

Quorum Court tables flood insurance

NICKY BOYETTE

Justice of the Peace Chuck Olson introduced Trevor Timberlake, engineer and flood plain manager for the Arkansas Natural Resources Agency, to a standing room only crowd at the Monday Quorum Court meeting to explain how the National Flood Insurance Program works. Timberlake told the court private insurance companies have been unable to provide adequate flood insurance at a reasonable cost, so the federal government devised a plan administered through the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Counties entered in the plan would receive not only insurance at a lower cost, but disaster relief during an emergency and grant opportunities. Non-member counties would not be eligible for these benefits. Timberlake said

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This Week's INDEPENDENT Thinker

German artist and animal photographer Tanja Brandt likely didn't realize she would get to live with two of her subjects, especially two that are unlikely to be friends themselves.

Ingo is a Belgian shepherd raised to be fearless, aggressive and accelerated. Poldi is an owlet that hatched two days later than the rest of his parliament, so he was smaller and more vulnerable than the others.

Apparently Poldi adopted a dog with a worldwide reputation of power and grit to do what he does naturally – be a protector.

The relationship suits the dog and the bird – they are inseparable.

Actually, Tanja is the independent thinker, but the picture she took of Ingo and Poldi was way too melty to not print.

Hmmm. Wonder if there's a lesson here?



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Three days for the price of one – The Eureka Triathlon was so perfectly August last weekend when 101 men and 92 women from all over swam, ran and rode in hot competition. Derek Yorek, 33, of Bentonville won the Men's division at 33:08, and Pauline Allen, 47, of Fayetteville was fastest woman at 39:50. *PHOTO BY JAY VRECENAK*



every county in Arkansas since 1969 has had a federally-designated flood disaster plan, but as many as five counties in northern Arkansas are not part of the plan.

According to Timberlake, each member county would have an administrator appointed to oversee the program. Usually, the position is not full-time, but the administrator has the responsibility of maintaining and protecting the flood plain areas from degradation. Olson mentioned the county would need to hire someone, but the Office of Emergency Management office could take on the duties.

JP Larry Swofford asked Timberlake if the administrator could prevent a farmer from building a new chicken house on his property. Timberlake replied if the construction violated federal law, he could.

JP Marty Johnson pointed out there is a \$500 per day fine for violations, but if the county were not part of the plan, the farmer could build his chicken house.

Timberlake responded if the county wanted the benefit of assistance from FEMA there would need to be reasonable assurance there would be no damage to the flood plain.

A member of the audience asked if he

would be able to bulldoze his driveway, and Timberlake told him the local administrator would decide.

“So you might not be able to do what you want on your own property?” was the reaction.

During Public Comments, Lisa Price-Backs passed around information about NFIP. She said farmers in the county do not want the plan. She claimed FEMA would remap the flood plain to include the entire county, and citizens would be forced to subsidize insurance for those who do not need it. “This is not going to help Carroll County,” she said.

JP Don McNeely noted that FEMA is seriously over budget, and the flood insurance program expires in 2017. He said many people eligible for the plan are not covered, and there are not enough premiums going into the plan to cover the cost, so rates rise unreasonably. Therefore, taxpayers are paying for coverage for only a few people.

JP Jack Deaton said some citizens need the county to have this insurance and to others it is an inconvenience. He suggested they table the discussion until the September meeting. JPs would have a chance to study the information more thoroughly and make their decision then. The vote was unanimous to table the discussion.

INDEPENDENTNews

CAPC hears promoter's plea

NICKY BOYETTE

At the August 10 City Advertising and Promotion Commission meeting, Steve Kolb told commissioners his son had entered into a contract to promote a concert featuring Foghat on Sept. 24 during Bikes, Blues and Barbecue weekend. Kolb said he had insurance and a banner permit in place, the Basin Park Hotel had promised a break on accommodations, and the Grotto had agreed to provide food for the band. He was asking commissioners for a break on the cost of renting the Auditorium.

Also in his plans for the Auditorium are shows featuring Blood, Sweat and Tears on Nov. 12, and Dec. 17 would be Herman's Hermits' Christmas show.

Kolb said ticket prices for the Foghat show would be \$70, \$60 and \$50. CAPC Executive Director Mike Maloney asked Kolb what the marketing budget was, and Kolb replied \$500.

“That's not enough money to spit in,” Maloney commented. He clarified that the CAPC does not promote private promoters. “That's your job,” he told Kolb. He said the

CAPC could help with its social media, but stated Kolb needed to increase his marketing budget by about \$10,000.

Commissioner Dustin Duling responded he thought it was refreshing to see someone trying to put something in the Auditorium, and he saw Maloney as being a bit rude and condescending to Kolb. Duling encouraged Kolb to make contact with the Harley-Davidson distributor in the area or some other underwriter. “If you talk to right person, you might make it [happen].”

Commissioner Charles Ragsdell offered to send announcements to his extensive Blues Weekend mailing list. He urged Kolb to get involved with social media partners immediately by offering a small block of tickets in return for a “heavy rotation” of ads, and go aggressively after college students.

Maloney told Kolb he did not mean to be abrupt, but to open his eyes to the challenge of promoting a show. Ragsdell added he has seen shows turn into very expensive disasters when they

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CAPC group travel upbeat; audit begins

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City Advertising and Promotion Commission Sales Director Karen Pryor told commissioners last Wednesday that 115 groups of 20 or more attended the Great Passion Play during June and July, and responding lodging properties reported 51 coaches during those months. She expects nine more motor coaches to come to town for at least two nights this year as a result of her attendance at two trade shows. There are also upwards of 17 coaches from one tour operator with offices in New York, Pennsylvania and Missouri scheduled to visit during 2017. Her final show of the year will be a group travel event in Columbus, Ohio in October, which she said has provided a return on investment during the five years she has attended.

Public opinion sought, sort of

Commissioners agreed to pay for an upcoming internal operations audit by the Johanson Group by using reserves they can replenish at the end of the year. Chair Ken Ketelsen said Wednesday he had heard from a few citizens who wanted a chance for input as part of the audit. He suggested limiting the number of speakers and choosing them by a lottery.

Commissioner Terry McClung stated the Johanson Group are professionals and they should be allowed to do what they were hired to do. Commissioner James DeVito agreed and added there is a place on their agenda at every meeting for public comments. He did not want to complicate the audit, and commissioner Damon Henke mentioned the public could also send emails to commissioners.

Director's report

CAPC Director Mike Maloney told commissioners there are 462,000 daily impressions every day. The Bluegrass Festival, for instance, is generating interest. In addition, articles about Eureka Springs in various media from California to West Virginia were the equivalent of \$70,000 in free public relations during the past month.

- "Your Autumn Escape" is the next campaign being developed with Rightmind Advertising, and besides autumn colors, mountain biking will be featured in ads from Dallas to Kansas City.

- The main focus for niche marketing during August will be the Bluegrass Festival, and September the focus is the Jazz Festival.

- The array of outdoor activities

near Eureka Springs will be the pitch from the Eureka Springs contingent at the International Mountain Biking Association World Summit in Bentonville in November.

- Maloney announced there would be two movies coming to the Eureka Springs area within the next few months.

- McClung mentioned that the recent workshop with 121 Digital did not answer all his questions. He said the statistics sound good, but he was looking for a way to identify the results.

Commissioner Damon Henke agreed they were looking for "the conversions,"

or how many clicked through to the website. He also wanted more time for questions, and the group agreed to have another workshop with 121 Digital with time for questions.

Henke reseated

Henke's seat on the commission had expired and there was a vacant seat to fill. Commissioners voted to reseal Henke and approve Susan Harman to fill the vacant seat. Her term expires June 30, 2017.

Next workshop will be August 24, at 4 p.m., at the CAPC office. Next regular meeting will be Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 6 p.m.



And the crown is passed – Marsha Havens (l.) relinquished her salsa crown to Crystal Ursin at the Salsa Contest at the Farmers' Market. Marsha came second and Nancy Paddock, third. All votes were tasters' choices. PHOTO BY JAY VRECENAK



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Public not sold on improvement district

NICKY BOYETTE

On Wednesday, August 10, a group of 13 gathered in the Auditorium to discuss establishing a Central Business Improvement District as a strategy for funding ongoing repair and maintenance of Eureka Springs's century-old tunnel underneath downtown buildings.

The concept came from the two-year hazard mitigation study completed by Craig Hull of the Osage Group and funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Hull first reported to city council in October 2014 that the three most prominent hazards he had identified were the tunnel, the dam at Black Bass Lake, and the sewer system. He recommended creation of an improvement district as a way to share the cost of addressing long overdue repair and maintenance of the tunnel that runs underneath the courthouse and Auditorium to the Grand Central Hotel.

Hull introduced Alan King whose Little Rock company, Improvement Districts, Inc., consults with municipalities throughout the state to set up all kinds of improvement districts, which he called a subset of the

city. King said an improvement district is a group of property owners who want to fix something and tax themselves to pay for it and have meetings to determine scope of the project, thereby defining boundaries.

King said an assessor would determine value of the properties within the district, and owners representing two-thirds of the property value within the district would need to sign a petition endorsing the concept. Once this is accomplished, the petition goes to city council and council forms the Improvement District.

The petition would also specify who would serve as commissioners. There would be opportunities for public input.

The tax for property owners would be determined by assessed benefits. Once assessments are settled, there would be a lien on a property until the tax is paid, this improvement district tax would be superior to the property tax.

King also mentioned the improvement district would have the right of eminent domain.

Former alderman Dee Purkeypile, who lives beside the drainage channel leading north from the tunnel, asked where the improvements would be. Mayor Butch Berry replied that the boundaries have not been determined yet because this was only the second meeting. Berry said they are still figuring out who is interested. He said it is easier to expand the district later than try to start with a large area.

Purkeypile told the group he had fixed the wall in front of his house, and did not see the improvement district idea as a benefit to him. He said as an engineer, he had explored the tunnel and considered the sections below the buildings to be in good condition. It was the sections under the parking lots that have problems.

"I'm gonna say no to the district. Establishing a taxing authority is not to my benefit," Purkeypile remarked.

