Three in a Row Matthew Luter

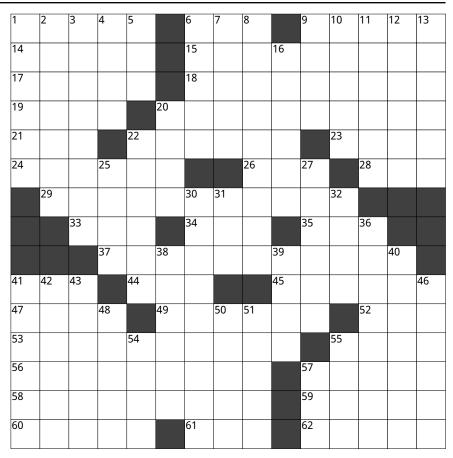
## **ACROSS**

- 1 Longtime Federer rival
- 6 Texting format initials
- 9 Big
- 14 Cheri of "SNL" (and crossword) fame
- 15 It opens to outdoor gathering space
- 17 Blue ribbon winner
- 18 Animal with a name from Malay words for "forest" and "person"
- 19 Not as planned
- 20 1971 pop hit from "Tapestry" whose title precedes "though we really did try to make it"
- 21 "The Big Bang Theory" character
- 22 Sell out, in a way
- 23 Quince menos doce
- 24 Performatively masculine embrace
- 26 Vicious of punk rock
- 28 To this point
- 29 "Be My Baby" girl group
- 33 DC MLBer
- 34 One New England state school: init.
- 35 Snake that squeezes
- 37 Classic game show that works similarly to "Hollywood Squares"
- 41 Subject for 52-Across
- 44 Negative conjunction
- 45 Bit of progress
- 47 They're not pros

- 49 "Aren't you glad I'm back?!"
- 52 Bill of '90s syndicated kids' TV
- 53 Some potpourri bits
- 55 Father, in a way
- 56 Introvert's recharging respite
- 57 Open, as a jacket
- 58 Chased animal?
- 59 Musical blue shoe material
- 60 Fertile soil that sounds like it is (or isn't?) more
- 61 Power \_\_\_ (midday refresher)
- 62 Nash who wrote,
  "God in his
  wisdom made the
  fly / And then
  forgot to tell us
  why"

## **DOWN**

- 1 Like some extreme high-protein diets
- 2 From side to side crossways
- 3 Letter of dismissal (or its idiomatic opening)
- 4 BTS or Kiss fandom
- 5 Piercing place, sometimes
- 6 Leopard features
- 7 Wetland
- 8 Baseball card datum
- 9 FedEx's has an arrow
- 10 \_\_\_ contemporary (light radio format)
- 11 Service club named for its original practice of having members take turns hosting meetings



- 12 Pointy beard
- 13 Actor Borgnine
- 16 Privy to the joke
- 20 Anatagonist of Othello 22 Jane of "SNL" (but
- less so crossword)
- 25 Miami team
- 27 Verb in a turducken recipe
- 30 Dietitian's field
- 31 History textbook unit
- 32 Tart
- 36 Really overthought
- 38 Respond to smelling salts, maybe
- 39 Sets some mood lighting
- 40 "Louisiana \_\_\_"
  (1950s radio show and source of the phrase "Elvis has left the building")

- 41 Write illegibly
- 42 "Fantastic Voyage" rapper
- 43 Dr. Scholls product
- 46 Intensify
- 48 Transmits
- 50 Literary Gregor who "found himself transformed in his bed into a horrible vermin"
- 51 Practice central to Ottessa Moshfegh's novel "My Year of Rest and Relaxation"
- 54 "Square \_\_\_" (early '80s high school sitcom)
- 55 Like a bug in a rug, it's said
- 57 GI entertainment group