

Council overturns Planning CUP decision

NICKY BOYETTE

At Monday evening's Eureka Springs city council meeting, Kathy Martone and Gary Toub got a thumbs-up on their application for a Conditional Use Permit for a one-unit Bed & Breakfast at 23 Elk. Planning denied the application on April 12 after organized opponents spoke out against it, so Martone and Toub appealed to council, which sent the application back to Planning for reconsideration. Planning reconsidered, but did not change the outcome, which was to deny the application.

Martone and Toub then appealed to council one more time. Two citizens spoke out against the application again citing the 200-ft. rule and the fact Planning had denied the application twice. One neighbor, previously an opponent, spoke in favor of it this time because he said he had been duped before the first meeting. Since then he said he has met Martone and Toub and appreciates the work they have done to improve the neighborhood.

Chair Steve Beacham of Planning said the application was originally denied because of strong opposition expressed at the April 12 meeting. He noted some opponents recanted their opposition, but still more than 20 percent of those living within 200 feet opposed the CUP.

Beacham repeated that City Code stipulates there cannot be a CUP granted if a "same or similar" CUP exists within 200 feet. There is a tourist lodging next door to 23 Elk. "Lodging is lodging," Beacham stated, and said he was only following City Code.

Alderman David Mitchell observed that the application of the "similar" rule seemed to be arbitrary, and he had difficulty understanding when "similar" was turned on or off. Beacham acknowledged there is confusion and vagueness in City Code.

Alderman Mickey Schneider encouraged

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Love. Peace. Pulse. – Approximately 100 people gathered in Basin Park on Sunday evening in response to the mass shooting in an LGBT Florida nightclub. Candlelight vigils were held all over the world as a sign of mourning and solidarity.

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Alderman Zeller dies

Mayor Butch Berry and city council were stunned at Monday's council meeting to learn that alderman Joyce Zeller had died during the day. "She will be sorely missed," Berry said. "We always have appreciated her wit and perspective and service to the community."

"She was our Betty White," alderman James DeVito commented.

Zeller had been a merchant in town for 30 years and afterwards authored six widely diverse novels from romance to science fiction. She put in time on city commissions, served as an Interim Director of the CAPC and was elected to two separate stints on city council.

According to City Economic Development Director Glenna Booth, Zeller promoted the Blues Festival for several years and even put on a comedy festival one year.

Zeller also was featured in a virally-popular segment of *The Daily Show with Jon Stewart* in which she represented the majority following passage of the Non-Discrimination Ordinance #2223 in 2015.

In the online introduction to her novels, Zeller states, "Humans need each other. They need love. They yearn for it."

Further details will be posted at eureka.news as they become available.

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Planning to work on clearing up Code, but insisted a tourist lodging and a B&B are not similar except that people sleep there. She maintained Martone and Toub did what city hall asked them to do, and what has unfolded has been unfair to them. She wanted the issue settled at that meeting.

Alderman Terry McClung said he sat through many meetings as a Planning commissioner, and remembered that “similar” meant “similar.” He said he noticed there seems to be a shift in logic regarding what “similar” means, but until there is a change in Code, he could not vote to approve the application.

Alderman Bob Thomas pointed out to Beacham it was unfair that Beacham’s stance had changed mid-stream on Martone and Toub regarding the 200-foot rule.

Beacham replied, “I look at the words as they are.” He told Thomas if council wanted to change the law, it would be fine with him.

Mitchell went back to “similar” being applied differently as he saw it, but the matter at hand was considering a good application for a B&B with plenty of parking. He said what had happened so far was “a huge disaster and very unfair.” Schneider called it discrimination and moved to approve the application.

Toub contended their application was in good order. He and Martone had followed all the rules. They were told they needed no variance and there were no B&Bs within 200 feet. He said most of the original opponents recanted opposition, and he and his wife were being held to a different standard.

Martone said they were told they did not need a variance, so they did not ask for one. Another B&B on Armstrong was granted a variance. She saw decisions being “arbitrary and capricious.” It seemed to her the rules were for protecting neighborhoods, but no one was protecting applicants.

Nevertheless, vote on the CUP for a one-unit B&B at 23 Elk was 5-0 in favor.

Food truck committee gets workshop

Mayor Butch Berry presented the recommendation from the Food Truck Committee and commented the next step would be to prepare an ordinance based on their recommendations. Alderman James DeVito, however, commented the next step should be a council workshop because what they had received was a list of recommendations by a committee, and council had not had input yet. Berry suggested making the event a public hearing as well, and DeVito moved to convene the workshop. Vote on his motion was 3-2,

aldermen Bob Thomas and David Mitchell voting No, so Berry voted Yes to approve setting up a workshop on the committee recommendations regarding food trucks.

Wrapping it up

- Berry introduced Nick Samac, a veteran firefighter and paramedic, who has been appointed Interim Fire Chief.

- The mayor mentioned four new members of the Cemetery Commission had been trained by long-time commissioner Mary Ann Pownall who afterward turned in her resignation.

- Berry also reported the Auditorium Committee had recommended there needed to be a dedicated revenue stream to maintain operation and maintenance of the auditorium. A portion of the proposed two percent tax on retail would suffice. The committee also recommended reestablishing an Auditorium Commission to manage the funds dedicated to the Auditorium.

- Berry stated the spending freeze has been working, and “that is the good news.” Revenues are still a bit under expectations, so council will need to reconsider city finances at next month’s mid-year budget review.

Next meeting will be Monday, June 27, at 6 p.m. There will be a budget workshop beginning at 5:30 before the meeting.

Quiet meditation

June 16

The Eureka Springs Buddhist Study Group will gather for 30 minutes of meditation followed by reading and discussion on Thursday, June 16 at 4 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

Moving meditations

June 17

Dances of Universal Peace will be held at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 17 Elk St. at 7 p.m. on Friday, June 17. The Dances are simple and joyful moving meditations that involve the singing of sacred phrases with accompanying movements from many of the world’s spiritual traditions. Participation is free of charge. Contact Rebecca Babbs (479) 253-8303 or email babbsrebecca@gmail.com for more information.

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Council grapples with room for firetrucks

NICKY BOYETTE

Alderman David Mitchell commented at city council Monday on a letter from Fire Marshal Jim Kelley regarding traffic issues and access to parts of Washington St. and Point St., which juts off Washington. The letter stated ESFD would have difficulty accessing all areas in the neighborhood in an emergency if street parking were fully maximized. He recommended red curbs for the west side of Washington Street for 60 feet on both sides of Point Street to allow for fire engine access, calling it a public safety issue.

Alderman Terry McClung said he could understand the caution and concern for safety, but had spent 20 years on ESFD, "and we went anywhere we wanted. We always got through." He acknowledged parking is an issue on Washington Street, but did not remember any problems getting a firetruck through and saw no reason to change anything.

Alderman Bob Thomas added there are other places where a firetruck would have

a tight squeeze getting through, and asked Mitchell how much he was willing to spend to widen all those streets.

Mitchell maintained the homes on Point Street would be inaccessible to fire equipment if Washington Street were full of parked cars, again citing public safety and liability.

Alderman James DeVito pointed out the issue was not brought to council by the fire department, it was presented to the department for a response. Bill King, who owns property in the area said this was presented to other city departments, as well. He said he saw Kelley turn an ambulance around on Point Street that day. He reiterated losing parking would be a huge inconvenience to residents of the area.

Sara Knight rents one of King's apartments, and said the red curb plan as presented in Kelley's letter would place a burden on her and her husband. Her mobility is compromised, she must carry an oxygen bottle with her, and claimed removing

parking from the vicinity of her apartment "would make it really difficult for a person with a handicap."

Robert Ford, another resident in the area, told council he wanted a red curb area on Washington because the street is narrow and effectively becomes a one-lane street when parking spots are full.

Fire Chief Randy Ates mentioned two other streets just as problematic. He acknowledged many streets are crowded, but citizens along Point Street could be at risk and the risk has been identified, so the city should do something about it.

King pointed out firetrucks would be coming from only one direction, so there would not need to be two access points to Point Street. With this in mind, he and Kelley had discussed a possible compromise involving the loss of maybe only one parking spot instead of five or six.

DeVito approved of King's compromise, and Mitchell moved to table the discussion until Kelley had time incorporate the compromise into his assessment.



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CAPC partnering with Parks in mountain biking boom

NICKY BOYETTE

Director Justin Huss of the Parks Department told the City Advertising and Promotion Commission at its June 8 meeting he sees all the city's parks as attractions for tourists, but Lake Leatherwood City Park is getting the most attention because of the boom in mountain biking in northwest Arkansas. The trails at Lake Leatherwood City Park are becoming "a known attraction," and Huss said people from all over the country are coming here to check out biking trails.

Growth in mountain biking in the area is the reason the International Mountain Biking Association will be holding its annual summit in Bentonville in November. "This could be an incredible opportunity for us," Huss said. "We're on the map and this could help show us off."

He said every person at the IMBA summit would be an influencer who could spread the word about this corner of the state. "They are the multipliers," Huss said. He noted that industry representatives

will attend the summit, and the city should make them aware Eureka Springs is open for equipment testing 12 months a year. He contended the city should prepare to market itself not only at this event, but others like it to capitalize on the biking boom.

Huss mentioned there are trails being built along the Kings River as well, so Eureka Springs finds itself between different trail systems. "We want them [bikers] to know this is where to stay."

Huss announced Parks intends to invest \$22,500 to build a bike camp at LLCP this year and have it ready for the summit. "We're all in on this event," he said. "We'll look back on this year and see that something changed."

Executive Director Mike Maloney added he was working on a punch list of things CAPC could provide to market the town at these events.

Commissioner Damon Henke stated the rising interest in biking gives the city an opportunity to paint the picture of Eureka Springs as not only a Victorian village for a family weekend but a prime outdoor destination.

Reports

• Finance Director Rick Bright reported that year-to-date collections, which are through April 30, are up 22.4 percent over the same period last year, which was a good year for collections. Alderman James DeVito pointed out, "The significant numbers are spread across the board." Bright's report stated collections in every category – restaurants, hotels, motels, bed & breakfasts, cabins & cottages – were up.