Pat Lujan, who also lives along the drainage ditch, said he made a considerable investment improving the wall in front of his house plus he pays \$4000 annually for flood insurance. He commented adding a tax to the overhead would make his place impossible to sell. Plus, Lujan owns 10 lots in that area, "So we would get a hefty tax," he said. He said he maintains the wall in front of his property, but the neighbor north of him does not and the inevitable backup adds to his maintenance duties.

"Getting taxed more even when I've done my work is too much tax," Lujan told the group.

Hull pointed out, "There is a potential solution. We're trying to figure out how to fix an identified problem 133 years in the making."

King explained how the district could be structured by those who signed the petition so that it would never borrow money, for example.

Peg Adamson, another resident along the drainage ditch, brought up her neighbor, who is an absentee owner. King said commissioners could gerrymander any property out of the district.

"Consider me out," Purkeypile said, adding that the project needing attention was the tunnel, not the North Main drainage ditch. He said it is very expensive to do anything underground, a task for Public Works, and unless there is political will to find the money for Public Works, the project will not get done.

King responded that often an improvement district is the collection vehicle for the funds and an already existing entity,

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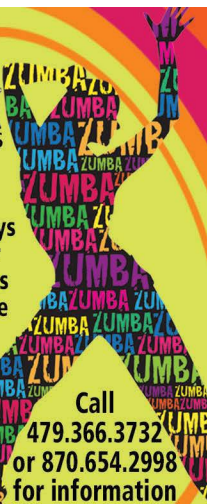


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Ambulance service gets on ballot

NICKY BOYETTE

The second and third readings of an ordinance establishing an ambulance service improvement district in the eastern district of the county, assessing a 2.5 mill tax on residents within that district, passed at the county Quorum Court meeting Monday, but not without provocation. Jim Lowery challenged the ordinance, contending that the title was misleading because it did not mention the 2.5 mill tax. He maintained the eastern part of the county already has ambulance service, and asked for a status report from the representative from Ozark Ambulance. The reply was, "We're surviving, but I'm not sure how long it will last."

Lowery continued that the county was getting ambulance service for free, and he took issue with the amount of tax in the ordinance. "You know in your own mind that's an unreal figure. Take your time. What's the rush?"

JP Jack Deaton responded that there was a rush because the court needed to act at that meeting if they intended to put the ordinance on the ballot in the November general election. Otherwise, it would cost the county \$25,000 to hold a special election instead of \$4000 for the general election. "We're just voting to get it on the ballot, and then the voters can decide," Deaton said.

JP Larry Swofford added, "We're not asking them [voters]

for anything. They get to vote on this. Why should I take the right to vote away from my people?"

JP John Reeve commented the ambulance service is critical, and noted no ambulance service has succeeded for long in the eastern part of the county. Mercy Corporation subsidized Mercy Ambulance until the cost became prohibitive. "It's not likely a company without funding will make it. This ordinance establishes the district and provides funding."

Reeve also explained the 2.5 mills amount came from calculations made by the county assessor's office based on figures provided on how much it would cost to maintain the service.

JP Marty Johnson disagreed with some of Reeve's claims, as well as the process, until Deaton responded, "I'm uncomfortable with the way this played out, but I'm like Larry that we should let the voters decide."

JP John Howerton commented, "I've never voted for a property tax increase in my life, but I'm gonna vote for this."

"I think it's a rush job," Johnson stated.

"Send it to the voters," JP Joe Mills replied.

Vote on the second and third readings was 8-1 to approve, Johnson voting No, so the ordinance passed.

The next meeting will be Monday, Sept. 26, at 5 p.m. This is one week later than the usual date for the meeting.



Cutting edge arts -
A crowd gathered on Monday evening to explore the creations of some of Eureka's talented artists at The Bear & Barber. Featured were the works of Helios Graphics, Justin Lindsey, Leigh Short, Bill Schmahl, Jay Vrecenak, Roxie Howard, Dale Johnson, Sena Tidwell and J.K. Bell. The crowd also got to enjoy the prestidigitation of Illusionist Apprentice Wyatt Beck.

PHOTO BY JAY VRECENAK

Parks seeks Leatherwood playground input

The public is urged to provide opinions on the new playground planned at Leatherwood Park. Join us Thursday, August 18 from 4 to 6 p.m at the proposed site between the bathhouse and cabins at Leatherwood. Please drop by anytime within that time frame to tell us what you do and don't want to be part of the plan. Questions? bill@eurekaparks.com.



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B&B potpourri draws a crowd at Planning

NICKY BOYETTE

Ten citizens attended the August 9 Planning Commission meeting to hear discussion regarding suggested updates to City Code related to Bed & Breakfasts, and two offered their own ideas for commissioners to consider.

Bob Jasinski, co-owner of the Angel at Rose Hall B&B, stated Eureka Springs was a trailblazer 16 years ago when it banned tourist lodgings from residential zones. He said the ordinance had been crafted by lawyers but since has been amended by people “who did not know what they were doing.” Jasinski urged the city to remove all the amendments and go back to the original ordinance. He suggested the city look at the ordinance from Asheville, N.C., as a guide because he claimed their ordinance works well. He also cited legal precedence that would allow Eureka Springs to get rid of “grandfathered baloney.”

Doug Bretiling, co-owner of Arsenic and Old Lace B&B, told commissioners he was past president of the Arkansas

Bed & Breakfast Association and is still affiliated with it and other trade associations. He commented one of his credos in life was, “If you want it bad, you’ll get it bad, so what’s the hurry?” He saw the present situation as an opportunity to get the local law right, and urged Mayor Butch Berry to set up a task force – possibly a mix of B&B representatives, aldermen, Planning commissioners and citizens at large – to develop a proposal for Planning to consider. The task force could develop definitions and guidelines Planning is working on. Breitling noted there are examples already written which would help clarify. He said allowing stakeholders to have a say would produce an outcome Eureka Springs will be proud of.

Chair Pat Lujan stated the commission had planned to bring its homework on B&B definitions to a workshop preceding its August 23 meeting, so larger discussion of the topic would take place then.

Commissioner Susan Harman, however, had compiled in one document

references in City Code to all things related to B&Bs, and offered the following proposed definition of a B&B based on their discussions so far:

“A dwelling or area containing one (1) or more structures in which rooms are rented to guests with a full breakfast served daily, and the entire service, food and lodging are to be included in one (1) stated price. The owner or manager of the bed and breakfast must reside on site and continue to reside on site as his/her/their principal residence. Further, the number of units shall not exceed five (5) and no guest shall stay for a period of time in excess of thirty (30) consecutive days. For the purpose of this section, “on site” shall be defined as adjoining (i.e., sharing a boundary) and shall not include properties separated by a city street, roadway, green space or alley.”

Commissioner James Morris saw a possible loophole in the section describing “on site” which he urged the commission to consider, and other commissioners agreed.

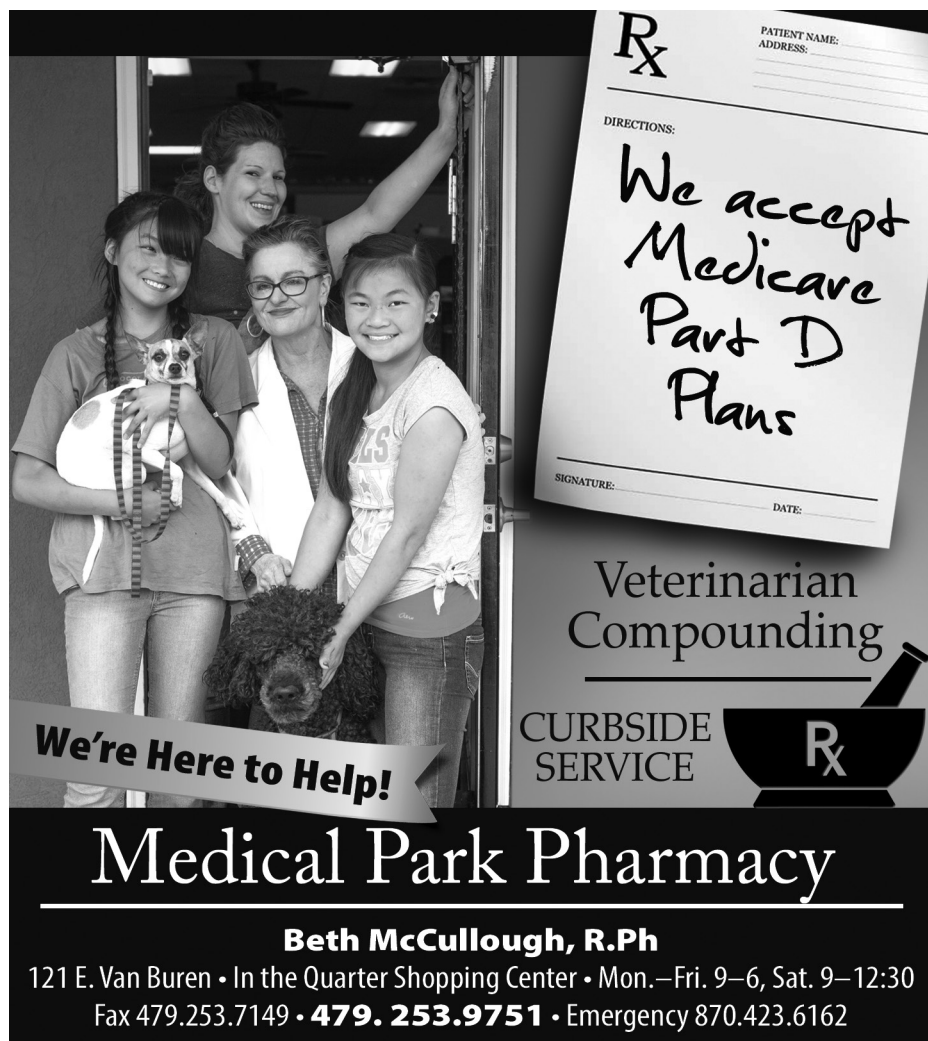
Harman mentioned she had received a flurry of phone calls because of suggestions Lujan had made at the July 26 meeting about annual re-certifications and inspections of B&Bs. Lujan replied he had seen other cities include these in their ordinances and was simply putting them on the table.

