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## This Week's INDEPENDENT Thinkers

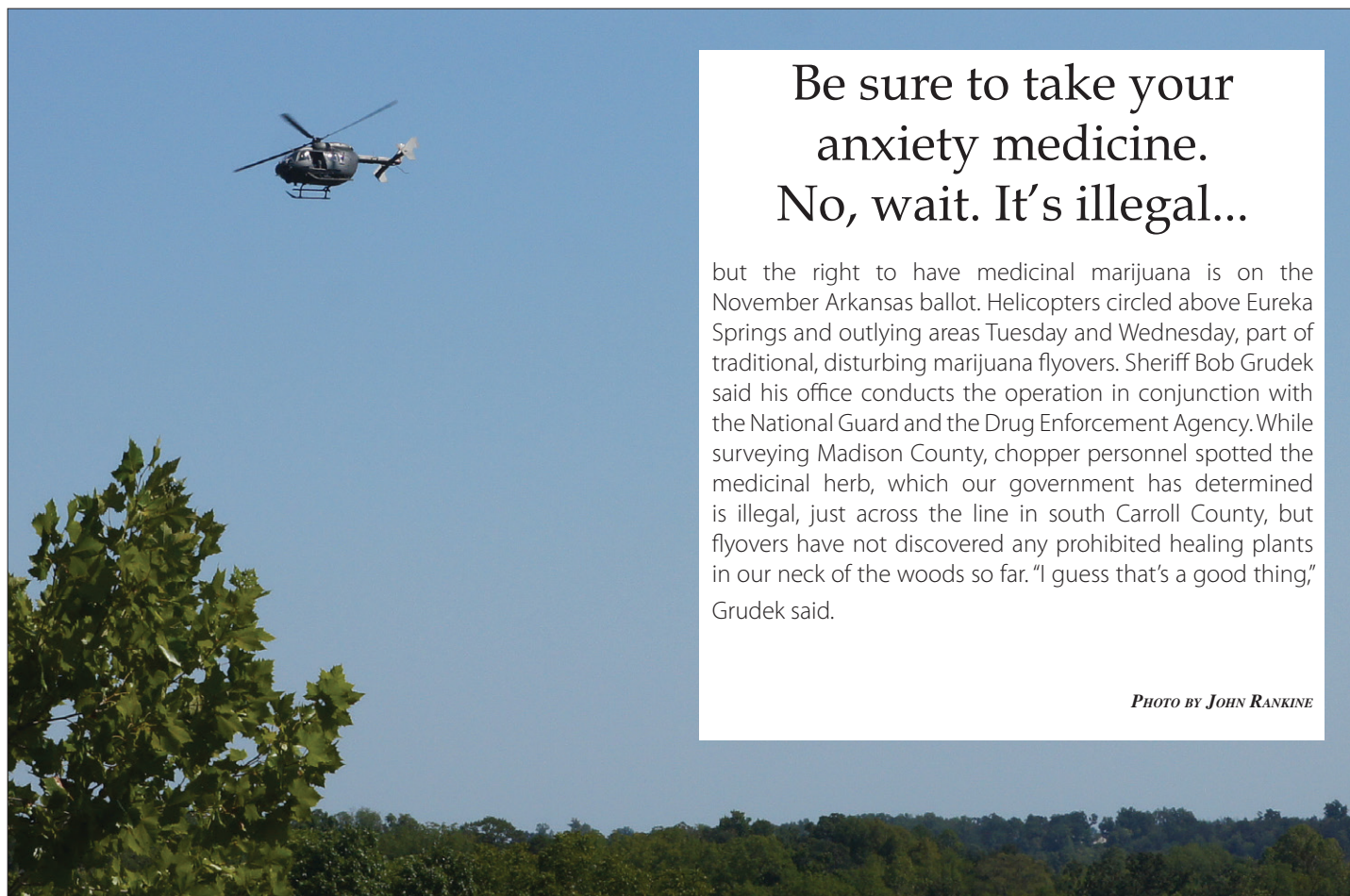


Nadezhda Tolokonnikova, Maria Alyokhina and Yekaterina Samutsevich are members of a Russian feminist punk-rock band who defied their government.

Pussy Riot's provocative performances in unauthorized locations musically denounced Russian President Vladimir Putin for seeing to it that the government will rule not only from the Kremlin but from the pulpit.

At Cathedral of Christ the Saviour in Moscow last February the women sang about the importance of a civil society. They were promptly arrested and are in jail for three years.

Their daughters have ordinary mothers who did an extraordinary thing.



Be sure to take your  
anxiety medicine.  
No, wait. It's illegal...

but the right to have medicinal marijuana is on the November Arkansas ballot. Helicopters circled above Eureka Springs and outlying areas Tuesday and Wednesday, part of traditional, disturbing marijuana flyovers. Sheriff Bob Grudek said his office conducts the operation in conjunction with the National Guard and the Drug Enforcement Agency. While surveying Madison County, chopper personnel spotted the medicinal herb, which our government has determined is illegal, just across the line in south Carroll County, but flyovers have not discovered any prohibited healing plants in our neck of the woods so far. "I guess that's a good thing," Grudek said.

PHOTO BY JOHN RANKINE

## Parks votes on tax initiative; petition tossed

NICKY BOYETTE

Chair Bill Featherstone told Parks commissioners Monday night a petition had been circulated gathering signatures in support of a one-eighth cent sales tax for four years to exclusively fund implementation of the Lake Leatherwood Park Master Plan. He expects the tax would bring in around \$400,000. He said petitioners gathered enough signatures to send the petition to the Election Commission, and Parks should learn soon if it will be on the November ballot. *[Eds. note: the petition was not certified Thursday morning. See box p. 5].*

Featherstone said he would present a draft of the Master Plan prior to the election. He said his committee wants as much public

input as it can get. The Lake Leatherwood Park committee has been meeting regularly to gather a comprehensive list of what needs attention at the park. "The community has two options – accept the status quo or vote for a game changer." He pointed out the committee does not want to turn the park into an amusement park despite rampant rumors. "We want to restore the lake to its former glory," he said.

He also said the amount of money to be collected, should the vote favor Parks, will be only enough to move needed projects forward and they must be judicious in how the money is spent. However, he said the initiative will jumpstart

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## Quorum court bans tobacco use near county facilities

NICKY BOYETTE

Justice of the Peace Lamont Richie told the quorum court Friday that employees had asked him for the ordinance banning tobacco use near entrances to county buildings and JP Larry Swofford immediately asked about smokers who use the same vehicle regularly.

County Judge Sam Barr responded, "If you tell him he can't, he'll quit."

"We'll need to wait and see if there is a problem and address it then," JP Ron Flake said.

JP Dan Mumaugh agreed they can adjust if there's a problem but it was their responsibility to set rules.

"It's going to be state law soon anyway, so we're a bit ahead of the game," observed JP Jack Deaton.

The vote was unanimous to ban all tobacco use within 25 ft. of the entrance of all county buildings,

plants or related facilities, including inside county vehicles.

### Court business

The court approved three other ordinances:

- To increase insurance at the Carroll County Airport since it has expanded and more fuel is stored there now.

- To allow the Carroll County Sheriff's Office to accept and spend insurance money for replacement of a vehicle totaled by hail.

- To allow the airport to enter into a grant with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to erect a fence around airport property.

"The fence project will deter deer from feeding near runways," Flake said. This first phase of a three-year project will be to procure all easements and plot the layout for the fence. Grants involved are \$44,046 from the FAA and \$4894 from the

Arkansas Department of Aeronautics. Each of these grants can be renewed annually.

### Telephone calls

Flake also said Insight, a company in Rogers, had conducted a preliminary audit of the telephone bills of county departments and, based on early inquiries, figured they could save the county \$30,000 the first year by restructuring the phone billing system. Flake said savings would come from eliminating redundancy and other waste. Insight would get its return only from savings it generates. He said he sees it as free money for the county and it doesn't require any action except for County Clerk Jamie Correia to work with and watch over Insight.

County Tax Collector Kay Phillips asked if the phone company would also provide an audit of the system, and Flake answered that so far they had not volunteered to save the county any money and JP Joe Mills said if the county could save money this way, then why not?

Flake suggested they authorize Correia to move forward with Insight,

but Deputy Prosecutor Devon Closser pointed out any authorization would need to come from Barr. JPs agreed to move forward.

### Digital sharing connects Eureka Springs and Berryville records

JP John Reeve announced the different departments have had their own Internet technology systems and have not in the past been able to share data, but they have begun to address this issue.

County Assessor Jo Ann Harris said, "We are well on our way toward hooking everything together." She said the county does not know yet all the advantages it will discover once work is completed. She also said a company is scanning all deeds in her office so she will have "everything since 1870 on file," and the task is halfway completed. In addition, Berryville records will be connected to Eureka Springs records so residents will not have to make the trip back and forth to get the information they need. She will provide updates on progress.

The next quorum court meeting will be Friday, Sept. 21, at 10 a.m.

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## Ribbon cutting Aug. 24 at Pig Trail Kart n Golf

The Eureka Springs Chamber of Commerce invites the public to welcome owners Al & Nicole to the Eureka Springs business community on Friday, August 24 from 4 – 6 p.m. at Pig Trail Kart n Golf on U.S. 62 across from the Ozark Mountain Hoe-Down.

There will be a live KTHS remote radio broadcast and light refreshments will be served. The newest amusement location in town features an 18-hole putt putt golf course reputed to be one of the country's most challenging, a go-kart track with single and double passenger cars, an arcade with 35 games and much more to come.

Batting cages will be added next week and plans are in the works for 18 more holes of golf, including a black light course. There will be an expanded coffee bar with pizza, hot dogs and other fun food, birthday party packages for kids – and more activities to be added in the weeks and months to come.

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## WCCAD okays BP cuffs

NICKY BOYETTE

Chuck Olson, Chair of the Western Carroll County Ambulance District Board (WCCAD), asked commissioners at the August 21 meeting if first responders on a trauma scene are authorized to use tourniquets. During recent history, use of tourniquets to stop excessive blood flow to an extremity has been discouraged unless emergency personnel determined saving a life could be at the expense of sacrificing a limb.

Holiday Island Fire Chief Jack Deaton said there are better tourniquets now, which cause less tissue damage to extremities, but a first responder should defer to paramedics because they have better training. He said a properly trained responder could use a blood pressure cuff to apply pressure to an area

to help stem blood flow, carefully release, and then apply again.

Eureka Springs Fire Chief Rhys Williams said in a worse case scenario, if a life is in danger, use it – although in 27 years' experience he said he has seen a tourniquet used only once.

Olson observed he was just watching out for any litigious exposures. They will continue to consider proper protocol, but consensus was to order three blood pressure cuffs for each of the four fire departments.

### Who pays?

Olson asked regarding a person who volunteers as a first responder in his own vehicle with district supplies in it and also works for the ESFD as a paramedic – who should pay to send that person to training conferences? Williams said ESFD personnel go to

trainings every other year unless they pay their own way in the intervening year. He also said it is imperative enough personnel stay behind to handle duties at the station.

Olson said first responders who respond to 25 percent of the calls are eligible to go to conferences for training every two years at the district's expense. The cost is around \$800 per person. Olson said the cost, although considerable, is not their main concern.

Deaton said if the responder drives a personal vehicle and is not being paid, it is considered volunteering, and he did not see a problem with the district sending that responder to the conference.

Commissioner Ken Mills said if the city won't pay to get the responder

to the conference, the district should. Everyone agreed on the importance of the training, and will discuss it at length at the next meeting.

### Also...

ESFD is still working on getting the performance bond as part of its present contract with WCCAD. This will also be discussed at the next meeting.

Williams announced they are making progress on setting up their next responder conference to be held at the Inn of the Ozarks in February, where they will be adding new hands-on training. He said they met new instructors and made valuable contacts at the conference they conducted earlier this year.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, Sept. 11, at 4 p.m. at the Holiday Island Suburban Improvement District office.

## Other-worldly seminar pass available

To make the upcoming "Parallel Universes: Where science and the supernatural meet" conference more accessible, the 1886 Crescent Hotel & Spa is offering a three-day pass to all events. The pass includes admission to talks, events and discussions but does not include lodging. This special seminar pass is now available at the front desk for \$100. Reservations should be made in advance.

