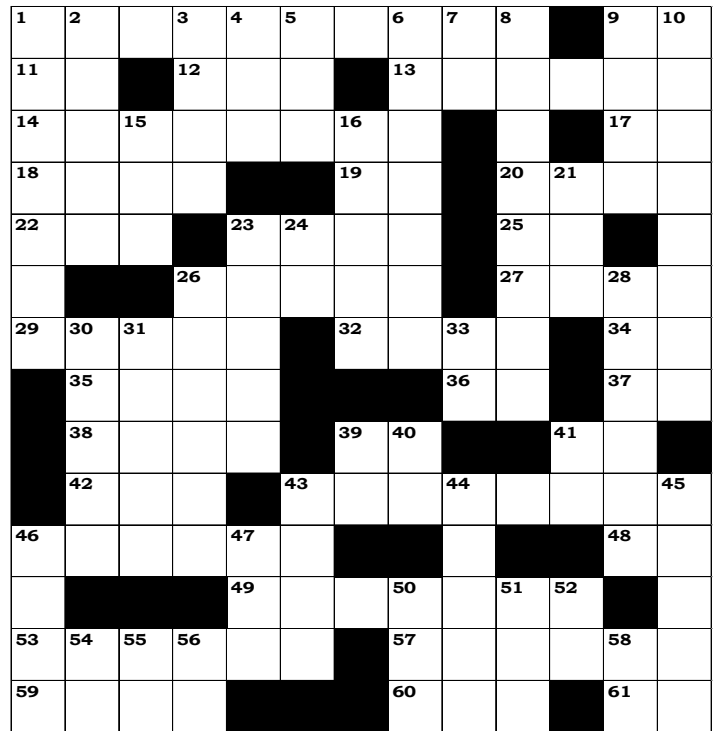


## Puzzle #740

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**ACROSS**

1. This puzzle presents more strange but true facts and \_\_\_\_ of some of our Mo. wildlife.
9. Letters for student nurse, preparing for #19 ACROSS.
11. *Adora \_\_\_\_ Deum* (Worship God); Georgian Chant hymn by Nova Schola Gregoriana.
12. Abbr. for religion or relative.
13. "From your \_\_\_\_ God's ears"; Proverb meaning: May God hear what I/you say and act on it; possibly stemming from Psalm 130:2. The phrase appears in the orthodox Jewish prayer book (2 wds.).
14. Monarch Caterpillars are normally \_\_\_\_ creatures, but when milkweed (the only thing they eat) gets scarce, competition for food can bring out bad behavior. To knock rivals off a leaf, the colorful caterpillars headbutt each other.
17. Abraham's ancestral home.
18. \_\_\_\_ A Sketch; a mechanical drawing toy, available since 1960.
19. A licensed medical caregiver.
20. "It would not have cost you a red \_\_\_\_"; expression recorded first by J.S. Jones in *Peoples Lawyer*, 1839.
22. "This is Jesus, \_\_\_\_ King

- of the Jews," (Matthew 27:37).
23. French cheese.
25. "You who would destroy the temple and rebuild \_\_\_\_ in three days, save yourself..." (Matthew 27:40).
26. I went to a podiatrist to check on my \_\_\_\_ and bunions.
27. "God \_\_\_\_ the Dome. God called the Dome 'the sky,'" (Genesis 1:7,8).
29. Pax Romana refers to a 200-year time period (27 B.C. to 180 A.D.) in the \_\_\_\_ Empire which saw unprecedented peace and economic prosperity throughout the vast Empire. It coincides with Jesus and early Christianity.
32. To Be in Latin 101.
34. The Natural State (abbr.).
35. Skippers are a group of small butterflies named for their flitty, zippy, skipping flight. Despite rarely flying in a straight \_\_\_\_, they can move and zigzag faster than any other Missouri butterfly, clocking speeds up to 37 mph.
36. "\_\_\_\_ Top of Old Smokey"; Appalachian folksong.
37. "Greenest State in the Land of the Free..."; at least to old Davy Crockett song (abbr.).
38. Drury and Holiday.
39. "Wait, let us see \_\_\_\_ Elijah comes to save him," (Matthew 27:49).
41. "\_\_\_\_ for me and my household, we will serve the Lord," (Joshua 24:15).
42. \_\_\_\_doo religion is a combination of West African religions and Roman Catholicism. It believes God does not interfere in our lives, but spirits do, and are accessible through dance, rituals and snakes.
43. The name of the runaway slave of a Christian slave-owner. In the New Testament book of Phile-



