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This Week's INDEPENDENT Thinker

Judge Jim Gray is the vicepresidential candidate for the Libertarian Party in the 2012

presidential election.

G r a y 's experience as a Navy JAG, Peace Corps volunteer and superior court



judge convinced him to spend time persuading Americans that our government should financially responsible be and socially tolerant. He encourages civic leaders and corporations to explore regulating and taxing marijuana. He introduced a Peer Court System where juvenile defendants travel to a school outside their district to be tried by other teenagers. He wants to abolish the death penalty.

He was not invited to debate Obama and Romney, but he will speak in Eureka Springs on Oct. 19 at the New Delhi.

Tell it to the judge – Eureka Springs School District had its day before the Arkansas Supreme Court Thursday, Oct. 4. Attorneys on both sides argued the conflict between the statute which says, "Money will be returned to district from which it came," and the state's duty to the assure all students get an equal education. From left to right, Eugene Sayer, attorney representing **Eureka Springs** and Fountain Lake

> School Districts, Curtis Turner, Eureka Springs superintendent;

Darrin Beckwith, Fountain Lake superintendent and Bob McClesky, Fountain Lake School Board president.

Candidates pitch for positions

NICKY BOYETTE

Candidates running in city, county and state elections were on stage at the Auditorium Tuesday night for a forum sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. At least 50 people listened to candidates for state representative, county judge, sheriff, circuit clerk and Eureka Springs city council.

Moderator Larry Hestand of KESA radio explained rules of the forum and introduced candidates. Speakers were given three minutes to summarize their views and qualifications, and Hestand then asked a different prepared question of the nine aldermen candidates seated at a table on stage, starting at one end and proceeding to the other end three times. Each candidate had one minute to answer.

Candidates for District 97 Arkansas House of Representatives

Robert "Bob" Ballinger, Republican

Attended University of Arkansas law school; was attorney for a title company; taught public school; has a law firm in Berryville; married with five children.

Ballinger said individuals make all the difference and citizens should

allow the experts to succeed without the government being a hindrance. "There is not an evil intent, but it is wrong to think big government helps," he said, adding that Obamacare is big government, unsustainable, and it might be acceptable in California or New York, but we should work against implementing it in Arkansas.

Robert "Butch" Berry, Democrat

Berry said his family has been in Carroll County for four generations; he studied architecture at the University of Arkansas; and his wife, Lynn, is director **CANDIDATES FORUM** continued on page 20



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HDC is in and out

NICKY BOYETTE

It was almost a record short meeting for the Historic District Commission October 3. They gave due diligence to the only two items of new business and were adjourned in around twenty minutes.

These two items were approved unanimously:

• 190 N. Main – new retaining wall; free-standing deck

• 145 Mill Hollow Road – rebuild walkways; new retaining wall; new bridge.

The following two items on the Consent Agenda were approved unanimously:

• 178A W. Van Buren – new sign

• 512 Village Circle – new sign.

Consent Agenda items are Level I applications that the City Preservation Officer Glenna Booth believes to be in accordance with the design guidelines.

These three administrative

approvals were presented by Chair De Bright:

• 159 N. Main – replace north door with same as existing

• 19 East Mountain - re-roof, new color

• 11 Cliff-repair retaining wall cracks.

Administrative Approvals are applications for repair or for work involving no changes in materials or

approvals were presented by Chair Dee color or for changes in roofing color.

The commission had a workshop before the meeting to discuss revising their guidelines on retaining walls, and they will continue the discussion at another workshop, time and date to be determined.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, October 17, at 6 p.m.

Pie contest, cooking demo at Farmers' Market

Get ready to enter your best pie or pies on Tuesday, Oct. 18, in the Farmers' Market's annual Fall Pie Contest. Sweet or Savory categories – all are welcome. There is no entry fee and three winners will each receive a great prize.

Come back on Oct. 23 when the Market proudly welcomes journalist and chef, Kim O'Donnel, who will demonstrate a delightful dish from her new book, *The Meat Lover's Meatless Celebrations*, scheduled to be released this month.

For more than a decade, journalist and chef O'Donnel has dispensed cooking advice at numerous publications, including *The Washington Post, Culinate* and *USA Today*. Her first book, *The Meat Lover's Meatless Cookbook*, was published in 2010.

Kim is a member of the International Association for Culinary Professionals and sits on the James Beard Journalism Awards committee. Come join Kim for a wonderful demo and book signing.

As always, there's free coffee in the gathering place. Regular hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7 a.m. – noon in the Pine Mountain Village parking lot.





No rest for the wicket – Ex-Eurekan Dan Campbell (I) and Dan Bennett are still friends despite the 20 – 7 drubbing Bennett handed Campbell at the Mini-Lobster Croquet Bash last week in Ellsworth, Maine. Bennett won 2nd place overall honors, thus avoiding trying to get the coveted "Red Rover" Trophy through airport security.

Photo by Moose Farnsworth

Jumping Pillow
Zip Line
KY3 Designed Maze
Corn Cannons

Cow Train
Free Play Areas

Pumpkin Cannon

- Swings
- Corn Pit



Candidates for sheriff have their say

running for Carroll County sheriff, Democrat Jason Hunt and incumbent Republican Bob Grudek.

Sheriff Bob Grudek

What is your background that qualifies you to be sheriff?

"I have thirty-five years in law enforcement,

twenty-three with the law enforcement arm of the Postal Service. It was like the FBI of the Postal Service, and handles crimes such as the Unabomber case and the anthrax powder in the mail cases. During this time I worked in Los Angeles, San Diego, Philadelphia and Washington, D.C. Also investigated credit card fraud



GRUDEK

for a large bank for five years. Have a Master's Degree in physics and a B.A. in math. Retired to

The Independent interviewed the two candidates this area, but thought I could be of service as sheriff, could make expectations clear." and I've been elected to three terms."

What are the duties of the sheriff, or what do you do during the week?

"People don't realize that although it is a small office, the sheriff is responsible for dispatch, the jail and the deputies and each has a separate budget. Now I have a staff of sixty-four. So I watch the budgets, do the disciplining when needed, manage the staff, and take seriously the charge of generating revenue for the county. I have regular staff meetings with investigators, and when I can I go out with the deputies, on the scene, participate. I also submit quarterly reports to the Quorum Court."

What is your management style?

"Most of my career I was in management, and I received much training for higher level administration. I've learned that everybody is different, and my job is to learn what motivates people. I implemented evaluations here so I could let staff know where they stood and so I

Talk about the jail.

"The jail can accommodate a hundred and ten inmates, and we are running around fifty. Five years ago, we decided to house prisoners from other counties who needed a place to go either before going to prison or instead of going to prison. We have generated around \$1.5 million in five years for the county with this program. People don't like staying in my jail, and we make money on their bonding out, also. Four years ago we began a warrant detail, and two deputies spend some of their time serving warrants to folks who owe fines to the county, so we also generate money this way."

What is the primary issue facing Carroll County *sheriff's department today?*

"The biggest problem is the term for sheriff is just two years. You look at the long list of who has had the job and there is not much continuity. A new person comes in with different priorities and SHERIFF CANDIDATES continued on page 27



Arkansas

Drug abuse crosses age barriers

NICKY BOYETTE

When we hear the term "drug abuse," we typically envision young people partying hardy way too often. However, according to AgingCare. com, "one quarter of the prescription drugs sold in the United States are used by the elderly," and it is estimated one in six people 60 and over indulge in overindulgence, or non-medical use of prescription drugs.

As we age we encounter sleep problems, newfound pains from arthritis or falls, anxieties and mood swings. Therefore, it is logical that older folks are more likely to get prescriptions for painkillers and psychoactive medications with the potential for abuse.

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration (SAMHSA) states prescription medication abuse among older adults is a growing problem. Their research estimates non-medical use of prescriptions will double among older adults during the first 20 years of this century, increasing to 2.7 million.

For one reason, baby boomers are entering seniorhood. Many boomers experienced a time growing up when there was an easy acceptance of illegal drugs, so not only do they have a different mindset but there is a vastly different set of prescription meds available. SAMHSA reported "from 2004 to 2008, there was a 121 percent increase in ER visits involving prescription medication misuses by older Americans."

"Addiction is a genetic trait," anesthesiologist and pain management specialist Dr. Marvin Tark said. "Prescription drug addiction is no different from alcoholism or addictions to any other substance." He said it is easier for an older person to get a prescription for Percocet,



for example, and if 15 percent of the population has a propensity for addiction, the same applies to seniors.

For the most part, prescription meds ameliorate significant problems for older people by soothing chronic pain, lowering blood pressure and easing mood swings for those left lonely by the passing of loved ones and friends. One in four older adults have prescriptions for psychoactive medications, according to SAMHSA.

A typical situation would be an elderly woman living alone who gets a prescription for Percocet to ease her significant joint pain. She might follow the dosage until she develops a tolerance and her pains trump the dosage, so she increases it. Since she is afraid her doctor will stop the prescription because she upped her dosage, she goes to another doctor. Or two. She goes to different pharmacies so no one will know. At some point, she begins taking the drug for non-medical reasons and becomes addicted.

A British source, UK PubMed Central, states 11 percent of women over 60 misuse prescription meds. SAMHSA attributes this to either misunderstanding the dosage or to being a widow, having low income or health problems, or being generally anxious and depressed. A common ameliorative measure is to prescribe psychoactive medications, like something from the benzodiazepine group, such as Valium or Ativan. Besides the possibility of dependence, these medications are associated with confusion and falls, which mean the chance for hip, knee or elbow injuries. When benzos are combined with other drugs or alcohol, the mixture could be fatal.

SAMHSA defines misuse as

- · increasing the dose amount
- continuing the medication
- longer than prescribed

• non-medical use of the medication

• combining the medication with other medications or alcohol

• skipping doses to save them for later;

And abuse as

• continuing even when the effects cause declining physical or social skills

• putting oneself at risk (driving under the influence, for example)

There are alternatives to pain meds. The Harvard Medical School tells us there is a large arsenal of drug-free pain-relief therapies and techniques, including biofeedback, acupuncture, psychotherapy, chiropractic therapy, physical therapy and appropriate use of heat or ice.

There is a plethora of methods for addressing anxieties, both cognitive and behavioral, which do not include pharmaceuticals and which a person can do at home without a professional. Npad.com is just one site offering a long list of suggestions. The Agency on Aging has several programs designed to promote self-management of health issues among seniors.

Gayle Voiles, director of education for Eureka Springs Hospital, can offer suggestions and more information. She can be reached at gayle.voiles@ eurekaspringshospital.com.

Bonds Family benefit Oct. 15

There will be a benefit Frito Pie Dinner followed by a silent auction for the family of Eureka Springs teacher, Mike Bonds, who drowned this summer in Beaver Lake.

Dinner and auction will be held on Monday, Oct. 15, at the Faith Christian Family Church on Hwy. 23S. Cost for dinner, which begins at 5:30 p.m., is \$8.

The silent auction begins at 7 p.m. Anyone wishing to donate items for the auction or who would like to volunteer for the evening should call BJ (479) 981-0456, Dee 981-0388 or Charity (870) 654-7049.

Romancing the crone: HI author makes birthdays bearable

CD White

Holiday Island author and 12-

year resident, Alice French, 69, didn't start out to write a book when she began having discussions about aging а with few of her senior friends: but now that she



has, it's gotten nothing but five-star reviews on Amazon.

Her book, HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Adjusting to Life's Changes as the Birthdays Keep on Coming is a result of two years of research and discussion plus interviews with women around the country who shared insights on the pluses and minuses of growing old and how to face it gracefully.

"These are things I wish our grandmothers had told us," said one reader of French's book, "and now someone has." Another reviewer commented on Amazon.com, "I read this book in one fell swoop. What held my attention? Learning what's inside the heads of women my age: experiences, attitudes, values, concerns, etc. Sure, their daughters, Alice French's intended audience, would benefit by this knowledge, but so would their significant others. Yes, men."

Alice herself is surprised at how well the book is doing. "People have bought the book as gifts for their mothers and for their daughters, gifts as birthday presents for their over-60 friends, as well as for themselves. Of course, I only hear the nice comments, but those who have read the book have made wonderful comments to me," French told the Independent.

French is not a stranger to the writing process. She did a great deal of academic writing and writing for television, and studied playwriting in graduate school with some plays produced in Texas. She has been a member of the Holiday Island Writers' Guild for ten years and attends the Ozark Writers' conference every year. She is also an enthusiastic member and supporter of the Community Writers Program at the Writers' Colony at Dairy Hollow under the leadership of Alison Taylor-Brown.

Nonetheless, French believed the book wouldn't be accepted by a major publisher and so decided to self publish. "I loved the publishing

Soup Sunday and Kyle Kellams at UUF

The Importance of Local Broadcasting in the Digital Age - with Bluetooth, satellite, cable, web and smart phone apps providing tens of thousands of programming options, does radio still have a voice? Kyle Kellams, News Director of KUAF and well-known producer of Ozarks at Large, says YES! and explains why on Sunday, Oct. 7, at the Universalist Unitarian Fellowship Church, 17 Elk St..

This is also Soup Sunday - soup, bread, juice, wine, coffee, tea and great conversation: \$4 adults, children \$2 and \$10/max per family. Service at 11 a.m. Extra parking in Ermilio's Restaurant lot, 26 White Street. Child care provided. (479) 253-0929.

process," she confessed. "Selfpublishing today is much different than the old vanity publishing of the past. I worked closely with an editor and a team of designers to create a book that I can be proud of. I had complete control. For instance, with the cover design, the design team sent me three versions that I didn't like at all. Finally, I sketched something out that I had in mind and they executed it. I couldn't have done the design without them, but they made sure that I got what I wanted. That same principle applied every step of the way.

"My book may never have been published by a major publisher because I am not famous, it is not about a scandalous subject, and it will not make enough money for a publisher to justify the expense of a major publishing house. Nevertheless, the book is well done and there is an audience for it. Our society is beginning to pay more attention to the aging generation, and we need a voice of our own."

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Adjusting to Life's Changes as the Birthdays Keep on Coming is available on Amazon Books, Kindle Books, Barnes & Noble online and in two local stores, The Book Nook in Eureka Springs and Sew in Heaven at Holiday Island (sold out and reordered this week).

Alice has some local book signings in the works and is available for more. Keep checking the Independent for dates and times.



A little help from our friends:

(Please email your ongoing community service announcements to newsdesk@ eurekaspringsindependent.com) • Food pantry, furniture bank and used book store - Wildflower Chapel Food Pantry is open from 10:30 - Noon on Fridays. The Thrift Store and Used Furniture Bank is open Monday - Friday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Call (479) 363-6408 for more information. For service times and other chapel information, phone 253-5108.

