

# APSC on path to discourage solar

BECKY GILLETTE

The Arkansas Public Service Commission (APSC) is taking public comments until Oct. 4 on proposed new rules governing electric utility net metering customers, primarily homeowners who have installed solar power systems that feed power back into the grid when their energy production is in excess of usage.

The Arkansas Legislature passed Act 827 in 2015 that asks the commission to revise its net metering rules. This follows a trend in other states that have adopted net metering rules favoring utilities that see rooftop solar power as a disruption to their business model.

“New legislation requires that rates paid by net metering customers are based on the difference between the cost to utilities of providing service to these customers and the value of the benefits these customers provide to the utilities,” Pat Costner, an intervener in the case before the APSC, said. “The goal of this law is not in dispute. However, before that goal can be reached, some very contentious issues must be resolved: utilities’ costs, the benefits of net metering, and their value. Whether or not these issues are resolved equitably, their resolution will determine the future of rooftop solar in Arkansas.”

Proponents of alternative energy generation have concerns that the way the Arkansas PSC staff is proposing to implement the rules could result in making alternative energy, such as solar, less affordable.

“While there are quite a few studies that show net metering has more benefits than costs for utilities, there are countervailing studies,” Costner said. “Probably this will be debated for years to come. The devil is in the details, as is the case in issues related to electric power. It is clear looking at the

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**Sea full of bikes** – About 150 bikers arrived at their roped-off parking spaces at Sun Fest Market on Sept. 22. After a brief stop they departed to continue their road trips during The 17th Annual Bikes, Blues, & BBQ weekend, an event sponsored by Fayetteville that has raised \$1.3 million for charity.

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## This Week’s INDEPENDENT Thinker

We are accustomed to hearing about anonymous gifts to already thriving entities – St. Jude’s Hospital, Antioch College, the Tea Party. Once in awhile, though, “anonymous” has the thrill of a halo and clanging bell and ride on a dolphin all at once.

Last week, a staff member of the Pasadena Humane Society in California fetched their donation box set up to collect coins and occasional dollars, but by golly, someone had stuffed \$20 bills in it. Four hundred of them. \$8000.

An unknown person had stockpiled twenty-dollar bills for who knows how long, and put them in a collection box to help the animal shelter continue treating dogs and cats as sentient beings – providing food, shelter, medical assistance, and a new address to animals who work as hard as any humans just to make humans happy.



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## Henke provisionally still on CAPC

NICKY BOYETTE

As a result of Monday evening's Eureka Springs city council meeting, commissioner Damon Henke will continue to occupy his seat at the City Advertising and Commission table, but only temporarily because his nomination was still not confirmed.

Henke was first nominated by the CAPC to fill an open seat on the commission in October 2013, and was approved by council at the November 25, 2013, meeting. That term expired at the end of June 2016, and the CAPC re-nominated him for the seat at its August 13 meeting. Council, however, at its August 22 meeting voted 3-2-1 on confirming Henke's nomination, so confirmation failed.

CAPC commissioners re-nominated Henke at the Sept. 14 meeting thereby sending the matter back to council. On Monday evening, alderman Terry McClung again moved to approve Henke's nomination. Alderman Bob Thomas questioned whether or not this was a new application or if council had already had its vote on Henke. Mayor Butch Berry said his judgment was Henke had a new application, and City Attorney Tim Weaver deemed Berry was correct.

Alderman James DeVito stated the enabling legislation for the CAPC allows it to appoint who it wants on the commission, and it nominated Henke.

Alderman Kristi Kendrick, who had abstained in the

August 22 meeting, said if McClung would rescind his nomination, she would move to approve Henke thereby removing the question of whether his application was new or not. McClung followed her lead, and she moved to approve.

Alderman David Mitchell then told council one of his concerns about Henke was when Henke took over as Interim Director of the Chamber of Commerce following the departure of former Director Mike Bishop, Henke did not remove or disavow the contentious position statement Bishop had issued on Ord. 2223. Also, Henke had put up on the Chamber website an ad promoting a business he owned, and Mitchell said this bothered lodging folks in town. Mitchell wondered if Henke was using his position to promote himself over other businesses.

Kendrick said she had abstained in the earlier vote because Henke had not served a full term and others were interested in his seat. However, she had since spoken with Henke about her opinion of the CAPC and its relationship with the Auditorium. "The CAPC has shown deplorable support of the Auditorium," she said, blaming the CAPC for poor attendance at the recent JazzEureka festival. Kendrick said there have been wonderful concerts at the facility, but not nearly enough. She maintained the CAPC must commit to better promotion of the facility, and she believes Henke is committed to that goal, so would support his nomination.

McClung commented he has sat with Henke at CAPC meetings and has found him "highly involved." He said Henke works hard, is knowledgeable and forward thinking.

