

ICARUS SOLUTION – ANTIFIRE / ROCKETED

The grid may be filled as shown. Yellow squares indicate the trigram SOL in the Across entry crossing that square, clashing with the corresponding Down entry. Reading the letters "soaring past the sun" in ascending order in the grid spells the answer ANTIFIRE.

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Each such clash occurs in a Down entry made by filling in two words, each clued by one-or-two word elements that must be removed from other clues (see the clue explanations below). Reading these entries in ascension (i.e. with the wings "deployed") yields clues to elements of other clues. Where the Down entry is in column N, take the Nth letter of the indicated clue.

GRUB [victuals] + SIRRAH [Shakespearean address] = HARRISBURG ["P(r)osperous...Pennsylvania city..."]

MOOR [Heath] + TERCES [church hours] = SECRET ROOM ["Twos(o)me...cryptic chamber..."]

STEEL [metal alloy] + FRATS [kegger hosts] = STARFLEETS ["Refle(c)tively...Federation vessels..."]

SEER [Soothsayer] + GED [proficiency test] = DEGREES ["Drawbac(k)s...measurement units"]

NAVY [Sailors] + REVILED [Execrated] = DELIVERY VAN ["Big felin(e)...UPS truck..."]

EVITA [musical] + RENEGED [backpedaled] = DEGENERATIVE ["Make an effor(t)...triggering corruption..."]

STREP [throat trouble] + XENON [inert gas] = NONEXPERTS ["Initially, amat(e)urs..."]

SNOOP [Busybody] + STRESSED [emphasized] = DESSERT SPOONS ["Mess I splattere(d)...silverware..."]

Clue Explanations

anagram\*; "homophone"; ~~superfluous element~~

Across: 1. MESS I\* + S; 2. ~~emphasized~~; AN ASSET\*; 3. "O to E" in crew/Crow change; 4. first letters of "amateurs...eventually"; 5. TA + BOOED; 6. LOVERS\*; 7. M[R + SOLE]ARY; 8. ~~backpedaled~~; KNAVE ENTertainingly; 9. ~~victuals~~; ELICIT A\*; 10. G[ROWS]OLD; 11. PeRvErSiOn LaDy; 12. A + TAX + O; 13. GRI[-FT]ER; 14. ~~throat trouble~~; DIVE\*; 15. center letters of "UPS...unfazed"; 16. SEAMS COIL\*; 17. RU[-I]NS; 18. ~~Heath~~; L + LET reversed; 19. A[EROS]OL; 20. THE SS\*; 21. LOSE + NIP reversed; 22. A-1 + KID + O; 23. ~~musical~~; DO + LENT + E; 24. T + R[YN]OT; 25. ~~Shakespearean address~~; O + AGENTS\*; 26. "grays"; 27. ~~execrated~~; MAN[EG]ES; 28. I + VIOLATES\*; 29. ~~soothsayer~~; "lot"; 30. C[HR + ON]ONS; 31. O + DO[O]GS reversed

Down (clue order): A DIME A DOZEN: ~~kegger hosts~~; AD + I + MEAD + ZONE\*; AAHED AT: ~~busybody~~; TEA HAD A\*; ASSAILANTS: ~~metal alloy~~; ASS + AIL + ANTS; EGGO: EG[G]O; FOREREARING: ~~sailors~~; REFORGE CHAIN\*; ICBM: IC + M + B; KORIN: KOR[!]N; LIONELS: ONEILLS\*; MARC: MAR + C; SEED POTATO: DESPOT ATE\* + O; SITTING PRETTY: STINGY TITTER\* holding P; SMOG: S[MO]G; STAY BAR: ~~church hours~~; ALTAR BOYS\* -OL; STRAW: ~~inert gas~~; STAR\* + W; TREK: riKER Took, reversed; YODA: ~~proficiency test~~; [-T]ODAY\*