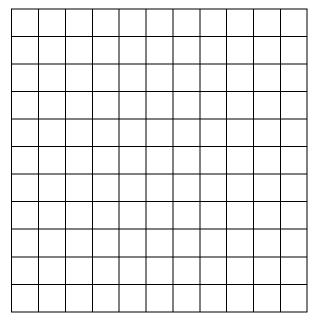
Puzzle #121 — June 2011 "Birthday"

Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (answers vary in length from three to eleven letters; nine are capitalized, one is a prefix, and another is archaic) then enter them in the grid one after another in the same order as their clues, starting in the upper left corner. Across words that don't end at the right continue on the next row, and down words that don't end at the bottom continue in the next column. Thanks to Kevin Wald for test-solving and editing this puzzle.



Across

- 1. Mystery entry
- 2. Asian country parrot ingests pork innards
- 3. Ordinary man, nude, getting dressed
- 4. Hackneyed southern fable
- 5. Dope king's record
- 6. Anybody from Doonesbury
- 7. Savage German border
- 8. Announce a pause or suspension
- 9. Earliest decomposition covered by river
- 10. Check in once a semester
- 11. Visionary gives up 500 for implement
- 12. Mystery entry
- 13. Short shorthand notes translated
- 14. Maiden gets nothing for one kind of bryophyte
- 15. Fill a text with sappy stuff
- 16. Once reproduced about fifty asexual offspring
- 17. Slave returns bearing a wash basin
- 18. Goes sightseeing in a French city
- 19. Paris falls for renowned linguist
- 20. Pain reduced with first of treatments for skin disease
- 21. Longwood
- 22. Meeting's energy goes for initiation of technical position
- 23. Mystery entry

Down

- 1. Arizona town hosts horn concerto's premier
- 2. Rates changes in star-shaped structure
- 3. Written orders having a voice
- 4. Unruly teen claims right to register
- 5. A pardon redeemed the first woman
- 6. Nearest seine traps ten
- 7. One defective tank initially exuded the amount consumed
- 8. Wrong letter
- 9. Put into words, "making up new shell"
- 10. Is conversant with sound and smell
- 11. Very old instrument's scroll-like ornament
- 12. Clark, for instance, knew Scots
- 13. Rare moray eats suckerfish
- 14. Rising fabulist beheaded for attitude
- 15. Juan Domingo character lacks core of passion
- 16. A burst of energy to incite troop leader
- 17. Earth added to pot in perfume capital
- 18. Extent of Cy's hearing
- 19. Perfumes arising from Casa Morada
- 20. Mario and Ms Turner holding zebra's head
- 21. Illiterate about metric measure
- 22. The French friend's turned-up collar part
- 23. Recall end of term at southern university
- 24. Consider bird of Latin/Etruscan origin