ACROSS

1. Missouri’s Shannon County is one of the biggest in size (over 1,000 sq. miles) and one of the ____ in population (8,400 residents).
2. Ark man.
3. Cowboy competition event.
4. There were many ____ and aahs at the beautiful fireworks.
5. Nein in Neuremburg.
7. She will ____ the day she said that!
8. “___ to Billy Joe” —1967 song by Billie Gentry.
9. Ending for most email addresses.
10. In Shannon Co., Round Spring (55 ft. deep) flows under a natural ____ as it pours 26 million gallons of water daily into the Current River. Blue Spring on the Current River (at 310 ft. deep, one of the deepest springs in the U.S.) pours out 165 million gallons daily.
11. Happy but dumb dog in Garfield comic strip.
12. Prefix for side or turn.
13. In football, letters for wide receiver, a pass specialist and usually fastest person of the team.
14. In terms of median household incomes, Shannon County is the ____ county in Mo.
15. “Et ____ , Brute?” —from Shakespeare’s Julius Caesar.
17. Pablo’s yes.
18. What’s a little teasing ____ friends?
19. “…God will wipe away every ____ from their eyes,” (Revelations 7:17).
20. Ozark National Scenic Riverways was the first U.S. National Park to protect a river _____. Created in 1964, it covers 134 miles (80,000 acres) of the Current and Jacks Fork rivers. At least two Mo. State parks were merged into the National Park.
21. The Mo. Dept. of _____. deals with all aspects of farming in the State.
22. Letters for the Univ. of Mo., the four-campus entity with campuses in Columbia, Rolla, St. Louis and KC.
23. ____ Cassino; small mountain 80 miles south of Rome where St. Benedect established the first and most famous Benedictine monastery in 529. Also where the iconic Rule of St. Benedict was composed, and the site of a famous WW II battle.
24. The Ozark Nat. Scenic Riverways has the ____ concentration of first-magnitude springs in the U.S., supplying 60% of the Current & Jacks Fork’s water flow.
25. The Ozark Nat. Scenic Riverways includes two small bands of ____ horses, set free by Depression Era ranchers who couldn’t afford to feed them.

DOWN

1. Grade level above Jr. in high school.
2. Muslim ethnic group in southern Philippines; insurgency in area since 1969.
3. Eve’s squeeze.
4. Shannon county is named in honor of George F. “Peg-____” Shannon, a member of the Lewis & Clark Expedition.
5. The first new parish established in the newly created diocese of Jefferson City (1956) was Our Lady of ____ parish in Columbia (1958).
6. A non-dairy fruit and sweetened-ice dessert.
7. Shannon County is home to hundreds of (very) large and small springs; 300 recorded caves and several ____ caverns; a State Park; several historic sites; and the very popular Current and Jacks Fork float rivers.
8. The Norfolk Southern ____ railroad operates 19,420 miles of track and is a major transporter of coal.
10. Garden tool.
11. “So you are no longer a ____ child but a child, and if a child then also an ____,” through God,” (Galatians 4:7).
12. “____, King of Bashan…” (Psalm 136:20).
13. The County Seat of Shannon Co. is Eminence, nicknamed the “canoeing ____ of the world.”
14. “___ Colores”; (of colors); Spanish folk song widely used in the Cur-sillo movement.
15. Where surgery takes place in a hospital.
16. Extreme terrorist group.
17. Elk were introduced into the Ozark Nat. Scenic Riverways.
18. “I am the Alpha and the _____. “ (Revelations 1:8).
20. Money machine.
21. It’s the cat’s ____! Old slang phrase meaning something outstanding; coined by American cartoonist Thomas Dorgan (1877-1929).
22. An ____MAX theater (different than IMAX) is a wrap-around five story...
domed movie screen with digital sound for a great immersion effect, as found for ex. at the St. Louis Science Center.

36. Slang for toupee or wig.
38. I shouldn't do it and ____
   I think I’m going to do it.

43. The letters ____ on an Accura sedan stands for Touring Luxury.