• Free Clothes Closet in Penn Memorial First Baptist Church on Spring Street is open from 1 - 4p.m. on Wednesdays. Call (479) 253-9770 to arrange to bring donations of clean new or used clothing, personal care items, linens, small appliances or dishes in good condition. These will be available to the community free of charge.

• Coffee Break Al-Anon Family Group Women meets Tuesdays at 9:45 a.m. at Faith Christian Family Church, Hwy. 23S. For more info, phone (479) 363-9495.

Meetings at Coffee Pot Club behind Land O' Nod, U.S. 62 and Hwy. 23S

• Alateen group - Sundays from 10:15 - 11:15 a.m. For more information, email alateen1st@ gmx.com or phone (479) 981-9977.

• Overeaters Anonymous Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. For more information, call Barbara at (479) 244-0070.

• Narcotics Anonymous – Fridays at 5:50 p.m. Phone (417) 271-1084 or (479) 244-6863 for more info.

• Al-Anon Family Group (AFG) - Sundays at 11:30 a.m., Mondays and Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

Bikes in bloom

NICKY BOYETTE

All the motorcycles in the world might have been in Eureka Springs over the Bikes, Blues & Barbecue weekend, but according to Police Chief Earl Hyatt, "it was a peaceful weekend." He said there were noise complaints that usually dissipated as soon as the motorcycles revved to a start and drove away down the road. In fact, Hyatt said there were fewer arrests than on a typical Eureka Springs weekend.

There was one DWI arrest, he said, and it was a local driving a car.



of the City Advertising and Promotion Commission, said they do not have actual results from restaurants and lodging.

PHOTO BY JERRY HINTON

Rick Bright, finance director merchants yet, but "everybody is saying they made a lot of money." The CAPC collects a 3% tax on

Parks pushes tax initiative

Bill Featherstone, Chair of the Parks Commission, spoke at Tuesday night's candidates' forum on behalf of a proposed eighth-cent tax to support implementing the Lake Leatherwood Master Plan for four years. He said the tax would take effect the first of the new year and would go toward repairing the road into the park, repairing the south end of the lake, repurposing the bathhouse, constructing a

maintenance building and ADA-compliant bathrooms, and improving the trails.

Featherstone said Lake Leatherwood Park is overdue for extra attention and improvements there would contribute to the tourism industry. He pointed out that much of the tax money funding the Master Plan would be paid by visitors.

Queen contest date changed - contestants invited to make history

The Ozark Original Folk Festival organizers have changed the date for the Festival Queen contest to Monday, October 29 to fit in with school schedules. The competition is open to all Carroll County Girls between the ages of 15 and 18.

The tradition of crowning a Folk Festival Queen reaches back over a half a century, benefitting our town with the budding talent, character and social graces possessed by the young women who have participated in the Queen contest. Many former contestants have gone on to be valuable members of our business and professional community.

Even more members of our community have been Hedgehoppers - in fact, almost every 3rd grade class since 1947 has square danced on stage at the Auditorium.



Historically, the Folk Festival Queen would represent Eureka Springs at county fairs and events around the state. Original founders of the folk festival. Sam Leath and Otto Rayburn, knew that promoting our Ozark Heritage would be a lasting value to the area. This is still true. Out of the Ozark Folk Festival came the Eureka Springs Historical Museum soon to be honored at Crystal Bridges as one of eight historical museums in Arkansas. In January, Crystal Bridges will recognize us further with an exhibit featuring The Original Ozark Folk Festival.

Carroll County's high schoolage young ladies are invited to come be a part of history. Robin Milam Weinmann, 1994 Folk Festival Queen, has helped start a scholarship fund for this year's Queen with \$500 collected to date. There will also be prizes and awards for the Oueen contestants and their escorts.

For more information or an application for the Queen Contest contact Robin at rubyt2@hotmail. com or call (479) 244-0123.

Visiting author puts the "meat" in meatless

"It's difficult to describe to the outside world the charm

and mystery of Eureka, where things don't always make sense and happen at a slower pace, but that's why I keep coming back to get my fix."

~ Kim O'Donnel

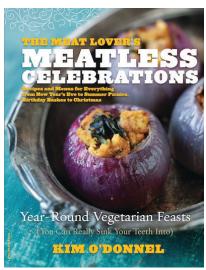
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For more than a decade, journalist and chef Kim O'Donnel has dispensed cooking advice in numerous publications, including The Washington Post, Culinate and USA Today. She was a 2009 Duncan Eat-Write

fellow at The Writers' Colony at Dairy Hollow and fell in love with Eureka Springs. The book she worked on while here, The Meat Lover's Meatless Cookbook, was published in 2010.

In December 2012, O'Donnel came back to the Writers' Colony to work on her second book, The Meat Lover's Meatless Celebrations (to be released Oct. 23). She will be back in town again on Oct. 19 to celebrate with a book signing, cooking demonstrations and other events in the area.

A meat lover herself, O'Donnel created meatless recipes that could be enjoyed by the "Mr./Ms. Sausages" among us without feeling unsatisfied. Citing a history of heart attacks in her own family and the unhealthy amount of U.S. consumption of animal fats, her first book proposed skipping meat at least once a week and using



one of the meatless recipes she developed to satisfy her own "standard of deliciousness." The book was well received by both vegetarians and carnivores.

The new book is all about the holidays, but what's Thanksgiving, Christmas or Easter without the big meat entrée?

According to O'Donnel, "Gone are the days of the lone outcast who opts out of the Thanksgiving turkey or the Christmas goose - we are increasingly dining in mixed-diet company, and the challenge is to figure out how to meet at the table and offer something for everyone. The new book is still vegetarian but the focus has shifted from everyday cooking to festive occasions, holidays,

cooking for a crowd and feasting without the "roast beast."

All the big holidays are covered, along with menus for more impromptu and casual get-togethers - election night, football games, Mardi Gras, Dwali, Halloween, Passover, Cinco de Mayo, kids' events, even food for hosting a canning and preserving party - and this time, there are desserts including an unconventional pie dough that's 50/50 olive oil and butter. The chapters are arranged by season and full of surprises. Expect the (delicious) unexpected.

O'Donnel knows what she's writing about. A graduate of the Institute of Culinary Education and The University of Pennsylvania, she is the founder of Canning Across America, a collective dedicated to the revival of preserving food. She is O'DONNEL continued on page 14



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The Audness of yellow bags Editor:

I would like to respond and offer suggestions to the continuing debate in the City Council as it relates to two subjects: the yellow bag controversy and our own Trojan Horse.

My suggestions:

1. The yellow bags (maybe we should change the color to titty pink). Then the last week of each month the garbage company gives out 4 free bags to each household to be used the next month. One must pick up the bags at the garbage office with proof that they live at that address. If a customer needs more bags then they would have to pay for them at the going price. As many customers are on a fixed income, it would certainly help these folks. By the way, some communities give free bags here in Arkansas.

2. The Auditorium... After watching the calamity, the bitching and the arguing, etc., for the last 33 years it is time to get serious. The City Council needs to hire a professional entertainment company to come in and lease the facility. We do not have anyone that has the expertise to do this. This company would lease the auditorium for a period of time, as negotiated by the City Council. The money from the lease could then be used for repair and rehab to the facility. There should be entertainment every weekend throughout the year. It is a fine old building and it needs to be used. (How about a concert series during the summer!)

Jack Muzio

Smiling with grit

Editor,

The only thing worse than not being told we are officially part of a Biker event until the first day of the event is being told that as locals we should be patient and accept the money with a smile. Even a pimp tells the customer to be courteous and treat the lady with respect.

Mark Hughes

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WEEK'STopTweets

@JustLikeMikee --- Dear October: I'd like hay rides, haunted houses and chocolate.

@cbahn --- Seems worth noting that Arkansas volleyball is 13-3

right now. Razorbacks have won 7 of last 8 matches.

@ltsFunnyLife --- The problem with the world is that the smart people are full of doubts while the stupid ones are full of confidence.

@MensHumor --- After the game, Tony Romo threw his helmet towards the sideline in disgust and that too was intercepted.

@RickMuscles --- Bobby Petrino should dress up like a lady and coach Arkansas like Robin Williams raised his kids in Mrs Doubtfire.

@GilRozon --- So I was reading a list of 100 things you must do before you die....and I was surprised "Yell for help" wasn't one of them.

@TeaPartyCat --- Rick Santorum: "I support Todd Akin. He may not be articulate or understand science, but he believes in theocracy as much as I do."

@aterkel --- TV news covered Paul Ryan's workout 3x



more than record arctic sea ice loss.

@factcheckdotorg --- We found exaggerations and false claims flying thick and fast during the first debate between Obama and Romney.

@TheDailyEdge --- Isn't is great to know Mitt can give everyone a tax break, spent \$2T more on defense and still pay down the debt? Just don't ask how.

@BillCorbett --- Big winner last night: Joe Biden, finally left alone to slide around the oval office RISKY BUSINESS-style in his tighty-whities.

INDEPENDENTEditorial

POTUS and the CEO

Watching the presidential debate last night was like watching the Razorbacks.

We sat sipping coffee this morning letting everyone vent, including one who said he was now going to vote for Mitt, or as David Letterman says, Mitch. Kidding? Because Obama brings home a C in Debate we want to erase his achievements, his connections throughout the world, his accomplishments and his longstanding commitment to making lives of ordinary people more hopeful? The man is a cannon of capability.

There might be a lot of people who thought Obama was handing the presidency to Mitch last night because he didn't behave the way they wanted him to. Even liberal commentators were aghast because it just wasn't they way they would have done it. We vote on perception.

Mitt Mitch has done everything he's supposed to do all his life. He said, "Yezza boss," to his father, church, wife, professors and gaggles of stockholders. He can't really be blamed for leading his life the way he sees fit, but come on. He's a cannon of pious drivel.

Both debaters talked about money as though it is the duct tape we can't live without. Sure it takes money to run a household. Sure it takes money to get an education in order to get a job in order to get money in order to run the household. But money could be gone in a flash. Then what?

Have we as a nation really told these guys what we want? You can bet the Koch brothers have told Mitch Mitt what they want. You can bet the Department of Defense and the Chinese and veterans and oilmen have said what they want.

For Romney to stand up there at a podium and say a single mother in Dayton, a grandma in Denver, a retired fireman in Appleton told him they need help borders on sacrilegious. This man did not care a whoop about any one of these people, ever, in his life. Until last night. Now he is using them, not helping them.

The two guys at the podiums talked facts and figures, called each other liars in oh such polite ways, but neither got to the essence of who we are and what we want. That could rest squarely on our own backpacks.

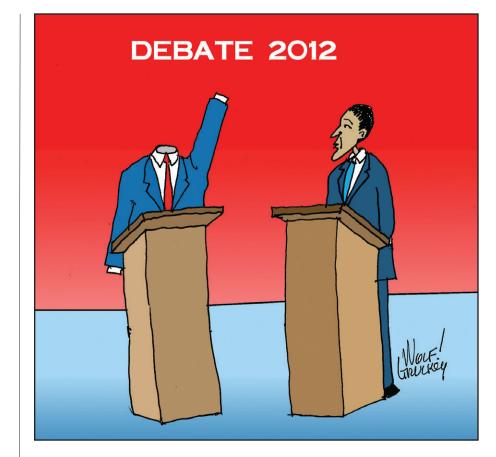
So what is it we want? Peace? We've rarely had it, so why do we assume it would be good? Do we want peace in a way that an enormous military provides it? That isn't peace, that's fear. Do we want jobs? Not so much. We want work, yes. We like to work, we like to be busy doing what we like to do. But jobs aren't the same thing. Jobs might be necessary to provide what we need on a temporary basis, but it's work that makes our hearts pump with love.

If you turned the sound down last night and just watched body language, Mitch Mitt wanted to be there. It was familiar for him to reprimand us for not having jobs, but by golly he'll put us to work destroying nature and pay us a fair wage to do it.

Obama, when the camera was behind him, had one foot up, resting his toes like a kid in school who knew he only had to endure a bit more of the scolding before he could get back to doing what he wanted to do, devoting time to improving life for every single person who calls this country home.

Barack Obama has spent his life in service to his country. He took out the loans to do the student thing so he could work with people, for people, in the streets, in the cities, in the ghettos, in the alleys. He connected because his heart is good, you can tell by looking in his eyes. Instead of repeating the trite old line, "This is the greatest country in the world," Obama goes to work to make certain we are simply the best we can be. It's a commitment that comes from having desire and talent.

And yes, the Hawgs could get thumped, but we are still fans because we know it's the right thing to do.



ThePursuitOfHAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

The Marquis de Sade wrote two pornographic novels during his 13 years in the insane asylum at Charendon. *Justine ou Les Malheurs de la vertu* is about a good girl to whom everything is done. *Histoire de Juliette ou les Prospérités du vice* is about a bad girl who will do anything. Briefly, dialogue in *Juliette* is mostly "Yes! Oh Yes!" and dialogue in *Justine* is mostly "No! Oh No!"

de Sade pretty much nailed how we think about things today, and how we talk about them. Take all these characters on motorcycles (please), for example. If you sell beer and rent beds they are valued customers ("Yes! Oh Yes!"). If you sell anything else, they're cases of arrested development playing dress-up on heavily financed noise machines ("No! Oh No!"). Otherwise, there isn't much disagreement that it's all porno on wheels.

Likewise the controversy over a proposed Public Facilities Board a couple of years ago; the PFB was a planned expansion of water services to outlying areas of the county – the way they do it in functional metropolitan and rural planning districts throughout the rational world. Here, Eureka Springs played *Justine*, the good girl—"No! Oh No!"—while that hussy *Juliette* from la Ville du Berry gasped, "Yes! Oh Yes!"

As we know, Virtue triumphed, but we're still creaking along with the same water system Doc Baker had. After the election, opponents of the PFB ("No! Oh No!") said they'd develop an alternative plan with the same opportunities for new revenues for our city, and with the same resulting economic development and job creation outcomes, but with a more virtuous approach, of course. So far, though, not even a little foreplay. Isn't it time for "Yes! Oh Yes!"

Speaking of pornography, did you know that 30 percent of folks living in Carroll County don't have health insurance ("No! Oh No!")? Luckily, Arkansas Mitt Witts promise to vigorously and absolutely do nothing whatsoever about it ("Yes! Oh Yes!"), and you're free to go frack frack frack yourself until the cows come home. They promise.

The Marquis de Sade, a man for our times.



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INDEPENDENTNews

The uninvited are coming (anyway)

The Uninvited - famous first as a novel and then a classic motion picture, is a thrilling tale of ghosts and dark secrets now told in a tightlyconstructed stage version to be presented by The ESHS League of Extraordinary Actors. The three-act play by Tim Kelly was adapted from the original modern ghost story from the book by Dorothy Macardle, the first woman to write a classic ghost story.