"Our number one goal is to serve and protect our citizens," alderman Mickey Schneider remarked. She said the town depends on tourism, and claimed there have been rumors of "horrific incidents" at the Chamber regarding Henke. "This will hurt tourism; this will hurt our people," she claimed, adding she would not support Henke being a city official.

DeVito decried Schneider's spreading the seeds of speculation and innuendo, proclaiming Henke has been a conscientious commissioner who has contributed many ideas about bringing visitors to town and making the CAPC marketing effort more efficient. He also asked why no aldermen have asked him or McClung about being at the CAPC table with Henke.

Mitchell read from Arkansas law that council does indeed confirm nominations for commissions, and moved to defer the vote on Henke indefinitely. Schneider quickly seconded the motion.

Berry pointed out Mitchell's motion to defer takes precedence over Kendrick's motion to approve, but Weaver said Mitchell's motion needs a time frame. Mitchell decided upon deferring until the January 9,

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## QC makes short shrift of simple list

MIKE ELLIS

The Quorum Court took only 15 minutes to dispose of a light agenda Monday night. All 11 justices of the peace voted unanimously for the three items on the agenda, and only one item even provoked any discussion. JPs were asked to vote on a resolution authorizing County Judge Sam Barr to renew a line of credit for the Carroll County Airport Commission.

JP Lamont Richie explained that the CCAC had taken out a loan in 2013 to cover the airport's matching funds for a grant to build new hangars. At the time, the county guaranteed the loan. The

CCAC anticipated that leasing the new hangars would generate funds to repay the loan, but contention between members of the CCAC and prospective leasers left some hangars unoccupied.

The CCAC has been repaying the county at the rate of \$1,000 per month, and Richie said the remaining \$25,000 should be fully repaid within the two-year term specified in the resolution.

After the meeting, Barr explained to the *Independent* that he had received conflicting opinions on whether he had the authority to extend the line of credit himself. He said he brought the question to the table because, "Any time you make

the county responsible for a debt, it's common courtesy to let the quorum court know."

Other agenda items included authorizing \$4,000 for legal advice to draft ballot language for a requested millage to support a new ambulance district in eastern Carroll County. JPs also voted to accept a \$5,000 grant from All-American Calendars to help the Carroll County Sheriff's Office obtain a new drug dog, and a \$4,500 grant from the Northwest Arkansas Economic Development District to upgrade the firing range at the CCSO.

During JP comments, JP Marty Johnson mentioned that some of the body armor at the CCSO is 20 years old, and he proposed purchasing 32 new vests for a total of \$19,000, and an additional 20 vests rated to stop a rifle bullet, at a total of \$14,000. Johnson said he would seek a grant, but hoped the quorum court would make the funds available if he could not find grant money.

The budget committee will meet at 3 p.m. on Oct. 6 at Cornerstone Bank in Berryville.

## Council evaluates commission nominations

NICKY BOYETTE

Alderman Bob Thomas expressed concern at Monday's council meeting with how nominations for seats on commissions are handled. He suggested that once a nominee is not approved by council, the applicant should not apply for the same seat for a certain period of time, maybe a year.

Alderman James DeVito said the city has been so bereft of applications he is pleased when anyone wants to serve. He did not want to add an obstacle to the process.

The response from alderman Kristi Kendrick was concern of the same people serving over and over to the exclusion of other interested parties.

Mayor Butch Berry said he noticed there has not been a backlog of applicants, so commissioners continue to serve. He said he didn't know of any

laws limiting how long commissioners could serve.

DeVito still insisted council did not need any new mechanisms for regulating terms because it could vote to remove a person if there were reason.

Thomas returned to his point that when someone is not approved, council could institute a time period before they could apply again. He moved they adopt this kind of policy.

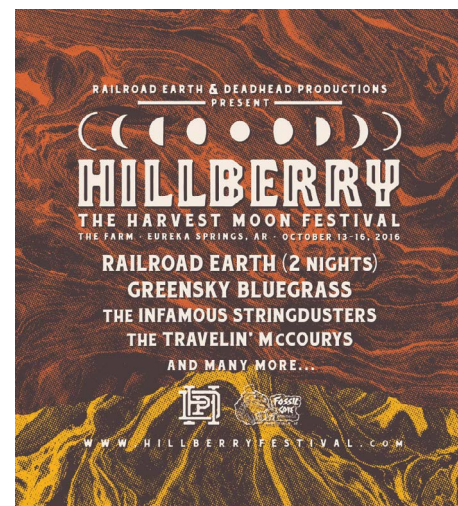
Before there was a second to the motion, City Attorney Tim Weaver pointed out council would have to agree it would not take a vote on a person because the mayor can nominate whomever he wants.

"You can only cap the vote; you can't cap whether a person is brought up," Weaver said.

Council agreed to address situations on a case-by-case basis.

