



Across:

- 1 Injection of zinc a senior gets as a precaution (2,4)
- 4 Adept has scratched answers for the most profound parts (6)
- 8 Barbeque is barely spicy and not quite pleasant (6)
- 9 Latina is crazy for Europeans (8)
- 10 Billy's revolutionary experiment is most ingenious (8)
- 11 Macho guy at championship — essentially, a place to make a record (6)
- 12 Lots of officials drink liquor, except sect's leaders (6)
- 14 Melted down and erred badly, accepting termination (8)
- 16 Second—to—last lawyer pursuing real demands (8)
- 18 Tailless baby bird carries small ring, going west to find places to land? (6)
- 20 Schism is blessed when lord finally replaces knight (6)
- 22 Fantasy I have: going after evil American (8)
- 24 Explaining charge at a restaurant, maybe for Spooner (8)
- 25 Sick feeling from milk absorbed by unfinished flatbread (6)
- 26 Crank up the temperature inside confines of smith's container (6)
- 27 Routes in here were used regularly for those that show the way (6)

Down:

- 1 When it rains, it pours? Perhaps at first: it's gloomy having nothing (5)
- 2 In the middle of magical trance on top of ledge (7)
- 3 Course taken as often as needed for what comes next (9)
- 5 Tests eggs Sam's gathered (5)
- 6 Carol covers part of cage for military leader (7)
- 7 Horrible taste in men, losing head in ardent emotion (9)
- 9 Curious to bury English Police Chief? (11)
- 13 Witty remarks illustrated by continuous contour drawings? (3-6)
- 15 Singles run around wasting energy, making babies (9)
- 17 Exploit to butt dial Lizzie every so often (7)
- 19 You uncovered nonsense solution for cryptic (7)
- 21 Throw out proclamation, getting win for duke (5)
- 23 Faulty serve goes astray (5)