

Planning zeroing in on B&B definitions

NICKY BOYETTE

At the July 26 Planning Commission workshop, vice-chair Pat Lujan passed around copies of research he had amassed regarding definitions from other municipalities related to Bed & Breakfasts. He noted there was a provision in one city for at least one annual inspection of B&Bs, many required the business to be owner-occupied, and there were more specific requirements for what constitutes a breakfast.

“These definitions spell it out,” Lujan commented.

He said one or two annual inspections would allow the city to see what is really going on and the inspections might help resolve the neighbor versus neighbor issues seen recently in Eureka Springs.

Lujan told commissioners the new information would give them something else to consider, but exhorted them to get ready to make decisions about the definitions in City Code they are studying. He said city council wanted a progress report, and he wanted to provide evidence they have made progress.

Commissioner James Morris said he was OK with having a manager on site instead of the owner, as he did not want to be too restrictive. Commissioner Tom Buford asked about a manager who is there to provide breakfast but must later go to a job. Commissioner Woodie Acord said it might be expecting too much to require only owner-occupied B&Bs.

Morris took issue with owners of B&Bs who were grandfathered in and rent rooms no more often than necessary to maintain compliance. He said City Code does not allow another B&B within 200 feet although there might be prospective B&B owners within that radius who would be more active and provide more tax revenue to the city. He suggested they

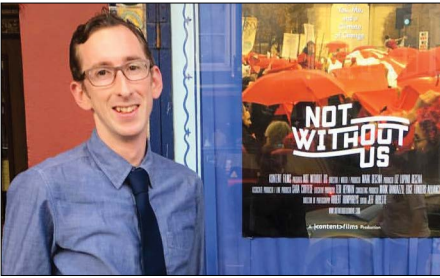
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Gotta catch em’ all – Pokemon Go’ers were delighted to find a Pikachu roaming around Basin Park on Sunday afternoon. The Pikachu also stood still long enough for Pokemon Go’ers to sit around it and take pictures. Even cars filled with tourists had to stop and gander at the giant Pikachu that only some understand. **PHOTO BY JEREMIAH ALVARADO**

This Week’s INDEPENDENT Thinker

Not Without Us is a documentary film that will be shown right here in Happy Town, Friday night at the Aud, and we think everybody should just go see it. Can we change climate change? Naomi Klein, who appears on national and international lists of top influential thinkers and wrote *This Changes Everything* and *The Shock Doctrine*, called it “a rare film that gives such compelling information – a must see.”



Not Without Us follows seven multi-generational grassroots activists from around the world who gather in Paris in December 2015 for the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP21).

Terrorist attacks put a damper on the meeting, but the Paris Accords were signed by 196 nations, the movie was made, and the film editor, Jeff Boyette, will be here Friday night at 7:15 for the screening.

See you there!

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consider a minimum annual fee for keeping the B&B.

Lujan agreed with the concept of a yearly recertification fee, and wanted possibly two inspections each year. He also pointed out that at some point they need to hear from B&B owners about their experiences.

He suggested they convene another workshop on City Code before their August 23 meeting, and they should come prepared to finish their work on defining B&Bs and settle any issues regarding breakfasts and allowing a manager instead of the owner to live on site.

Morris stated, "We don't want to entangle Eureka Springs with too many regulations."

Acord pointed out, "Many of the people who saved the old homes in town did so by running a B&B." Lujan agreed the city does not need its grand old Victorians to waste away. Acord added if locals cannot afford the older homes, then out-of-town buyers will scoop them up and live here only part of the year.

Lujan restated his goal of completing the first part of their task at the August 23 workshop. He reminded commissioners an alderman had stated he did not think Planning could handle the task, "and I want to show them we can, so we need to get things decided."

Regular meeting

During the regular meeting, commissioners decided on two items:

- The August 9 meeting will be preceded by a workshop at 5 p.m. with Jim vonTungeln, planning and zoning consultant for the Municipal League. Commissioners agreed they would get his advice about the B&B situation, the 200-foot rule and the 180-day rule. The public is invited.

- Commissioners voted Lujan as the new chair, commissioner Melissa Greene as the vice-chair and commissioner Susan Harman as secretary.

- There is a vacancy seat on the commission.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, August 9, at 6 p.m. There will be a workshop at 5 p.m.

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Deputy arrested for assault, meth possession

Carroll County Sheriff's Office Deputy Jonathan Edward White was arrested July 27 on a probable cause warrant after allegedly assaulting his wife. White was taken into custody at a residence in Berryville, according to a CCSO press release.

White, 31, was booked into the Carroll County Detention Center on charges of Aggravated Assault on a Family/Household Member – Class D Felony; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (2 counts) – Class D Felony; Possession of a Controlled Substance/Methamphetamine – Class D Felony. He had notified CCSO of his intention to resign before the incident last Wednesday.

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EPA comes down on formaldehyde in wood – finally

BECKY GILLETTE

After Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, more than 100,000 families on the Gulf Coast were displaced from and living in FEMA trailers. It only took one whiff for some people to decide it was better to camp out in the driveway. The fumes from formaldehyde off-gassing from pressed wood products were so strong in some FEMA trailers that people couldn't stay in them for 15 minutes without burning eyes, headaches, coughing and difficulty breathing.

The news about what was causing the bad odors broke when Paul Stewart got a FEMA trailer. His wife, Melanie, woke up in the middle of the night with a nosebleed gasping for air. The Stewarts used an inexpensive test for formaldehyde testing that showed very high levels of formaldehyde in the trailer.

After the Stewart's experience, we got funding from the Sierra Club to test more FEMA trailers. By then it was common knowledge on the Coast that some of the trailers weren't fit to live in. Many people had what was known as "trailer cough" or "Katrina crud." Our citizen testing program showed nine out of ten trailers exceeded safe levels of formaldehyde. FEMA kept denying there was any problem.

Finally, FEMA decided to have the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) test for formaldehyde. When FEMA sat on the test results, it was a red flag. I teamed up with an ABC News producer to do a Freedom of Information Act request for the test results. On the same day FEMA released those test results to us, they

announced that testing had shown high formaldehyde levels. Later they offered to relocate trailer residents.

While the formaldehyde problems were particularly acute in the most recently manufactured FEMA trailers, we learned the problem was not unique to FEMA trailers. Formaldehyde could be high in not just most commercially available travel trailers, but also in manufactured homes or any home that used a lot of pressed wood products. Testing done years before showed high levels of formaldehyde in temporary classrooms in California.

In 2008 I testified in Congress about our testing results. Several of the people who had lived in FEMA trailers, including Paul Stewart, also testified. In 2010, Congress passed legislation requiring EPA to adopt regulations for formaldehyde in pressed wood products.

On July 27, more than a decade after the hurricanes, EPA issued a final rule to protect people from formaldehyde in wood products. While it certainly should have happened years sooner, this was progress. The safeguard will require manufacturers to follow what is essentially California Air Resources Board (CARB) formaldehyde standards. This action will level the field between multinational manufacturers and American manufacturers that already take steps to reduce formaldehyde emissions to meet CARB standards. The EPA's new rule makes CARB standards more enforceable. It also sets strong impartiality requirements for the third parties that certify compliance at facilities around the world.

Lumber Liquidators, the nation's leading hardwood flooring retailer, was recently exposed by *60 Minutes* for selling flooring stamped CARB-compliant that was not, in fact, in compliance. Tom Neltner, an attorney and engineer who is a Sierra Club volunteer with the formaldehyde campaign, thinks it took the Lumber Liquidators scandal to finally get the rule issued from EPA.

"The EPA did a great job on the final rule and worked from the proposals from the Sierra Club and other non-government organizations to craft a rule that protects public health and minimizes burden on small business," Neltner said. "It's good to see us reach this major milestone."

However, don't think this means you are safe from formaldehyde exposure. While many American manufacturers are producing pressed wood products that are lower in formaldehyde than in the past, there is no safe level of exposure to this

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Internet marketing honed at CAPC workshop

NICKY BOYETTE

The July 27 City Advertising and Promotion Commission meeting was an opportunity for the city to see how the CAPC partners with 121 Digital, a digital marketing consultant based in Fayetteville, to not only spread word to the world about Eureka Springs, but to make the effort specific and effective.

Executive Director Mike Maloney told an audience of 30 or so that Internet advertising is the tool everyone uses, and two years he began working with 121 Digital to refine the CAPC's reach into the etherworld. He said the CAPC works with six 121 Digital staff, and introduced Kiesha Doss, digital sales operation manager, who, in explaining how she works with CAPC staff, gave the audience a tutorial on Internet marketing.

Doss explained that her work with a customer begins by describing how to achieve a strong web presence foundation, emphasizing, "Digital is constantly moving, so content must be updated regularly." She said Google searches leave behind sites that have not been updated recently.

She commented that mobile-friendly sites are critical. The purpose of using Internet marketing

is for potential customers to be able to find you, and mobile-friendly sites are more likely to be listed in a search. "You've got to reach out and tell customers, 'I'm here,'" she said.

Doss spelled out strategies for optimizing use of social media, such as timing ads and making posts matter by using effective ad words, but in the end it comes down to how much you are willing to spend on digital advertising.

Doss said her team assessed the CAPC site saying it had good content and photographs, and strong optimization for search engines. She said they agreed early on to make the eureka springs.org site the place to go for information about the town and a site that Internet searches would grab onto.


Re-targeting is the strategy of sending ads to users who looked up certain events or activities, such as sending an ad for Blues Weekend in Eureka Springs to someone in Fayetteville searching online for blues music. "If there's a blues festival in Eureka Springs, put an umbrella over northwest Arkansas and tell everyone about it... give them the option to look at you," she said.

She mentioned how 121 Digital uses precision

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Give them options and they will come – Kiesha Doss of 121 Digital was all about identifying niche marketing and optimizing social media to get the most out of electronic communication. About 30 people heard Doss explain the merits of digital advertising last Wednesday. *PHOTO BY NICKY BOYETTE*



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Not Without Us editor makes appearance at Indie Film Festival

NICKY BOYETTE

Not Without Us, a documentary about seven grassroots environmental activists who head to Paris in November 2015 for the United Nations Climate Talks, was the idea of award-winning director Mark Decena. He first met some of the environmental and social activists featured in the film at the World Social Forum in Tunisia and followed them for a year in their home environments in preparation for the climate conference.

