Solution to Puzzle # 176 — January 2016 "Cousins"

D	E	N	I	S	O	V	A	N	A	N
I	M	A	L	E	X	A	M	I	N	E
S	A	V	O	R	Y	L	I	N	E	P
O	K	E	R	T	R	E	S	T	L	E
B	E	L	L	A	E	A	D	H	O	T
E	R	B	O	R	E	D	E	F	R	A
Y	S	O	A	S	K	I	S	L	I	G
A	T	E	N	I	C	O	S	E	S	O
L	A	R	C	E	A	S	E	D	S	N
O	R	T	E	R	M	A	R	T	H	A
N	E	A	N	D	E	R	T	H	A	L

The omitted letters (in parentheses in the list below) spell **HOMININ**.

Across
1. DENISOVAN
2. ANIMAL
3. EXAMINE
4. SAVORY
5. LINE
6. POKER
7. TRESTLE
8. BELL
9. A(**H**)EAD
10. H(**O**)OTER
11. BORE
12. DEFRAY
13. SO(**M**)A
14. SKIS
15. LIGATE
16. NIÇO(**I**)SE
17. SOLAR
18. CEASED
19. SNORTER
20. MARTHA
21. NEANDERTHAL

Down
1. DISOBEY
2. ALONE
3. MAKER
4. STARE
5. NAVEL
6. BO(**N**)ER
7. TAILOR
8. LOAN
9. CENSER
10. TARSIER
11. DOXY
12. REEK
13. CAME
14. VALE
15. ADIOS
16. ARAMIS
17. DESSERT
18. NINTH
19. F(**I**)LED
20. THANE
21. LORIS
22. SHANE
23. PE(**N**)TAGON

Kevin Wald solved the puzzle in 30 minutes.

January Puzzle Solvers
(The first ten are listed in the order their solutions were received, the others alphabetically)

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