

Meta-thesis

ACROSS

- 1 Conductor's reading
- 6 Org. for men with big antlers?
- 10 Serb or Czech
- 14 Priest's plate
- 15 Wisc. neighbor
- 16 "Still _____" 1976 hit
- 18 Pegasus or Sleipnir
- 20 Soledad on TV
- 21 Table scrap
- 22 Why my laptop is so slow
- 24 Early cable co. bought by AT&T
- 27 Understand
- 29 Fast flier in its day
- 30 "Whether I shall turn out to be the ____ of my own life. . ."
- 31 Avaricious one
- 34 John Wayne role, John Havlicek nickname
- 37 They might be rolled or puffed
- 38 ____ culpa
- 40 Friml and Bing of the classical music biz
- 44 Frat dudes
- 45 Link
- 47 Where people toss a lot of bull, or bulls toss a lot of people
- 48 Follower suffix
- 49 Apuleius novel, with "The"
- 51 ___ Def, rapper ("Ms. Fat Booty," etc.)
- 52 Escort
- 54 Like the King's blue shoes
- 55 Lice to begin with
- 56 Embiggen
- 58 3401 for garlic, 4605 for escarole
- 59 Oolong, rooibos, etc.
- 60 It's longer than 9 Down (alt. spelling)
- 62 Strong embraces
- 65 ___ Buco
- 68 ___ disant
- 70 David Attenborough got a degree there; Mick Jagger dropped out
- 71 Signs like an illiterate
- 72 Breda or Haarlem
- 75 Campus political org. active in the 60s
- 77 Like the Belmont Stakes
- 78 Reliable wheelbarrow
- 84 Lets the pigs out
- 85 Where Kilroy was
- 86 Assuages
- 87 Teases
- 88 Funny Aussie Dame
- 89 Pipe cleaner

DOWN

- 1 Banana Boat letters
- 2 Michael Ovitz's company
- 3 Legal bookie joint letters
- 4 Move, to a real estate broker

The answer is a surname.

Bird Lives

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- 5 Kind of snack bar
- 6 NYC alternative to the IRT and IND
- 7 Epitome of easiness, or so it's said
- 8 They take torts and contracts
- 9 It's shorter than 60 Across but longer than a hyphen
- 10 The state of many medieval peasants
- 11 Whence Sancerre and Vouvray
- 12 Lend _____, listen up
- 13 Cash alternative
- 16 Tik follower
- 17 Westworld home
- 19 Tennis great Graf to friends
- 23 Percent of emails where someone followed the link, abbr.
- 24 Wireless network that loves magenta
- 25 Get cruder
- 26 The bottom line is . . .
- 28 Tigers of Sri Lanka
- 32 Sierra to NATO troops
- 33 They make up Maslow's hierarchy
- 35 "Gray's Anatomy" role
- 36 Type of massive cyber attack
- 39 Enjoyed immensely
- 41 Super Mario of the Penguins
- 42 It's on the cutting-room floor
- 43 Sound of a small pin in a large balloon
- 45 Islands near Fiji
- 46 Sixteen oz.
- 49 Prepare for action (or with a metathesis, what you are now filling)
- 50 Challenge to _____
- 53 Sicilian with overhead concerns
- 55 The last ordinal
- 57 Brand that might have fueled a Packard
- 61 Before the west was won or the Grinch stole Christmas
- 63 Gofer
- 64 Chose a new hair color
- 65 What British noses detect
- 66 Like most Saudis
- 67 Part two of the solution
- 69 "The Lady _____"
- 73 Solo in space
- 74 Festoons on Halloween
- 76 Simba's not-very-avuncular uncle
- 79 Final resting place for some
- 80 Red or Dead
- 81 Simile center
- 82 Toon chihuahua
- 83 General on the menu