



Counting up – Poll workers set up for a long night of ballot counting at the Carroll County Courthouse. A technical error ended the night with many ballots unable to be counted and the rest of us on our toes to know who won. Hopefully, this afternoon will give us results.

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Clinton burns Sanders, Trump tames Cruz Carroll County votes not yet counted

MARY PAT BOIAN

Carroll County election results won't be out until Wednesday afternoon at the earliest, according to election commissioner Bob Grudek. "It was simple inexperience," Grudek said. "When you vote with a paper ballot, we have a machine that counts those votes, when you vote electronically, we take the chip out when the polls close and put it in the election coordinator's computer, where votes cast must be matched with the number of voters. That's what didn't happen, so we locked everything up and left the

courthouse around 2:30 in the morning."

A technician for ESS, the company that manufactures the electronic voting machine had been called in, but was unable to fix the glitch, as apparently he had been trained one way and the Carroll County election coordinator another. Grudek said the expert technician from ESS would arrive from Little Rock sometime Wednesday afternoon and vote counting should be done within hours after everything is coordinated. "The data simply wasn't organized, all the data was in the computer, we just couldn't get it out."

Grudek said there were some counties in Arkansas that reported they were running out of paper ballots before polls closed due to a large voter turnout. He said there was only one complaint from a voter who had to switch from paper to electronic voting.

Madison County's unofficial results show Judge Dale Ramsey winning over attorney Chris Flanagan for the newly-created District Judge position, 230-53. Ramsey is from Madison County and Flanagan lives in Carroll County.

Statewide, Democratic presidential contender Hillary Clinton was ahead

of Bernie Sanders, who never visited Arkansas, by about a 77,000 vote margin, according to the Arkansas Secretary of State. On the Republican side, Donald Trump and Ted Cruz were top dogs with Marco Rubio running third, but Trump was declared the winner with 2,349 of 2,509 precincts reporting.

Nearly 600,000 votes were cast in Arkansas, and 62 percent of primary voters selected the Republican ballot.

Carroll County results will be posted at www.esindependent.com when they come in.

This Week's INDEPENDENT Thinkers

In Longview, Wash., a small city with a lot of unemployment, citizens were offered jobs, tax revenue and economic revival if they would allow an oil refinery and propane export terminal to be built. But Longview's city council voted unanimously to send Waterside Energy packing after the local fire department it didn't have the ability to respond to an oil train explosion, and citizens said the smell would be disgusting. To say nothing of increased risks of catching cancer.

It took courage for a community that needs jobs to say no to dirty jobs that would harm people more than help them.

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Ideas for promoting artists proffered

NICKY BOYETTE

Artist John Rankine gave City Advertising and Promotion commissioners a snapshot of his history as “a passionate advocate for artists,” on Feb. 24. Rankine enumerated a litany of art events featured in print and other media around the state, even on the cover of printed publications, which brought valuable free publicity to Eureka Springs. He suggested a logical next step would be for the CAPC to sponsor artists and artistic events in the same way it sponsors musicians for the Second Saturday concerts in Basin Park.

He maintained a successful interactive art event that engaged visitors would send them home excited about their trip to Eureka Springs which they would recount to friends, thereby spreading the positive word about the town.

Rankine suggested the May Festival of the Arts as the opportunity to begin. CAPC Director Mike Maloney responded that Kim Stryker, assistant to the mayor, would be coordinating that event, and said he would join Rankine in meeting with Stryker for discussion.

Rankine reported he was working on a slide show presentation using a year’s worth of photos he would project onto the wall of the bandshell in Basin Park. As a follow up to engage visitors, he could produce small view pieces that a person could hold up to the light and see a miniature of one of the photos in the slideshow. Visitors could take them home as unique souvenirs from Eureka Springs.

Another suggestion from Rankine was for the CAPC to engage yarn artist Gina Gallina during the May Festival of

the Arts to do a yarn-bombing of Basin Park – cover the trees, the doughboy statue and her friends, for example. To make the event interactive, there could be crochet lessons for tourists. Rankine anticipated events like this would generate much favorable publicity.

Interested observer Susan Harmon pointed out the CAPC does not have an easy-to-find form for the public to submit ideas like those Rankine suggested, and added that new folks in town do not know where to go to get their ideas heard. Sandy Martin offered the Arts Council Facebook page as a site for posting ideas.

Rankine reiterated that art events can be good for visitors and the city as a way to get the word out, and said he was very encouraged by commissioners’ response.

INDEPENDENTArt

South Indian classical dance at Melonlight

Melonlight Ballroom Dance & Yoga will have special guest from NYC, Jaan R. Freeman perform Bharata Natyam, a classical Indian dance incorporating music, poetry, dance, theater and mythology on Saturday, March 5 from 6 – 7:30 p.m. Freeman will also have a workshop on March 6 from 1 – 3 p.m. teaching the fundamentals of Bharata Natyam.

Melonlight Dance & Yoga is located at 121 East Van Buren, Suite E. Go to www.melonlightdance.com or call (720) 278-5672 for more information or to pay for the event/workshop.

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Showing the talent of local musicians

The Carroll County Music Group is sponsoring the 5th *We’ve Got Talent* concert on March 13 at 3 p.m. at the Eureka Springs Auditorium. This concert is a major fundraiser for sending young area musicians to summer music camps to enhance their opportunities in music. Playing at the concert will be The Ozarks Chorale, APO String Coalition Chamber Orchestra, Berryville High School Show Choir, John Two-Hawks and others.

The goal for this year’s concert is to raise \$20,000, which will help 40 – 50 students attend music camp. Carroll County Music Group is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. For more information call Sharon Parker at (479) 981-0870.

Art at the grocery store

Holiday Island Art Guild artists work will be displayed in the dining room of Sun Fest at Holiday Island. The opening celebration of this gallery is Saturday, March 5 from 4 – 7 p.m. and all are invited.

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INDEPENDENTNews

Food trucks on the Planning table

NICKY BOYETTE

Alderman James DeVito addressed the Planning Commission at its Feb. 23 meeting to clarify what city council expected regarding food trucks in town – determine how food trucks and trailers mesh with City Code, identify concerns with use of city streets, and highlight zoning issues.

DeVito pointed out the unique Eureka Springs downtown and its narrow streets and sidewalks present a different set of variables in accommodating mobile food vendors than Fayetteville or Rogers, so Planning could recommend appropriate locations and times of operation. He expected council to consider creating a franchise framework with clearly defined parameters, and suggestions from Planning would help them begin.

Chair Steve Beacham said one place to start would be locations, and there were no public spaces along US 62 except the parking lot at the top of Planer Hill, which

he has been advised not to pursue.

Commissioner Pat Lujan added he could see no spots on North Main except private property. He would not want to take away space at the Music Park because the parking lot is packed on weekends, and wanted to avoid using limited parking in town for mobile food vendors.

Commissioner Melissa Greene commented it appeared to her food trucks could be approved in the C-1 and C-2 zones. She also noticed a person with enough private property could start a food court as long as city health codes were followed.

Commissioner James Morris suggested the Fayetteville rules for food trucks could be a guide, but Eureka Springs would need to adapt them. He said if the city does not find a way to accommodate food trucks, it would be losing a potential asset.

Greene agreed food trucks would be a benefit because they are new and different,

but did not see they would fit downtown where parking is at a premium unless it were at night after businesses close.

Discussion touched on several particulars of public versus private property, permitted versus prohibited uses in Code, and how handy it would be if a food truck were outside at that moment. Commissioners settled on suggesting that a specific ordinance be crafted which permitted food trucks and their trailers to operate on private property in the C-1 and C-2 zones, and with a special permit in any zone during a special event.

Commissioners agreed they would spend more time on the subject if council sent the subject back to them with further instructions.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, March 8. Prior to the meeting, there will be a Public Hearing beginning at 6 p.m. for an application for a CUP for a Bed & Breakfast at 6 Hazel Street and a waiver of the 200-ft. rule.

Soccer season starting soon

Grab your cleats and shin guards, the Eureka Springs Soccer Club will hold sign-up days for the 2016 Spring Season on Wednesday, March 2 from 3:15 – 5 p.m. and Saturday, March 5 from 9 – 11:30 a.m.

For more information check the club website at www.eteamz.com/eurekasoccer.

INDEPENDENTArt

The hills are alive with the sound of...

Classical music! The Eureka Springs Into Music Festival begins Tuesday, March 15 at Thorncrown Chapel on U.S. 62 West with a concert featuring Sara Sant'Ambrogio and Sara Parkins from the Eroica Trio, and members of the Arkansas Philharmonic and Youth orchestra at 7 p.m.

Eureka Springs City Auditorium will be home for the second performance of the Eureka Springs Into Music Festival with The Eroica Trio taking the stage along with Arkansas Philharmonic Principal Violist Krista Mays, winner of the Youth Youtube competition, and other guests on March 18 at 7 p.m.

The Eureka Springs Into Music Festival involves outreach to local students. Professional musicians will be visiting area schools through the region for class length presentation and workshops of music and story geared toward exciting students about music.

Tickets for both the Auditorium and Thorncrown Chapel performance are available online at www.theaud.org. For more information visit www.eurekaspringsintomusic.com.