• Events coordinator Dori Thomas

provided a recap of activities that she hopes will soon include having a movie night at the Auditorium. She said there has been a bump in the number of inquiries about using the auditorium for different kinds of acts. She mentioned the Fleur Delicious Weekend would occur July 5 – 10.

• Maloney reported analytics indicate the age group most frequently looking online for Eureka Springs is 25-34, 62 percent female, within the past 90 days. He said the usual suspects are still the most frequent web visitors but Memphis, Nashville, Chicago and San Francisco are starting to look at Eureka Springs.

He said the next big ad from Rightmind promotes "Get Out in Eureka Springs" which is all about outdoors. Rightmind also created an ad directed at Walmart suppliers to entice them to have their small meetings in Eureka Springs.

Maloney said the Eureka Springs app is running, and gives the viewer a big shot of Eureka Springs. He also announced he is able to use the digital billboard in Tulsa to promote the free show in Basin Park on Saturday and maybe pull over some weekenders.

Also, Maloney said he could not explain a sudden spike in the number of views of Eureka Springs videos on Youtube. He said there were 33,000 visits to videos about Eureka Springs from mid-April to mid-May. He noted videos on social media is the way to reach millennials.

Next workshop will be Wednesday, June 22, at 4 p.m., at the CAPC office, and the next regular meeting will be Wednesday, July 13, at 6 p.m.

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Sheriff's Office makes drug bust

Carroll County Sheriff's Office deputies and investigators from Berryville and Green Forest Police Departments arrested James William Carr at 2443 CR 425 on June 7. Items seized were firearms, \$1600 in cash, drug paraphernalia, scales, pills, and a large quantity of marijuana seeds. Carr was booked in the Carroll County Detention Center on charges of Simultaneous Possession of Firearm and Controlled Substance, Possession of Firearms by Certain Persons (2 counts), Possession of Schedule IV Controlled Substance with Purpose of Deliver, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (3 counts). He is being held on bond of \$25,000.



Visitor Guides contract amended

NICKY BOYETTE

Kent Butler, chair of the Eureka Springs Chamber of Commerce, announced at last Wednesday's CAPC meeting that the Chamber had mailed out 25,000 *Visitor Guides*. The agreement for paying for mailing the *Guides* goes back to 2008, prior to any present staff of either agency, and calls for the CAPC to pay for stamps, but says nothing about paying handling fees. Handling fee for the recent mailing was \$2100.

Butler asked that the agreement be reviewed prior to its expiration in 2018 to clear this up.

Commissioner Charles Ragsdell asked for a schedule of anticipated handling fees ahead of time so the commission could budget properly. Commissioner Terry McClung moved to approve the expenditure covering the handling fees through the end of the contract.

CAPC Finance Director Rick Bright said he cannot pay handling fees unless the contract is altered, or he would go to jail for misappropriation of funds. McClung altered his motion to include amending the contract, and commissioners approved his amended motion.

Fire erupts over fire department

NICKY BOYETTE

Alderman Mickey Schneider asked Fire Chief Ates to answer a few questions about the Fire Department budget at the June 13 city council meeting, but discussion evolved into something else altogether. Ates answered several questions and emphasized the importance of the ambulance service in helping the fire department maintain its insurance rating. He also said ESFD supports Mayor Butch Berry's two percent tax on retail as a way to rebuild the city's infrastructure.

Schneider continued to ask questions about the ESFD budget, which Ates answered in clear detail until alderman James DeVito pointed out all the information they were hearing was more appropriate for a mid-year budget discussion. Berry also asked where the discussion was leading but Schneider deflected the question and tried to continue her inquiry of Ates in spite of objections from DeVito and intervention

by Berry, until alderman David Mitchell expressed frustration with Schneider's proceedings. Council voted 4-1 to table the discussion, Schneider voting No.

"I'm trying to save the fire department," she protested, and warned of dire consequences if ESFD lost funding. Then she packed up her things and left the room.

White Street Fire Station

Council approved all three readings of Ordinance #2241 which would exchange ownerships of properties connected with the White Street Fire Station and clear the property for sale. Portions of lots owned by the city and Steve Beacham would be exchanged.

That accomplished, council approved three readings of Ordinance # 2242 which authorized Mayor Butch Berry "to advertise for and conduct a sealed bid auction" to dispose of the White Street property. Bids are to be received by Monday, August 8, at 2 p.m.

Mining at the past

Historical fiction writer Marian Szczepanski will share research skills and techniques at the Writers' Colony on June 18. She will start with an overview of the nine-year research process for her novel *Playing St. Barbara*, then the focus will redirect to participants' individual projects, challenges and questions.

Marian holds an MFA in fiction from Warren Wilson College and has won awards for short fiction and magazine feature writing. This workshop is one of four celebrating the spirit of Scotland in the Ozarks. The workshop will be from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. with an hour for lunch. The fee is \$50 and must be paid in advance to guarantee a seat. Call (479) 253-7444, email director@writerscolony.org or go to www.writerscolony.org to register.

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Social media video proposal on CAPC plate

Nicky Boyette

City Advertising and Promotion Commission Director Mike Maloney presented a proposal by photo/videographer Jeremy Mason McGraw to create a social media-type video about Eureka Springs. Maloney said at the June 8 meeting this video would be in addition to ongoing productions created by Rightmind Advertising. He said Rightmind makes 30-second commercial media, but McGraw aims for social media. "It's different content entirely," Maloney claimed.

CAPC Finance Director Rick Bright commented that McGraw had explained his idea, and it would focus on more

out of the way spots. Commissioner Dustin Duling said McGraw would take the viewer to events or sites to get the experience of being there, as this approach works well for younger travelers.

McGraw's proposal was to produce a video each month for six months for \$2000 each totaling \$12,000. Commissioner Charles Ragsdell, however, recalled that any expenditure of more than \$5000 would need to be put out for bid. Maloney remembered the threshold was a higher amount, but Ragsdell's request to confirm the amount of the threshold prevailed, and staff will clear it up before the next meeting.

Council finalizes land trade negotiation

NICKY BOYETTE

The application from Jim Girkin for vacation of a portion of platted, but unmaintained, Hickory Street, which runs directly between other properties owned by Girkin, got a full discussion at the council table Monday. Alderman Terry McClung pointed out the Parks

Commission had already worked a deal with Girkin, and all that was left was to draft ordinances to finish the transaction.

He moved to have city attorney Tim Weaver draft an ordinance taking the clearly defined portion of Hickory Street back from Parks jurisdiction. Then he

moved to have a second ordinance drafted to give the vacated property back to Girkin in exchange for a portion at one end that he will deed to the city. This portion will be used as a connector in the urban trail system as it is developed.

Votes on McClung's motions were unanimous.

INDEPENDENT Art & Entertainment



Ernie Kilman's oil on panel titled *The Narrow Trail* is included in the group exhibit.

Landscape show at Brews

Brews, 2 Pine St., will host an opening reception for *The Landscape* group show Thursday, June 16 from 5 – 8 p.m. Twenty-three local artists were invited to exhibit work featuring a landscape theme including Ernie Kilman, Carol Dickie, Cynthia Kresse, Ken Addington, Barbara Robinson, Tina Perry, Jody Stephenson, and Jessica Cummings are among those exhibiting. The show runs June 16 – July 27.

Medium and animal communicator at Metafizzies

The June 20 meeting of the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society will feature medium and animal communicator Cindy Kay Jones speaking on Evidential Mediumship and Trance Mediumship. The meeting will be at 7 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

Library Jam Session

Instrument players and singers are welcome to an evening of music on Tuesday, June 21 from 7 – 9:30 p.m. at the library annex. Call (914) 584-2145 for more information.

Early Morning Rain coming soon

Gordon Lightfoot will appear at the Eureka Springs Auditorium on Thursday, June 23 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are on sale at The Auditorium www.theaud.org.

Council schooled on Improvement Districts

NICKY BOYETTE

Wednesday afternoon, June 8, city council convened a workshop with members of the Planning Commission to discuss establishing an Improvement District for repairing the aging, vulnerable tunnel underneath a section of downtown.

Craig Hull of the Osage Group had presented council with his Hazard Mitigation Report earlier this year, and one of the hazards he spotlighted was the tunnel, a section of which collapsed as he was compiling his report. Hull had called the situation a maintenance problem not addressed for 130 years. He said the Improvement District would spread the costs fairly for repair and systematic long-term maintenance of the tunnel. Mayor Butch Berry said the last cost estimate he knew of for repair was \$4 to \$5 million.

Berry introduced Alan King of Improvement Districts, Inc., of Little Rock, who said his company has 250 clients with all sorts of districts – roads, bridges, street lights and beyond. He distributed a concise guide for setting up a district.

King said that to establish a reasonable cost for a project, you must first gather stakeholders and decide on district boundaries. In other words, who will benefit from the money spent by the district. Once boundaries are established and the project identified, a cost can be calculated.

Next would be presenting stakeholders with a petition stating goals, and two-thirds of the owners within the district must sign it. When the district is approved and results verified, a plan is presented to council, and council votes to approve, or not, forming an improvement district.

A board of five commissioners would guide the district, and King said it is common for one or two aldermen to sit on the commission. An assessor would evaluate the benefit/risk ratio situation relative to each stakeholder and determine what the fairest assessment would be based on the benefit they receive. This assessed tax would be paid with the annual property tax.

Hull said once the district has been established, the Federal Emergency Management Agency might partner with

it on parts of the project. He commented a key element in establishing the district is resolving the problem of getting rights-of-way to do the work.

Commissioner Woody Acord of Planning said he was having a hard time understanding why those unfortunate enough to be near the problem must pay for it. He maintained the tunnel is a municipal problem, thus should be a city-wide obligation.

Hull said it would be “political suicide” to spread the district too wide. He remarked establishing the district will take important leadership, but put into place a solution. “Let’s eat this elephant first, then take on other projects.”

King told the group that state, county or city governments do not have to pay an improvement district tax unless they choose to. Planning Chair Steve Beacham said it would encourage property owners to participate if the city paid its share.

“I feel the city would participate because we’ve seen the deterioration beneath the Auditorium,” Berry responded.

The group discussed possible boundaries of the district, and speculation ran from the train station in the north to the Cat House or beyond to the south. Sentiment was for keeping things simple and manageable.

King advised the city to decide on the scope of the project, figure a budget, identify the stakeholders and get ready to go through the steps. There will be another workshop, time and date to be determined, to work out more details.