Three performances will be held in the Eureka Springs Auditorium on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 12 and 13 at 7 p.m. with a 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday. Tickets are only \$7 for adults, \$4 for students and senior citizens, and may be reserved by calling ESHS at (479) 253-8875.

Seeking to escape the demands of life in London, Pam Fitzgerald and her brother, Roddy, an aspiring

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Ghostly glow - From left, Mara Adams, Tyler Gentry and Kyla Boardman are intent on answers during this scene from The Uninvited being performed by the inimitable ESHS League of Extraordinary Actors at the AUD on Oct. 12 – 14.

playwright, discover a charming house in the west of England overlooking the Irish Sea. The house, Cliff End, has long been empty and they are able to purchase it at a suspiciously low price from crusty Commander Brooke.

The reason is soon apparent: Fifteen years earlier ... well, only the audience will discover what may have occurred by the gnarled tree on the edge of the cliff – and the housekeeper's cat will not enter the nursery, where the sound of a weeping woman adds to the tense atmosphere and the scent of a flowery, exotic perfume called mimosa comes and goes.

The village doctor, the local gossip, and a former governess visit with strange stories of the beautiful Mary Meredith, who once lived in the house and of the striking, unstable Carmel, who posed for a painting that led to her destruction. With the help of Mary's daughter, Stella, a beautiful young girl whose mysterious birth holds the key to the puzzle, and a seance arranged by an actress friend of the Fitzgeralds, Cliff End is forced, at last, to reveal its dark secrets as the action builds steadily to a truly terrifying climax... one you won't want to miss.



Rockin' out - Linda Parcher Martin placed Third in women's intermediate at last weekend's "74 hours of Horseshoe Hell" competition at Horseshoe Canyon Ranch near Jasper, Ark. This was Linda and her husband Chad's fifth year to climb 3,200 vertical feet - from 10 a.m. Friday to 10 a.m. Saturday. Not only did Linda celebrate her 60th birthday during the climb, it's where Chad proposed to her two years ago.

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Halloween week gets fun and spooky with Ozarks Folk Festival and Zombie Crawl

The 65th Original Ozark Folk Festival is the granddaddy of modern folk festivals. For the last 65 years the citizens of Eureka Springs have celebrated their cultural history with music, dance and crafts. Anyone who grew up in Eureka Springs during the last 70 years was probably a Hedgehopper in third grade and square danced on the stage of the auditorium. If you happened to be female there is a good chance you were a contender for the title of the Ozark Folk Festival Queen.

The tradition continues on Monday, Oct. 29, with the Ozark Folk Festival Queen Contest. This year's theme is Folk Revival. A group Eureka finest young ladies will model seventies style gowns, demonstrate verbal skills in a speech and act in an old fashioned Eureka-style skit. While the judges collaborate to choose a winner, the third grade classes will once again square dance on stage as Hedgehoppers.

This year the zombies have also scheduled a Halloween celebration of their own during, but not as an official part of, the folk festival; providing a week full of fun and frolic for all ages.

First, the music ...

This year's Eureka Springs' Original Ozark Folk Festival music features the legendary Ronny Cox, who first made his mark in American culture when he played "Dueling Banjos" on his guitar as the ill-fated Drew in the movie *Deliverance*. His acting career includes roles on *St. Elsewhere*, *Beverly Hills Cop* and *Star Trek* among others – but his music is what brings him to Eureka Springs.

Cox is one of the best musical storytellers in our country and sings from the heart with lyrical songs of his life and encounters with the world. He also brings with him one of the best back-up bands in folk. Karen Mal, vocalist, mandolinist, bassist and all around force of nature and world renowned accordionist, Radoslaw Lorkovic, will be sharing the stage that night. As well as being on stage with Cox, Mal will perform her own set at the Aud on Friday night, Nov. 2.

Opening for, and most likely joining, Cox will be Jack Williams. In Jack's 54-year career he has played folk, rock, R&B, classical and all the poplar music of the 30s 40s and 50s. This gifted guitarist/ songwriter has been everywhere and played with many of the greats.

Friday, Nov. 2, America's favorite folk duo, Trout Fishing in America, will be on stage with "music for people who take their fun seriously." This eclectic folk/rock band is best known for family music and kids songs but their music transcends definition. Trout's stage presence makes you wonder how two guys can make so much music. Even with four Grammy nominations and 34 years playing music together these two are still as fresh and innovative as ever. Come for the Friday night stage show then catch them on Saturday for a free kid's show in Basin Park at 1 p.m. before the parade. Opening for Trout is Karen Mal, a truly impressive musician with a voice both tender and powerful.

The Singer Songwriters contest starts at 11 a.m. on Saturday Nov. 3. This competition will bring some of the best singer songwriters on stage to battle it out – one guitar and banjo against the other. You might hear the next big folk star!

On Sunday, Nov. 4, in Basin Park at 1 p.m. "Voices of Reason, Voices of Change" will feature Northwest Arkansas' ambassadors of peace – Still on the Hill, Dave Rosengarden Baer, Arkansas Red and Bossa Screwnova. These fine musicians will be singing political songs of today. There will be community groups and sing-alongs, so come out and share the love.

... and not just music

There is more than music at this year's festival. On Tuesday, Oct. 30, at 7 p.m. town historian June Westphal will give a talk on the history of the Ozark Original Folk Festival at the Library Annex. June has been writing about Eureka for more than 40 years and has a fun, informal and enlightening view of Eureka Springs' colorful past.

... but a little mayhem too

The Halloween Barefoot Ball on Oct. 31 features Austin's premier alternative country band, The Carper family. These three ladies' tight acoustic ensembles, stunning three part harmonies and right on song selections, great country tunes and truly excellent original songs, make them one of the top country bluegrass folk groups in the country today. This will be a hillbilly costume ball and people will be encouraged to take off their shoe and dance! There will be prizes for Best costume, Best Beard (real and fake) and Best Hillbilly Zombie.

Speaking of Zombies, they'll host their own gig that same night in the lower level of the auditorium from 8 - 11 p.m. with the first-ever Dance of the Dead and food drive for local food banks. No brain sucking allowed, just dress up and bring canned food and \$5 to get in.

Thursday, Nov. 1, at 7 p.m. Ronny Cox will be signing his new book *Dueling Banjos; The*

Deliverance of Drew at a screening of the movie *Deliverance* at the library Annex. Come meet this iconic American actor.

That night at dusk, there will be a Zombie Variety Show (you can't even imagine, so don't miss it) and an outdoor movie screening of *Night of the Living Dead* at Sacred Earth Gallery's Southwind Stage on US 62W. Bring two cans of food and admission is free.

Also on Thursday, Chelsea's Corner café will present a Hillbilly Hootenanny. There will be skits and songs by some of your favorite Faux Country stars: Conway Twitty, Patsy Cline, Grandpa Jones and more. There will be square dancing, a pie baking contest, Chicken Splat bingo and corny jokes. It will be a knee slappin,' foot stompin,' hay chawin' good time. Fun starts at 9 p.m.

On Friday, Nov. 2, the official Day of the Dead (All Soul's Day), there will be a Zombie Crawl and Day of the Dead parade beginning at 6 p.m./dusk. The First Eureka Springs Day of the Dead Parade & Zombie Crawl will begin its slow descent in front of the Public Library on Spring Street and end at the Basin Park. A creeping parade procession of funeral hearses, doomsday vehicles, and post-mortem street performers will lead the hungry horde of the undead. Zombie participants are asked to bring two (or more) cans of food to benefit the Flint Street Food Bank.

At 2 p.m. Saturday on Spring Street floats, costumes, dance troops and marching bands (no nosferatu here!) will show up and show off for the judges in front of the Basin Park Band Shell in the 65th Annual Ozarks Folk Festival Parade. We love a parade here in Eureka and the folk festival parade is always one of the best!

Sunday night there will be a Eureka Springs House Concert at the Unitarian Universalist church building at17 Elk Street featuring Laurie McClain, a true artist who sings from a place deep in her heart. There is no way you can walk away from a Laurie McClain concert unchanged. The concert starts with a Meet and Greet potluck at 5 p.m., music starts at 6 p.m. with the old-time sounds of Jones Van Jones.

During the weekend there will be arts and crafts. Craftspeople from The Ozark Folk Center as well as artists and crafters will be demonstrating their art in the park. There will also be a craft show at Pine Mountain Village and music all over town.

Check for admission prices, times, updates and all the details at www.ozarkfestival.com and www. eurekaspringszombiecrawl.com.

INDEPENDENTConstablesOnPatrol

SEPTEMBER 24

3:42 p.m. – Eyewitness reported a mother and her five kids were throwing rocks across the street at his signs in a parking lot near the train station. Constable on patrol had to speak with the family of flingers.

8:17 p.m. – An individual dressed in camouflage was allegedly acting suspiciously in a parking lot. Constables who spoke with him did not witness anything suspicious.

SEPTEMBER 25

2:57 a.m. – While on patrol, constable found a door open at the new high school construction site. He cleared the building and found everything in its place.

10:38 a.m. – Passerby on Rockhouse Road noticed a male who looked ill lying on a pickup truck, and two other men nearby who looked like they had been in a fight. An officer and EMS responded but determined the address was beyond city limits. They tried but were unable to make contact with a victim at the location.

10:23 p.m. – Resident told ESPD someone or some thing was on her back porch. Constable checked out the porch and the nearby area and found everything safe and secure. Might have been a roaming animal.

10:53 p.m. – A semi had pulled over on U.S. 62 at the eastern edge of town. It had its flashers on, and the constable on patrol discovered the driver could not find an address on East Van Buren. Directions were provided.

SEPTEMBER 26

10:56 a.m. – Caller from ESH was concerned for the welfare of the owner of a vehicle parked for awhile in their parking lot. No one had been able to make contact with her. ESPD checked the owner's last known address and she had moved from there, new location unknown. Constable told ESH they could have the vehicle towed.

11:12 a.m. – Resident in the western part of town asked Animal Control to check on a sick animal. He responded and discovered the animal was a cat and it was not ill. He explained the city cannot take custody of cats and advised the complainant to call animal rescue. 4:16 p.m. – Sheriff's office reported a 911 hangup call at a hotel. Responding officer discovered the clerk was training new staff and someone had misdialed.

4:23 p.m. – Alarm company reported a burglar alarm had gone off at a bar. Constable responded, and the owner of the establishment said he did not know what had triggered it.

4:36 p.m. – Motorist on US 62W of town reported seeing a vehicle down an embankment. Responding constable found a batting cage and car debris, but no vehicles were off the road.

7:24 p.m. – Resident near downtown found a lost and frightened Beagle in her yard. Officer took the dog to the pound. 10:25 p.m. – An anonymous caller told ESPD a certain person was intoxicated and spitting on people outside a bar. The owner of the bar denied having any problems with that certain person, who had a ride on its way to retrieve him.

SEPTEMBER 27

12:25 a.m. – An elderly mother reported her daughter was in her front yard in violation of a No Contact order. The daughter was allegedly yelling and screaming. The constable making rounds arrested the daughter for disorderly conduct and violating the No Contact.

1:18 a.m. – Resident near downtown was concerned about a semi on her street. Constable discovered the semi would be able to return the way it came, so everything was okay.

4:24 a.m. – Caller reported her iPhone was stolen while she was at a minimart.

7:58 p.m. – EMS responded to a one-vehicle traffic accident on a residential street near downtown. The driver had hit her head but she refused medical attention.

11:58 p.m. – Concerned passerby reported she saw a man pass out along U.S. 62, and his head was on the pavement very near the eastbound lane of traffic. That is the condition in which the constable on patrol found the individual. EMS transported him to ESH.

September 28

12:16 p.m. – Constable responded

to congestion caused by a funeral procession and provided traffic assistance.

12:49 p.m. – Officer fixed a malfunctioning change machine downtown.

1:26 p.m. – Firsthand observer reported motorcycles downtown were not observing traffic signs, so a constable went to the scene to monitor. 1:45 p.m. – Concerned neighbor asked for a welfare check on the elderly female next door. She had not been seen in two days and her mail was piling up. Constable who responded found a number for a sister who said the missing neighbor had been in the hospital all week.

1:55 p.m. – Downtown merchant witnessed another merchant walking up and down Spring Street screaming at the crowds. Constable went to see for himself but did not see any troublemakers.

3:02 p.m. – Concerned citizen reported vendors were doing business in a crowded downtown parking lot in front of two establishments, and they did not have appropriate permits and they were blocking a city street. Responding officer concluded one business was selling its own wares on its own property so it was permissible, and there were no vendors in the other parking lot. Also any obstruction of the city streets had been cleared.

3:23 p.m. - A parking meter dispute erupted downtown. The meter user claimed he had an hour and a half left on his meter although it showed red at the time he received his ticket. Also, there were multiple motorcycles sharing the spot.

4:53 p.m. – Barkeep requested officer assistance with rowdy patrons, and the rowdies were removed from the property. Then one person in another group of about 10 wanted to fight the bouncer. He had been asked to leave several times, and eventually, with some guidance, he left.

5:07 p.m. – Distraught daughter said her mother was due home two hours ago. Mom had left from downtown and was headed north on Hwy. 23. Calls to her cell phone went directly to voicemail, so no contact. Description of vehicle went to the sheriff and the daughter called ESH. Soon enough the mother arrived safely, but her phone battery needed charging.

5:11 p.m. – Resident downtown suggested there should be extra patrols downtown to control the noise and traffic. He was advised there were extra officers on duty over the weekend.

6:14 p.m. – Vehicle and motorcycle accidentally crashed together on U.S. 62. EMS reported no injuries.

6:54 p.m. – Resident in north part of town complained about people shooting deer on private property, and one of the hunters shot a deer on her land.

7:34 p.m. – Downtown merchant reported the bathrooms at the Auditorium are locked. Officer told her they had just locked them, as they do every evening at 6 p.m.

8:07 p.m. – Upset father told ESPD a storeowner ripped off his son, and the son had confronted the merchant. The verbal altercation devolved to menacing threats by the merchant. Officer advised the father this would be a civil issue, but he would try to talk with the merchant if he was still around.

8:35 p.m. – Word came in about an erratic driver headed toward Eureka Springs from the west. Driver was speeding and passing on double yellow lines. Constable on patrol encountered the vehicle and followed it as it passed through town, but there was no probable cause to stop it.

10:38 p.m. – Resident told ESPD she received a text message from a friend who said she was drinking wine, taking pills and feeling suicidal. The friend was also no longer answering her phone. Constable responded and found the friend had gone to bed. She was fine.

11:09 p.m. – Passengers in a passing vehicle threw eggs at a parked motorcycle. Officer took report.