## Sunday at EUUF

William Symes, LCP, will describe how we perceive and interpret the world through a series of five stages, and will demonstrate how mysterious experiences are organized by the unconscious, on Oct. 2 at Eureka Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 17 Elk Street at 11 a.m. Childcare is provided and there will be extra parking at Ermilio's Restaurant, 26 White Street.





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## Mitchell urges CAPC to beat feet on Aud participation

NICKY BOYETTE

At the Sept. 12 council meeting, alderman David Mitchell urgently requested that the CAPC deliver its 10-year plan for how it will support operations and promotion of the Auditorium. He expressed fear that voters would refuse to approve the one percent tax on the Nov. 8 ballot, which he has ardently supported, because 25 percent of the tax would go to support operations and maintenance of the Auditorium. Mitchell claimed the CAPC needs to show voters very clearly and convincingly how it will step up its participation in supporting the facility.

Alderman James DeVito said the CAPC had its only meeting since Mitchell's "eleventh hour request" just last week, and the commission needed more time for something this important. He claimed the CAPC intends to fulfill Mitchell's request, but not at this meeting. He said he mentioned at the CAPC meeting that if the tax passes, the commission could use the \$110,000 it spends now on Auditorium upkeep on additional promotion of shows instead. He said they soon would convene a workshop on the topic.

Mitchell still insisted state law says the CAPC is obligated to provide for the town's convention center, and it has not met its obligation. The lack of attention is reflected in the sparse number of shows over the

years, and voters are not happy about it. He repeated he did not want to see the tax fail because it is vital to repairing the city's aging water and sewer systems. However, he assured council "citizens are pissed off" enough to vote against it, and warned citizens might mount a movement to take away part of the three percent CAPC tax.

DeVito responded that the CAPC never said, "Please let us handle the Auditorium." Previous administrations gave the situation to previous CAPC staff. The current staff, however, has done well promoting the city as evidenced by one of the best-sustained growth rates in the state, and "suddenly we're thrown this curve ball."

He claimed the commission was already evaluating new strategies before Mitchell made his request. DeVito maintained the CAPC staff could not continue to promote the city the way it has plus try to promote shows at the Auditorium. However, the one percent tax would provide a great opportunity to improve the facility and bring in more shows, which is what citizens want.

Alderman Terry McClung said it was a rare event, but he agreed with DeVito. He said the tug-of-war that has surrounded the Auditorium might finally end if the Auditorium gets a steady revenue stream from the tax

and a commission to administer the funds. Plus, there would be the additional support from the CAPC. He commented everyone has wanted the historic facility to succeed, but no one yet has found a way to make it work.

"The only way I know to make it work is to pass this tax," McClung commented.

Mitchell repeated his view that voters still need to be convinced the CAPC will carry its weight, and they need to know soon.

## Two new members on the Eureka Springs school board

September 20 was election day for candidates for school boards in Carroll County, and three candidates in Berryville, two in Eureka Springs and one in Green Forest all ran unopposed. In Eureka Springs, incumbents Debbie Davis and Candace Spaulding did not seek re-election, and their positions were filled by Joe Hill and Tina Johnson, who will serve three-year terms.



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## Council post-game wrap up

NICKY BOYETTE

At the Sept. 12 council meeting, alderman Kristi Kendrick presented her reasons for rescinding Ordinance 1628, which puts all unopened streets and alleys under the jurisdiction of the Parks Commission, saying her suggestions would streamline the process of vacating properties and bring some money to city coffers.

Alderman David Mitchell said Monday night he preferred to postpone discussion, but alderman James DeVito wanted to move forward and suggested they set up a workshop, to which Mayor Butch Berry said his office would set up a time.

### Water, sewer, tax talk

In the workshop before the regular meeting, Berry stated the freeze on spending has allowed revenue to catch up with expenditures. He intimated there might still need to be an increase in sewer rates at some point even if the proposed one percent tax passes because the tax will address infrastructure needs, not operations. However, the city would save as much as \$170,000 it spends annually on water and

sewer. Some of the savings would go toward rebuilding reserves the city has been using to supplement expenses for water and sewer.

Finance Director Lonnie Clark suggested the city set up a separate account in its budget to track revenue and expenses from the new tax. He said a segregated account would allow for proper reporting and easier tracking of how tax funds are used. He wanted to guarantee voters they would be able to see that funds were being spent as intended.

### Mayor's comments

Berry told council he knows the CAPC is feeling pressure from council to develop a plan for reviving the Auditorium, and was glad to see their commitment toward more programming. He said the Auditorium Commission that will administer the portion of the tax dedicated to the auditorium is the best way to give citizens what they want.

He also said the CAPC has done a great job this year promoting the town, which means more revenue for the city. The proposed tax is an opportunity to bring more

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# HDC OKs stage concept at the Cat House

NICKY BOYETTE

At the Sept. 21 Historic District Commission meeting, contractor Penny Pemberton represented the application by owners of the Cat House to build a stage and audience area in a space south of their establishment. Pemberton said the project includes building a 27-inch limestone wall parallel to Main Street. A fence atop the wall will be like other fences on the property.

