Sticky Situation Matthew Luter

ACROSS

- 1 Opening word of "A Visit from St. Nicholas"
- 5 Movie in which Tom Hanks talks to a character who shares a name with his real-life wife
- 13 French sweetie
- 14 Social services for senior adults
- 15 Have a longing
- 16 Tom Hanks in 5-Across, for example
- 17 Fast shark
- 18 Madison Avenue creation
- 19 Tall cold one
- 21 Give a close look
- 26 Tags on X
- 27 Aware of
- 29 Honolulu's island
- 30 Set up for auction
- 31 "In that case..."
- 32 3 Musketeers ingredient
- 34 Sweet and salty sandwich
- 37 Surprise plot turns
- 38 Make stacks, maybe
- 39 Part of a cage
- 41 Equine locks
- 42 Not so good!
- 43 Snake that squeezes
- 44 Really annoying
- 47 Furry mammals whose collective noun is a business
- 49 Young'uns

- 51 Prominent parts of a 40-Down
- 52 Navy stunt pilot
- 56 Exploding stars
- 57 Piddlingly small-time
- 58 Construct
- 59 Breaks from court or class
- 60 Fairy tale villain

DOWN

- 1 Ancient treatise whose last chapter is titled "Using Spies"
- 2 A group's least adept member, idiomatically
- 3 Direction on the floor at IKEA
- 4 Any one of a "deadly" septet
- 5 Egyptian queen, to friends
- 6 Slowly, on scores
- 7 Four-door transport
- 8 Like those who celebrate a March 31 "day of visibility"
- 9 Org. to which 54-Down belongs
- 10 Angkor ___ (Cambodian landmark)
- 11 One who prefers platonic relationships, for short
- 12 "___ out!" (umpire's cry)
- 13 Part of a drum set
- 14 Oval shape
- 18 Small boats



- 20 It's on many keyboards twice
- 22 Mope
- 23 Real go-getter
- 24 Action scene in a sword-and-sa ndal epic
- 25 Ancient teen king
- 28 Trunk
- 32 They monitor vital signs
- 33 Playful river critter
- 35 Employs
- 36 Virginia home to the world's largest naval base
- 37 Response to an over-sharer
- 40 Type of hound with a keen sense of smell

- 42 Prank involving pulling
- 45 Green lights
- 46 "Criminal ___"
 (longtime CBS procedural)
- 48 Corporate shuffle, briefly
- 50 Places for lions or bears
- 52 "It's cold!!"
- 53 Bit of fiction
- 54 Chapel Hill sch.
- 55 Just get by, with "out"
- 56 "The Matrix" hero