

Happy New Year

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Eight of the Down clues in this puzzle are composed of definitions for two different answers. The entry at 23-Across indicates how to get from one of those answers to the other; in each case, enter the resultant answer into the grid.

ACROSS

1. Weakling from human resources interrupts fool (6)
6. Copy three notes (5)
9. Copper public school trophies (4)
11. Cyril composed part of a song (5)
13. The Hatfields, e.g., start to leave in May (4)
14. Reportedly heal a female pig with alcohol (7)
16. Short, second drink (5)
17. Chaplin character with cable car pass (5)
19. Assuming that is of bats (2,2)
21. They're sometimes worth eleven quick points (4)
23. Make an error and switch from soccer to ultimate? (4,3,4)
26. Save pitching vessel (4)
27. Stepsister hosts Greek characters (4)
28. Biden strangely sacked? (2,3)
30. Old-fashioned beer without head makes a comeback (5)
33. Instrument I can oar badly (7)
34. Hurried after breakfast's foremost cereal (4)

35. Shelter in street in cold weather (5)
36. Wade, say, in marshlands (4)
37. Sought information from a timetable (5)
38. Damn! Return soup containing answer (2,4)

13. Icy clump of earth (4)
15. Horse seen among starters of a race at Belmont (4)
18. Swiss money I removed from the Pope (6)
20. Read brief note on Sutcliffe's passing? (7)
22. Cuban star of "Gemini" (6)
24. PR associate (4)
25. Big cat's cut of meat (4)
26. String: there it is (5)
27. Red or white bean (5)
29. Burger King covers up American League pitcher's illegal act (4)
30. Impulsive dorm supervisor: "Quiet!" (4)
31. White nonsense fades away (4)
32. Musical composition? A musical composition (4)

DOWN

2. Streaming service abridged a Hawaiian performance (4)
3. Smashed tins ain't right? (4)
4. Animals in 1001 A.D. (4)
5. Roman god's hybrid fruit (5)
6. Ruined elms? Try evergreens (7)
7. Mineral in Michigan and California (4)
8. Cuts part of the military (5)
10. Lanai's dialect (6)
12. Pack animals arrived last regularly (6)

