HO HO HO! by Merl Reagle

NOTE: Two HOs have been placed in some answers with care, in HOpes that a third HO will lead you there. Merry solving!

## ACROSS

1 They may mature in one yr.
7 Type of spray
11 Axolotl's cousin
14 What a big weather-map arrow might indicate
15 Zenith
16 Paper name, briefly
18 HOt car's destination
19 Whitman's HOund
22 Patriotic soc.
23 Classic Hanks line in "Saving Private Ryan," " $\qquad$ this"
24 Magnate's nickname
25 Egyptian goddess
26 Feathery accessory
28 Terminal term
30 Oxford HOnoree
33 Chute and sHOot
37 Black or green stuff
38 Fade, as a snowman
39 Actor Carroll
40 Milky-white stone
41 Team's win-loss status: abbr.
43 Greek letter
45 Exult annoyingly
47 Audience sHOut
53 Big sHOt
55 Half a ring
56 Sweet finish
57 Bit of December mail
58 Overthrow first, e.g.
59 Like some cHOres
61 Caught in $\qquad$
62 Singer Jim
65 "El Paso" singer Robbins
66 Roman poet
67 Plant with sHOwy flowers
69 Got the pot
70 British gun
71 QB's try: abbr.
72 Marco Polo's heading
73 It's luminous witHOut heat
77 A cHOice individual?
80 Confrontation
81 Bard's before
82 Pilot's announcement: abbr.
83 At sea
84 Extinct bird
88 Ambience
91 Wine factor
93 Do (something) tHOroughly
95 IdaHO's "Niagara of the West"
100 Vine-shaded area
101 Wassailing place
102 Mr . Rubik
103 Brief personal history?
104 Easy win
107 Gold container, perhaps
108 With 111 Across, a seasonal tHOught
111 See 108 Across
113 Uproar
114 Continue
115 Prose pros
116 Compass pt.
117 Piercing sites
118 Go back


## DOWN

1 " $\qquad$ much!"
2 Nursery rhyme girl
3 Rick and Victor's love
4 Garland co-star, 1939
5 Garland co-star's role, 1939
6 Mfr .'s recommended amt.
7 Large opening?
8 Plant pest
9 Bus. boss
10 $\qquad$ tax

11 Credo
12 First-year types
13 As late as
14 Some intro?
17 Where Ruth is
18 Lake rental
20 Bones
21 Stocking stuffer?
22 Wonka's creator
24 Satisfied sounds
27 Blakey of jazz
29 Worse verse?
30 Akin: abbr.
31 Impress deeply
32 Forget
34 Ornament's place?
35 Colorful fish
36 Western alliance
41 German industrial center
42 WWII arena: abbr.
43 Type of violet
44 Extremely popular
46 Huck or Tom, e.g.

47 Parcel unit
48 Emanation of a sort
49 Trouncing
50 Reindeer tootsies
51 Grammy-winning country star of the 1980s, K.T. $\qquad$
52 Demond's 1970s co-star
53 " $\qquad$ the Chief"
54 Guitar part
57 Terry, e.g.
59 Franz's "pump you up" pal on "SNL"
60 __ the collar
61 At the drop of
62 Action climax, often
63 __ Hashana
64 Prefix for the square root of this clue
65 Unification Church head
68 Wine factor
69 "Awesome!"
70 Hindu title
73 Walla Walla's winter hrs.
74 Part of a ship
75 "Quiet now"
76 Not fooled by
78 Ft. or yd., e.g.
79 Bone to pick
83 Part of UCLA
85 Stephen Foster tune, " $\qquad$ Carry Me 'Long"
86 Wreath sites, often
87 Fairy-tale character
88 Pharaoh's symbol

89 "Nope"
90 The iron giant in "The Iron Giant"
91 Part of A.D.
92 Main character in "It's A Wonderful Life," Bailey
93 Day- $\qquad$
94 Porta-pooch?
96 Doesn't ignore
97 "Friend $\qquad$ ?"
98 Detest
99 Property claims
104 Went by sleigh
105 Actress Lena
106 Tick, for one
109 Bar owner on "The Simpsons"
110 __ degree
111 That boat
112 "... of Orient $\qquad$ " "
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