Movie at UU Fellowship

Michael Moore’s latest film *Where to Invade Next* will be shown June 30 at 7 p.m. at the UU Fellowship. Moore visits various countries to examine how Europeans view work, education, healthcare, sex, equality and other issues.

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Another thing to do with money

Editor,

I wanted to tell a story about a family member because it sort of pertains to a local issue. This happened about 20 years ago, in Nebraska. The family member was my cousin's wife, Berdina – we all called her Bert.

My cousin had passed away leaving Bert a widow with two mostly grown kids, livestock and a good size farm at the edge of the sandhills. Being of good German stock and very independent minded, Bert kept the farm going on her own for a number of years. But eventually, when the kids had married and moved away, she decided it was time to move to town – join some church groups, ladies clubs, etc., so she put the farm up for sale.

She immediately received a fair market value offer on the farm from a wealthy man who owned several large hog-confinement operations (similar to those on the Buffalo River) around the state.

Bert just as immediately politely declined his offer, explaining that she couldn't in good conscience sell her land to a corporate farm that would ruin the land and distress her neighbors. End of the story?

No. The man showed up on her doorstep two weeks later, with a big smile, and handed her a check for 30% over market value. Bert looked at the check (a large sum of money), handed it back to him, and as politely as ever suggested that perhaps he could use his check to wipe his ... well, in place of toilet paper, and closed her door. End of story? Yes.

Bert is my hero.

Gloria Churchill

Parking tickets not a problem

Editor,

In reply to a letter to the editor, "Not Coming Back," [ESI June 1, 2016] I found it laughable that the writer complained about "loud motorcycles, their radios turned up full blast," on the streets of Eureka Springs.

I'm a biker, and I don't have a radio on my motorcycle. I prefer the rumble of pipes. This writer couldn't complain about the loud pipes, so he complained about the radios on motorcycles. The motorcycle radios don't have the amps cars do. They're much quieter.

So what about cars with louder stereos bumping down the streets? Or Corvettes with much louder pipes doing burn outs on the street? This person just wanted something to gripe about and blamed the bikers.

That's very observant to notice the sign about the noise ordinance. Maybe he wants the city to remake the signs and include loud stereos.

I, too, am handicapped. And I agree we need more handicapped parking. The writer says, "We," so I take it there were more than him on this trip. I have trouble walking and sometimes use a cane. When I'm parked in Eureka, with my wife or friends, and may have trouble getting to the meter, I delegate someone with me to go feed the meter. It's that simple. I just think this person is nit-picking and couldn't find anything else to gripe about, so he chose to pick on bikers and blamed the city for his own irresponsible behavior. I don't get parking tickets.

**Andy McWilliams, Biker
Busch, Ark.**

Curbing hatred

Editor,

The father of the assailant said, "This

has nothing to do with religion. He got mad when he saw two men kissing in Miami." Oh dear, kissing?

TV reporters rarely call it a *gay* bar. I guess we should be glad homophobia is over now that the Supremes have allowed gay marriage. The Sunday that this occurred was Gay Pride in Orlando.

"... nothing to do with religion?" Now, what religion is proud of, supportive of and happy that there are lesbians and gay men still alive? Some of the Methodists now have a "Reconciliation Project" because they, and all other religions, have historically been homophobic. I think the Reconciliation Project is good and that more of other Christian denominations should be reaching out to fundamentalists both Christian and Islamic, Catholics and Baptists, to counter their prejudices and hatred.

This slaughter took place during Gay Pride Week and also Ramadan, the Islamic holy period of prayer, fasting, charity-giving and self-reflection. ISIS called for increased violence during Ramadan. This home-grown hater followed ISIS instead of the Qur'an.

No one from any religion has yet to apologize to me, a life-long lesbian, for the damage, hurt and ugliness of their religion towards me. I am still waiting.

T.A. Laughlin

Show the world we're sane

Editor,

Another mass shooting in a tourist town in the USA. Another young man committing murders in an LGBT community because he couldn't tolerate folks just out having a good time and celebrating Gay Pride week.

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WEEK'S Top Tweets

@radtoria: Interviewer: And what would you say is your greatest strength? Me: Yes. Interviewer: What? Me: Sorry, I thought you asked if I was listening.

@kentwgraham: I passed a heart stress test today when I noticed a spider crawling up my shoulder.

@angelaehhh: I just want to be rich enough that I can buy my furniture already assembled.

@stellacopter: If I did one of those wine and paint nights the instructor would be like wow look at you, you are really good at wine.

@bourgeoisalien: I blocked my cat on Twitter. He knows why.
@bridger_w: Something I don't think we're doing nearly enough of as a society is building giant mysterious structures to confuse future archaeologists.

@hotdogsladies: Whenever our neighbor's dog is barking I know there's either someone at their door or literally anything else in the universe has happened.

@shutupmike: Can't wait to see how dudes figure out how to still get really mad at each other when cars are all self-driving.

@sucittaM: My arm is asleep, let's draw mustaches on it.

@jesus: What would I do?

Who's to blame?

Do you honestly think you could walk into a gay nightclub and feel fear? Of what? Not that you'll be killed. A gay nightclub is where you go if you have no interest at all in being killed. A sanctuary of music, style, snappy conversation. If you're afraid someone of your sex will ask you dance or buy you a Mojito, you probably wouldn't be there in the first place.

A sports bar is based on the same idea, just different people who prefer buffalo wings while watching helmeted professionals trying to break each others' spirit. It's all entertainment, the choices are varied, and lots of people are comfortable enough with themselves to go either place.

But this massacre in Orlando was an answer without a question. A lone gunman who really didn't have connections with authentic terrorists, he just said he did. He made it easy for them to say, "Oh yeah, he's one of us," when he probably wasn't even Facebook pals with any terrorists. Omar Mateen was a human tragedy walking around in jeans and an NYPD t-shirt, beating his wife and teaching his son.

Where does this energy come from, this urge to destroy? We know we are all energy wrapped in these funny little elastic suits we call skin. We know some people have the invisible energy we are attracted to and some have the kind we avoid. Energy is one of the easiest things in the world to change. And it's free. But why do it? Doesn't it make more sense to spend lots of money on guns and bullets, do hours of wasteful practice, disturb the peace, and get so bored with paper targets that we graduate to moving ones?

Oh please. If that's the most entertaining thing we can come up with we've not tried Las Vegas.

Did these murders in Orlando have to do with gay? Latin? Florida? America? None of it. All of it.

Omar Mateen was a man who, according to his father, thought it was horrible for his young son to witness two men kissing each other. Now, we're just guessing here, but we think a young boy would be just fine with seeing, or feeling, anything good. He is young! Three? Don't you think that boy would delight in seeing horses swish their tails, people laughing and kissing, butterflies landing on his nose? Three years old! Innocent, curious, and not at all disturbed by anything until it bites or stings. Kids

seem to do just fine finding out what's real.

But when intolerant attitudes get ahold of children's outlooks, and make sure children know that hating and fear bring in more admiration than religion ever thought of, well, there's a problem.

And now? Now this kid gets to grow up knowing his father, instead of showing him the wonders of the world, decided to annihilate happy people who were living as he would not allow himself to live. Now this three-year-old has an impossible legacy to carry. Forever.

And that lies squarely on the doormat of religion. Whoever came up with the insane idea that a person in vapor form planted us here to worship him doesn't know much about love. Hey, we're not blaming killing on religion. Or are we? Seems like there's an awful lot of Christian vs. Muslim interpretation going on. There are peaceful religions, of

course, but the depth isn't in interpreting what a man, any man, said about how to live. The depth is in believing that we are essentially here to appreciate life, not destroy it.

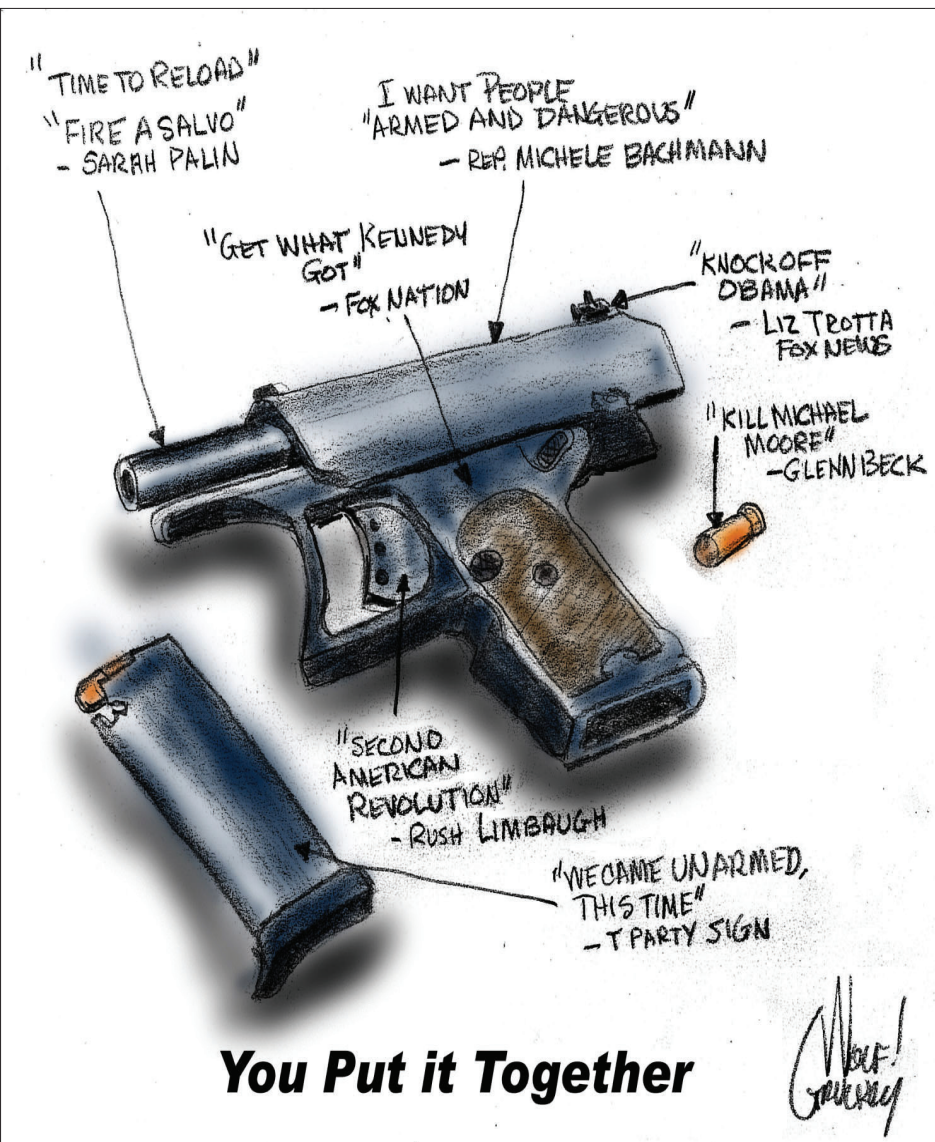
We believe there is no reasonable argument that any individual own an assault rifle, but we all know people who do even if we don't know we know. Feel safer?