He reiterated this is a work in progress and encouraged anyone to attend workshops and meetings, wanting to hear comments from the source and not through the rumor mill. He commented regulations that work for other cities might not work for Eureka Springs.

Special guest at September meeting

Lujan announced there would be a workshop featuring Municipal League planning and zoning consultant Jim VonTungeln at 5 p.m., before the Sept. 13 meeting, and the public is welcome to attend.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, August 23, at 6 p.m. There will be a workshop beginning at 4:30 to continue the discussion of B&Bs.



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Hospital Commission sitting on its nest egg

NICKY BOYETTE

During his treasurer's report, commissioner Robert Walling told the Hospital Commission Wednesday it had in its various accounts a total of \$2,310,000. He added they receive \$15,000 monthly, so, "It's adding up," he noted.

He also announced he renegotiated a five-year deal on a \$1.5 million account at a local bank, and the commission will henceforth earn an extra \$22,000 annually.

Commissioners suggested various strategies for effectively investing and handling their funds while acknowledging their attorney's advice to hold on to every cent in case it were ever up to the commission to pay staff at Eureka Springs Hospital.

Commissioner M.J. Sell, acting chair of the meeting, said she had asked staff at ESH to come up with a monthly number for what it would take to operate the hospital. Vicki Andert, chief of nursing at ESH, answered that she had been denied that information from Allegiance, the company that leases operation of the facility.

Further discussion of being stewards of the funds led Sell to state she had seen as member of a different board the benefits of partnering with the Carroll County Community Foundation as an avenue for conscientious

use of their funds. She introduced Janell Robertson, executive director of the CCCF, who explained how CCCF gets and distributes funds. She said she could administer a fund endowed by the Hospital Commission in whatever way the commission wanted with the possibility of decent interest.

Robertson explained various ways CCCF could be of service to a group or an individual with an amount of money and a purpose, and annually they put back \$90,000 into the community.

Walling mentioned there have been downturn economic years where investments lost money. "If there's a chance of losing, I can't do it," he asserted.

Commissioner Suzanne Tourtelot was also protective of the funds "we're holding in trust for the benefit of the hospital."

"We can get the money back," Sell noted. Robertson added she could also set up a memorial fund for people if the commission had referrals.

Commissioner Barbara Dicks said she did not like investing their money in the stock market, and Walling observed, "Our current investments are safe and we won't risk anything," and conversation about investing with CCCF ended.

Dicks then admitted, however, she liked the idea of

people setting up endowments for ESH, and Robertson said, "I can help with that."

Fix it or not fix it

Newly-seated Commissioner Dr. John House noted the current physical condition of ESH turns away patients. He has heard patients say they do not want to go to ESH because it is dirty, but it is not. It is old, House said, and old translates as dirty. House wanted instead a facility that would make Eureka Springs proud.

Sell explained the 15-mile encumbrance which will force the replacement facility for ESH to be located at least 15 miles from Mercy Hospital in Berryville.

House wondered about a gradual rehabilitation of the facility. Walling replied the commission could not spend money on the facility because Allegiance leases it. "They pay us," Walling observed.

Dicks pointed out a person would think the agency leasing operation of the facility would want it to look first-rate.

House continued that the commission should nevertheless plan for the happenstance it had to operate ESH if Allegiance bailed. He said he just wanted to keep the conversation current.

Next meeting will be Monday, Nov. 21, at 1 p.m., at ECHO Clinic.

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Local man needs our help

Many of us know Matt Davis as the guy in the camouflage jeep. I have known Matt since elementary, he played saxophone along side me in the Eureka Springs High School band, and served honorably in the United States Air Force after high school.

Matt has always been an avid outdoorsman, an artist, and a stonemason by trade. He is also self sufficient and self reliant, is a husband and a father, and to many a good neighbor and friend.

Several years ago Matt had a serious heart attack from which he was able to make an almost complete recovery. Unfortunately Matt has recently suffered a sudden and severe stroke and heart attack, and the prognosis is not good.

Matt's family is devastated but still hopeful. Many of us in the community are hopeful as well, but we know that the road to recovery will be long and expensive.

At times like this we all become aware of the frailty of life and we want to say or do something to lift the spirits of the family and to aid in our friend's recovery.

I have set up a Go Fund Me account for Matt's family. Go Fund Me will charge a very small fee on each contribution associated with the maintenance of their site and the holding and distribution of funds. One hundred percent of remaining funds will be distributed directly to Matt's wife, Dawn. This money is

to help pay the family's expenses while Matt is convalescing, as well as what we know will be expensive medical bills. Of course we know that this amount won't pay all of Matt's expenses, but it will allow his family to stay by his side and help with his recovery without becoming bankrupt, and that is the goal.

I'm asking everyone who knows Matt or his family, or anyone who has simply wondered what would become of their own family in a similar situation, to donate to help Matt's wife and daughter, Jessika, during his recovery. Both Dawn and Jessika have been by Matt's side continuously for the past nine days, and while they are hurting and worrying and Matt is struggling to survive, bills are mounting.

No amount is too small, and I know that the Davis family will be eternally grateful for this outpouring of love from the community.

To contribute simply go www.GoFundme.com and search Matt Davis Family Relief Fund, or type the following URL into your address bar: www.gofundme.com/2jh3ctw

On behalf of myself and the Davis family I want to thank the entire community for your caring, support, love and kindness.

Tony Freeman

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WEEK'S Top Tweets

brettdruck: I don't like when they use "late" to describe a deceased person. It's like give the guy a break on his attendance.
@thisonesayz: 6 year old: I'm done. Me: You didn't even touch your food! 6: Pokes food with finger without breaking eye contact. The Sass is strong with this one.
@funnyordie: Shout out to the Trump Tower suction cup guy for being the second

craziest person to ascend that building.
@ghostpanther: Amazing how easily that guy scaled Trump Tower. Hope u can't get suction cups in Mexico 'cause then wall idea would be really stupid.
@billmurray: Every Olympic event should include one average person for reference.
@elizasoul80: Michael Phelps just won another gold medal for taking the quickest bath.
@spaziotwit: Who called it "the equals

sign" and not the "aftermath?"
@Etobiernie: The lottery gives you a 1 in 200 million chance of not going to work tomorrow. Tequila gives you a 1 in 3 chance.
@tastefactory: I've been chasing a fly around my apartment for like 20 mins with a rolled up magazine. There's a really good article I think he should see.
@wickedimproper: Arugula is my favorite vegetable whose name sounds like a car horn from the '50s.

Vote your conscience, but...

Maybe it's because I'm a gay man from a certain era that I've become less radical and more pragmatic in my old age. As one who fought against the establishment and survived the plague, and who never thought he'd see his long-term relationship legally recognized in his lifetime, I am petrified of a Trump presidency.

Yes, I was a Bernie supporter, and just like Bernie, I am now fully supporting Hillary Clinton. I know Trump's conservative appointments to the Supreme Court would set this country back 40-plus years and wipe out everything for which I fought so hard.

Trump's list of potential nominees to the bench is a who's who of anti-women, anti-choice, anti-environment, anti-immigrant, anti-LGBTQ and anti-fill-in-the-blank zealots.

Hillary has stated that she will do everything in her power to overturn "Citizens United," the 2010 "Corporations Are People Too" decision that allows mega-money to buy elections.

Imagine a Hillary victory with a Senate majority, and we might very well see our recently retired president filling the empty Supreme Court seat the Republicans have stubbornly refused to fill or even hold hearings on during Obama's last "lame duck" year. Wouldn't that be political Karma?

I have learned from my mistake. Back in 2000, naively thinking there was no real difference between the two mainstream parties, I supported Ralph Nader.

Gore lost Florida and the election to Bush by a handful of votes, due to left leaning Democrats abandoning ship and voting Green.

Under Bush, the country paid dearly with a deceptive war that destabilized the entire Middle East, the worst recession since the Great Depression, the total loss of respect from our global neighbors, and the widening gap of the haves and the have-nots.

What Trump could do in four short years could make the Bush years pale in comparison.

Jill Stein has even less chance of winning than Nader. Voting Green, or staying home in protest of Sanders not getting the nomination, is the equivalent of handing your vote over to Trump on a silver platter.

The last 14 months on the campaign trail is proof enough that Donald Trump is unfit to be president. There's no need to go into all his past tirades, but recent attacks on a Muslim-American's Gold Star family, the tasteless and dangerous "joke" about "Second Amendment" violence to Clinton, and claims that President Obama founded ISIS may be the turning point where the rest of the country catches up and collectively shouts WTF.

Hillary has taken a lead in recent polls, but I'm not sleeping sounder just yet. A whole lot of things can shift and alter this election in the next 80-some days.

Thanks in part to Bernie Sanders, the Democrats have put together the most progressive platform in American history. It's in stark contrast to the Republicans, who are against marriage equality and a woman's right to choose, who want to throw 20 million people off their healthcare coverage, and who still think climate change is a hoax.

A Facebook friend recently posted

he was voting Green, stating, "It has to burn before it can be reborn." Fine and dandy, just don't take me down in your flames.

It won't be the Trump supporters I'll have resentment toward if he is elected, it will be that small percentage that threw away their vote by not supporting Hillary. Arkansas is a red state and the chances of Hillary winning here at home are slim. There is an argument to be made that voting Green or not voting at all makes a statement and will not affect the election results. But it can also be argued that Hillary winning the popular vote by a large margin legitimizes her presidency and sends a strong message to the country and watching world that Americans will not tolerate a bigoted, race-baiting, misogynistic, loudmouthed bully in this country's highest office.

Yes, vote your conscience, but remember a non-vote for Hillary is a vote for Trump.

John Rankine



The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

The Boss starts running around the old wreck – our house, not me – trilling “The Termite Guy is coming!” That’s my cue to open up our various crawl spaces, and be available as needed. I have never been needed.

The Termite Guy – Anthony, from Attack! Termite and Pest Control – comes once a year, and has for the last fifteen years or so. He wears comfortable coveralls and carries a couple of holocaust tanks on his back, and nods amiably as the Boss energetically superintends his strategic engagement of the problem at hand. She gets away with it because she’s beautiful, and because she’s earnestly convincing that the world will stop spinning unless she supervises it. Every once in a while Anthony glances in my direction – still nodding – to see if he’s getting the important points of the Boss’s multi-part messaging. I nod back to let him know that he’s doing fine.

