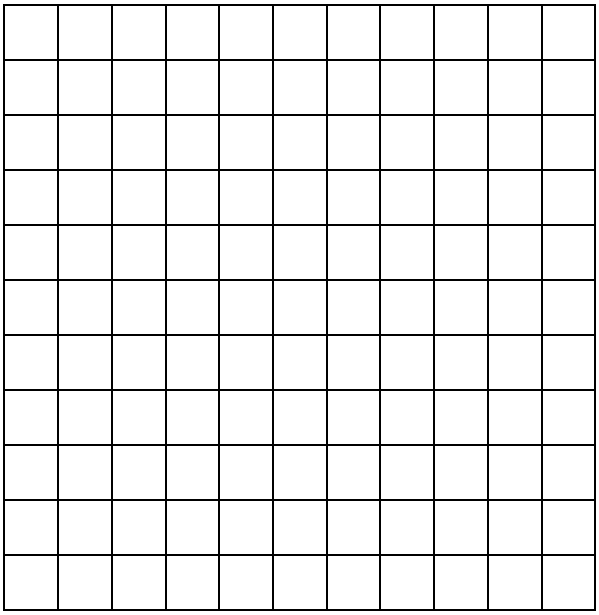
Puzzle #207 – September 2018 "A Friendly Puzzle"

Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (answers vary in length from three to ten letters, three are capitalized, and one is foreign) 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. Six answers won't fit in the grid unless three of their letters are compacted into a single square, the same three letters in each case. Thanks to Kevin Wald for test-solving and editing this puzzle.



1. Mom or dad chewed ripe almond
2. Manly one consists in active liver
3. Rod loosening about freer tempo
4. Measure duration of discharge backwards
5. More chaotic city
6. Takeout country
7. Twist revival started in EU country
8. Wild René's energy is peaceful
9. Golfer's move for a piece of furniture
10. Handle and blow about fifty
11. Diminish town in look
12. Drop a line about precious stone
13. Don faltering in old Irish to say okay
14. Call on Ernie to harbor a recluse
15. Is it after 5? Go pay a call
16. Endlessly studded, improved, and cleaned
17. Sign of Captain's return
18. Ship carries Native American set
19. Iron shields Eric when upset and raging
20. Erecting right off when aroused is hereditary
21. Net mistakenly seen to hold one
22. Bustling Merida earns esteem
23. Pontifical money: a lira

1. Antiquity holds simple rewritten document
2. Old southeastern river
3. Part of accreted network
4. A ten-degree change is corrupt
5. Rule-breaking attraction
6. Deft tuning of radio takes time
7. Forged iron encasing silver and colophony
8. Odd rumor about a snare, for instance
9. None upset in bright lights
10. Fitting reversal leads to overflow
11. Only flying bees will get fat
12. Preposterous plea for a picket
13. Approximate times wasted and consumed
14. Drove her daughter
15. Force, anger, and passion
16. Praetoria's rock
17. Bill stirring vino with ice
18. Rabid vole ingests game bird in Germany
19. Impediment conceals coin
20. Projection of land ends in turnaround
21. Aware of a section of Edmonton
22. Dry succession of ecological communities
23. Edgar is early, about to get up
24. Leader dancing in rap clip