September 29

12:04 a.m. – Four constables responded to a fight near a downtown bar between a male and a female. The male was arrested for third

degree domestic battery. He asked for EMS to check his hand because he thought he might have broken it. He was transported to the county jail for holding.

1:05 a.m. – Patron of a bar told ESPD another customer had spewed alcohol on her. When she had told those in charge about it, they allegedly threatened to call the police on her. The officer on the phone with her told her to call ESPD during the day Monday through Friday and ask for the supervisor, and she hung up.

1:16 a.m. – Same complainant called back and wanted to file a complaint against the bar where she had been. A constable went to her house to take the report, and she slammed the door in his face. Constable surmised the complainant was intoxicated.

2:11 a.m. – Same complainant showed up at the police station, apparently very intoxicated. She wanted to file a complaint about the bar where alcohol had been spewed on her. During the report, she learned that nothing would be done at that moment, and she walked out of the station saying she would speak to the Chief on Monday. She then sped away in her vehicle. An officer made a traffic stop and arrested her for DWI, refusal to submit, and careless and imprudent driving.

8:39 a.m. - Observer downtown reported a merchant was flying a banner, which violated City Code. Officer removed the illegal banner. 3:56 p.m. – Vehicles were spilling out

of a parking lot and blocking a street. Constables had to respond and get the drivers to clear the road.

3:57 p.m. – Motorist alerted ESPD to an allegedly reckless driver entering town from the west. Vehicle turned onto a city street, but the responding constable did not encounter it.

4:50 p.m. – Customer reported a female, possibly intoxicated, was screaming, making a scene and refusing to leave a downtown restaurant. When constables arrived, they were informed the troublemaker had already departed. Constables on patrol were unable to locate her vehicle.

9:09 p.m. – A juvenile came to the police

station to report her boyfriend had been abusive toward her. Officer took her information

10:55 p.m. - Observant passerby saw a duffel bag alongside U.S. 62. He retrieved it and brought it to the station. 10:57 p.m. - ESPD was informed that a group of people, possibly intoxicated, were on the porch of a house along the Historic Loop and yelling curse words at passing cars. The constable on patrol found, however, the people were friendly and not yelling at anyone.

11:07 p.m. – Concerned observer reported a possibly intoxicated driver was heading into town from the south. Constable stopped the vehicle and found the driver was under the legal limit. The driver found a ride home and a sober friend to take over his vehicle.

SEPTEMBER 30

1:07 a.m. – A crowd of people at a motel were making enough noise to cause complaints. They were not complying with requests to be quiet until two constables arrived. Things calmed down considerably and got even calmer for the rest of the night. 4:55 a.m. - Resident on North Main reported hearing loud noises in the woods. She could not tell if it was an animal or a person yelling. The responding officer did not hear anything while he was there, but he told her to call again if she heard anything else.

9:35 a.m. - Observer told ESPD a man parked his vehicle along North Main, did not pay the meter and suspiciously walked into the nearby woods. Information taken.

10:29 a.m. – A very concerned mother said her son was visiting from out of town and should have been back to her house already. She asked ESPD to be on the lookout.

11:02 a.m. – Resident near downtown complained about roofers working on Sunday. He was advised they could work if they do not use power tools, and they do not need a permit if it is just simple repairs. There is also a permit posted on the front door.

11:18 a.m. – A small dog roamed loose in Basin Park. Actually two dogs had been reported unaccounted for, and the owner was still looking.

11:26 a.m. – Employee at a business on U.S. 62 reported seeing a one-year old male infant chasing a puppy on the highway. She was holding the child at the moment. Responding officer learned the older brother had come to claim the infant. He said the child had run after the puppy while they were playing in the yard.

11:43 a.m. – Person in Basin Park reported she was unable to catch a small dog running loose. It even ran into the street. This is one of the pair of dogs reported unaccounted for earlier, and the owner did eventually capture them both.

1:42 p.m. - A retired police officer noticed a vehicle parked in front of a chapel had the driver's side door open and there were screwdrivers inside. He said it looked like it might have been broken into. As the constable arrived, owner of the vehicle showed up and explained he had been looking for quarters and had forgotten to shut the door.

2:56 p.m. - Complainant told ESPD the person he had been staying with had kicked him out. When he went to retrieve his things, his laptop computer was not among his belongings. Officer advised him to file a report at the station about his computer and not confront the other party about it.

3:22 p.m. – Another call came in about the previous situation. A female told ESPD the previous complainant had gone back to the property after being told to leave. Officer called the complainant and left a message advising him not to return to the property. Officer also looked for the vehicle so he could talk to him in person.

6:55 p.m. - Employee of a motel warned ESPD about a person who had been drinking and was planning to drive away from the motel. Constable watched for the vehicle but did not encounter it.

8:43 p.m. - One resident reported his neighbor's dogs had attacked his dog. Officer spoke the victim dog's owner, but was not able to speak to the offending dogs' owner. Animal Control will follow up.

OCTOBER 1

1:12 a.m. - Alarm company alerted police to an alarm going off at a business. Turns out the employee closing up must have set it off. Everything was secure.

6:13 a.m. - Resident saw an injured deer beside a roadway. Constable on duty had to do his duty, and Public Works was notified to take the animal away.





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also a member of the International Association for Culinary Professionals and sits on the James Beard Journalism Awards committee.

Her home is Seattle, where, she says, "life is at sea level." But it's in the hills of Eureka Springs where inspiration visits. "I have worked on both books at The Writers' Colony, where the muse always visits, and Eureka Springs has become a second home. It's difficult to describe to the outside world the charm and mystery of Eureka, where things don't always make sense and happen at a slower pace, but that's why I keep coming back to get my fix. People opened their hearts and homes to me and I am lucky to call so many Eurekans dear, lifelong friends," O'Donnel said.

"One of my favorite parts of being in town is hanging out at the farmers' market. It's where you can find a little bit of all parts of the community, right in one parking lot, where folks hang out and chitty chat and drink coffee and swoon over vegetables. It doesn't get much better than that. Can't wait to get back!"

Come meet Kim O'Donnel

at one of these Eureka Springs events:

The StoneHouse wine bar, S. Main: Sunday, Oct. 21, 5:30 p.m.
Farmers' Market, Pine Mountain: Cooking demo/book signing Tuesday, Oct. 23, 10 a.m.

• Writers' Colony fundraiser, KJ's Caribe, US 62W: Wednesday, Oct. 24, 5 p.m. Conversation and nibbles from recipes in the book. \$10.

Advance copies of *The Meat Lovers' Meatless Celebrations* are now available at the Writers' Colony. Pick up one – or three (Christmas presents) – to have Kim sign!

TheNATUREofEUREKA

by Steven Foster

Garlic for Independent Relationships itting on the back porch at the couple decades ago I was in Oregon long ago, I had an earache that I just couldn't shake. Ed plied me with one

Independent office, we got to talking about garlic. Some believe it is a cure-all for anything; a tick and chigger repellent (perhaps) if you eat enough; and of course, a repellent for human relationships. A

visiting my friend Herbal Ed Smith, owner of Herb Pharm, a successful multimillion dollar herbal products business. I've known Ed literally since he ran his business out of a fishing tackle box. During the visit, oh so



Photo by Steven Foster



herbal tincture after another. No relief.

Finally, I resorted to the garlic cure,

chewing up five fresh cloves of garlic

with a piece of toast. Now there's a

good example of the cure being worse

than the disease, but it worked. My

ears drained in a few minutes and I

was cured and relieved. Later that

evening my traveling companion and

I drove up along the Oregon coast

to a small town community center

with an energetic African dance band playing to the delight of the locals.

The dance floor was completely

packed, but with garlic oozing from

every pore in my skin, that evening

I enjoyed a five-foot radius on the

dance floor.

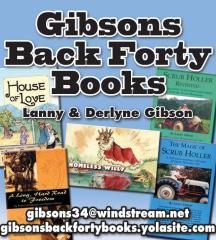
professional artist on Nov. 14 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at ESSA. One-day workshop will feature a lively panel discussion with noted Eureka Springs artists Zeek Taylor, John Rankine, Carol Dickie and Wendi LaFey.

Wicker of Geographics will speak on designing brochures and rack cards. Edward Robison of the Sacred Earth Gallery will close with information on building and designing your own web site. Tuition is \$40. Register online at www.essa-art.org or by calling (479)

After a catered lunch. Kate

Got the heebie-jeebies? Want to share them?

A producer for a paranormal show on Syfy, Haunted Collector, is currently scouting and casting homeowners and business owners in Arkansas who may have a great story about a paranormal/ ghostly unexplained activity in their home or business and may be seeking help. If you are interested in allowing them to hear your paranormal story and perhaps featuring it on the show, please email helpthehaunted@gmail.com.



That's one sweeeet potato! - Or is it a yam? Patrice Gros talks with some of teacher Jane Houseal's seventh graders at the Eureka Springs Farmers' Market on Tuesday. Her entire Eureka Springs Middle School class made the trip to learn firsthand about healthy food and farming and see what great produce fresh from the earth is supposed to look like.

PHOTO BY JERRY HINTON

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gardens.

varieties. Five of those are native, with four native species (one with

two varieties) and a European species

Allium stellatum is in flower. The

leaves have disappeared, leaving a

ball of beautiful blue to lilac flowers,

atop a foot-long smooth stalk, with up

to 40 flowers crowded together, each

blossom a 6-pointed, papery-textured star (hence the name "stellatum,"

meaning star). It was first collected

by the English naturalist Thomas

Nuttall (1786-1859), along the banks

of the Missouri River in 1816; soon

thereafter it was a perennial in English

Right now the fall-blooming

grow wild in Carroll County.

ARTAttack by John Rankine

s I was waiting in line outside the AUD for tickets to a classical music concert, a large man on a large motorcycle decided we all needed to hear the sound of his very large pipes. Circling the outdoor crowd twice was obviously not enough and on his third attempt I made it vocally clear what a %&@#! I thought he was. Immediately behind me a voice piped in, "That's the sound of money."

"Yes, and at what price," I shot back.

Last weekend's Bikes, Blues and Barbecue assault on the senses no doubt made a lot of money for some people. The highway hotels were full, there were lines outside most restaurants and people certainly spilling out of the bars. Ca-ching, ca-ching – the sound of the cash drawer drowning out the sound of loud pipes.

What came as surprise news to me was that Eureka Springs was officially on the triple B roster with a guestimate of seven-to-ten thousand motorcycles converging on our tiny town.

If this was a once or even a twice yearly event I would happily stick my fingers in my ears and say "go at 'em," but what concerns me is the aggressive marketing campaign courting these "motorcycle enthusiasts" to our charming village year round.

Our Harley-riding Mayor is literally leading the pack with promo-video-footage of himself and a small posse riding through town. He's also attending CAPC-sponsored motorcycle rally events around the country – handing out "Ride Eureka" brochures and inviting everyone to come experience our hills.

Meanwhile the Chamber of Commerce has a



The Pied Piper/Cathouse was booming with bikers all weekend long. *Photo BY JOHN RANKINE*

two-page center spread in its current *Visitor Guide* extolling the joys of motorcycle travel in Eureka Springs, and more biker bars and leather shops are sprouting up, foreshadowing what is to come.

Plain and simple, I don't want to live in a biker town and that is exactly what we will become if we continue on this targeted path.

When I lived in Key West, another small, laid-back, funky, quaint, artsy, historical town, the powers-that-be at the time (mid-'80s – that other recession) actively campaigned for Daytona Beach's "Spring Break" motorcycle overflow. They fortunately and quickly realized their error and stopped when the island's high-end clientele canceled stays or stopped coming altogether because of the noise.

I know the three women from Tulsa who came into

The sound of money my store last weekend on a ladies getaway will not be back anytime soon, nor the two gentlemen I met from Chicago who flew in to XNA specifically to see



the Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art and told they needed to spend at least one night in Eureka Springs.

They didn't.

I've heard the argument that many of these Harley riders are high-end professionals and will likely return to Eureka Springs by car with their families. No doubt some will, but most, in all likelihood, will come back with eight of their riding friends. Who would bring their kids to a biker town?

I'm not anti-motorcycle, only anti-noise, and unfortunately the constant sound of racking pipes has a negative effect on many of the tourists who come here for the quiet charm. And let's not forget the people who live here and the quality of life they have come to expect and deserve.

I consider myself a live-and-let-live type, but when others' behavior impacts my ability to carry on a conversation, and threatens my livelihood, I will speak out. And I am not a lone voice, there are many other residents and merchants who feel the same way.

Bikers may bring some businesses money in the short run, but long-term becoming a biker town is neither sustainable nor desirable.

Let's not make bikers the new salvation to replace our dying Passion Play.

INDEPENDENTArt



Arkansas Baroque – Sallie Overbey and Zarks Gallery, 67 Spring St., cordially invite the public to a reception for Diana Harvey: *Arkansas Baroque, oil paintings in high style* on Saturday, Oct. 13, 6 – 9 p.m. The entire show is available for viewing and presale at www. zarksgallery.com.

Auditions for Annie Oct. 8

Soul Motion at Mindful Living Studios will hold auditions for Annie, a mini musical for kids ages 6 - 14, on Monday, Oct. 8, from 4 - 5 p.m. Casting for four main roles and an infinite number of extras. Students must come prepared to read lines from the play, sing and learn a short dance number. A theatre production class with fee will be held for three months with director Melanie Linker. The show will be performed



in December. For more info please

Pete the Cat back on Saturday Iris at the Basin Park again

welcomes artist James Dean, creator of Pete the Cat. Introduced eleven years ago, Pete the Cat has evolved from a cat with an attitude to a cat with a purpose – to help children learn how to read (he still has the attitude). This week marks the publication of Pete's fourth children's book, *Pete the Cat Saves Christmas*. James will be in the gallery to read to children, sign books and prints and, as usual, paint a few originals of Pete loving Eureka Springs.

All are invited to stop by Iris at the Basin Park, 8 Spring St., to meet James and see his creative work Saturday, Oct. 6, between 1 - 4 and 6 - 9 p.m. or on Sunday from 12 - 4 p.m.

