

Beginnings Pete Muller

ACROSS

1. Title role for Nastassja Kinski
5. Most residents of 15-Across
10. "Cool ____" (dance hit first recorded by the Capitols)
14. National, before a name change
15. Capital of Yemen
16. "Waking ____ Vegas" (Katy Perry hit)
17. New Jersey township that inspired a Billy Joe Royal hit (42)
19. Legal conditional
20. Hawk homes
21. Adorns, in a holiday kind of way
23. Most likely to offend, perhaps
24. Plant mentioned in the Iron & Wine song "The Trapeze Swinger" (35)
25. With 29-Across, Pavarotti classic
26. Alice Cooper's pet of choice
27. Physicist Pierre or Marie
28. Shakes
29. See 25-Across
30. Synonym source, succinctly
31. "Lonely Boy" band, with "the" (98)
34. Lynching might be part of it
37. Electrolyte, e.g.
38. "Music and Lyrics" actor Grant
41. Hometown for 31-Across
42. "Don't Blame It ____" (song by the apparently grammatically challenged Congos)
43. Clan chief
45. "Circle of Life" musical, with "The" (610)
47. Home on the range
48. Following through after swiping right on Tinder, say
49. Ascent assistant
50. Rapper Pitbull's home county
51. Early music publishing company, or a cold metal worker (17)
54. Is shy
55. Pol pool?
56. "Hard ____!"
57. Polemic, sometimes

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58. Vermont ski town
59. It was part of CBGB's address

31. Like Baby Spice, vis-à-vis the other Spice Girls

DOWN

1. Spade, say, for short
2. Use up
3. Revealing beach attire
4. Horse hue
5. Hitherto
6. Sideline shouts
7. First name among feminist singer-songwriters
8. Rocky finish?
9. Word with lead or force
10. They often show up in May, oddly
11. Typical Zagat reader
12. Takes a chance
13. Pierogi relatives
18. 1979 instrumental that topped the pop charts (and also a 1986 PIL song)
22. Lure
23. A-____ (slugger who admitted using GHG)
24. Swindling
26. Shaver brand
29. Gullet
30. Kevin Bacon character in "Footloose"

32. Sri ____
33. Pond omnivore
34. Stench
35. Island known for its high percentage of centenarians
36. Expand
38. "____ Never After" (Pussycat Dolls song)
39. Like leftovers
40. Samosas are often fried in it
42. Like some wonders
43. Concert mementos, for many
44. Hermit leader?
46. "If I Told You Who ____" (Johnny Cash song about an affair with a famous singer)
47. "____ Dreams" (Heart classic)
49. Pozole or waterzooi, say
52. Colbie Caillat or Lisa Loeb hit
53. "____ Brother" (Avicii hit)