Pemberton would also resurface the audience area and build the stage on 12-inch pillars.

Commissioners noted the stage and audience area would be between the Cat House, a contributing building, and the non-contributing building next door. The project would not affect the historic status of the contributing building.

Chair Dee Bright read into the record a letter from the board of the Eureka Springs Historical Museum, which is across the street from the Cat House. Their letter claims the noise level coming from music at the Cat House already rattles the windows of the historic Califf House, and the effects of the new stage would further degrade that section of South Main.

Commissioner Melissa Greene pointed out the responsibility of HDC is to approve or disapprove of the design concept, not to consider the effects of noise as a

result of the application. That job would be for the Planning Commission.

The vote was unanimous to approve the design concept of the application.

Commissioners approved these three items on the Consent Agenda:

- 95 S. Main – new paint colors
- 14 White – mural on garage door
- 107 W. Van Buren – revise approved application to keep marquee

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

Bright presented these Administrative Approvals, which are applications for repair or work involving no changes in materials or color but which include changes in roofing color.

- 4 Prospect – repair damaged siding and trim on porch, house, garage
- 26 Eureka – re-paint
- 40 Pine – re-roof
- 9 Benton – re-roof
- 515 Spring – re-roof
- 2 Linwood – re-roof, repair siding/soffit, window panes

Next meeting will be Wednesday, October 5, at 6 p.m.

## Code Yellow Alert for all blood types

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### Local support on life-support?

Editor,

Are people so hunkered down at home with their electronics that there is no longer interest in getting out and enjoying the wonderful live music offered at special events in Eureka Springs and Holiday Island?

The turnout for the Brubeck Brothers concert at the Aud – which was a world-class event – was pitiful. A repeat of the same low turnout for the Holiday Island Rotary Club's event on Saturday featuring a Dixieland Band. Not only did these guys know how to make music and have everyone's toes tapping, they were an inspiration through doing what they loved. The keyboard player is a WW II vet and he could tickle the ivory, for certain.

How much longer will the Aud and local organizations be able to put on such events if locals do not support them? We have treasures right here. No smart phone, tablet, notebook, etc., necessary.

**Paula Koch and Jack Stone**

### Fayetteville festival overflow impacts ES

Editor,

I do hope the persons responsible for bringing the Bikes, Blues and BBQ event here realize their mistake in that we are such a small, quiet village lacking in capacity to host such a huge number of people. The crowding and noise of such was deafening and disruptive of "business as usual" for locals. I'm sure the organizers of the event expected a large profit from the group, but I have heard numerous times that the majority of the shops and businesses have not benefited, and those that have are very much in the minority.

Is there any way that the citizens of this town and surrounding residents may have a voice in bringing this event to a halt? I'm sure any tourists coming in town unaware of this huge influx would be very disappointed in their expectations of what to expect of Eureka Springs, and I dare say would be inclined not to come again.

I just want to add, there are some fine people who ride motorcycles – I'm not discrediting them at all. The problem is the

huge number and our small village town's inability to handle them.

**Beth Severe**

### Vote like you mean it

Editor,

If you are in the Kings River precinct your polling place has been moved to Berryville United Methodist Church at 400 Eureka Avenue, adjacent to the Williams Shopping Center (Price Cutter). Deadline for registration is October 10. Forms delivered to the County Clerk's office by 4:30 on that day will get processed for this year's general election.

If your name does not appear on the list at the polls or you are not able to provide adequate ID, you may fill out a Provisional Ballot. Early voting runs from Oct. 24 through Nov. 8. Voting hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 6 p.m., the Monday before election day 8 – 5, and on election day, Tuesday, Nov. 8, 7:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Early voting from October 24 to November 7 is at the County Clerk's office in Eureka Springs and Berryville Courthouses. Keep in mind that the switch from Daylight Savings Time is Sunday, Nov. 6.

**Mark Eastburn**

### Appreciation of ESH

Editor,

After living at Holiday Island for 30 years, I found it necessary to be a patient at the Eureka Springs Hospital.

I've heard so many negative comments about the hospital. After spending several weeks there I would like to say the hospital is old but definitely not dirty. There are people cleaning it constantly.

The nurses and other personnel were wonderful attending to my needs. I don't think any other hospital could equal the quality of care I was given.

I also want to thank Dr. Beard for his expertise in getting me the care I needed.

I couldn't have asked for better care.

**Mary Kjellberg**



## WEEK'S Top Tweets

**@realhamonwry:** I just answered two Jeopardy questions in a row. This must be what Einstein must have felt like.

**Housewifeofhell:** When the chips are down, you can count on me. I love chips.

**@dafloydsta:** [god creating raccoons] Take a cat and make him look like he's committing crimes.

**@rocketrankoon:** Welcome to Twitter, if you are not already following a mom who drinks wine one will be assigned to you.