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Recording artist scores her own novel

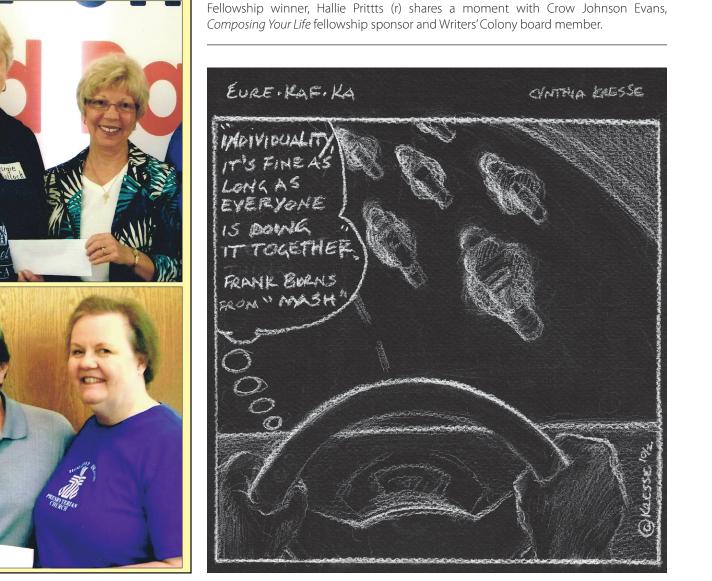
Hallie Pritts' project description of a multimedia book caught the attention of judges when she applied for the Composing Your Life Fellowship at the Writers' Colony at Dairy Hollow. Writing and performing a sound track to accompany her own novel was such an unusual and original idea, judges wanted to give her an uninterrupted week to devote to furthering her project.

Hallie has been a songwriter and musician for more than 10 years, and while she says her book isn't a memoir, the life of the book's main character does mirror her own experience of living as an independent musician in Pittsburgh, Penn.

Hallie has had a number of songs released, including a French language single and four full-length albums. Her album Get Out of Sin City reached #17 on the EuroAmericana charts, #38 on the Americana charts and #1 on the Pennsylvania Roots Radio charts in 2011. Her song "Lake Erie" was featured on NPR's All Songs Considered blog, and she has also had songs released by Norwegian and Irish record companies.

During her September fellowship residency at WCDH, Hallie visited high school students at Clear Spring School and shared some of her experiences as a musician. She filled an hour with her presentation and shared the process of recording adding tracks, layering, and how the process builds into a final product.





benefits Shared The Northwest Arkansas Presbyterian Larger Parish Council, comprised of elected representatives of the Eureka Springs and Holiday Island Presbyterian churches, sponsored Spaghetti an Annual Benefit Dinner put on by volunteers of both churches recently at the Holiday Island Clubhouse and raised \$2,600 to be divided between the Flint Street Food Pantry and the Merlin Foundation. Above, Margie Bullock, benefit dinner co-chair and vicemoderator of the NAPLPC presents a \$1300 check to Pat Kasner, director of the Flint Street Food Pantry. Below, Dr. Merlin Leach, founder and director of the Merlin Foundation and Grandma's House, receives a \$1300 check from Clare Kelley, pastor of Holiday Island and Eureka Springs Presbyterian Churches.



CITY COUNCIL MEETING Monday – October 8, 6 p.m. AGENDA

COMMISSION, COMMITTEE, AUTHORITY REPORTS AND EXPIRED TERMS:

Planning – Pos. 1 – Mickey Schneider – expired 7/1/11. Pos. 3 – vacant – expires 7/1/13. Pos. 4 – Jim Morris – expired 7/1/12

CAPC – Pos. 1 – vacant – expires 7/1/16. Pos. 4 – Bobbie Foster – expired 6/30/12

Hospital – Pos. 2 – vacant – expires 6/1/14. Pos. 5 – Jack Pritchard – expired 6/1/12. Pos. 6 – vacant – expires 9/7/15 **Introduction of CEO Chris Bariola**

Parks – Pos. 1 – vacant – expired 5/1/12 **HDC** – Pos. 1 – vacant – expires 11/30/12 **Cemeterv**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 1. Non-conforming Off-Premise Signs postponed until the sign ordinance is approved Planning
- 2. Building permits, parking lots, demolition and construction ordinance Planning
- 3. "Weekly" dwelling units list Planning
- 4. Update on the Taxi franchise workshops to be scheduled after budget workshops -- Mr. DeVito and Ms. Lindblad
- 5. Discussion of the Auditorium agreement for 2013 Mr. Pownall and Mr. DeVito
- 6. Ordinance for Voting by ward Ms. Lindblad and Mr. Pownall
- 7. Auditorium heat coil report Mayor Pate
- 8. Yellow Bag Committee recommendations Postponed until second meeting in October
- Planning Commission research on structures encroaching on public property – written report -- Ms. Ballance and Ms. Lindblad
- 10. Discussion of sales at City festivals Mr. Berry and Ms. Lindblad
- 11. Discussion of the Sign Ordinance Mr. Pownall and Ms. Ballance
- 12. Exploration of costs and issues for moving Council meetings to the Court Room Mr. DeVito and Mr. Raphael
- 13. Budget Resolution Mayor Pate

NEW BUSINESS:

- Proposed changes for the definition of Bed and Breakfast

 Postponed until reviewed by the City Attorney Planning
- 2. Update on the Zoning map Postponed until further notice Planning
- 3. Status of Fixed Assets list Mr. Pownall and Ms. Ballance
- 4. Code that calls for City Council to decide the number of Police Officers Mr. Pownall and Ms. Ballance
- 5. Letter from John Cross re: the Eurekan Mr. Pownall and Ms. Lindblad
- 6. Ramifications of a voluntary tax for the Cemetery Commission – Mr. Berry and Mr. DeVito
- Discussion of readjustment of vacation water rates Ms. Lindblad and Ms. Ballance
- 8. Second quarter financials A.C.A. 14-43-506
- 9. Annual ordinance regarding the levying of taxes Mayor Pate

Huge garage sale welcomes your stuff

If you're going to War Eagle Weekend, you may want to make some space at home first by donating unwanted items to the Inspiration Point Fire Department's grand autumn garage sale.

The sale will take place Friday, Oct. 19, noon to 6 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 20, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. at Station 1 (13 Ozark Automotive Road and US 62).

Donated items may be brought to the station on Fridays, Oct. 5 and Oct. 12, from 1-3 p.m. and Saturdays, Oct. 6 and 13 from 10 a.m. – noon.

If you have large items to donate please call Patricia Helwig (479) 981-1724 (leave a message) to arrange for them to be picked up or set a time when you can drop them off. All items donated for the garage sale should be good, clean and in working condition. Acceptable items are electronics, housewares, jewelry, artwork, clothing, furniture, toys etc.

If you want to get a first look, volunteers are also needed to help with the sale! If you can help with the following, please email micropaw14@ ipa.net.

• Pricing of donated goods before the sale

• Transportation of goods to Station 1 at 7 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 19

• Working part of the two-day sale

• Help pack and transport unsold goods to ECHO and Good Shepherd Saturday at 4 p.m.

Step through a portal in time

Make sure you have a ticket to step into the past during the Eureka Springs Historical Museum's "Voices from Eureka's Silent City" living history cemetery tour. This year's performances are Friday and Saturday evenings at the city cemetery on Oct. 19, 20, 26 and 27.

One hour walking tours depart every twenty minutes from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. This year, actors in period costumes will tell their stories of the American Civil War and what the healing springs meant to their lives while establishing the encampment that became the city of Eureka Springs. Further information regarding characters and portrayals may be found online at www. eurekaspringshistoricalmuseum. org or on the museum's Facebook page.

Tickets are on sale now at \$10 adults, \$5 children 12

and under. Free parking will be available on Hwy 62 East at the former Victoria Inn, with shuttle service to the cemetery. (There is no parking at the cemetery.) Tickets are available at the museum at 95 S. Main Street, or at all Cornerstone Bank locations and at the Chamber of Commerce.

Locals can get a sneak preview on Oct. 17 during special tours at only \$8 per ticket



purchased in advance at the Historical Museum.

This event is a fundraiser for the Eureka Springs Historical Museum, a 501c(3) non profit, and is sponsored by Cornerstone Bank and also funded in part by a grant from the Arkansas Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission. For further information please contact the museum at (479) 253-9417.

FAME CAME LATE[©] - Chapter 1

"I Want a House"

Fame Came Late © is an unpublished historical manuscript written by Lida Wilson Pyles (1906-2000). It is the story as she was told about Eureka Springs bear hunter, John Gaskins. Pyles married into the Gaskins family in 1924.

John Gaskins scraped the mud from his feet before he entered the mouth of the cave he called home. He pushed aside the bearskin that hung over the door and set his musket down as he entered.

His wife, Susan, called to him from the rear of the large room, "You are home early, Johnny. What happened? Didn't you find the bear you was after or did he get away from you?"

"Yeah, Ol' Bull has got a mighty sore foot an' was limpin' a lot. He jest couldn't seem to keep up with the bear this time. I decided to come on home an' try it another day after Bull gets better. We really don't need the meat anyway, do we Susan ?"

"No, we've got enough bear meat and venison to last us an'all the neighbors until spring. Sometimes I get awful tired of eatin' bear meat and venison all th' time. I wish we could have some chickens and maybe some geese."

"I know you do, Susan. I promise you I will stay after the bears and wolves in this part of Carroll County until I have

killed ever' one of 'em off and there won't be any thin' to keep you from raisin' all the chickens and geese you want. There ain't no use to try it again fer a little while longer. You have tried it before and the wolves and foxes have allus won th' fight. Me an' Ol' Bull here will jest keep a-tryin'. I promise you that, Susan. Some day you'll have your geese an' chickens like you have allus wanted. Maybe some day you can have chicken an' dumplin's every day and a goosehair bed to sleep on at night."

"It hain't no jokin' matter, Johnny," his wife reminded him. "I've been a-listenin' to your promises about a house to live in fer nigh on to ten years. I'm still a-livin' in this cave. You call it a rock house, but that don't change the matter none. It's still a cave."

"Susan, what's the matter with you? Did you get up on the wrong side of the bed or what?"

"I don't know," she answered him as she removed the big, black pot from where it hung in the fireplace over the coals. She tested the meat with a long-handled fork before she continued, "I don't really mean to complain, Johnny, but I jest got to thinkin' today about all the things we could have and don't. We ain't poor, Johnny. We own land all over this country. I really don't even know where all





of it is. Th' time has come when I want more than land fer my children. I'm tired of livin' like we do. We owe th' kids more than this kind of a life."

Susan set food on the table as she continued. Once started on the subject, she seemed to find no place to stop. All the

stored up resentment of life came tumbling out, "I keep rememberin' that we had a cabin once and it burned down. You was goin' to build a new one right away but th' war come on. I ain't a-blamin' you fer not buildin' another one at that time. You and th' older boys went off to war and me and th' girls and little Jack lived here in this cave. But that's all over, Johnny. Th' war is over. Why can't we take up where we left off?"

Johnny took a chew of the tobacco from the sack that hung by the fire before he answered her.

"Susan, th' war ain't over. It won't never be over as long as people remember th' hardships they went through because of it. If people ain't crippled in their bodies, they're crippled in their heads. You jest don't know what it was like. You wasn't there."

"No, you're right, Johnny. I wasn't there. I was just like all the other women in the country. I done my share of fightin' th' war right here at home. It was me that layed awake at night and wondered if I would ever see you and my boys again. It was me that layed awake rememberin' the cute little things that Sammy and Billy had done when they was little and wonderin' if they was bleedin' an' dyin' somewhere where I couldn't go to 'em. I fit the war right here at home, Johnny. But I want to forget it. I want to start livin' again."

"All right, Susan. I can see that you've got your dander up about somethin' and knowin' you, I guess there ain't no use askin' you what brought all this on. At least I can try to start findin' out jest what it was that set you off this mornin'.

"I want a house, Johnny. A house with real honest to goodness doors with leather hinges that will open and shut. I want some win-

dows that I can look out of and see the sun shine. I want two fireplaces. One to cook on and one that the family can sit around and spit in. I'm tired of walkin' around the whole passel of you while I cook the meals. If you don't get started on buildin' a house, I'm goin' to start askin' the neighbors to help me build one. I guess you would feel kinda' silly if they all come over to help build a house fer your family while you was bear huntin' or over at the saloon drinkin' rot gut whiskey that you're allus full of."

Susan got no further with her tirade. "Whoa, there, Susan," her husband interrupted, "I knowed you would finally get around to spittin' out what was troublin' you. It's because I take a few drinks with my friends. Now, let's talk about that first. As fur as my drinkin' is concerned, I've allus done it and always expect to do it. Every red-blooded he-man drinks whiskey. It's the mark of bein' a man. We will not have to talk about that any more.

"Now let's get on with the matter of the house. I agree that I owe you a house and that you should'a had it sooner. It's just that I never got around to it before now. Besides, we're comfortable here. We're warm, we allus have plenty to eat. There ain't never been a time when you didn't have a choice of bear or venison to eat. You've got a vegetable garden out back and I allus help you to dig the holes to bury the apples, the turnips, and pertaters in the fall. There's allus apples and peaches in the orchard when the time is ready. Now you ain't so bad off, are you, girl?"

He grinned a disarming smile and she half-heartedly agreed.

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of public relations for the Branson Chamber and City Visitor Bureau.

His grandmother raised him, and they lived on her Social Security. He started working at 14 to pay for extracurricular activities at school. He considers himself a voice for senior citizens. When he was young, his father died in service of his country, and he is supporter of veterans. He went to school on the GI bill, has learned to listen to others and considers himself open-minded. He has run his own business for 25 years, and said he understands demands on small business owners, like what it is like to lay people off.

Berry said he knows about government and budgets. He has been elected to the Eureka Springs city council four times and each term served as mayor *pro tem*. He is running for state office because, "We need responsible leaders to help Governor Beebe continue creating jobs, especially in our area. He puts people before politics."

Candidates for Carroll County Judge Judge Sam Barr

Elected county judge in 2009; "I have enjoyed working for you; my office belongs to you, not me." Barr said his mother instilled in him the drive to finish what you start; when elected there were 38 unfinished FEMA projects in the county, and then the ice storm hit, so he hired more than 40 people to help clean up the county; he has negotiated successfully in saving taxpayer money procuring county equipment; tries to be fair to both sides of the river; considers himself fortunate to have good people working for him.

Andrew Wilhelm

He was raised in Carroll County, served in the army and said it's important that government officials remember they are public servants. Said he respects the Quorum Court for keeping an eye on the judge and thinks the end result is better when there is attention to planning. Wilhelm said he always keeps standards high, feels he has the right set of skills and the drive for job, and intends to bring new methods to the position. He encouraged people not to let the election mark the end of their interest in politics.

Candidates for Carroll County sheriff Sheriff Bob Grudek (Republican)

Raised in Chicago and stationed in Missouri while in the army. He got degrees in physics and math from University of Missouri, then spent 35 years in law enforcement, 25 as a postal inspector. He was also was fraud investigator for a large bank. Grudek retired here but soon began teaching math and physics. He was elected sheriff in 2007 and oversees a \$3.4 million budget and a staff of sixtyfour. His job entails supervising the jail, dispatch and deputies. Said his department has been under budget all six years of his tenure, and he has created revenue streams for the county. He implemented the canine unit, which, besides enhancing drug enforcement, reaches kids effectively.