Prior to his trip to Paris last year, Decena and my son, Jeff Boyette, a freelance film editor, first spoke about his project at a fundraiser for the film. Jeff had known about the film because he and Decena had worked together before. Decena said would need an editor and Jeff said he was interested, and it was during Decena's time in Paris they confirmed Jeff's role.

Around Christmas 2015, Jeff began viewing hours and hours of interview footage of the principal speakers in the film. Videographers had been shooting film for a year by that time. Decena had the vision for what he wanted, and Jeff understood the structure and politics Decena had in mind. Jeff said by watching the interviews, he realized what the activists wanted the world to know about their organizing, and this understanding guided his editing.

Jeff knew from the beginning this would be a quick and intense editing job because Decena planned to premiere the film at the San Francisco Green Film Festival on April 25. "Three months is a fast timeline for a film," Jeff commented. They got busy with an organized and systematic approach with plenty of back and forth, but putting a

film together is never straightforward. Jeff said editing requires several screenings with flaws and warts to get feedback, then doing it again. They did not deviate from Decena's original vision but tweaked things a bit, and finished the film on time.

Learning to edit

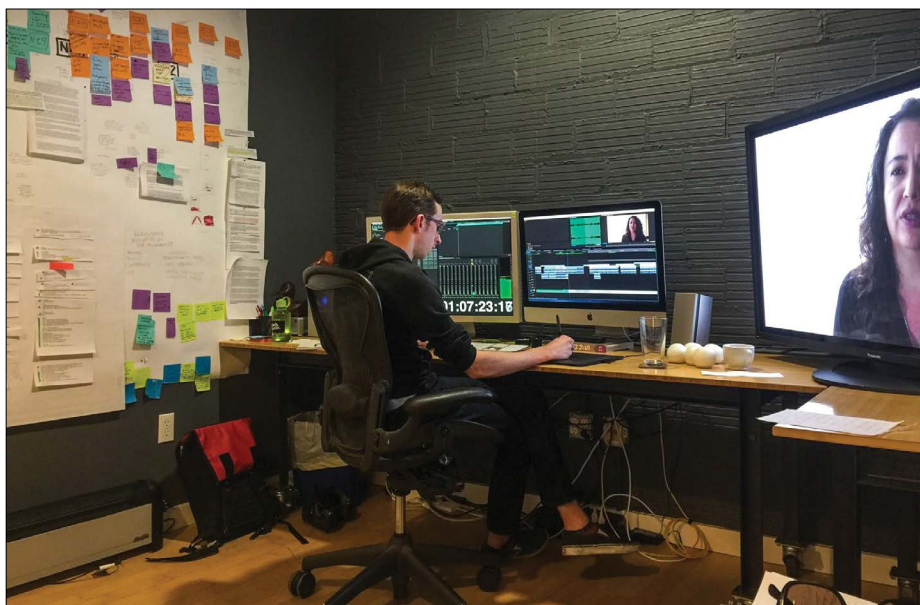
Jeff first learned about video editing in high school in Sebastopol, Calif. I had already supported his interests in drumming, playing bass, new camera lenses, juggling equipment and unicycling, but I could not afford Final Cut Pro video editing software, and I'm not sure my computer would have done it justice.

Nevertheless, he and his buddies made videos. Sometimes he was the talent onscreen hopping from one picnic table to another on his unicycle or challenging gravity down a serious hillside in the woods on his unicycle (where was the parent!). One weekend he made a charming video about our cat, Elvira, with background accompaniment by Wynton Marsalis.

We moved him down to San Francisco in 2003 so he could continue learning about film editing at San Francisco State University. He also learned about that time he was an activist and really cared about what was going on in the world. I might not know a more knowledgeable person about how politics actually play out in the real world.

After graduating in video editing, he was fortunate to get an intern position with Scott Compton of Remedy Editorial. The job became full-time, and Jeff spent five years there as intern, assistant editor and staff

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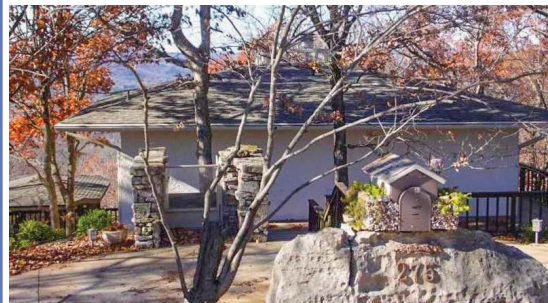
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Ready for a swift night out?

BECKY GILLETTE

Every night around sunset the best show in town for anyone who loves nature and, in particular, birds, is watching the large flock of chimney swifts (*Chaetura pelagica*) at the corner of Center and Mountain Streets that return from a day out eating bugs to circle around a chimney and then dive down to roost for the night.

While they can be viewed from the street, the best place to watch this nightly bird flight extravaganza is from the outside top deck of Chelsea's Corner Café & Bar. The chimney that serves as the summer home for the migratory birds is located near the deck.

The birds start circling around sunset, and then swoop up and down, sometimes appearing to be ready to dart down the chimney before braking abruptly for another spiral around the chimney, perhaps looking for one more bug to eat before retiring.

Chimney swifts move with incredible speed and agility. Their dark shapes against the evening sky are particularly interesting to watch when there are sunset colors. The show goes on for about 15-20 minutes before the last of hundreds of birds decides to call it a night.

"They are masters of flight, for sure," said Dan Scheiman, Ph.D., bird conservation director for Audubon Arkansas. "It is exciting to see the chimney swifts gather around a tower and zoom in. Their wing shape allows them to be extremely fast and very agile. They're really skilled flyers. Their vision and reflexes are way better than ours, allowing them to fly at high speeds and close together. Many flocking birds exhibit that type of behavior. For example, European starlings and red-winged blackbirds can seem to move as one organism when in large groups."

The swifts eat a lot of insects, so they are beneficial just like purple martins and bats.

Chimney swifts are largely dependent on humans for providing nesting and roosting structures. Before European colonization of North America, the swifts nested in caves and large hollowed-out old growth trees.

"The hollowed out trees went the way of deforestation and the logging of old growth trees," Scheiman said. "Probably some do sometimes nest in trees, but more often you will find them nesting in chimneys. Chimney swifts are common, but in decline. That is due to changes in building codes, changes in construction with few new chimneys being built and old chimneys being capped. Sometimes



Swift sweep – This time of year around sunset chimney swifts put on an incredible show of aerial acrobatics near the Chelsea's chimney where they roost and rear their young. Best viewing for the nightly show is at the top outside deck at Chelsea's on the corner of Mountain and Center. *PHOTO BY BECKY GILLETTE*

people hear the noise of swifts in their chimneys and then call a professional to come clean the birds out."

Another issue is widespread insecticide use that reduces insect populations. Chimney swifts are insectivores; they only eat insects.

Chimney swifts spend nearly all their waking hours in flight. Scheiman said they have weak feet, and can't perch on horizontal surfaces, only vertical ones.

"They are out all day flying and come back in at dusk," Scheiman said. "Their nests are built inside the chimneys using saliva and sticks. There is another swift in Asia that makes its nest entirely out of saliva."

Bird's nest soup is actually considered a gourmet treat in Chinese cuisine. The bird's nest has a gelatinous texture when dissolved in water.

The first chimney swifts arrive in Arkansas in the second week of March and are all gone by the last week of October. They migrate to Peru, Chile and Brazil for what is winter in North America, but summer in South America.

Audubon Arkansas says people can help the chimney swifts by building chimney swift towers. This replaces their roosting and nesting sites that are being lost. There is at least one nesting pair in the chimney swift tower at the Little Rock Audubon Center.

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Native plant movement growing roots

BECKY GILLETTE

Why is there so much interest in native plants to help save the pollinators not just in Eureka, but across the country? Simply put, the insects we rely on to pollinate plants and provide food for birds and butterflies are in big trouble because of the large number of non-native plants that have not only been planted in people's gardens, but escaped to the wild.

Two of the more active citizens groups now in Eureka Springs are the Eureka Springs Pollinators Alliance and the Eureka Springs Downtown Network's Downtown Natives. Both groups are working to demonstrate how important it is to get back to the type of vegetation that evolved here – not exotics from other countries that provide no food for our wildlife.

The native plant groups here and across the country have gained a lot of inspiration from the book *Bringing Nature Home, How You Can Sustain Wildlife With Native Plants*, by Douglas W. Tallamy.

"*Bringing Nature Home* is a book many of us have been waiting for," according to the foreword. "So much more than a push for native plants, it articulates the broad interdependency of living relationships and literally redefines gardens as the new Nature."

Tallamy argues that the wild creatures we enjoy and would like to have in our lives will not be here in the future if we take away their food and the places they live. He examines how we threaten their survival by trading our wild lands for uncontrolled expansions. In too many areas of our country, there

is no place left for wildlife but the landscapes and gardens we ourselves create.

Tallamy, an entomologist, points to his research and that of others to show most native insects are not able to eat alien plants, and we are replacing native plants with alien species at alarming rates.

"My message is that unless we restore native plants to our suburban ecosystem, the future of biodiversity in the U.S. is slim," Tallamy said.

Tallamy draws on his own experience at his home on ten acres in rural Pennsylvania. At least 35 percent of the vegetation on their property was aggressive plant species from other continents rapidly replacing native plants. Removing them was no easy task because the non-native invasive plants – Bradford pears, Norway maples, autumn olives and Japanese honeysuckle – had little to no leaf damage from insects while the native plants including red maples, black oaks and black willows had obviously supplied many insects with food.

"This was alarming because it suggested a consequences of the alien invasion occurring all over North America than neither I nor anyone else, I discovered, after checking the scientific literature, had considered," he said. "If our native insect fauna cannot, or will not, use alien plants for food, then insect populations in areas with many alien plants will be smaller than insect populations in areas with all natives. This may sound like a gardener's dream: a land without insects! But because so many animals depend partially or

entirely on insect protein for food, a land without insects is a land without most forms of higher life. Even the most incorrigible anti-environmentalists would be hard pressed to make an attractive case for such sterility. Pure anthropocentrists should be alarmed as well, since the terrestrial ecosystem on which we humans depend for our own continued existence would cease to function without our six-legged friends."

