

2. Irving by Ucaoimhu

Irving, TX was named after author Washington Irving by its two founders (14 and 33 Down); in tribute to this, the answers to 21 clues will, before entry, (1) catch what Rip Van Winkle caught, (2) imitate the Headless Horseman, or (3) change as hinted at by the founders, in either direction. (Six of the altered entries will be capitalized, one hyphenated, and one archaic; also, each such clue will contain a noncryptic clue for its entry.) For each $n = 1, 2, \text{ or } 3$, read the n th letter from (a) the start, and (b) the end, of every alteration- (n) clue, in clue order. The results for (1a) and (2a), and separately those for (1b) and (2b), will name two other people, to whose legends Irving contributed; each of 19 clues has one incorrect letter (to be corrected before solving), and in clue order (a) the incorrect letters, and separately (b) the correct letters, will say what part of their respective legends we would not have without Irving.

Irving Place in New York was similarly named after Washington Irving. Each of four “compressed” answers must be entered with an entire word in its first, unchecked square; the completed grid will contain (in the same direction as the answer, but *ending* at that first square) a feature of Irving, TX that is neighborly, edgy, or transportive. That leaves eight clues, each of which has one extra word (to be removed before solving); every “compressed” answer intersects the answers to two such clues, and their extra words will give a corresponding feature of the Irving Place area.

Finally, one other specific entity in New York was also given the name Irving; (3a) from the first paragraph will give the original name, and (3b) will identify (depending on how you resolve an ambiguity about whether something is two letters or one) either the renamed entity, or the entity’s renamer.

ACROSS

2. Ocean vessel’s kitchen maid, by the French-style passageway at the end
5. Triangular pool-ball holders bearing name that Italian investigated (2 wds.)
9. A typo disheartened boxing family, fifthly — and Cher or Tracy Chapman
10. Rains engulfing shoots obliterate chiefly plural word before *d’être*, maybe
12. Top Castilian is obstructing TV set with an electron beam in it
14. Very loot-like things take hits (2 wds.)
16. Mahler’s inscription on a letter for Glinda about a kind of suit
17. Zed is elated with semi-italic name following “Chichén”
18. Fight at the boundaries straddled by fairy monarch (2 wds.)
19. What some do before removing large blots or shaking zin up
22. Are aiding small donkey
25. Tot hiding vacuous little key words on rental properties’ signs (2 wds.)
26. Almost tailing English author Fleming and English actress Keaton
28. Bizarrely into premiere of sidekick Tenille and others named similarly
29. Computer that thinks about river in

- the country that was Shakespeare’s
32. Yule song with no high-up vocal, say
36. Say stage union had been daunting
38. Son folks blocked with 40% rigid item swishing balls don’t hit (2 wds.)
41. Smell oleander, originally from the right half of eleven square yards
43. Enthusiast echoed /e/ sound that’s not just Norse
45. Rookie Todd’d dry out peonies badly
46. Performed third with one *Grease* actress named Conn
47. E.g., cleaver and ax cut off tellurium after they should have (2 wds.)
48. Lunch or brunch rolls for Oklahoma Avenue location
49. Ol’ Wes tossed backer of art in a hole of greatest depth, for instance
50. To have fun ski frock altered (2 wds.)

DOWN

1. Guts of Grover and Ray digested plant part that can change into a lime or litchi
2. UK test answer you’d get by saying V, A, L, E when playing Hanuman (2 wds.)
3. Have an inclination to start lecturing the composer of this cryptic stanza
4. Amidst rote mistake, radicals will exhibit great apprehension
6. Fluorescent dye ultimately made Soho guy’s Gramercy Deli turn orange (*var.*)
7. A boozy fellow gets company to hustle
8. Pass park he modified to form a double curve (*hyph.*)

11. Tenscore fines for you
13. A third-person singular verb-forming suffix in NZ’s *Extremities of Ida’s Emus*
14. [See instructions.]
15. Republican in Eire becomes netizen’s source for an article written by Spyri
18. Hear of item with a seedy cord brace
20. Inwardly runish term Aussies (but few American people) use for Yale and Penn
21. Scheme of pol burst out in the east
23. Term prec. a name on a ltr. when the eleventh tour begins has no E (*abbr.*)
24. Greatness hides from Seth & Zoe
27. Bury the five lead characters from whom Hal expects lean meat
28. Conduit business singers Sheeran and Garfunkel brought up
30. Set of pictures of pilot or cooks
31. Winy reb lifted emeralds and such
33. [See instructions.]
34. Assuming fifty move supply and shun individualism
35. Grab hold of novel obtained if, of all its letterlike marks, I dump “æ” (2 wds.)
37. Egyptian diving being overshadowed by party for animated TV explorer
39. Noting only what’s even shrubbier in one fourteenth of China’s provinces
40. Apply more pigment to control key next to L Street
42. Make Midwest Group 1.0 rotate Seine tributary
44. Juvenile koi chucking ball caught by Mavericks or Rangers (2 wds.)