Jason Hunt (Democrat)

Began his law enforcement career as reserve deputy in Lincoln, Ark., and became captain of the reserves. He moved to this area and worked for the Green Forest police force, then went to police academy and became a detective. He worked on many drug cases; then moved out of the area but realized people always treated him well here, so he moved back. He has worked in almost every position in the sheriff's department, and he wants to take his thousand hours of training and many experiences in law enforcement and improve the sheriff's department.

Candidates for Circuit Clerk Ramona Wilson

Have been served as circuit clerk for 14 years, she said she loves knowing she can take care of the deeds and records of the county. She serves in offices in Eureka Springs and Berryville, and said she went to bat to save the Western Court House because she saw it not only pays for itself, it makes money for Carroll County.

Betty Neal was not present due to a prior obligation.

Candidates for Eureka Springs City Council

Candidates gave a three-minute statement and then answered three questions. Statements and answers are summarized together.

Ward 1, Position 1

Karen Lindblad

Lindblad implored the audience to listen carefully to all candidates.

She graduated from Southern Illinois University and has lived in Eureka Springs and owned a business for 36 years. She served on the Planning Commission and is one of the founders of the National Water Center, which was instrumental in getting infrastructure work done many years ago. She was elected to city council 2002-04, and is now finishing out a term of a vacant seat on council. She insisted it is very important to watch the city budget to make sure taxpayer money is spent efficiently; would like to see infrastructure repair happen and said some neighborhoods still need to get a sewer system.

Which method of operating the Auditorium would you support – a commission or a citizen committee set up by council? I don't know if I would support either. The CAPC needs to be more responsible for the Auditorium. The city and the CAPC working together is the best option, but the CAPC is supposed to be more involved. The Auditorium is the jewel in the crown of our city and it deserves better support.

What is the first priority of council? The budget. It is a very big priority to safeguard the tax money for the citizens. Second would be infrastructure.

What plans do you have to keep the budget balanced? We will thoroughly go over the budget and investigate overages. We need to talk to department heads and find out if they truly need more money. It is our duty to continually go over the budget.

Jack Gentry

Raised in Carroll County, he worked in management at Walmart, but spent 30 years in law enforcement. He said he wants to take some of the problems from homes to the council table and address them, and he is always ready to listen. He insisted city streets and the water/sewer system need attention.

Is tourism/hospitality the main industry in town? He said tourism is number one, and for the most part marketing had been done by word of mouth. He declared town has to change leadership, and people will come if we keep it on the right track for the betterment of the town.

What personal attributes make you a good choice for council? I have been here almost all my life. I worked here as a child and my kinfolk have a long history here. I like listening and I would take what constituents want to the council table.

On a scale of 1-10, ten being the most important, where do you place sewer improvements in town? Ten. Residents should not have to worry about backups because their neighbor is taking a shower. **Mickey Schneider**

She has lived here 38 years, and is general manager of five shops downtown. She served on council before, and is currently serving on the Planning Commission. She said everyone needs to work together to achieve anything and she would love to be on council again.

Do you feel the various commissions should be autonomous? Yes, because they all specialize. I'm against micromanaging. We have commissions for a reason. Council has enough to do. Council needs to keep hands off.

Will you support strict adherence to Robert's Rules of Order at council meetings? I'm always the one trying to enforce the rules. I'm a strong believer in whatever rules are adopted.

What is the best way to boost retail traffic? As general manager of five shops downtown, I have the opportunity to listen to customers and I hear about what keeps them coming back. What we need is a rebirth of locally crafted items in town. That will bring the visitors back.

Ward 1, Position 2 David Mitchell

Running unopposed, but said he was there to introduce himself. Mitchell has two BAs and one MA, and spent 34 years in health care profession. He was nurse in neo-natal intensive care of Texas Children's Hospital, and later senior VP of a Little Rock hospital. He said he is considered a newbie in town, which he sees as meaning he has no allegiances. He wants to work for entire town and encouraged voters to visit his website dmitchell4citycouncil.com for more information.

What is the biggest challenge facing council? We need to get a more cohesive council, one that will work together, be proactive. We need firm leadership and we need to be more fiscally accountable. We need to work toward establishing a reserve fund.

What would you do to streamline council meetings? Put things on the agenda with timeframes, who is responsible for what. The deer hunt was on the agenda two years. Yellow bags have been on the agenda two years. We need to get in there and provide leadership. We need to identify issues, develop a plan, implement it and track it to see the results.

Are you for or against a non-televised public hearing at council meetings? I am for televised public input into all legislative processes. We've survived in spite of our differences and we have a golden future. I want it televised.

Ward 2, Position 1

James DeVito

Said he believes in Thomas Jefferson's observation that an informed electorate is essential

to democracy. He moved here in 1980 from Boone County, has been on council for six years and has served on the CAPC the same six years. He has been involved with the Community Development Partnership and the Basin Park Improvement Committee and years ago was involved with the Eureka Springs Film Festival. He operated Taste of Eureka for seven years. He said earlier on he was involved in the Civil Rights movement where he learned how the will of the people flows through the halls of government. Said he worked to see that the will of voters is respected at the council table.

What is the primary job of council? To reflect the will of the people. Government requires the people to be involved. You can't expect just six people to solve everything. Government is of the people, by the people, for the people – we need everyone.

How important is following a Vision Plan? I was involved in forming the Vision Plan, and Planning is looking at it now, distilling it, and that is where it should begin. I appreciate their work. But it's only a plan, a guideline for the future, and I'll work toward that end.

Is restoring the springs important? How do we go about it? Yes, it is important because it is indicative of pollution in the area. Magnetic Spring has a chance, but it would be a monumental project. Don't know if there is enough money to clean up all of the springs.

Greg Moon

Currently vice-chair of the Historic District Commission and vice president of the Preservation Society. He said the infrastructure hasn't been dealt with for 30 years. Also contended the importance of council supporting festivals and events, which bring tourists to town. Moon said he values the many opinions in town and will work to make a good working environment on council.

What is the most important area of emphasis for council? City government needs to work with basic plans for infrastructure and create tourism.

What would be the first ordinance you would propose? Do away with the deer hunt. It should be returned to a vote of the people.

What are your first thoughts to increase revenue? I would have to research it.

Ward 2, Position 2

Parker Raphael was unable to attend due to a prior commitment.

Dee Purkeypile

Worked in Lubbock, Texas, for 25 years and then in Austin as an engineer. He said he is an engineer and as an engineer, he deals with small cities and their issues all the time. He said Eureka Springs is **CANDIDATES FORUM** continued on next page



Robert "Robbie" Edwin Freiburger,

May 27, 1966 – Sept. 27, 2012

Robert Edwin Freiburger, 46, of Harrison passed away Thursday, September 27, at his home after a five year battle with cancer. He was born May 27, 1966, in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., the son of Janice Stier Potts.

Robbie loved serving God as an active member of First Baptist Church of Bull Shoals where he enjoyed teaching the Mighty Men's Sunday school class. He enjoyed working for UPS and meeting the people on his routes over his 27 years as a driver. Robbie was also active in martial arts and weight lifting. On weekends you could find Robbie in the deer woods or in his shop working as a mechanic. He was a devoted and loving husband, father, brother and friend.

Robbie is survived by his loving wife of 23 years, Rhonda Joy Freiburger of the home, his children, Kayte, Kristan, Kinsey, Kaleb and Karsen all of the home; his brothers Todd Moss of Ohio, Scott Moss and Doug Potts of Harrison; grandparents Ivan and Eileen Atkinson; mother and father-in-law Rodney and Ruth Stromlund; brothers and sisters-inlaw Todd and Roxie Carlton of Jefferson City, Mo.; Heath and Renae Kirkpatrick of Harrison; Rodney Stromlund, Jr., of Dallas, Texas;

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an old town with old sewer lines and some areas of town were annexed in 1961 but still don't have sewer lines and it's about time we remedied that.

What types of incentives can we offer for economic development? The geography and topology affect our choices. Tourism is the main source of income, so we can support an environment for lodgings and tourist-related enterprises. It would take some investigation.

To cut down on showboating, should we stop live broadcasts of council meetings? We need to use good common sense. The meetings can be entertaining. It lets people learn how council works. We're not going to stop showboating, but we can have some adult supervision at the table.

Do you understand the need for preservation? What steps would you take to preserve our historic heritage? Yes, I understand. That is what brought us here. It would be nice to uncover even more of the historic aspects in town so locals can know about them and we display them to visitors.

Ward 3, Position 1

Terry McClung is running unopposed and was unable to attend the forum because of prior

and Michael and Karisha Munise of Siloam Springs, Ark., and a host of other family and dear friends. He was preceded in death by his mother.

Funeral service were October 1 at the Eagle Heights Baptist Church and private burial was Tuesday in Milam Cemetery, Harrison. Pallbearers were Bobby Hopper, Troy Holton, Gary Edwards, Will Daniels, Doug Potts, Scott Moss, Todd Moss and Mike Fountain. Honorary pallbearers were Doug Wintle and Mighty Men's Sunday school class, UPS and his Eureka Springs family, Scott Barron, James Patterson, Joe and Joanne Dzubay, Dr. Ron Reese, Dr. Scott Ferguson, his nieces and nephews and Rhuel Luttrell Black Belt Club.

In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Freiburger children's education fund may be made at Community First Bank or contributions to the Gideon's Society.

Real Men love Jesus as Robbie liked to say!

Thank you to all that cared for him and a special thank you to Dr. Reese, the home health nurses, and his niece Kara Carlton who helped provide the care for him that kept him home with his family.

commitments. Ward 3, Position 2 Lany Ballance

Has lived here 24 years and has five kids and a bunch of grandkids, some of whom live here also. She was born in a small town and did well academically, studied business and medical records and managed a urology clinic. She is still in the health business. She said she served on the Planning Commission and has volunteered countless hours to Eureka Springs. As an alderman, her understanding as to how government is supposed to work has grown and she will be a staunch voice and seek compromise to get things done. Said she will do the research, uphold state statutes, ask hard questions, be a watchdog and not cater to special interests.

Would you vote Present or Abstain on an issue not related to the budget, and explain the difference. I would need to know what the issue is.

What are other means of revenue generating for the city? My job is working online, so we could possibly grow online services. There are many online business possibilities available.

Asked about the Master Plan for the city. A comment from Planning indicated some don't think

David Crafton Massey,

Nov. 12, 1946 - Sept. 9, 2012

David Crafton Massey, 65, of Eureka Springs, died September 9 in Little Rock. He was a former Eureka Springs High School band director and had a great influence on his students.

David was born in Kennett, Mo., to Russel and Elsie Crafton Massey. He was a 1968 graduate of Arkansas State University with a B.A. in Music Education. David was a versatile musician on multiple instruments who played at many venues around the country, mostly in the Eureka Springs and Branson, Mo., area. He also had bit parts in movies while living in California. David was of the Methodist faith and had been a DeMolay and a Mason.

David was preceded in death by his parents and is survived by his sister, Mary Jane Reed and her husband, Bill, of England, Ark.; one nephew, Russel Reed of Palo Alto, Calif.

There will be a potluck and Celebration of Life on Oct. 7 from 5-8 p.m. at the Middle School cafeteria, where many of David's students will share pictures and memories. Donations will benefit the Eureka Springs Band Boosters and will help buy instruments.

Jackson Donovan Destry, Dec. 3, 1990

Jackson Donovan Destry of Eureka Springs, born Dec. 3, 1990, died last week in China where he was teaching English as a Second Language. Arrangements will be announced later.

the city can compromise. It takes two. It's not just one point of view. If we need a Master Plan, we all need to compromise.

Joyce Zeller

Said she really wants to be on the next city council, "This one is not functioning." She was on council before and "we got things done. This one undermines the mayor, doesn't respect department heads, and there are too many problems to have this. This council needs to be replaced." She is a published author, worked on the Blues Festival and the Dickens Faire.

When asked a technical question about expanding broadband capacity, I'm not qualified to answer that. As an alderman I would find someone who knows and learn what I need to know for the city.

What has been the best accomplishment of the present council? I can't think of a single thing. All they've managed to do is alienate the entire city.

Would you increase revenue or cut spending to solidify the budget? The budget is slim so there is not much to cut. We need to create a climate for a venture capitalist to invest in our town. We need to change the attitude on council away from an antibusiness sentiment.



Books to go – Friends of the Library, Jane Hackley and Darlene Warrings, prepare books to be recycled at the Friends' Fall Book Sale beginning Thursday, Oct. 11, 6 – 8 p.m. in the newly remodeled Carnegie Library Annex. Sale continues 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. on Friday and until 4 p.m. on Saturday. More than 5,000 books, CDs, DVDs, audiotapes, and various related library media will be for sale. All proceeds are used for the benefit of the Eureka Springs Carnegie Public Library.





"Checking" in – Holiday Island resident Chuck Hicklin recently presented Jim Hirnisey, representing Friends of The Barn (FOB), with a check for \$1,000. The donation honors the memory of Hicklin's wife, Mary Lou, one of the first women to serve on the Holiday Island Board of Commissioners, and who was instrumental in securing The Barn as a Holiday Island District property. Hicklin's donation will assist ongoing restoration/renovation projects. The mission of FOB is to maintain and improve the structural integrity of this historic treasure.

Photo submitted



Thanksgiving dinner flies away... about a dozen wild turkeys narrowly escaped getting hit by photographer John Rankine's vehicle on Rockhouse Rd. Wednesday morning.

Bulletin Board

Oct. 1 – 31 Haunted Hay Rides

Bear Mountain Stables. Rides hourly beginning at dark until 11 p.m. Adults \$10, Children \$8. Free popcorn. (479) 253-6185 or (800) 805-8005. www.bearmountainstables.com

October 1 – 31 Eagle Watch and Fall Foliage Tours on Beaver Lake

Expert guides on hour-and-15-minute cruise on the Belle of the Ozarks. Bring the camera! (800) 552-3803. Email **viator@ipa.net** or visit **www.estc.net/belle**.

Oct. 4 –7 22nd Annual Corvette Weekend

Saturday Oct. 6: Show 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., parade 8 p.m. from Victoria Inn to the Inn of the Ozarks Best Western. (417) 862-7232 or www.eurekaspringscorvette.org.

44th Annual Ozark Creative Writers Conference Oct. 11 – 14 Authors, agents, speakers and seminars. www.ozarkcreativewriters.org

Oct. 12 – 13 Voices from the Silent City

Costumed guided historical tours at the Eureka Springs Municipal Cemetery. Parking and shuttles available. (479) 253-9417. www.eurekaspringshistoricalmuseum.org.