Reading through our Constables on Patrol this week, nine of the 43 calls to police in Eureka Springs involved violence. Socking, shouting, throwing chairs, breaking other people's stuff, diminishing people and generally being humorless.

Now, we can blame violence on tequila. Too much free time. Chemtrails. And nothing we blame really has anything to do with it.

Blame the devil.

Mary Pat Boian



The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

Malcolm Moos, an Eisenhower-era moderate Republican strategist, wrote *The End of the Republican Establishment* in 1965, after Lyndon Johnson's thrashing of Barry Goldwater. Moos's thesis was that the typical GOP voter – small business people, upper middle-class Protestants, and operators of large corporations – would be unable to relate to the party's newest members, segregationists from across the South, and atavists and nationalists everywhere. Quite obviously, Moos was wrong; they got along just fine.

The Republican Party's presumptive nomination of Donald Trump has caused a bit of that same soul-searching today. Can the party survive The Donald? I don't see why not. First of all, they're getting plenty of help from the Democratic Party. Second, and without putting too fine a point on it, there's plenty of evidence that the "values" and beliefs that characterize what Trump says and what Trump does simply and more directly enunciate the values and beliefs of the modern GOP establishment and its supporters. Trump is just a pig who got out of the party's pen without the party's lipstick.

A case in point is how the Republican Party has worn the Religious Right like a cheap suit, ready to be tossed on the floor the minute a fatuous trust fund baby and small change deadbeat wins a series of primaries. So far, the RR's response has been some nervous chatter about voting for a "lesser evil," but I've failed to find a single Biblical reference supporting such Jesus approved infamy. If there is such a reference – chapter and verse – I will be sincerely glad to learn of it.

It is possible that party leaders think they can control Trump, that he'll show up when the camera is on and leave the day-to-day management of government – like it's just another hotel – to them. That way, they'll be free to carry on with the supply-side hustle they're really, truly, and deeply committed to. Supply-side economics, FYI, originated with the Islamic philosopher Ibn Khaldun and has been responsible for making the Middle East the economic paradise it has been for the last 800 years.

With the GOP's guidance, you see, every man will become the Sheikh of Araby.

A little help from our friends:

- **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. The Purple Flower will also have free and confidential Domestic Violence Empowerment Support Group on every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the Month at the Berryville Community Center from 6 – 7:30 p.m.
- **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
- **Flint Street Fellowship food pantry, lunch, free clothing** – Pantry open 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Free lunch Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Free clothes/shoes closet, books and household items. (479) 253-9491 or 253-4945. Leave donations in barrel at entrance if facility is closed.
- **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.
- **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: Kathy Remenar (417) 342-8498, 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.
- **Overeaters Anonymous** – Thursdays, 10:30 a.m. Barbara (479) 244-0371 • **Narcotics Anonymous** – Fridays, 5:30 p.m. (903) 278-5568. Meetings held at Eureka Springs Coffee Pot Group behind Land O’ Nod Victorian Inn.
- **Coffee Break Al-Anon Family Group Women** – Tuesdays, 9:45 a.m., Faith Christian Family Church, Hwy. 23S, (479) 363- 9495. • **Al-Anon Family Group (AFG)** – Sundays, 11:30 a.m., Mondays and Tuesdays 7 p.m. • **Eureka Springs Coffee Pot AA Groups** Monday – Saturday 12:30 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m.; Sunday – Thursday, Saturday, 5:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday, 8 p.m. (479) 253-7956 • **Al-Anon** Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. Meetings held at Eureka Springs Coffee Pot Group behind Land O’ Nod Victorian Inn. All other meetings: See www.nwarkaa.org
- **St. Vincent De Paul Thrift Store** – First Tuesdays – provide assistance with medical help, utilities, clothing, emergency shelter, shoes, etc. Annual charity Christmas Gift & Food Program. Mon-Sat 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. 1844 Hwy. 62W Berryville.

INDEPENDENT ConstablesOnPatrol

JUNE 6

2:43 a.m. – Constables arrested an individual for sleeping in public, disorderly conduct and possession of drug paraphernalia.
1:44 p.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver.
3:36 p.m. – Constable responded to a private property traffic accident and arrested one person on warrants out of Centerton and Gravette.
6:30 p.m. – Guest at an inn reported a missing cell phone.
10:53 p.m. – Resident at the eastern edge of town complained about a nearby noise. Constable did not hear it.

JUNE 7

2:34 p.m. – Constable investigated the report of someone passing counterfeit bills at a bank.

JUNE 8

11:18 a.m. – Call came in about an injured deer. Constable responded but the animal had died.
8:44 p.m. – An individual was passed out in his parked car on Main Street. Constables arrested him and discovered his dog under the vehicle.
9:22 p.m. – Staff at a downtown bar informed ESPD three patrons who were asked to leave became belligerent. One of them kicked a chair and then threw it across the room. Constables responded. A shuttle bus transported the belligerent ones to their rooms.

JUNE 9

12:14 p.m. – Two people at the farmers’ market argued. Constable intervened and sent them separate ways.
2:39 p.m. – A vehicle stalled on US 62 but was gone when the constable got there.
6:14 p.m. – Employee at a bank accidentally set off the alarm.
7:06 p.m. – There was a motorcycle versus car accident on US 62. Both vehicles were towed.
7:27 p.m. – Alarm was triggered at a business on US 62. Constables found everything secure and the manager turned off the alarm.
11:13 p.m. – Person was arrested on an ESPD warrant for failure to pay fines.

JUNE 10

1:06 a.m. – Resident near downtown heard a loud noise outside and discovered a motorist had damaged a personal property water line. Constable arrested the driver for DWI, careless driving and leaving the scene of an accident.
2:38 a.m. – As a result of a domestic squabble, one person was arrested for third degree domestic battery.
8:50 a.m. – Caller reported receiving a phone call from a male who claimed he was in a motel room and police were beating on his door and attempting to gain entry and he was afraid for his life. ESPD spoke with the fearful one and learned he was in Eureka, Mo. The police department there was apprised of the call.
9:48 a.m. – Observer noticed a male trespassing

on the property. Constable asked the interloper to leave.

11:29 a.m. – Resident in the northwest part of town claimed a large dog chased her daughter down the street. Animal Control spoke with the owner of the dog and made sure it was securely leashed. The owner received a warning regarding leash laws and a lesson on the repercussions of the dog biting someone.

12:03 p.m. – Individual filed a report regarding a missing cell phone.

12:36 p.m. – Resident claimed he had lost \$250 as the result of a scam phone call from a New York number.

2:32 p.m. – Staff at a business reported equipment had not been returned.

4:53 p.m. – Vehicle was temporarily parked blocking a roadway, but constable arrived to find the street no longer impeded.

JUNE 11

2:15 a.m. – Bartender told ESPD a patron was harassing other customers. Constables arrived and everyone went to their rooms for the night.

4:02 a.m. – Individual told ESPD she had an altercation with a male whom she did not want back in her establishment. Constables were unable to find the male subject.

6:51 a.m. – Constable responded to an alarm at a business, but the call was canceled.

8:40 a.m. – ESPD was alerted to a person sleeping on a bench downtown. The responding constable found the person sitting upright but explained to him the city ordinance prohibiting sleeping in public places.

11:07 a.m. – Two individuals at a campground had a fight. One of them drove away. Constable and EMS were needed.

12:16 p.m. – Driver backed her vehicle into another one in a parking lot.

7:13 p.m. – Downtown merchant called ESPD because another merchant had claimed a metered parking spot by blocking it off with chairs. The spot-claimer returned to find the first merchant removing the chairs, provoking her to start yelling which prompted the first merchant to call for a constable.

9:10 p.m. – Central Dispatch reported a 911 hangup call. Constable went to the address and found a group of people in a parking lot of a motel. They acknowledged they had accidentally placed the call and were trying to call back to clear up the situation, but the constable told them not to call back.

9:55 p.m. – Central dispatch reported a possibly intoxicated driver with Texas plates headed toward town from the south. Constable was in place to watch for the vehicle, but a deputy caught up with it first.

10:30 p.m. – Observer reported a vehicle parked in front of a fire hydrant again.

11:02 p.m. – Hotel staff reported a domestic disturbance. Constables arrested a male guest

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Auditorium Committee has ideas, pursues money

NICKY BOYETTE

Eureka Springs Mayor Butch Berry began the June 9 Auditorium Committee meeting by reminding the group the purpose for the committee is to provide city council a recommendation for how to manage and maintain the Auditorium. The answer the committee has identified, Berry maintained, is having a dedicated revenue stream.

Chair Jeff Danos passed around copies of a report drafted by him and CAPC Events Coordinator Dori Thomas providing a short history of auditorium committees past and present. The report laid out the case for adding staff over time, rehabilitating the building, and forming an auditorium commission, but the last sentence said it all: "To cover current expenses, recommended staff and facility enhancements, and required future infrastructure improvements, and to ensure the auditorium remains a viable

community asset with a supporting income stream, the Auditorium Committee believes that a dedicated operating budget of approximately \$200,000 – 300,000 a year is needed."

Berry intends to ask locals to approve what he called "a user tax for infrastructure." He mentioned to council in April he would ask in the November election for voters to approve a two percent tax on retail items, a portion determined by council for maintenance and management of the auditorium. The remainder would go for infrastructure needs only.

