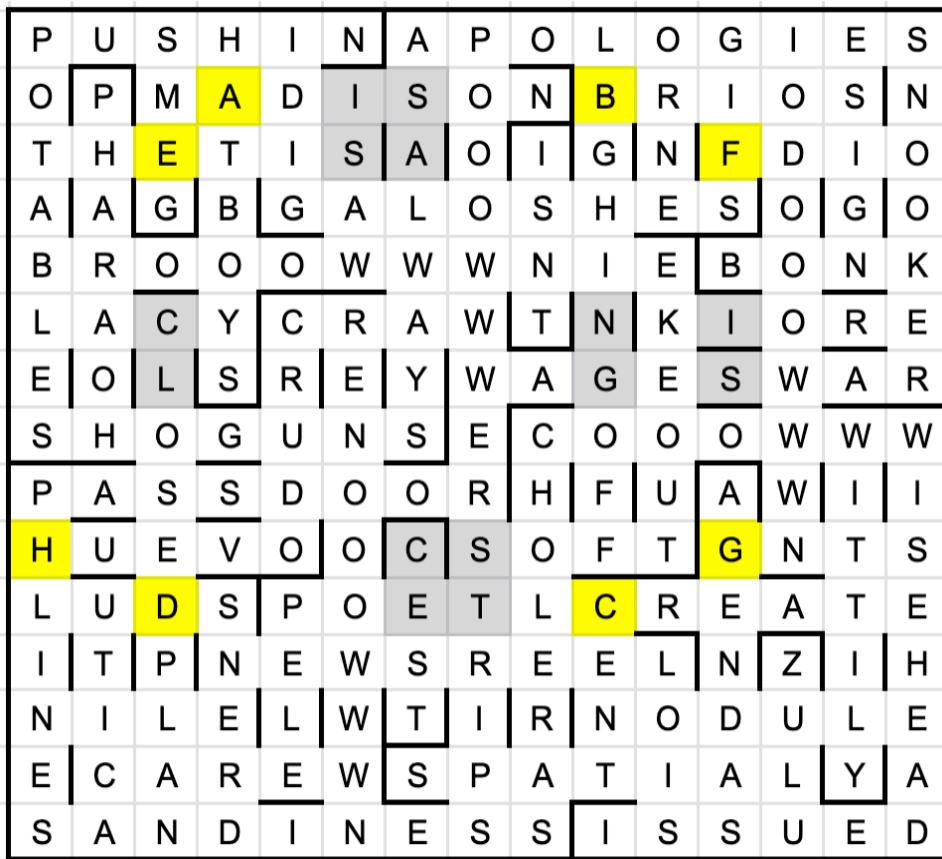THE CALL OF THE WILD SOLUTION – SIGNET CLASSICS

The grid can be filled as shown. Cluing is normal, but two gimmicks are in effect when entering answers in the grid: 1) AU is entered in a single square, representing "gold", and 2) the bigram OW is expanded to OOOWWW, representing the howl of the wolves. Letters from entries crossing gold squares are unique A-H. Per the intro text, trace a path between these spaces and, when the path crosses a wolf howl, note the two squares just traversed. In order, these spell the answer SIGNET CLASSICS.

P	U	S	H	I	N	A	P	O	L	O	G	I	E	S
O	P	M	A	D	I	S	O	N	B	R	I	O	S	N
T	H	E	T	I	S	A	O	I	G	N	F	D	I	O
A	A	G	B	G	A	L	O	S	H	E	S	O	G	O
B	R	O	O	O	W	W	W	N	I	E	B	O	N	K
L	A	C	Y	C	R	A	W	T	N	K	I	O	R	E
E	O	L	S	R	E	Y	W	A	G	E	S	W	A	R
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H	U	E	V	O	O	C	S	O	F	T	G	N	T	S
L	U	D	S	P	O	E	T	L	C	R	E	A	T	E
I	T	P	N	E	W	S	R	E	E	L	N	Z	I	H
N	I	L	E	L	W	T	I	R	N	O	D	U	L	E
E	C	A	R	E	W	S	P	A	T	I	A	L	Y	A
S	A	N	D	I	N	E	S	S	I	S	S	U	E	D

Clue explanations (* = anagram; " " = homophone)

ACROSS 1. PUSH[-k]IN 5. A+EGOOPSI* with L 14. MAD+IS ON 16. BR[I]OS 17. TH[ET]IS 19. AUDI+O 20. GAL+SHOES* 21. INBOWER* 23. KNOB reversed 24. CLAY* 26. C+RAW 28. wiKI OR Encylopedia 29. WAGE[WAS*]R 30. S[HOG]UNS 31. double definition 34. S in SAD* in POOR 36. HUE+VO 38. S+OFT 39. [-t]AUNTS 40. "all…mush" stripping sides from words 43. OPERETTA* holding LA+U, +E. 45. "roos kneel" spoonerism 48. LINE* 49. EL+UDON reversed 50. CARE+W 51. SPAT+ALI* 52. SAN[DINES]S 53. SUSIES*+D

DOWN 1. APOSTLE* with B 2. SM[A]UG 3. SHYABOUT* 4. frigID IGloo 5. AS+A[L]WAYS 6. POWER [S]TRIPS 7. L[A+HUG*]INGO+FF 8. cORNEll 9. FIGS* 10. I O[DO]WN 11. E[-n]SIGN 12. ORKENOS* 13. AHOPRAH* 15. "ice aww" 18. InSaNiTy 22. TOKEE[-p]U[-p]* 25. C+OLDPANELS* 26. CRUD+O 27. RENO+W[-ester]N 31. "collaruhs" 32. W+ITT+[-I]ILY 33. SAIDWHEE* 34. ALUPINES* 35. AGE+DANS* 37. SECT* 41. tACITUrn reversed 42. REDS* with N 43. PEEL* 44. ETC* with N 46. SOIL* 47. "zoo Lou"