

Guest Puzzle #62 – September 2016 "Self-Reflection" (by Arthur Schless)

Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (answers vary in length from three to ten letters; eight are capitalized, two are foreign, and one is a variant spelling) 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 (except in one instance), and down words that don't end at the bottom continue in the next column. Five across words and five down words won't fit in the grid unless one of their letters is removed. Those ten letters, taken in order as they occur in across and down words, spell a word related to the mystery entry.

Across

1. *Mystery entry*
2. Fat pair devoured dessert
3. Most ampoules will contain postage
4. Bird dog beheaded
5. Milt and I coordinated to govern
6. Age of liberals
7. Reward first of the responders with brewed
8. Relax misdirected zeal
9. Courageously concealing intense anger
10. Airline company train meets Gore
11. New deal for a chemical element
12. Spiritual transgressor sheds sin originally
13. Animal situation has upset religion
14. Rodrigo rolled dice with beginner's luck
15. Improperly expose heavenly body
16. Ask about new tie
17. Type of rhododendron that almost has a radiance
18. Inappropriate section for ads
19. I replace uncle in fog center
20. English rage for Irish lingo
21. Frank diarist
22. Try to please young chital
23. Have ice melted for gain
24. Negate illegal vote
25. Unusually errant 17th century dissident

Down

1. Change a door front at apartment
2. Laos sabotaged too
3. Oval shaped for Norwegian King
4. "Snap," QB Drew shouted
5. Poet wasted 500 to buy into game
6. Arranging law-free relief
7. Drug lamb I endangered internally
8. A Red agent fired catcher Taylor
9. Intelligence service will get no greeting
10. Chamberlain's flop
11. Glider flown by one who applies gold
12. Tracer explosion caused depression
13. Open Casey's package
14. Al Hess heated in quarrel
15. Imagine I removed confused puzzle
16. First A., for example
17. Refuse loan in elder abuse
18. Side of processed meat
19. Root vegetable delineated in Haftarot
20. Style manual's communication device
21. Clever millionaire holds red pigment
22. Put off injecting cervid with fluoride