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Federal agencies deny karst evidence

BECKY GILLETTE

A 6,500-hog factory in the Buffalo River Watershed is not located in a karst region, marked with springs and underground streams that could provide pathways for toxic hog wastes to pollute one of the more scenic and popular attractions in Arkansas, the Buffalo National River, according to the Small Business Administration (SBA) and the USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA), agencies that underwrote loan guarantees for the hog factory.

In late 2014 the Buffalo River Watershed Alliance (BRWA), the Arkansas Canoe Club and the National Parks Conservation Association won a court ruling that the SBA and FSA had failed to evaluate potential adverse environmental and economic impacts to the region by providing federal loan guarantees to build the C&H Hog Farm. SBA and FSA were required to redo the environmental impact statement, but once again, the agencies issued a "Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)."

The hog factory produces hog waste stored in a settling basin, shallow pits, and a holding pond that can hold nearly two million gallons of wastewater that is sprayed onto adjacent fields. The amount of waste created is equivalent to what is produced by a city with a population of 30,000.

Experts in karst topography said water pollution is a grave concern.

"The farm is on porous karst geology, therefore seepage into underground water is also nearly certain," the BRWA said.

"The conclusion that C&H is not

located on karst and that groundwater and surface water contamination is not imminent is absolutely based on flawed science," nationally recognized karst expert Dr. John Van Brahana said. "Data collected over the past two years by my team and submitted to the agencies puts the likelihood of swine waste from C&H Hog Farms finding its way into the Buffalo National River at 95 percent. These data were completely ignored, as were similar comments from noted hydrologist Thomas Aley, and the opinions of the National Park Service and U.S. Geological Survey. We have all concluded that the C&H swine operation may have significant adverse impacts, which requires that a full Environmental Impact Statement be prepared."

Although disappointing, supporters of the Buffalo River said the FONSI is not unexpected.

"The science used was cherry picked, ignoring anything that did not support the preordained conclusion," Jack Stewart, vice president BRWA said. "More than fifteen thousand citizens, some of whom were scientists, submitted comments. All of that was ignored. To give you just one example of the inadequacies, there is ample evidence that C&H is built on topography that resembles Swiss cheese – a formation geologists call karst. Yet this finding never acknowledges the obvious fact."

BRWA members are concerned about potential human health effects.

"People swim, fish, and paddle in the Buffalo River, and may be subject to contact with untreated swine waste," Dane

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CAPC hires Events Manager

NICKY BOYETTE

City Advertising and Promotion commissioners adjourned last Wednesday's workshop and convened a special meeting to discuss the position of Special Events Manager, which commissioners, after hearing Executive Director Mike Maloney hail the virtues of two applicants in particular, voted to have him hire for the position immediately.

On Tuesday, March 1, Maloney announced that Dori Thomas, a former marketing manager for the Franklin County Convention and Visitors Bureau in Ottawa, Kan., who now lives in Eureka Springs, had accepted the job. Maloney said Thomas's "depth in the special events world both in public and private venues" would be an asset to CAPC staff." Thomas has a background in entertainment booking, events management, and a grasp of financial responsibility, Maloney said.

The hiring comes after commissioners bandied about how to make the job worthwhile when demands don't exactly fit neatly into a 40-hour a week salaried position. Since the hire would need to work as many hours as an event requires, which would be sporadic, commissioners voted unanimously to have Maloney hire for a contract labor position.

"I'm super excited to put my twenty-plus years to good use," Thomas said following her hiring.

The next CAPC meeting is Wednesday, March 9, at 6 p.m.

The show is coming to a close

The Secret Season Cinema foreign film festival at the Carnegie Library is coming to a close with the highest-grossing Swedish comedy *The 100 Year Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared*, based on the best-selling novel of the same name by Jonas Jonasson.

This is the story of Alan Karlsson, a man who has lived a long and interesting

life until he finds himself in a nursing home as a centenarian and decides that his adventures are not over.

The film is rated R. Screening will be in the Library Annex Friends Room on Friday, March 4 at 7 p.m. Admission and popcorn are free. For more information, go to events.calendar.at.eurekalibrary.org or call (479) 253-8754.

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Hazard mitigation plan update

NICKY BOYETTE

Crain Hull provided an update on the Hazard Mitigation Plan to the Planning Commission last Tuesday that he and his wife, Caelli, began in the spring of 2014. He pointed out the tunnel collapse a year ago was one item on their list of potential hazards, along with the deteriorating dam at Black Bass Lake and the town's antique sewer system.

Hull's proposal for tunnels running under the downtown area would be to establish an Improvement District that

would clarify responsibilities between public and private sectors. He described the situation as maintenance not addressed for 130 years, and his solution would be systematic long-term upkeep because there is no one-time fix for potential storm water hazards.

He added fire preparedness to mitigation concerns, and said he would submit a narrative this spring for updating the mitigation plan and how to best use resources such as the Federal Emergency Management Administration.

INDEPENDENTArt



Rough and ready people in Ozarks terrain

That is what Jim Sexton paints in delicate watercolors and textured oils. The artist/owner of Parkway Art and Frame is Cornerstone Bank of Holiday Island's March artist of the month. Included in the Cornerstone exhibits are selections from Sexton's latest series, *Cowboys and Old Barns*, as well as samples from earlier work.

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Dribbling fast on the road to State – The boys basketball team moves on to state as regional runner-up after a 61 - 57 defeat against Hector on Saturday. They may have lost but they're not out and they will play against Junction City in Marmaduke at 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday for Game 1 of the State tournament! **PHOTO BY B.J. ALLEE**

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Where there's smoke there's Republicans?

Editor,

Today, Monday the last day of February, was a beautiful day. I try to be happy and thankful for nature and her beauty.

However, in the evening, we could hardly breathe for the thick cloud of smoke all over town. The ESFD said it was a "controlled burning" of 4,000 acres in Franklin County. I have been told that this is the only way to prevent huge forest fires. I don't believe the U.S. Forest Service.

If our government really cared about our forests, the birds, the animals and people who do not care to breathe smoke, they could hire some unemployed people for \$15 an hour and cut the underbrush, etc. No? It's easier to just "control the burn?"

More good news from the Republicans – a bill has passed in the Congress weakening any legislation concerning wildlife, protecting endangered species, elephants, *et al.*

More examples: Mississippi (dominated by white Republicans) just passed an "unborn child protection" bill. They already violently attacked the one remaining abortion provider

in Jackson. Mississippi and Arkansas tie for the most poverty and the least services provided to their citizens.

The Republican leadership refuses to consider a Supreme Court nominee thereby violating the Constitution willingly. Mr. Cruz, Mr. Rubio and Mr. Trump scream obscene ideas at each other and try to be the "most right-wing candidate." Trump does not know who David Duke is, nor has he ever heard of the KKK.

So-called "Christian conservatives" continue to vote for Republicans who do not have their interests at heart and just use "religion" as a go-to vote getter.

A Democratic friend of mine said, "If Trump gets elected president, I'm moving to Mexico." Not all of us can move and "Love It or Leave It" died in the '60s. Liberal and progressive Democrats are true patriots who want a better life for everybody; not just the .05 percent of gluttonous and greedy Republicans.

I voted early for Bernie and I will vote for Hillary if she is the Democratic candidate. Never a Republican! I am not insane or self-destructive. I believe in democracy and equality and hope those like me defeat the Republican right-wingers!

Trella Laughlin



WEEK'S Top Tweets

@jasonbankscomic: Kids eat free today? Nice. In that case, I'll have a glass of water and my son will have the steak and shrimp combo with a kid's Bud Light.

@dafloydsta: [spelling bee] Your word is 'pressure.' "Can you use it in a sentence?" "I think it's time we move in together."

@contwixt: Lately I go to the restroom at the movies but forget where I'm seated, then return & just begin a new life in a new seat with a new family.

@gibjimson: You meant these doors open automatically for everyone, not just me?

@jacksawyerr: It's nice having dogs that continuously warn

me about nothing outside.

@trytheveal: My dog can predict when an earthquake is going to happen. But television doorbell versus actual doorbell baffles him every time.

@underchilde: The fastest way to get to the front of the line at Starbucks is just to tell everyone you saw Adele outside.

@Jake_Vig: The logjam of candidates still in the presidential race could result in my greatest fear: Presidential Candidate Dance-Off.

@theshantilly: Wrong key, wrong key, wrong key, wrong key, wrong key, wrong key... me trying to unlock my potential.

@shutupmike: Facebook should change its name to Acquaintance Birthday Reminder.

Put Community in the Center

While there may be near universal agreement that the old Eureka Springs High School should become our community center, I, and several folks who approached me after my comments at a recent meeting, have issues with the current plan that are preventing our enthusiastic endorsement and support for the prevailing proposal.

The Highlander Community Center Foundation directors have volunteered much time and energy to develop their plan. Their efforts are appreciated and several members are my friends. But it is “their plan,” and not one in which the community has had much input. While there have been a couple of community meetings, they were more presentations of the foundation’s and architect’s visions rather than real interactive discussions of ideas that best serve the community.

Under their plan, one of the two surviving buildings is to be made over into Class A office space, to be leased to fund Community Center operating costs. Rented office space, retail, the restaurant under discussion, and convention centers do not serve residents’ needs. Rather than benefiting the community they will compete with private properties. How many offices and commercial buildings in town will sit empty once businesses move to the Highlander Office Park? Does this really, as touted, benefit economic development, or just shift rental income from the private sector to the Foundation?

