

Hints for Harvard Puzzle "40th Anniversary"

Parentheses around a clue mean that a letter must be omitted from the answer word before it will fit in the grid. Numbers in parentheses indicate lengths of answer words, and an asterisk * indicates a capitalized word.

Across

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

Down

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