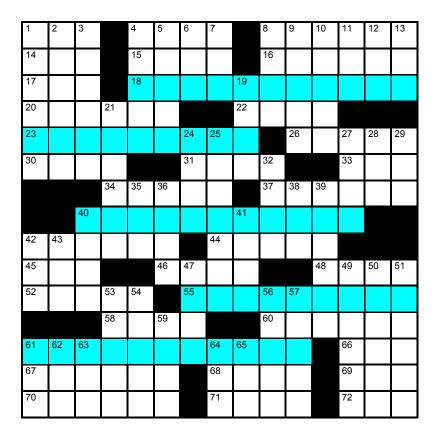
Across

- 1. Hem's companion
- **4.** Cartoon skunk ____ Le Pew
- **8.** "The Shawshank Redemption" climax
- 14. Flamenco shout
- 15. Farm team with a yoke
- 16. Rehab program
- 17. Shoot the breeze

18. Start of a quote by 61-Across

- **20.** Common retirement plans
- 22. Nautilus captain
- 23. Quote, part 2
- **26.** Question with only two possible answers
- 30. Catch a glimpse of
- **31.** Disorderly demonstration
- 33. Humble abode
- 34. Upright
- **37.** "Let me rephrase that..."
- 40. Quote, part 3
- 42. Small piece of broccoli
- **44.** Bouquets
- 45. Squeaky wheel's need
- 46. Blue, in Spain
- **48.** Takes care of, as a mild sprain
- **52.** "Twilight" heroine
- 55. End of the quote
- **58.** "This is the End" director Goldberg
- **60.** Mean and cranky
- 61. "I Know Why The Caged Bird Sings" author, and source of this puzzle's quotation
- **66.** Narrator Paradise in "On the Road"
- **67.** "You're going to love my gift!"
- **68.** Easy win, in the sports pages
- **69.** "Rings" found in a tree



- 70. One of the Fab Four
- **71.** Corroding sign of disuse
- 72. 71-Across's color

Down

- **1.** Bind all four legs together
- 2. Security devices
- 3. Online program
- 4. Difficult question
- 5. Rejoice
- 6. According to
- 7. Non-electronic bill holder: Abbr.
- **8.** Gutter's spot
- 9. Like toads and slugs
- 10. Rapids transit
- 11. "Life of Pi" director Lee
- 12. Samoan staple
- 13. Letters after ems

- 19. "What am I getting myself?"
- **21.** Jimmy Stewart played one in "Rear Window"
- 24. St. Louis attraction
- **25.** ___ oxide (laughing gas)
- **27.** Fluffy carpet type
- 28. Convent resident
- 29. Hall-of-Fame Giant Mel
- 32. DVR alternative
- 35. GPS result
- **36.** Blues belter James
- **38.** Former Russian Earth orbiter whose name translates to "Peace"
- 39. Naval officer
- **40.** weevil
- **41.** In neutral
- **42.** Chain for a pocket watch

- **43.** Stretch out, or stretch the truth
- 47. That extra something
- **49.** Emperor who shares his name with a salad
- 50. Madden
- **51.** Done up at the salon
- 53. Inclined
- **54.** "Alas, to no ___ ..."
- 56. Weaver's devices
- 57. Blow up, Vesuvius-style
- **59.** Pay to play
- 61. Group that might cause
- a 31-Across
- 62. Gibbon or gorilla
- 63. "I approve"
- 64. Make a boo boo
- 65. Rawls of R&B