

Solution to Harvard Puzzle "Namesake"

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

The omitted letters (in parentheses in the list below) spell
A TOWN IN MASSACHUSETTS

Across

- TOWN
- P(A)NAMA
- PERMI(T)
- DET(O)NATE
- S(W)AIN
- ERNE
- DEPEND
- GRE(N)ADE
- SARD
- ÉCLAIR
- WIENER
- HARVARD**
- R(I)FLE
- ANTE
- MAIDE(N)
- TURD
- HASP
- NOTE
- STARLING
- LOBE
- GUM(M)O
- RE(A)CTOR
- SES(S)ILE
- GOWN

Down

- (S)TRAND
- EL(A)TE
- BROMIDE
- RE(C)USE
- SWING
- CHART
- GENDER
- LANDAU
- SP(H)ERE
- ARTH(U)R
- MINT
- NAÏVE
- AL(S)O
- LANE
- DR(E)AM
- SIRE
- MADE
- WRAP
- NEGATE
- SIDING
- COPE
- PA(T)ER
- DOLT
- WES(T)ERN
- FE(S)TOON

Kevin Wald solved the puzzle in 40 minutes.