It is argued the office park is necessary to fund operating costs, but there are other funding sources. If we instead develop a community-centric center for creative, recreational and economic opportunity, all kinds of grants and endowments, both governmental and philanthropic, will open up to us. There’s plentiful money out there in the world, and with truly innovative programs for community development and good grant writers and publicists, we could certainly attract a good amount of real-world money. And if it’s seen to truly benefit the community, voters might even redirect some tax money for operations.

The B-200 building can be so much more for the community than an office/retail park, and without spending so much on renovations. Some ideas that might be considered are:

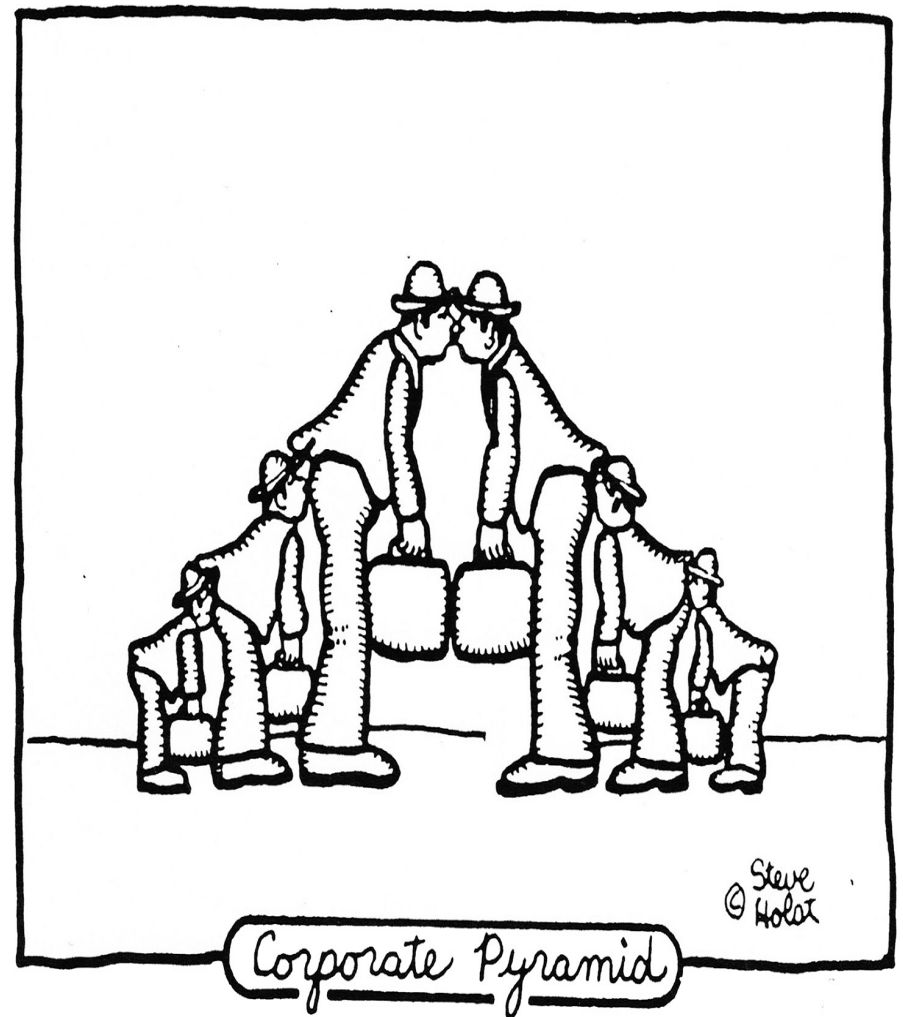
- a community commercial kitchen in the old cafeteria, where entrepreneurs can rent kitchen time to incubate small, food-related businesses like catering, bakeries, food processing and canning, cooking classes, community dinners, chef training, etc. (the current plan includes a small commercial kitchen for events, which is inadequate for any of these other purposes);
- a daycare center business; operated by local parents;
- a senior center and/or multi-generational gathering space;
- a community garden;
- a tech center/hi-speed office hub where residents can incubate and build tech, e-commerce and digital film production businesses from low-rent desk spaces/cubicles;
- a recording and video studio;
- artist studios, art classrooms, a pottery studio and gallery space;
- classrooms for adult education, vocational training, lectures, and remote college courses;
- a retail outlet for local products.

Several of these ideas were included in the original conceptual plan, but canned or downsized with the decision to raze the classroom building. And several would generate revenue, albeit maybe not as much as “Class A” office space.

Eureka Springs is a creative community of independent thinkers, many of whom struggle to survive in our seasonal, single-industry, tourism-based economy. Our community center should reflect and support who we are. There are many incredible possibilities for creative and economic development on the site that have not been considered. We, as a community, should be exploring the possibilities, because this is a once in a lifetime opportunity and we need to get it right.

One concern I’m hearing is that the aquatic center, AKA swimming pool, is Phase 4, the final phase of the plan. A pool, which offers huge recreational and health benefits for all ages, has long been at the top of the wish lists of many locals, and seeing it far down the priority list and so vaguely planned has some wondering if it will ever

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The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

I’m trying hard not to sound snooty about Donald Trump’s course and progress toward the GOP’s nomination this summer, but it is a difficult job. How is it possible that working people with money worries think the billionaire Trump has their best interests at heart? How is it conceivable that evangelical Christians imagine the thrice-divorced champion of Two Corinthians is a reliable defender of Faith and Family? Maybe the answer is that they don’t; they’re using Trump to send a message to the GOP’s governing masters that the party is over.

What that message may mean is that the core governing philosophies of the Republican Party – smaller government, free-trade, deregulation, social conservatism, and an aggressive foreign policy – no longer resonate with the base, whoever they may be. Republicans used to be the gilded rich and Methodists who owned hardware stores; today it is southern heritage enthusiasts, anti-abortion crusaders, and anybody with a stone in his shoe. The base’s composition has changed, but the party, not so much.

It is also possible, I suppose, that the base still believes in those core-governing philosophies, but doesn’t believe that their masters want to deliver on them. Decades of Republican yodeling about the evils of abortion, deficits, and the war on Christmas have come to naught, but through it all, the party’s leaders have lived long and prospered. Trump’s ascendancy may be the first occasion they’ve heard the base speak; now their dilemma is how to manage the intellectual and moral squalor of the upcoming nomination and general election.

Their first priority may be to rehabilitate the Maximum Leader and try coaxing him into behaving less like Ted Nugent, and more like anyone except Ted Cruz. Maybe Trump can become a viable candidate. Their other option is to engineer a brokered convention, the first since 1976, and hope that old fashioned arm twisting, deal making, and photographs of indiscreet encounters, turn up enough votes to nominate Kasich, Rubio or, heavens to Murgatroyd, Jeb Bush. Bush, after all, spent nearly \$6,500 for every primary vote he received. I’m sure his supporters would like to see *something* in return.

A little help from our friends:

- **Community Suppers at St. James:** St. James' Episcopal Church, 28 Prospect, will hold Sunday community suppers, from 5 – 6 p.m., through March 20. Supper will be provided by local restaurants. The suppers are free and all are welcome.
- **Carroll County Domestic Violence Hotline:** 1-844-247-3223 (844-24PEACE) is available 24/7. The Purple Flower Domestic Violence Resource and Support Center of Carroll County is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. at 103 West Church St. in Berryville. (479) 981-1676.
- **24-hour NWA Crisis Line for Women** – NWA Women's Shelter serving Carroll County – "Empowering families to live free of violence." (800) 775-9011 www.nwaws.org
- **Cup of Love free soup lunches** – Cup of Love provides soup lunches at Flint Street Fellowship Mondays and Wednesdays from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. and at First Baptist (Penn) Church on Fridays, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. (479) 363-4529
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- **Wildflowers one-dollar, furniture barn/thrift store** US 62E across from Hill County Hardware. One-dollar store in the yellow building every Friday from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Thrift store, furniture bank in big blue barn behind the chapel open Wednesdays – Saturdays from 10:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Donation drop offs Thursday – Saturday between 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Healing and delivery outreach in chapel Saturdays at 7:30 p.m.
- **Shamatha and Tonglen meditations Monday** – A meditation group will meet every Monday at 6:30 p.m. to focus on Shamatha, learning how to focus to achieve peace of mind, and Tonglen, a practice of love and compassion on all beings. The meetings will alternate these two practices so that one is the focus on each Monday with coffee and tea afterward. Call Alece at (479) 244-6841 or Gary at (479) 244-6840.
- **Celebrate Recovery** – Soul Purpose Ministries, 801 S. Springfield, Green Forest, 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday. Potluck followed by 12-step Christ-centered meetings for those suffering from addiction, habit, hang-up or hurt.
- **Coffee Break Al-Anon Family Group Women** – Tuesdays, 9:45 a.m., Faith Christian Family Church, Hwy. 23S, (479) 363- 9495.
- **No high school diploma?** Free GED classes in the Carnegie Library Annex every Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 9 a.m. - noon with study and tutoring for the GED test. Open to ages 18 and up. GED classes also in Berryville at Carroll County Center. Some open to ages 16 and 17 per educational requirements. For info: Nancy Wood (479) 981-0482, Carnegie Library (479) 253-8754, Carroll County Center (870) 423-4455). Offered by North Arkansas College with Carnegie Library support.
- **Grief Share**, A Bible-based, 13-week program for those who have lost a loved one will begin on Sunday, Feb. 21 from 1 – 3 p.m. at Faith Bible Church, Suite C, 3 Parkcliff Drive, Holiday Island. Share with others experiencing similar circumstances in an informal, confidential setting. Call (479) 253-8925 or email lardellen@gmail.com.
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INDEPENDENT Constables On Patrol

FEBRUARY 22

6:40 a.m. – Ex-girlfriend asked a constable to walk through her residence to make sure her ex-boyfriend was gone. Constable complied and found no one else there.

