Puzzle #28 - September 2003 "You Are There"

Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (words vary in length from three to ten letters), 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 margin continue on the next line below; down words that don't end at the bottom margin continue in the next column to the right. Three across words and three down words won't fit in the grid unless one of their letters is omitted. Those six letters, taken in order, spell two words related to another word hidden in the completed grid that solvers are invited to find. Answers include six proper names. As ever, I am grateful to Kevin Wald for help with the clues.

Across

- 1. Appeal of the Parisian occupying apartment
- 2. Pursuer is purer? Not true
- 3. Born small, one is a burden
- 4. Odd claim about silver being supernatural
- 5. Open international group code
- 6. Unpleasant fruit reported
- 7. Rowboat, losing last bit of splash, becomes drab
- 8. Philosophy with no philosopher
- 9. Rounded projection of sphere lacking gravity
- 10. Prelate's office is in use, evidently
- 11. Got together around end of April thaw
- 12. Happening in uniform time
- 13. Stockings put before a prophet
- 14. Visionary eats December's first feast
- 15. Head of rajah adorned by vegetable and cap
- 16. Division of small insects
- 17. Strangely garbed hound
- 18. Cat ending gig in row
- 19. Group of stars maintains crazy fleet
- 20. Use any distraction, being insecure
- 21. Base unit of structural material
- 22. Tool unties knotted line
- 23. Profited from quiet assistance
- 24. Lake contains trace of gold compound
- 25. Publicize everything French

Down

- 1. Trim page and letter
- 2. Fundamental muddle in cargo
- 3. Organ has energy for sudden thrust
- 4. Given preferential ranking, gave up speaking
- 5. In frenzy, metabolizes protein
- 6. Rank amateur takes it back with zero damage
- 7. Keen start-up in state reformation
- 8. Military man engaged in reassembling close forces
- 9. Painter of mark in vessel
- 10. Frequent search around area
- 11. Genie mistaken for Nobel chemist
- 12. Like a goose, sounded two notes in storm before break of day
- 13. Stop putting earth in box
- 14. Pit turned up in polish
- 15. Let out bird with no tail
- 16. Locus of auditory/visual perception
- 17. Virtual prisoner in fancy berth
- 18. British royal rebuilt university
- 19. Road ends surrounding gulf
- 20. Horse fish
- 21. Poor Bill, endlessly shoved around in print
- 22. Start milling grain in ditch