**@betteroffdad:** I was halfway to the state line before I

realized the sirens were part of the song that was playing...

**@skinnersteven:** Shout out to my self-aware friends, you know who you are.

**@thesulk:** Save some a's for the rest of us, Aarons.

**@The PatrickBauer:** I would pay so much money to watch the Harlem Globetrotters change a baby.

**@jordyhamrick:** I'm not sure who told bald guys they were required to have goatees, but they all fell for it.

**@designertalks:** Saw a man waiting for the bus who just stood there staring into the distance. It was as if he just didn't own a phone or something. Weird.



## Wake up calls and tipping points

What does it take to get our attention in this cluttered world? Usually it's something that hits close to home, such as outsized transmission lines proposing to march across our Ozark landscape like a scar.

More often, though, the issues that end up impacting us the most aren't so obvious.

The threat of a degraded and spoiled Buffalo National River is something that captures the attention of those who prize having one of America's last free-flowing rivers right in our backyard. First we learned that there were people at ADEQ who aided and abetted special interests and a multinational corporation in sneaking a factory hog facility onto property along a major tributary to the river. This turned out to be merely the top layer in a complex issue that has been unfolding right here in Carroll County, as well as all over the United States, for decades.

It's hard to ignore oil spills and other sudden disasters. The insidious pollution of waterways often happens incrementally, making it harder to prove and fight. The same can be said of the shift in American agriculture to an industrial model of raising animals. First it was poultry, then hogs. Those who believe cattle ranching is still a safe alternative are just beginning to feel the effects of markets being quietly closed off.

Some say it started in the 1970s, when a chicken farmer in Springdale figured out how to increase efficiency and profits by taking over all the elements of the supply chain. At the outset, contract growers got a fair shake, but over time the pressure to increase profits has resulted in squeezing growers' returns while hiking prices for consumers.

None of this is new. Corporate greed has a long history. The East India Company has been called the "original corporate raider." Thomas Jefferson warned us that giant corporations were the greatest threat to a democracy.

Corporations exist to make money. Despite public relations campaigns and contributions to "worthy" causes, corporate entities do not exist to be good neighbors or good citizens. They exist to make money for their shareholders, who will then reward leadership with astronomical compensations packages. This creates tremendous incentive to throw money at politicians willing to protect and support their business model.

Have you heard even one elected or appointed representative speak out about the issue of rising rural poverty? When questioned about the plight of contract poultry growers, Congressman Steve Womack refused to even acknowledge that there might be a problem. The powerful interests that steer contributions his way have assured him that all is well. Ditto Boozman, Bryan King and most others.

Tyson was recently named the #1 producer of manure in the U.S. JBS, who bought out Cargill's pork division, is #2. Concentrating animals means concentrating waste in volumes far greater than can be safely used as fertilizer, but since the corporate model establishes that waste disposal is the job of the grower, the biggest problem is left to the weakest link. Is it any wonder that nonpoint source runoff (or seep down) is now wreaking havoc with our water resources? People and industries can lie. Rivers don't.

At one public hearing, an industry supporter scolded concerned citizens for opposing the presence of a 6500 head hog

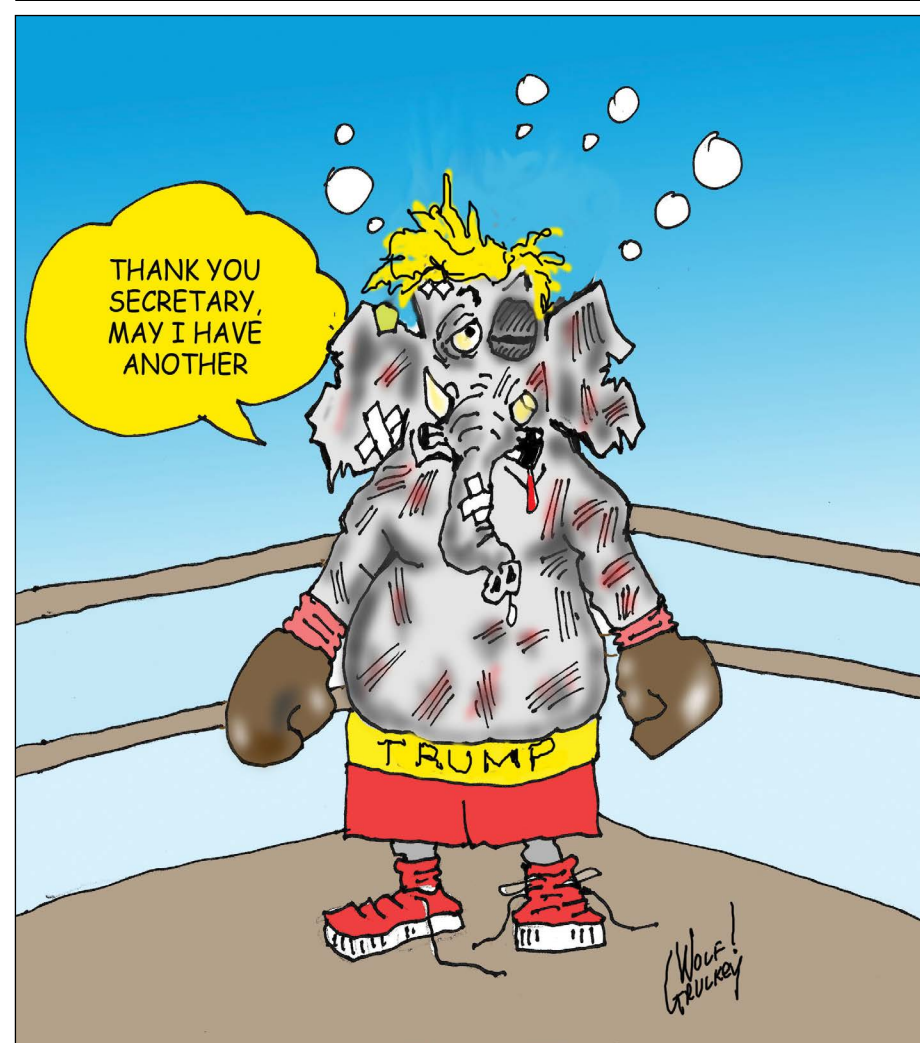
CAFO in the Buffalo River watershed. We were told that we needed "to share the river."

