

**Solution to Guest Puzzle #56 – September, 2014 "Three in a Row"
(by Gail Findlay)**

SY	N	O	N	Y	M	O	B	O	E	GY
N	E	C	O	L	O	G	Y	S	T	E
O	C	C	U	L	T	A	T	I	O	N
D	R	U	N	K	I	T	E	T	I	N
A	O	R	C	A	F	E	E	C	L	I
P	S	E	E	N	ZY	M	E	R	O	O
S	E	T	R	E	G	A	T	O	R	S
A	F	E	E	B	O	N	O	W	E	T
R	A	D	E	R	T	R	A	N	S	I
T	R	A	V	I	E	A	R	P	O	N
SY	M	M	E	T	R	Y	P	O	R	GY

The omitted letters (in parentheses in the list below) spell
ALIGNMENT.

The compacted letters [in square brackets in the list below] spell
SYZYG Y.

Across

1. [SY]NONYM
2. OBOE
3. [GY]NECOLOGY
4. S(A)TE
5. **OCCULTATION**
6. DRUNK
7. (L)ITE
8. TINA
9. ORCA
10. F(I)E
11. **ECLIPSE**
12. EN[Z Y]ME
13. ROOS
14. ETRE
15. GATOR
16. SAFE
17. EBON
18. OWE
19. TRADER
20. **TRANSIT**
21. RAVI
22. EAR
23. PON(G)
24. [SY]MMETRY
25. POR[G Y]

Down

1. [SY]NOD
2. (N)APS
3. ART[SY]
4. NECROSE
5. FARM
6. OCCUR
7. (M)ETE
8. DAMN
9. OUNCE
10. REEVE
11. Y(E)LL
12. KANE
13. BRIT
14. MOTIF
15. [ZY]GOTE
16. ROGATE
17. MAN RAY
18. BYTE
19. (N)EET
20. OAR
21. POSIT
22. CROWN
23. POET
24. (T)OIL
25. ORES
26. OR[G Y]
27. ENNIO
28. STIN[G Y]