9:59 a.m. – Concerned motorist reported she was following a semi which was swerving all over the road and the pallets in its bed were shifting as it swerved. Constables watched for but did not make contact with the vehicle.

12:36 p.m. – Resident came to the station to report a theft from her house.

1:36 p.m. – Two males were fighting in the parking lot of a bar. One took off in his pickup headed east. Constable found the victim at a clinic, and he decided not to file charges.

2:06 p.m. – Individual told ESPD she had been threatened by another female and feared for her life. Constable spoke with her and took the report.

2:08 p.m. – Individual was arrested on an ESPD warrant for harassing communications following a fight in a bar.

6 p.m. – Anxious sister reported the other sister did not get on the bus after school, was not yet home nor was she answering her phone. The missing sister was discovered at a residence in Berryville. She was transported by local PD and later picked up by her parents.

FEBRUARY 23

7:47 a.m. – Individual reported a copy of her car key had been stolen.

9:41 a.m. – Witness reported a rolling domestic dispute between a male and a female in separate vehicles. Male was allegedly aggressively following the female. Constables did not encounter either vehicle.

8:22 p.m. – Constables visited an individual accused of making harassing communications and advised him to stop.

10:55 p.m. – Clerk at a business reported a disgruntled patron remained on the premises after being asked several times to leave. Constable went to the scene, spoke with the patron, and they were able to come to an understanding.

FEBRUARY 24

9:47 a.m. – Individual claimed her card information had been used fraudulently after she had used it at a business. Constable filed a report.

9:49 a.m. – Motorist told ESPD a vehicle had not only almost caused a head-on collision but was tailgating another vehicle. Constable watched for but did not encounter the vehicle.

2:04 p.m. – One driver backed a vehicle into another one. No injuries. Drivers exchanged information and a constable was not needed.

FEBRUARY 25

6:16 a.m. – Resident just west of downtown reported seeing a suspicious red light and possibly heard a car alarm. Responding constable did not see the red light.

7:27 a.m. – Constable witnessed a vehicle pass a stopped school bus and pursued the vehicle. Driver was arrested for DWI, passing a stopped school bus, driving on a suspended license, fictitious vehicle license, no proof of insurance, no seat belt and refusal

to submit to a chemical test.

9:34 a.m. – Staff at a care facility asked for a constable to take a report of alleged abuse.

1:05 p.m. – Witness reported a pickup rolled out of a parking lot, across US 62 and off the embankment on the other side. No one was in the vehicle.

6:57 p.m. – Central dispatch transferred a 911 call about a domestic disturbance at a tourist lodging. Constable learned the dispute had been verbal only, but one individual was arrested for possession of a controlled substance and drug paraphernalia and for theft of property.

FEBRUARY 26

10:12 a.m. – Ex-wife asked to speak with a constable regarding her ex-husband.

11:59 a.m. – A female was lying in the grass along a city street and a passerby thought someone should check on her. Constable complied and found the person was just fine.

12:23 p.m. – A father was concerned for his daughter's welfare and asked ESPD to look for her. Constables checked tourist lodgings in the area and did not find her.

1:07 p.m. – Innkeeper asked for a welfare check on a guest who might have taken too many pills. Constable and EMS responded, and EMS transported her to ESH.

FEBRUARY 27

11:54 p.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for driving on a suspended license.

FEBRUARY 28

12:08 p.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for DWI and driving left of center.

12:49 p.m. – A father told ESPD his daughter had taken a bus to Eureka Springs more than week ago but he had not heard from her since she told him she had made it to town. Constables searched motels and tourist lodgings to no avail. ESPD later learned the daughter, who was in trouble with the law in Oklahoma, was in Arizona instead.

5:49 p.m. – Alarm was triggered at a financial business. The constables who checked it out found the building secure.

7:12 p.m. – Individual was arrested for DWI and driving on a suspended license.

FEBRUARY 29

1:36 a.m. – Resident told ESPD a tow truck company had informed him his vehicle had been discovered wrecked in Holiday Island. The last time he had seen his vehicle it was in front of his residence just west of downtown, which is where he was. Constable gathered information for a stolen vehicle report.

Discuss invasive plants March 5

The Northwest Arkansas Permaculture study group will meet on March 5 from 10 a.m. – noon at Glenda Moore's home, 7368 Hwy. 23 North. The title of the meeting is *Balancing Ecosystems with Native Plant Species* and the problem of invasive plants will be discussed. For more information call Jerry Landrum at (479) 244-0377.

Raising money with Monkey Business

First a monkey and then a floating audience member will be featured in the next fundraising event for the Eureka Springs Community Center Foundation according to Diane Murphy, chair of the Foundation board.

Illusionist Sean-Paul and Juliana Fay the Medium from the Intrigue Theater will perform parts of their Monkey Business show in the gymnasium at the old high school Saturday, March 5. Show begins at 7 p.m.

Murphy said the Intrigue Theater artists will showcase signature comedy routines while making kids in the audience stars of the show. Since this is the Year of the Monkey in Chinese astrology, Sean-Paul and Juliana will share the stage with Frankie, their 15-year old capuchin monkey. Those interested can find Youtube videos of Frankie in action.

The family-friendly show will bring back routines from their days performing in Branson and Pigeon Forge, Tenn., and Sean-Paul commented they usually do not have children at Intrigue Theater performances, but audiences find these routines hysterical.

Sean-Paul will perform one of his favorite

routines from the Magic Beyond Belief show they did in Pigeon Forge where he brings a young girl out of the audience and makes her levitate. He said he hopes the show becomes the linchpin in the fundraising effort for the proposed center.

"We are making progress towards our goal thanks to community support but we're not there yet," Murphy said. "This show will be a fun and entertaining way to be a part of our success. Additional fundraising plans are in the works. We also have grant applications being submitted, but I can't emphasize enough how vital it is for the community to show support and commitment by contributing now. We need to prove to outside funding sources that we believe in ourselves and this project so they will believe in us as a community."

Cost will be a \$10 donation. Location is at the gym so citizens can get a glimpse of what is possible at the proposed Community Center.

Tickets are available online at reserveeureka.com/attractions/monkeybusiness and at the door. The foundation is also accepting donations at the IGave50.com site and at eurekasspringscommunitycenter.org.



Good day to vote for art – A crowd of nearly 30 people gathered to listen to Valerie Hubbard Damon speak at the Holiday Island Art Guild meeting on Tuesday. Valerie talked on the story of her life and growth as an artist, illustrator and author, while reading excerpts from some of her books.

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Clear Spring School hosts their *Clear Spring Fling Auction* **March 12** at Castle Rogue's Manor in Beaver, Arkansas. Featuring services and travel packages, as well as renowned artists' works, the event highlights the individualistic artistic freedom of handmade art, one of the touchstones of education at Clear Spring.



Judy Lee
Carpenter
Professional Artist & Craftsman

Judy Lee Carpenter

Judy Lee Carpenter, full time professional artist and craftsman, specializes in metalsmithing. Some of her fine jewelry was purchased by the White House and her art has been shown by Tiffany's as an award for placing 12th nationally when she entered a tableware contest. Judy Lee moved to Eureka Springs after she needed to slow down from 35 years as an exhibition artist.

She has been involved with ESSA since 2004 and now teaches regularly. Her donation to Clear Spring Fling Auction shows she believes the school "promotes individualism and creativity... gives opportunity of choices." Winner of accolades and select awards for more than 2 decades Judy Lee can be found most days in a metalshop creating and teaching the beauty of art.

Look for amazing art pieces by our talented and generous friends of **Clear Spring** at beautiful Castle Rogue's Manor on **March 12**.





Pruitt Cup a success – Eureka Springs Soccer came out on top for the Pruitt Cup against the Bergman Panthers with the girls winning 2 - 1 and boys winning 6 - 0. Next home games will be Thursday, March 3 with girls playing at 5 p.m. and boys following at 6:30 p.m.

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Just Good Business

The Chamber presents *Just Good Business*, monthly education seminars with this month's class on Google Adwords presented by Eric Howerton, CEO Whyte Spyder on March 8 at 9 a.m. at the Eureka Inn. Howerton has more than 18 years of experience in digital marketing, advertising and publishing. The event is free to chamber members and \$5 for non-members. Contact the Chamber to RSVP as space is limited.

