

Solution to Puzzle #16 – September, 2002 "On the Couch"

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

Answer words are in caps below, followed by their clues.
The omitted letters (in parentheses in the list below) spell

FREE ASSOCIATION

Across

IN(F)ERNAL Hellish plant invades (broken nail) RECTO(R) nuclear device, gets rid of a clergyman. C(E)SIUM Element of dissonant music surrounding eastern LITHE Long Island with the supple SHAMPOOS soaps. False heads of police officers! So, back RENAL for the kidneys, new in actual VEIL cover. Live differently, VEAL young bovine within; have a life. SHAV(E) Cut thin slices; preserve with hydrogen. SAGES Wise ones get time in ship, SPEEDY fast, unkempt, keeping quiet, BL(A)ND without much character, starting back to country. AHEAD Up front, a chief AGA(S)SI tennis star has a wild time. Yes, in Mexico, HUSSAR horseman, turning reckless around us, PARSNIP scores. Bite root vegetable TUTOR king. Or guide URIEL uncouth Eli past old city. Archangel, ARGON far gone with gas, AR(S)ENAL learns a decayed place of arms, REAMED squeezed out (dear me!), distorted CLEREST(O)RY in sound. Lucid tale of a wall with windows,

Down

I(C)OSAHEDRON solid, twenty-faced, one sad choir breaking up ENCH(I)LADA crooked China deal for Mexican food. P(A)RADE Display standard notice with electronic SAVVY know-how of two victories in, say, GAUR bovine fish with first of undefined CRIMES offenses. Start of cold frosts BARREL container of ale. Brr! Drunken NUP(T)IALS wedding (broken nail) puts SINE curve of said gesture AMO I love in a dead language. In Samoan L(I)GNIN part of wood, Long Island gin wins heart of one EARL titled Englishman, real, ruffled, LOVED adored. No score at start of day, HILL incline after end of death, sick, ERIS father returning for goddess of strife, ESAU biblical name in verses audibly PARSE spare. Roughly break down into parts; TRASH throw away. Reckless after time, STRETCH extend span of time, EL(O)PE run out of steel. Open, SUGAR sweetheart, tease us back, TENSE strained indicator of time A(N)ATOMY structure, of body collection (male). End of story.