Alderman James DeVito diverted the discussion back to what to do in the meantime. His idea was to show movies at the Auditorium, claiming the outlay would be fairly small. The community needs it, and the showings could become semi-monthly events, he said.

The group envisioned showing *The*

Legend of Boggy Creek with some viewers dressed in their best monster outfits.

Discussion shifted to making money off concessions and having enough popcorn, and DeVito remarked movies at the Aud would provide something for locals and visitors.

Thomas wanted to start them soon, and said she wanted two each month.

Technical adviser Ron Sumner mentioned that, eventually, there might be the need to upgrade their projector, and a quality screen would be a goal as well if they intended to show movies regularly.

The group agreed they would look at convincing council to form an Auditorium Commission once citizens decide on Berry's proposed two percent tax on retail.

Berry said he would present the report Danos and Thomas had drafted to council, but emphasized the need for the Auditorium Committee to continue to

meet monthly because it has generated good ideas, such as reviving the concept of showing movies.

Thomas commented it could only be a good thing that a dedicated group of interested and motivated citizens continues to discuss ways to utilize the Auditorium.

ARRIVAL



Rachel and Chip Ford and big sister, Rylee Kay, are happy to announce the arrival of Charles Henry Ford III born Thursday, June 9, 7 pounds, 3 ounces, 18 inches.

PHOTO BY CHARLES HENRY FORD II, OF COURSE!



Call to bartenders

The 2016 Fleur Delicious Weekend Ciroc Vodka Bartender competition at Chelsea's Corner Café & Bar is Wednesday, June 29 at 5 p.m. Local bartenders wanting to participate need to arrive by 5 p.m. to register. Competitors must bring one pre-made gallon of their cocktail which will be poured into shot glasses for audience participation for People's Choice.

Bring ingredients, garnishes and serving glasses to make four of your original cocktails during the competition for Judges' Choice. For more information go to www.FleurDeliciousWeekend.com or Fleur Delicious Weekend on Facebook.



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Task Force announces entrepreneurs' website

NICKY BOYETTE

Sandy Martin, chair of the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Development, announced the group now has a presence on the web at eurekaspringsliveworkplay.us. On the site is a toolkit Martin has been developing to make things easy for a prospective entrepreneur checking out Eureka Springs. The site features tabs to history of Eureka Springs, what you need to know to start a business here, local incentives and a thorough list of important contacts. There is also a place for questions and comments.

Martin also reported the board and staff of the Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation held their June meeting at Keels Creek Winery in Eureka Springs. She commented the board was impressed with the local creative economy, the collaboration among agencies, and

the regional approach to economic development.

"Their plan matches well with ours," Martin observed. The foundation is emphasizing improvements in education across the state and she pointed out education and a creative economy can change a community. She underlined how important it was that the foundation met face-to-face with locals. "Their grants are by invitation only, and now they know us," she said.

A modern tale

Jacqueline Wolven, executive director of the Eureka Springs Downtown Network, suggested the city develop a city-wide campaign "to tell our story differently." She said all the stories she hears from citizens refer to the past. She said the story should shift toward entrepreneurship and opportunity, rather

than stories for tourists. She said there are stories in town about folks who were able to open the business of their dreams, and encouraged "an internal campaign to change the language," adding it will be critical to economic development to engage locals to tell new stories.

Mike Maloney, executive director of the City Advertising and Promotion Commission, commented that all over Northwest Arkansas, cities have old-timers with their stories. The good news, he pointed out, is agencies like the Northwest Arkansas Council telling a new story about economic development in our part of the state, and Eureka Springs is aligned with their progressive message.

"I'm with you," Maloney said to Wolven. "Let's put the old news in the morgue. We're in a growth spurt."

Other items

- Martin reported the G60 entrepreneur challenge event went well, and sponsor Startup Junkie wants to put on another one. Mayor Butch Berry stated it is important to nurture the excellent ideas presented at the event.

- Martin mentioned canvassing customers in stores to get a database of zip codes as a way of identifying likely pools for workers if new businesses came to town. Wolven right away responded, "Eagle Rock and Cassville." Huntsville was also mentioned as a worker pool. Martin added that task force members have gathered 65 completed and very extensive surveys with comments about Eureka Springs. She will report on the surveys at the next meeting.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, July 13, at 10 a.m., at the Auditorium.

INDEPENDENTGuestatorial

Isolation and devastation

If you hunt, fish, or swim, you may want to read this. The sweet smell of money drives good people to ignore friends and neighbors, pretending no one will get hurt. The simple idea we are all connected is forgotten when making easy money.

Timber sales and the special interests of Nature Conservancy, American Bird Conservancy, and National Wild Turkey Federation backing the Butler Hollow project are the reasons to sell timber, pretending to restore arid, bare, hot glades. With extreme weather on the horizon, deforestation and lethal wood smoke for decades are unacceptable. USFS does not have funds to get it done.

Butler Hollow plan will devastate Arkansas

The Environmental Assessment says: "Project area lands are drained by tributaries of the White River, including Butler Creek, Roaring River, Cedar Creek, and several other small and unnamed streams that are part of the Beaver Reservoir Watershed, including Beaver Lake, upstream in Arkansas, and Table Rock Lake, downstream in Missouri." No one in Arkansas was notified. The Little Rock District, US Army Corps of Engineers, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Southeast Region, the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission, Eureka Springs, Beaver and Holiday Island, the Carroll County Quorum Court, nor any Arkansas state agency were consulted on the negative impacts of flash floods, water quality or air quality from the project.

Previous floods along Butler Creek have created

devastation near Beaver and Holiday Island. The frequency and severity of flashfloods would get worse. USFS knows what they are doing and they don't care.

District Ranger Joe Koloski ignored public health concerns to proceed with Phase I of the 18,000-acre project, known as Alternative 4, starting with the Chute Ridge burn unit and the northeast corner of Pine Hollow burn unit, on 3,600 acres. Koloski is a smart man paid to destroy the Hollow, someone without ties to the community, hand-picked to get it done.

How do we protect our families?

We have less than 20 days to call Bill Nightingale, the Mark Twain National Forest Supervisor (573) 364-4621. Please send objections by July 6: objections-eastern-region@fs.fed.us Re: Butler Hollow Project 43537.

Nightingale is an experienced, friendly Ranger who speaks a different language. When I called, he seemed to agree with the need to protect Butler Creek from erosion, flash floods, and the Hollow from arson, illegal logging, deforestation and secure the forest. But at the end of the call, Bill said, "If you think we are not going to manage the Hollow you will be disappointed." I was speechless.

USFS uses English words with a different meaning. Sustainable projects, in my world, are good for the planet, good for the people, and generate profits without subsidies. USFS defines sustainable forests: as take whatever you like, but don't be a pig;

leave some for others. Managing the forest means prescribed burns for decades (health of the forest), commercial sales of forest products (trees) and landscaping to remove cedar trees (invasive species). Forest soil as a carbon sink and precious water source, the hidden treasure of the forest, is invisible, ignored by USFS.

I don't understand forests, but I know one tree

Tex and Molly, two awesome dogs who teach me the wonders of nature, live outdoors sheltered by a cedar tree. The shade beneath the tree creates a unique habitat, my favorite place to relax. What is your favorite tree?

Arkansas' fluff mill will devastate Louisiana

"Chairman Li is an extraordinary businessman and a tough negotiator," said Gov. Hutchinson. No, Li is a magician: he got 16 million gallons of water from the Ouachita River and a sewer for 11 million gallons of wastewater per day for free, and no one noticed. Ouachita contamination from a massive Sun Paper Kraft mill, cumulative to the Koch mill downstream. Arkansas does not care for Louisiana's public health. Just like Missouri!

Caring for our common home

Drinking water and forests are invaluable. Forest carbon offsets, setting a price for carbon, and paying the social cost of carbon are ethical imperatives for a planet in peril.

Dr. Luis Contreras

You won't know what's there until you look

BECKY GILLETTE

It's hard to know where to start when describing the Golden Pioneer Museum at the junction of Hwys. 86 and J in Golden, Mo. From the outside, the plain metal building does little to advertise the fact that the inside houses thousands of treasures ranging from a 16,000 piece antique glass collection to a gem and mineral collection that includes such rarities as a 1,250-pound single point quartz crystal and a 4,200-pound cluster of quartz crystal, one of the largest known to exist.

Winfred and Lee Ona Prier started collecting about 40 years ago, and quickly ran out of room at their home.

"We were putting things in our attic, and the roof was starting bulge a bit," Winfred said. "That isn't going to work. It was too much weight up there."

The museum was born. Originally it was 90 ft. x 45 ft., but now it contains five rooms, including the latest room added about a year-and-a-half ago that is 92 x 40.

Through the years, Winfred and Lee Ona have bought out entire museums, such as the Trail of Tears Museum in Huntsville, Ala., which includes more than 10,000 arrowheads and spear points, along with other unique artifacts such as knives stolen from early settlers.

It is an eclectic collection. You never know what might be around the next corner. For example, there are 2,000 lunchboxes – which visitors often indicate is one of their favorite parts of the museum. There is an elephant's tail, and 900 toothpick holders.

Unlike some attractions where the gift shop is bigger than the attraction, the Golden Pioneer Museum has few items for sale. And admission is free. Clearly, what the Priers enjoy most is just sharing their love of the beauty, history and awe of both natural objects such as a cluster of 29 fossilized dinosaur eggs and the artistry of glassmakers.

"I found out you get more in donations than if you charge \$3, \$4 or \$5," Winfred said. "A lot of people won't go in if there is a charge. But when they go in and see it is such an amazing place, they will freely donate money."

With five different rooms, it is a bit of a maze, as well as amazing. Children love playing hide and seek, as well as picking out their favorite treasures. The black light rooms are particularly appealing to children. Displays include glow-in-the-dark rocks from New Mexico and Vaseline glassware that has small amounts of uranium that give off an eerie green glow.

"We can turn 50 kids loose in there and they can't do any damage," he said. "Some museums, everything is out in the open and you can't pick anything up. Ours is all behind glass."

While some people may just happen to stop by while traveling through, for others the Golden Pioneer Museum is a destination.

"People drove up yesterday from Texas just to see it," Winfred said. "Most people come in for an hour or so. But some people will spend two or three hours, get something to eat and come back and spend another two or three hours. It isn't a museum you can walk through quickly and see everything."