Come in green and walk the street

The Krewe of Blarney Halfast Walkin' Klub is looking for floats, trucks, groups, and walkers for the 22nd annual St. Paddy's Parade on Saturday, March 12 which steps off at 2 p.m. Contact Nancy Paddock at

(479) 244-0123 or NLPaddock@gmail.com or contact Tony Popovac at (255) 405-9673 or email TonyPopovac@yahoo.com to sign up. For more information go to www.StPaddy.Ureeka.org.

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the lawsuit states. "In all respects, Mr. Minze has complied with the requirements set out in the January 2015 HDC meeting and has completed the work as specified and agreed upon by the parties."

The lawsuit represents only Minze's side of the argument. Mayor Butch Berry said he could not comment on pending litigation.

After work was done on the windows, Minze was contacted by city Building Inspector Bobby Ray who said there was a problem because a window on Mountain St. was four inches shorter than it was supposed to be.

"I told Mr. Ray I had a permit to do those windows exactly as I did them, and have a transcript from the Jan. 21 meeting and a copy of the permit to prove it," Minze said. "Then they came back and dragged me back in front of the commission in July and disavowed any knowledge of the January meeting. At the

July meeting, they gave me a permit in the opposite direction. You can't do two different things on one window. You can do one or the other. I chose to do the first permit. If I did the second, they might have tagged me for the first permit."

Minze said that while the dispute continues to linger, the house deteriorates and he is unable to replace the roof and do inside repairs.

"I should be allowed to continue to work inside the property," Minze said. "It is very frustrating and it should have never happened. When they tag their own permit, it should be a criminal activity. I am requesting an investigation from the Attorney General's office. Trust me, I'm not stopping at a lawsuit. I want a complete investigation not only of their activities, but of their charter from day one. I'm not going to back off of it. They gave me a permit, didn't rescind it, and then ran another over on top of me."

At the July meeting, Minze said he

felt the windows – added on at various times through the decades – should be uniform. He said he didn't want to spend a lot of money renovating the house and still have a house that was ugly. At that point, he said one commissioner told him that history isn't always pretty.

Minze said it isn't just about his property, but inconsistent and irrational decisions by the HDC that harm economic development. He said he plans to spend about \$200,000 on the project, which has now been stalled for half a year.

One of the contractors who worked on the house for Minze was Chris Bradley, who has been a contractor in town since before the historic district was created. Bradley said members of the commission change frequently and so do the rules.

"I support historic preservation, but the rulings of the HDC are completely inconsistent," Bradley said. "It seems things are legal on Monday and illegal on Tuesday afternoon. It is hard to know

what to do. They will let someone do something at the top of the street and then later won't let someone at the bottom of the street do the same thing."

Bradley said he thinks Minze should be given credit for trying to restore a deteriorated building.

"I have worked on a lot of old houses in this town, and that house is in as bad a shape as any house in town," Bradley said. "It is absolutely a nightmare. Everything is wrong with the house. He was rebuilding the way it should be done replacing interior supports, and not just doing cosmetic fixes. In most towns you could have had it condemned it was in such bad shape. The city ought to be thanking him for cleaning up this slum."

If someone doesn't like a decision of the Eureka Springs Planning Commission, they can appeal to the Eureka Springs City Council. But appealing a HDC denial of a COA requires filing a lawsuit in the Circuit Court of Carroll County.

CAPC and Chamber working to share leads

NICKY BOYETTE

Executive Director Mike Maloney told the City Advertising and Promotion Commission at its Feb. 24 workshop he and Kent Butler of the Chamber of Commerce board and marketing/public relations director for the Great Passion Play (GPP) have nearly completed work on improving lead-sharing capabilities between the Chamber, CAPC and everyone who might want the information.

Jodie English-Brown, director of sales for the Crescent and Basin Park Hotels and co-chair of the Chamber group sales

committee, said she hoped an outcome would be a seamless flow of useful information so she can review billable leads every month. In addition, she wants not only to follow the source of the leads, but develop a trackable history of who showed an interest in coming to Eureka Springs for follow up. She commented more than once that even a simple spreadsheet would suffice.

Filling the spreadsheet with useful data soon was the urgency English-Brown expressed because she wants to use leads for the upcoming tourist season. She said

January and February is when she attends most trade shows, and commented the new and improved lead-sharing process will be wonderful once it gets going because anyone who has the information will be able to track success of the leads.

She contended business owners would be more likely to share results once they see the system is a success.

Maloney said he and Butler would report on progress at the March 9 CAPC meeting.

Chamber's guide now available

NICKY BOYETTE

Holly White of the Chamber of Commerce announced she had culled the Chamber's mailing list down to about 18,000 addresses for those who requested a *Visitor Guide* during the past two years, and the Chamber intends to send a guide to all of them. A longstanding agreement between the Chamber and the CAPC, which no one presently in either office had a part in making, extends into 2017 and it keeps the CAPC on the hook for mailing costs.

CAPC commissioner Damon Henke, who served as interim director of the Chamber during the past year, said his

staff produced the *Visitor Guide* the best it could during a time of upheaval and turnover, and although the guide came out late, he was glad to get it done as quickly as they did.

Henke added that some work done during the past year, such as dividing the guide into one for locals and one for visitors, was a learning process for staff but would nevertheless benefit the city.

Finance director Rick Bright said cost of mailing the guides would be about \$18,000 if they can go out at the bulk rate, and figured at that amount the CAPC would be able to stay within budget for the mailing.



Having a Souper Sunday – The Holiday Island Fire Department held its annual Souper Sunday fundraiser in the Holiday Island ballroom. Firefighters and volunteers served homemade soups and desserts to a hungry crowd of supporters. *PHOTO BY JAY VRECEK*

Celebrate art and life at Chelsea's


All ages are welcome to join Regina Smith for a celebration of art and life on March 10 from 4 – 6 p.m. at Chelsea's Pizzeria with an art show and birthday celebration. For more information contact Regina at (479) 981-4070.

Homecoming Queen Selection for Arkansas

The 36th annual Arkansas Homecoming Queen Selection will be held March 6 at the Jacksonville Community Center in Jacksonville, Ark. America's Homecoming Queen, Inc. is a non-profit organization promoting education

and community service for high school homecoming queens. If you are a 2015-16 high school homecoming queen and have not received your application from your high school contact ahq1181@aol.com or phone (901) 755-9144 for an application.

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Weekly food from Foundation Farm

Foundation Farm will be renewing its subscription program for the 2016 season. Starting in late May the subscription will offer 25 continuous weeks of farm-fresh food for \$375 (\$15/week).

Each weekly bag contains a selection of freshly harvested produce and herbs, including 6 – 8 items. The bag size is adequate for 1 – 2 persons and bags will be available on Tuesdays at the farmers' market from 9 a.m. – noon or at Jim Fain's store on North Main from 1 – 5 p.m.

The program is limited to the first 12 families who respond. Email mamakapa@yahoo.com if you wish to reserve a spot and confirmation and payment information will be sent to you.

Free movie March 5

All are invited to a free showing of Michael Moore's movie *Capitalism: A Love Story*, on Saturday, March 5 at 6:30 p.m. at the Carnegie Public Library's Friendship Room on the first floor. The movie is sponsored by Trella Laughlin who will speak Sunday, March 6 at Eureka Springs UU Fellowship on *Capitalism Kills*.

John Two-Hawks to talk at the Museum of Native American History

John Two-Hawks will present *A Native Voice – A New Day* on Saturday, March 12 at 5:30 p.m. at the Museum of Native American History as an opening night for their 2016 Tipi Talks season.

Tipi Talks is a monthly gathering, which takes place at the museum and explores topics pertaining to contemporary Native American culture and history. Admission to the museum is free and donations to John Two-Hawks are appreciated. For more information contact the museum at (479) 273-2456 or email mona202@gmail.com. The Museum of Native American History is located at 202 Southwest 'O' Street in Bentonville.



Storytime at Museum of Native American History

Storytime with Miss Sarah is scheduled at the Museum of Native American History for the second Saturday of the month, March 12 at 10 a.m.

Museum story-times are geared towards preschoolers but are great for all ages. March's story-time will feature a folktale from Panama about a hungry rabbit, a prehistoric art story, and tales of

spring. Included will be *Bunny Hokey Pokey*, a touch and explore table and a color station after story-time.

Story-times are by appointment are available for groups of 10 children or more. The Museum of Native American History is located at 202 SW 'O' Street in Bentonville. For more information or to bring a group call (479) 273-2456 or email monah202@gmail.com.

A Month of SUNDAYS by Dan Krotz

First Presbyterian Church of Eureka Springs: A Review

I attended the 11 o'clock Sunday service on Feb. 28, at the 1st Presbyterian Church of Eureka Springs, the sister church of the Holiday Island Presbyterian Church. Clare Kelley is pastor of both congregations and required to make a hasty yet, I am sure, dignified exeunt after the 9 a.m. Holiday Island service to meet her 11 a.m. obligations here in town.

Who are the Presbyterians? Among American Christians, they are the best educated, the wealthiest, and have possessed great political, business, and institutional power. One would expect a group with such attributes to be well-mannered and organized, and I was not

disappointed: several members greeted me, made sure I was comfortable and seemed genuinely pleased to have me as their guest. The 46-minute worship experience followed what I am sure is a precise order of service that was dignified, familiar, and rather comforting.

