

Solution to Puzzle #174 – November, 2015 "Lagerstätte"

L	I	R	A	D	O	G	L	A	S	M
A	N	I	C	O	V	E	T	I	M	E
P	U	N	T	S	E	R	E	G	O	N
E	R	D	E	E	P	O	M	A	R	T
R	E	E	D	L	O	O	P	L	A	R
F	O	S	S	I	L	F	I	E	L	D
A	M	P	A	N	A	V	E	D	P	E
N	I	O	N	E	R	A	L	A	R	M
A	T	T	E	R	S	N	A	P	V	E
R	M	E	E	R	T	I	E	R	E	S
E	A	N	N	E	A	L	T	I	T	E

The omitted letters (in parentheses in the list below) spell
BURGESS SHALE FORMATION

Across

1. LI(**B**)RA
2. DO(**U**)GLAS
3. MANIC
4. OVE(**R**)TIME
5. PUNT
6. SER(**G**)E
7. GONER
8. DEEP
9. OMAR
10. TREED
11. LOOP
12. L(**E**)AR
13. **FOSSIL FIELD**
14. (**S**)AMPAN
15. (**S**)AVED
16. PEN(**S**)IONER
17. ALARM
18. (**H**)ATTER
19. SNAP
20. VERMEER
21. TIER
22. E(**A**)SE
23. ANNEAL
24. TIT(**L**)E

Down

1. L(**E**)APER
2. FAN(**F**)ARE
3. INURE
4. OMIT
5. MARIN(**O**)
6. DESPOT
7. ENACTED
8. SANE
9. ENDO(**R**)SE
10. LINER
11. RE(**M**)OVE
12. POLAR
13. STAGE
14. ROOF
15. VANILL(**A**)
16. TEMPI
17. ELA(**T**)E
18. TAIGA
19. LEDA
20. PRISM
21. ORAL
22. PR(**I**)VET
23. MENT(**O**)R
24. DEMES(**N**)E

Kevin Wald solved the puzzle in 30 minutes.