Betsie Current Crossword by Eliza Prager and Dan Flanagan exclusively for the Betsie Current

ACROSS

- 1. Soap opera trope
- 5. "Lord of the Rings" baddies
- 9. "60 Minutes" net.
- 12. Ruse
- 13. Tattle (on)
- 14. Place for jewelry
- 15. Not quite never
- 16. Hawk highways
- 18. See 49-Across
- 20. Playground fixture
- 21. Step in it, so to speak
- 23. Not fit for children
- 25. Author Harper ____
- 26. You can take it
- 27. Window units (for short)
- 30. Bear cub in Michigan legend, nowadays
- 35. Buddy
- 36. Co. that still lets you check a bag for free
- 37. Background noise
- 38. "For the _____ Pete!"
- 41. Stormcloud Brewing Co. offering
- 42. Bloke's counterpart
- 45. Fall into place
- 47. Liza who has been married four times
- 49. He played Hawkeye on "M*A*S*H" (with 18-Across)
- 52. Mysterious sighting, for short
- 53. Egg
- 54. Prefix with berry
- 55. "____ the season..."
- 56. Sonic the Hedgehog console
- 57. Identical twin identifier, perhaps

DOWN

1. Harry Potter's crush

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Solution at dandecrosswords.com

- 2. Suffix with ball
- 3. Iconic 90s dance
- Figure skating jump
 Only Great Lake that
- doesn't touch Michigan
- 6. Cheerleader's syllable
- 7. Bird topper
- 8. Mountainside stones
- 9. Union agreements (abbr)
- 10. Gaucho's tool
- 11. Austin fest
- 17. Olympic dream?
- 19. "Fiddlesticks!"
- 21. Nightmarish street
- 22. Harvest
- 24. Keep happy
- 28. Detroit founder (and luxury car make)
- 29. Cut with scissors

31. Run DMC track: "You Be

- 32. Site of iconic photo of Marines raising a flag
- 33. Place for valuable jewelry
- 34. Watson and Crick studied it (abbr)
- 39. Margarines
- 40. It can open and close
- 42. Something obscene
- 43. Like an expensive stereo
- 44. MLB Hall of Famer: ____ "Country" Slaughter
- 46. "____ and the Real Girl" (2007 film)
- 48. Haul
- 50. Cool ____ cucumber
- 51. 91.5 FM, e.g.