Danna Hearn is the church pianist and led the congregation and choir in singing three hymns. The first was the marvelous *Christ Be Beside Me*, also known as *St. Patrick's Lorica*. It was followed by *O God in Whom All Life Begins* which, by the third verse, encouraged thoughts of suicide. The closing hymn, *When We are Living*, is a humble and rather sweet song about

the ups and downs of real and everyday life. A five-member, robed choir sang the introit and some special music; they were flat out terrific and knew exactly what they were doing.

Clare Kelley has been pastor of the First Presbyterian Church(es) for the past 12 years. This Sunday, she gave an 11-minute sermon titled "Imperishable." I broadly summarize: Good things happen to bad people. Bad things happen to good people. The only sure thing that good and bad people have in common is that they die. That seems unfair. But good people do not perish – from memory, from the hearts of people who know them, from the presence of God, because

of what they produce. What do they produce? Love. We know someone is a good person, a good Christian, a child of God, because they loved, and are loved. Love does not perish, nor will they.

Kelley's sermon was the best 11 minutes I spent all week. She has a plainspoken manner that is authoritative and matter of fact, yet is approachable and radiating with kindness. She didn't tell any jokes – thank you, Jesus – and had prepared a sermon that was intelligent, to the point, and economical.

The 1st Presbyterian Church has served Eureka Springs for 130 years this coming May. They have much to celebrate.

Host an artist this May

Plein air painters from around the country are signing up at Eureka Springs School of Art (ESSA) for a new event celebrating the art of painting outdoors during May Festival of the Arts.

Town is likely to be crowded and ESSA is looking for hosts who can offer a room to an out-of-town painter during the Eureka Springs Plein Air Festival from May 22 – 26, either as a donation or for a nominal overnight fee. Hosts will not

have to provide meals or transportation.

This is a great chance to meet an artist and join in May's colorful atmosphere in a meaningful way. You will also be invited as a special guest to two ticketed receptions, the awards show and presentation at no cost.

If you can help, contact Maureen. essa@gmail.com or phone (479) 253-5384. For complete information about the Plein Air Festival see www.essa-art.org.

Run to help Rotary help others

The Eureka Springs Rotary Club will host the 34th annual Victorian Classic charity benefit run on Saturday, March 19. The Victorian Classic race is sponsored by the Eureka Springs Rotary Club and donor sponsors from Carroll County. Proceeds from the race will go to Samaritan's Feet, a nonprofit organization which supplies shoes for local children. For a \$300 donation, business name will be listed on the t-shirts and website. Registration for the 10k and 2 mile-run and 2 mile walk can be found online at www.eurekarotary.org. For information email VictorianClassic@gmail.com or call Patsy at (479) 981-3065.



EARLY DAYS at Eureka Springs[©] – by Nellie Alice Mills, 1949

Early Days at Eureka Springs Arkansas 1880-1892, a memoir of Nellie Alice Mills whose family moved here in two covered wagons from Oswego, Kansas, was written in 1949, relying on memory. In her second book, *Other Days at Eureka Springs*, written in 1950, she went through old records she had kept. The family home was built on the west side of Leatherwood, “about a hundred yards beyond the mouth of Magnetic Hollow, opposite Cold Spring, which supplied us, and all our neighbors, with water.”

Part Four – Persons and Places of Those Early Days

It must have been that families moved so often from one house to another searching for a better house, or one in better repair. The location would have been important; too many steps to climb or too much water coming through the yard in heavy rains. Of course some shanties were deserted and fell into ruin and decay because better houses were erected nearby. The houses higher up along the hillside at the north end of Marbletop are an example of a poor location. Some houses up there were much nicer than houses down near the valley floor; these good houses soon fell into decay. But long before that our father took us children up this mountain to a point that must be above Mill Hollow, to see a place that was called The Castle. Why or when that house was built I have never heard. In a deep ravine with cliffs on each side was a structure high but not so very large that was even then but the skeleton of a house.

Many houses went to ruin down on the valley floor. Opposite the McCandless house, where there is a wide stretch of level land, there was the Magnetic House, a small boarding house kept by a woman named Fenwick; she had a small son named Walter. At a later date, the Gadds kept the boarding house. That house was so near the level of the creek that it must have been in the way of some of our frequent freshets; it was gone long before we left Eureka Springs.

Speaking of small boys, there were a

number our little brother played with; there was Walter Fenwick, Bob Cuthbertson, Jasper McCandless (grandson of Mr. and Mrs. McCandless with whom he lived), and Frank Wilson who lived with his mother and grandmother in a house between the Magnetic House and the old *Times* office. This house where the Wilsons lived had been the home of George Groves, in the days of the mule drawn freight; there was a long stable where he had kept his mules. The house and the stable were both above high water from the branch, the house set on a stone retaining wall.

Just this side of the Magnetic Spring was a flat ledge of rock where a two-story house had been built; it was still there when we came away. I remember it mostly because a woman who lived there had an organ, and often, when I went to the Magnetic Spring to get water, I would hear her playing and singing, “In Those Agonizing, Cruel, Slavery Days.”

When Webb and Brown built their mill there at the mouth of Magnetic Hollow, each of them also built a nice house in which to live. Mr. Brown's house was across on the south side of the Hollow opposite the mill and facing Main Street. Mr. Webb built up the Hollow, about half way to the Magnetic Spring. The Brown children were small. The oldest of the Webb children was Anna, who died in 1889. There were two boys, perhaps more, but Harvey and Basil played with

our young brother.

When the old St. Charles was used as a hotel, I was never inside it. But after it was abandoned as a commercial enterprise, for a short time the Putnam family lived there. At that time all the hotel dishes were stored in the attic. I saw them there.

After the Claytons went to live at the Crescent Hotel, the Seidels lived in the St. Charles. They made their home there for several years. The children of Herman Seidel and his wife were born there. Mrs. Seidel was a very pretty woman; we children thought she was beautiful. I liked to hear her talk about life in Germany; their customs in some respects were different from ours in America; there were communal bakeries. She loved the flowers of her native land.

I remember the Seidel Brothers' block quite well, but for particulars I must draw on the Eureka Springs Souvenir, 1890.

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The business establishment of Seidel Brothers reached from the mouth of Mill Hollow to the south side of the St. Charles Park. M. J. Gresham had a wagon yard and feed stable adjoining Seidels inside Mill Hollow. Opposite these stores, facing on Main Street, was A. J. Ray's grocery store. It was a long building, set high on the rocky wall at the foot of East Mountain, and with the platform attached to the front spanned Leatherwood Creek. An outside stairway led to the upper floor where Mr. Ray and his wife made their home.

We Leave the Father's House & Turning Back, We Save

The above words are the seed thoughts of Pisces recited by the New Group of World Servers during Pisces and especially at Tuesday evening's Pisces new moon festival. We also have a solar eclipse, the first one of the year, followed by a lunar eclipse in two weeks at the full moon. Solar eclipses signify something essential, as bright and important as the Sun in our lives, has come to an end, its task completed.

The Soul's meditative seed thought for Pisces is **"I leave the Father's house and turning back, I save."** There is a similarity between Pisces and Capricorn

seed thoughts. In both signs the disciple/initiate "turns their back" on "heaven" (the Father's House) choosing a return to Earth in order to "serve" (task of Aquarius) and to "save" (task of Pisces) suffering humanity. The Pisces seed thought is a message of willingness. It knows a supreme sacrifice was made when we as spiritual beings left the "place where the Will of God is known," the "Father's house," our original spiritual home prior to successive lives on Earth.

We (our Souls) know we left the harmony and unity of the Spiritual world in order to serve humanity (the Scorpio

world disciple). When we realize these truths we understand our spiritual identity (who we are), why we live on this planet where there is deep suffering, and what we are to do from this moment forward. **"We have no other life intention,"** we inform the Christ, still in the desert, still within the 40 days and 40 nights of Lent, preparing to re-emerge into the world on Palm Sunday.

As all the zodiacal signs reveal the Path of Light of the Soul, Pisces is the **"Light of the world, revealing the Light of Life itself, ending forever the darkness of matter."** Pisces, the last

zodiacal sign, holds all gifts, abilities and seeds of the preceding signs. Pisces also holds the sufferings of humanity as well. These words also explain the depths of the person born in Pisces (Sun, moon, rising).

The true history of our world is that long ago, each of us responded to the sacrificial call, symbolized by Pisces, to **"save (bring light to, uplift) the world."** And so we **"went forth, descended into matter, making ourselves instruments of Goodwill for the purpose of radiating to humanity the Love the world seeks."** Pisces produces that Love." And thus **"saves."** And here we all are.

ARIES: Rest and relaxation are most important. Retreat continues to be a required need. No matter what you attempt, veils drop in front of you. Should you push forward, you only find clouds of confusion. Go slowly, use your heart, slip into a comforting environment (and shoes), dance and sing to Kirtan music. Krishna Das (Yoga's Rock Star) and Deva Premal & Miten are some of the best Kirtan singers.

TAURUS: Your entire focus is on group work and creation of community. This is correct for it will be only through intentionally creating, living and working within community that humanity will be able to thrive in the coming years. There is a need to tend to your immediate health. This assures us you will continue with the vision and leadership needed to get us from here to there with safety, right direction and right resources.