The result of such "sharing" is now being reflected in breaking news about harmful algae blooms that render reservoirs toxic. Excess nutrients spur algae growth now clogging waterways all over our country, suffocating fish and mussels, and choking off recreational usage. Not all at once, but incrementally and relentlessly.

Dr. John Ikerd, a former extension agent, has been speaking out about the threats to our resources, including our farming communities, for many years. He makes a powerful case for the need for grassroots efforts that spur the creation of local ordinances to protect our communities and our environment. He will speak at the Fayetteville Public Library on Wednesday, Nov. 2 at 7 p.m. Please consider attending this free program.

What we don't know is costing us all.

*Lin Wellford*



## The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

I'm sitting on the front porch of Oscar's having very good coffee with a group of pals. We're recalling those glorious days of yesteryear when we had spontaneous erections and there was a rational relationship between productivity gains and wages.

Out of the blue one of the pals, a post-Katrina refugee, announces he's leaving town and going back to New Orleans. "I've had enough," he says, "of nasty little hills inhabited by life's lowest common denominators."

This is followed by a slab of uneasy silence. We're trying to figure out how we personally rate on the denominator scale, or how a guy from Louisiana has the gall to talk about denominators. It's a toss up either way. John Heartbreak, a retired bookseller from Berryville, looks puzzled. "I'm not sure we understand your math," he says. "You need to present a set of fractions before we can agree if your denominator is common or otherwise."

Heartbreak is the most linear thinker among us and dullest man we know. And because he's from Berryville, and not an actual resident of the People's Republic, everyone feels free to ignore him. We do that, and collectively decide to ignore Mr. New Orleans, too. We've heard him complain before, all about our area's high incidence of Post Traumatic Church Disorder (PTCD), how Arkansas leads the league in federal subsidies but hates the federal government, and how that rat smell Mrs. Hutchinson smells in the governor's mansion is really just the governor in repose. We know, we know, we know...

We turn the conversation around by telling him how sorry we are that he's leaving. We'll miss you, we say, mining the ether for a chord of sincerity. But we won't miss him. He's too crabby, too self-righteous, and thinks that Boston was the world's greatest rock and roll band. I mean, really?

"Vaya con Dios," we say with a smile. "Walk on the sunny side of the street. Keep your chin up! Grey clouds are going to clear up. Put on a happy face!" He leaves, slouching sourly into the shadows.

Well, we think. Wherever you go, there you are.