Tallamy said it is a simple fact that we can no longer hope to coexist with other animals if we continue to wage war on their homes and food supplies.

"This simple tenet provides an imperative, particularly for the bird and butterfly lovers among us, to fight invasive plants as if it really matters and to reevaluate our centuries-old love affair with alien ornamentals. Gardening with natives is no longer just a peripheral option favored by vegetarians and erstwhile hippies. It is an important part of the paradigm shift in our shaky relationship with the planet that sustains us – one that mainstream gardeners can no longer afford to ignore."

Nearly all terrestrial birds rear their young on insects, not seeds or berries. Butterflies and bees are in serious decline. Bees and other pollinators are necessary for 85 percent of the world's flowering plants to reproduce, including 30 percent of food crops.

Tallamy's book also details in distressing detail how alien plants can be Typhoid Marys. The importation of alien plants spread the Chestnut blight that within 50 years devastated an important forest species that had survived 87 million years, 20 glaciations,

and an asteroid impact. One of the most important sources of food for wildlife from Maine to Mississippi was wiped out.

Equally devastating have been insects pests such as Japanese beetles hitchhiking on plants from other countries.

Then there is the fact that vast amounts of wildlands in the U.S. have been taken over by non-native invasive species. Anyone who has seen a field of kudzu gets the idea. In Eureka the biggest non-natives we see taking over are English ivy, Japanese honeysuckle, bush honeysuckle, and vinca. One field near the train station is completely covered in lespedeza.

Tallamy's book is a call to action for gardeners to favor native plants over aliens in their yards.

"Gardeners can do much to sustain the biodiversity that has been one of this country's richest assets," he said. "We humans have disrupted natural habitats in so many ways and in so many places that the future of our nation's biodiversity is dim unless we start to share the places in which we live — our cities and, to an even greater extent, our suburbs – with the plants and animals that evolved there."

Bringing Nature Home is available at the Eureka Springs Carnegie Public Library. To help with efforts at the Downtown Native Pagoda Garden, see the Eureka Springs Downtown Network's Facebook page. To get involved with the Eureka Springs Pollinators Alliance, contact Ken Trimble at libertysvc@sbcglobal.net or call (479) 981-0072.



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Categories include student films, short form or feature length documentaries, LGBT voices, and women in film. Screenings will begin on Saturday, August 6 at the Auditorium at 10 a.m. and continue through 5 p.m. with awards handed out at 5:30 p.m. Winners will receive the Indie Award statuette.

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Vex appeal

Editor,

When trying to understand Trump's success, we would do well to remember that his madly bombastic, bellicose ravings appeal to some American voters, presumably because they express the fundamentally backward-looking, racist, sexist, homophobic, xenophobic sentiments in those voters', as we say, hearts and minds.

On the last day George W. Bush was in office about one-third of the voters surveyed approved of each and every thing he had ever done. Many of them are still living and planning to vote for a man who gives voice to their inner vulgarity.

David Zimmermann

Flood insurance needed now

Editor,

To pass the National Flood Insurance Plan in Carroll County, your help is needed. Please attend the Quorum Court meeting at 5 p.m. on August 15 at the Berryville Courthouse.

Carroll County has refused to take part in the National Flood Insurance Plan. We desperately need this to pass so that people can buy flood insurance to protect their homes.

If you cannot attend the meeting, please call Justice of the Peace Chuck Olsen at (479) 253-0119 to pledge your support for the passage of the NFIP.

Thank you, neighbors for your support.

Cindy Hammontree

Social justice starts with care of the environment

Editor,

The summer Olympics are here. USA, China, Russia, Brazil, etc., will be competing obsessively to set new records to show their citizens country pride.

In the summer of 2016 another kind of record was just set. On July 21 a record-breaking 129 degrees was recorded in Kuwait and Iraq. All over the world temperatures on planet Earth are sweltering

to new records. Even in the USA.

Also in the summer of 2016, record occurrences of blue-green algae has filled watersheds in Florida. Utah. Everywhere.

The techno corporate farming model is contributing to record amounts of pollution in watersheds. Olympians in Brazil right now are concerned about the filthy water they have to compete in.

On the Buffalo National River in Arkansas, while kayaking, recreational tourists are running into pea soup, slimy, foamy rocks in the precious fresh water.

All over, we earthlings are feeling record-breaking damages, and Earth can only take so much.

Records are being kept, scorecards in sports. In climate and earth matters, the scores are life and death. Winners and losers. Social justice begins with the environment we are raised in — bad environment = no justice.

The filth our fellow earth citizens are enduring won't take over the cable channels. This summer of records, God bless the planet earth and the USA, too.

Susan Pang



WEEK'S Top Tweets

@lisaosepyan: When butterflies are in love do they feel humans in their stomach?

@snowmedia: Are you so smart phone trained that you try to zoom in with your thumb and index finger on an actual

printed magazine?

@garydavenport: Just realized that Twinkle Twinkle Little Star has the same tune as the ABC song. This is why I'm not a millionaire.

@uplandcrew: When I die, please scatter my ashes over my iPhone, computer and TV, because I want to be left to my own devices.

@timdonakowski: Wolf Blitzer is proof that names mean nothing.

@mscassiedaniels: I'm thinking about getting Botox, not because I have wrinkles, but so my face never looks interested in having a conversation.

@allaboutnow: What came first, 24-hour news or horrible things?

@lolgop: Joe Biden is the only vice president in the last 15 years who hasn't shot a friend in the face.

@clarkekant: Just so we're on the same page, I'm on 137.

@thenardvark: Don't get me wrong I'm impressed by the Olympics but what really impresses me is people who sleep with their cell phones in other rooms.

Shall we complain or inspire?

We Baby Boomers are old no matter how good we feel, no matter how much we have left to do, no matter what advances in health and psychoanalysis greet us over morning coffee. We're a generation whose tires are wearing thin, and we finally realize that simplicity is the ultimate sophistication.

Political candidates really, really want all of us to get out and vote in November. Naturally, they want us to vote for them, which is why they spend so much money trying to grab our spotty attention with promises of peace or war, wealth, health, safety – whatever turns us on.

Our forefathers did not fight the most dominant country in the world, Great Britain, because they wanted to make America safe. Or rich. Or great. They fought for freedom, only freedom. They had difficulties – soldiers couldn't be paid and were often sick, cold and hungry because it was always snowing. But 25,000 colonists died so we would be free.

Many early settlers insisted it was smarter to stay close to Mother Britain, to go ahead and pay taxes and not get so riled about it. After all, life was pretty good for the rich. Because it was crummy for the poor didn't really matter all that much – they were hopeless and always would be.

Fast forward to today.

Donald Trump, an oligarch, a one percenter, has said that he, and he alone, can make America great again. I suppose he means where people who cheat at golf and business can boss around young, smart, active, creative people who serve them Champagne.

On the other side, Hillary Clinton is arguably the most popular woman in the world and will remain so whether she becomes president or not. Obstacles are a way of life for her. You know, if she were the candidate with five children from three different spouses, it would be a ranting political, personal, religious and moral issue. But she's not, so let's move on.

Oh, and there are two more people running for president, Gary Johnson of the Libertarian Party and Jill Stein of the Green Party. Haven't heard much from or about them, which indicates they probably don't have much money. Nevertheless, both are trailblazers and are at least doing their best to let people know our country is big and bright and needs careful tending.

These four people want us to vote.

And we baby boomers are saying, "Why? Who cares? You have every right to vote just as I have every right not to."

Why not just let the rain wash your car?

We inherited a free country because strong people who came before us saw to it. They knew they wouldn't live to see the utopia they wrote about so eloquently, but they sacrificed all they had anyway. If they had lost the Revolutionary War, they would have been hanged. So they risked everything. They didn't do it for themselves, they did it for their country. For their children and theirs and theirs, all the way down to us.

It's mind boggling that we can, with a straight face and emphasis, say to those who are younger than we are, that it is their turn to do what they want. We will sit back and do nothing because it offends us to buy into "the system."

Yes, Trump has every right to do what he does, say what he wants, be who he is, and interpret American life as he sees fit. Colonists fought for that right. They had vision. They knew they weren't fighting for a way of life for themselves, but for

future generations. They fought to make government a tool of the people and supplied us with the blueprint of how to maintain it – voting.

Voting isn't a right, voting is a duty. Every single adult citizen who likes living in a democracy has the duty to preserve it. Not for them so much as for their descendants.

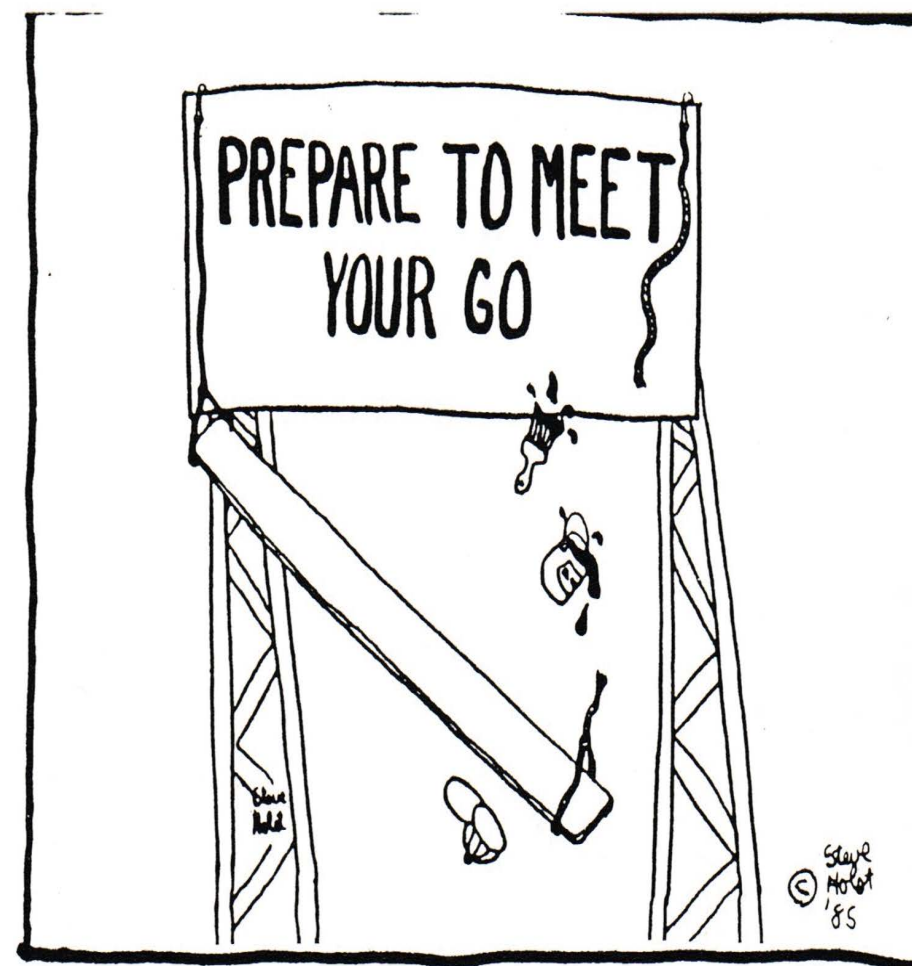
It's easy to do – go to the courthouse, fill out the form. Forms are also in Spanish. Do it by October 7, it must be done 30 days before the Nov. 8 election. It costs nothing, it preserves everything.