GEMINI: The planets, all clustered together in Pisces (sign of saving the world), are nestled in your house of work, which is where and how you're recognized, seen, and remembered in the world. What are your thoughts these days concerning your work, profession, career, leadership skills and public life? During this full moon serve those around you with great dedication and love. Tend to the home and garden. Consider your future.

CANCER: Maintain simplicity this week. Tend to easy chores, seek help if needed. You must maintain health and strength. You may be thinking of an upcoming trip or travels somewhere. It may be a very important journey. Tending to things holy and blessed. Careful walking, accomplishing tasks, getting from here to wherever you need to be. Communicate with those you love more frequently. It builds your strength of character.

LEO: Have you found yourself working slower, having to redo, review, reassess and create a calm and patient sense of inner resilience these recently? What is occurring with your money and finances? And with money and resources held in common with another. Did something unexpected, expansive, confusing or illuminating occur? This is a very special and expansive time to tithe to those in need. You will then be given more, so you

can give again.

VIRGO: When the moon's in Virgo, the Sun's in your opposite sign of Pisces. Integration takes place between yourself and others – those close to you, intimate friends, those you work and live with, and even enemies. Virgo and Pisces, like all opposite signs, shadow each other, holding the secret of wholeness. The gifts one sign possesses the other needs. The shadow of the other eventually integrates during full moon times.

LIBRA: Is the unusual occurring in your life? With multiple Pisces planets you could be involved with building a natural pool filled with plants. Is there water rushing nearby or in your workplace? You could be engulfed in a flood of tears. You could be learning to swim or ride the waves. You could be thinking of saving the world. Or yourself. You could be lost, confused or realize you're being purified and prepared. Build a fountain.

SCORPIO: Creativity should have slipped into your life quite easily taking you by the hand, creating new interests and goals, asking that you mingle a bit more among artists, writers, musicians, performers so you begin to identify more specifically as highly creative and not just a dark stranger behind sunglasses and long black coat while standing in the

bright, hot and radiant sun. Someone shows up to help you understand.

SAGITTARIUS: Many opportunities seem to overflow into your life. So many you may feel under/overwhelmed. Don't be. Some you'll understand, some you won't. Some are good, some not. As they continue to appear, you find what feels like home with safe and protective barriers. Sometimes we just need to retreat, hide under covers and lazily swim toward tranquility. Do this.

CAPRICORN, Because you're the zodiac's traditionalist, it's good to begin your yearly tradition of growing grass in a basket, learning how to dye Easter eggs with natural leaves & grasses, thinking about making food baskets for Purim or Easter, and preparing to bake nuts and honey and poppy seed sweet breads while reading from the Book of Esther, the only Old Testament book that does not spell out G-d's name.

AQUARIUS: Should you feel overtaken by changes in money, finances, friends, home, by confusion in any of these areas of life, give yourself time to acclimate because something's unfolding and something's being refined. Keep close and careful tabs on all money and finances. It's possible you'll be taken over by a desire for a very expensive object. Don't be. It's an illusion. Save.

PISCES: This full moon brings the hidden out into the open. It may be a new self-identity. Six lights (4 planets, 2 asteroids), in Pisces should illuminate very deep and interior parts of yourself. You're often uncomfortable with the world as it presents itself now. You seek to know what's real, what's ahead, what came before and what just passed you by. And where you are to go. You'll soon know which direction to take.



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Celebrate Jesus Parade and Concert planning

The Western Carroll County ministerial Association invites all to join in the annual celebration of Jesus on March 25 with music in Basin Park from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Saturday, March 26. Music will play from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. followed by the parade with music resuming after the parade until 5 p.m.

Christian musicians and choirs are being sought for the concert and floats, banners and walking groups that edify the Lord for the parade are welcome.

Every Wednesday all are welcome, from noon – 1 p.m. in the lower level of the First Baptist Church, 100 Spring St., to join in prayer for the city, county and nation. From 1:15 – 2 p.m. there will be prayer and planning for the parade and concert. A representative from each church and Christian organization that is taking part in the event is requested so all will be informed of the activities.

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Randall Shreve rocks Cathouse Friday, Bourbon Highway triggers thirst at New Delhi Saturday

We continue forth in this life with heads swaying high, believing music can heal our souls and broken hearts. Thursday Chelsea's hosts a memorial for our friend, Catlin Keck, at 8 p.m.

Randall Shreve brings his eccentric rock to Cathouse Friday, a new venue for him. Saturday Bourbon Highway warms the patio at New Delhi from the inside out to the parking lots. If you prefer to sing ballads loudly there's karaoke available at multiple venues. Elvis might show...

THURSDAY, MARCH 3

CHELSEA'S – *Los Roscoes*, Folk, 5 – 7 p.m., *Catlin Keck Memorial*, 8 p.m.
EUREKA LIVE! – *Green Screen Karaoke*, 9 p.m.
GRAND TAVERNE – *Jerry Yester*, Grand Piano, 6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 4

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Randall Shreve*, Rock, 8 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – *Defrance*, Folk, 9 p.m.
EUREKA LIVE! – *DJ and Dancing*, 9 p.m.
GRAND TAVERNE – *Arkansas Red*, Amplified Acoustic Guitar Dinner Music, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.
NEW DELHI – *Terri and the Executives*, Rock, 6 – 10 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER – *Delvis*, 7 p.m., *2 Dog 2 Karaoke Contest*, 8:30 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Candy Lee Duo*, Folk, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 5

BREWS – *Melody Pond*, Singer/

Songwriter, 7 – 10 p.m.

CHELSEA'S – *Matt Smith and Ocie Fisher*, R and B, 9 p.m.

EUREKA LIVE! – *DJ & Dancing*, 9 p.m.


GRAND TAVERNE – *Jerry Yester*, Grand Piano, 6:30 p.m.

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Randall Shreve plays Cathouse Friday, March 4.

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EXPLORING the fine art of ROMANCE... by Leslie Meeker

My husband and I have talked this issue into the ground but neither of us is really sure where we stand. Is sex chatting, whether it's talking or texting, considered cheating?

This is quite the debate actually, with public opinion falling almost equally on both sides. The controversy peaked when in-home Internet became the norm, but the issue remains very much unresolved. Sex and unresolved issues do go hand in hand, after all.

Gender plays a big role in this ongoing debate. While men view phone or chatroom sex as being comparable to viewing pornography, most women view chatting as

cheating. In terms of gender generalizations this makes sense, as men are more focused on the physical aspect of sex while women focus more on the emotional component.

So is it simply self-pleasuring or is it marital mischief? That depends on a number of factors. Seventy-five percent of married people do not believe that visiting an adult website is problematic. It becomes problematic when kept secret or when an emotional connection develops with that outside party. In other words, mutual self-pleasuring during a sexually explicit phone conversation with an ex-girlfriend is inherently emotional and typically a secretive experience. Most consider this cheating.

On the other hand, voice or text sex chatting with an anonymous nymph providing a paid service for your recreational benefit is not much different than logging in to PornIQ to visit your curated, personalized video playlist in hi-def. Most would not consider this cheating.

Perhaps "interactive fantasy" better defines this method of solo-sex. Assured that no physical transgression can occur, the interactive yet anonymous component may soothe inhibitions and allow individuals to explore fantasies otherwise avoided.

The biggest concern for most couples is whether sex chatting leads to cheating. Keep in mind that maintaining a satisfying sexual relationship requires both partners to think and feel sexually. Sex leads to more sex. In a healthy relationship, solo-sex leads to more partnered sex. Sex chatting might even supplement a couple's sexual relationship.

Whether sex chatting provides a sexual release or a boost in one's sexual creativity, if no physical boundaries are crossed, it's hard to call it a crime. In the absence of any personal connection, sex chatting will most likely lead to nothing more than a cigarette, a beer or a nap.

Questions? Email leslie@esindependent.com. Leslie Meeker, M.A., L.P.C., is a psychotherapist who has specialized in relational and sex therapy, sexual compulsivity and sexual trauma for the past 17 years, after receiving extensive training in human sexuality at the Masters and Johnson Institute in St. Louis, Mo.



INDY SOUL continued from previous page

NEW DELHI – Bourbon Highway, Rock, 6 – 10 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER – 2 Dog 2 Karaoke, 7 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER DEN – Dorrian Cross, Singer/Songwriter, 12 – 4 p.m., **Karaoke with DJ Goose**, 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 6

EUREKA LIVE – DJ, Dancing, 8 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 7

CHELSEA'S – Sprungbilly, Bluegrass, 9 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 8

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – Los Roscoes, Folk, 5 p.m.

CHELSEA'S – Open Mic, 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9

BREWS – Trivia Night, 6 p.m.

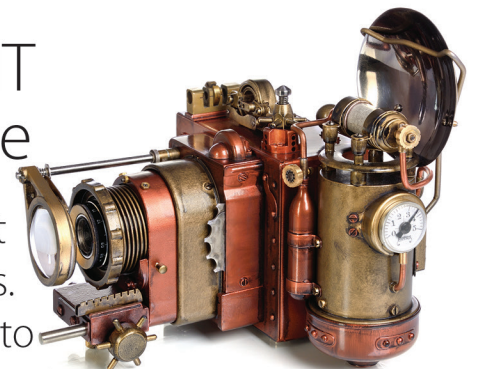
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Sunday at EUUF

Trella Laughlin will present *Capitalism Kills* on March 6 at 11 a.m. at the Eureka Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 17 Elk Street. Childcare is provided and there will be extra parking at Ermilio's Restaurant, 26 White Street.