It occurs to me that the annual exercise of our termite policy is not unlike voting. In between inspections – elections – we examine the operation of our various civic households. If we discover bad bugs instead of good bugs, we expect Anthony – voters – to rid them from the house. Only 12% of Americans approve of the job Congress – bad bugs – is doing, so maybe Anthony will sic one of his holocaust tanks on them. He hasn’t so far – he keeps letting the same vermin back into the same elected offices (85% will be re-elected) – but it’s possible things will be different this year.

But probably not. Our focus is on whether the Big Insane Rat or the Little Rat gets to live in our National House – it’s a one rat house – and we haven’t paid much attention to the legislator-rats who spend all their time worrying about what goes on in our pants. That crotch-high perspective would ordinarily bode well for conservative voters – and their elected vermin – but the Big Insane Rat can’t Mariachi, or be reliably depended on to Make Our Toilets Great Again. So they’re worried. Conversely, the Little Rat will make things incrementally better, or incrementally worse, but that falls short of what’s needed to end a nationwide infestation. That’s worrisome, too.

I guess we should start praying that Anthony does a better job.

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

AUGUST 8

11:57 a.m. – Constable was called because guests at a tourist lodging refused to pay upon checking in. Constable discovered the bill was already paid. And it appeared the manager was trying to charge an extra fee. Constable said the extra fee could be challenged in civil court, but the constable told the guests to go about their business.
6:22 p.m. – Large dog had been patrolling the parking lot of a motel. Staff eventually corralled it in the lobby until a constable took it to the kennel.
8:51 p.m. – On the opposite side of town, two dogs played tag near US 62. Constable on patrol captured them and took them to the kennel.
11:54 p.m. – Constables assisted CCSO in watching for a suspect vehicle entering town from the west. Vehicle was later stopped by Benton County deputies on Hwy. 23 South.

AUGUST 9

10:33 a.m. – There was a fuel drive-off and constables watched for the vehicle.
2:18 p.m. – Business on the west side of town reported a male with no shoes or shirt who claimed he had been living in the woods for a week. Someone gave him a shirt, and he rode the trolley to his house.
2:33 p.m. – Innkeepers called for a constable because they did not want a person who had allegedly stolen items to be on the property.

AUGUST 10

12:33 p.m. – A mother was looking for her adult son, and, while filing a report, found him.
12:48 p.m. – Constable spoke to ESFD and vehicle owner about a vehicle fire.
3:03 p.m. – Constables provided traffic control while a gravel spill was cleaned up.
5:57 p.m. – Constable took a report of a hit and run accident on US 62.
8:03 p.m. – Mother told ESPD her son was tearing up the house and had lacerations on his face and head. Constables arrested him the charge of being drunken, insane and disorderly. His injuries were treated at ESH.

AUGUST 11

12:05 a.m. – Routine traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for driving on a suspended license, no insurance and no headlights.
9:40 p.m. – Argument between guests at a hotel escalated until constables were called to intervene. Guests decided to get separate rooms for the night.
11:07 p.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for driving on a suspended license.

AUGUST 12

7:32 a.m. – Observer told ESPD a crew working along US 62 in the commercial area were not attired properly to be stopping traffic. Constable went to the scene and determined the workers were okay.
7:59 a.m. – Motorist reported an erratic driver headed to toward town from the west, but

constables did not encounter the vehicle.

9:38 a.m. – Individual reported someone left disturbing notes on her vehicle.

12:38 p.m. – Concerned caller asked for a welfare check on someone, but the constable was not able to make contact.

1:29 p.m. – Constable spoke with lodging staff regarding items left behind and a dispute with a guest.

5:11 p.m. – Constable provided traffic assistance while Public Works repaired a sewer line on Main Street.

5:37 p.m. – Two fenders bumped in a parking lot.

8:12 p.m. – Large van parked in the middle of Main Street was causing traffic delays. Constables arrived. The way was cleared.

9:41 p.m. – Central dispatch reported a number that had called 911 and hung up. Owner of the phone told constables no calls had been made on the phone all day.

AUGUST 13

2:29 a.m. – Observer told ESPD two deer might have been hit on US 62 toward the eastern edge of town. The constable who responded did not see any deer.

11:47 a.m. – Individual reported his wallet might have been taken while he was at a restaurant.

12:14 p.m. – Lodge staff reported finding drug paraphernalia while cleaning a room.

12:18 p.m. – One caller saw a blanket under a stairway near downtown and another caller saw someone sleeping. Constables checked it out, and the place was empty.

12:24 p.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for driving on a suspended license.

2:05 p.m. – Canine without a collar scampered through a neighborhood above downtown. Constable found it at the bottom of the hill and took it to the kennel for holding.

2:38 p.m. – An allegedly intoxicated individual drove away from his tourist lodging. Constables watched for but did not encounter the vehicle.

4:55 p.m. – Witness told ESPD a vehicle ran into a pedestrian in a parking lot. Constables arrived at the scene to find the driver and pedestrian both gone.

6:34 p.m. – Husband told ESPD his wife was driving through town and saw a woman covered in blood near the highway. Constables searched for but did not find that person.

11:32 p.m. – Passerby reported seeing two puppies dumped alongside a road in the north part of town. Constable never found them.

AUGUST 14

11:51 a.m. – However, just down the road, two small dogs were seen frolicking in a park. Animal Control went to the scene to catch the dogs, but they eluded the reach of the law.

2:42 p.m. – Frantic observer reported a dog needing

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Going hog wild after wild hogs



BECKY GILLETTE

Doug Stowe and Jean Elderwind have taken a big bite out of the local feral hog population. The couple, who live near just north of town, have twice had major damage to rock walls and gardens from the wild hogs. This past weekend, with the help of a hunter, they were able to trap 12 piglets.

“It was great good fortune because we had someone waiting to take piglets and raise them in Madison County,” Stowe said. “It was great good fortune for piglets, but also for us. They are sexually mature in six months. In six months these boars and sows would have been bearing piglets of their own. They can have litters as large as twelve, and three litters a year.”

Stowe said a friend helped them put up a five-foot tall metal fence pen that cost about \$300 and has a trap door that can be triggered after the pigs are inside feasting on corn bait.

“Our friend put up a game camera so we could observe how many pigs there were, their sizes, and their times of

arrival,” Stowe said. “They would tend to come in the evening.”

It wasn’t easy. They had a lot of false calls. Raccoons could set off the trigger, closing the gate, and then the hogs couldn’t come in. The corn had to be soaked in diesel, as pigs will eat corn soaked in diesel but deer will not.

“It was a lengthy process and took some attention,” Stowe said. “We monitored the trap for a while before we finally caught one large boar coming to the pen, ruling the roost, and keeping the other pigs away. After we caught him, some of the sows came in. Within a week or so, we captured and killed two sows.”

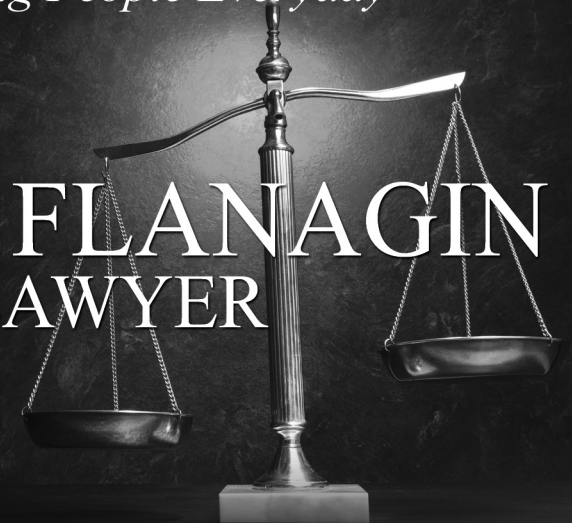
Stowe and Elderwind’s concerns go beyond the devastation to the rock walls they had maintained as a boundary to their garden for 30 years. They are also well aware of the huge damage feral hogs do to the environment.

“They compete with wild turkey and deer for acorns, and they root around and destroy a lot of native plants important to

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Creating a culture of peace

“War is terrible, it leads to death, damage and dismay. War is destructive. It devastates all life, land, and culture. It does not ever solve any conflicts, situations or problems. Even so, we, the people, choose to make war.” – MATTIE STEPANEK

With these simple words Mattie, a 13-year old poet and peace activist, captured the need to create a culture of peace. Born with fatal muscular dystrophy, Mattie’s wish came through in 2001 when he met on the set of *Good Morning America* his real-life hero, President Jimmy Carter – a moving story told in “Just Peace: A message of Hope.” Mattie is gone, we have his legacy and books (he was almost 14) but President Carter and other peacekeepers are tirelessly working on world peace.

The time for peace is now

There is little talk about peace in regular conversations. It seems an impossible dream for grown-ups, something only children may discuss. Why? Without peace, we don’t stand a chance to deal with the threats of abrupt climate change. There is no time to wait, the Earth Charter preamble makes it clear: “We stand at a critical moment in Earth’s history, a time when humanity must choose its future. As the world becomes increasingly interdependent and fragile,

the future at once holds great peril and great promise.”

The benefits of peace

Most people do what they do for money. It turns out there is a lot of money to be made by investing in peace, and there is no money to be made going to war. The Cold War, the Arms Race, home bunkers, Mutual Assured Destruction and other ideas of the past based on fear are obsolete.

Today, terrorist threats are based on violence and hopelessness. Severe heat, drought, floods and homeland destruction caused by global warming will increase the threats of desperate violence and economic devastation. Our best hope to deal with human suffering is to learn to care with compassion, respect, and tolerance. Disaster preparedness and prevention are the best strategies.

The U.S. Federal Government last year spent more than a trillion dollars. Over half of this amount, \$596 billion, was spent on wars, nuclear weapons, activities of the Department of Defense,

international military assistance, and Pentagon expenses. Only six percent were spent on Medicare and Health Care, and six percent on Education. Is this the best way to spend our money?