Oct. 12, 13, 14 The Uninvited

Classic ghost story onstage at Auditorium. Fri., Sat. 7:30 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m. Tickets (479) 253-8875 or at door. Adults \$7, Seniors and students \$4.

Oct. 13 Second Saturday Gallery Stroll

"Celebration of the Art of Eureka" 6-9 p.m. throughout town at participating galleries. Unique art, artists' receptions, refreshments and more. www.artofeureka.com.

Oct. 18 – 21 Fall War Eagle Mill Antique and Craft Show Booths close at 5:30 p.m. Thurs. - Sat., and 4:30 p.m. on Sunday. (479) 789-5343, visit www.wareaglemill.com or email info@wareaglemill.com.

Oct. 18 Poetluck Literary Salon

Potluck and readings. Famous and up-and-coming authors read from their work at the Writers' Colony, 515 Spring. Bring food to share. Free event. (479) 253-7444. **www.writerscolony.org.**

Oct. 11 – 13 Annual Fall Carnegie Library Fall Book Sale Library Annex. Bring a tote bag! (479) 253-8754, email info@ eurekalibrary.org.

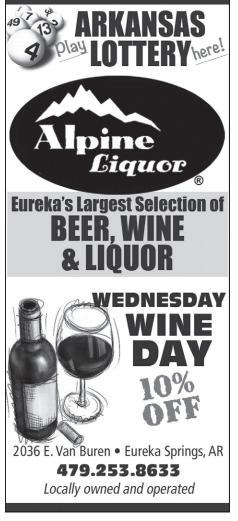
Oct. 27 Halloween Fest

ES High School Gym, 7 – 10 p.m. Karaoke, costumes, talent show, games. \$3

Oct. 29 Folk Festival Queen Contest Eureka Springs Auditorium (479) 244-0123

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The Ruby Revue Burlesque Show hailing from Dallas will be at VOULEZ-VOUS on Friday and Saturday. These sexy ladies bring first class burlesque and variety shows with singers, chorus girls, sexy stripteasers and comedians. They have a monthly show at the House of Blues in Dallas and Houston. Come see the past two winners of the Queen of Burlesque at the New Orleans Burlesque Festival – Ginger Valentine and Angi Bee-Lovely.

...AND THE BIG PLEASE

Third Degree refers to more than just interrogations, burns and criminal charges - it is the name of a rock/metal band out of Little Rock that will play at THE ROWDY BEAVER Saturday night. The original songwriting and heavy rock grooves on their debut album Third Degree are the result of three men who have devoted their lives to music. They have played with bands like Poison and Candlebox, opened for Buckcherry and now play more than 200 shows a year as headliners. As an added bonus they can play a rock version of "The Devil Went Down to Georgia" that is epic.

FRIDAY – OCTOBER 5 • BALCONY BAR & RESTAURANT The Hogscalders, 12 p.m., 6 p.m. • BASIN PARK Jones Van Jones, 4 p.m. • CHASERS BAR & GRILL Karaoke with Eddie Valen



The ladies of the **Ruby Revue Burlesque Show** will perform at **Voulez-Vous** Friday and Saturday, Oct. 5 and 6.

- CHELSEA'S Centerfuze, 9 p.m. • EUREKA LIVE! DJ & Dancing • EUREKA PARADISE DJ & Dancing • EUREKA STONEHOUSE Jerry *Yester*, 5–8 p.m. • GRAND TAVERNE Arkansas *Red* Guitar, 6:30–9:30 p.m. • JACK'S CENTER STAGE Act A Fool, 9 p.m. – closing • LUMBERYARD RESTAURANT & SALOON DJ & Dancing • NEW DELHI CAFÉ Jason Gordon, 6:30 p.m. • PIED PIPER CATHOUSE LOUNGE Sarah Hughes, 8 p.m. ROWDY BEAVER Blew Reed & The Flatheads
- ROWDY BEAVER DEN Mike Garrett

SQUID & WHALE PUB The Eskimo Brothers, Rockabilly
VOULEZ VOUS Ruby Revue Burlesque Show, 9 p.m.

The Big Tease...

SATURDAY – OCTOBER 6

• BALCONY BAR & RESTAURANT Smith & Reed, 12 p.m.

- BASIN PARK Steve Jones, 1
- p.m., *Melody & Morty*, 3 p.m.
- CHASERS BAR & GRILL
- Eddie Valen Band
- CHELSEA'S *Three Bad Jacks, Rockabilly from L.A.*, 9 p.m.
- EUREKA LIVE! DJ & Dancing • EUREKA PARADISE DJ &
- Dancing
- GRAND TAVERNE Jerry Yester Grand Piano Dinner Music, 6:30–



FRIDAY • EVENING Jason Gordon SATURDAY Live Music SUNDAY • 4 P.M. Magic Mule WEDNESDAY Open Jam





9:30 p.m. • JACK'S CENTER STAGE Football on 2 big screen all day, Act A Fool, 9 p.m.-closing • LUMBERYARD RESTAURANT & SALOON Sean Clavin Band, Hot Blues • NEW DELHI CAFÉ *Live Music*, 6:30 p.m. • PIED PIPER CATHOUSE LOUNGE *Rich Berry*, 4–7 p.m., Sarah Hughes, 8 p.m. • ROWDY BEAVER Third Degree • ROWDY BEAVER DEN John Harwood • SOUID & WHALE PUB The Great Scotts Rock • VOULEZ VOUS Ruby Revue Burlesque Show, 9 p.m.

SUNDAY – OCTOBER 7

• BALCONY BAR & RESTAURANT **TBA**, 12 p.m., Catherine Reed. 5 p.m. • BASIN PARK John Walter, 1 p.m. • CHELSEA'S The Boys of *Bedlam*, 4–8 p.m. • EUREKA LIVE! Customer Appreciation Night, 5 p.m.-close LUMBERYARD RESTAURANT & SALOON Free Texas Hold 'Em Tournament, 6 p.m. • NEW DELHI CAFÉ Magic *Mule*, 4 p.m. • PIED PIPER CATHOUSE LOUNGE Rich Berry, 2–5 p.m. • ROWDY BEAVER DEN Skillet

Lickers, 2 p.m.

• SQUID & WHALE PUB "Local

Kine" Local Talent Showcase

MONDAY – OCTOBER 8

CHASERS BAR & GRILL Pool Tournament, 7 p.m.
CHELSEA'S SpringBilly, 9 p.m.

• SQUID & WHALE PUB Monday Night Football, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY – OCTOBER 9

CHASERS BAR & GRILL Game Night
CHELSEA'S Open Mic, 9 p.m.
LUMBERYARD RESTAURANT & SALOON Pool Tournament, 6:30 p.m.
SQUID & WHALE PUB Taco Tuesday

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 10

CHASERS BAR & GRILL Sing and Dance with *Tiny*CHELSEA'S *Magic Mule*, 9 p.m.

• JACK'S CENTER STAGE Free



Pool, Ladies Night–Half off well drinks

NEW DELHI CAFÉ Open Jam
 PIED PIPER CATHOUSE
 LOUNGE Wheat Wednesday
 Draft Beer Specials
 SQUID & WHALE PUB
 Disaster Piece Theatre-the best of the worst

THURSDAY – OCTOBER 11

• BALCONY BAR & RESTAURANT Maureen

Alexander, 5 p.m. • BASIN PARK *Steve Jones*, 3 p.m.

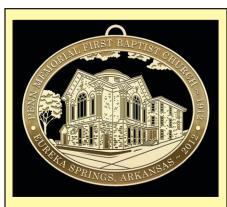
• CHASERS BAR & GRILL

Taco & Tequila Night • **GRAND TAVERNE** Jerry Yester Grand Piano Dinner Music, 6:30– 9:30 p.m.

• JACK'S CENTER STAGE Karaoke with *DJ Goose*, 8 p.m.– midnight

• ROWDY BEAVER Bike Night • SQUID & WHALE PUB Open Mic Musical Smackdown feat. Blood Buddy & Friends





2013 ornament gift boxed and ready

Penn Memorial First Baptist Church, celebrating its 100th anniversary, is featured on the 2012 Eureka Springs Preservation Society commemorative ornament keepsake. The three-dimensional, 24-karat gold-finished. dated ornament is boxed and gift ready and is offered for sale on the Preservation Society website, www. eurekaspringspreservationsociety. and at Cottage org, Caboodle, 11 N. Main and the Grand Central Hotel, 37 N. Main.

The Penn Memorial ornament is second in the ornament series planned to honor Eureka Springs' landmarks. Supplies of the ornament are limited and are available at \$15 each or as a set (2011 and 2012) at a discounted price of \$25. All proceeds from the fundraiser support preservation activities of ESPS.

Penn Memorial First Baptist Church was established in 1912; the name honored William Penn, an early Western evangelist. Plans were made and construction of the current auditorium and fellowship hall was begun during the latter half of 1912. Original cost of construction was almost \$15,000. The church reflects the influence of Byzantine architecture, and stained glass windows in the sanctuary were an early addition. Today they are almost priceless.

The church has a unique distinction: as noted in *Ripley's Believe It or Not*, it has three separate addresses for each of its levels – one each on Owen, Spring, and Mountain Streets.

AUDacious by Ray Dilfield Thank You Cleveland!! ... er, Eureka Springs!

Vour response – and greatly a p p r e c i a t e d positive comments – to our recent Jazz Eureka offerings has been overwhelming. It is apparent that there is a

growing and enthusiastic audience for the genre hereabouts. Based on your comments and pleas for more of the same, there's also a considerable number of you who really appreciated a chance to get out and hit the dance floor, too. Don't despair; we'll be doing it again.

There's lots going on behind the scenes this week getting ready for the rest of our season. We've just taken delivery of a new video projector and other peripheral gear which will greatly enhance our multimedia



capabilities. As we try to broaden the Auditorium's appeal to more diverse groups and uses, we've found that an increasing call for projection of everything from PowerPoint presentations to feature films. Our previous projector recently gave up the ghost after 12 years of faithful service (well, not totally given up; it still projects all the green content) and it was time for an upgrade. You'll get a chance to see the difference next Monday evening when we'll present a screening of a documentary film on Crystal Bridges.

Following the Crystal Bridges screening, we roll right into a 4-day residency by the ESHS Drama Department under the direction of the inimitable

Jerry RunnerSmith. He and his merry band of thespians will be presenting *The Uninvited* with 7 p.m. performances on Thursday and Friday (10/11 & 12) and a Sunday matinee at 2.

We'll also be breaking some new ground on Saturday the 20th when we host Zoom City, a 7-piece Classic Rock show band from the Tulsa area. They've been working the mid-West convention, casino and fair circuits for some time and are self-promoting a show here to widen their territory and establish themselves in a concert venue. Check 'em out at www. zoomcitymusic.



com; their playlist alone is pretty impressive. It's a 7:30 show and \$10 General Admission tickets will be available at the door.

At the end of the month we will once again find ourselves hip deep in Folk. More details next week. If you can't wait, check out Nancy Paddock's article in the new *Nightflying*.

Comments, criticisms, questions or requests can always reach me at rdilfield@eurekasprings.org. We're considering accepting bids to operate the Aud's parka rental concession for the rest of the winter.

Green thumbs go digital – New Eureka Springs Garden Club officers are (I to r) Caroline Martindale, Secretary; Martha Tancre, VP; Ginni Miller, Treasurer; Beverly Dowland, Corresponding Secretary and Iris Wheat, President. The Garden Club has entered the digital age and can now be emailed at eurekaspringsgardenclub@gmail.com and found on Facebook, where photos and news will keep garden fans updated.



PHOTO BY JERRY HINTON

want to take a second look underfoot while

walking in the woods this week.

SHERIFF CANDIDATES continued from page 3

previous programs might get dropped. Also, there is significant impact on the deputies and their families. A new sheriff might want his own deputies, so deputies and their families have a hard time planning, and they don't make much as it is. The locals around here want to know their deputies."

Is there a meth problem in Carroll County?

"Years ago there were lots of meth labs, but not so any more. We can track who purchases the ingredients necessary for large meth labs, so people have changed their ways. Now it is mostly personal use production. The newest problem is abuse of prescription drugs. We have to educate adults about the dangers of prescription drugs among kids."

There was only one patch of marijuana spotted this year by the helicopters in either Madison or Carroll County. Was this one bust worth the expense? Does the county have any say in whether or not there is a flyover?

"There wasn't much marijuana this year around here. The National Guard is going to put in flying time, and they do find things in state parks and forested areas in other parts of Arkansas where flying over is the only way to find them. They set up the flyover schedule and let us know the dates. There are not so many growers anymore so it is a good preventative program."

What are your accomplishments as sheriff?

"Most important has been revenue generated by the jail. Also, we created a canine unit that has been a great success. We use it in the schools in the drug awareness program, and the kids will remember the names of the dogs but not the trainers. The dogs help us reach the kids.

"And we've improved our vehicles."

Why do you want to be sheriff again?

"Because I find it to be the most rewarding job I've ever had. I get to see positive changes, and I get to see people respond to the improvements we've made. People give positive feedback to the deputies. People are not bashful about sharing opinions, and it is rewarding to see the deputies get the positive feedback and feel better about doing their jobs and to their performance improve."

Jason Hunt

What is your background that qualifies you to be sheriff?

"I started as a jailer and a dispatcher. I was also a fireman and an EMT. Went though one hundred hours

of training to become a reserve deputy in Lincoln and became captain of the reserve program.

"I moved up here and worked on the Green Forest Police Force

and later worked for Berryville Police as the canine handler, and then on the detective division for four years. As Lieutenant of Investigations, I worked on many drug investigation cases, and participated with Missouri officers on the Southwest Missouri Drug Task Force. In one year, my cases accounted for more than \$1 million worth of drugs taken off the street."

What do you see as the duties of the sheriff, or what would do you do during the week?

"I would get the administration set up, take care of the meetings because all that matters, but I would want to spend as much time as possible on the streets, be out with deputies, listen to the public, spend as much time as I can with people."

What is your management style? "I don't micromanage, but I watch things closely. If get a complaint about a deputy, I'll follow up, see how he operates, see what the problem is. I would want to put the right people in the supervisor positions and watch them to make sure they get their jobs done."

Talk about the jail.

"I worked there for a short time, and I'll say is there are some improvements that need to made for safety."

What is the primary issue facing Carroll County sheriff's department today?

"The primary thing, as I see it, is I can tie everything back to narcotics. We should work the drugs hard. The deputies should be out there keeping thefts down. I think you can go to work and get a paycheck, or you can go to work and earn a paycheck. I've worked hard to win the cases. People expect the sheriff's department to get its job done, and I will put forth the effort."

Is there a meth problem in Carroll County?

"It's everywhere, but it's here. The newest thing is prescription drug abuse. We need to talk to the schools and educate the teens."

