



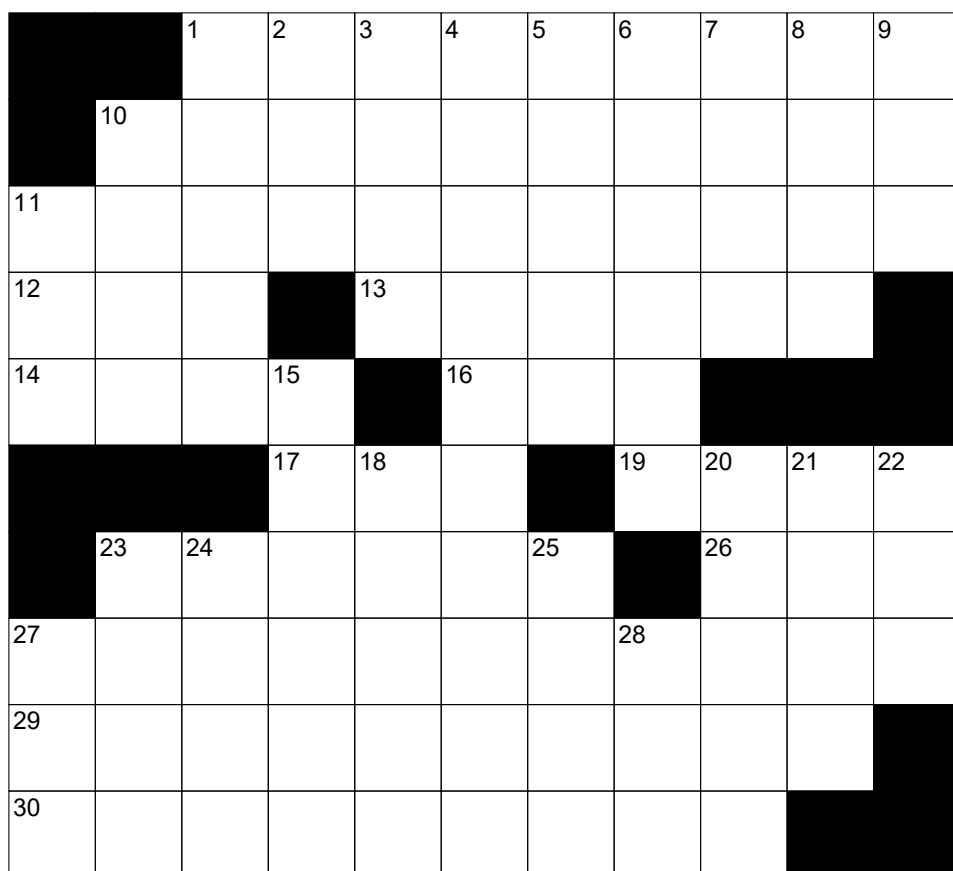
September 22, 2025 - "Something from Nothing" - Katie Hoody, edited by Matthew Luter

ACROSS

- 1 Tricky way to please a crowd?
- 10 "Get this on tape!"
- 11 Inflated overhead expense at some events?
- 12 "If the world were clear, _____ would not exist": Albert Camus
- 13 Hand gestures used in yoga and meditation
- 14 Chance to prove you know right from wrong
- 16 Unit of land
- 17 Free
- 19 Org. that provides useful equipment when you want to move, but it won't do the heavy lifting for you
- 23 Kick back
- 26 Morsel in a monster cookie
- 27 Words that might provoke a child to say, "Five more minutes, pleeeeeease?"
- 29 Question asked at the end of a mad dash
- 30 Biggest supporters of a particular boxer, say

DOWN

- 1 Clears space for new growth, bird style
- 2 Quantity of leaves that are brown in the song "California Dreamin'"
- 3 Latch (onto)
- 4 "My talking points are far from exhausted"
- 5 Like an eager beaver's attitude



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- 6 Walking encyclopedia
- 7 Deity aptly found in "She raised Ares"
- 8 Typically my second guess when seeing the clue "Tolkien creatures"
- 9 [Boo-hoo]
- 10 Like a 1st Edition Holo Charizard Pokémon card (this clue has been fact-checked by my nephew)
- 11 One flying by night but not by sight
- 15 Strictly following
- 18 Following, as a row of ducklings behind their mama
- 20 They're seen around some zoo exhibits
- 21 Give into pressure to go spelunking, say
- 22 Fed one's microbiome
- 23 My grandma's famous Key _____ pie (yum!)
- 24 Fail to mention, as an embarrassing detail you conveniently "forget" when sharing a story
- 25 _____ Hartje of the PWWL's New York Sirens
- 27 Bad type of shoes to wear when trying to sneak up on someone
- 28 Organ useful in music-making