

Guest Puzzle #29 – October 2010 "Office Visit" (by Arthur Schless)

Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (answers vary in length from three to nine letters, and nine are capitalized) 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 across words and five down words won't fit in the grid unless a sequence of letters is removed. That sequence is related to the mystery entry and the puzzle's title.

Across

1. *Mystery entry*
2. Identify fish lolling
3. Ape eats favorite; it's relish
4. Charm of dog circling tailless sheep
5. Debate gift poet distributed
6. Ideal spot of the denizens
7. I originally overlooked teaching assistant's letter
8. Heiress tours European island
9. Peter carelessly left bird
10. Cope with cement splattered with skill
11. Gadabout author also gambled
12. Actor and TV journalist left out
13. House cat Kennedy stroked
14. One garment for actress
15. Actress's bile stirred
16. Nin of Guana Island
17. Renounce statement about jargon
18. Jurist embraces author
19. Leg retroflexed in image
20. Voiced part of his anger
21. Donated monies from Hirt and lady
22. Piece of cheap Italian bread
23. Circus area sound
24. Dog with favorite toy
25. Initially Melba entered the opera house

Down

1. Struggle of life in France
2. Ruminant turned grass back
3. Glutted with unsatisfactory dates
4. Joiner with senior
5. Male meets uninhibited Latin actress
6. Classes lacking true facts
7. Peter is out playing with one, and it's boring
8. Pile of stones jumbled in car
9. Meet cop unexpectedly in contest
10. Husband's curse
11. Almost true darkness
12. Seeger sound is fading out
13. Sharp sound returns with biting fly
14. Grant endowment covers pay
15. Rap and stroke lever
16. A section for each
17. The eastern half of Honolulu is a wonder
18. I entered fire dept. badly frightened
19. Wild tapir traps male in hollow
20. Individual's roaming is misinterpreted
21. Primarily ancient European gondoliers explored any navigable sea
22. The municipality of Dallas, Pennsylvania
23. Lumberman cleaves to narrow path
24. Number in Hindi Gita