The three-day conference includes nationally recognized speakers and lecturers covering a variety of related topics.

### Friday, August 24

Maha Vajra, Founder of the Quantum Buddhist Association speaking on The Development of Mind Substance from the Raw Material of Personal Experience.

Larry Flaxman, author/screenwriter/Founder of Arkansas Paranormal & Anomalous Studies Team on The Grid: A New Theory on Everything/

### Saturday, August 25

Dr. Jim Walden, intuitive wellness and well-being coach/holistic healing educator presents Holistic Healing Through Quantum Interconnectedness.

Dr. L. John Greenfield, Chair, Department of Neurosciences, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences speaks on Brain, Mind and the Paranormal.

Dr. Sarkis Nazarian, neuro-ophthalmologist, (UAMS) on Vision and the Brain; auras, hallucinations, deja-vu, agnosia, pareidolia and other bizarre activities.

### Sunday, August 26

Dr. Leslie D. Hannah, Director of Cherokee Programs at Northeastern State University presents Pirsig's Paradox

and the Reality of Ghosts.

Other sessions include The Seen and The Unseen, The View From Beyond, Evidence of the Irrational, The Scientific Viewpoint and In Search of Answers. There will also be live theatre performances, ghost tours and media presentations.

For more about the Parallel Universes weekend, call (800) 342-9766.

## Get ready to socc it to 'em

Don't forget the Fall Soccer Sign-up at Eureka Springs Middle School Cafeteria. Practice starts September 5.

**Saturday, August 25: 9 – 11:30 a.m.**

**Wednesday, August 29: 3:30 – 5 p.m.**

**Saturday, Sept. 1: 9 – 11:30 a.m.**

Teams available from ages Under 6 through Under 18. Registration fee is \$50 for one year including fall and spring seasons. Returning parents are encouraged to bring used cleats for exchange, trade or donation. Team practices will start on Wednesday, Sept. 5 at Leatherwood Fields after school, or as decided by team coach.

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## Enrollments up as school year begins

NICKY BOYETTE

Elementary school principal Clare Lesieur told the Eureka Springs school board at its August 16 meeting, "We're ready and the kids are excited." She had just come from the elementary school open house that she said had a spirited turnout.

LeSieur said the elementary school enrollment so far is 224 for K-4, including 50 in kindergarten. Last year the enrollment was fewer than 40. Ten students are enrolled in Home

Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters, a readiness program which helps parents prepare pre-school children for success in school.

Cindy Holt, middle school principal, said her staff is also excited. ESMS enrollment is up from 170 at the end of the recent school year to 199. "We never apologize for the rigor of our academics, but we balance rigor with relationships," she said.

High school principal Kathy Lavender said students had been

registering all week and were eager to return. Her enrollment number was right at 200 to begin the year, 25 more than at the end of the last school year. She mentioned students were sad with the passing of Skills USA teacher Mike Bonds and pledged to work hard to take first place in every category at the SkillsUSA competition in his honor.

### New hires

The board approved a list of potential substitute teachers for the year and discussed a new method for budgeting athletic expenditures. Superintendent Curtis Turner said he and his staff are still gathering information for new budget formulas. District Treasurer Pam McGarrah explained one of the variables in figuring is the new building they don't yet occupy.

After executive session, Chair

Charles Templeton announced the board had approved the hiring of Tiffany Slone as a special education aide and Tracy Ledesma as a high school librarian.

### Public comments

During the time for public comments, both Ken Brown and John Dolce spoke up about reports that the district had planned to hire an assistant superintendent. Brown said he had not heard the position discussed in an open meeting and anything that important should be discussed openly. Dolce said the hire amounted to featherbedding, and existing staff should be able to handle the duties. He also commented if they want to hire anyone, hire more teachers.

Next meeting will be Thursday, Sept. 20, at 5:30 p.m. at the Administration Building.

## Parks petition hits snag

The petition for a four year one-eighth cent sales tax to support Lake Leatherwood City Park projects was rejected by City Clerk Ann Armstrong Tuesday because it had no Date Signed column. Armstrong's decision was backed up by the Arkansas Municipal League and Deputy County Clerk/Election Coordinator Bethe Hendley. Thursday morning the Secretary of State's Office declared that the petition must be re-submitted and certified by August 28. Anyone interested in either signing or circulating the petition is asked to call Bill Featherstone at 981-1991.



**Playing with fire...** Juggler Jared Davis practices his craft before the really big show in Basin Park. The Eureka Springs Downtown Network's Thursday circus was cancelled due to weather but Davis juggled anyway.

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

## Open wide ... oooo not *that* wide!

If you've ever thought about sticking your head in a lion's mouth, consider the job some big cat "dentists" will be doing this weekend at Turpentine Creek. The Peter Emily International Veterinary Dental Foundation (PEIVDF) will visit the Wildlife Refuge August 25 and 26 to assist with dental care for eight of the 100+ big cats in residence.

PEIVDF's mission is to provide life-improving advanced veterinary dental care and treatment to exotic animals in facilities and sanctuaries around the world. Through these missions, they not only help improve the animals' lives but also provide educational hands-on learning opportunities.

In the past, some of the PEIVDF patients' entire demeanor has changed

due to relief of dental pain. Fortunately for the exotic feline residents of Turpentine Creek, the foundation's next mission is the TCWR refuge.

For additional information regarding Turpentine Creek Wildlife Refuge, please call (479) 253-5841 or email: [tigers@turpentinecreek.org](mailto:tigers@turpentinecreek.org). See the work of PEIVDF at [www.peteremilyfoundation.org](http://www.peteremilyfoundation.org).

## Kids get to reel 'em in Saturday during free fishing derby

Carroll County employees and the Berryville Police Department are getting set for the Annual Carroll County Children's Fishing Derby on Saturday, August 25.

Friday morning, about 10 a.m., some 450 catfish will be delivered by Arkansas Game & Fish to George's Pond off Del Norte Street. Due to the drought, AG&F have been working with the City of Berryville to get the pond raised at least a foot before the fish are delivered. The pond will then be closed off until the derby the next morning from 9 – 10:30.

The fun begins with registration at 8 a.m. and participants must bring their own fishing gear. Children between ages one and 15 are eligible to participate in the free derby. At day's end there will be prizes for all. "We've gotten more than \$6,000 in donations already," Carroll County 911 coordinator and derby organizer, Candy Bawcom,

reported. Prizes range from new rod and reel sets and other fishing tackle and gear to gift certificates for merchandise, food and admission to attractions and events.

Bawcom was present back when the first derby took place and says seeing the children get so excited is "worth every minute you put into it. I remember the first year when one little boy got the biggest or the most fish and burst into tears when he was given a new rod and reel. He'd never had a new one before."

Last year more than 200 children turned out for the fishing derby, which has proven to be a favorite event for Carroll County employees. "We're kind of excited to see this year's derby," Bawcom said.

For more information about the derby or to donate on behalf of a business, contact Candy Bawcom or Susie Jordan at (870) 423-4357.

**School Daze** – Eureka Springs students attending Arkansas School for Math, Science and the Arts in Hot Springs were excited for classes in August. From left, Juniors Inga Nordgren, Joah Clements, Heath Birchfield, Sarah Winters and Senior Wilson Guillory gathered for a farewell photo. Our students are choosing from a great variety of subjects – picking classes in Neurobiology, Astronomy, Film Documentation and Zoology. There's more information and inspiration at [www.asmsa.org](http://www.asmsa.org).



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Some enterprising coeds even had large personal QR codes printed on their T-shirts so potential suitors passing by could aim their smart phones over the code and get all the wearer's important information without wasting getting-to-know-you time. More commonly, QR codes will take you to a website, map or other pertinent info – up to and including audio files.

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**Crevice dwellers being evicted** – Larry Burkett has a great understanding of bats, their habitat and the problems they

face. He was called to the old Eagle Thomas House on the historic loop to help solve the bats in the belfry problem. Carpenters removed boards on eaves of the house where netting was hung this week. When the bats leave their roost they will climb down the netting and fly off to spend the night eating mosquitoes, and when they return the netting will prevent their re-entry. They will find a nearby house to move into, and move from house to house every few years. Bats have moved into town because their habitat is being destroyed. They hibernate in caves and live in hollow dead trees called snags. There are 15 different species of bats in Arkansas, mainly the brown bat. There can be as many as 200 bats to a square foot in their roost.



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## Deer hunt too violent

Editor,

There is one word to describe an urban deer hunt: Uncivilized. Try a non-violent alternative.

Violent and uncivilized are not words one would usually associate with Eureka Springs.

*F. Swartz*

## Enforce it or eliminate it

Editor,

Lany Ballance has my deepest respect for continuing to swim upstream against the stacked deck. She pointed out the fact the city has an ordinance that sets forth who is to use

trash bags and to have an identifying imprint on them. She further factually contended residential customers have Code enforced on them but businesses do not. She further said this constitutes class discrimination. She is correct and doing her job bringing this to council.

When [Alderman James] DeVito suggested she take this back to the Yellow Bag Research Committee and stated the council table was not the place to discuss this, he was wrong. Is not the council table the appropriate place to discuss such contentious issues? Is he suggesting the YBRC be given the authority to cancel yellow bags? If he was, I endorse it.

Alderman Berry pointed out that businesses pay about twice as much

as residents. My being in the food service for 40 years can say the trash generated by the successful restaurant, such as DeVito's, generates more than twice what I generate. I might assume the average business is also generating far more than twice what I generate at my little single person household. Might I add that alderman Berry's statement indicates that either I am overcharged or that businesses are grossly *undercharged*?

Several times during the meeting, recycling was mentioned and yellow bags credited for recycling. I recycle, but do not use a yellow bag for that, I use the green container provided by the city. I would never use a YB

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## WEEK'S Top Tweets

**@hrhtheduchess** --- West Nile virus claims its 27<sup>th</sup> victim as judge declares epidemic a public emergency in Dallas.

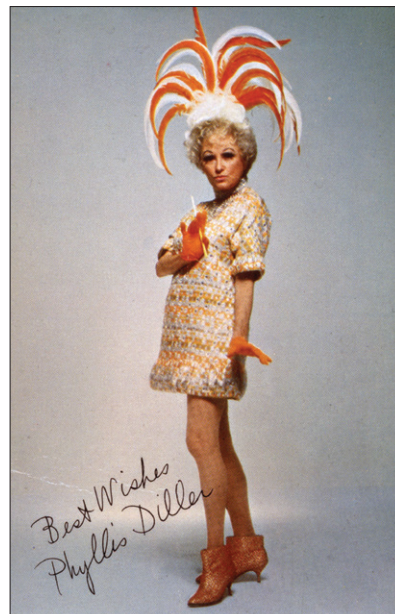
**@jackiewolven**  
--- "They say that housework can't kill you, but why take a chance?" RIP Phyllis Diller, a Very Funny Woman

**@MySoulsAnchor**  
--- Spending the day in Eureka Springs. Just had "The Works" treatment at the Palace Hotel Bath House.

**@AmericanHumor**

--- Sure, you can trust the government. Just ask the native Americans.

**@BarackObama** --- "We shouldn't have a bunch of politicians, a majority of whom are men, making health care decisions on behalf of women." – President Obama



**@offblackwater** --- What a crowd!!! Thanks to the Squid & Whale Pub in Eureka Springs AR!! An Official BLACK WATER NATION LOCATION!

**@Zen\_Moments** --- The way to do is to be. ~ Lau Tzu

**@eurekadowntown** --- The Love Bugs Are Coming! This weekend is the Annual VW Show in Eureka Springs!

**@KristiG917** --- Single digits till college football! Go Hogs!

**@MMFlint** ---

"The female body has ways to shut that thing down." What the female body is going to shut down is YOU, Congressman Akin. You & your party.





## Taking it to the extreme

Missouri Congressman Todd Akin made a most bizarre remark last Sunday. Akin uttered the words “legitimate rape.” Americans dropped their barbecue tongs and stared at radios, TVs or friends who told them about it. There was a collective, “what?”

