

**Solution to Guest Puzzle #14 – February, 2009 "Word of the Year"
(by Arthur Schless)**

H	Y	P	E	R	M	I	L	I	N	G
S	E	R	N	E	O	L	L	E	G	E
T	A	I	N	T	E	D	F	A	C	T
O	R	N	U	I	T	F	O	R	L	O
R	N	T	I	D	Y	O	C	C	U	P
I	E	D	S	A	L	S	A	U	T	E
C	R	E	E	L	I	S	L	E	C	R
A	B	L	A	S	T	I	N	E	H	E
L	L	I	S	H	E	L	E	T	E	G
L	U	E	S	O	R	B	E	T	S	A
Y	E	R	O	O	M	I	L	I	A	D

The omitted letters (in parentheses in the list below) spell
ECODRIVING

Across

1. HYPERMILING
2. SER(E)NE
3. (C)OLLEGE
4. TAINTED
5. FACTOR
6. NUIT
7. FORLORN
8. TIDY
9. OCCUPIED
10. SALSA
11. UTE
12. CREEL
13. ISLE
14. CRAB
15. LA(O)S
16. TINE
17. HELLISH
18. (D)ELETE
19. GLUE
20. SORBET
21. SAYER
22. (R)OOM
23. ILIAD

Down

1. H(I)STORICALLY
2. YEARNER
3. BLUE
4. PRINT
5. DELI(V)ER
6. ENNUI
7. SEAS
8. SORE
9. TIDAL
10. SHOO
11. MO(I)ETY
12. LITER
13. MILD
14. FOSSIL
15. BILL
16. FOCAL
17. NEE
18. LI(N)EAR
19. CUE
20. (G)ETTING
21. CLUTCHES
22. AGE
23. TOPER
24. EGAD