Asking him what is his favorite thing is in the



Golden Pioneer Museum owner Winfred Prier talks with Eureka Springs visitor Elaine Van Natta in front of glass display.

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museum is like asking a father which child he loves best.

"Everything in there is my favorite," Winfred said. "I like glassware real good. We have more than a thousand pieces of cut glass. A lot of it is signed. We have a lot of colored cut glass that is rare and expensive. We have the world's largest collection of glass butter dishes. We have 1,356 old butter dishes."

He is particularly proud of his Indian artifact collection.

"And that is saying a lot because we have a bunch of other stuff," Winfred said. "We have a covered wagon cast iron stove. I'm really proud of it. It is a really short stove used in covered wagons for heat and cooking. It is pretty neat."

The museum has been open for about 23 years. Winfred retired four years ago, and now has more time for getting work done in there. He would like to have the collection better catalogued and labeled for visitors.

"We are in the process of itemizing what is in there," he said. "It just takes time. I've had a lot of people tell me I ought to put this museum in Eureka Springs or Branson. If I wanted to make money, I should. But this is my retirement enjoyment. It is here in Golden and that is where I live."

Lee Ona particularly likes their glassware collections including a lot of Carnival glass.

"Glass is kind of what we started out collecting," she said. "All our collections are behind glass and that helps so much. The glass has to be cleaned once in a while. It isn't real hard to keep clean. We put it behind glass for a reason. Winfred went to a museum once and it had signs that said, 'Do not touch. Do not pick up.' But he couldn't resist touching. It is tempting to reach up there and pick something up."

Security is another reason for the glass display cases. Not everything is behind glass, but Lee Ona said they have had very little trouble with people stealing or tampering with things.

"We have been very fortunate," she said.

Lee Ona said a large percentage of their visitors are locals from Branson and Eureka Springs, although it is also popular with tourists.

"Word-of-mouth is the best advertisement and we get a lot of that," she said.

The Golden Pioneer Museum is open April 12 through October 31, Tuesday through Saturday, from 10:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. For more information, call (417) 271-3300 or goldenpioneer museum.org.

Working smart pays off

Corinna Francheska Campbell-Green, daughter of Pamela Campbell and David Green, is Eureka Springs Rotary Student of the Year for graduating from Eureka Springs High School with a grade point average of 3.95 and completing high school in three years. Corinna will attend Hendrix College this fall.

She was named the Eureka Springs Rotary Student of the Month in October 2014 and Holiday Island Elk's Student of the Quarter in 2015. She has worked on several community projects with both the Eureka Springs and Holiday Island Rotary clubs, and volunteered with the Adair Oklahoma Rotary to help box and store food in a food pantry.

In honor of her accomplishments, Corinna's name has been added to the permanent Rotary Student of the Year Plaque presented to ESHS, and Rotary will donate \$100 to the Charity of Corinna's choice, the Purple Flower in Berryville.



Pictured with Joanie Kratzer, Eureka Springs Rotarian and Interact Advisor.

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Sunday at EUUF

Nancy Price, director of Opera in the Ozarks will speak on June 19 at the Eureka Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 17 Elk Street at 11 a.m. Extra parking at Ermilio's Restaurant, 26 White Street and childcare is provided.

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 Eight (cont.): Later Schools

The last year Miss Stubblefield taught at the Lamer, Minnie was not in school. I used to walk part of the way home with Carrie Hawley; Carrie and I always walked together when our course lay in the same direction. That year, Ellie Jennings, an older brother of John Jennings walked with us; I think he walked with Carrie and I tagged along. They were both older than I. We would walk down West Mountain Street to Spring Street; then they would follow Spring Street around to the Basin; my nearest way home was to turn back on Spring Street by the Sweet Spring and the Harding. But our sister Ellie was married and lived on the street behind the old Opera House. I often had an errand over there on my way home from school, in which case I would walk on to the Basin with them. Sometimes Carrie and I would follow the ridge beyond Dr. Jordon's home, and take a path that brought us down behind the Perry House, where we reached Spring Street by a long flight of steps between the Perry House and the Basin.

We had been having eight or nine-month terms of school, but at Christmas, 1888, our school closed for lack of funds.

Miss Stubblefield thought she would teach a subscription school; but when we reported to her after vacation, she decided she could not pay expenses. Our brother Charlie and his wife were spending the holidays with us; they persuaded my mother to let me go with them to their home in Noedesha, Kansas, and attend school there. This is how it came about that I attended one semester in Kansas.

Minnie and Carrie Hawley did not attend school anywhere for the remainder of the school year, nor did they return to school when the next term began in the fall of 1889. That is why I, though younger than they, graduated the year before they did. Many others did not return.

When Mr. Barnett began to organize and systemize our schools, he could not have had much help in the way of permanent records. How he ever sorted us out must have been a work of riddle reading. Only someone with a genius for the work, and an interest in it, would ever have persevered. Hida Brown and I, who had been in High School the year before, were put in the graduating class. Mr. Barnett selected the beginners in High School, I suppose, by investigating

what subjects they had previously studied. He put the two classes in a small room next to the street, connected by a door with the long room where we had all been together with others when Miss Stubblefield taught us. Mrs. Barnett had the room that had been ours. Mr. Barnett, as Miss Stubblefield the year before had done, left us alone when he visited other schools.

How many remember Charles Turner? When school opened there was a colored janitor at the Lamar. There were very few colored people in Eureka Springs, although there was a colored school. A few days after school began we saw tacked up all about the building some small cards bearing, in very fine Spencerian script, the legend: "Charles Turner, Janitor." We learned afterwards that the colored teacher had written those cards for Charles to prevent his being disrespectfully addressed. Charles lived in some small rooms at the rear of the room that had been Miss Comthwaite's; these rooms and the large schoolroom were reached by the same stairway at the east side of the building.

Mr. Barnett must have been the first teacher who ever came to Eureka Springs



with the idea of making the school his greatest concern. He gave us first of all a Library. He founded the Book and Magazine Club. A shelf and built-in table in that small room held all the books he could get at first. But those books were carefully chosen. At the close of the first year I got honorable mention for the best list of books read. I had read only twelve, but because I had never before had an opportunity to read them, the ones I chose were all good; standard fiction, or history, or science. Not deep reading, but instructive, as well as entertaining. For example, *Little Women*, *Historic Girls*, *Girls Who Became Famous* and *Young Folks' Science in Story*.



Yucca

Often when I'm out on a group hike, we come across plants that some are surprised to see in Arkansas. One of those plants is yucca. In fact, there are five species of yucca recorded from Arkansas, including two or three from Carroll County, depending upon botanical whim. Botanists are so adept at changing plant names, that if they were put in charge of naming planets, we would surely wake-up one morning to discover that we no longer live on a planet called Earth. Telling Arkansas's five yucca species apart from one another takes a good deal of chin rubbing.

Fortunately for lay-folk consumers of botanical knowledge, the common name yucca is the same as the genus name – *Yucca*. One species of yucca here in Carroll County has a name that's easy to remember – *Yucca arkansana*, which is kin to *Yucca louisianensis* due to inbreeding or some other evolutionary exchange of genes in the pre-human past.

In 2014, the late Dr. George P. Johnson, a botanist at Arkansas Tech in Russellville found *Yucca freemanii* in Miller County. Besides these three native species, *Yucca filamentosa* and *Yucca flaccida* occur here but are not native to Arkansas; they are naturalized. In other words, they were planted at some point and now grow and reproduce without the help of humans.

In North America (north of Mexico) there are 28 species of *Yucca*. Yuccas have been used for thousands of years for food, beverages, detergents, medicines, construction material, and especially as a fiber plant. During the First World War, 80 million pounds of yucca fiber were used to make course bags. The U.S. Navy used a special heavy paper made from yucca fiber during material shortages of the Second World War. Over the centuries, among indigenous groups of the American Southwest, yuccas were the foremost wild plants used for



material necessities.

One national park in California is named after a yucca (*Yucca brevifolia*) the 792,683-acre, Joshua Tree National Park. President Franklin Delano Roosevelt decreed it a national monument in 1933. In that same year, a cousin of Roosevelt's, Susan Delano McKelvey published a paper on yuccas in the *Journal of the Arnold Arboretum* of Harvard University where she worked as a research associate.

So which came first, the President's decree or his cousin's interest in Joshua tree and other yuccas? Later she wrote the definitive two-volume work *Yuccas of the Southwestern United States*. My vote goes to Roosevelt's cousin.

Great art, great wine, great company – A crowd gathered at the opening reception for Larry Mansker (featured artist for the month of June) and Maureen Daily (three-dimensional guest artist of the month) at Eureka Fine Art Gallery on June 11. The reception was in conjunction with the Second Saturday Gallery Stroll for June. Pictured are Larry Mansker and Anna Mathews discussing one of Larry's Mardi Gras pieces.

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Learning the value of telling the truth – The Carnegie Public Library hosted the Opera in the Ozarks in a free performance of *Pinocchio: An Opera for Children* on Saturday. Young children and parents got to enjoy the beauty of opera and the teaching of a valuable lesson.

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Shifting Social Structures, Father's Day, Blue Moon & Summer

We have a complex and busy week ahead. **Friday**, Saturn squares Neptune (and again in September before the elections). Saturn is social structures, the laws. Neptune places all social structures and laws no longer working on a ship and quietly glides away.

Sunday is Father's Day. We recognize and celebrate all fathers in all shapes and sizes, genders and relationships. Fathers who are mothers. And the mothers who are fathers, too.

Monday is a blue moon, the 2nd full moon (solar

festival of Humanity) under Gemini. Eleven hours later, Sun enters Cancer, it's Summer solstice. The solar festival (full moon) occurs early morning (4:02 Pacific time). The Sun at 29 degrees Gemini (an important degrees) continues its close contact with Venus (3 degrees Cancer). Blue moons create an intensity of energies. This solar festival has a double potency. The Sun in Gemini is poised at that last degree (29) at the full moon time. The Sun later shifts into Cancer and summer begins. The Sun is poised at the Tropic of Cancer, resting for three days before beginning its journey southward. Beginning

at summer solstice, the light in our world decreases. A paradox.