The following day presumptive Republican presidential nominee Mitt Romney asked Akin to get the dickens out of the senatorial race in Missouri.

The day after that Akin said, “No.”

Today Akin has disappeared from the headlines. So we’re just wondering, does Romney have any Kevlar or is his spine that of a worm? Isn’t he the host of his own party? When Romney tells Akin he is not welcome and the Republican Party will not support, stump, endorse, encourage or take phone calls from Akin, what does it mean to you? That Romney’s not serious? That seems to be what it means to Akin.

So this Akin guy, who had Mike Huckabee slathering love all over him about wonderful American values, like one-man, one-woman marriage (affairs are legitimate and exempt if woeful apologies are issued soon enough); pro-life, which means that if a woman should somehow not have the secret things no one seems to know about except Todd Akin, and she gets legitimately raped and bona fide pregnant, it is somehow a magical gift from above. Gracious, it’s hard to type the words legitimately raped. Or legitimately screwed, killed, outfoxed or suppressed.

Todd Akin and his pal, Paul Ryan, who is the legitimate presumptive vice-presidential nominee for the Republican Party, have voted together in the House of Representatives 93 percent of the time. In 9000 votes, these two men have voted as one 8,370 times. They are blood brothers. They are one with each other and although Ryan is making obligatory phone calls to Akin asking him to get out of the Senate race in Missouri, they are comrades in taking women back to the 18<sup>th</sup> or 14<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> century. Back when men fought over land because they knew they didn’t have to worry about the women they already owned.

Republicans want to deregulate everything except a woman’s body, as though she is a simple vessel with no mind or opinion or rights.

Women might want to start acting like Democrats. Do you want the federal government telling you when you can

and can’t start a family? Do you want the federal government to not allow you equal protection under the law? Do you want the federal government to tell you whom to marry? Do you want the government to keep you from voting because you don’t have its changing version of the right paperwork? We need to be Democrats and scream blue murder at these knuckle-dragging Neanderthals whose only concern is to be in charge and make rules for the rest of us to follow. Or else.

Women’s votes can make the difference in this election. Why not have a family doctor for every family in America? A pediatrician for every kid in America? Counseling and rehab for every combat veteran in America? Now! Healthcare should not be based on an ability to pay, it should come out of the taxes that are spent for the good all citizens of this country. Equal rights and equal pay. Now.

Arkansas is the last southern state with a Democratic governor and legislature. We are the only southern state with a balanced budget and a surplus. We know it is a Democratic legislature in Arkansas that has seen to that for the past 80 years, and we know if Republicans get in office they will continue a war against women, unions, working people, poor people, black people and any people who are not straight, white, Christian (but not Christ-like), scary male.

Republican extremists want control not just of women and women’s health and women’s finances and women’s reputations, they want control over everyone who does not buy into their solution. Their solution is to rid the country of moderates, be they Democrats or Republicans. They want rigid rules and rigid laws that benefit the super wealthy who hide money outside their own country in order to avoid taxes. Seriously. They want the benefits of living here without the responsibilities. They want arborists and plumbers and professors and real estate agents to be taxed more heavily. They can only have this if we hand it to them.

Progressive people really can stand up to intolerant, fussy, wealthy tax cheaters who want more. We did stay awake in economics class. We did stay awake in biology class. We stayed awake in chemistry, physics, the arts, humanities and political science. We stayed awake in Sunday School. We know the importance of truth and we know that what extremists want to do to us is the definition of legitimate rape.



## The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

I guess it was about ten years ago that I started noticing groups of old guys sitting in coffee shops in the early morning. I’m one of the old guys now and belong to my own group.

You’ve seen us at just about any place that opens real early and sells coffee. The groups form spontaneously as the result of creaky, short nights of fitful sleep: its four o’clock in the morning and you can’t sleep anymore; you might as well get up and go get a cup of coffee.

That’s the condition my condition is in. Too much stuff hurts to allow me to lie still for very long, and I know that time is growing short. Thankfully, the coming day presents enough foolishness and wonder to make it worth getting up, and I take comfort knowing that I’m not alone: men all over town are falling in for old guy reveille.

“You get uglier every day,” an earlier arrival says in greeting. “My eggs would take drugs at the sight of you if they weren’t already fried.”

Such are the terms of endearment among old guys.

By 6:45 a.m., we sit, three hundred years of collective wisdom. Today, the topic of conversation turns to absolute facts, things and ideas that are always true, all the time.

“A woman’s love is like a horse turd,” one old guy says. “It is as likely to fall on a cactus as a rose.”

“Never buy cheap paint,” says another. And:

“Man’s best friend is a 6.5 percent return on an investment.”

“Angels can fly because they take themselves lightly.”

“There is no such thing as a large whiskey or a small amount of money.”

“Warren Zevon was the best there ever was.”

“Ann Coulter is the leading cause of sexual purity in men.”

“If you don’t behave yourself in this life you’ll be reincarnated as a hillbilly.”

It gets worse. But even though it is still early in the morning, you can only drink so much coffee before the day’s topic is exhausted. There are only so many things and ideas that are always true, all the time, and the list gets shorter the older you get.

# INDEPENDENT Constables On Patrol

## AUGUST 13

10:06 a.m. – Vehicle in a neighborhood almost hit a wandering dog. Animal Control brought the dog to the pound, and the owner later retrieved it after paying the impound fee.

3:40 p.m. – Homeowner asked for police assistance because he was having trouble with a contractor. Owner wanted the contractor to leave and not come back, and after speaking with the officer, the contractor left.

5:57 p.m. – Sheriff's office asked for constable assistance regarding reports of shots being fired in a hollow toward the southeast edge of town. Constable responded and also heard shots, and reported back to the sheriff.

6:39 p.m. – Another report from a different direction of the same gunfire, and officer advised complainant it was someone target practicing.

## AUGUST 14

4:18 a.m. – Concerned passerby reported seeing a female apparently passed out in her vehicle which was parked in the drive-through of a bank. Turns out she was a paper carrier waiting for her papers.

8:30 a.m. – A semi got lost and found itself in the parking lot of ESH in need of assistance. Constable responded and helped the driver get moving again.

1:06 p.m. – Animal Control was unable to find a loose and unsupervised dog in a neighborhood just east of town.

1:42 p.m. – Guest at a motel reported a theft of jewelry.

3:10 p.m. – Witness alerted ESPD to a reckless driver heading toward town from the east. Responding constable did not encounter the vehicle on his first pass but backtracked to check with lodges along U.S. 62.

5:35 p.m. – ESPD was informed of a possibly intoxicated driver without a driver's license in a vehicle without a license plate headed toward town from the south. Constables on patrol never encountered the vehicle.

5:51 p.m. – Sheriff's office got word of a motorcycle being driven recklessly on its way from Rogers. Officers watched for but did not encounter it.

9:13 p.m. – Vehicle ran out of gas on Hwy. 23N. Friends went to get gas for

the driver.

## AUGUST 15

8:43 a.m. – Animal Control officer was not able to catch a roaming dog, but, even better, followed it home and issued a warning to the owner about leash laws.

2:09 p.m. – Guest at a tourist lodging reported she thought someone was coming into her room during her absence and disturbing her possessions.

4:02 p.m. – Passerby noticed a horse beside Hwy. 23 just south of Holiday Island and there was no person in sight. Call transferred to sheriff's office.

6:50 p.m. – Resident alerted ESPD to a water leak in a neighborhood toward the western side of town, and ESPD called Public Works.

8:53 p.m. – There was another water leak, this one near Basin Park. Public Works was notified.

10:08 p.m. – Concerned passerby noticed a light on upstairs in a building, and the observer knew the owners were out of town. Also a vehicle was parked nearby. Turns out a friend of the owner was staying the night. Everything was okay.

## AUGUST 16

2:35 a.m. – Constable responded to an alarm going off, but it turned out to be a false alarm.

7:56 a.m. – Huntsville asked for police assistance in finding a couple who had supposedly brought two juveniles to Eureka Springs the night before for babysitting. Constable spoke with the male at his jobsite, and he said the juveniles were with the female in Huntsville when he left that morning. Huntsville police later located the juveniles. No report necessary.

10:46 a.m. – Customer of a local business reported she was involved in a civil issue with the business but has not been able to make contact with anyone there for more than two weeks. Constable on patrol responded and reported the store seems to be in business but no one was there at that moment.

12:13 p.m. – Witness reported a truck picking up trash had gotten tangled up in overhead lines. Constable arrived to find a dumpster in the roadway but no

truck, so he moved the dumpster out of the way.

2:12 p.m. – Routine traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver on a warrant out of Boone County.

4:50 p.m. – A passing vehicle apparently hit a deer on U.S. 62 east of downtown because a resident discovered it laying in his yard. ESPD advised him to call Turpentine Creek to see if they wanted it.

10:28 p.m. – Downstairs apartment dweller complained about the kids upstairs running and jumping. He said the manager had already asked them to keep the noise down after 10 p.m. Constable had to ask the parent to superintend her children.

11:45 p.m. – Sheriff's office passed along an anonymous call about an alleged intoxicated driver headed toward Eureka Springs. Officers watched for but did not encounter the vehicle.

## AUGUST 17

12:14 a.m. – A truck broke down on Hwy. 23 North and was partly in the roadway and partly in a ditch. The driver was provided the number of a tow service and the constable helped him get the vehicle out of the roadway.

1:51 p.m. – A full-sized semi turned to go up the Historic Loop. A constable on patrol made contact with the driver and provided better directions to his destination.

3:59 p.m. – Another semi was trying to negotiate the Historic Loop but stopped at the hospital blocking traffic. Constable on the scene had to look for the driver because he was not with the vehicle. Once discovered, the driver, with the help of the constable, was able to continue on his way.

5:38 p.m. – A visitor checked his account after leaving a motel without getting a room, and thought he was being unduly charged. A constable intervened and the matter was settled in a civil fashion.

5:52 p.m. – Campers at Lake Leatherwood came across a deer with a badly broken leg stuck in the mud along a trail. An officer who responded had to do his duty.

6:58 p.m. – Two males were beginning

to make a disturbance at a restaurant uptown. They had departed by the time a constable arrived and searched for but did not find them.

11:34 p.m. – Employee at a motel complained about a banjo party. Officer who responded asked the players to keep it down for the night.

2:41 a.m. – Resident near downtown reported a male beating on her front door. Constable showed up but the door-beater was already gone.

2:44 p.m. – Two constables responded to more than one domestic issue at the same address. Supposedly seven people live there and they fight often. One male was cursing at an elderly person on oxygen. Another couple was fighting and she hurt his neck and broke his windows. Marijuana was possibly involved. Constables took a report.

3:13 p.m. – Customer at a business returned to the parking lot to find her vehicle missing. She reported it to ESPD. While a constable was on the scene, he got a call regarding someone with a very similar vehicle who had apparently climbed into the wrong vehicle and had driven away. All vehicles were reunited with their owners.

4:53 p.m. – Someone noticed a suspicious vehicle parked behind a closed business. The observer called back to say the couple in the vehicle was just trying to find some alone time but left when they realized they were not alone anymore.

5:17 p.m. – Concerned citizen saw a group of six teens with five Pit Bulls in Basin Park in a disorderly scene. They were all gone when the constable patrolled through the area.

6:31 p.m. – A dog wandered into a business downtown. It was captured and taken to the pound.

7:29 p.m. – Another complaint came in regarding teens with large dogs and this time they were asking for money. Constable encountered them and they denied asking for money or earlier problems in the park. Constable warned them further disturbances would prompt a more serious response.

8:04 p.m. – Resident of an apartment



complex informed ESPD of an argument between two other residents, one who left the scene.

9:52 p.m. – Eyewitness reported a couple fighting, the male pushing the female. They walked away from the scene, and a constable on patrol encountered them. He determined they were not fighting and the call was unfounded.

## AUGUST 19

12:55 a.m. – Constable on patrol encountered an intoxicated person and arrested him.

3:32 a.m. – Desk clerk at a motel told ESPD a male was possibly vandalizing a vending machine. Officer responded and there appeared to be no damage to the machine.

