

CASTING CHOICES

The relocated letters separate into FLOATS and SINKERS. The casting directors are FISHERMEN.

Across: 1 FLAG + ON; 5 A + TISSUE; 10 TIPS(I)E(R) (spirit anag.); 12 T + URN; 13 NATE (hidden); 14 DAM + AGED; 16 SUNNIEST (U.S. tennis anag.); 18 TALLY; 19 SEN(S)ATE; 21 THE + TAG; 23 DRAW + SIN (ward rev.); 28 UNDRAPE (and pure anag.); 31 PA + SHA (has anag.); 35 SHERPAS (phrases anag.); 37 PAP + A; 38 SOMALIAN (Mona Lisa anag.); 41 PRORAT + A (parrot anag.); 42 bURGER; 43 EAT + S (tea anag.); 44 GOP(HER)S; 45 DE(SIG)NS (Gls rev.); 46 SKIE(R)S.

Down: 1 I + N(F)EST [finest]; 2 EASE + L [lease]; 3 ATTUNE (hom.); 4 PE(O)N [open]; 5 I + DEAr [aide]; 6 EA(S)TER [teaser]; 7 TASTE (hidden) [state]; 8 S(U)GARS (grass anag.); 9 IENDL + IN + E; 11 S(WIT)CH; 15 ELVIS + H; 17 TEAM (meat anag.); 20 S(T)IR; 22 HANG + A + R; 24 W(E)AR; 25 eQUIPPED; 26 SAPS (rev.); 27 R(EH)ASH (he rev.); 29 D(ESP)OT [depots]; 30 PRO + NTO (not anag.) [proton]; 32 SPEARS (two meanings) [sparse]; 33 S + ASSES [assess]; 34 FAIRS (hom.) [Farsi]; 36 oRANGE [anger]; 39 MAPS (rev.); 40 KLE + E (rev.) [leek].

