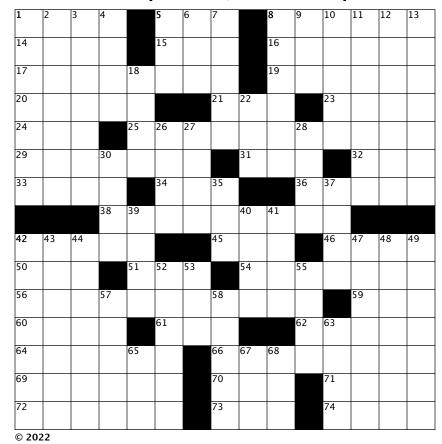
Happy New Year! ACROSS

- 1. Secretive sibilant summons
- 5. "She didn't ___ an eve!"
- 8. Travels in a leisurely fashion
- 14. Name found in sweet talk
- **15.** Org. that searches for secret weapons
- **16.** Beginning of a halldecker's refrain
- 17. Expressway phenomenon?
- **19.** Suited (to)
- 20. City on the Arkansas that is neither in Kansas nor Arkansas
- 21. "Impressive!"
- 23. Year in which the emperor Diocletian (unsuccessfuly) tried to control inflation with the Edict on Maximum Prices
- 24. Ending for imp or llog
- 25. Revving engines, and clopping hooves, and slapping sneakers?
- 29. Free from pain
- **31.** Santa ___ wind **32.** Acrobat catcher
- 33. ___ Mawr
- 34. Not even
- **36.** Republican president whose election resulted in widespread allegations of fraud (in 1876)
- 38. Consumption of ball-park hotdogs, or movie-theater popcorn?
- 42. Seraglio
- 45. Cannabinoid intoxicant, abbr.
- **46.** Ladder part
- 50. Suffix with "orange" or "lime"

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- **51.** Org. that searches for secret weapons
- **54.** Misty spray
- **56.** Ferris wheel with unlimited drinks?
- **59.** "How was know?"
- **60.** Leaping pest
- **61.** Winning tic-tac-toe line
- **62.** Chinese bear
- **64.** Go astray
- **66.** "Should auld acquaintance also a homophonic hint to this puzzle's theme
- **69.** Certify
- **70.** Go astray
- 71. Melody
- **72.** Words of consent
- 73. Put into words
- 74. Went fast

DOWN

- 1. Vex
- 2. More solid
- 3. In a trite manner

- 4. Little bits
- **5.** AC measure
- 6. Donkey
- 7. Deep western lake
- **8.** Coverlet
- **9.** Wisecracking West of cinema
- 10. Without cream or sugar
- 11. "Grand" crime
- **12.** Office-holder in a democracy
- 13. Creators of extremely difficult puzzles, jocularly
- 18. Hard to find
- **22.** ___ pro nobis
- **26.** Assert a claim to
- 27. Abandon a claim to
- 28. Sammy who wrote "The weather outside is frightful, but the fire is so delightful"
- **30.** Memo heading meaning "as to"
- 35. It's over dere
- **37.** Farming prefix

- **39.** Beginning of everything?
- 40. Bangkok native
- **41.** Frosted
- 42. Where compromisers might meet
- **43.** Not just revere
- **44.** Does not tolerate
- 47. Exhausting
- **48.** Contrary to unquestioned standards
- **49.** Attempted to arouse envy
- **52.** Dismissive nasal noises
- **53.** In the past
- 55. Towed car, maybe
- **57.** Styx site
- 58. Choir garb
- **63.** Painting and sculpture
- 65. Suffix that turns a place into a language
- **67.** Significant period
- 68. Cook in oil