4:10 a.m. – Alarm sounded at the high school. ESFD and an officer responded and found a door open. Someone had entered and written on the chalkboards and had also discharged a fire extinguisher. Officer gathered information.

12:30 p.m. – Six or seven sport bikes were reportedly driving very fast on Hwy. 23N going toward town. An officer saw them in town but they were behaving lawfully at that point.

1:15 p.m. – This time it was a single sports bike driving extremely fast and passing on a double yellow line on its way to town from the north. A vigilant witness managed to box in the sports bike as well as all other southbound traffic on Hwy. 23. Constable responded and advised the citizen the incident was out of city limits so it was the sheriff's bailiwick. He advised the citizen he could not block traffic nor impede the alleged transgressor, but the call was forwarded to the sheriff's office.

2:44 p.m. – A fight broke out again at the scene of a previous disturbance in town. Constables intervened and settled things down. Both parties were intoxicated, but neither had injuries and neither wanted to file charges. Officers filed a report.

9:22 p.m. – Passerby uptown noticed a front door open at a closed business. Constables found the building secure and the owner locked the door.

## CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

**MONDAY, AUGUST 27, 6 P.M.**

**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. **Vote on Robert Schmid.** Pos. 3 – Lynn Bridwell – expired 6/30/11. Pos. 4 – Bobbie Foster – expired 6/30/12

**Hospital** – Pos. 2 – vacant – expires 6/1/14. Pos. 5 – vacant – expires 6/1/17. **Vote on Jack Pritchard.** Pos. 6 – vacant – expires – 9/7/15

**Parks** – Pos. 1 – vacant – expired 5/1/12. Pos. 5 – vacant – expired 5/1/11

**HDC** – Pos. 1 – vacant – expires 11/30/12

**Cemetery** – Pos. 1 – June Westphal – expired 2/15/12. Pos. 2 – vacant – expired 2/15/12

## Yellow Bag Research Committee

### Deer Hunt Committee Public Comments Unfinished Business:

1. Non-conforming Off-Premise Signs – postponed until the sign ordinance is approved – Planning Commission
2. Ordinance No. 2155 Limousines – second reading – tabled until the second meeting in August – Mr. Raphael and Ms. Ballance
3. Action for non-participating Commissioners – postponed until September 10 – Mr. Pownall and Ms. Ballance
4. Building permits, parking lots, demolition and construction ordinance – Planning
5. “Weekly” dwelling units list – Planning
6. Update on the Taxi franchise workshops – Mr. DeVito and Ms. Lindblad
7. Discussion of the Auditorium agreement for 2013 – Mr. Pownall and Mr. DeVito
8. Discussion of the marker proposed for Conway Spring – Ms. Ballance and Ms. Lindblad

### New business:

1. Discussion of the proposed ordinance for Water/Sewer committee – Mr. Pownall and Ms. Ballance
2. Discussion of financial procedures – Mr. Pownall and Ms. Balance
3. Discussion of asking the Planning Commission to research structures encroaching on public property – Ms. Ballance and Ms. Lindblad
4. Resolution for December free parking on Spring and Main – Mayor Pate
5. Resolution for allocating money to repair Auditorium heat coil units – Mayor Pate

## Sunrise Sunset ribbon cutting August 29

New Eureka Springs Chamber member, Sunrise Sunset Vacation Rental, invites all to their official Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting on Wednesday, August 29, from 5 – 7 p.m. Come learn about the lake/river area vacation getaway at 12608 Hwy. 187 (behind New Horizon Realty). For more information, see [www.vrbo.com/422118](http://www.vrbo.com/422118).

## First-ever Blue Moon Night Market

Get ready to throw some goodies on the barbie and enjoy a cookout at the first-ever soon-to-be-annual Blue Moon Night Market on August 30 at the Farmers' Market in Pine Mountain Village. Shoppers can bring their own meat or vegetables to cook on the grill or purchase them fresh at the market.

Festivities begin at 6 p.m. with bluegrass music by Ozark Flavor until 9 p.m. followed by easy listening with DJ Steve until 11 p.m. There will be plenty of free nibbles, great fresh produce and lots of community interaction.

The Blue Moon Night Market is only one of many special events planned for the Tuesday and Thursday markets between now and November. In addition to fresh produce, organic meats, amazing baked goods, home-canned foods, specialty crafts and live music between 7 a.m. and noon, the market features cooking demos and contests regularly.

The Salsa Contest brought out some creative efforts last week, with Frank Rebiejo walking away with the top prize of two Sunday buffets at the Crystal Dining Room and \$50 in Farmers' Market Bucks.

August's Blue Moon Night Market will be followed by a cooking demonstration on Sept. 9 and a Chili Contest on Sept. 20 – so dust off your favorite chili recipe or make something no-one's ever tasted before! There will be several categories, so go for broke.

“We'll have categories from mild to medium to hot, and maybe some special categories for vegetarian or creativity,” said Stuart Drizner, market publicist. No entry application is needed, just show up with a minimum of one quart of chili (a whole crock pot would go further and thus get more votes from the tasting public – your judges). Meanwhile, there's plenty of time to make a few batches and get it just right.

## Chamber noms due Aug. 31

George Purvis, Chair of the Greater Eureka Springs Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, has announced that nominations are now being accepted for four board positions that will end this year.

Anyone interested in serving or who knows of a fellow Chamber member who would be interested in serving on the board, may forward the information to [director@eurekaspringschamber.com](mailto:director@eurekaspringschamber.com) by noon on August 31.

The Nominating Committee will select the final ballot from submitted nominations. Anyone considered for a position on the board must be a member or employed by a member of the Chamber. Once the final slate of candidates has been determined all members will receive a ballot in order to vote for their choices to fill the four positions.

## Crafters encouraged to sign up

The Fall Craft Show in Pine Mountain Village will be November 3 and is one of the main events for the Fall Folk Festival sponsored by the CAPC.

Booths are still available for hand-crafted items. Spaces are 12x12 ft. Booth rental is \$40 with electricity and \$35 without. Contact Gayle Voiles (479) 244-6907 or pick up an application at Village Gifts in Pine Mountain Village (next door to the Chamber of Commerce).

## Don't skip breakfast on Sept. 1

Especially when it's being served up by the Holiday Island Elks Lodge 1042 Auxiliary. Make plans now and bring friends to enjoy an all-you-can-eat Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, September 1, 7 - 10:30 a.m. at the

Elks Lodge 1042 in the Holiday Island Business Park. Menu includes pancakes, biscuits & gravy, bacon, sausage, juice and coffee. Adults \$6, children (under 12) \$3. More info: (479) 253-6510.

## September Ladies Fellowship Brunch

The Holiday Island Community Church Ladies Fellowship will host a brunch on Monday, Sept. 17 at 10 a.m. at the Fellowship Hall of Holiday Island Community Church, 188 Stateline Drive.

The program will feature Twyla Cramer, singer, speaker and founder of Christian Women's Connection in Harrison. Twyla will present her program, *Laughter Is Good Medicine*. For more information contact Mary Lou Martin, (479) 253-9398.



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## What's for lunch?

**Eureka Springs School District lunch menu for Aug. 27-31**

**Monday, Aug. 27** - Cheese burger on wheat bun, oven fries, sandwich salad cup, pears, milk  
**Tuesday, Aug. 28** - Chicken fajitas, lettuce, tomato, green pepper strips, pinto beans, salsa, orange, milk

**Wednesday, Aug. 29** - Breaded beef strips, mashed potatoes with gravy, black-eyed peas, tossed green salad with ranch, fresh fruit, whole wheat roll, milk

**Thursday, Aug. 30** - Ham, turkey cheese sub sandwich, corn on the cob, sandwich salad cup, sweet potato pie, fruit, juice, milk

**Friday, Aug. 31** - Vegetable soup, crackers, cheese toast, mixed green salad with ranch, peaches, milk

**Strung Out** - Nolan Lawrence of the Hillbenders restrings his mandolin just before playing on stage in Basin Park Friday evening during the Bluegrass Festival.



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RICHARD QUICK

## PASSAGES



Lacey with Wilsie Sherman at the August Business After Hours at Community First.

## Lacey Jones Aug. 13, 2012

Lacey Jones, one time honorary member of the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, and long time canine manager of Pond Mountain Lodge passed away on August 13 in Durango, Colo., while visiting there with her companion/partner of 14 years, Judy Jones. Those who knew Lacey will most certainly miss her meet-and-greet style and her commitment to making Eureka Springs a most hospitable destination for tourism.



## ES Farmers' Market ranks 3<sup>rd</sup> in U.S., 4<sup>th</sup> in state – \$1,000 essay prize offered

American Farmland Trust's America's Favorite Farmers' Markets™ Contest is being held to raise national awareness about local farmers markets, the role they play in supporting local farms and the importance of protecting American farmland.

Supporters of local markets are being asked to visit [www.actionfarmland.org](http://www.actionfarmland.org) online and click the "Vote" button for instructions. Voting will close Sept. 3.

In concert with contest, individual farmers can submit an essay to win the Farmers' Market Inspiration Award. The \$1,000 grand prize will be awarded to a farmer-producer who writes an essay illustrating why farmers' markets matter to their farm, family, and community. The award is hosted by the Farmers' Market Coalition in partnership with *Growing for Market* magazine and American Farmland Trust. Runner-up prizes will also be awarded.

The Eureka Springs Farmers' Market currently ranks 4<sup>th</sup> in the state and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the entire country. On the list of top 20 farmers' markets in the U.S. the Botanical Gardens of the Ozarks Farmers' Market in Fayetteville ranked first, followed Putnam Farmers' Market in Hurricane, W.Va., Eureka Springs Farmers Market, Farmers Market in Hershey, Penn. and the Arlington Farmers Market in Arlington, Wash.

Most of the top farmers' markets were listed as having more than 56 vendors, while the Eureka Springs market is listed as having less than 15 – and still getting recognition along with the bigger markets. Garnering the most votes in the state was the Fayetteville Farmers' Market, followed by the Botanical Gardens of the Ozarks Farmers' Market, the Bentonville Farmers' Market, Eureka Springs Farmers' Market and the ASU Regional Farmers' Market.



PHOTO BY GWEN ETHEREDGE

Close to 50,000 votes have been cast so far around the country. It would only take 100 or so more votes to move the Eureka Springs

market further up in the rankings. A full list of rankings in the state and country can be found on the website mentioned in paragraph 2.

### If I had a boat I'd go out on the ocean, if I had a pony I'd ride it on my boat – Doug Powell's

zeal for wooden boats began while growing up in Chesapeake Bay, Md., where family, friends and neighbors all had sailboats. He sailed his first boat when he was eight and realized that sailing put him where he really wanted to be, "in the peaceful, loving embrace of water." Instead of taking high school dates dancing or to the movies he would take them sailing. Powell now builds wooden kayaks of his own design, made with black walnut, redwood, cedar and pine. They are 17 ft. long, weigh 40 pounds, and one he recently built has a pedal drive.

PHOTO BY JERRY HINTON





# Farewell, old friend







## Ode to a Tuliptree, Part I



PHOTO BY STEVEN FOSTER

You don't have to be a tree hugger to appreciate a tree as a friend, mourning its loss once gone. There are trees that by their very presence are landmarks and companions embraced by size, beauty, position or simple familiarity. Such was the large Tuliptree in front of the Carnegie Public Library on Spring Street. Through no fault of its own, beyond its sheer weight, perhaps the victim of an ice storm or generally failing infrastructure beneath its roots, it severely buckled the sidewalk as its angle of lean noticeably increased over the last month, creating a safety hazard which would only continue to increase. By the time you read this, that tree will be another chapter of Eureka Springs history.

Tuliptree (or Tulip Tree) is also known by other names such as Tulip Poplar, White Poplar, Hickory Poplar and Yellow Poplar. However, it has no relation to tulips, poplars, hickories or other common names with which it is associated. Rather, it is a member of the magnolia family (*Magnoliaceae*), known to botanists as *Liriodendron tulipifera*.