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Contact Tammy Thurow for more information at president@eurekaspringschamber.com.

Meditation in a quiet, sacred place

The Eureka Springs Buddhist Study Group will gather for 30 minutes of meditation followed by reading and discussion on Thursday, March 3 at 4 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

Metaphysical interpretation of the Bible at Metafizzies

The March 7 meeting of the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society will feature Stephen Foster continuing his discussion on the metaphysical interpretation of the Bible. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

RJ Cowdery at Eureka House Concerts

Eureka House Concerts will present RJ Cowdery at 17 Elk Street on March 13 with a meet and greet potluck at 5 p.m. and music beginning at 6 p.m. RJ is a Columbus, Ohio based artist who has made her place as a standout of the next generation of performing songwriters. For more information go to Eurekahouseconcerts.com or call (479) 244-0123.

Gordon Lightfoot at the Aud

Grammy nominated singer and songwriter, Gordon Lightfoot, will appear at the Eureka Springs Auditorium on Thursday, June 23 at 7:30 p.m. In addition to five Grammy nominations, Lightfoot has been repeatedly honored as Canada's top folksinger. Tickets are now on sale at www.theaud.org.

DEPARTURE

Maxine Mildred Campbell

August 31, 1922 – Feb. 23, 2016

Maxine Mildred Campbell of Ark.; and a host of other family, friends Berryville, Ark., was born August 31, 1922 in Chanute, Kansas, a daughter of Fred Owen and Gladys Elme (Jones) Ross. She departed this life Tuesday, Feb. 23, 2016 in Berryville at age 93.

Maxine worked as a nurse's aide at a nursing home and Berryville Hospital for many years. She was of the Church of Christ faith, a volunteer for Mercy Hospital Berryville and she enjoyed crocheting.

She is survived by one son, Owen Campbell and wife, Velma, of Berryville, Ark.; one daughter, Ruby Gowen of Desoto, Mo.; 15 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; 10 great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Marjorie and husband, Eugene Robertson, of Gateway,

and loved ones. On May 18, 1941, Maxine was united in marriage with Delmar Campbell who preceded her in death. She was also preceded by her parents and one sister, Betty Tucker.

Graveside service was Feb. 27 at the Kingston Cemetery with Pastor Doyle Root officiating. Interment followed in the Kingston Cemetery under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service.

Memorial donations may be made to the family to help with services, c/o Owen Campbell, 4964 Highway 21 South, Berryville, Arkansas 72616. Online condolences may be sent to the family at nelsonfuneral.com. © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2016



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Well, Tuesday was opening day of trout season, which to most fishermen it is the first sign of our spring. We had a pretty good winter with water temps staying above 46°, so no shad die off this year, which means a lot of fat healthy fish in the lake.

Here’s a couple nice stripers we got while out looking the other afternoon. We caught them off the flats in 30 ft. water chasing shad on big shiners. Shiners are working well now since stripers are mostly feeding on smaller bait, three to five inches long. Also, throw top water baits when on the flats or trolling or working jigs and spoons below 20 ft. deep.

Here at Holiday Island the walleye are being caught from here to the US 62

bridge, along with whites and trout. Bass and crappie are also being caught from the Missouri line to the Beaver area. Both are moving shallow with the sun warming.

Crappie are being caught in water under 20 ft. deep, from 6 – 12 ft. deep, on minnows and jigs. Some fat bass are being caught in water as shallow as four ft. deep with the sun heating and holding off the deeper, steeper rocky banks when cooler.

Jigs, stickbaits and crankbaits are all paying off.

Well, I guess that’s it for this week. Extended forecast shows a lot of days coming in the 60s, so get out and enjoy, as will I.

Robert Johnson, fishofexcellence.com, (479) 253-2258

by Mike Boian with extensive help from his wife, Ann Solution on page 23

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6. Site of striking coral displays

10. Projecting arm of a crane

13. Dense, corrosive liquid

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15. Top quality

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18. Object of jokes

19. Unit of energy

20. Incarceration abode

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23. Greek counterpart of Cupid

24. Connected series

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28. Unrivaled

31. Coordinate directions

32. Challenges

33. Sweet potato

34. Motion picture

35. Chemist’s glass tube

36. Center piece on a shield

37. And so forth (abbr.)

38. Must have

39. Chip or splinter of stone

40. Aztec temple

42. Young or small lion

43. Sail supports

44. Indication

45. Act of keeping watch

47. Persian for king

48. Foolish or stubborn person

51. Having meager means

52. Indivisible

55. Screen image

56. Hammer target

57. Showy display

58. Lid, covering

59. Coastal bird

60. Consider
- DOWN
1. Drink habitually and excessively

2. Winglike

3. With 54 Down, North Atlantic danger

4. Election loser’s status

5. 15th Greek letter or 15th star in a constellation

6. Common trick-or-treat treat

7. Vicious, nasty

8. Ingest

9. Handbill

10. Competent but routine worker

11. Former Peruvian monetary unit

12. Second level test

15. Bubbling water, maybe

17. Very long period of time

22. Train units

23. Rim

24. First discovered asteroid

25. Music instruction for silence

26. Type of type

27. Ignoramus

28. Verily, indeed

29. Marten valued for its fur

30. Young, silvery salmon

32. Contests between two parties

35. Where to cinch up one’s pants

36. Stratford ____ Avon

38. Org. always reaching new heights

39. Espied

41. Landmark made of piled up stones

42. One whose pants are on fire?

44. Oil-rich rock

45. Huge

46. Calypso music

47. Whirl

48. Competent

49. Major bridge play

50. Hardens

53. Disfigure

54. See 3 Down

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Aug. 1, 2013
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...through Benton and Carroll...
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...from Kings River to the...
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Schumacher, BRWA board member said. “Well water that people drink may become affected. By denying scientific evidence of karst beneath the C&H operations, SBA and FSA have opened the doors for a wide range of water quality issues likely to be ahead of us. Our coalition remains very concerned about the unprecedented number of pigs, and the amount of pig waste, that has entered the Buffalo River watershed.”

The decision means these agencies have failed to meet their obligations under the law, according to Hannah Chang, attorney with Earthjustice, the public interest environmental law firm that represented the coalition in court. “The likelihood of significant environmental harm to America’s first national river mandates a full Environmental Impact Statement, not a finding of no impact that ignores clear data and hard science,” Chang said. “With so much at risk, we are compelled to consider our next options for legal action.”

It is estimated that 1.3 million people visited the Buffalo National River in 2014 and contributed \$65 million to the local

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become a reality.

Maybe, instead of wasting money on new façades, a pool could be built sooner. Why new facades? The mid-century buildings are appealing pieces of the era’s architecture and a part of the Eureka Springs look many of us fell in love with. Why make them look like office buildings in Anywhere, USA?

As with most things Eureka, the plan seems more focused on business interests than residents’, and not just the office park. That our recreational, educational, community building is also being touted as “21,000 sq. ft. of additional meeting/ banquet and convention space” certainly gives pause as to the primary objective. So we’ll only have a community center on days when it can’t be rented for profit? That the board is comprised primarily of “business leaders” adds to people’s suspicions.

The old high school was built and paid for with tax revenue provided by the district’s property owners. It belongs to the people and should remain in the public domain. The current deal turns the property over to the non-profit and out of public ownership. If the non-profit fails, we lose the property, and it becomes commercial property. Why not instead turn the property over to the city, to be operated by the Parks Commission or a new Community Center Commission,

economy. Chang said by disputing that seepage of swine waste collected in C&H’s two waste storage ponds and sprayed onto fields will enter a karst system and ultimately flow into the Buffalo National River, the final FONSI erroneously downplays the potential impact of C&H on Arkansas’s tourism economy.

BRWA President Gordon Watkins said federal agencies ignored any data that didn’t agree with the decision upholding the federal loan guarantees. Watkins said the group would move ahead continuing to find legal avenues to stop the hog pollution from adversely impacting the Buffalo River and the people who recreate in it.

“We are discussing the best use of our resources at this stage of the game,” Watkins said. “We have filed a formal complaint with the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality against actual issuance of permit. We are asking ADEQ to reopen the permit and allow the public to comment in full like we should have been allowed to do in the first place. We are moving ahead looking for ways we can actually challenge the permit itself. We have to exhaust all avenues as this thing moves along through the legal system.”

and let the non-profit be a fundraising organization for it? Or have the school district retain ownership to ensure it remains our public property no matter what becomes of the Foundation.

As for turning it over to the city, I believe a super majority of residents would agree it should be given at no cost – we paid for it and it’s already ours. At least, the school board should put the proposal of giving us our property for a community center on the school election ballot in September.

I have long felt strongly the old high school must become our community center. This critique and suggestions are not intended to kill the project or make it controversial, but rather to promote an inclusive conversation about all the possibilities for creating a uniquely Eureka facility that will foster creative, economic, recreational, and community development for the entire community. When that happens, the needed community support will be there, and I’ll be out enthusiastically beating the bushes to find funding.

In the coming days I’d like to get interested residents, members of the school board and foundation together for an all-inclusive discussion of ideas that the people would like to see included in planning our community center. Stay tuned.

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