

**Solution to Guest Puzzle #22 – February, 2010 "Draw a Blank"
(by Arthur Schless)**

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

The omitted letters (in parentheses in the list below) spell
YOU BET YOUR LIFE

Across

- ROPEDANCER
- (Y)EARLY
- EX(O)DUS
- LUTEIN
- ABO(U)T
- TACIT
- (B)OER
- INGOT
- HOARSE
- SMART
- ANCIENT
- ERTE
- RAT(E)
- BLARNEY
- RILL
- OLEOS
- POESIES
- MACON
- POTT
- SEER
- OATH
- PI(T)Y
- SKATER
- ZINC

Down

- RATIONALITY
- (Y)ORE
- TACTLESS
- P(O)LIO
- RIBOSE
- KEYNES
- ELL
- MEADE
- ARENA
- EAR
- TAX
- BISTRO
- COEN
- DON
- MEN(U)S
- (R)OAR
- CUT
- G(L)ARE
- P(I)NT
- ZEST
- (F)ORTY
- OPHIR
- LATTE
- REOP(E)N
- EUCCHARISTIC