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**ACROSS**

1. Pats with a sponge
5. Indonesian island popular with tourists
9. Ineffective screen for Polonius (in "Hamlet")
14. Canal workplace of a mule named Sal, in an old song
15. Prayer conclusion
16. Suspicious
17. Fern favorite?
19. Doesn't eat
20. Up to
21. Rant
23. Road sealant
24. Online communications, before texting became commonplace
27. Be sick
28. Smallish batteries
31. Underspecialized branch of the military?
35. Church instrument
36. Not "comme il faut"
37. Welsh John
40. \_\_\_ Tse-tung or, if you'd prefer, \_\_\_ Zedong
42. Thereafter
43. Connective tissues
46. Summoned with a beep (or with a hollering person)
49. Ovine lifestyle experimentation?
53. So far
54. Ending for sec, deb, or rap
55. Beginning for verse, on, or form
56. Archer's asset
58. Didn't give up
61. Big
63. The ones over here
65. Wedding officant's fee rate?
68. Igloos, bungalows, and cabins
69. Improve verbally
70. Mutilate
71. Decade tenths
72. Chumps
73. Puts silverware, etc., on the table

**DOWN**

1. First performance

1	D	A	B	S		5	B	A	L	I		9	A	R	R	A	S		
14	E	R	I	E		15	A	M	E	N		16	L	E	E	R	Y		
17	B	E	S	T	18	F	R	O	N	D		19	F	A	S	T	S		
20	U	N	T	I	L				21	T	I	R	A	D	E				
23	T	A	R		24	I	M	S		27	A	I	L		28	A	A	S	
		31	S	O	M	E	T	H	I	N	G	F	O	R	C	E			
					35	O	R	G	A	N		36	G	A	U	C	H	E	
37	E	V	A	N				40	M	A	O			42	T	H	E	N	
43	S	I	N	E	W	S			46	P	A	G	E	D					
49	P	L	A	Y	I	N	G		50	T	H	E	F	O	L	D			
53	Y	E	T		54	T	O	R		55	U	N	I		56	A	I	M	
				58	H	U	N	G	O	60			61	L	A	R	G	E	
63	T	H	E	S	E				65	P	A	Y	P	E	R	V	O	W	
68	H	O	M	E	S				69	E	D	I	T		70	M	A	U	L
71	Y	E	A	R	S				72	S	A	P	S		73	S	E	T	S

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| 2. Large performance spaces   | 32. Purchaser's need         |
| 3. Informal restaurant  | 33. Not suitable             |
| 4. Org. searching for ETs   | 34. Surpass                  |
| 5. Sipping site   | 37. Get sight of             |
| 6. What a Latin lover says  | 38. Contemptible             |
| 7. Given for a time   | 39. Generally loathed        |
| 8. Like more than one in six humans   | 41. Honolulu's island        |
| 9. Forage crop with a name that's fun to say  | 44. Testimony offerer        |
| 10. Consume, as a Victorian novel   | 45. Kiss in Kent             |
| 11. Scholar's occupation  | 47. Col's superior           |
| 12. Creative endeavor   | 48. Submit online to the IRS |
| 13. Part of CBS or GPS or DOS   | 50. Feels around in the dark |
| 18. Promotional brochure  | 51. Immature insects         |
| 22. "The Avengers" actress Diana (the TV "Avengers," not the comic-book "Avengers") | 52. Shovel after a snowfall  |
| 25. Business appt.  | 57. Cries weakly             |
| 26. Phony   | 59. Manual reader            |
| 29. Hurt  | 60. Zilch                    |
| 30. Ocularly observed   | 62. Shoulder-hand connectors |
|   | 63. Your of yore             |
|   | 64. Gardener's tool          |
|   | 66. Doggie's cry             |
|   | 67. Half qts.                |