Solstices and the equinoxes are the four most important festivals of the annual cycle of Light & Dark. At these cardinal (Aries, Cancer, Libra, Capricorn in cardinal signs initiating a new state) points specific spiritual energies of Light are present, through which many layers of wisdom are able to unfold. By attuning to these energies of Light (containing information) we are able to develop subtle perceptions and understandings. **Monday** is the longest day of light for the year.

ARIES: You will now feel there is more than enough inner strength and energy to meet all expectations and demands of work and the world, both self imposed and from others. You will bring beauty and balance, prosperity and connectivity to your work. Also, detail, order and organization. These you will teach and then ask of others as well. Careful. Be patient.

TAURUS: It's time to tend to yourself now. To spend time where you live in order to order and organize both inner and outer realities. It's been a long, long time (years?) since you've been able to assess needs in your personal life. Since you're been focused outwardly, saving the world, things as home are quite in need. Seeking assistance is practical. For there is much work to do. Afterward there may be a move.

GEMINI: Consider your needs for a while. Allow yourself to think of all the things you need in all aspects of your life. Consider the state of your home and family, your relationships and money, your communication and sense of well-being. Are all these as they should be? Do you offer comfort, calmness and ease to others? Do this life assessment, observing quietly over time? Allow emotions to be acknowledged should they appear.

CANCER: It's good for you to seek, ask for and assess the truth, available to you from your feelings and senses. Then it is good to share with people what you feel about everything, and why. When we speak the truth about something, sincerity and integrity enter every relationship and interaction. When speaking the truth, be neutral, ask questions, be kind and courteous. Truth sets everyone free. You, too.

LEO: You are being very responsible. Your creative endeavors are being applied to daily life situations. Daily life is transformed. Is there something else or different you would like to be doing in your life allowing you to be out and about into the wilds, serving the animal (or bird or fish) kingdom, offering them food, shelter, medicine and comfort? Do you want to be elsewhere? However, you are here. Needed here.

VIRGO: You have new vital energy. You're active, self-confident, happy, purposeful

and enthusiastic (filled with God). You're so busy, there's no time for relaxation. When you're not working night and day, counting your blessings, notice how you've expanded into a new sense of self-confidence. It's been growing all along. Notice, too, past life gifts coming forth.

LIBRA: A spiritual essence (message) begins to stream into your daily life. It expands you and provides the gift of understanding. It is alleviating all judgments you may be carrying since childhood. Those judgments affect your present life and although you think you're happy, the shadow of judgment is eventually projected upon those around you. Even in the best relationships. Forgiveness releases us in the same way truth does.

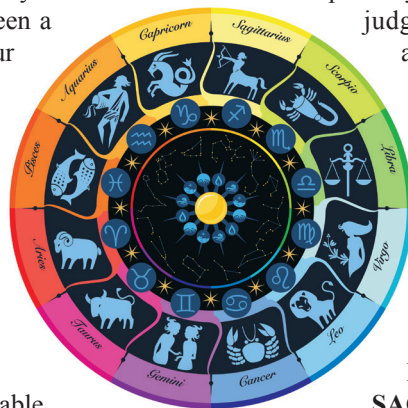
SCORPIO: What expansion is occurring in your life? Does it feel like a revolution? What new direction is being taken along with the seeking of a new self-identity, new focus and activities? Everything's changing for you. It's not just your perception. Things you've sought eventually appear. Now all you have to do is begin to prepare without feeling overtaken, overwhelmed or dissolved. Remain poised at the center.

SAGITTARIUS: Remember to do your work with composure, inner poise, exhibiting no pressure toward self or others. You are being watched (scrutinized) as to your ability to create Right Relations, balancing leadership, friendship, keeping the two separate with finesse, elegance, grace and skill. This is quite a job. You most likely already display all of this. Now more is called for.

CAPRICORN: Many days, weeks and months of work reach a summit. If you look back on the autumn of last year, something began. Now it has reached a point of manifestation, of being seen in the world. Perhaps this is you, who is presently always in a state of transformation and transfiguration. There are perhaps lots of thoughts concerning travel, going far away, experiencing new cultures, foods, people. Yes, go. There's a place for you.

AQUARIUS: Tend to money carefully. Put money away for future needs. Always do this second, when money comes in. Tithe some of it first. This assures you a constant supply in terms of your life needs. When we give, more is returned. Humanity is yet to learn this. The new materialism is the new Sharing Society. You could be leading humanity in this endeavor. You'll say to others, "Don't worry, be happy!"

PISCES: You shift between pain and feeling wounded, grieving and being comforted. It's such an interesting polarity. Both can be felt as extremes. However, you seek the way in between, a point of poise, and you realize it's a "razor's edge." Yes, it is. A crossroads is coming up. A decision, too. You need sensitive handling. Tend to yourself, your money and resources with great care. You reach out to family and bring everyone who is separated together.



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for aggravated assault, interfering with emergency communications and first degree false imprisonment.

JUNE 12

1:35 a.m. - Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for DWI and speeding.

1:54 a.m. - Concerned observer reported a possible domestic incident, but the couple left the lodging before a constable

got there.

11:41 a.m. - Individual turned herself in on charges of driving on a suspended license.

12:25 p.m. - Two dogs ran free and unrestrained in a neighborhood west of downtown. Constable collected both of them. The owner of one dog claimed it and said the other one was wild with no home. It was put up for adoption.

4:25 p.m. - Constable initiated a traffic stop and arrested the driver for no seatbelt, possession of a controlled substance

and possession of drug paraphernalia.

7:30 p.m. - There was a fight in a street near downtown, but order was restored before the constable arrived.

9:45 p.m. - Individual was sleeping on private property. He got angry when asked to leave. Last seen walking west down US 62. Constables patrolled the area.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 16

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CATHOUSE LOUNGE/BEER

GARDEN – *Josh Hoyer and Soul Colossal*, R and B, 6 – 9 p.m.

CHELSEA'S – *Earl and Them*, R & B, 9 p.m.

EUREKA LIVE! – *Green Screen Karaoke*, 9 p.m.

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

ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Brick Fields Duo*, Folk, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 17

BALCONY RESTAURANT – *Steve Jones*, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m., *Michael Dimitri*, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.

BREWS – *Brian Martin*, Singer/Songwriter, 7 – 10 p.m.

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GARDEN – *Opal Agafia and the Sweet*

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9 P.M.-12 A.M. *Norman Jackson Band*

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3-6 P.M. *JD and the Mudhounds*

6-9 P.M. *Bramhall Brothers*

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EUREKA LIVE! – *DJ and Dancing*, 9 p.m.
GRAND TAVERNE – *Arkansas Red*, Guitar Dinner Music, 6:30 p.m.
LEGENDS SALOON – *Another Turn*, Rock, 9 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER – *Blew Reed and the Flatheads*, Blues, 8 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Kirk Brown Band*, Rock, 9 p.m.
STONE HOUSE – *Jerry Yester*, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 18

BALCONY RESTAURANT – *Sarah Loethen*, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m., *James White*, Singer/Songwriter, 6 p.m.
BREWS – *Coal Biters*, New Folk, 7 – 10 p.m.
CATHOUSE LOUNGE/BEER GARDEN – *Jimmy Wayne Garrett*, Singer/Songwriter, 12 – 3 p.m., *JD and the Mudhounds*, Rock, 3 – 6 p.m., *Bramhall Brothers*, Blues, 6 – 9 p.m., *Opal Agafia and the Sweet Nothings*, Soul, 9 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – *Ocie Fisher*, R and B, 6 – 9 p.m., *Patrick Sweany*, Blues, 10 p.m.
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LE STICK – *Pete Maiella*, Singer/Songwriter, 7 p.m.
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ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Jesse Dean*, Rock, 1 – 5 p.m., *Left of Center*, Rock, 9 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 19

BALCONY RESTAURANT – *Pearl Brick*, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m., *Melissa Carper*, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.
BREWS – *Stevie T*, Singer/Songwriter, 2 – 5 p.m., *Trivia with DJ*, 7 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – *Patrick Sweany*, Blues, 3 p.m.
EUREKA LIVE! – *Green Screen Karaoke*, 7 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Kirk Brown Trio*, Rock, 1 – 5 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 20

AQUARIUS TAQUERIA – *Buffalo Gals*, Americana, 5:30 p.m.

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 21

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Los Roscoes*, Blues, 6 p.m.

CHELSEA'S – *Open Mic*, 9 p.m.



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Dorothy Lee Bowers March 9, 1929 – June 13, 2016



Dorothy Lee Bowers of Berryville, Ark., was born March 9, 1929 in Centerville, Iowa, a daughter of Archie and Pearl (Brown) Litchfield. She departed this life Monday, June 13, 2016 in Berryville, Arkansas at age 87.

Dorothy was a former member of “Sweet Adeline’s” a cappella group in Ames, Iowa. She worked at the Great Passion Play in Eureka Springs and was a member of the Southern Heights Baptist Church.

On June 30, 1951 she was united in marriage

to Hubert Leroy Bowers who survives her of the home. She is also survived by her children, son, Trent Bowers of Branson, Mo.; daughter, Jamie Dickelman and husband, Bryan, of Eureka Springs, Ark.; grandson, Hunter Dickelman of Eureka Springs, Ark.; brother, Roger Litchfield of Ames, Iowa; brother-in-law, Lavern Bowers of Ames, Iowa, and a host other relatives, friends and loved ones.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Archie and Pearl (Brown) Litchfield and brother, Charles

Litchfield.

Memorial service will be at 10 a.m., Monday, June 20, 2016, at the Charles M. Nelson Memorial Chapel, Berryville, Ark., with Chaplain James Stewart officiating under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society Foundation, Attn: Sarah Duffy, 250 Williams Street, Atlanta, GA 30303. Online condolences may be sent to the family at nelsonfuneral.com. © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2016

Juanita Margaret Mears Sept. 11, 1921 – June 9, 2016

Juanita Margaret Mears of Booneville, Ark., was born September 11, 1921 in Russellville, Ark., a daughter of Arch Greeson and Fred and Edith Elizabeth (Sullivan) Linker. She departed this life Thursday, June 9, 2016 in Eureka Springs, Ark. at age 94.

Juanita enjoyed cooking, gardening,

quilting and spending time with her family.

