Harvard Puzzle "40th Anniversary"

Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (answers vary in length from three to nine letters, and three 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. Eight across words and seven down words won't fit in the grid unless one of their letters is removed. Those fifteen letters, taken in order as they occur in across and down words, spell a two-word phrase related to the puzzle's title. Thanks to Kevin Wald '93 for test-solving and editing this puzzle.

Across

1. Mystery trees trimmed around start of Christmas
2. Fish move smoothly over the surface
3. A black eye worsened her sin
4. Stupid, leaderless people run away
5. X placed inside carriage as an omen
6. Wander about in Provence
7. Hybrid lemur drops tail before moving
8. A prison of cast iron
9. Latin man to leave for a place in the skies
10. A city of means embracing yours truly
11. Scandinavian has no right to pry
12. Truncated torso with diamonds and vest
13. Bones of bird found in South America
14. Said check holder is not as well covered
15. Talks disrespectfully of school dummies
16. Get up and cheer about English victory
17. Pointer put back in boxed niche
18. View of Tuscany
19. Shrine with wings to hold a Testament
20. Schooner is starting to rock
21. Colossal Titian mixed colors at the start
22. Run into servant, causing an uproar
23. Rembrandt eating husks of cereal
24. Celebrate having one in show

Down

1. Care giver spent time taking on small sibling
2. New trainer has lost interest in traveling
3. Seeing trouble before school's beginning
4. Property Troy leaves with a will
5. Currently safeguarding income
6. Staff of business tavern
7. Wanton, warring tribe is kept in line
8. Artist never finished playing instrument
9. Tom's initial mistakes and fears
10. Grandmother's new collection
11. Careless person, eastern, from Ljubljana maybe
12. Beginning of dreary expanse of ice and sea
13. Finished part of *Proverbs*
14. Mean Ruth hugs son instead of brother
15. Throw away last of apple jam
16. A lump of mango butter
17. Pass former island
18. Indicating mood of Missouri boy going west
19. Barber's quiet greeting
20. A young animal accompanies the Italian student
21. Price cut covers error in instructions
22. Fish swallows a cod's head for comfort
23. Five attack, losing one subordinate