

Conjoined

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ACROSS

1. Soft drink brand, or a hint to 17-Across
6. Jazz player's home?
10. Hoops great O'Neal
14. Natural shower accessory
15. Wealthy, to Juan
16. '80s tennis great Mandlikova
17. Compete in a strength contest
19. Baker's appliance
20. Writer Chinua Achebe, by birth
21. Film-rating gp.
22. Dealt a low blow
23. Sci-fi role for Natalie Portman
26. Team of players
29. Sorority letters
30. Announcer's cry after a successful field goal attempt
33. Speedometer letters
36. Brought about
37. Singer DiFranco
38. Bancharo, #1 Pick in the 2022 NBA draft

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40. Network headquartered in Toronto
41. Consumer woes
43. No longer squeaking
46. Angry with
47. Breakfast sandwich option
51. Try for a job
52. "Hilarious!," in a text
53. Org. with a classified budget
56. The Big Easy
57. Tom Selleck television series
60. "Paula's Home Cooking" host
61. "Lift Every Voice and Sing," e.g.
62. Parisian's parting word
63. Common V.A. malady

64. Placed on a peg, in golf
65. Motel alternative, or a hint to 57-Across

DOWN

1. Jai ___ (rhyming game name)
2. Choice between two options
3. Major-leaguer from Osaka who threw two no-hitters
4. Busiest airport in Tex.
5. Become friendly with, eventually
6. Celestial bears
7. Prometheus or Epimetheus
8. Knee injury spot
9. Weed whacker
10. Producer Rhimes who created "Grey's Anatomy" and "Scandal"
11. Light one up
12. Slippery as ___
13. Info session, or a hint to 23-Across
18. Olympic points?
22. Something to assemble
23. Hang it up
24. Geologic age meaning "without life"
25. T-shirt size (abbr.)
26. Barber's powder
27. Letters following Sen. Deb Fischer's name
28. Mismatches
31. Last word before a duel?
32. Japanese demon
34. "Help me!," e.g.
35. Podcast interviewer
38. Place for a shot in the dark?
39. Well-ventilated
41. Pirate appendage, possibly

42. Cornerstone abbr.
44. Trinidad or Tobago
45. Impose, as blame
47. Dow alternative, or a hint to 47-Across
48. "Every man will be ___ if he can": Thoreau
49. Large column of smoke
50. Alter, as an agreement
53. Quarter, for one
54. Picked from a lineup, informally
55. Nuclear vessel, briefly
57. Controversial food preservative, for short
58. It's used in soapmaking
59. ___ Mae Brown (Whoopi's Oscar-winning role in "Ghost")