*Liriodendron* means tree with a lily-like flower and "tulipifera" means "tulip-like" also referring to the uniquely beautiful flowers. Although native to Arkansas it is not an Ozark native. In Arkansas it is found in the forests of Crowleys Ridge and the tiers of counties that stretch east along the Mississippi.

The species ranges from rich wooded slopes and bottoms from Massachusetts to Florida, west to Louisiana, north through southern Illinois to Indiana and Ontario. It is the state flower of Indiana. Tuliptree is widely planted elsewhere as a street and shade tree. The only other species in the genus is called *e-zhang-qui-shu* – *Liriodendron chinense*, Chinese Tuliptree – yet another example of a plant group with only two species – one in Eastern Asia and one in Eastern North America.

In some respects, our own big Tuliptree is a victim of its own biological success. It is one of the lightest and softest North American hardwoods, which says "fast-growing, short-lived" tree. Also it reaches the loftiest height of any North American hardwood tree growing to more than 200 feet tall.

This, too, means, that while alive, the fast-growing tissue is completely imbibed with water. When dried and seasoned, it is the lightest of hardwoods; when alive it is one of the heaviest trees due to the water-to-tissue ratio. Hence, when a Tuliptree begins to lean for whatever reason, a slow but sure tipping point will be reached where the tree is taken down by its own weight. Eureka nature is to simply turn the wood from the downed tree into material for artisans to create objects for a future Carnegie Library fundraiser...

### Tuliptree takedown

– As explained above, this Tuliptree was its own worst enemy and had to come down before completely lifting the sidewalk in front of the library and falling into the street. Far left: Steven Foster and Doug Stowe examine the tree's hollowed heart.

PHOTOS BY STEVEN FOSTER





## Alas, the Vortex

History dictates that Louis and Elsie Freund were responsible for starting the art movement here in Eureka Springs. The couple established the Summer Art School of the Ozarks in 1940, and to this day, artists and creative types continue to be drawn in to this little vortex of a town, smack-dab in the middle of the country.

As one of those artist/creative types who journeyed here, I often ask myself, “Why do I still call Eureka Springs home after more than 15 years?”

I fell in love with Eureka for its obvious charms, but it was the people, the artists and independent thinkers I met who were key in my decision to make the major move from that other creative vortex, Key West. And it’s friends, old and new, who have kept me here.

There’s safety in numbers and I’ve always felt a kinship for fellow beings brave enough to take paint to canvas, put pen to paper, pluck a banjo, sew a zigzag, get on point, belt out a song or start a newspaper and put it on display for everyone to see and judge.

So here I am, at a place I call home, unless or until I get caught up in another vortex.

Last week we sadly lost one of our community’s finest. Nancy Foggo was a lovely and charming woman who had a passion for art and who genuinely and unconditionally loved artists – not an easy task as many of you reading this know. Really, who else do you know who could put up so patiently with some of our talented, but difficult, local art divas (present company included)?

Nancy, with her husband Ken, ran Eureka Art on North Main, a gallery that carries local artists’ work.



Nancy Foggo (left) with artist Julie Kahn Valentine in her studio several years ago.

PHOTO BY JOHN RANKINE

Before Nancy became ill it was one of the rare galleries in town to regularly highlight individual artists with one or two person shows; a brave and challenging thing to do in this town – removing the necessary-to-survive brick-a-brac from shelves and walls to make room for the collective work of the artist.

Such memorable shows – Carol Peacock, Richard

Harper and Julie Kahn Valentine come to mind – always accompanied by fine food, wine and conversation.

To many of us Nancy was a friend, patron, adviser, and sometimes just a good shoulder to cry on. She will be missed.

A memorial service for Nancy will be announced.

**Cracking Up** – The crowd in Basin Park enjoys a free concert by Crack Grass during the 2012 Bluegrass Festival.

PHOTO BY JERRY HINTON





# Dolls to be auctioned for charity Sept. 8

Northwest Arkansas Heirloom Doll Club is hosting a silent auction fundraiser for Grandma's House child abuse advocacy centers and the Merlin Foundation at their annual luncheon, "A Change of A Dress: Paper Dolls," on Sept. 8.

The auction features Cabbage Patch dolls, presentations, sale tables, displays, competitions, centerpieces, table favors and an heirloom-quality souvenir doll. The theme is the work of Grace Drayton, creator of Dolly Dingle, the Campbell Soup Kids and a wide variety of paper dolls.

Attendees are invited to bring old Cabbage Patch dolls for the club to recycle for children at Grandma's House centers in Harrison and Green Forest.

The event will be held at the Inn of the Ozarks Conference Center from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Tickets \$50. Contact Carolyn Williams (479) 253-7199. The Northwest Arkansas Heirloom Doll Club is a chapter of United Federation of Doll Clubs (UFDC), a non-profit organization holding this event in cooperation with The Merlin Foundation.

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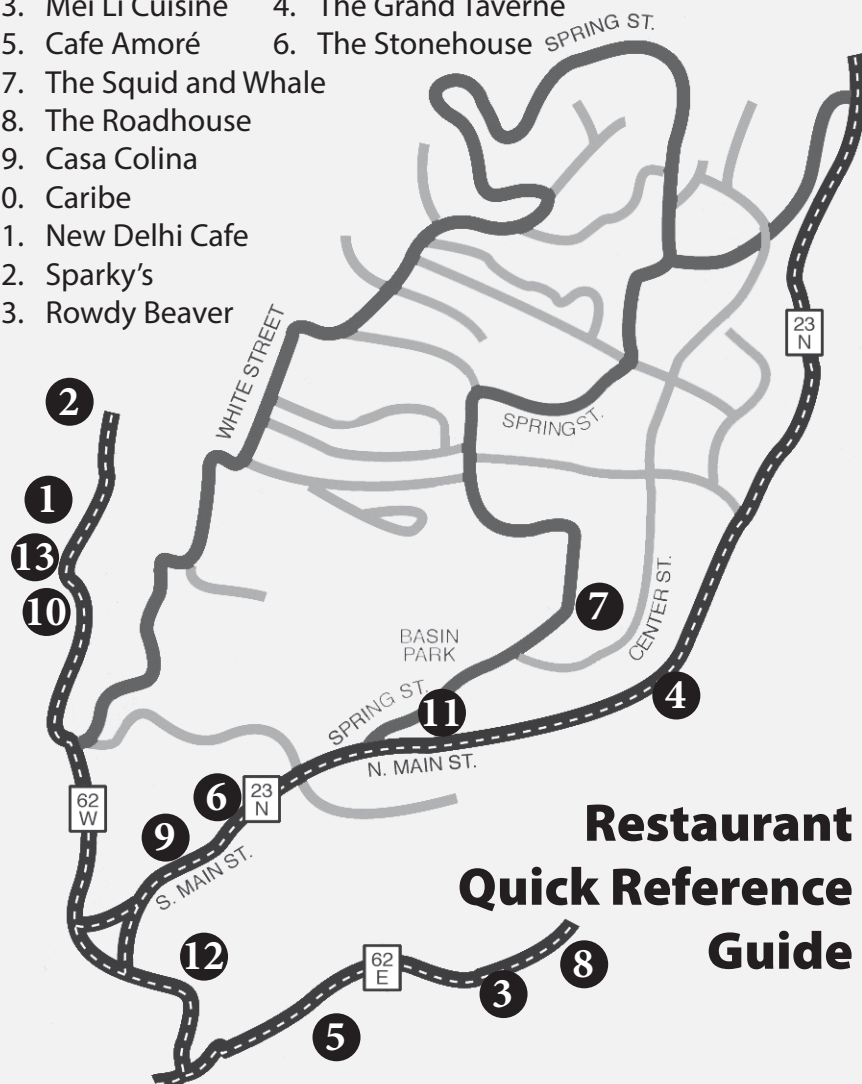
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You’ve probably all seen Bloody Mama, a faded red Dodge 1/2 ton, boiling down a county road at a spanking 20 or 30 miles an hour. As you passed, it was probably the driver’s long blond hair pouring out from under a battered straw hat that caught your glance rather than the white logo on the doors where a Texaco star used to be. In circular lettering around a familiar looking five-pointed leaf it reads: Bureau of Streams & Trees.

This familiar sight is about to vanish from the countryside and folks from Busch to Berryville know their lot’ll be the poorer for its passing. After two winters and uncounted miles, Will Lassiter wants to put the old Dodge out to pasture. Will’s the Bureau’s Carroll County circuit rider... self-appointed.

Dr. Lassiter is what his art students at the University up north called him before he dropped out and moved into an abandoned log cabin near Blue Spring.

“One morning I was outside drinking coffee when Peach walked up looking for a ride to the dairy. We pooled our gas money and hit the road.”

Will picked up a little more gas money from each of the families and communes that relied on milk from the Missouri dairy and went to bed that night with a round belly and a head full of ideas.

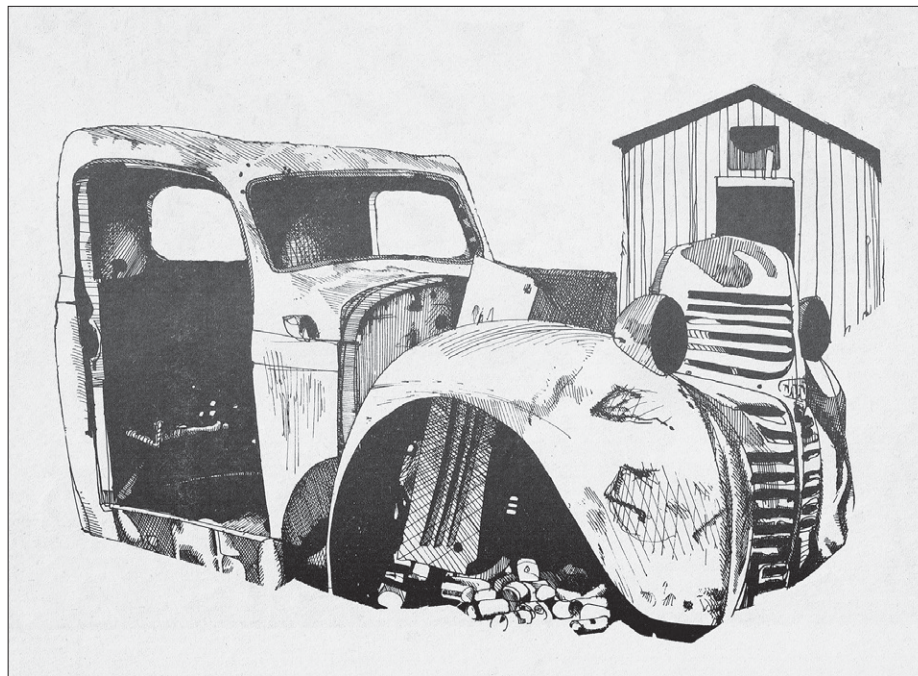
“I had a quarter-tank of gas left the next morning so I made another run and that’s what I’ve been doing since. I’m my own boss and I work almost any day I want to.”

Will feels it’s time for another trucker to run his route. “There’s lots of folks without working wheels who have produce to trade or art to sell.” Will keeps his washboard behind the seat and has an uncanny ear for a jam brewing anywhere on the route.

### All aboard

Hitching a ride is the best way to see what kind of service the Bureau provides. On shopping day, Will pokes through Eureka filling orders for “store boughts” at Perkins and Clark’s, lines up a couple of photography and light hauling jobs, picks up orders for farm goods at the Co-op and stops near the edge of town for a couple of hippies with their thumbs out.

“Where ya’ headed?” Will hollers. “Variableville,” they mumble.



“Take ya’ part way. Climb in.”

There’s a stop at the city dump on the edge of town then on toward Farm Yonder. The day’s mail fans over the metal dashboard, much of it carrying the Bureau’s red-inked hand stamp guaranteeing eventual “First-Day” delivery in exchange for postage paid for with eggs or green goods. “Every day is the first day of something,” Will explains.

There’s fresh-caught fish to pick up near the Kings River and baby clothes to drop off at Lothlórien before heading over the stateline for milk and honey at the dairy, then back to The Altered State for a stop at the First Homely House and a communal lunch at a long table surrounded by back-to-the-landers.