## A little help from our friends:

- **Carroll County Domestic Violence Hotline:** 1-844-247-3223 (844-24PEACE) is available 24/7. The Purple Flower Domestic Violence Resource and Support Center of Carroll County is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. at 103 West Church St. in Berryville. (479) 981-1676. The Purple Flower will also have free and confidential Domestic Violence Empowerment Support Group on every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the Month at the Berryville Community Center from 6 – 7:30 p.m.
- **24-hour NWA Crisis Line for Women** – NWA Women’s Shelter serving Carroll County – “Empowering families to live free of violence.” (800) 775-9011 [www.nwaws.org](http://www.nwaws.org)
- **Cup of Love free soup lunches** – Cup of Love provides soup lunches at Flint Street Fellowship Mondays and Wednesdays from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. and at First Baptist (Penn) Church on Fridays, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. (479) 363-4529
- **Flint Street Fellowship food pantry, lunch, free clothing** – Pantry open 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Free lunch Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Free clothes/shoes closet, books and household items. (479) 253-9491 or 253-4945. Leave donations in barrel at entrance if facility is closed.
- **Wildflowers one-dollar, furniture barn/thrift store** US 62E across from Hill County Hardware. One-dollar store in the yellow building every Friday from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Thrift store, furniture bank in big blue barn behind the chapel open Wednesdays – Saturdays from 10:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Donation drop offs Thursday – Saturday between 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Healing and delivery outreach in chapel Saturdays at 7:30 p.m.
- **Shamatha and Tonglen meditations Monday** – A meditation group will meet every Monday at 6:30 p.m. to focus on Shamatha, learning how to focus to achieve peace of mind, and Tonglen, a practice of love and compassion on all beings. The meetings will alternate these two practices so that one is the focus on each Monday with coffee and tea afterward. Call Alece at (479) 244-6841 or Gary at (479) 244-6840.
- **Celebrate Recovery** – Soul Purpose Ministries, 801 S. Springfield, Green Forest, 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday. Potluck followed by 12-step Christ-centered meetings for those suffering from addiction, habit, hang-up or hurt.
- **No high school diploma?** Free GED classes in the Carnegie Library Annex every Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 9 a.m. - noon with study and tutoring for the GED test. Open to ages 18 and up. GED classes also in Berryville at Carroll County Center. Some open to ages 16 and 17 per educational requirements. For info: Kathy Remenar (417) 342-8498, Carnegie Library (479) 253-8754, Carroll County Center (870) 423-4455). Offered by North Arkansas College with Carnegie Library support.
- **Grief Share**, A Bible-based, 13-week program for those who have lost a loved one will begin on Sunday, Feb. 21 from 1 – 3 p.m. at Faith Bible Church, Suite C, 3 Parkcliff Drive, Holiday Island. Share with others experiencing similar circumstances in an informal, confidential setting. Call (479) 253-8925 or email [lardellen@gmail.com](mailto:lardellen@gmail.com).
- **Overeaters Anonymous** – Thursdays, 10:30 a.m. Barbara (479) 244-0371 • **Narcotics Anonymous** – Fridays, 5:30 p.m. (903) 278-5568. Meetings held at Eureka Springs Coffee Pot Group behind Land O’ Nod Victorian Inn.
- **Coffee Break Al-Anon Family Group Women** – Tuesdays, 9:45 a.m., Faith Christian Family Church, Hwy. 23S, (479) 363- 9495. • **Al-Anon Family Group (AFG)** – Sundays, 11:30 a.m., Mondays and Tuesdays 7 p.m. • **Eureka Springs Coffee Pot AA Groups** Monday – Saturday 12:30 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m.; Sunday – Thursday, Saturday, 5:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday, 8 p.m. (479) 253-7956 • **Al-Anon** Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. Meetings held at Eureka Springs Coffee Pot Group behind Land O’ Nod Victorian Inn. All other meetings: See [www.nwarkaa.org](http://www.nwarkaa.org)
- **St. Vincent De Paul Thrift Store** – First Tuesdays – provide assistance with medical help, utilities, clothing, emergency shelter, shoes, etc. Annual charity Christmas Gift & Food Program. Mon-Sat 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. 1844 Hwy. 62W Berryville.

# INDEPENDENT ConstablesOnPatrol

## SEPTEMBER 19

3:14 a.m. – Constable on patrol checked on the report of a motion alarm at a building just south of downtown and found no signs of attempted entry.

9 a.m. – Observer told ESPD a vehicle parked near Black Bass Lake seemed suspicious. Constable found its owner, who moved it.

10:29 a.m. – Constable filed a report of theft from out of state.

10:39 a.m. – Staff at a rehabilitation facility filed a report of alleged abuse.

1:29 p.m. – A barking dog drew the attention of Animal Control. The animal’s owner said the dog was outside because the house was being fumigated but promised to keep the dog quiet.

1:41 p.m. – Constables were told a motel guest was burning papers and a cell phone late at night.

3:12 p.m. – A father spoke with a constable because he was concerned about his daughter and the welfare of his granddaughter.

3:27 p.m. – Employees at a bar called 911 about an unwanted patron. A constable escorted the individual off the property and advised him his return was not welcome.

7:03 p.m. – Witness told ESPD a passenger in the vehicle up ahead threw two beer cans out the window as the vehicle neared city limits. Constable on patrol watched for but did not encounter the vehicle.

8:35 p.m. – Individual called 911 because he claimed he had been assaulted by someone for whom he had a protection order. Constables went to the caller’s address but learned he had been evicted weeks ago. They never located him.

## SEPTEMBER 20

3:43 p.m. – Vehicle backed into a pedestrian in a parking lot. Victim claimed his wife was almost hit as well. Adverse vehicle left the area. Constable and EMS responded.

6:57 p.m. – Apartment dweller reported hearing gunshots in nearby woods. Constable went to the scene but did not hear any more gunshots.

