Guest Puzzle #67 – September 2017 "Swirl"
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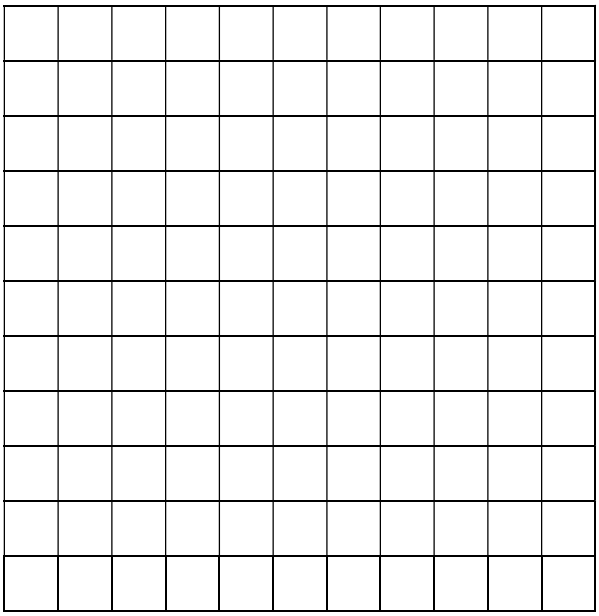
Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (answers vary in length from three to eleven letters, and four are capitalized) then enter them in the grid one after another in the same order as their clues, starting in the upper left corner. Across words that don't end at the right continue on the next row, and down words that don't end at the bottom continue in the next column. Eight across words and six down words won't fit in the grid unless one of their letters is removed. Those fourteen letters, taken in order as they occur in across and down words, spell two words related to the mystery entries. (Thank you, John, for always steering me in the right direction.)



Across

1. *Mystery entry part 4*
2. Smoke covers open shelter
3. Composed when hearing habitual repetition
4. Senior scratching head of Hawn
5. Dairy product contributing to sobriety
6. Disagreeable foul-up envelops Republican
7. Excited Elsie gave up piece of eight for necklaces
8. Come to rest couch as Lucius takes Earl's place
9. Control dominion after guard leaves
10. Saw and hurried around island
11. Configured tiara into lasso
12. Greek name of Lion King star
13. In short order, other items not mentioned
14. Countryman holding drupe
15. Assassinate Don I roughed up
16. Knot is poorly done
17. English singer's emblem
18. Crazy egghead's a burglar
19. Starling of many moves
20. Manage restraining horse
21. No pastry for Taylor
22. Large deer is gloomy when deprived of run
23. German leaves boat naked
24. Glide around north with echolocation
25. *Mystery entry part 2*

Down

1. *Mystery Entry Part 1*
2. Old raven flying above earth
3. Salamander went astray
4. Different, oddly enlisted characters.
5. Ornamented wig found in shtetels
6. Alongside a controlling body
7. Try haircut, but not from the top
8. Chaos as fun takes an unexpected turn
9. Vanity of initially fruitful benefit
10. Lear went head over heels for British nobleman
11. Picture card of Basque entourage
12. Picture of a gem I chiseled
13. Races' hats
14. Virginia's dressing
15. Derisive look of prophet holding net
16. Grasp Odessa's fine china
17. Whoopee surrounding return of literary bear
18. Initially, Wittgenstein, Ives, Stern, Einstein, and Newton get smart
19. Convincing company man
20. Wooded territory grass
21. Strange images containing T or S shape
22. *Mystery Entry Part 3*