

Solution to Acrostic #31 – June 2007

E[udora] Welty, *One Writer's Beginnings*, (from three lectures at Harvard, 1983), Harvard University Press, 1995

Of all my strong emotions, anger is the one least responsible for any of my work. ... For one thing, simply as a fiction writer, I am minus an adversary—except, of course, that of time—and for another thing, the act of writing in itself brings me happiness.

- A ENSU(R)ING
- B WIN+NIP+PEG
- C tELEPHone+ANTS
- D LOTHARIO (*trail oho* anagram)
- E TRAFFIC+S
- F YOYO MA
- G OFFENBACH (*often Bach* homophone)
- H NERD (initial letters of *needs extra ROM data*)
- I EXEC+UTORS (*routs* anagram)
- J WHIRL+I+GIG
- K RAM+PARTS
- L IN+FIRM
- M TOOTHsome (*Oo the most* anagram)
- N EROS+ION
- O REVOLT (hidden in *empire Voltaire*)
- P SYS+TEM (*sis* homophone, *Met* reversal)
- Q BRAWN (hidden in *crab raw nerves*)
- R EFFICIENTLY (near homophone of *A fish Aunt Leigh*)
- S GHASTLY (*ghostly*, o replaced with a)
- T INTER+FAITH
- U NOTRE DAME
- V NANK(I+P)OO (*Nanook* anagram, Nanki Poo is a character in *The Mikado*)
- W IM(MEN)SE (*semi* anagram)
- X NATIONS (*on satin* anagram)
- Y GRAFT (double def)
- Z S(OFT)SOAPS (*so pass* anagram)