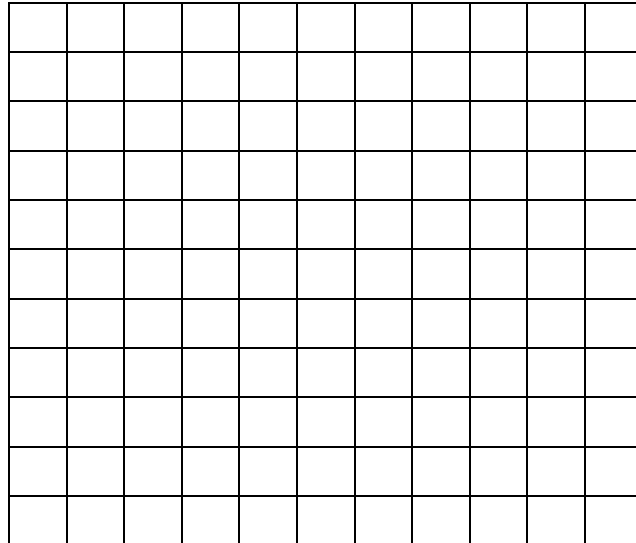


**Puzzle #40 — September 2004 "Soliloquy"**

**Instructions:** Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (words vary in length from three to ten letters and include three 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 margin continue on the next line below; down words that don't end at the bottom margin continue in the next column to the right. Four across words and four down words won't fit in the grid unless one of their letters is removed. Those eight letters, taken in order, spell a word related to the two mystery entries. As ever, I am indebted to Kevin Wald for help with the clues.



**Across**

1. *Mystery entry*
2. Queer mess run by young attendant
3. Ship, keeping submerged, breaks up
4. Song of eagle echoing
5. Basic substance of brief rewritten
6. A no-good returned to a historic Irish village
7. Rail against Eve largely in anger
8. First of lambs taken from fold yields fertilizer
9. Don gives up 1000 for right guarantee
10. Move pin in front of catch
11. Must he meet with those others?
12. Here in Italy, bishop returned for game
13. New Lorca song
14. Flat road goes around backed-up artery
15. Officer in house having judge replace new leader
16. Every black beheaded quickly
17. All but opening of secret place done over as a storage vessel
18. Reptile and garment carried by lord
19. Superman's girl embraced by drunk performer
20. *Mystery entry*

**Down**

1. Sampled food with a will
2. People of the Antilles out mostly for deer
3. Lowlife in general assembly gets Latin welcome
4. Wicked woman just started a Riviera resort, by god!
5. Roger Clemens, eg, in fast roadster
6. Supplier's shaky career interrupted by start of term
7. Timber land
8. Letter from upper house
9. Always turned up keeping up a show
10. Elegant Linnaean beekeeping establishment holds 500
11. Business group's tree mill
12. Singer featured in royal tourney
13. Lean back holding functional tissue mass
14. A projection about a deadly virus
15. West end of London has one eminent person
16. Of beer brewed in advance
17. Protective covering has small price
18. Describe disorder separating two states
19. Guide supplied bedding and gave light
20. Non-profit organization or concern
21. Deficiency of touch in support
22. Liquid core of custard covered by crushed lemon