Sliding an old trunk housing the Bureau’s lending library onto Bloody Mama’s tailgate, Will watches a passel of barefoot children rummage through stacks of donated books. Conversation turns to his rumored retirement and some of his more memorable visits come up, like the time he delivered the midwife who delivered Cow Pod and the time he hauled their goats through a two-foot snowfall to visit a “holistic” vet.

### Off to Beaver Town

“Howdy,” hollers Fishhead Carter as Willy eases up to a White River shanty. “Glad you spotted my sign,” she chirps, pointing at a scrap of gingham hanging from her rural mailbox. Fishhead invites Will up on the porch for tea and a peek at her “collectibles.” He spots a plaster windmill for a collector in town and two antique postcards to sell at a fancy shop on Spring St.

On through Beaver and up Butler Hollow, Will eyes the roadside for “sign.”

Spotting three red tail hawk feathers, he pulls over to haul in the signal and turns up a narrow dirt road that peters out atop an abandoned railroad bed. Easing around a washed-out trestle, Will lugs through the pines beyond the abandoned radium mine and is greeted at the edge of a high meadow by waving children who run toward the truck from the shade encircling three, tall white tipis.

Returning the feathers, Will delivers a bottle of horse liniment and the mail before inviting 14-year-old Rain into the cab for a ride to the bus station in Eureka.

### Rolling billboard

Winding through the National Forest, Will zig-zags along the state line threading neighbors together until they roll past Gateway and turn off for a back road run to an open air silk-screen shop set up on the shore of Beaver Lake. After a swim, Will picks up a stack of posters advertising a Wildcat Alexander gig at the Quiet Night and duct tapes one on each truck door. Rolling Bloody Mama down the mountain, Will slips the clutch near the bottom. The engine fires propelling them over Indian Creek as they harmonize an old truck-start favorite, “You can rock it, you can roll it. You can laugh if someone stole it!”

Stopping near the Busch Post Office, Rain marvels as Will barter with Mineral Bath for two plates of vegetables and a recital of her latest one-woman play, “God Calling Earth; Come In Elna!” The trading warms up as quilts, buckets and kerosene change hands.

On the slow drive to Eureka with the sun setting behind them, Will asks Rain about her bus trip. She tells him she’s headed for Vermont and looking forward to it after so many months in the Ozark forest.

Will asks her how she’s going to cover her ticket and is dazzled by the exquisite turquoise and silver bracelet she slides out of her pack.

Pulling over to admire the hours of artistry which went into the bracelet, he says old Doc Holland who moved down from Chicago has an eye for such work and a fair sense of its worth as well as a more-than-casual acquaintance with the value

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In 1917 Flonie's mother, Samantha Walden sold the Busch Store to Tom and Minnie Walden, and Samantha and her children moved back to their old farm in Butler Hollow.

Busch in the 1920s was a rapidly changing place. Although World War I slowed down road improvements in the area, a local man named Claude Fuller took up that effort again. Fuller owned a ranch on the White River just southwest of the Busch Store and Post Office.

In *Backwoods Baron: The Life Story of Claude Albert Fuller* by Frank L. Beals (1951), the author stated that Fuller bought this ranch in 1902 from General Powell Clayton, a Southern Republican boss who had helped finance the railroad to Eureka Springs. A few days after Fuller's purchase, Clayton helped Fuller become elected to the state legislature. This was just one step in Fuller's local and national political career. Fuller's ranch would eventually become the reason the new highway from Gateway to Eureka Springs was finally constructed, leading right by the Busch Store and Post Office.

Although plans for a highway had been in place for years, in the 1920s Fuller used influence as Gov. Charles Brough's ex-campaign manager to begin construction of a road through his ranch using convict labor. This road would include a bridge over the White River. The road through Busch meant travel to Eureka Springs could be made more easily across the river



and over the mountain ridges, rather than down Butler Hollow and across the bridge at Beaver. The highway also led west and north through Gateway, near Seligman, Mo., on the "Frisco" Railroad line, located at the head of Butler Hollow. By 1921 the unpaved road was completed and by 1935 it was paved.

According to a November 4, 2008 article in the *Lovely County Citizen* by Kathryn Lucariello, this road, U.S. Highway 62, was moved in the 1950s to a safer route, diverting it just past the corner of the Busch Store going east, so not affecting the store. This took the highway over a new bridge and up a new road cut to Eureka Springs. Eventually the old bridge

was taken down, and in 2008 the old highway route through the Fuller ranch was added to the National Register of Historic Places.

Mabel Walden remembers that sometime in the 1920s the Busch Store was moved again, from down on the creek, up to its third location right on the new highway easement. This is where it remained, although the store closed in 1975, and the post office closed in 1985 when Mabel retired as postmaster. The present building still stands.

Ernest Huffman bought the property and became Busch's eighth postmaster on May 12, 1930. Ernest brought new life to the store. For 31 years he made improvements, ran the post office, sold

goods, built an auto camp, bought and sold real estate, and set up an elaborate rock shop and museum at the store. The Busch Store and Post Office became a tourist attraction, as well as serving practical purposes.

Adam Wyrick described the Busch Store in 1951 under the proprietorship of Ernest Huffman. "Then just wander off down the highway to the place called Busch, Ark., or Busch Store and Camp, where you can find picnic supplies and a fishing license and if you want a building site or a farm or a ranch on the highway or White River you should write or see the man that says 'You can't go wrong in the Ozarks,' and that is Ernest Huffman."

## EurekaPalooza back Sept. 22 – with pie!

The ever-popular EurekaPalooza Outdoor Festival will be back for its third year to fill Lake Leatherwood City Park with music and fun on Saturday, Sept. 22. Vendor applications, cook-off entries, volunteers and sponsors are now being accepted.

This year there will be two stages featuring an all-new line-up of musical entertainment starting at noon. Also new this year is the EurekaPielooza Pie Cook-Off with both Pro and Home-Baker categories, and Sweet and Savory categories; an amazing Kid Zone with fun attractions and games. Vendors displaying and demonstrating art, fine crafts, and healing services – plus great food and drinks – will keep the festival spirit exciting.

The event benefits the Clear Spring School, a non-

profit pre-primary through 12th grade independent school in Eureka Springs offering a hands-on and hearts-engaged education that fosters a lifelong love of learning.

Festival hours are 11 a.m. – 11p.m. and admission is free. Email [karen@clearspringschool.org](mailto:karen@clearspringschool.org) for a Vendor Application, a EurekaPielooza Cook-Off Entry Form and to volunteer or be a sponsor of the event. Camping is available through the Lake Leatherwood Park office (479) 253-7921.

More information is available at [www.clearspringschool.org](http://www.clearspringschool.org), [www.eurekapalooza.com](http://www.eurekapalooza.com) and new updates on Facebook at "2012 EurekaPalooza Outdoor Festival."



**Kid Zone** – Chance and Vivi show off some of the fun they wore in the Kid Zone at last year's EurekaPalooza.



## We All Become Scorpions

On Thursday, Mars enters Scorpio; sign of discipleship and of reorientation (into higher regions) for humanity – Hercules, who, through overcoming our Twelve Labors (signs) becomes the world disciple. With Mars in Scorpio we all become very serious personalities, with intense wants, desires and aspirations. We turn into dramatic players, center stage starring in our very own play. Our actions are passionate, self-determined and severely focused. We probe, explore, research achieving great perception. We seek what is hidden – the psychological and the occult. We have great strength and pursue our objectives with a deadly conviction. We all “become” Scorpions for a while.

All heavenly energies, as they fall to Earth, are neutral. It is our state of consciousness that either reacts (recoils, resists) or responds (is curious, understands, works with). Mars in Scorpio provides humanity with the Nine Tests (three tests for three levels of the personality – physical, emotional, lower mental) testing the strength and stability of our personality, which must demonstrate its readiness to be directed by the Soul. If our personality passes the tests, Mars in Scorpio then reorients us, lifting material values into spiritual values. Mars signifies emotions on the physical/emotional planes. Wall Street (money) is run by emotions. Mars says humanity must move from desires focused on the self to desire for God and the well being of humanity.

During Mars in Scorpio we experience points of crisis, moments of disorientation leading to reorientation (a turn-around). These are of great value. They estimate our stage on the Path and shed light upon our Way. Only through understanding of these things can there be modifications, adaptations and alterations made which refine us and prepare us. So we can move from the solar plexus (emotions that separate) to the heart (intelligent love which unites), from darkness to light, from the unreal to the real, from death to immortality.

How the Mars in Scorpio influences us:

**ARIES:** You become dignified, bolder,

cooperating more with research and investigation. Desire for self-adulation becomes desire for others to be in the spotlight, so their gifts can also be seen and recognized. You will be able to detect and diagnose situations and needs. A mystical and occult (they are different) sense overcomes you. You blend the two.

**TAURUS:** You become zealous for fairness and justice. You seek ways to communicate compromise, conciliate and cooperate. You begin to speak the ways of Compassionate Communication (non-violent communication). You attempt to refine and harmonize all desires in order to balance all interactions and relationships. You seek out bold and forceful people. Sometimes you’re impetuous. You wear red more.

**GEMINI:** Usually found reading, writing or talking, your energy now focuses on activities that organize, order, categorize efficiently, effectively and practically. You become logical (more so) and the aspiration to be pure and healthy outweighs usual food desires. Cooking and cleaning energetically become an industrious affair. Careful of cuts, scrapes and burns. And mosquitoes.

**CANCER:** You seek entertainment, make room for children (and childish things), wonder where your childhood playthings went, remember what you left behind and perhaps cry about it. Some Cancers speculate (gamble) strongly at this time and with ferocity. The same for Cancer parents. They are ferociously protective of their children and pets. There’s lots of drama (crying), playful energies, creative leadership. Happiness.

**LEO:** You consider what your true inner feelings are toward your family. You find they are conflicted these days and somewhat suppressed. Yet you are very loyal. If you work at home, all of a sudden you see how overworked you are and how overworked your home is, too, and set about changing the environment. Making it more liberated, a bit more traditional. You need architectural Libran beauty.

**VIRGO:** Your mind is stimulated to such a degree that sometimes you feel heart palpitations. At times you could

also experience headaches. Stand in the Sun’s light penetrating your shoulders and the back of your neck. The Sun’s radiant light enters the body and goes directly to the spleen, which then distributes that light to all parts of the body, uplifting and vitalizing. Allow no conflicts, no arguments.

**LIBRA:** You wake each morning trying to figure out how to gain wealth and material resources so you can achieve a certain important visionary goal. Perhaps to build a house for mother, for the family or for the “family called humanity.” You battle between using resources for self or others. You have strong values and work(ed) passionately for them. You fight, battle, and at times, defend them. What are those values? Is someone left out?

**SCORPIO:** The transit of Mars in Scorpio belongs to you. The Nine Tests (read the introduction again) are yours and you experience and recognize them. The endurance that Mars tests, and all your attitudes and beliefs make you feel like you’re dying and regenerating (internally) every moment. You become outspoken, but always you are uncomplicated, speaking the straight truth, which defines you. Each day is recklessly different.

**SAGITTARIUS:** As the days progress notice you becoming sympathetic (more), receptive, affectionate and even more sensitive. The volume of your music is turned up. Anything not peaceful you turn away from. You’re emotional, you study what sacrifice means. Sometimes you’re sorrowful. You consider reading and writing poetry. The dream world beckons. You walk through that door seeking to help others, unassuming and unrecognized.

**CAPRICORN:** All this energy falls out of you towards friendships and things social, public and communal. You begin to consider what living in a sustainable organized intentional community would be like. You wonder where they are and could you help create one? You know success is achieved through collective cooperative action. You use the word, cooperative, at home. Your first community is family. You teach them first. You then turn outward to assess the

world.

**AQUARIUS:** Notice yourself in the weeks to come – further developments of persistence, perseverance and ambition. Along with great practicality and responsibility to carry out actions in a professional and business like manner. You work hard, over time, to gain position and reputation. Achieving success through long hours, questioning and overcoming obstacles. This is to be applauded, exalted. Good job. Carry on.

