

Labor Day by Joshua Rubin

The answer to this meta is something I hope you will say about it.

Across

1. Savanna stalker
5. Soul supplier
8. Toto's second album
13. "___ done it differently"
14. Rear
15. Tanner
16. Old English Christmas dish
17. Empire that used a 35A
18. Sierra ___ (West African nation)
19. Happen upon
21. Struggle for air
22. Wholesale club chain
25. Nothing volatile here?
28. Overtake in a race
31. Gift on the fourth day
33. Well-funded nation (abbr.)
34. This

35. Calculator used by the 17A (looks like a college for comedians)
36. Fleischer and Kate's killer on NCIS
37. This backwards
38. Near-impossible
41. "Ein, zwei, ___"
44. One of the Inner Hebrides
45. Home of the 71A
49. El toro
50. Pentagon initials
51. Foals' mothers
52. Agatha Christie's "The ___ Murders" (not one of her best)
53. Woman's name meaning "a bee" in Greek
56. "Wizard of Oz" studio
57. Preside at a trial

59. "___ Kleine Nachtmusik"
61. Picayune
63. Feature of Orion
65. Overawes
69. Rome, e.g.
70. "I filled this grid by hand!", e.g.
71. NBA team from 45A
72. Pumps and Pumas
73. Track tenaciously
74. 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, ...

Down

1. "Ad" add-on
2. Courtroom vow
3. Caesar's breakfast?
4. Kind of gun
5. Ish
6. "Monsters, ___" (Disney film)
7. Matt's 20D
8. Hippy dances
9. Fashion's Saint Laurent
10. COVID transmitter
11. Bolted
12. Reply to Blackbeard
14. Smack
20. "Time" piece
21. "Do ___ see God?" (palindrome)
22. Common Labor Day party, for short
23. ___ Jitsu
24. "Lanka" lead-in
26. It's south of Rwanda
27. Ali who retired undefeated
29. Put the food away
30. Skillet spray

32. The third degree, in England
34. Ending for klepto- or pyro-
36. Keep ___ head (stay calm)
39. Uber user, maybe
40. Jordanian capital once known as Philadelphia
41. AKA in the WSJ
42. Spice mix for a 22D
43. Former leader of the Sinaloa Cartel
46. Furnish with firepower
47. Cabana boy admirer
48. "Catholic" conclusion
53. They don't pass down their mitochondrial genes

54. Baseball bigwig Bud
55. Web locus
58. "Cosmo" competitor
60. Nymph rejected by Narcissus
61. Scandinavian airline
62. Speedometer reading (abbr.)
63. Rotten, as an egg
64. Chess rating system
66. "Gribble" was added to it in March
67. Chewing gum unit
68. Waze ways (abbr.)