Investing in peace

Some countries, like Costa Rica, do not have a standing Army. After a bloody civil war over disputed presidential elections, on December 1, 1948, President José Figueres Ferrer abolished the military and decided to invest in public health and education. In 2015 the Costa Rican education system was ranked highest in Latin America, and their health system is excellent. They have public security to remind everyone to behave.

A culture of peace

The University for Peace, an intergovernmental United Nations organization, has its main campus in Costa Rica. Its mission is “to provide humanity with an international institution of higher education for peace with the aim of promoting among all human beings the spirit of understanding, tolerance,

and peaceful coexistence, to stimulate cooperation among peoples and to help lessen obstacles and threats to world peace and progress.”

We need to promote not only peace, but a culture of peace, the result of many efforts involving everyone: inner peace, peace between people, peace between nations, and peace with Mother Earth.

What nature gives us is not resources or services we own, but nature’s gifts for all. Clean water, clean air, temperate weather, forests, wildlife, fertile soil, and healthy food, are finite and meant to be cared for, taking only what we need to survive so that all people have some. Public health is linked to a healthy ecology. We are taking the gifts of nature faster than nature can renew itself.

The daily choices we make determine our future. Our nation has great people of different cultures and backgrounds. Crisis, like fire, brings new ways of thinking, our best strategies to care for future generations.

Dr. Luis Contreras



Tuckered out but still cyclin’ – Photographer Jay Vrecenak caught a couple of the 58 and 100 mile racers at the aid/hydration tent at the Holiday Island Visitors Center where snacks and drinks were available for riders before they continued flattening the asphalt through the Ozarks.

Barefoot farmers making an imprint

BECKY GILLETTE

For new farmers' market vendor Kris Gilstrap of Barefoot Farm, growing food organically is not just about special techniques used to grow vegetables, it is a lifestyle.

"We had a little garden when I was growing up, and I knew I wanted to homestead," Kris said. "Two years ago I figured out people were doing small farms as a business. I worked for Patrice Gros, who has a farm near the Missouri border, two years ago for learning how to grow organically. Then this year I'm renting space from him to do my garden."

Gilstrap is gardening full-time with help from his wife Lydia, who also works at Local Flavor and Aquarius Taqueria. They have a booth at the Eureka Springs Farmers' Market at Pine Mountain on Tuesdays and the White Street Market on Saturday mornings.

Gilstrap has scaled up quickly, also producing for Ozark Natural Foods in Fayetteville, which named him vendor of the month for August.

He is a no-till gardener, meaning he doesn't use any motorized equipment to grow food – it's all done by hand.

"It is human-powered gardening," he says. "There are no gas fumes except for the small push mower I use to keep the grass down."

He uses low-impact, low-input techniques adding rabbit manure for fertilizer and straw mulch to keep the earthworms happy so they'll build the soil. Straw mulch that adds organic matter to the soil also retains moisture and keeps

weeds down. "I'm concentrating on building the soil quality," he says.

Barefoot Farm has recently been carrying kale, chard, dandelion greens and beets that usually can't be found this time of year because it's so hot. He started his seeds later than normal, and mulched heavily to keep the soil cool.

Gilstrap grows a lot of garlic in the cool season, and recently sold 40 pounds to Ozark Natural Foods.

All his seeds are USDA organic, and no chemical fertilizers or pesticides are used. Bugs are picked off by hand. In addition to vegetables, they also grow sage, rosemary, thyme, mint and basil.

The Gilstraps are vegans, so they don't just sell what they grow, it's a major part of their diet. They enjoy cooking food they have grown themselves, and prove it doesn't have to be boring to be a vegan. They make a vegan cheese out of cashews, red bell pepper, lemon, garlic and onion.

The worst thing about growing? Kris admits that heat can be pretty draining. He tries to do most of the work early in the day. But this time of year, he is also out in the evening because in addition to harvesting summer crops, he's busy planting scallions, lettuce and a variety of greens. Lydia says the worst thing about gardening is seed ticks.

The couple, originally from the Oklahoma River Valley, lived in Fayetteville for a year before until moving to Eureka Springs earlier this year.

OK, try this recipe for the Gilstraps' raw vegan nacho cheese:

1 cup raw cashew butter (or raw cashews



finely ground in a food processor)

1 large red bell pepper

2 tbs. nutritional yeast

1 tbs. onion powder

1 tsp. salt

2 lemons juiced

1 tbs. crushed dried chili

4 cloves garlic

Put everything in a food processor and blend until everything is mixed well. You might add a little water if you want more of a dipping cheese.

Shelter board meeting

The monthly Good Shepherd Humane Society board meeting will be on Wednesday, August 24 at 1 p.m. in Le Stick at 62 Spring Street. All are welcome to hear what the shelter is doing.

Reading, discussion, and meditation

The Eureka Springs Buddhist Study Group will gather for 30 minutes of meditation followed by reading and discussion on Thursday, August 18 at 4 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

Gospel performance this Labor Day

The contemporary gospel band, Awaken, from the Czech Republic will perform on Labor Day, September 5 at 3 p.m. in the bandshell across from the Holiday Island Post Office. Rain location will be Faith Bible Church at Suite C, Parkcliff Drive.

Jamming at the library

The next community song circle Library annex. Instrument players and singers are invited to an evening of music. August 23 from 7 – 9 p.m. at the

Membership meeting for historical museum

The Eureka Springs Historical Museum will hold its annual meeting of the membership on Tuesday, August 23 at 7 p.m. at the Inn of the Ozarks Convention Center. Nominations will be submitted, and elections will be held to fill five vacancies on the Board of Directors.

A brief social reception will be held following the membership meeting. The new board will then convene to elect officers for the coming year.

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 Eleven: Fishing on the White River

Our father always took great pleasure in fishing. He frequently went down to Beaver. Often he took two of us children, Willie and Ida or Willie and me. I cared nothing for fishing but liked to go down by the river. I do not remember that I ever caught a fish. Once we left a pole set and returned to find a fish hooked. Willie and I both claimed it. Ida once caught a fish down there. She still brags about it for it is the only one she ever caught. It had not swallowed the hook, but was caught in the side. Fishing licenses were not required in those days.

Once I went with Pa up beyond the Cut at Beaver to the mouth of Butler Creek. From there we could see the high trestle (double decker) over Butler Creek, which I had often crossed on the railroad. We passed that huge boulder between the railroad track and the river and the mouth of Butler Creek. I had also seen it from the train. I have often wondered as to the history of that immense mass of rock standing apart from the cliffs on the other side of the track. Is it a work of nature, or was it left when the cliffs at the

cut were blasted down?

I have found an entry in my diary that I shall record just as I wrote it, with some needed explanations. Usually my entries were very, very brief, but not this one. At the age of sixteen I was teaching my first school. Miss Stubblefield, to whom I had gone to school at the Lamar, was teaching the upper grades on East Mountain, I the primary grades.

November 9, 1890: Miss Stubblefield, Miss Cornthwaite, Charles (the colored janitor at the Lamar), Willie, Pa and I went fishing yesterday. I got up at 5:30. I was afraid for a while it would rain. We got started all right. We fished by the bridge and below until after the 10 o'clock train passed. (The train returning to Eureka Springs from Seligman.) Then we went over to the rocks below the track the other side of Beaver.

Charles caught one fish, a fine bass, and the rest caught nothing. The water was too clear and it's too late in the season. We had a good time, anyway.

Pa fished up the river after dinner. He said he would call me to come help him if

he caught a fish. He went out of sight, so I started up the river until I got sight of him. I stopped at a place where some small rocks led the way to a large one. (These were the rocks between the track and the river at the Cut.) I reached the last of the small rocks. I stood there wondering if I could climb up on the big one. Pa was watching me. He said I'd better not go out on the large rock. The rock where I stood came up to a point and was slippery. It commenced to rain. I asked Pa the time. It was twenty minutes of 2.

I was standing there doing nothing when I felt a peculiar sensation. I saw the rocks along the water's edge were about on a level with my eyes. The first clear idea I had I was up to my armpits in the water, with my feet on the bottom. I tried to wade out and found I was fastened, so I called, “Pa! Pa!”

“Yes, I'm coming. Hang on,” he called to me, and then I heard a splash and thought he was swimming to me, but the next second I heard him running through the brush.

About this time I perceived I wasn't



drowning, so I called that I was all right. I unfastened my skirt from a snag and climbed out. I handed my father my pole just as he came up.

He was more frightened than I and shook worse. He thought I was more hurt than scared, for it was a rough place where I fell. But I was not hurt and not much scared. The water was so clear that it didn't look deep. Pa sent me straight up to Mrs. Beaver's. I was wet to the skin and dripping, the only articles on me that were not wet were my collar and breast pin. My hair was dry.

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wildlife,” Stowe said. “Pigs are incredibly destructive to wildlife. All around, they make large pathways devoid of vegetation. They are voracious. They put on weight at an incredible speed. They are quite powerful and absolutely destructive. It puts a tremendous strain on the forest.”

It is believed that hogs were introduced to the wild in the U.S. by hunters who wanted something to shoot in the off-season. But Stowe said the consequence is pretty tragic for those concerned about the forest, wildlife, water quality and gardens.

The Texas Department of Agriculture has estimated 70 to 85 percent of feral hogs must be removed from the land each year just to maintain the status quo. Stowe said that is a daunting task when you consider the wealth of woodlands, valleys and creekbeds in this area. There have been reports of more than a couple thousand feral hogs in the Lake Leatherwood watershed.

Stowe has gone to the Carroll Count

Quorum Court asking the county to take steps to address the problem, arguing that it is a countywide problem that will only grow worse unless some action is taken.

Feral hogs can be dangerous in more than one way.

“I don't go out in the morning without a shovel,” Stowe said. “The boars have large tusks and can rip your leg open. If you come between a sow and her piglets, the sows can become violent and extremely dangerous. They are relatively intelligent animals and generally will avoid contact with human beings and will try to get away. But if they are cornered or feel their piglets are in danger, they will stand and fight.”

They also carry a tremendous number of diseases and have to be handled and cooked with extreme care.

Hogs and other domesticated animals brought to the U.S. devastated natives. It was estimated there were 10 million natives in the U.S. when European explorers arrived in the 15th century. That number had fallen to fewer than 300,000 by 1900, according

to the organization United to End the Genocide. The group said natives were not immune to pathogens spread by domesticated cows, pigs, sheep, goats, and horses and, as a result, millions were killed by measles, influenza, whooping cough, diphtheria, typhus, bubonic plague, cholera and scarlet fever.

