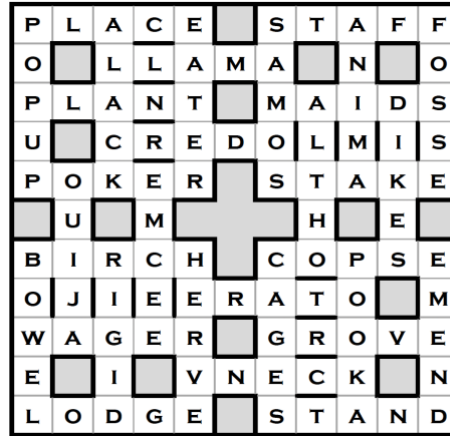


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In seven clues, two words must be stuck together before the clue can be solved. The transformed words appear below in **RED**.

ACROSS

1. Stick a dab of pomade on braid – P + LACE
4. Stick butter and corn oil, for example, brought about onset of fatigue – STAF (R) + F
7. Kill a man smuggling an animal – LLAMA (H)
8. Stick a strand of nylon in weave – PLA(N)T
9. LODGE STAFF: Often the conclusion of grad school papers – MA + IDS
12. **Dogma** clubs to modify – C + REDO
13. Stick end of fork in tangled rope – PO(K)ER *
16. Stick famous model in benefit – S(T)AKE
17. Stick around with Henry and cheat – BIRC (R) + H
20. PLANT PLACE: Get by taking second – COP(S)E
23. Tore a **redone** – one of a set of nine – ERATO *
24. POKER STAKE: Feature of New Age religion – WAGER (H)
25. BIRCH STAND: Cover for gas range – G + ROVE
26. It moves when the wind blows, dropping a Calvin Klein sweater – V[A]NE + CK
27. Stick five hundred in theater seats – LO(D)GE
28. Stick letter of thanks in file – S(T)AND

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DOWN

1. Surprise minor mission in uprising – PO + PUP (R)
2. Oy vey! A deficit – A + LACK
3. Beginning to go for less: **unclean** attendee at a dinner party) is an example – [N]EATER
4. Circles behind South American island (birthplace of a famous mathematician) – S + AM + OS
5. Where men are mentally female answers about turning in with male – A + NI (R) + M + A
6. Ditch Cabaret's director – FOSSE (2)
10. While nothing's **epicenter** into high range – ALT(H)O
11. River guardians save disheartened child **arose** – DIK + E[VA]S (R)
14. Ignoring the leader, you and I justify opening a line of communication with the dead – [Y]OU + I + J + A
15. Announce the show 1000 A.D. in East End – E + M C.E. + E
17. Bum below! – BOWEL *
18. Hardened soldier found in shed – RI(GI)D
19. Tattoo from the '70s on this part of my body features peace sign? – HER(V)E
20. Imprisons leader of conspiracy a long time – C + AGES
21. Jimmy Stewart's magical six-foot rabbit, for one dance with lady, becoming center of controversy – PO[L](O)KA
22. Correct check **took** me – E(ME)ND

The first letters of the transformed words spell out **DRUM** and **EAT**.