**PISCES:** Your intelligence and intellect becomes bolder, stronger. You seek adventure, something pioneering, a way of life reflecting your principles and beliefs. Sports, travel, publishing, religions, spiritual pursuits expand your consciousness and motivation. You seek resources to see your visions for humanity come true. Often, being in the world among humanity, you are inspired to teach and uplift humanity. Be careful never to be critical and/or self-righteous. You need to explore and travel with someone.

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**Holy Strings, Batman** – Finn Van Sickle appears above Basin Park as Batman during the Bluegrass free concert Friday evening.

PHOTO BY RICHARD QUICK



**Four kids in a fountain...** William Linker, Gavin Mitchell and Charlie and Aubrey Huntley cool off in the fountain in Basin Park last weekend.

PHOTOS BY JOHN RANKINE



**The show must go on...** A little rain did not keep Jana Robison away from the circus in Basin Park last Thursday. The Downtown Network sponsored event was officially cancelled due to rain, but many performers came out and put on a show anyway.

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movement toward enabling the city to sustain the park.

Commissioner Steven Foster said the suggestion of putting in a zipline in the park clarified for him the need for a Master Plan that designates areas for specific purposes, including appropriate areas for quiet and appreciation of nature. He said he would love to have organized interpretative educational experiences at Leatherwood where kids can get interested in birdwatching and learn there is a time to be quiet.

Featherstone commented most elements of a Master Plan are in place but not clear to everyone, and they should unify these components.

He quoted from Will LaPage, noted parks author and advocate, about what it takes to acknowledge that a place is

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– Chair Bill Featherstone

special. Featherstone observed they have not created that specialness at Lake Leatherwood which people feel when they are in a national park, for example. However, he said the right Master Plan presented in the right way could draw the support Lake Leatherwood deserves.

Commissioner Daniel Jackson said he usually is against taxes, but this one is important and he supports it.

Featherstone reiterated the tax is to execute the Master Plan and nothing else, and the Master Plan will have all the public input the public wants to provide. “At this point,” he said, “it is a sixteen hundred-acre park and the city is throwing chickenfeed at it. The initiative is to make what’s there better.”

Commissioner Ruth Hager said she would rather pay this tax than pay an entry fee at a gate to get in, and Featherstone added that tourists would pay most of the tax revenue.

Hager moved to make a resolution supporting the initiative, and the vote was unanimous.

Also related to Lake Leatherwood Park, Foster gave a report from a recent

committee meeting in which the group looked at repurposing some of the infrastructure. They want to “enhance the historic value of existing buildings for a higher purpose.” It is a matter, he said, of looking at what they have and using their resources wisely.

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Some other music around town this weekend: CHELSEA'S has some of our long-time favorites with **The**

**Ariels** on Friday and **Earl & Them** on Saturday. **VOULEZ-VOUS** has live jazz with **SPinRad** and **THE NEW DELHI** has **Mountain Sprout** and **The Carper Family**. If you want dance music there is DJ and dancing at **EUREKA LIVE!** and **EUREKA PARADISE**.

## FRIDAY – AUGUST 24

- **BALCONY BAR & RESTAURANT** *Hogscalders*, 12 p.m., 6 p.m.
- **BASIN PARK** *Brick Fields*, 4 p.m.
- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** *Ground Rattlers*
- **CHELSEA'S** *Ariels*, 9 p.m.
- **EUREKA LIVE!** 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** *TightRope*
- **LUMBERYARD RESTAURANT & SALOON** DJ & Karaoke
- **NEW DELHI CAFÉ** *Mountain Sprout*, 6:30 p.m.
- **PIED PIPER CATHOUSE LOUNGE** *Juke Box Madness*, 8 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER** *Jackson Cash Johnny Cash Tribute*, 7:30 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER DEN** *The Electones*
- **SMOKEY'S FIREHOUSE PUB** *Acoustic Open Jam*
- **SQUID & WHALE PUB** *3¢ Genius*
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## SATURDAY – AUGUST 25

- **BALCONY BAR & RESTAURANT** *Steve Houk*, 12



Somewhere between Soul Train and Woodstock – **Copesetic**

performs at **Squid and Whale** Saturday, Aug. 25.

- p.m., *Chris Diablo*, 6 p.m.
- **BASIN PARK** *Awesome Possums*, 1 p.m., *Brick Fields*, 3 p.m.
- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** *Thunder Crow*
- **CHELSEA'S** *Earl & Them*, 9 p.m.
- **EUREKA LIVE!** DJ & Dancing
- **GRAND TAVERNE** *Jerry Yester Grand Piano Dinner Music*, 6:30–9:30 p.m.
- **JACK'S CENTER STAGE** *TightRope*
- **LUMBERYARD RESTAURANT & SALOON** *Ground Rattlers*
- **NEW DELHI CAFÉ** *Skillet Lickers*, afternoon, *Zydeco*, 6:30 p.m.

- **PIED PIPER CATHOUSE LOUNGE** *Jason Gordon*, 8 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER** *Left of Center*, 7:30 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER DEN** *Effron and Emery*
- **SMOKEY'S FIREHOUSE PUB** *Acoustic Open Jam*
- **SQUID & WHALE PUB** *Copesetic*
- **VOULEZ VOUS** *SPiNRaD Jazz*

## SUNDAY – AUGUST 26

- **BALCONY BAR & RESTAURANT** *Shawn Porter*, 12 p.m., *TBA*, 5 p.m.
- **BASIN PARK** *Steve Jones*, 1 p.m.

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**Watermelon Social** – Josh Bower hams it up for the camera as Alexa Pittenger slices watermelon for the crowd in Basin Park Friday evening. *PHOTO BY RICHARD QUICK*



- **CHELSEA'S** *Dead Tree String Band*, 4–8 p.m. \*Happy Hour\*
- **EUREKA LIVE!** Customer Appreciation Night, 5 p.m.–close
- **LUMBERYARD RESTAURANT & SALOON** Free Texas Hold 'Em Tournament, 6 p.m.
- **NEW DELHI CAFÉ** *Gospel Sunday Brunch with Brick-Fields*, 11:30 a.m., *The Carper Family*, 4 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER** Free Pool Sunday
- **SQUID & WHALE PUB** “Local Kine” Local Musician Showcase

#### MONDAY – AUGUST 27

- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** Pool Tournament
- **CHELSEA'S** *SpringBilly*, 9 p.m.
- **SQUID & WHALE PUB** Disaster Piece Theatre

#### TUESDAY – AUGUST 28

- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** Game Night
- **CHELSEA'S** *Open Mic*, 9 p.m.
- **LUMBERYARD RESTAURANT & SALOON** Pool Tournament, 6:30 p.m.

- **ROCKIN' PIG SALOON:** Bike Night with *The Bryant Brothers*, 7–9 p.m.
- **SQUID & WHALE PUB** Taco Tuesday

#### WEDNESDAY – AUGUST 29

- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** Sing and Dance with *Tiny*
- **CHELSEA'S** Drink & Draw, *Reverend DeadEye one man band*
- **EUREKA LIVE!** *Chasing Nadean*, 7–9 p.m.
- **JACK'S CENTER STAGE** Free Pool

- **NEW DELHI CAFÉ** Open Jam
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#### THURSDAY – AUGUST 30

- **BALCONY BAR & RESTAURANT** *Maureen Alexander*, 5 p.m.
- **BASIN PARK** *Shore & Cockram*,

- 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.
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After many years of plying and perfecting his craft, he decided to simplify his life and settle down in a small town. He had grown tired of the long hours and constant stress of the restaurant business. A complete change of scenery and a small business completely unrelated to his prior career seemed to satisfy his soul.

It actually worked for a while.

Eventually, he realized he missed the excitement and personal satisfaction he had known running kitchens. He missed the creative outlet of selecting the finest available ingredients to produce outstanding dining experiences. He wanted back in.

He tried cooking at a place in a nearby town. Settled for a position as line cook just to get back inside. While they had an excellent kitchen,



management insisted on dressing up a Denny's menu as haute cuisine at 4-star prices amid delusions of being a world-class restaurant. It didn't take too long for this and the 100-mile commute to wear thin. He happily went back to his semi-retirement.

A few years later a local property manager approached him. This person operated several enterprises in my friend's adopted hometown, among them a restaurant. The manager had been having problems with the restaurant staff and wanted to make some changes. Would my friend be interested in running the kitchen and taking the restaurant in a new direction?

Of course, he was delighted with the opportunity. The restaurant had a long and proud history as a fine dining establishment. Although it had suffered many ups and downs over the years, it did enjoy a recent refurbishment as well as considerable community goodwill.

One of the caveats in the management

deal with the owner was that a certain portion of the kitchen's output was to be given away for free at several community picnics held over the course of the year. The trade-off for this would be that the restaurant would also be open one night during these events to help recoup the costs of the free feed. Seemed like a pretty good deal; host a party for the townsfolk and count on their support to, at least in part, help make it all possible.

So, he takes the budget he's been given by the owner and splits it up between the picnics and the restaurant service. He wants to do the best he can for everybody so he divides it fairly evenly – burgers and hotdogs for the picnics and BBQ chicken, meatloaf, and the like for the restaurant. Not enough money for the aged Angus and fresh asparagus he'd like to serve but good, honest comfort foods prepared well and as artfully as circumstances permitted.

Turned out differently.

Seems townsfolk turned out in droves for the picnics, scarfed up the free burgers and hotdogs, and went home to nap. When the restaurant opened that evening, there were a few die-hard fans of my friend's cooking and a smattering of folks from the next town over who remembered when the restaurant was one of the region's finest. Other than that? Crickets.

This same pattern was repeated for the next several town picnics until the restaurant's owners threatened to pull the plug; they couldn't keep throwing money at these picnics with no return. They weren't looking to make a profit; just cover their costs.

So, they came up with a new business model. With the same budget, they could serve chips and dip at the picnic and spend the bulk of the money on a fine evening meal at the restaurant. Go ahead and pop for the Kobe beef and artichoke hearts and advertise the restaurant in the next town over where they're used to paying inflated prices for mediocre meals. They'd serve knock-your-socks-off meals to a clientele willing to pay the freight for quality and not worry too much if the townsfolk could afford a meal.



## DOG PARK continued from page 3

that Parks needs a vehicle that can traverse the trails at Lake Leatherwood Park. There have three incidents this year in which a 4x4, for example, would have aided in

search efforts at the park. Levine said commissioners need to consider this in the budget process.

Following vandalism at Harding Park, an anonymous donor agreed to match the \$500 reward offered by Parks,

raising the reward to \$1000. Now that same donor has offered to challenge anyone else to add \$250 to the reward and it will be matched bringing the total to possibly \$1500.

Commission adjourned into

Executive Session after which they voted to take no action.

Next workshop will be Tuesday, Sept. 4, at 6 p.m.

Next regular meeting will be Monday, Sept. 17, at 6 p.m.

## MAIL continued from page 8

for recycling based on the exorbitant price I pay for the bags. I used black bags at Hillspeak for trash and boxes for recycling. Surprise! The trash was picked up by the same trash company and, of course, they had no problem. I have lived many places in the USA and never had to use a special bag. Cheaper black bags, or even paper bags, worked just as well. Never had a complaint from a garbage dump anywhere.

Other towns in NW

Arkansas that used yellow bags have discontinued. Many now provide containers for trash. The statement read by the Mayor of Jackson stating he was not aware of any enforcement issues was not surprising and makes me wonder if he had read the Code or had anyone from the city elaborated on it with him, or did anyone care?

In my opinion, council members such as DeVito and other business people who are aware of the ordinance, but do not wish to enforce it,

should not have a vote on keeping the bags. It is obvious that their only goal is to avoid enforcing an ordinance that applies to them as well as us local serfs. I would guess they like the profit from the bags, also.

As a parting thought, if we in the community decided not to follow the rules, quit using yellow bags and started using cheaper, often better, black bags, would CCWM then refuse to pick them up? At that point, since the whole community now is aware of

the council not enforcing the ordinance in the city, would not a class action suit against the city be the obvious outcome?

Mr. Mayor wants to meet in the middle. Eliminate yellow bags. Alderman Ken Pownall wondered aloud how to encourage law enforcement agencies to enforce the law. Question how many other ordinances are not enforced! What happened to "call a cop?"

