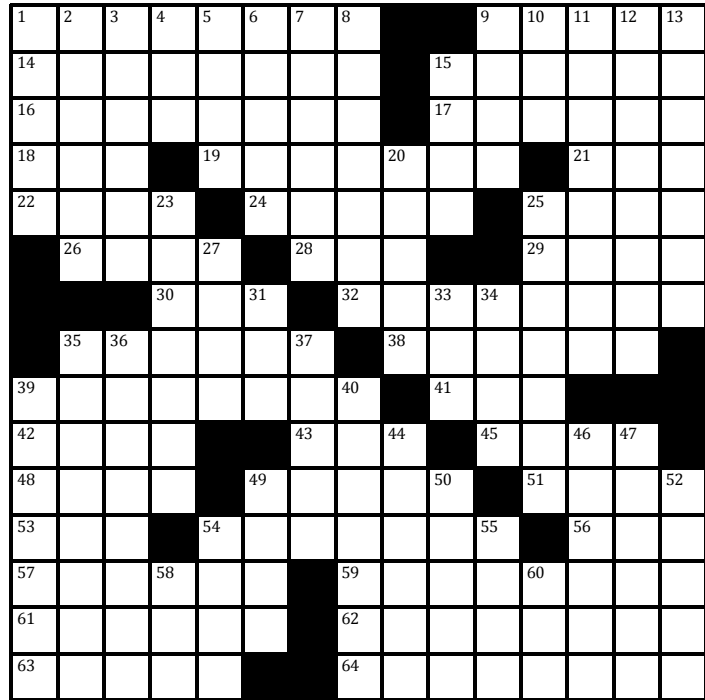


Puzzle 495 – Freestyle 444

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Across

- 1 It's easy to get stuck in them
 9 Playing time
 14 "Just stop it!"
 15 See 20-Down
 16 "This isn't news to me"
 17 They're always doing good
 18 Setting for New Age music, often
 19 Not nearly as pudgy
 21 "I say that...", in a chat
 22 Word from the Maori for "figurine"
 24 The main ingredient of beeswax is one
 25 Subject for "una banda de chicos"
 26 Things to act on
 28 Whip, for one: Abbr.
 29 Don't lose well
 30 Early-'60s bandmate of John, Paul, George, and Pete



- 32 They may be looking for your type
 35 Place to pick up milk and bread, informally
 38 Ivan the Terrible had one made of ivory
 39 It's high for a butterfly
 41 Have a square in the evening
 42 One of the twelve in which the Twelver Shi'ites believe
 43 "L'isola del giorno prima" author
 45 Suffix used with two eons
 48 It gets posted a lot
 49 Soft opening
 51 Line that doesn't go away
 53 Softball
 54 "Ease up a bit"
 56 Part of NYE
 57 "Wait please"
 59 Like the music selections played by SiriusXM's The Loft channel
 61 They're jumped by some fare dodgers
 62 Bumbling movie character inspired by Poirot
 63 Pursuing eagerly

64 Generator of an infamous (and salacious) report on the Clinton/Lewinsky affair

Down

- 1 Like rainforests
 2 "Zebra giraffes"
 3 Cover on a record
 4 Baseball scoreboard abbr. before LAA
 5 Starts a growing process
 6 Disingenuously sophisticated
 7 It may feature a "panic bar"
 8 Shield
 9 Rocket or jet
 10 Any one of five U.S. presidents
 11 Low-budget trip for newlyweds, in modern slang
 12 Something to buy a wheel for
 13 So to say
 15 Many a politician, some say (okay, a lot of people say)
 20 Part of a 15-Across system
 23 "We gotta stop procrastinating"
 25 Concerning
 27 Setting for some old philosophical discussions

- 31 Chrome entry
 33 Winners of MLB's annual Edgar Martinez Award
 34 Señal de la ____ (Spanish prayer)
 35 Give the eye, say
 36 Practice a form of Internet vigilantism
 37 Refrain of a song sung by Elvis in his 1967 movie "Double Trouble" (seriously)
 39 Nonsense "language" spoken by household members in a popular video game series
 40 Assurance of competence in an industrial process, briefly
 44 Pythia, at Delphi, for example
 46 It's combined with vodka and lemonade to make a John Daly
 47 Symbol of decadence
 49 Works on lots of blades
 50 Lycra alternative, once
 52 Go on over?
 54 TV's Leonardo, Rafael, Michelangelo, or Donatello, e.g.
 55 Object of devotion, in many old hymns
 58 White-aproned TV character
 60 The most populous city in North America is on it, for short