There was only one patch of marijuana spotted this year by the helicopters in either Madison or Carroll County. Was this one bust worth the expense? Does the county have any say in whether or not there is a flyover?

"Not if that's all they find, but we need to continue to work with the DEA and the National Guard. When I flew in the helicopters, there was never a year we didn't find some. I think it's our job to find it, not bring an outsider in to find it for us."

What do you see as a priority if you get elected? What would you want to look back on after two years and feel like you did the right things?

"I want to make sure I work with

each department and correct what I feel needs attention. I would continue our education outreach. I want to make people in the county feel safe. I want people to walk up to me or my deputies and say they feel safer."

Why do you want to be sheriff?

"I love law enforcement and I love this county. I really love it. And I want to use all the one thousand hours of training I've received. I've worked in every division in the department except for captain and sheriff. I'm a country boy who goes to work and does his job."

What's for lunch?







ESOTERICAstrology as news for week Oct. 4-10 by Risa

Jupiter in Gemini Retrograde

feast day, Jupiter (the planet at the heart of the Aquarian Age) turns stationary retrograde (16.23 degrees Gemini). Jupiter signifies good fortune, faith, abundance, expansion, luck, optimism, speculation and seeing life philosophically. When Jupiter retrogrades these usually externalized energies turn inward. Expansion is within. Our internal life grows richer with new meanings.

With Jupiter (the Greater Benefic) retrograde, we experience greater self-understanding and new levels of philosophical and/or religious awareness.

Beliefs are re-evaluated, good old friends are rediscovered, unfinished business is finished. We become introspective, contemplative. On the other hand, with Jupiter retro we can become impractical, be led by blind optimism and a misplaced and relentless self-righteousness about a cause that, for many, becomes oppressive. We must remember we are in Libra, where a balance in all things must come forth. Jupiter was the King of the Gods.

There is a need to learn (Gemini) more and more (Jupiter) and to teach others. Oprah has Jupiter in Gemini with Aquarius Sun. With Jupiter in Gemini retro, there may be difficulties with intellectual property and/or who wins. When Jupiter was last in Gemini, George Bush, chosen by the court system, was "given" the presidency.

With Jupiter in Gemini retro the political rhetoric can become inflated (Jupiter). It is a good time for philanthropy, charity, altruism, for writing about daily personal life, one's neighborhood and gardens. We must be careful and clear with communication. We are in a beneficial and opportunistic time that can contact the "love that underlies the times." We "hear" the heartbeat of the future world.

ARIES: Remembering previous interactions with important others

hursday, St. Francis of Assisi occurs into the New Year. You will assess communication – what works, what doesn't and how your beliefs (patterns learned when young) affect outcomes. Something synthesizes, love surprises you with someone special. You understand how love works, that it's always about the "other" (loving them), and your intentions to see the Life Principle everywhere.

> TAURUS: Money you owe, money given, other people's money and resources, all that's held in common, will be on your mind. Arrange a meeting concerning resources explaining your history with present and future needs. You will reassess and rearrange with fairness and equanimity. Eventually we begin creating the new sharing economy. We learn to better manage our resources as well as power. You will teach that power, not over, but with others, works best.

> **GEMINI:** What is the status of your car, your tech tools (iPhone, iPad, computer, etc.), and your self-esteem? Do they need a tune-up, repairs, upgrades? Are there people you must nurture and contact? Are there daily tasks, bills and correspondences needing attention? Whatever must be done, do it slowly, carefully, attentively, providing more time than usual. Have intentions to complete all past work and responsibilities. You have 'til the New Year.

> CANCER: Daily work, agendas and interactions with loved ones rebalancing. need Something important from the past appears and through intentions for Goodwill, which brings forth Right Relations, you create a state of cooperation. Home life has the sun shining into it. A structural change takes place there and you seek more discipline. You face this with hope and a bit of fear. Schedules change constantly. You stand poised.

> LEO: Previous financial situations not able to be tended 'til now come to your attention. With all monetary interactions, check and recheck

amounts as you could overpay. It the surface of accepted reality. will be important to re-evaluate your budget and spending. Are there many valuable items in your care that could be sold, giving you more capital to work with and to purchase preparedness supplies? To create that environment you're impelled to build that nurtures.

VIRGO: Fears may be settling into your emotional field and lower mind. Inform them firmly they are not welcome. To neutralize fear, gather facts and information. Others can assist if you share what's bothering vou. Fear can become addictive, looping over and over in the lower mind creating inertia. If there is grief, allow it to be expressed. Fear isn't real as it's based on non-information. Something good happens to you in the big wide world.

LIBRA: You ponder upon how others perceive you. You have leadership abilities. Some recognize this, some reject it. In the next several months, your leadership skills will expand your self-identity. Do not allow criticism to undermine your goodness. There may be a challenge between your love of self and an ancient untended wound. Someone else may activate this. Know that your childhood experiences were chosen by you for learning. Someone loves you.

SCORPIO: It's good to know there's a difference between what makes you happy and what makes others happy. They're not the same. A great shift of goodness happens within us when we seek to know what makes another happy, what soothes and comforts them, asking always "how can I help?" At first we seem to sacrifice personal comfort. But then happiness happens and joy replaces discomfort. This is Soul work.

SAGITTARIUS: Sometimes we have spiritual experiences that lead us to reassess our Life's purpose. We seek, we refine and redefine, we ask if there is actual justice in life. We realize eventually it's blindfolded and hidden until we search beneath

Ethics become important. Can you define ethics? What are your ethics? Remember at all times to radiate the Principle of Goodwill. Do you know what a Principle is? Different than a Law?

CAPRICORN: The following issues will be on your mind in the next three weeks. Your mother and how you are being a mother (or mothering) to others. How your nurturing skills have changed this past year. There's deep concern about your home - how and where you live, your family, and the quality of nurturing you yourself need. There will be conflicts amidst realities as the next level of harmony is sought. What you want seems unavailable. But something greater is. Create a God box.

AQUARIUS: Reassessing family, friendships. social interactions, communication and resource availability are your currents of thought in the coming months. Reevaluating these keeps you in touch and aware. Whenever you feel tension and longing, know a new need and aspiration is calling us. Respect this. When desires are spiritualized, they become aspirations. They create pathways into our future.

PISCES: Your life direction, and all preparations, will be summoned forth in the coming months. Work with humility, kindness, ahimsa and patience. Often we don't know what life has in store for us. Sometimes we can't visualize anything at all. What you have been striving toward begins to manifest. The environments you find yourself in begin to reflect your visions. Keep serving... pure food and everything else you're able to do.

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HI Ladies Fellowship meets Oct. 15

The Ladies Fellowship of Holiday Island Community Church will feature speaker Roberta Smith on Monday Oct. 15, at 10 a.m. in the church Fellowship Hall, 188 Stateline Drive. Mrs. Smith has recently visited missionaries Paul and Mary Wilson in the Philippines and will give an update on happenings there. She will bring with her a display of jewelry made by the women of the Philippines for perusal and/or purchase. For additional information please contact Mary Lou Martin (479) 253-9398.

HIHA cleanup seeks volunteers

The Holiday Island Homeowners Association will sponsor the biannual roadside and shoreline cleanup on Saturday, Oct. 20. Roadside cleanup will meet at the Clubhouse north parking lot at 9 a.m. where volunteers will receive road assignments. Shoreline cleanup will meet at the Island beach parking lot (first right after crossing the bridge) at 9 a.m. A picnic lunch will be provided for all volunteers at approximately 11:30 at the Recreation Center Pavilion.

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Memories of Jackson Editor,

When my children and I moved to Eureka Springs almost 18 years ago, it was because we badly needed a change in lifestyle and priorities. Although we were living a mere ten miles away, we could have moved to the other side of the earth if judged by the difference it made to us.

We were embraced by the community in general, and specifically by Clear Spring School. Around that time Hillary Clinton had written the book, *It Takes A Village to Raise a Child*. I quickly came to know what that means.

Our children were welcomed at each others' houses, and treated as though they belonged. The social events of our lives were soccer games and birthday parties. We grew to truly love each other through the lives we shared.

One of those children of our village was Jackson Donovan Destry. His happiness was infectious and I always looked forward to his visits in our home. As he lived a short distance from us, this happened often.

I am so grateful to have known Jackson. Even though we didn't see each other often in later years, when we did rushes of memories would take us back through time. His mom, Charla, has taught preschool at our small, independent school for longer than I've known her. How many children has she indoctrinated with Love? I don't know, but each one of them does. She has given more to our children than we will ever know.

Right now memories of Jackson are bringing tears, but I know there will be smiles and laughter before long. That's what I see when I think of him – joy. For now, let's honor our grief. But soon let's honor the happiness Jackson personified.

Thank you, Jackson, Charla, and all the others in our town, for the love.

Marsha Havens

At least she's an independent thinker Editor,

Elizabeth Warren admits to not having a Massachusetts law license while practicing law. She won't prove that she is part Native American but is listed at Harvard as such. She cries out for the little guy but is a lawyer for big corporations (Travelers Insurance and LTV Steel in two different Supreme Court cases). Warren petitioned against the coal miners in an asbestos case, not for them.

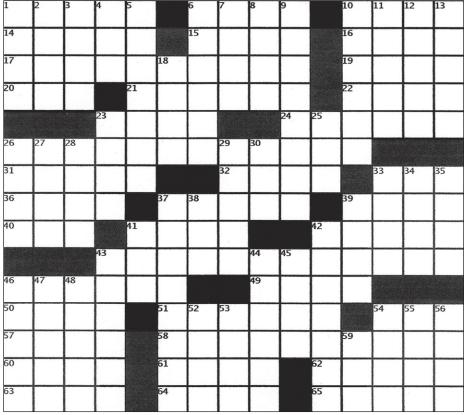
Is she really a good candidate for the US Senate for the Democrats? Yes, I guess so.

Mike Turner

INDEPENDENT Crossword

by Chuck Levering

Solution on page 31



Across 1. Interior sore spot 6. Like Arkansas in 2012 10. Erupt 14. Nigerian money 15. Cassius 16. Hebrew wedding dance 17. Pure, unsullied 19. It can be high or low 20. Ball support 21. Makes up for 22. Other 23. Totem 24. Mooring cable 26. American crocodile 31. Non-Jewish Caucasian 32. Manufactured 33. Albanian cash 36. Enlarge a hole 37. Swathe, cover 39. Geisha's footwear 40. Keep it to the ground 41. Township in Logan County, ND 42. Really long time

46. Hawaiian sorcerer

49. An inert noble gas

50. Rod's companion

51. Hogs after the Tide.

And UL-M, Rutgers, Texas A&M, etc. 54. Bro's counterpart 57. A Russian river 58. Itch medicine 60. Heap, accumulation 61. Protuberance 62. City east of Paris 63. Mosquito or fly, that is 64. Santa's seat Lakes 65. (HOMES) Down 1. Military designation 2. Country road 3. Ouote 4. Before 5. Islamic fasting period 6. Move up or down on

- a PC
- 7. Panache
- 8. Measure progress
- 9. Accessory for a croupier
- 10. Canny
- 11. Small bodies of still water
- 12. Clear the board
- 13. Shallow water walker
- 18. English boys' school

23. Arab holy man 25. Exist 26. C in TLC 27. Length x width 28. The 8th Jewish month 29. Mental picture 30. Microwave your meal 33. Weaving machine 34. Salt water raptor 35. Buss 37. Reservoir of information 38. Uncooked 39. Corn protein used in plastics 41. Female lobster 42. Saying Hail Marys 43. Japanese train 44. Meal's main course 45. do well 46. German munitions maker 47. Eagle abode 48. Makes whole 52. Dark, to a poet 53. Helper 54. All there 55. Ancient Peruvians 56. Leave it in 59. LaBrea stuff

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Hitchin' post – Christopher and Tiffany Henry of Springdale spent their honeymoon in Eureka Springs last weekend among the crowd of motorcycles. "It was loud, but we still enjoyed the shops downtown and had a wonderful weekend," they said.

Photo by Jerry Hinton

ART continued from page 16



Stephenson showcases at Fayetteville Underground

The visiting artist gallery of the Fayetteville Underground on the square is hosting a show of more than 50 original paintings by Eureka Springs artist Jody Stephenson in October.

There's a new exhibit every month in all the underground galleries by featured artists such as William Mayes Flanagan, Jan Gosnell, Hank Kaminsky, M.M. Kent, Ed Pennebaker and many other regional favorites.

Jody Stephenson and her

husband, Ron Lutz, are artists-inresidence at Studio 62 in Eureka Springs. www.facebook.com/ NewFayettevilleUnderground

Art marketing workshop at ESSA

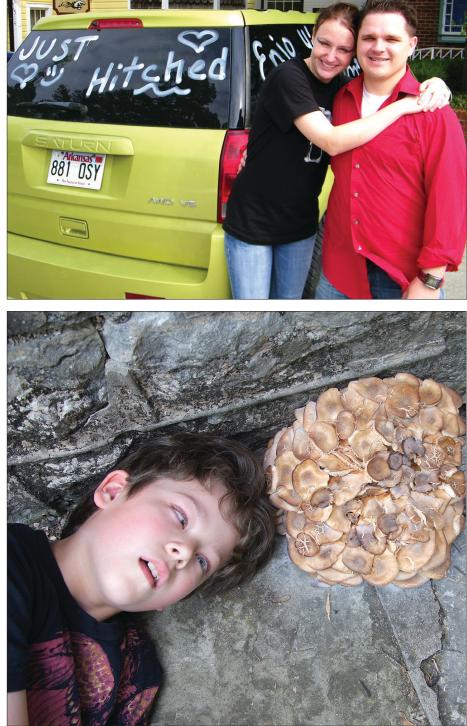
Boost your career as a successful professional artist on Nov. 14 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. at ESSA. Oneday workshop will feature a lively panel discussion with noted Eureka Springs artists Zeek Taylor, John Rankine, Carol Dickie and Wendi LaFey.

After a catered lunch, Kate Wicker of Geographics will speak on designing brochures and rack cards. Edward Robison of the Sacred Earth Gallery will close with information on building and designing your own web site. Tuition is \$40. Register online at www.essa-art.org or by calling (479) 253-5384.

Crafters on the Square

There will be a small craft fair on the Berryville Square Friday, Oct. 5, from 10 a.m. -5 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. -5 p.m. Crafts include jewelry, candles, mosaics, soft goods and more. Rain date is Oct. 12 - 13.

Coming up Oct. 13: Second Saturday Gallery Stroll!



Public Service Announcement... The public is being told not to eat the large brainlike mushrooms popping up all over Eureka Springs. Local kid, Ethan Robison, learned the hard way after sampling this gigantic mushroom at Crescent Spring.

Photo by John Rankine