“The whole feral hog thing is fascinating,” Stowe said. “Pigs were instrumental in the death of millions of natives when introduced by Spaniards in Florida. There were cultures all across Arkansas and elsewhere in the U.S. that were gone by the time the settlers came here.”

For people who love to eat pork, Stowe thinks it is much better to eat feral pigs than buying from a pig factory in the Buffalo River watershed.

Hogs produce ten times as much fecal waste as humans. So their waste is also a potential problem in the wild affecting water quality. There is also erosion runoff from areas where they have been rooting.

Stowe said even though their trapping program has had a positive impact in a

small area near their home, it is only a matter of time before more pigs can be expected to come back. They plan to keep the trap ready and catch some more.

Neighboring states are having the same issues with feral pigs.

“They are a tremendous problem in Missouri,” Stowe said. “As many as 50 pigs at a time have been seen in Butler Hollow. Lake Leatherwood Park was trapping pigs a couple years ago, but that program was abandoned. If you go out to Lake Leatherwood, they have been extremely destructive in areas like around the beaver pond. I've heard of people being chased on the Leatherwood Trail. They are a problem. They need to be addressed. And it is problem that is bigger than individual landowners can handle.”

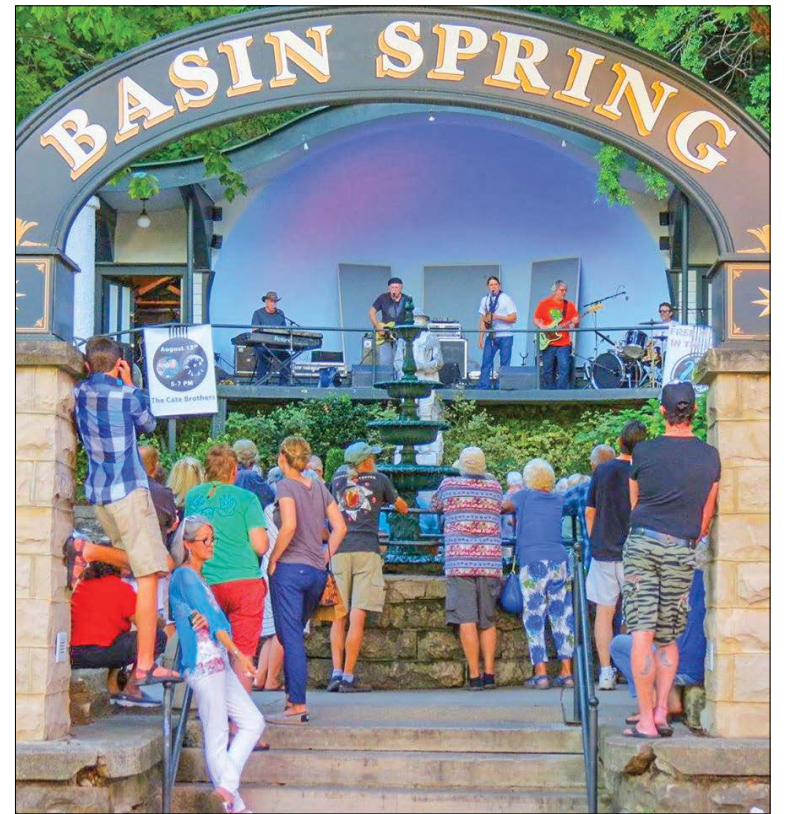
While most pigs only get to a couple hundred pounds, there are records of some growing to 800-900 pounds. Stowe said the Russian boars that the pigs are descended from were bred to grow at a fast pace.

“These were bred to grow and reproduce at a tremendous rate,” he said.



Dancing in the park – The Cate Brothers played for a huge crowd on Saturday for Second Saturday Music in the Park. Many in the crowd just had to get up and dance to the band's energetic sound.

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INDEPENDENTArt

Upcoming ESSA workshops (essa-art.org)

From the Outside In: Hinged Small Metal Containers w/ Kaitlyn Evans

August 29 – September 2: The workshop focuses on the preparation and process of fabricating small, hinged containers. There will be exploration of the mechanisms of hinged containers like boxes and lockets while honing your skills in measuring, fitting, and soldering small components. Intermediate jewelry skills recommended.

Amateur to Professional: Playing with Acrylic Mediums and Textures w/ Wendi La Fey

September 12 – 16: Learn about canvas texture and using a variety of mediums for surface preparation. Students will work with heavy gels to create an impasto effect, pumice gel to obtain grainy quality and sand-able hard gesso that can be made smooth or can be used to retain brush strokes. These techniques will allow items to be collaged into the painting for a multi media layered effect.



Owner/artist Rigdon Irvin hosted The Bird Cage's 1st anniversary with wine, champagne, snacks and cake. Many of his artists were on hand to meet and greet guests, and Catherine Reed entertained. PHOTO BY JAY VRECENAK

Leo Wears a Lion's Skin

Each of the 12 Labors (zodiacal signs & Gates) of Hercules is a story about the Soul and the personality. Each sign describes a different relationship between the two. In Cancer, the personality ("dark light of matter") awaited the light of the Soul. In Leo, the Soul appears and must learn to overcome the strong personality (wild lion laying devastation to the land).

Leo is the 5th gate, labor and task for Hercules. He is to overcome the Nemean Lion (personality). The people are afraid. Hercules is courageous, strong and brave –

Leo's qualities. There are two lions in the story. One is the kingly lion, Hercules himself (the Soul). The other is the animal lion (the personality). The animal lion (uncontrolled personality) is "destroying the countryside" (life of the human).

And so Hercules goes on his way, passing through Gate 5, alone and unafraid. Eventually he hears the "Lion's roar in all the land, especially in the evening air." And comes upon a cave and entering it, faces the fierce lion whose breath is fiery hot. Hercules grasps the lion by the throat until all the lion's roars of hate subside.

And Hercules overcomes the lion with his great courage, strength and act of will.

And the great Teacher, looking on, said to Hercules, "The lion is dead, Hercules, but lions and serpents must be slain again and again. You have done well. Rest now. For Gates 6 (Virgo) opens soon." In Labor Six (Virgo), Hercules steps upon the shores of a great sea where no men were found. Only a Queen and her Temple Virgins. Hercules wears a lion's skin. It informs the Teachers he is ready for testing and training. The Sun enters Virgo Monday.

ARIES: You may struggle mentally to maintain equilibrium between desires and what is actually possible. It's good to study the subject of sacrifice – the 1st Law of the Soul. At the center of sacrifice is Love. Paradox. Love and sacrifice both come from the heart. We're on Earth because we sacrificed to be here. You may feel that you've become a fiery warrior. Spiritual warriors always win.

TAURUS: You assess all relationships in terms of value. You must also assess what you value and the values you offer others. Often you sense there is more you can give. Always you begin with intentions for Goodwill, which creates Right Relations. You offer the goodness of yourself in relationships. You know love isn't a feeling.

GEMINI: Tend to all things great, small and necessary in daily life. Observe all habits, agendas, and how you serve your world. We evolve step-by-step, beginning with tending to our physical, then emotional, then mental bodies. Then we progress to the Soul. Each day "brood, as a Soul, upon the service for the coming day." Emotions are then calmed. The full moon shines on you.

CANCER: You reassess goals and aspirations the next two months. Earth (soil, trees, plants) is very important for your well-being. Make sure you're out and about in the Sun and nature – the most balanced kingdom. Its radiations strengthen your heart and mind, refocus your enthusiasm ("filled with God"), allowing calm practicality to emerge. Where is your garden and are the devas your companions?

LEO: Ponder upon how you want to be seen, known and recognized in the world. Consider your identity as one who is helping to build the new culture and civilization. Leos are to nurture the new era at its foundational stages because Leos are leaders. Begin to share with everyone your thoughts, ideas, resources and discoveries. Cultivate all creative gifts. Leo's talents must move from self to the community called humanity.

VIRGO: You're coming into a new self-identity. It is filled with thoughts of goodness. It's important to tend to the home. Its value is now and in the future. A certain set of teachings holds possibilities for greater Love & Wisdom. This study allows you to enter into the life stream of humanity through understanding of the mysteries. Uranus asks if you're studying astrology seriously yet?

LIBRA: It's a spiritual practice, especially in Leo, to realize one is valuable. Is this consideration difficult? If so make lists of all your gifts, abilities, talents, kindnesses, good deeds, thoughts, ideas and plans and givings. There you find value. Place the lists on your walls, reading them each day. This knowledge balances you. It's the beginning of your self-identity as a Goodwill server for humanity.

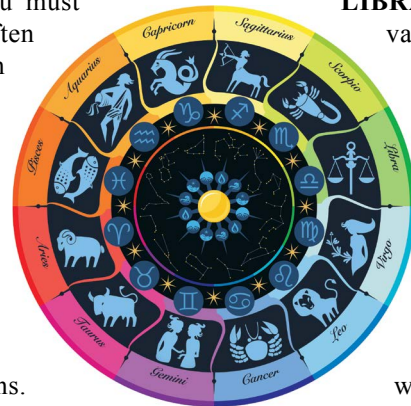
SCORPIO: Things, stars, people sometimes go into hiding – especially you. Or you find someone else hiding away and make their acquaintance. There's actually someone in your life very valuable to you. They're knowledgeable and have the skills needed for your next creative stages. They are concerned with humanity's future. Call forth all your resources, using them to help others. Then you begin to come out of hiding.

SAGITTARIUS: Life becomes subtler, slightly different, feelings of compassion awaken. Tend to debts and then give (tithe) to charity. Example of giving to those in need: St. Jude's Hospital; Doctors Without Borders; UNESCO; Red Cross, Heifer Project. These are difficult financial times. The spiritual law is what we give is returned ten-fold. When we give to others our life is cared for. You need care.

CAPRICORN: Things seem transformative at times, restricted other times. Then joy comes from the garden through the door. Along with these "moods" a new identity is occurring. This identity is your new self. The river of life is gliding you downstream into new territories. Each day you help bring forth the new culture and civilization. What interests you about this? What do you think is your part?

