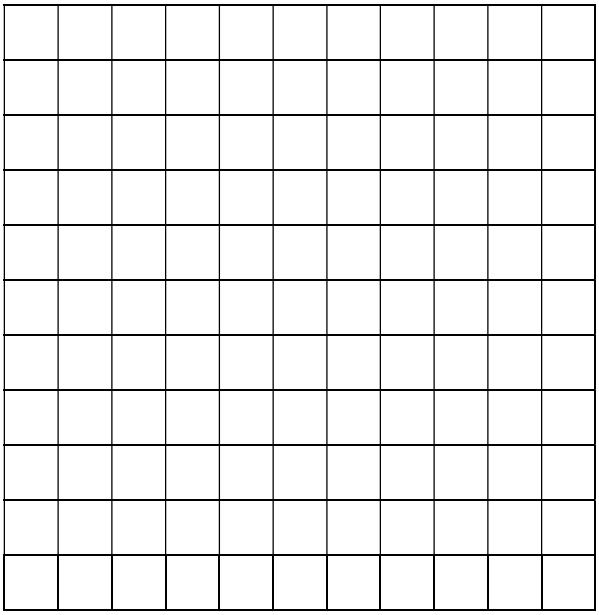
Puzzle #41 – October 2004 "Jigsaw Puzzle"

Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (words vary in length from three to eleven letters and include six proper names and one two-word phrase), then enter them in the grid one after another 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. **Warning**: Clues are listed in the alphabetical order of their answer words, *not* in the order in which those answer words are to be entered in the grid. Solvers must determine that order on their own. As ever, I am indebted to Kevin Wald for help with the clues.



Across

- Negotiations started in district theater
- Put holes in tire
- Top has small earth cup for burning oil
- Galahad's mother started early, rested, and ended late
- Rub out periods with end of needle
- Core of steak wrapped in lard is an achievement
- Writer of rules ended day in debt
- Barbarian in Chunking
- Destiny of Mark, a lunatic
- Aboriginal is ingenuous about time
- Not a single person ever started after noon
- Eccentric democrat in love with daughter
- Uproar in an opium den in chaos at noon
- Undertaking to gain time after removing judge and guard
- One of the Supremes featured in crossword
- Scrap basket
- Notices damaged piece
- Novelist goes back for a shrub
- Work at the same time to sound out a place of corruption Ron watches
- Opera: love in varied acts
- Reform turning around Earth's disquiet

Down

- Alabama man has run Arizona prison
- Living with company rather than one in secluded bower
- Fauntleroy's mother's sister, for instance
- Started baking one French roll
- Fail, losing last of charter money
- Escape from onset of dire craving
- Receiver finished before exam started
- Traveling music men get zero in tributes
- Critter is husky-voiced
- Rhetorical use of indirect language by press finally ended
- My first flower cut without resistance is great work
- Vine of awesome longevity
- Gold in North Sea causing illness
- A universal turnaround in grass
- Improper use of priest is morally evil
- Center refurbished of late
- Acoustic device built into amps on a radio
- Sound of cheerful little boy
- Austere sea bird
- Set the pace filled up with rubber
- Mark in steel

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