Make The Effort
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Across
1. Former Senator Jesse
6. Antioxidant berry
10. Group of whales
13. Regional
14. The agony of da feet?
16. UN workers' grp.
17. Make the effort
19. Tenn. athlete, for short
20. De Mille of dance
21. Dog-like scavenger (var.)
23. Publicity, slangily
26. Facilitate
27. GI Joe
28. Speech sound
30. New Testament Messiah
31. Essence
32. Gym wear
34. Vicious viper
37. "I give up!"
39. Starchy tuber
40. Spoonful, say
42. "A rat!"
43. Present times, for short?
46. Sound measure
47. Pinpoint
49. Mexican beer brand
51. Life jacket, e.g.
53. Add audio
54. A util.
55. Calculating vipers?
56. Swedish philanthropist Alfred
58. Spanish river
59. Make the effort

64. Clinch, with "up"
65. Bluefins
66. Arouse
67. Barbarian
68. Ancient alphabetic character
69. Passe

Down
1. Pillbox, e.g.
2. Slip or trip
3. Meadow (var.)
4. Poet Angelou
5. Campaign staple
6. Having lots of lots
7. Picnic discards
8. Is for two
9. Briefly
10. Make the effort
11. Forsaken
12. Back biter?
15. Do doer, e.g.
18. Military divisions
22. TV spots
23. Children, e.g.
24. Not a soul
25. Make the effort
27. "Naughty you!"
29. Opposite of 24D
30. "Cut it out!"
33. One of the Earp boys
35. Rolling rocker?
36. Kind of code
38. Sample, in a sense
41. Financing abbr.
44. Spa figure
45. Cousteau's diving invention
48. Be beholding
50. Minded
51. Heron's hangout
52. "Farewell, mon ami"
53. Search for water
56. Indian bread
57. Hot flower?
60. Bearded beast
61. Little squirt, e.g.
62. Tina's ex
63. TV titan Turner