AQUARIUS: You see the need for nourishment of self and others. One source of nourishment is financial security in terms of home and land. Visualize a home on vast amounts of land. Include a workspace for the arts, cottages, gardens, trees, ponds, communal kitchen. See friends and loved ones close by, Work daily on this through visualization. Draw and paint it. Talk about it. These are the first anchorings of your dream.

PISCES: A return to a previous, perhaps put-aside creative work allows you to reaffirm its importance in your life. There's a renewed fire in the mind, calling you to two things. Laughter with a sense of play, much missed in your life since childhood. And a new level of creative work reflecting who you are now and are becoming. All parts of you yearn toward a close spiritual community. It will appear in its right timing. In paradise.



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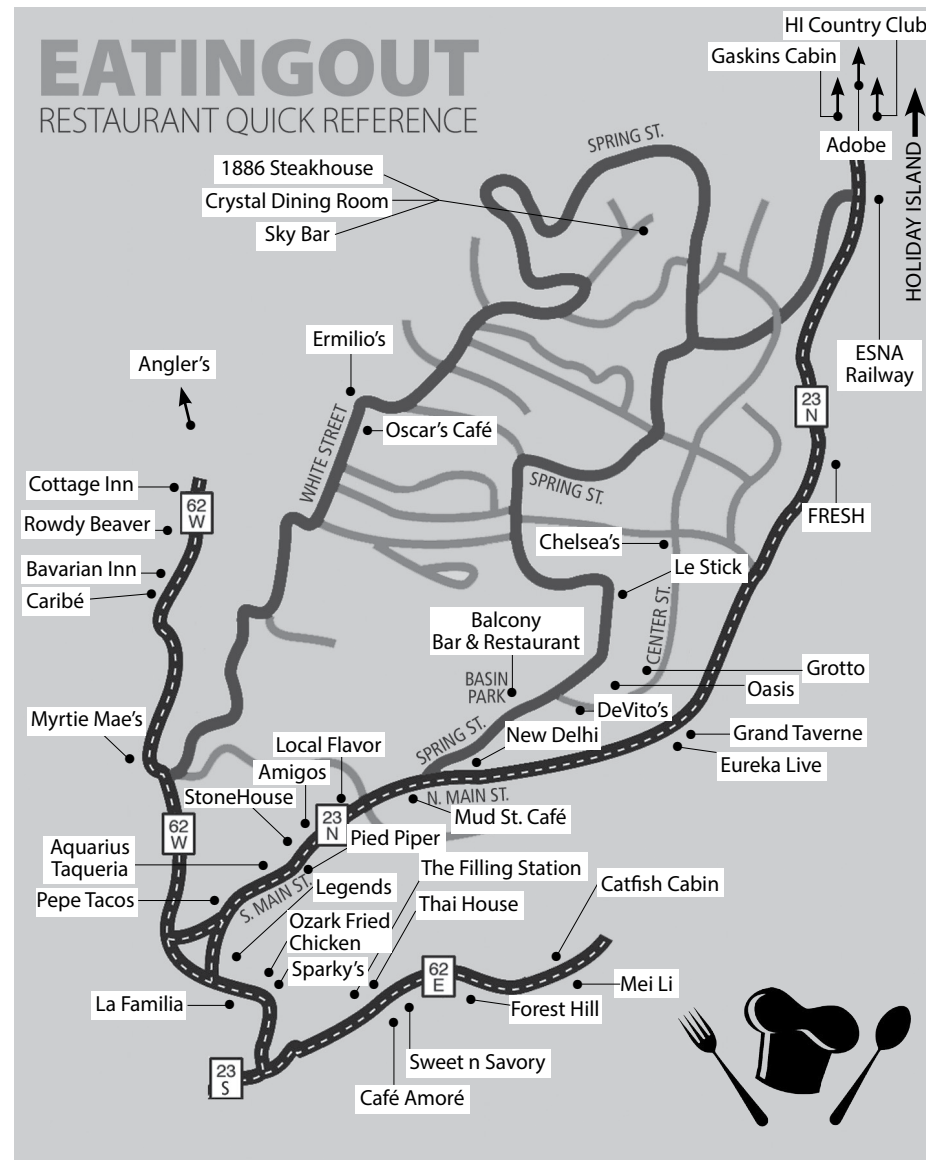
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Vote like you mean it

Editor,

Was America greater when people could own other people, blacks couldn't vote, women couldn't vote, gays had to hide? Should we return to the time of corporate monopolies, separate but equal, sexual inequality, no wind or solar farms, and leaded gasoline?

Let's not, let's keep working toward greatness. We have survived national and local administrations that have tried to slow or even reverse our progress as a nation, and I hope we could survive it again.

Let's not find out, let's send a message (an overwhelming message) to the world that we are part of it, a very important part, a part of the world that has been incredibly fortunate and a part of the world that takes in those who need to be taken in, a part of the world that leads by example. The best way to end the mean spirited, nationalistic fear and hate

mongers is to show them decisively with our votes that this is wrong, un-American and un-Christian.

If you care about the planet, if you care about the people on the planet, if you want to have even a chance at slowing man's role in climate change, if you care about equal pay for equal work, if you think the upcoming elections are important, please vote for Hillary Clinton and the Democratic candidates in your local elections. This is no time to waste your vote. You can verify your voter registration in any county on-line at headcount.org or call (870) 423-2022 for Carroll County.

Mark Eastburn
Registered Independent

Tech training thriving

Editor,

Just to keep you updated on our training progress with some of the less adoptable doggies at the Good Shepherd,

they are learning *calm* behaviors with their Dog Techs, which is greatly improving the morale of both dogs and people!

Polo has learned not to jump out of the kennel when the door is opened, but to be calm and wait for the tech. We are working hard and these previously hard to adopt doggies are going to be the star of the household for their future parents!

Troy Johnson

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were under promoted.

Finance Director Rick Bright said the standard cost for renting the Auditorium is \$3000 or ten percent of ticket sales, whichever is higher. Commissioner Damon Henke advised Kolb to return to them after he has found sponsors and maybe the commission could negotiate a different arrangement.

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Machine revs up Brews Friday, Mudhawk hovers at Cathouse

Portland, Oregon, based Machine brings their piano and drums duo to Brews on Friday. “A celebration of heartbreak... inspired by soul, punk, and disco.” Celebration of heartbreak? Ouch. Their songs make you *feel* the dance and then you’re on the floor celebrating with them.

Mudhawk from Fayetteville have been playing Arkansas roots’ music for years and have honed their sound like a soaring bird of prey deftly diving at full speed when it counts. They play at Cathouse Friday afternoon and Rowdy Beaver Den that evening.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18
BALCONY RESTAURANT –
Catherine Reed, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.
CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Grass Fed*, Bluegrass, 6 – 9 p.m.
EUREKA LIVE! – *Green Screen*

Karaoke, 9 p.m.
GRAND TAVERNE – *Jerry Yester*, Singer/Songwriter, 6:30 p.m.
LEGENDS SALOON – *Another Turn*, Rock, 8 p.m.
FRIDAY, AUGUST 19
BALCONY RESTAURANT – *Steve*

Jones, Singer/Songwriter, 12 and 6 p.m.
BREWS – *Machine*, Soul/Punk/Disco Duo, 7 – 10 p.m.
CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Mudhawk*, Arkansas Rock, 2 – 5 p.m., *Voxana*, Country/Soul, 6 – 9 p.m.
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LEGENDS SALOON – *DJ Karaoke with Stan*, 8 p.m.

NEW DELHI – *Dusty Pearls*, Americana, 6 – 10 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER – *2 Dog 2 Karaoke*, 8 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Mudhawk*, Arkansas Rock, 9 p.m.

STONE HOUSE – *Jerry Yester*, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

BALCONY RESTAURANT – *James White*, Singer/Songwriter, 12 and 6 p.m.

BREWS – *Aaron Smith and Ronnie Long*, Americana, 7 – 10 p.m.

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Cody Woody and the Great American Wolf*, Americana, 2 – 5 p.m., *Roving Gamblers*, 6 – 9 p.m.

CHELSEA'S – *Sad Daddy and Mountain Sprout*, Bluegrass, 9 p.m.

EUREKA LIVE! – *DJ & Dancing*, 9 p.m.

GRAND TAVERNE – *Jerry Yester*, Singer/Songwriter, 6:30 p.m.

LEGENDS SALOON – *JAB the Band*, Rock, 9 p.m.

LE STICK – *Pete Maiella*, Singer/Songwriter, 7 p.m.

NEW DELHI – *Cori Jay*, Singer/Songwriter, 6 – 10 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER – *Moonshine Devils*, Bluegrass, 8 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Richard Burnett Duo*, Arkansas Singer/Songwriter, 1 – 5 p.m., *Outlaw Hippies*, Rock, 9 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21

BALCONY RESTAURANT – *Michael Dimitri*, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m., *Melissa Carper*, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.

BREWS – *Trivia Night*, 7 p.m.

EUREKA LIVE! – *Green Screen Karaoke*, 7 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Tyler Brant*, Folk, 1 – 5 p.m.

MONDAY, AUGUST 22

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

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23

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

CHELSEA'S – *Open Mic*, 9 p.m.

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

A long-time friend invited me and my wife to a sex party. I was surprised to say the least. We're interested but have no idea what to expect. Is it even reasonable to go and if so, what do we need to know?

Assuming you're equally interested in attending and neither of you feels pressured to do so then it's absolutely reasonable. While at a snail's pace, traditional perspectives on sex, marriage and monogamy have evolved. Liberating trends are emerging, providing many couples the opportunity to consider consensual non-monogamy.

Sex parties provide one option for diverse sexual exploration. Recent research even indicates that consensual non-monogamy increases marital happiness while decreasing the risk of infidelity, separation and divorce.

Sexual adventuring is not all fun and games though. OK, I lied. While fun, successful adventuring requires the utmost transparency and trust between partners. Responsibility, self-awareness and empathy are imperative.

So let's get down to the nitty-gritty, or actually the not so gritty. There's no getting your freak on with your funk on. Cleanliness aside, safe sex is rule number one. Condoms on the male always a must and changing said item between partners also a must. Many parties require the use of dental dams and sanitary gloves as well.