We are voting for young people more than for any candidate. We're voting so those who understand the environment, understand global interactions, understand that weather is reacting to human activity, and understand that voting is neither hopeless nor unimportant, will stand a chance.

If it's our last stand, let's take it.

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FREDERICK DOUGLASS

Mary Pat Boian



The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

We have been fortunate in our First Ladies. Barbara and Laura Bush, Rosalynn Carter and Betty Ford were dignified and approachable women who put a human face on the often confusing world of politics. And Nancy Reagan, who often seemed rather imperial and stern, won our affection for her fierce and protective love of her husband, President Reagan.

Michelle Obama is cut from the same fine cloth as these other First Ladies and confirmed our affection by handily taming a fractious Democratic convention last week, thereby opening the gates to the nomination of Hillary Clinton. I will miss her, and the elegance, grace, and courage she and her husband have brought to the White House.

Mrs. Obama's challenge to delegates, "when they go low, we go high" was mostly honored. There were no shouts to lock Trump up, and when he was referenced, it was done humorously, or with a sense of disbelief that someone like him, an unmistakable sociopath, is the GOP's nominee. Republicans wouldn't really do that to themselves – or to the American people – would they?

The oft-sung *They Will Know We are Democrats by Our Love* sounded awfully good, especially compared to the whining and fist pounding in Cleveland, but it didn't mask the party's policy and intellectual bankruptcy. The platform, and nearly all the rhetoric was Bernie Sanders' gift to the convention, and without that substantive (but politically implausible) contribution, what remained was as purposeful as a Tom Clancy novel. The story is wonderful – the first woman President! – but the dreariness and familiarity of its composition underwhelms, and its first person narrative is hackneyed, banal, and forced. There isn't any there there, and if you've read one Clancy novel, you've read them all.

Because Arkansas is a small and connected state I know several folks who know Hillary Clinton personally. They describe her as warm, funny, and caring. I'm sure she is, and I'm sure I would enjoy having her as a neighbor. Is that enough? In the race between a self-righteous but good neighbor, and a deluded and dangerous self-made man who ceaselessly worships at the throne of His own creator, I suppose that it is.

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

JULY 25

8:38 a.m. – Constables and EMS responded to an accident on US 62 just east of the commercial area. Driver did not need any help and was able to drive away.

12:45 p.m. – Constable performed a welfare check on an individual who was recovering from a fall. She said she was okay.

7:15 p.m. – Mother called ESPD to let them know her son had agreed to let his grandfather from Pine Bluff pick him up the following day.

JULY 26

12:09 a.m. – Constables arrested a man on warrants from CCSO and ESPD along with other charges.

JULY 27

8:33 a.m. – A semi parked in a fire zone was just leaving as the constable arrived.

9:05 a.m. – Constables learned of a possible disturbance at a clinic. They learned the situation occurred in Madison County but could occur locally as well. Constables told the reporting person to file a report with Madison County but also let ESPD know if she needed help at the clinic.

2:46 p.m. – Individual was arrested on a warrant for battery.

4:43 p.m. – Driver backed her vehicle into another one in a parking lot.

11:41 p.m. – Constables responded to a 911 call and arrested a person for third degree domestic battery.

11:42 p.m. – Person told ESPD her co-worker was showing signs of being suicidal. Constable checked on the co-worker who refused medical attention but agreed to have a friend stay over for the night.

11:48 p.m. – Motel employee told ESPD children staying there were running around the premises and throwing ice because the parent would not control them. The manager took care of the situation before a constable got there.

JULY 28

6:33 a.m. – Motel guests were concerned about a suspicious male lurking nearby. Constable searched for but did not encounter anyone fitting the description.

8 a.m. – Constable responded to the same location to put down a sick wild animal.

10:04 a.m. – Individual was arrested on a felony warrant out of CCSO.

1:23 p.m. – Because of a welfare concern, the constable gave a mother and her baby a ride home to avoid the heat.

1:34 p.m. – Hotel staff reported vandalism.

2:41 p.m. – There was a two-vehicle accident with injuries on Main Street.

JULY 29

7:52 a.m. – There was a disturbance at a residence near downtown, and constables arrested an

individual for public intoxication, resisting arrest and disorderly conduct.

9:48 a.m. – Downtown merchant reported someone slept on a bench outside the store and left items behind. Constable on patrol disposed of the items.

10:41 a.m. – Two females were arrested for shoplifting.

12:24 p.m. – There was a one-car accident on US 62. No injuries.

2:51 p.m. – Itinerant canine wandered into a business downtown. Animal Control picked it up for safekeeping.

6:00 p.m. – Alarm at a bank was triggered and the constable could not find what did it. Keyholder reset the alarms.

10:45 p.m. – Employer asked for a welfare check on his employee who had called and seemed upset. Constable found the employee doing okay.

10:55 p.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for driving on a suspended license.

JULY 30

11:05 a.m. – Motorist claimed a pedestrian with a dog had almost fallen in front of her vehicle near downtown. Constable encountered the individual and found a taxi to give him a ride home.

12:04 p.m. – Constable fixed a parking meter.

5:33 p.m. – Resident near downtown reported a verbal disturbance nearby for the second night in a row. The squabblers agreed to a cessation of hostilities.

JULY 31

12:33 a.m. – Constable initiated a traffic stop and arrested an individual on an ESPD warrant for third degree battery.

8:36 a.m. – Vehicle owner noticed her license plate was missing.

9:56 a.m. – Observer told ESPD the same small dog had been wandering near an intersection above downtown for at least two days. Animal Control searched for but, alas, did not encounter the vagabond cur.

1:07 p.m. – Resident in a neighborhood complained his neighbor’s dogs bark all the time after they are put outside and left alone. Animal Control left a message for the owner.

3:36 p.m. – Motorist noticed an injured deer on Hwy. 23 North. Constable was called upon to perform his frightful duty.

6:02 p.m. – Constables found a man laying down in a parking lot. EMS responded and checked the person. He was fine except for laying down in a parking lot.

8:10 p.m. – Constables and EMS responded to an address for an allegedly suicidal female. EMS transported her to ESH.

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12:57 a.m. – Person told ESPD he suspected a female acquaintance had taken his vehicle from a

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Learning to Care

Last year, Pope Francis came to the U.S. with an urgent and powerful message of hope on the need to care for Mother Earth, our common home, and the people in dire need. He spoke to the U.S. Congress, the United Nations, and anyone willing to listen. “The urgent challenge to protect our common home includes a concern to bring the whole human family together to seek a sustainable and integral development, for we know that things can change.”

Last week, deeply saddened by the slaying of an elderly priest in the French countryside, Pope Francis warned the world that we are at war. Father Jacques Hamel, an 86-year-old Roman Catholic priest, was killed by two attackers during a morning Mass service. During his visit to Poland, Pope Francis encouraged Europe to welcome refugees from war, hunger, and religious persecution, and called for “courage” and “compassion.”

Looking back at 2015 global warming

and lack of clean water, two of the main threats to the survival of all living creatures, are rapidly getting worse without plans and actions to reduce the concentration of CO₂ in the atmosphere. It seems we don’t care.

Caring is not easy

How do we learn to care, and why would we care for people far away?

We have military programs to train people to kill, business schools, engineering, science, and many other programs where people learn how to make money. Public health, medical, nursing, and other social services programs train professionals to heal and prevent diseases.

But caring is more like the bond and love that mothers feel for their babies, or the special connection we have with family and close friends. Care is about being with others, and helping others with hunger and thirst for justice.

What is a common home?

For people wanting to build walls and “looking into ways to get rid of all Muslims

in the U.S.,” it is impossible to care for anyone who is not a white American. Do you know any white people? People come in many colors and very few are white; persons born with a medical condition that results in very pale skin, white hair, and pink eyes are called Albinos. Are the Lakota and other First Nations’ people the only Americans? What about the people from Uruguay, Argentina, or other American nations?

The temperature in Kuwait is 122°, Baghdad 118°, and Riyadh 113°, while the local temperature last week was 75°. Unless you know someone living in Kuwait you may not care how hard living in a 122° world is, but you should.

How do we care for our common home?

Pope Francis said in Poland that we need “a spirit of readiness to welcome those fleeing from wars and hunger, and solidarity with those deprived of their fundamental rights, including the right to profess one’s faith in freedom and safety.”

We learn to pledge allegiance to the Flag “... one Nation, under God, indivisible,

with liberty and justice for all.” To survive, we need to expand our worldview: one planet and all living creatures, our loving Mother Earth deserving our care and protection, and being one with the Earth.

Earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust

Our name, humans, comes from the Latin humus: earth, ground, soil. We are of the Earth and one with Earth. Should we not care for our Mother? Do we have the right to extract resources for coal and minerals, sell forests at stumpage prices, frack the ground for shale gas and oil, and pollute the air burning fuels?