She is survived by her grandchildren, Bob Girkin and wife, Kathy of Eureka Springs, Ark.; Tracy Girkin and wife, Heather, of Houston, Texas; Brent Girkin of Kansas City, Mo.; David Mears of Clarksville, Ark.; Sandy Girkin of Cairo,

Egypt; Isabelle Mears of Hot Springs, Ark.; Tammy Ann Bartholf of St. Louis, Mo.; Deana Myers of Oklahoma; brother, Bob Linker of Atlanta, Ga., and a host other relatives, friends and loved ones.

She was united in marriage to Lester Glynn Mears who precedes her in death. She is also preceded in death by her

parents, Fred and Edith Linker; children, David Larry Mears, L.G. Mears, Eual Lee Mears, Lenora Jane Girkin and brother, Fred Linker.

Graveside-Memorial service will be at a later date. Online condolences may be sent to the family at nelsonfuneral.com. © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2016

David Graham Moffett July 27, 1938 – May 25, 2016

David Graham Moffett (known as “Monka” to his beloved nieces) was born in Webb City, Mo., on July 27, 1938 to parents George W. Moffett and Alice L. (Graham) Moffett.

He and his brother Roger, just 11 months his junior, grew up roaming and shooting each other with their Daisy Red Ryder BB guns in the walnut forested five-acre lot upon which their father built the family’s home in Kansas City North, Mo.

Dave graduated from North Kansas City High School and earned his Eagle Scout ranking with troop 141 in 1955. He enjoyed decades of water skiing adventures with close friends and co-workers at the Lake of the Ozarks aboard his beloved custom Chevy 350-powered ski boat.



He was an avid fan of the Kansas City Royals since their founding in 1969 and cherished seeing them win the World Series in 1985 and again in 2015 – his favorite player was Bo Jackson.

Dave was married to Pamela Fauske in 1968 and they remained life-long friends even though they divorced five years later.

Dave received certification as a respiratory therapist at Penn Valley Community College and enjoyed a very fulfilling career at Menorah Medical Center comforting patients of all ages for whom he cared very deeply. He later took ownership of Plaza Respiratory Oxygen Service in North Kansas City where he was known for attending the funeral services of patients and clients to whom he developed relationships,

and also for being an incredibly kind and generous employer.

Upon retirement, Dave began spending the majority of his time in downtown Eureka Springs Ark., his “favorite place in the world.” Friends there called him “Kansas City Dave.”

At a local coffee shop, where he went daily to share jokes and meaningful conversations, he preferred that his Banana Cream Latte be called a “John Wayne Ball-buster.”

He returned to North Kansas City the first week of every month to spend time with his family, spoil his nieces, and “bullshit” with lifelong friends from alma mater North Kansas City High School.

Dave greatly respected his roots and forever commemorated his family heritage. He even developed and fostered friendships in the ice-cream shops and restaurants on the road between his two homes; he was a stranger to none.

Dave was an animal lover and often spoke fondly of his since passed cat, Fartly.

He died peacefully Wednesday May 25, 2016 at 12:33 p.m. at the lovely Willard Walker Hospice Home in Fayetteville, Ark. with close friends and family at his side. He had suffered from a stroke on May 13 and wasn’t able to recover.

Dave leaves behind his brother Roger Moffett and his wife, Trish; nephew Derek Moffett and his wife, Laura; with grandnieces Lexi and Cate, and niece Susan Moffett Barrick and her husband, Chuck; and a huge collection of t-shirts.

Dave joins his parents George and Alice Moffett, who he missed everyday since their respective passings. Dave will always be remembered for his handsome smile, his humor, and his devotion to helping others. We will be celebrating his beautiful life on his birthday, July 27, 2016, at Basin Spring Park in Eureka Springs.

Cap’n Don McGuire

There will be a celebration in memory of Cap’n Don McGuire Sunday, June 26 at Caribé from 5 – 7 p.m. Bring your best stories and dance to the Ariels, who loved him, too.

Taking a stroll through history

Join for the *Eureka Springs Happy Birthday Stroll* history walk on July 3 from 10 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. The walk will focus on Spring Street with a historical character featured outside each home, giving a brief

summary of the significance of the home pertaining to the history of Eureka Springs.

The walk will start at the Eureka Springs Carnegie Library and end at the Fuller House on Spring Street. Tickets are

\$25 and include a history stroll ticket and a boxed chicken dinner at the end of the tour. Tickets may be purchased online at www.eurekaspringshistoricalmuseum.org or at 95 S. Main Street. Call (479) 253-9417.



Boy, really getting this one in late. Had a wheel bearing go on the boat trailer. That has a lot to do with fishing, wheels in water a lot, plus hot pavement. Grease those wheels. I try to grease mine about every 10 trips, more if driving farther for the stripers. Don't over grease, just put it in until the water stops coming out.

Buddy bearings work great for this. I keep a spare hub, spare bearings and my grease gun in the truck. You don't want to leave your boat and gear just sitting on the side of the road or have your wheel float off when you launch with another boat putting in behind you, getting it hung up between his boat and trailer as I did with Johnny a couple years back. Not funny then but funny now.

Well, the stripers on Beaver are really getting active up our way. The water temps on both lakes are up to 81°, which should keep the stripers below the thermocline which usually runs about 28 feet in the summer on Beaver Lake.

Some fish are coming in on down rods, but as of Tuesday most are being caught

throwing big topwater baits and freelining a big shad, brood shiner or perch under balloons and planer boards 18 – 24 feet.

You can also run two free lines out the back between you and the balloons. Try one 60 feet and one at 90 feet back. Setting one at 120 feet behind and the other 90 works, too. Surface feeding fish are coming to the top in big schools, that's best close to sunrise and sunset.

Here at Holiday Island with the warmer water the bass and are just catching up to the summer pattern. Walleye and whites are still roaming from Holiday Island and Houseman Access up the river. We marked a lot of bait and fish mostly 8 – 18 feet deep going up, and caught a good walleye at Houseman.

Well, I better get this in, time for fishing the cooler hours – carry some sunscreen. Think fast if fish are feeding, slow and deep if not.

Almost forgot the picture – Brandon Hancock from Claremore, Okla., with a nice 28-lb. striper he caught last week freelining a shiner between the Dam and Starkey Park.

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

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ACROSS

1. Speak carelessly
6. Medical instrument
11. Rocky pinnacle
14. A Montague
15. AM/FM device
16. Plural of "be"
17. Mediation process
19. Eve's basis
20. Night light
21. Throw up
22. _____ the Blue Ox
23. Cheese town
25. 1998 Best Picture
27. Reckless son adjective
31. Penny
32. Nervous twitch
33. Communion plate
35. Thumb drive action
38. Fifth book of New Testament
40. Cynthia of "Sex and the City"
42. Large pot for cooking
43. Ledger of *Batman*
45. Nocturnal mammal
47. Type of rabbit
48. Rim, in basketball
50. Underground network
52. Dine to excess
55. He missed the boat, according to Boz Scaggs
56. Author of earliest

history of England

57. Taunting remarks
59. Indy has 200
63. Make a mistake
64. Capable of self fertilization
66. In the past
67. Every village has one
68. River mouth
69. Gossipy woman
70. San Diego athlete
71. Nymph of the woods

DOWN

1. Type of muffin
2. Body of traditional knowledge
3. Boss on a shield
4. Controlled
5. Small child
6. Practical
7. Cost per unit
8. Writer of lyrical poems
9. Pertaining to life
10. Forever!
11. Italian folk dance
12. African antelope
13. Renaissance fiddle
18. Portrayed Notre Dame's Gipp
22. Uke's cousin
24. Chewable tobacco
26. Starting point for a

round of golf

27. Egyptian universal creator
28. Most consumed food on Earth
29. Solid shape with eight faces
30. Vocabulary of a language
34. Short book of fiction
36. Stop up
37. Boxer's hand wrapping
39. Put away for future use
41. Almost never used before
44. Gardening implement
46. Popular lecture series, abbr.
49. Sacred shelter
51. Tool for interior painting
52. Belief involving sorcery
53. Moment before an event
54. Shy
58. Uncouth person
60. Active supporter
61. Greek bread
62. Artistic university in Georgia and Hong Kong, abbr.
64. With it
65. Basic arithmetic function

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WESTERN DISTRICT
PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
AMANDA BRANDY ROSE WADE,
DECEASED

No. PR 2016-27

NOTICE

Last known address of decedent: 12
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Date of Death: March 3, 2016

The undersigned was appointed personal
representative of the estate of the above
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All persons having claims against the
estate must exhibit them, duly verified,
to the undersigned within six (6) months
from the date of the first publication of
this notice, or they shall be forever barred
and precluded from any benefit in the
estate.

This notice first published the 8th day of
June, 2016.

Kristine B. Kendrick
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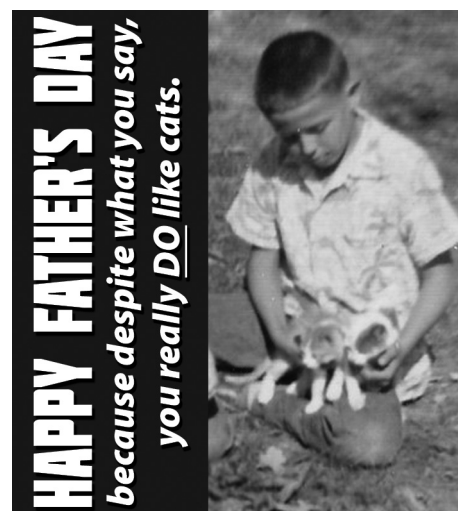
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Our community must hold a meeting with our LGBT community to work out a plan to save our wonderful town before some hater visits us and hates us with a horrible demonstration. We need to show our country that Eureka Springs, AR has lived for years together in harmony with one another or else we may suffer the same tragedy.

Let's show the world how sane people can be happy and love one another. This is our town and we all are proud of it.
Enid B. Swartz

Cut Obama's salary

Editor,

Since Obama states he will be campaigning for Mrs. Clinton, I as his employer am not thrilled. At \$400,000 annual salary he makes \$2083 an hour for a 40-hour week, plus room and board.

If he wants to park his golf clubs and Air Force One, take an Uber cab and the current minimum wage with Congress approval, then rave on. Otherwise, stay on the alleged job.

*Richard Waxenfelter
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