What to bring? Said protective items, your preferred lubricant, favorite adult novelty, your very best sexy and perhaps a bottle of

wine or light hors d'oeuvre. Balls typically go over well at these events, meat, cheese or otherwise.

Voyeurism and exhibitionism are a given but there's a definitive line between perv and passive participant. If the curtain's closed don't open it. If it's open, enjoy the show. Enjoying yourself while watching is typically acceptable but if joining the scene is your interest, don't just dive in. Use your words. Always ask before you touch. Manners are a must.

Typically more men attend play parties than women. While single women are revered, single men are always suspect. So gents, be polite and control your salivating and sexual expletives.

Due to this disparity in numbers you're bound to find yourself faced member to member with another male member. If that's not your interest, don't stress. Simply strike up a conversation and get to know your fellow sexual progressive. Whether it's coitus or conversation, a party is always party.

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.



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DEPARTURE

Margie Ann Butera Oct. 3, 1936-Aug. 11, 2016

Margie Ann Butera of Eureka Springs, Arkansas was called to our Lord August 11, 2016. She passed with peace and grace, with her family by her side. She was born on October 3, 1936, to Albert and Bertha Zumstein.

Margie was a unique and caring individual who touched the lives of all who knew her. She knew how to make people laugh and there was never a dull moment when you were in her presence. She will always be remembered as a loving mother and grandmother. Her



greatest joys in life were gardening and being with her family.

She is survived by her children, Edward Corneail and wife, Michele, of Oxford, Mich.; Durinda Pena of Harrison, Ark.; Rondi Grigg and her Jimmy of Harrison, Ark.; sister, Margaret Storey of Lake Orion, Mich.; 11 grandchildren, and 25 great-grandchildren and a

host of other family, friends and loved ones.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Albert and Bertha Zumstein; three sisters, Mildred Peck, Dorothy Walker, and Charlene Covington, and her infant son.

A private celebration of life will be held at a later date for family and friends. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Hospice of the Hills at 501 East Sherman Ave. Harrison, AR 72601.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. and online condolences may be sent to family at nelsonfuneral.com. © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2016

Studying the Wizard of Oz at Metafizzies

The August 22 meeting of the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society will feature a discussion on the metaphysical implications of the Wizard of Oz, which will be led by Stephen Foster. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

Stand up and make everyone's sides hurt

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such as Public Works, is paid to do the work.

Hull reminded everyone sustained maintenance is part of the discussion as well. The tunnel requires consistent inspection and repair. He urged the city not to wait for an emergency because the tunnel is not a one-time fix.

"It's about the money. There is not enough of a tax base," Purkepile stated.

"We can be taxed only so much," Lujan added.

Berry commented the meeting had been about gauging interest, which Hull described as part of defining the district.

Fall soccer season coming soon

Sign-up dates for the fall soccer season will be at the Eureka Springs Middle-School cafeteria with teams in the U6, U8, U10, U12, and U14/15 age groups. Sign up dates:

Wednesday, August 24 from 3:15 – 5:15 p.m.

Saturday, August 27 from 9 – 11:20 a.m.

Wednesday, August 31 from 3:15 – 5:15 p.m.

Saturday, September 3 from 9 – 11:30 a.m.

Registration forms will be available from local schools. First practice and ongoing sign-up registration for all teams will be Wednesday, September 7 at Leatherwood Soccer Fields. Check the club website at www.eteamz.com/eurekasoccer for more information.



Here’s what you call a fishing hole. I was told more than 20 years ago if you come down under this bridge and throw a cast net or get minnows from a trap, to tie on a hook with a little split shot above. Cast it out there to the left into the mouth of the Osage and before it hits bottom you got you a smallmouth on.

We go by it all the time heading into Berryville. Sometimes this is what it’s about. Very peaceful here – and me without a pole. Oh well, I’ll be back on Beaver Lake Tuesday evening before this report comes out. Hitting the water at 6 p.m. and going for another striper night bite. Then we’re going to Holiday Island to try for some walleye, bass and crappie.

This last week was a little slow for us. Had an outing at Holiday Island and another on Beaver Lake but both were with that N/E wind. I do believe the old saying is true: Wind from the north don’t go forth, wind from the east fish bite the least, wind from the south puts the bait in their mouth, and wind from the west, fish bite the best. It is true.

Both lakes got pretty warm the last two weeks pushing close to 90° but the

cooler days since has already dropped water about about 5 degrees, so bait are back getting active. Most stripers are being caught on spoons and live shad down in that 30 – 40 foot water and seem to like hanging around the water running from 38 – 80 deep.

Points, flats, humps and the big creek mouths are where to look, from the dam to Rocky Branch Park.

Here at Holiday Island our deepest water runs closer to 30 ft. deep so look for most warm water fish to be hanging around between 12 and 18 ft. deep. Big minnows and worms are both good baits in the warmer months. Whatever you’ve got that can wiggle on a hook should work.

Big and small jigs tipped or not are also good baits worked slow off the bottom.

Well, I’d better head home now. Seeing a few gar in the shallows here. Might have to just come back again soon with a pole to have some fun with the hard or get me some smallmouth for my dinner. Hang on to that sunscreen for it is still summer, but the fish and me sure do like this cooler weather.

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

CONSTABLES continued from page 10

emergency assistance locked in a vehicle. Animal Control and a constable responded. They found the dog free from stress. They spoke with the owner and the dog was fine. 4:36 p.m. – Father told ESPD his son, who was schizophrenic and off his meds, had taken his vehicle. Constable determined the event occurred outside city limits, so the father called CCSO. Constables on patrol watched for the vehicle inside the city. 5:48 p.m. – Apartment resident told ESPD he again had to tell the same indigent

individual to get off the balcony of the building. The trespasser became belligerent in the confrontation. Constables watched around town for the intruder.

7:25 p.m. – Staff at the cemetery reported the same vehicle that had come and gone a few times earlier was back again. Constable drove through the cemetery but did not see the suspect vehicle.

AUGUST 15

12:58 a.m. – CCSO asked for assistance searching woods off a county road for one or possibly two trespassers behind a residence. Constables searched the area but did not find anyone.

INDEPENDENT**Crossword**

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

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ACROSS

1. Douro Valley wine

5. Perry Mason’s concerns

10. Shakespeare’s river

14. Baltic feeder

15. South American ruminant

16. City in NW Ohio

17. Controller

19. Hodgepodge

20. Approved procedure

21. Post teens

23. Tentative, quiet

24. Nematocyst

25. One who rents space

29. “A ____ off the old block”

30. Anger

33. Rose oil

34. Several mineral samples

35. Indigo plant or its dye

36. Noah’s oldest son

37. Muscle tic

38. Small lake

39. Scorch

40. Clue

39. Put into action again

42. Valuable mineral

43. Desert mound

44. “The ____ of two evils”
45. Speak with passion

47. British afternoon social

48. Rely

50. Survivor of Nebuchadnezzar’s furnace

55. Feeling of comfort

56. Apparent, but not necessarily so

58. Sheer malice

59. In what direction

60. Uncontrollable slide (var.)

61. Military chow hall

62. More recent

63. Boat bottom
11. Wicked, as behavior

12. Exclude

13. Temple sanctuary

18. Impersonator

22. Quick swim

24. Pirate’s storage device

25. Lariat

26. Old-fashioned medical knockout

27. Ability to perceive depth

28. Equivalent

29. Heavy lifter

31. Wash off quickly

32. Born earlier

34. Offer one’s thoughts

35. Tarzan’s buddies

37. Take out of production

41. Understands intuitively

43. Degree of expertise in karate and judo

44. Trimmer

46. Films cylinders

47. Location over yonder

48. Believe

49. Edge of a roof

50. Fret for a long time

51. Danger, peril

52. Possesses potential

53. Hint

54. Command to a dog

57. That woman

DOWN

1. Excessive ceremony

2. Scent

3. Nevada gambling city

4. Loping pace

5. Bell-shaped glass cover

6. Blend of two or more metals

7. Fabric wind catcher

8. Printing measures

9. Diabolical practice

10. Audible

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LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, ARKANSAS EASTERN DISTRICT PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
EDNA EVANS, Deceased
NO. 08W-PR 2016 - 48

Name of decedent: Edna Evans

Last known address: 2500 Windhaven
Pkwy, Lewisville, TX 75056

Date of death: October 2, 2014

On August 8, 2016, an affidavit for collection of small estate by distributee was filed with respect to the estate of Edna Evans, deceased, with the probate clerk of the circuit court of Carroll County, Arkansas, under Ark. Code Ann. § 28-41-101.

All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them, properly verified, to the distributee or his or her attorney within three (3) 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.

The name, mailing address, and telephone number of the distributee or the distributee's attorney is: Kristine B. Kendrick, Attorney at Law, 105A W. Van Buren, Eureka Springs, AR 72632.

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MISSING DOG

MISSING



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white colored with brown
patches. She limps and drags
her front leg.**

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HKP – No correspondence. Not feeling the love.

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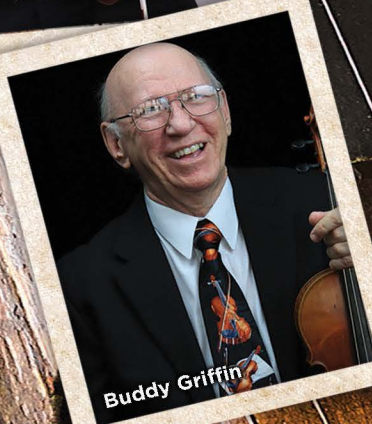
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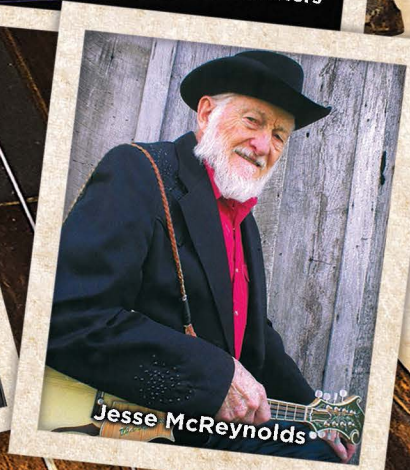
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