It Works Both Ways - February 16, 2018 by Peter Koetters / Edited by Brad Wilber

ACROSS
1. SALT topic
6. Permissive
10. Scuffle
15. "Cross my heart!"
16. Cards in 75 Across, e.g.
17. Come in second, maybe
18. As accompaniment
19. One of the back forty
20. "... keen and ___, as a fine-nosed hound": Wordsworth
21. Outdoor chore often done in a 64 Across pattern
24. Mantra syllables
25. Short person's pledge?
26. Popinjay
27. Nasty cut
31. Kimono securers
33. Identified as off-limits
37. Noisy computer peripheral that used a 64 Across pattern
40. Approves
41. Open to bribery
42. Unit of baby formula
45. "Your table is ready" device, often
48. Board game in which pieces proceed in a 64 Across pattern
55. You may be told to button it
56. Changes dramatically, as a gene
57. Blunder
58. Changes dramatically, as a gene
59. You may be told to button it
64. Ancient text written in alternating directions, later suggested by 21, 37 and 48 Across
65. Sooner
66. Tirade
67. Bk. chronicling the plagues of Egypt
70. Green prefix

DOWN
1. Sulky
2. South Asian capital where Arthur C. Clarke is buried
3. Messes up
4. ___ Cooper
5. Score marks prescribing repeats
6. Marble collection?
7. L.A. Phil., e.g.
8. Chrome alternative
9. Basic skating jump
10. Gush
11. Tintinnabulate
12. Jaunty piano piece
13. Pitching-staff leader
14. In accordance with
22. "I've ___ Be Me"
23. Impressionist
28. Abbr. at the top of a memo
29. Citi Field predecessor
30. Send flying
32. Coat of paint?
34. La Scala shout calling for an encore
35. Hunted for pearls, maybe
38. Prince played by Eddie Murphy in "Coming to America"
39. Colorful Nestlé candy typically with two flavors to a box
42. Site of the Munch Museum
43. Operating system developed at Bell Labs
44. Common spot for a sunburn
45. Summer hrs. in Malibu
46. Setting where you might get stout
47. Refuel
49. George Takei's "Star Trek" role
50. Up for debate
51. Talks a blue streak
52. Saying "g'day," for example
53. Cannoli filling base
54. Author entombed near Chaucer in 1599, thus creating Westminster Abbey's Poets' Corner
59. "The Blacklist" airer
62. Rainforest Cafe and Planet Hollywood each have one
63. Zamboni's milieu
64. Ancient text written in alternating directions, later suggested by 21, 37 and 48 Across
65. Sooner
66. Tirade
67. Bk. chronicling the plagues of Egypt
68. Shares an email with, briefly
69. Tip collector for many buskers
70. Green prefix