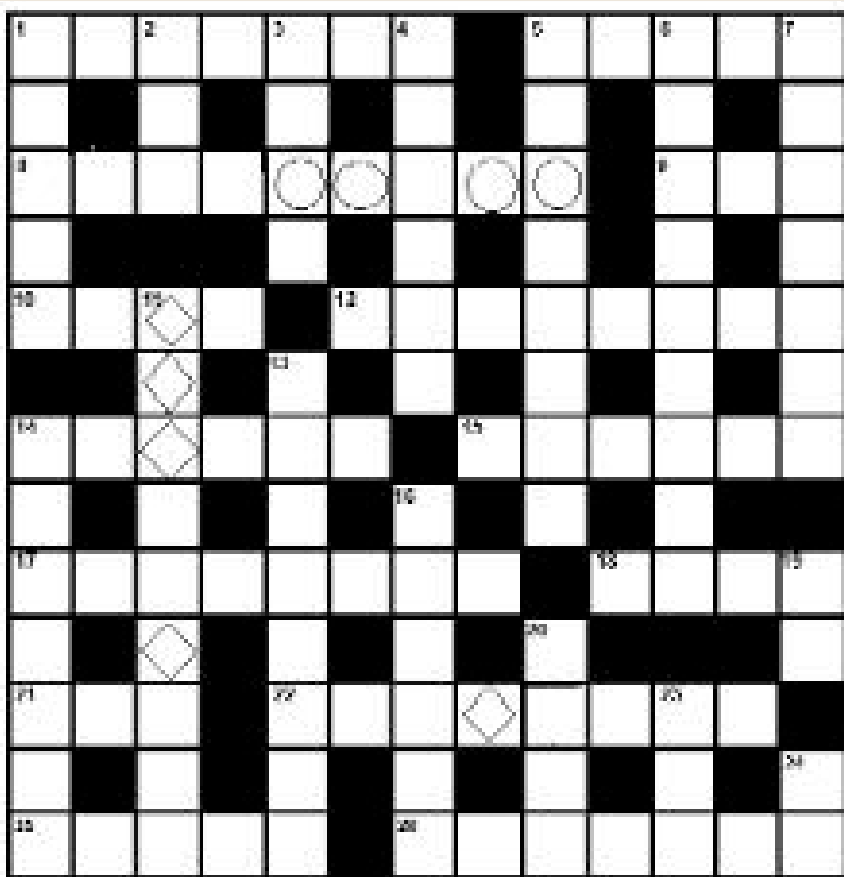


# SLIGHTLY WARPED STREETS

DELIVER A SLIGHTLY BACKWARDS MESSAGE

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USE THE DIAMOND AND CIRCLE LETTERS TO COMPLETE THE SEASONAL MESSAGE BELOW

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## ACROSS

1. The name of this Sandy Hill street suggests how the 16-year-old Judy Garland might have rated the movie set she shared with the Tin Man. (7)
5. This body of water, the largest alpine lake in North America, sits on the border between California and Nevada and is not far from Reno (with which it rhymes). (5)
8. The name of this SH street might suggest that it leads to a settlement with church or shrine. (9)
9. A pecan or cashew for example (3)
10. A male elephant's pride and joy? (4)
12. The moon's shape a day or two after disappearing (8)
14. What you might hang on your door during the Christmas holidays. (6)
15. Most people would like to support good ones. (6)
17. Fatally (8)
18. \_\_\_\_, crackle and pop. (4)
21. A molecule in living cells that directs the synthesis of proteins. (abbr.) (3)
22. This SH street might suggest a location where evil spirits are tossed onto the flaming pyre. (9)
25. Move quickly to one side to elude a pursuer. (5)
26. Hydrogen is one, as is oxygen or iron. (7)

## DOWN

1. An eight-piece musical group. (5)
2. A diamond or emerald, for example. (abbr.) (3)
3. The capital city of Norway. (4)
4. Whole, complete (6)
5. The citizenship of most of those in the country bounded by Algeria and Libya. (8)
6. This SH street brings to mind an offspring who is often in the way (9)
7. The large acreages often owned by wealthy nobles or tycoons. (7)
11. The name of this SH street suggests a place where all dreams are happy (9)
13. Squeeze the neck until death (8)
14. The name of this SH street might suggest a widespread determination to get things done. (7)
16. The quality of being powerfully and mysteriously attractive or fascinating. (6)
19. 3.14159.... (2)
20. Ready, willing and \_\_\_\_\_. (4)
23. \_\_\_\_ vs Wade. (3)
24. Period of play after regulation time has expired. (abbr.) (2)