- mon, Paul tells Philemon (the slave owner) to treat this slave like a brother, a brother in Christ; thus undercutting slavery altogether.
46. Mount \_\_\_\_, Mo. is the County Seat of Lawrence Co. with its historic courthouse.
48. Abbr. for the Old Testament book following Micah.
49. At the time of the Am. Revolutionary War, most Americans retained the British tradition of French-bashing, seeing the French as \_\_\_\_ subjects of a superstitious religion and of an ambitious prince. They saw them as dandies lacking morality and manliness. After they became allies & with personal contact, Americans began to see them differently (from *The American Revolution: A World War*).
53. Gar often swim to the water's surface to open and close their \_\_\_\_ mouths with loud SNAPS! This brings air into a gar's swim bladder, which works like a lung and helps the gar

- survive in water that contains little oxygen.
57. "I want you to \_\_\_\_ on these points..." (Titus 3:8).
59. In contrast to the Big Apple's frenetic pace, New Orleans since the 1960s has been called the Big \_\_\_\_ because of its laid back atmosphere.
60. "The kingdom of heaven is like a \_\_\_\_ thrown into the sea, which collects fish of every kind," (Matthew 13:47).
61. This State is the only one bordered completely on its east and west sides by rivers (abbr.).

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1. Parishes in Marshall, Jeff. City, and Fulton are named for this leader of the Apostles.
2. At birth, baby bats can weigh almost 1/3 of their mother's weight. In an emergency, mama bats fly their chunky babies to safety. To stay attached during flight, the pup clings to mom's belly with its hind feet, and with its \_\_\_\_\_. Ouch!

3. The Catholic joke in St. Louis, which has a relatively large Cath. pop., is that in no place in Am. is the Bishop of the place more appropriately called the \_\_\_\_ bishop than St. Louis with its soaring riverfront monument.
4. Ball holder.
5. North Pole worker.
6. "Jesus went around... curing every disease and \_\_\_\_," (Matthew 9:35).
7. In photography, letters for Exposure Index, film speeds for exposing film to light.
8. Alligator Snapping Turtles are easily Mo.'s largest reptile. Mo.'s largest \_\_\_\_ tipped the scales at 128 lbs. The biggest on record is a whopping 251 lbs.
9. \_\_\_\_ gun; taser.
10. \_\_\_\_ lights; aurora borealis.
15. King topper.
16. Turkey Vultures, like all birds, don't sweat. So, when temps get toasty, vultures pee down their legs. (You read that right!) As the \_\_\_\_ evaporates, it carries heat off the bird's body, which helps the vulture keep cool.
21. Possible letters on an airport flight schedule.
23. Nickname for Dr. McCoy on Kirk's ship.
24. B&O or Short Line on a Monopoly Board.
26. A Bombardier Beetle has a \_\_\_\_ in its caboose. When threatened, this insect mixes up a cocktail of chemicals inside its abdomen. This causes an explosive reaction that sprays out of the beetle's backside and burns any would-be attacker.
28. Japanese car co. that changed its name to Nissan in 1981.
30. "...the dove came back to (Noah), and there in its bill was a plucked-off \_\_\_\_ leaf! (Genesis 8:11)
31. Though just a year in the \_\_\_\_ leagues, the young whiz-gang pitcher drew baseball scouts from all over.
33. "Jesus said to him in reply, 'You have said \_\_\_\_,'" (Matthew 26:64).
39. \_\_\_\_ the name of the Father...
40. Chemical letters for the element iron (in Latin, ferrum). By mass, it is the most common element on earth.
41. Not PM.
43. The years of the Revolutionary War (1776-1783) were the \_\_\_\_ time in U.S. history when large numbers of foreign troops fought on its soil. For ex., French allied soldiers, 6,000; British-hired German troops, 30,000 (from *The American Revolution: A World War*).
44. Attached word to sun or moon.
45. The \_\_\_\_ Maria; largest of the 3 ships of Columbus on his first voyage to the new world in 1492.
46. "Get out the \_\_\_\_!" Phrase often heard before elections.
47. \_\_\_\_Kosh B'gosh; children's clothier.
50. A car thief will sometimes shear off the car's vehicle identification number (\_\_\_\_) to make it harder to identify.
51. Fast flier.
52. Informal hello.
54. In the army, letters for operational assessment.
55. Bone.
56. These two letters can be added to par or hear.
58. Yes in Monterrey.