To be blunt, we have two choices: one is to care for Mother Earth and each other hoping it’s not too late; the other is to continue polluting and using nature as an infinite resource. The second choice would guarantee the extinction of most life on Earth. Humans would be one of the first to go. The Earth does not need us; it would be better without us. The Earth is fighting back; we do not stand a chance.

Dr. Luis Contreras

INDEPENDENT Art

Holiday Island Art show

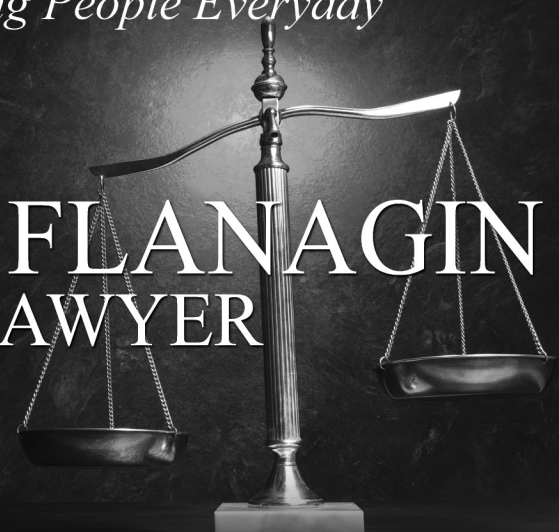
The Holiday Island Association of the Arts Guild is calling for entries for the 28th annual Art Exhibit and Silent Auction, which will be from August 26 – 28 in the Holiday Island Country Club Ballroom. The show will be juried with monetary prizes awarded in 5 categories: Works on canvas/fabric, works on paper, three dimension/sculpture, photography, and mixed media/photo manipulation.

There will be a Holiday Island Directory Cover Competition for HIAA

members and HI residents only. The entry fee is \$25 per member for up to three entries in each category and \$35 for non-members. For more information or to receive an entry form contact Terry Scot at terry-l-scott@att.net or Jim Sexton at (479) 363-6104 or jimbets@cox.net.

Entry forms are also available at Parkwood Art & Frame in Holiday Island. Entry and payment must be postmarked by August 8 and art must be delivered on August 23 from 4 – 6 p.m.

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Opening reception a busy one – The opening for *2 Works – 2 Mediums* at Brews last Thursday drew quite a crowd to enjoy the wide variety of art. Pictured is Chris Fischer examining Ken Concar's *Black Boots* which is acrylic on Masonite. *PHOTO BY JEREMIAH ALVARADO*

Film Festival schedule

Friday, August 5:

6:30 p.m. – Opening reception catered by Farm-To-Table FRESH
7:15 p.m. – Feature Film: *Not Without Us*
8:30 p.m. – Q&A with Editor Jeffrey Boyette

Saturday, August 6:

10 – 10:05 a.m. – Opening Remarks
10:05 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. – *Disrupt, Still Here, Reset, Sticks and Stones Trilogy*
12:15 – 1 p.m. – Lunch
1 – 2 p.m. *The Caged Bird: The Life & Music of Florence B. Price, Hardboiled Egg, Daylight*
2 – 2:15 p.m. – Break
2:15 – 3:50 p.m. - *MAJOR (Kaleidoscope co-feature), Underneath the Make-up There's Me*
3:50 – 5:30 p.m. – *Good Girls Sweat, The First Boys of Spring, Silent No More*
5:45 p.m. – Awards and Recognition

Singing and sound meditation at Metafizzies

Rebekah Clark will lead the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society meeting in a session of Divine Singing and Sound Meditation on Monday, August 8. No vocal experience is necessary and chants and mantras from multiple traditions will be used. The gathering will begin at 7 p.m. at the Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

Sales-tax free weekend

Arkansas will hold its annual sales tax holiday on Saturday, August 6 and Sunday, August 7. State and local sales taxes will not be collected for the sale of clothing and footwear if the sales price is less than \$100 per item, or clothing accessories and equipment if the sales price is less than \$50 per item. School supplies, school art supplies and school instructional materials are sales tax free.



Strolling through art – ESSA's studio stroll last Thursday featured works of students in Julie Hop's *Watercolor: Exploring Expression* and Lesha Shaver's *Book Binding & Box Making* classes. The stroll is at 4 p.m. every Thursday and features drinks and snacks. (Pictured) Becky Newhart paints with watercolor.

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is August 10. For more information or an application form visit capc.biz. Applications may be dropped by the CAPC office at 121 E. Van Buren, Suite 3B.



Everybody loves a party – Poco Carter (left) and Francie Russell (right) are shown with Mary Jane Fritsch at her 103rd birthday party July 29 at Green Acres in Holiday Island. Fritsch is likely not just the oldest resident of the county, but also has lived in Carroll County longer than anybody else, moving here when she was five years old. The birthday guests have changed over the years, but there were still plenty of them! *PHOTO BY BECKY GILLETTE*

Finding a bargain on the streets

The summer Yards & Yards of Yard Sales is just around the corner on August 5 and 6 from 7 a.m. – 3 p.m. each day. For those who intend to have a yard sale, make it easier on yourself by signing up with the Chamber of Commerce to get your spot on the map and a YYYYS permit sign.

Permit fee is \$15. For more information call the Eureka Springs Chamber at (479) 253-8737.

2016 Spring Diversity Weekend schedule

Friday, August 5:

9 p.m. – Drag Show/DJ Dance Party at Eureka Live Underground, 35 N. Main. \$10 cover.

Saturday, August 6:

11 a.m. – 3 p.m. – Diversity in the Park held in Basin Spring Park. There will be vendors, music, and treats. Free event.

2 p.m. – Public Display of Affection

Noon – 11 p.m. – Pool & Dance Party at Magnetic Valley Retreat, 587 Magnetic Road. BYOB. No glass containers. Day pass is \$15. Men only resort.

7 p.m. – Le Stick Nouveau, 63A Spring St. Pete Maiella. No Cover.

9 p.m. – Drag Show/DJ Dance Party at Eureka Live Underground, 35 North Main. \$10 cover.

Sunday, August 7:

Hot Dog Pool & Dance Party at Magnetic Valley Retreat, 587 Magnetic Road. BYOB, no glass containers. Day pass is \$15. Men only resort.

Meditation, reading and discussion

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

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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 Ten: Mr. C.S. Barnett’s Part in Our School

That was one of the happiest years I ever spent in school. I kept a diary for the last few months of the term. In my notes I find some details of a meeting Mr. Barnett had planned to have at the Narrows. I tell of getting up before six and being ready to start for the Crescent Spring where we were all to meet. We stopped for the Rippetoe girls but May had gone to Mrs. Seidel’s; we waited for her and hurried up the hill and got there after the school was all in line ready to march to the depot. The train was very much crowded; we rode on flatcars with built up sides, and some of us had to stand. When we reached the Narrows, we played ball, ran around and had a good time generally. About one o’clock we attempted to have the exercises but it began to rain, and rained harder and harder. When a train from Eureka Springs came we all ran to get on it. I wrote, “North James helped us on the train,” but I don’t remember who was with me. The train ran backwards to Eureka Springs. I do mention Minnie, Ida, May and I, two baskets, an umbrella and a bucket. I further wrote that we had our

picture taken at the hill by the gas house. Laura Norris and I were the only ones to represent our room. I don’t know where the rest were. I conclude: “I never had a better time in my life before!”

I have recorded at some length one event that was one of the bright spots of the year, Saturday, May 17. I worked all day on my book for the Exposition. I went to take my elocution lesson and around to Mr. Barnett’s. (He lived then next door to the Wickersham cottage, below the Thatch.) Nannie Morehouse came for me. I went down home and she came with me, and they said I might go. I took my work and we went to Mrs. Brown’s. Nannie’s brother did not come until nearly eight o’clock and we ate supper there. (My diary notes are certainly indefinite. Where did we eat supper? I knew then, but I don’t now.)

When Nannie’s brother came we drove out to the farm, after stopping at Mr. Barnett’s to get Nannie’s shawl. It was about nine when we reached the Morehouse home. There were all in bed except the older ones. It was about ten

when we went to bed.

May 18 (Sunday) Nannie and I worked some on our Exposition books before breakfast. I never saw such a surprised lot of children as those were when they saw me. John Jennings was there. It commenced raining before breakfast. We went to Sunday School, but there was no one there except us, and the door was shut, but we first climbed in at a window and had Sunday School anyway.

We went back to the house and sang and read and played in the nice upstairs the rest of the day. It was raining and we couldn’t go to town. Nannie and I rode horseback about a mile out on the Fayetteville road, came back and rode up to the Pond – the Morehouse place is on the side of Pond Mountain. It commenced to rain so hard, but the trees were so thick we didn’t get wet. We played games in the evening until nearly ten.

May 19 (Monday). We came home this morning, but got to school 20 minutes of nine, so I couldn’t go home. Nannie came home with me this evening. We went through the mill. (Webb and



Brown’s mill at the mouth of Magnetic Hollow.)

There were sixteen in our dining room this evening. Nannie was working on her own book. I helped Walter Gottlich, Minnie helped Katie Hinkle, May and Kate Rippetoe, and Fred Roberts. (Minnie is artistic; she could help fix the books; she was not in school that year and had none of her own.)

The thing I remember best about that weekend spent with nannie was the hours we spent alone upstairs, sitting in the dormer window reading some copies of the magazine **GOLDEN DAYS**.



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Blue Skies Book choice for September

The next Blue Skies Book Study selection will be *Love That Boy* by Ron Fournier. The book is the author's personal story about learning to love a son who has Asperger's. Discussion will be held in the undercroft at St. James Episcopal Church

on Sept. 27 from 5 – 6:30 p.m., and Ann Helmer will lead the tête-à-tête.

Copies of the book are available through Amazon and one will be at the Carnegie Library. Time to crack that cover!

Bible study in Holiday Island

Join at the Holiday Island Community Church, 188 State Line Drive on Wednesdays from 1 – 2 p.m. for a new bible study starting at August 3 and running weekly through September 14. The series is *Walking with God in the Desert*, a 7-part DVD series shot in the Holy Land. The series goes with Pastor Jeff Timm's sermon on *Storms of Life*.

