The Crossword

CHAIN REACTION

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ACROSS

- 1. Word with clown or first
- 6. Peter the Great, for one
- 10. Beelike, so it's said
- 14. From this time onward
- 15. The biggest one is golden
- 16. ____ Spumante
- 17. Large sea duck
- 18. See 59 down
- 19. ____ Caulker, Belize
- 20. Directive for 2am on November 1st
- 22. "A View to ____"
- 23. More than want
- 25. Measure of dignity, sometimes
- 26. CLT posting
- 29. Offering from The Coffee Shelf
- 31. The birds & the bees subject
- 32. Rabbits and Beetles, for short
- 33. Type of speech impediment
- 37. Quaint giggle
- 39. Regretting
- 40. Small country between France and Spain
- 42. Lentils in India
- 43. Alliterately pickable item
- 44. Least tidy
- 46. GBP 6 pt-ers
- 47. Trims the rind of
- 50. Present participle endings
- 51. Floating freely in the air
- 52. That which is enjoyed by skydivers; without cost before autum
- 58. When doubled, it's a Jim Carrey film
- 59. What T may mean on a test
- 61. "Beavis and Butthead" spinoff
- 62. Marseille mom or a word that might precede "formality"
- 63. Absence of hassle
- 64. Float without energy, if you get my meaning
- 65. Addie's husband, in "As I Lay Dying"
- 66. Orange or lime drinks
- 67. Irish poet who received the Nobel Literature Prize in 1923

DOWN

- 1. Newberry's John Worthington of Figaro The Dining Room, or Bobby Flay
- 2. Star Wars Princess
- 3. Follower of P in accounting or S in finance
- 4. Palmetto state's home of Power Ball (abbr.)
- 5. Tennis' Novak Djokovic, for one
- 6. Push up targets, informally 7. 2019 Jonas Brothers' hit

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- 8. Lazy Creek Taphouse's (perhaps pale) offering
- 9. Crimson or coral
- 10. Dylan's 5th studio album, "Bring ing It All _____"
- 11. Company that merged with AA in 2013.
- 12. 2012 Psy hit, Gangam ____
- 13. Sign at a merge
- 21. Givens on "Jeopardy!"
- 22. Word with battery
- 24. Moines, Iowa
- 26. Spanish 101 question "¿Como Usted?"
- 27. Word with four or six, but not three or five
- 28. Sharply cut down?
- 29. World's highest peak
- 30. Street, in Germany

- 34. Mojito garnish
- 35. "The Famous Five" author Blyton
- 36. Grps of battalions
- 38. Beyond all major obstacles
- 41. "____ live and breathe!"
- 42. MBAs and Bachelors
- 45. Soak with, or marry, as flavors
- 47. "Carrie" Director, Brian De ____
- 48. UFO pilot
- 49. Prideful sounds?
- 53. River swirl
- 54. Cost of riding a subway
- 55. Operatic soliloquy
- 56. Raise
- 57. Pull up muscles, briefly
- 59. With (or without) 18 across, an offering from The Coffee Shelf
- 60. "Awesome!"

A few helpful hints: Each answer is always the same part of speech as the clue, and is always in the same tense as the clue. If the clue has an abbreviation in it, the answer likely does too. If the clue ends with a question mark, it's probably a pun.

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