**Bill Pugh**



# Buy tix now and get jazzed in Eureka Springs

Eureka Springs gets jazzed in September for the annual Jazz Eureka Festival with three days and nights of musical performances. This year’s headliner is jazz trombonist Delfeayo Marsalis, a New Orleans native and member of the well-known family of musicians including brothers Branford, Wynton, Jason, and father, Ellis. Marsalis has made his name as a producer and accomplished trombonist with a fluid technique and inventive modern-mainstream style.

His show is Saturday, Sept. 22, at The Auditorium. Show time is 7:30 p.m. Ticket are on sale in advance at \$20 for orchestra and \$15 for balcony or at the door for \$25 orchestra and \$20 balcony.

Events kick off on Thursday, Sept. 20, with Flamenco/Gypsy guitarist Ron Radford performing at The Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Adult tickets \$10, children \$5. Radford is a protégé of the legendary Carlos Montoya, and has lived and traveled in Spain where he immersed himself in the musical wisdom of the Gypsy Flamenco guitar masters.

On Friday free music in Basin Spring Park on Spring Street begins at 1 p.m. with the Matt and Gus 4-Tet, a father and son guitar duo from Harrison who swing

with the sounds of classic jazz and Latin standards. At 2:30 the Claudia Burson Trio take the stage. Burson has a distinct and instantly recognizable voice, and has been called “a stylist who can breathe new life into a standard, magically infusing her soulfulness and personality into the music.”

From 4 – 6 p.m. The Jazz Mafia rounds out the afternoon’s free entertainment in the park featuring Cal Jackson, Richard Bruton, Clare Starr, Darren Novotny and Ken Everts.

Friday evening Ol’ Blue eyes is back with A Tribute to Frank Sinatra with Tom Tiratto and the Fayetteville Jazz Collective, an 18-piece big band that has been wowing listeners from the Walton Arts Center to Crystal Bridges. This show will be at the Inn of the Ozarks Convention Center at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 advance or \$20 at the door. Couples may purchase tickets in advance at \$25 for two.

On Saturday there’s more free music at Basin Spring Park at noon when Cherry Brooks and Cal Jackson perform in the bandshell until 1:30 p.m. with a little jazz, soul, R&B, pop, blues, funk and rock.

After that saxophonist Richard Brunton of the Jazz

Mafia returns to the stage with the Richard Brunton Quintet. At 3p.m. Trio DeJaniero adds a bit of South America to their jazz, keeping samba and Bossa Nova alive and pulsating. Vibraphonist/Percussionist and Fayetteville native Adams Collins follows from 4:30 – 6 p.m with his jazz trio.

Jazz Eureka wraps up Sunday afternoon with two more free performances in Basin Park. At 12 p.m. The Saxtones, all members of the Arkansas Winds Community Concert Band, will combine soprano, alto, tenor and baritone sax on Dixieland and other sounds.

The final performance begins at 1:30 with the Missouri State Jazz Ensemble. This group has been featured at the Mexico Invitational Jazz Festival, on the night stage at the Montreux Jazz Festival, the Anglo International Music Festival in London, the Mobile Collegiate Invitational Jazz Festival, and many other Jazz events.

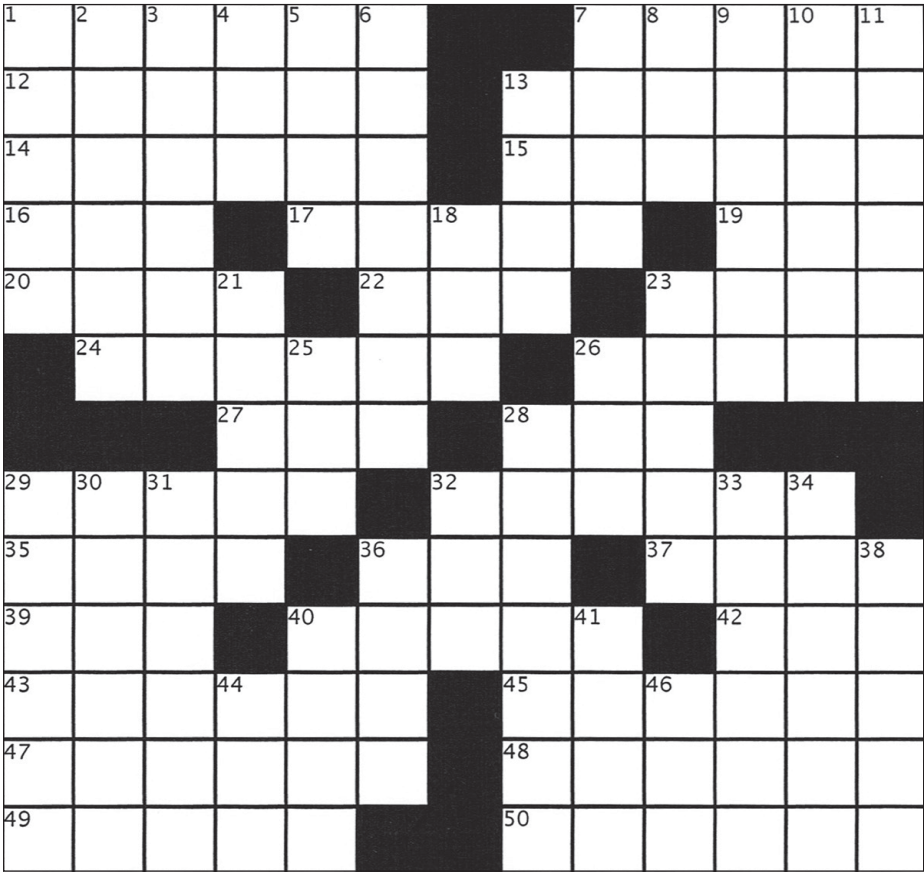
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## INDEPENDENTCrossword by Chuck Levering

Solution on page 27



- | ACROSS                                  | Down                              |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Germinate                            | 26. Indisposed                    |
| 7. Dreary                               | 28. Benevolent spirit             |
| 12. Responsible                         | 29. Tree with heart shaped leaves |
| 13. Span                                | 30. Indolent                      |
| 14. High mountain lake                  | 31. Rapidly in music              |
| 15. Slender sword                       | 32. Tennessee city airport code   |
| 16. However                             |                                   |
| 17. At full throttle                    |                                   |
| 19. Storage box                         |                                   |
| 20. Not a neatnik                       |                                   |
| 22. Bachelor’s last words               |                                   |
| 23. Furthermore                         |                                   |
| 24. Chore                               |                                   |
| 26. Twosomes                            |                                   |
| 27. Unit of work                        |                                   |
| 28. Biblical prophet                    |                                   |
| 29. Colors use in plaid textiles        |                                   |
| 32. Muslim leader                       |                                   |
| 35. Article                             |                                   |
| 36. G man                               |                                   |
| 37. Mine conveyance                     |                                   |
| 39. Nothing                             |                                   |
| 40. Dromedary                           |                                   |
| 42. Where the deer and the buffalo roam |                                   |
| 43. Gadget                              |                                   |
| 45. Champagne and orange juice          |                                   |
| 47. Get away from                       |                                   |





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**Go Hogs!** – Eureka Springs artist Zeek Taylor paints a fiberglass pig at his White St. home and studio. Taylor is one of 25 NWA artists whose design was chosen to be part of the “Pigshibition” in Fayetteville. The community art project is sponsored by the Ozark Literacy Council and the Fayetteville Advertising & Promotion Commission. All 25 painted pigs will be displayed at various locations around Fayetteville until the end of March. Taylor’s Mardi Gras-themed pig was sponsored by Powerhouse Seafood Restaurant, where it will have a permanent home. Because of its size, Taylor has no option but to paint the pig outdoors and is grateful the severe heat wave subsided. He has one month to finish the project. For more information on the painted pigs go to [Pigshibition.org](http://Pigshibition.org)

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**FLASHBACKS** continued from page 18

of her family’s jewelry work. Rain’s smiling gaze directs Will’s attention to the doctor’s driveway just up the road past the White River bridge. “I’ll be” Will laughs as he puts the truck in gear.

This time it’s Will’s turn to marvel as Rain deftly nudges the retired surgeon’s final offer to what all agree is fair value given and received. Rain repays the Bureau with an honest contribution to the gas fund as he

pulls into the bus station across from the courthouse.

Giving Will a hug, Rain asks him what he’s looking forward to this winter. “First of all, a few months out of this truck just collecting stillness. Then some afternoon when it’s good and cold I’d like to hear an old truck chugging up my drive.”

“Oh Willy,” she replies, “you’re just in it for what you can give!”

“You didn’t think I moved here to watch people yawn did you Rain?”

*(Author’s note: This story was inspired by Larry “Washboard” Kolden and originally appeared in the Oct. 10, 1973 edition of The Newspaper, one of the many independent newspapers which were published in Eureka Springs during the last part of the 20th century. Flashbacks? Send yours, and/or photos, to [viespr@gmail.com](mailto:viespr@gmail.com). Copyright 2012 Vernon Tucker. The Misfits, a hippie history of Eureka Springs, is a communal work in progress.)*

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## VICTORIAN CHARISMA



Stained glass reflections bounce off the gleaming hardwood floors of this recently remodeled Victorian. Garage

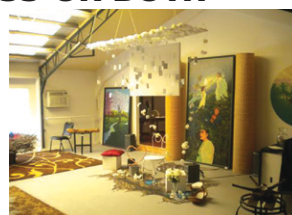
and Studio apartment/guest quarters included on landscaped corner lot with lush gardens and Koi pond. Short walk to town center. Move in ready! **\$198,000.**

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## FANTASTIC!! HOME/BUSINESS OR BOTH



This building currently houses 'Enthois'. It is being used as a Dance Studio & Performing Arts Venue. Right side of building is the dance studio with special flooring. The left side



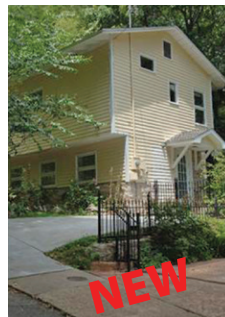
houses 4 suites being used in various artistic venues. The building can be used for any C-1 type of businesses. The building was formerly used as a coffee house. An incredible opportunity for that individual looking to house several different ventures or as a unique home or home business opportunity. **\$195,000**

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## HEART OF EUREKA SPRINGS



Prime location, meticulously maintained compound of main home, guest house, studio, garage on 4 lots, great privacy, updated, electronic gates, wrought iron fencing, award winning gardens, concrete stamped patio, wrap around porches, much more. Just off Spring and historic loop. Priced below January 2012 appraisal,



owner broker. A MUST SEE. **\$399,900**  
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## DESIGNER HOME

Ultimate privacy yet easy access to everything Eureka has to offer! This modern residence sits on 6.94 acres that offers an all brick 3 bed/3 bath designer home that boasts oak flooring, custom cabinets, solid oak doors, Andersen windows, top Kohler plumbing as well as huge decks, elegant staircase and wood burning fireplace. The 2 car garage, roofed kennel and dual AC system are some of the additional amenities. Call today to see this incredible home first hand! **\$499,900.**



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## COUNTRY CITY LIFESTYLE



Nestled in the woods of the Eureka Springs, this all brick home is just minutes from Beaver Lake boat launch. This beautiful appointed home boasts ample space for family living and entertaining. The kitchen was remodeled in April 2010 and is gorgeous. Radiant heated floors on 3 zones. Windows galore. Great fenced yard for kids & pets and garden area. Nearly 12 acres provides plenty of outdoor space and privacy. Call today to schedule a showing! **\$218,000.**

**\$209,900.**  
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## HISTORIC MAIN ST. BUILDING



Historic Main St. building present home of Paper Odyssey. Dual street access with front and rear balconies. Living quarters upstairs offer a blank palette and unlimited versatility only limited by your creativity and imagination. Prime commercial in the heart of Eureka Springs retail, dining and entertainment area. 1,440 sq. ft. on each floor with an unfinished basement. Great store front with wonderful windowed frontage on Main St. **\$333,333.**

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