Tulsa writer chosen for *My Time Fellowship*

Keija Parssinen is the recipient of the *My Time Fellowship* for 2016 at the Writers' Colony at Dairy Hollow. She will be spending two weeks at the Colony working on her third novel, *Nostalgiaville*. Keija is the author of *The Ruins of Us* and *The Unraveling of Mercy Loius*.

Thanks to a grant from the Sustainable Arts Foundation, *My Time* is designed to support parents who are also writers, and provides writers with children under 18 living with them a two-week residency at The Writers' Colony at Dairy Hollow along with a stipend to help cover the cost of lost work or child care.



Save Money, Live Better –

Last Friday night the Berryville WalMart either had a man who lost his glasses, was trying to retrieve a kitten, wanted a private phone conversation, was rooting around for aisle three, got sucked up by a vortex, or just couldn't take it anymore. Maybe he was making Mountain Dew room without thinking an alert customer might snap his unconventional pose. There's no telling.

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Stay. Play. Yay! – One of the awesome things about group classes is the opportunity for positive social interaction among dogs. These four-leggers have been labeled as typically not doing well around other dogs; however, when engaged in positive activities with people they respect and trust, magic happens. Volunteer Matthew and dog techs Alex, Justin and Cory worked with Fred, Mindy, Polo and Skittles for over an hour and not a snarl or stiff body to be seen: just fun times learning in a relaxed atmosphere. Good Shepherd Humane Society is enthralled by the work of recently hired training consultant Rachel Brix. Everybody's a weiner!

Study Group meeting August 6

The Northwest Arkansas Permaculture Study Group will meet in the Eureka Springs library annex from 10 a.m. – noon on Saturday, August 6. All are welcome.

Sunday at EUUF

Join at the Eureka Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 17 Elk Street on August 7 to help create a new banner for future General Assemblies. Bring your creative spirit and old crayons or colored pencils.

Singing and sound meditation at Metafizzies

Rebekah Clark will lead the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society meeting in a session of Divine Singing and Sound Meditation on Monday, August 8. No vocal experience is necessary

and chants and mantras from multiple traditions will be used. The gathering will begin at 7 p.m. at the Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.



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Heliacal (before & near the Sun) Rising of Sirius

In ancient Egypt the annual flooding of the Nile occurred as Sirius, the blue-white star left of Orion, became visible just before sunrise. This is called the Heliacal (Greek, near the Sun; Helios mean “sun”) rising of Sirius, a flashing forth of the light of Sirius at pre-dawn before the Sun appears. Rising before the Sun & over the dome of the sky, Sirius rising & the Nile’s floodwaters (helping grow foods for the year) appeared simultaneously.

The Pyramids (Temples of Initiation) were built to align with Sirius. A sculpture of Isis, aligned with the rising of Sirius, stood in the Egyptian temples. On her

forehead a jewel was placed. As Sirius flashed forth in the pre-dawn sky, its light touched the jewel of Isis and it began to sparkle and glow. Soon the Nile would overflow. And the Egyptian New Year began.

The days (heliacal rising) of Sirius (July 3 – August 11) are called the Dog days (Sirius is located in the system Canis, Major, Great Dog) of summer (hottest days, N. latitudes).

Sirius, the star of freedom, both oversees and was behind the founding of the United States. Sirius is where love originates, a love that flows through Leo into the

hearts of humanity. Make contact with Sirius and love is released. Christ, the World Teacher, is from Sirius. Upon completing our Earth (a cosmic school), journey, seven cosmic paths appear for us to choose from. One is the Path to Sirius (Path of Electric Fire).

Sirius is a binary (2 stars) star. In Mali, West Africa, the Dogon tribe has known since ancient times of Sirius and its companion star Sirius B (Po Tolo, Seed of Creation). The Dogon’s source of information was the Nommo, amphibious beings from Sirius. Night Light News (our website), is named after Sirius B.

ARIES: It’s important to recognize what you know. It is a gift to be shared with others. You can be strong-willed, driven by self confidence and authority. However, your fire soon burns out, your attention shifted elsewhere. It’s important to acknowledge others’ beliefs and points of view, allowing others to share their accomplishments. Then you become a true leader for others to learn from.

TAURUS: You remember many things about family and friends. Each memory has a message. Don’t allow other people’s beliefs, criticisms or behaviors deter you from your mission. Identify with your own thinking and intuition. It’s important to feel secure with the information you present to others. However, do not present ideas to those who will either appropriate it or test you with it. Maintain protection.

GEMINI: Your mind quickens with curiosity and creative expressions. Take a walk-about into neighborhoods. Interact with the five kingdoms. People will want to talk with you. Listen to what’s behind their words. Notice indecision. It reflects the dual nature of our world. Careful with distractions and finish what you’ve begun. Do only what keeps your mind interested and focused. You’re to initiate intelligent, heart-centered conversations.

CANCER: It’s important to ponder deeply upon essential decisions you need to make. You must have all the facts and be practical while proceeding slowly. There’s value in taking your time, contemplating different choices. This allows for deliberation on final decisions. Determination colors your actions. You’re developing a greater level of concentration. Concentration is the first level of meditation (the Leo level).

LEO: Your voice is at times stronger, serious, more practical and, at other times, more spontaneous than usual. You might say things you don’t mean or didn’t consider. Your tone may have changed, too. Notice any arguments, competition, irritability, impatience and impulsiveness occurring. Concentration (Leo’s way of meditation) may seem impossible, so you make quick decisions. All these observations help you get to the heart of all that matters.

VIRGO: You’re able to communicate with angels, devas and unseen beings. Devas are the angelic builders living in nature. As you contact them new ideas begin to be impressed. Intuition expands. Use your imagination and visualization to create the world you seek to live in. Listen carefully to what others believe and value. Do they correspond with your values? Our minds change when we learn more.

LIBRA: Your professional work of service is your Vesta lamp. Its light fills you up with confidence and wellbeing. You’ve worked hard, gained success and status, climbed every step of the ladder. You’ve been generous with knowledge, time and skills. You rule with order and ethics. You have pride in your work and the many life decisions you made. It’s also essential to remember those who helped along the way. Always loving you.

SCORPIO: Scorpios learn the underbelly (hidden realities) of life, which develops a keen awareness of sorrow and pain, death and betrayal, leading to trust and mistrust. You have a sense of ethics and justice for everyone. Your most important tasks are uncovering life’s mysteries and the truth of the matter. Then self-identity emerges. Knowing what you know, you could rule the world. You also know the dangers. Hillary is Scorpio.

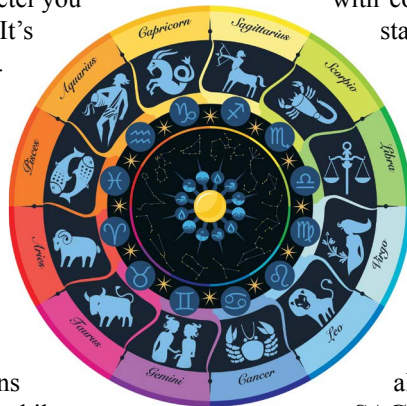
SAGITTARIUS: In the past years, you’ve gained strength, expanded borders, extended horizons, projected yourself into new fields making yourself better. You lead others through dramatic stories, explanations, long journeys – your eyes always on the prize (mountaintops ahead). Your love of heritage and family produced a true self-identity. Remain calm. When you overdo, overdramatize, consequences result. Don’t let your crown slip.

CAPRICORN: Your values, sense of tradition and willingness to explore new realities have always been sources of strength. As you share your values and resources with others, subtle changes occur in your life. All hidden gifts come to the light. Remember anger, sadness, conflict and chaos all present us with messages. Learn to understand them. If overtired and overwhelmed, take a respite. Contemplate these things. With another.

AQUARIUS: Sometimes in learning to understand relationships, we allow others to have more power. Eventually we become disheartened with this situation wondering what’s wrong. It’s not good for you to be in the shadows. You need freedom, excitement, love and consistency. Then you begin to trust and settle down. It’s good that others recognize your leadership, skills. You bring the future to humanity.

PISCES: Soon you sit at the helm, become the organizer, the achiever, the advisor with the rules and a time watch. Few see the importance for responsible qualities. You will go in and out of everything falling away, disappearing and appearing again. Place your entire heart into your work. Visualize and imagine, draw and paint, in detail, your perfect life and how to seek to serve. Then the petals of your heart unfold. Twelve petals.

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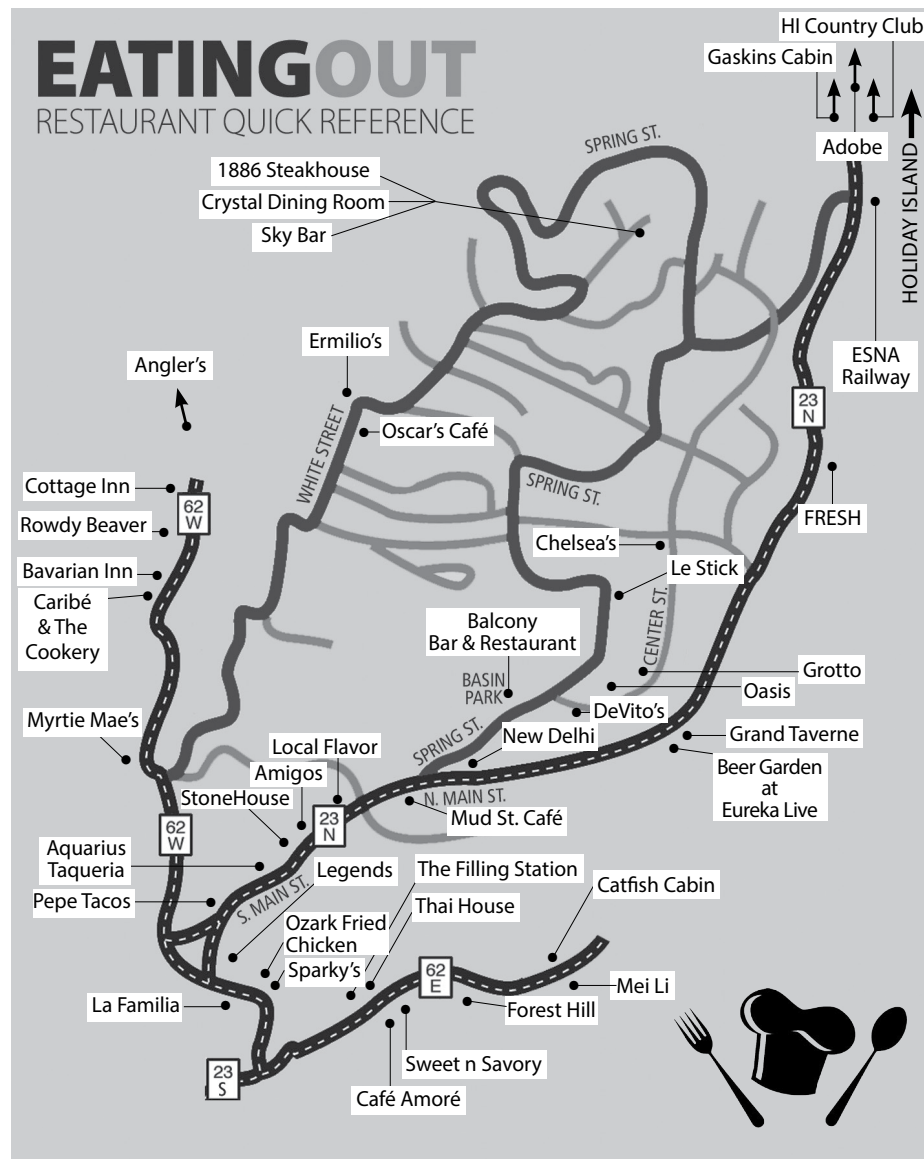
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editor in "an excellent environment" for an aspiring film editor. He worked on a variety of production pieces for tech and pharmaceutical companies that might be used to open a conference, for example, or as a training video. At Remedy, innovation and technical challenges were embraced, such as videos with graphics running across multiple screens.

