

Puzzle #64 – September 2006 "Food for Thought"

Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (words vary in length from four to eight letters and include four proper names and one foreign word), 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. 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, spell a two-word phrase related to the mystery entries. As ever, I am indebted to Kevin Wald for help with the clues.

Across

1. *Mystery entry*
2. History, essentially, of a city woman's hat
3. Magical charm of metal is manifest
4. One confused about chem final, but not totally
5. Running a test, say
6. Horse going around large deposit
7. Marathon organizer's reputation
8. Travel time in broad open land
9. School leader's removed a shaft
10. Students initially deal with compass
11. Got away with Tory leader inside Canada's capital
12. French salt for California county
13. First of kings habiting all knaves in color
14. Raggedy doll coated with metal and acid
15. Note lemon covering overturned egg dish
16. Conclusion of suits reported
17. Small vessel or conduit for waste
18. Misinterpreting the star burst
19. Historic waterway running through Grantham estate
20. Dad's second ticket
21. City's weight system
22. Carrier's exciting result
23. *Mystery entry*

Down

1. Jester swallowing sulfur and quartz
2. *Mystery entry*
3. Haul trash inside a lot
4. Yarn from varietal ewes
5. Dogged drive around Long Island
6. Libertine's degree of deviation
7. Radical stories edited by controller
8. Smart guys have first of rulings taken from judicial documents
9. Sorcerer's fake article
10. Give enchantress, for one, a look
11. Tubers and shoots encasing a digit
12. Mile high Spanish island
13. Media mogul loses radio's first dial
14. Talk about round French boat
15. Endless scuffle generates trash
16. It's more suited as a hole or a cavity
17. Boat will half open
18. Niter rendered unreactive
19. Close friend drops a note for jailbird
20. Opening's obscured or isn't large
21. *Mystery entry*
22. Fashion author took steps to make rubber hot