



Puzzle #700

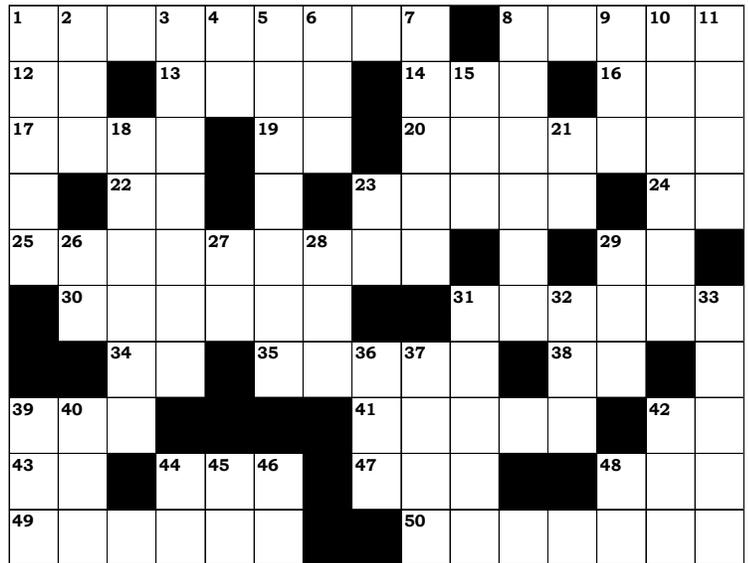
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ACROSS

1. Many Mo. towns abound in quirky facts, for ex. at Oak Hill Cemetery in Butler, Mo. is the world's smallest ____ as certified by Ripley's Believe it or Not. It lies atop the grave of a 14-year-old-girl named Linnie Crouch and measures less than six inches square.
8. Hen homes.
12. Letters for Oklahoma Univ. in Norman, OK.
13. Letters over the head of Jesus on the cross.
14. The Bulls and Mavericks belong to this org.
16. The ____ is the ethnic group for whom the country of Laos is named.
17. Whiteman AFB near Knob Noster, Mo. houses the USAF Air National Guard 131 Bomb ____.
19. An interactive feature of KRCG TV-13, Jeff. City/Columbia, is Rod's Big ____' Fish.
20. Since 1947 at Macon, Mo., Lolli Alternative livestock auction specializes in cattle sales but also has a sale schedule for camels, zebras, ____, apes, African hoofstock and mini horses. Also taxidermy and Old West memorabilia.
22. Abbr. for "for example," from the Latin, "*exempli gratia*."
23. Lee and Wrangler.
24. When texting, the letters

____ mean oh! (i.e., surprised).

25. Devil's Elbow, Mo. is named for the ____ on the Gasconade River that literally created a constant logjam for lumberjacks trying to feed the RR's need for 3,000 ties per RR mile in the Big Piney valley.
29. Home State of Walt Disney World (abbr.).
30. "You know, to be king you don't need a castle; to row back to shore can sure be a ____," —"A Jackknife to a Swan" by the Mighty Mighty Bosstones, 2002.
31. If a flower is not an ____ then it must be a perennial.
34. Abbr. for 5th Bk. of the Bible.
35. This small Miller Co. city was once a thriving RR town, then a Lake of the Ozarks gateway and now is the site of a Quaker's Window expansion and the newly homegrown Ice Cream Factory.
38. Prefix for rage or core.
39. Parent and school org.
41. ____ actor Steve McQueen spent childhood years in Slater, Mo. He is known for great films and a rebellious lifestyle.
42. Abbr. for *Societe Anonyme*, the French equivalent, after a company's name, to Inc. in the U.S. or Ltd. in the U.K.
43. Chemistry letters for gold.
44. Ash Wed. and Good ____ are obligatory days of fasting during Lent.
47. The growing number of services for pets includes the Veterinary Pet Insurance (____) Co. to ensure the best health care possible for your dog or cat.
48. ____ Father...
49. In 2008, the Atchison Co. town of Rock Port, Mo.,



1,300 residents, with four wind turbines on agricultural land within its city ____, announced itself to be the first 100% wind powered co. in the U.S.

50. "No school tomorrow! I get to ____!" cried the teacher (2 wds.).

DOWN

1. "Which of you wishing to construct a ____ does not first sit down and calculate the cost..." (Luke 14:28).
2. Yes in Calais.
3. The County Seat of Mo.'s Texas County, the ____ county in size in Mo., is appropriately named Houston, Mo.
4. The country internet code for the country of Senegal.
5. "Double double toil and ____, fire burn and cauldron bubble," —the chant of the three witches from Shakespeare's "Macbeth," Act IV.
6. Olive or canola.
7. The game ____ in a tie.
8. "We fired our ____ 'til the barrel melted down, so we grabbed an alligator and we fought another round..." —"Battle of New Orleans" by Johnny Horton, 1959.
9. Bullfight cry.
10. Bribery, esp. in the music industry.
11. Just OK (2 wds.).
15. ____ Constrictor.
18. Near this Mo. town named for Las Vegas' State is the Osage Village State Historic Site, the site of a major Osage Indian village with 200 lodges housing 2,000-3,000 people.
21. State from which our Bishop, Bishop Shawn McKnight, hails from (abbr.).
23. Abbr. for the fourth gospel.
26. Letters for International Harvester machinery.
27. Letters on a car meaning Rally Sport.
28. Electric fish.
29. "It's kind of ____ to do the impossible," —Walt Disney.
31. A blacksmith's need.
32. Word on a birth, marriage, or death certificate perhaps.
33. "Take my yoke upon you and ____ from me..." (Matthew 11:29).
36. State agency that renews driver's licenses (abbr.).
37. Excuse me!
39. He's a pen ____ with someone he met while traveling in Europe with his family.
40. "*Benedictum fructum ventris* ____," (Blessed is

the fruit of your womb)
—from the Latin hymn
“*Salve Regina*” (“Hail
Holy Queen”).

42. ____ *generis*; Latin phrase
meaning unique, one of a
kind.
44. Fee ____ Fo Fum, —
from *Jack & the Beanstalk*.
45. ____ . Rev. Msgr.
46. “People say nothing
____ impossible, but I
do nothing every day,”
—A.A. Milne’s *Winnie
the Pooh*.
48. MFA, Mo. Farmer’s
Assn., is a co-____ that
started in Brunswick,
Mo. in 1914.