

PCC#21 Hit the Gym

The answer to the meta is where I spend most of my time (instead of going to the gym like I should) • pchow13

ACROSS

- 1 Former Mach 2 flier: Abbr.
 4 H.S. exams taken for college credit
 7 Leonard who portrayed Spock on "Star Trek"
 12 "Chicken Run" enclosure
 14 One might rotate atop a music box
 16 "Hop ___" (Dr. Seuss book that a library considered banning because it might encourage children to use violence against their fathers)
 18 Season openers?
 19 Scoundrel
 21 Well-mannered
 22 Do-or-die moment
 24 Excavate
 27 Tool with teeth
 28 Peanut, for one
 31 Leaping before looking, say
 34 Galileo or Fibonacci, by birth (their town had a leaning tower)
 35 A New York minute
 41 "Jungle Book" bear who sings "The Bare Necessities"
 42 Rihanna's best-selling album "Good ___ Gone Bad"
 43 "Shutdown" rapper
 45 Second option in a famous Hamlet soliloquy
 51 ___-Man (classic arcade game)
 52 Graphs of a certain periodic function essential to Fourier transforms
 55 "Love is in the air, but so is ___. Wash your hands" (quote to encourage you to practice self-care to avoid catching a winter bug)
 58 Gets down to propose, traditionally
 59 Flowers popular in Hindu weddings
 62 "Based On ___ Story" (Kaley Cuoco comedy that feeds into America's obsession with serial killer podcasts)
 63 Type of investment account
 64 PED XING, for example
 65 Ed who voiced Mr. Fredricksen in Pixar's "Up"
 66 Bugs Bunny animator Avery
 67 ___ kwon do

DOWN

- 1 Burn
 2 Mexican state for which a desert is named
 3 Movie with the line "I feel the need... the need for speed"
 4 Presidential nickname
 5 Company behind the One Chip Challenge
 6 "Futurama" soft drink that rhymes with "worm"

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- 7 "99 Luftballons" singer
 8 Waffle ___ (kitchen appliance that my mom used a total of two times and now just sits in the garage collecting dust because it's too annoying to clean)
 9 Multipurpose
 10 The loneliest number, in song
 11 Encouraging cry to a drag queen
 13 Hit with a hammer
 15 Hit one's reputation with written defamation
 17 Chest muscles, for short
 20 "Lamb Chop" puppeteer Lewis
 23 Vocal quality of some country singers
 25 "If ___ be so bold..."
 26 Chromosome component
 29 Org. that covers Springfield in a dome in "The Simpsons Movie"
 30 Liquor thinned in the Gwendolyn Brooks poem "We Real Cool"
 32 What powderhounds do
 33 "Stormy Weather" singer Lena
 35 Amount equal to 1/16 of a cup: Abbr.
 36 Māori ceremonial dance (hidden in "Boom Shakalaka")
 37 Bit of negativity?
 38 Hit on the head
 39 Everything, with "the"
 40 Group of sheep
 44 "But ___ me, give me liberty or give me death!"
 46 Niçoise salad ingredient
 47 Historic shipping weight allowances as compensation for loss by waste
 48 "So done with that!"
 49 Hit song for children's entertainer Raffi "Baby ___"
 50 Ancient Jewish ascetic
 53 ___ ease (uncomfortable)
 54 Hit lightly with your elbow
 56 "Take a ___!" ("Get lost!")
 57 Hungarian city known for "Bull's Blood" wine
 59 Wharton degree, often: Abbr.
 60 "___ gratia artis" (MGM's motto which translates to "Art for art's sake")
 61 Subject of "the birds and the bees" talk