Jeff said there were also jobs that were more for fun and less for profit such as indie films, music videos, documentaries and journalism pieces. It was through these jobs that Jeff met Decena, who was finishing a documentary called *Watershed* about the current state of the Colorado River, which has been so heavily used for irrigation it does not reach its own delta anymore. Robert Redford was the executive producer and narrator of that film.

Decena hired Jeff to help finish the editing of *Watershed*.

Jeff decided to try freelancing after five years at Remedy, and his workload never diminished. He has been

independent more than three years, and at first worked with the same contacts he had made at Remedy. Eventually he tried to connect with documentary directors, and made trailers and additional content pieces for their films.

He has done music videos for Chuck Prophet and My Morning Jacket, and one he edited for Prophet won the 2015 Van Gogh Award at the Amsterdam International Film Festival for Documentary Directing. The director was Darrel Flowers and the video was "Chuck Prophet and the Mission Express - Strings in the Temple."

During 2015, Jeff worked with director Owsley Brown on the series *Music Makes a City* about conductor Teddy Abrams and his contribution to the renaissance of the Louisville Orchestra. The series ran for 13 episodes, and aired on PBS stations in 2014-15.

During the past year, he has worked on two feature-length documentaries. One of them was another film directed by Brown titled *Serenade for Haiti*. The film began seven

years ago, but is entering its final countdown and scheduled for release this autumn. Jeff has been part of the editorial team seeing the film through final mixing and coloring.

And there was *Not Without Us*, which commanded countless hours through the winter and into spring. The film had its premiere at the Castro Theater in San Francisco April 20 as the closing night film of the San Francisco Green Film Festival.

After his work on the film, Jeff and Madeleine Van Engel got married, and they just returned from a honeymoon in Iceland. They live in Oakland. They and their friends are active, aware, smart, fun-loving, generous and paying attention - just the kinds of folks we want on board as we figure out our future.

The Indie Film Festival opening reception at the Aud catered by Farm to Table FRESH starts at 6:30 Friday. *Not Without Us* starts at 7:15. All films are free due to a grant from Arkansas Parks and Tourism.

Opal Agafia, Disco Inferno, Rockhouse – what more could be better?

Sweet twirling songbird Opal Agafia & the Sweet Nothings knock out soul, roots and folk at Aquarius Taqueria Thursday for the monthly Cocktails for a Cause, benefitting The Purple House, a Carroll County Domestic Violence Support organization.

Disco Inferno Drag Event is all about celebrating Diversity Weekend after an afternoon of Yards and Yards and Even More Yards Sales. Catch this show at Eureka Live! Friday and Saturday on the biggest dance floor around here.

Local boys Rockhouse return to the stage after a hiatus to blaze new fire at Chelsea's Saturday. Good to have you back, fellas.

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

BALCONY RESTAURANT – *James White*, Singer/Songwriter, 12 and 5 p.m.

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Jimmy Wayne Garrett*, Singer/Songwriter, 8 p.m.

CHELSEA'S – *Electric Rag Band*, Blues, 9 p.m.

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LEGENDS SALOON – DJ Karaoke with Stan, 8 p.m.
NEW DELHI – Pete and Dave, Rock Duo, 6 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER – 2 Dog 2 Karaoke, 8 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – BOSS Karaoke, 9 p.m.
STONE HOUSE – Jerry Yester, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

BALCONY RESTAURANT – Steve Jones, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m.
BASIN PARK – Drumming in the Park, 6 p.m.
CATHOUSE LOUNGE – Liberty Bell Rhythm Band, Rock, 8 p.m.
CHELSEA’S – Nite with Joel Walker and Pals (Rockhouse), Rock, 9 p.m.
EUREKA LIVE! – Disco Inferno Drag Event, 9 p.m.
GRAND TAVERNE – Jerry Yester, Singer/Songwriter, 6:30 p.m.
LEGENDS SALOON – Another Turn, Rock, 9 p.m.
LE STICK – Pete Maiella, Singer/Songwriter, 7 p.m.
NEW DELHI – Pete and Dave, Rock Duo, 6 p.m., *Diversity Breakfast*, 11 p.m. – 3 a.m.
ROWDY BEAVER – Blew Reed and the Flatheads, Blues, 8 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – 2 Dog 2 Karaoke, 1 and 9 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

BALCONY RESTAURANT – Jeff Lee, Folk, 12 p.m., *Melissa Carper*, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.
EUREKA LIVE! – Green Screen Karaoke, 7 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – Michael Tisdale Duo, Rock, 1 p.m.

MONDAY, AUGUST 8

AQUARIUS TAQUERIA – Buffalo Gals, Americana, 5:30 p.m.
CHELSEA’S – Sprungbilly, Bluegrass, 9 p.m.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – Los Roscoes, Blues, 6 p.m.
CHELSEA’S – Open Mic, 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10

CHELSEA’S – Brian Martin, Singer/Songwriter, 7 p.m.

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

Previously you discussed the age-old belief that “by having sex men are getting something whereas women are giving something up” and that it’s time we recognize women as equally sexual with needs and desires no different than men. I can’t agree more but how do I really let go of this deeply ingrained life-long belief system?

Man Up! Sexist? You bet. Yet the meaning is lost on no one. Take ownership is the intended message. Put yourself out there and take risks using all of your strength and courage. “But how?” you ask. Never underestimate the power of the mind.

So as not to further offend the easily offended, let’s go with Woman-Up, which differs significantly from Girl-Up or Lady-Up. Catch my drift?

As simplistic as it may sound, *shame* has placed every brick in the wall that blocks women from owning their sexuality. Shame promulgated by antiquated mores, religiosity and misogyny. Female sexual freedom continues to provoke fear and outrage. The old slut-stud paradigm prevails and what an amazing force it’s been. Time to Woman-Up and put that bastard to bed.

As women we subconsciously base our identity and self-worth upon the extent to which men find us sexually appealing. Don’t argue, you measure your own power and that of other women by this very same T & A protocol. We whine about

being objectified by men, but we’re the true masters.

Why play coy? Stop fretting over whether he finds you desirable. Who gives a flying fuddle-dud what he thinks? Be the subject and not the object. Do you find *him* appealing? If so, great. Woman-Up, make direct eye contact, smile, approach and speak your mind #likeaboss.

Compliance to maintain harmony at any cost has long been the bane of womanhood. Time to Woman-Up and just say NO! There is no sexual power in compliance but there is much power in confidence. Express your thoughts, feelings and desires directly with confidence.

Once you stop perseverating on whether your butt looks big in those pants you might find the time to make owning your sexuality a real priority. Begin by inviting sensuality into your life. Expose yourself to sexual stimuli, befriend sexual exploration and court your erotic mind.

Easier said than done, I know. So Woman-Up my friend!

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



Good work deserves rewards – The team at Mercy Hospital Berryville recently received a 5-Star Award as a result of the Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems patient survey. The 5-Star Award is given annually to health care facilities, providers, outpatient service lines and inpatient units that score in the top 10 percent of national providers. Front Row: (l. – r.) Donna Braziel, Pennie Malotte, Robert Kirby. Second Row: (l. – r.) Debbie Tate, Gloria Spoon, Martha Bell, Breann Harp, Lesa Osterhout, Gina Trevino and Deb Wobker. Back Row: (l. – r.) Carrie Stockton, Sherry Kilbourn, Taya Flippo, Curtis Shaw, Greg Easter, Carol Wynn, Amber Camp, Cody Qualls, Terri Clark, Jo Waller, and Doug Stroemel. PHOTO SUBMITTED

Code Yellow Alert for O and A Negative, and O Positive

The Community Blood Center of the Ozarks will hold a blood drive on Friday, August 12 from 2:30 – 5:30 p.m. at the Walmart Supercenter. Each donation will be awarded LifePoints as part of CBCO's donor rewards program. LifePoints may be redeemed online for a variety of gift cards or points may be assigned to other meaningful causes.

To be eligible to give blood you must weigh at least 110 pounds, be in good health, and present a valid photo ID. For more information about sharing your good health with others or the LifePoints donor rewards program go to www.cbco.org or call toll-free (800) 280-5337.

Giving thanks

– Kyle Deaton with Island Airco presented gift certificates from Subway to employees of the Eureka Springs Police Department. From (l. – r.) Sgt. Brian Young, Officer Tim Holm, Kyle Deaton, Dispatcher Nikki Trahan, Detective Brian Jones, and Chief Thomas Achord.

