



## Puzzle #729

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### ACROSS

1. Nature's "night shift" animals include those which are night-active and those active at dusk and \_\_\_\_.
5. Small \_\_\_\_ animals that are nocturnal are esp. rarely seen at night though they can sometimes be heard (e.g., flying squirrels make tiny but very distinct sounds).
9. \_\_\_\_ boards historically sell well in uncertain times when people want a quick easy way to connect with angels, demons, or the dead. The Catholic Church regards this as divination, an occult and dangerous practice. It is worse when it is disguised as entertainment, esp. for the young.
11. The \_\_\_\_ at the Univ. of Mo. at Columbia is the oldest part of the Red Campus. At its center are the six iconic columns which are a symbol for the University.
12. Actually, the nocturnal Mo. mammals easiest to observe are bats. Look for them at dusk, in meadows, near \_\_\_\_ and streetlights, erratically fluttering after insects. In Mo., you will likely be seeing Little Brown Bats or Red Bats.
14. Mo. mammals that are nocturnal include raccoons, opossums, skunks, beavers, \_\_\_\_ & flying squirrels.
17. Short for Electronics Art; second-largest video game company in the Americas & Europe.
19. Abbr. for lieutenant.
20. Suffix for terror.
21. Short for Headline News, a news channel owned by CNN.
22. \_\_\_\_ *cum spiritu tuo*.
23. Wedding words, perhaps.
25. Old abbr. for the Hoosier State.
27. "...love the Lord, your God; follow Him faithfully; and \_\_\_\_ Him with your whole heart and soul," (Joshua 22:5).
28. Mo. animals that are nocturnal also include deer, foxes, \_\_\_\_ and bobcats.
30. A \_\_\_\_ (Universal Serial Bus) port is the plug-in on a computer for a cable to transfer digital data to electronic devices.
31. Laundry detergent brand.
34. Fishing and hunting \_\_\_\_ account for approximately 20% of the Mo. Dept. of Conservation's annual revenue.
37. This mainly African dog-like animal is called the "laughing \_\_\_\_" because of its staccato giggle which sounds like hysterical human laughter. Some say its drooling grin contributes to this description.
39. Abbr. for the Buckeye State, the State in which the second most US presidents were born.
40. Wide shoe width.
41. If we search for nighttime mammals at night, we are not likely to see them because they will sense us first and \_\_\_\_ us. Most nighttime mammal sightings are accidental.
43. He was a huge fan of the NASCAR \_\_\_\_ circuit.
44. Christmas and New Year's each have one.

### DOWN

1. "Presbyters who preside well deserve \_\_\_\_ hon-

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- or..." (1 Timothy 5:17).
2. Chemical letters for gold.
3. Almost all of Missouri's large \_\_\_\_ mammals are nocturnal.
4. The Garden State (abbr.).
5. O-T.
6. "They will \_\_\_\_ and not grow weary, walk and not grow faint," (Isaiah 40:31).
7. The portrait painter used his \_\_\_\_ to display his latest work.
8. Three ft.
10. Lincoln and Fortas.
13. Missouri \_\_\_\_ Thomas Hart Benton was inspiringly paired with Mo. author Mark Twain as illustrator of three of Twain's most celebrated works: *Adventures of Tom Sawyer*, *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*, and *Life on the Mississippi*.
15. As an exterminator I go from top to bottom, from \_\_\_\_ to basements.
16. She was \_\_\_\_ with excitement to be asked to be maid of honor at her sister's wedding.
18. Grandmother of Jesus.
21. "The young fellows in those days sought to surpass each other in wres-
- ding, jumping and running. Also, \_\_\_\_ pitching was popular. Dancing too was not neglected," — Gert Goebel, *Memoirs of a German immigrant in Mo., 1830s-1880s*.
24. Fourth letter of the alphabet.
26. "Whoever aspires to the office of bishop desires a \_\_\_\_ task," (1 Timothy 3:1).
29. Killer whale.
30. The one who seats guests at a wedding.
32. Prefix for view or call.
33. I'll take \_\_\_\_ salad with my entrée.
35. Cross letters.
36. Turkey month (abbr.)?
38. She has the right to say \_\_\_\_ or nay.
41. The Mo. Dept. of \_\_\_\_\_. Is responsible for promoting & protecting the producers, processors and consumers of Mo.'s biggest industry. Crops, livestock, forestry and fishery production and processing contributes \$88.4 billion to Mo.'s economy.
42. He received a saline solution through an \_\_\_\_ in his arm but took antibiotics by mouth.