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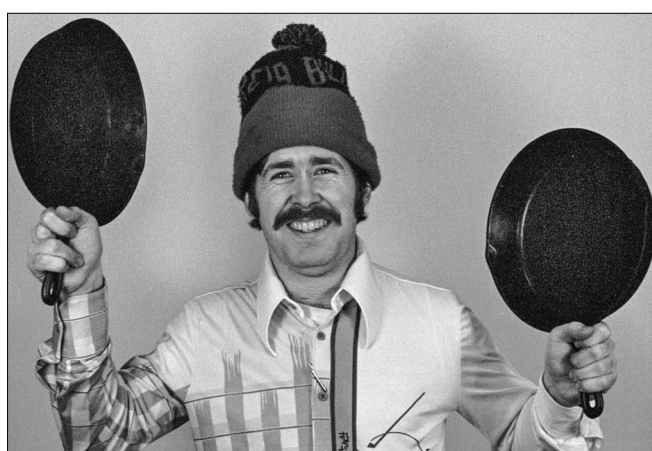
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Daniel “Fig” Elliott June 28, 2016

Daniel “Fig” Elliott, 66, of Fayetteville and Gilbert, died peacefully on Thursday, June 28, 2016 at Arkansas Hospice in Little Rock after a courageous battle with cancer.

Fig was born to Elsie P. Murphy and the late Frank M. Elliott, Sr. He is survived by his wife, Elvie B. Elliott, his mother, Elsie P. Murphy, brothers Frank M. Elliott, Jr., and Harry P. Elliott (Ellen), niece Holly Elliott and numerous beloved friends. He was preceded in death by his father, Frank M. Elliott, Sr., stepmother, Almeda Elliott, stepfather, Frank Murphy, and stepbrother, Bobby Murphy.

Fig was a long-time resident of Gilbert. He loved the Buffalo River and gardening. He never met a stranger and went through life with a twinkle in his eye. He also enjoyed traveling extensively on a budget; no one could make a dollar go further! He opened his home in Gilbert to foreign exchange students and



operated the Ozark International Hostel so visitors could enjoy the area he loved so much. He served on the board of the Firehouse Hostel and Museum in Little Rock. He participated in mission trips to Honduras to help the poor in Central America with the St. Thomas Catholic Church in Fayetteville. Fig graduated from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville with a degree in journalism.

Fig was a long-time fan of Greasy Greens and a welcome visitor to the band's home base at the Art Farm in Little Rock and gigs in Eureka Springs.

The day before his death he visited

with former *Eureka Springs Times-Echo* editor Jim Keary who said, “I saw him Wednesday when he was still at UAMS and he was going down fast and he knew it. He told me ‘I’m down for the count.’ He still had his humor and his memory.

He talked about his wonderful life.”

Memorials can be made to the Firehouse Hostel and Museum, 1201 Commerce St., Little Rock, AR 72202. Cremation arrangements were entrusted to Arkansas Cremation.



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Scheimen suggests people interested in these birds consider participating in a citizen science program called A Swift Night Out that encourages people to gather where the chimneys swifts roost and count them.

“A Swift Night Out is a continent-

wide effort to raise awareness about and encourage interest in chimney swifts and Vaux's swifts,” says the website www.chimneyswifts.org. “As summer draws to a close and the swifts have finished raising their young, these fascinating aerial acrobats begin to congregate in communal roosts prior to their migration in the fall. Some roosts consist of an extended family

group of a half a dozen birds or so, but the larger sites can host hundreds or even thousands of swifts. We encourage you to involve your local Audubon chapters, bird clubs, scout groups and neighbors in this exhilarating spectacle.”

The program suggests starting 30 minutes before sunset. After estimating the number of birds, there is an online

reporting form. Information can help in keeping an eye on the population health of these birds at a time when many migratory birds are seeing steep declines.

Local citizens interested in participating in A Swift Night Out are invited to gather at Chelsea's Café Sunday, August 14, at about 8 p.m. to watch the show and help count.



Wade & Jacob Timmermann came up from Maumelle, Ark., to do a father and son outing Saturday while Mom enjoyed some down time in Eureka.

We had a good start at daylight putting in at the dam, and had the first fish in the boat within 30 minutes. Can't tell you right where we caught our fish, but will tell you that the dam never left our view. With the water temps on Beaver Lake in the mid 80s the stripers and shad are looking for the deeper cooler water, which is in the dam area to Point 5.

We're marking most striper activity from 30 – 40 ft. deep under big schools of shad running 18 – 30 ft. A top water bait can still work in low light conditions, but after the sun gets up good jigs and spoons fished deep can catch them, too.

We were running big shad off one side of the boat and perch off the other side with hits on both. Most all were marked in water 60 feet and deeper off

the flats and holding in the river channel.

Here at Holiday Island the water's in the mid 80s too, with most bass and walleye being caught 12 – 20 ft. deep early and late in the day. We are still doing best going out after 3 p.m. when they start moving cold water out of the dam. We just start moving up river till the water temp starts to drop below 78°.

Pods of shad will be on top here with the white bass, walleye and big trout feeding on them till sundown. Throw anything you have that looks like a 2-inch shad and you should catch fish. Water temp will drop into the 50s and these cooled fish are very active.

Well, that's it for this week. Find cool water or shade and take a kid fishing. Now is also a good time to check out Lake Leatherwood for some crappie and bass. The dock can help you with fish, bait and boats, or just walk the shoreline till you see a good spot.

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targeting to send an ad to users who searched in these eight niche markets: wedding, LGBT, culinary, arts, outdoor, family, lodging and entertainment.

Doss said according to statistics in her industry, the average rate for click-throughs from an ad to the site is .08. The click-through rate to the wedding page of the .org site is .24 on mobile devices and .18 on desktop computers or tablets. For Blues Weekend, the rate on mobile devices was .21.

"We put an ad right in front of their

faces," Doss contended. She said Maloney had asked about a campaign targeting folks who wanted to visit Branson. After looking up Branson, they began to see ads about Eureka Springs. She said, "The click-through rate was 1.6. That's crazy high! That's powerful."

In response to questions from CAPC board members, she remarked her company could track a conversion rate of individuals who click-through to eureka springs.org and then actually visit.

Next regular meeting will be Wednesday, August 10, at 6 p.m.

INDEPENDENT**Crossword**

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

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- ACROSS**

1. Thailand, once

5. Storage piece

10. Actress Catherine _____ Jones

14. Loosen

15. Eagle's home

16. Greek god of war

17. People who alternate working and wandering

19. Trail

20. Make oneself smart

21. Low class

23. Asian holiday

24. Glaswegian

25. Set of two

27. Agreeable to the taste

32. Type of cards

33. Treat in a harmful or injurious way

34. ____ Father

35. Prep school in Windsor

36. Something entwined, as a plait of hair (var.)

37. Top dog

38. Fix in one's sights

39. Soviet forced-labor camp

40. Photo finish

41. Hateful

43. "____" Breaky
- Heart"

44. Small dam

45. Excitement

46. Monitor display

49. Cuban dance

54. Sheltered

55. Attractive cost

57. Froggy's cousin

58. Completely reliable

59. Operatic solo

60. Small whirlpool

61. Type

62. Women in a religious order
- singles winner

22. Memorization

24. Mudlike sediment

25. Veranda

26. Pleasing scent

27. Sitting room

28. Position alongside

29. Fair installation

30. Characterized by healthy vigor

31. Gaelic

32. Shade of blue

36. Commerce

37. One who doubts Shakespeare's authorship

39. Liquid butter, often used in Indian cooking

40. Female form of address

42. Sporty, casual style of dress

45. Dwelling place

46. Completely fill

47. Hunk of mud

48. Peruse a book

49. Consecrated

50. West Indian shrub

51. Very light brown

52. Precipitation

53. Woe is me

56. Abbreviation for trig function

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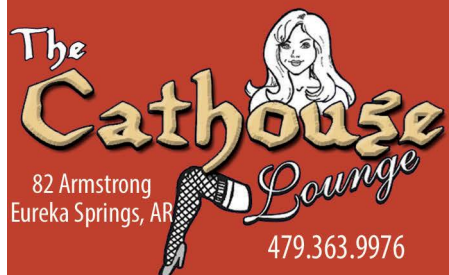
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Stickin' em up at Peachtree – Staff dressed up as famous women bandits and outlaws in history on July 30. Residents enjoyed trying to guess who they were portraying. *PHOTO BY JAY VRECEK*

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cancer-causing chemical. What we really need is to stop using formaldehyde glues at all now that safer soy-based alternatives are available. You can get formaldehyde-free Columbia Forest Products plywood at Home Depot.

We also need formaldehyde testing of indoor air before any home, classroom or office is occupied, something that is done in other countries.

One irony of the new rule is that the least protected housing is still going to small spaces like travel trailers that use a lot of composite wood. If you decide to buy a travel trailer, in particular, you can buy the kind of test kit we used for \$60 from American Chemical Sensors (www.acsbadge.com/formaldehyde.shtml).

For ten years now, I have taken e-mails and calls from people around the U.S. who were being poisoned by formaldehyde in indoor air while putting that information

on the website www.toxictrailers.com. One of the biggest scandals is that after FEMA finally admitted formaldehyde levels were excessive in FEMA trailers, they sold them at auction with a sticker on them that said, "Not to be used for human occupancy." Of course, the trailers sold at auction for a tiny amount compared to what taxpayers paid for them did end up being used housing. The stickers were removed. In one case I know of, they were even used for HUD housing.

Make no mistake. This chemical does cause cancer, which is only one of the health effects of exposure. Excess formaldehyde exposure costs lives.

I dedicate this column to the people I worked with living in FEMA trailers whose deaths I believe were either caused or hastened by high formaldehyde levels: Mickey Kissiah, Hilda McGee, Desiree Collins, Jennifer Donelson's baby Wesley, who suffered many seizures before he died, and newborn baby, Martin.

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motel parking lot and driven to Missouri. Constable filed a report.

1:41 a.m. – Motelier claimed someone had broken into one of the rooms and was still hiding there. Constables responded and discovered the invader. She was arrested for criminal trespassing, possession of a controlled substance (meth), possession of a controlled substance (marijuana) and possession of drug paraphernalia.

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