## SEPTEMBER 21

9:08 a.m. – Two males were reportedly going from parking lot to parking lot looking at motorcycles and tractors. When the constable spoke with them, they said they worked for a moving company and had a pick up order for tables and chairs.

2:02 p.m. – Concerned observers reported a male who had been driving was possibly inebriated. Constables encountered him and he admitted having had drinks earlier. He promised to get a ride to his destination.

3:08 p.m. – Constable collected drugs that had been left behind in a room of a tourist lodging.

3:19 p.m. – Someone stole a shirt from a store. Constable responded but the owner did not press charges.

5:28 p.m. – Someone stole a tablet from a patron

at the library.

6:45 p.m. – Passerby claimed two individuals took large rocks from a spring garden and put them in a truck. Constable went to the scene and discovered the individuals had just been looking at the spring. No report necessary.

10:11 p.m. – Resident contended music from a nearby tavern was too loud. There was no music at all when the constable arrived, but the owner assured the constable the music would be moderated if there were further complaints.

## SEPTEMBER 22

5:39 a.m. – A shirtless male was causing a fuss in a neighborhood. Constable never found him.

7:13 a.m. – From the same address came the complaint a male was trying to enter a home and was also trying to sleep in a van that was not his. This time constables encountered the person and advised him to scoot on down the road.

6:52 p.m. – Caller claimed motorcycles driving up and down US 62 were violating the noise ordinance. Constables patrolled the area.

9:52 p.m. – Onlooker told ESPD a motorcyclist had laid his bike down at the edge of US 62 and walked away. Constables responded and learned the cyclist had been having mechanical problems and was waiting for a ride.

## SEPTEMBER 23

2:19 a.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for DWI #2, implied consent, driving left of center and resisting arrest. A passenger was arrested for public intoxication.

8:11 a.m. – Constable on patrol came upon a motorcycle accident just after it occurred. EMS transported rider to ESH.

8:27 a.m. – Puppy cavorted in traffic on US 62. Employees at a business rescued it until a constable picked it up and took it to the kennel. Animal Control looked for the owner.

8:52 a.m. – Complaints came in about dogs barking in a neighborhood above downtown. Constable advised the owner of the complaints and the ordinance about nuisance animals.

10:46 a.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for driving on a suspended license.

2:11 p.m. – There was a trash truck versus motorcycle accident. No injuries and traffic still flowed freely.

5:28 p.m. – Central dispatch asked for constable assistance to determine if a deputy was needed at an accident. Constable complied and stood by until a deputy arrived.

5:34 p.m. – Concerned motorist claimed he nearly ran into another vehicle going the wrong way on a narrow street. Constable patrolled the area and saw no further problems.

5:55 p.m. – There was a fender bender in a parking lot.

7:55 p.m. – Concerned observer was suspicious of two young males dressed all in black

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## Your dog would do anything for you – now it's your turn

BECKY GILLETTE

The Doggie Thrift Stores operated in Eureka Springs and Berryville by the Good Shepherd Humane Society (GSHS) that help fund the no-kill animal shelter have “some of the best volunteers on the planet,” stores’ manager Janet Chupp said. They just need more volunteers to join the team to share the load with others, some who have been there 10 or more years.

“We are in desperate need of more volunteers,” Chupp said. “Most volunteers work three-and-a-half hour shifts, either from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. or 1:30 to 5. It is not the easiest job. The intake process is quite extraordinary. People just drop stuff off, a lot of time damaged or dirty. Our volunteers sort through it and put it out so it can be reused while helping fund the animal shelter.”

Volunteers are often retired people, and are usually pet owners who have a soft heart and a strong bond with animals. The volunteers enjoy interacting with each other while giving the dogs and cats a chance to be adopted to their “forever home.”

“Our volunteers are just so amazing,” Chupp said. “I can’t even tell you how wonderful it is to be a part of

something like this. They are so giving! We recently had a pop up holiday store fundraiser. Some of our volunteers were there fourteen hours that day. That kind of dedication is remarkable. They are unsung heroes.”

Jay Fusaro, GSHS board vice president, is very impressed with the work done by the thrift store volunteers.

“I believe it is a strong statement by a community of our size to have so many volunteers dedicated to saving the lives of animals that most likely otherwise would’ve been put down,” Fusaro said. “Once a donor drops off goods, they need to be sorted, priced and displayed. That takes an enormous amount of hands-on labor. We currently have approximately thirty-six volunteers at both stores, and to be fully staffed, need to be closer to ninety-six.”

Fusaro said it wouldn’t be possible to have services provided at the shelter, taking care of 70 to 75 animals at any one time, without volunteers. Historically, the two thrift stores provide approximately 60 percent of the annual revenue to run the organization. The other 40 percent is revenue generated from the shelter, general fundraising, grants and donations.

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## Listen to the voices from a silent city

The Eureka Springs Historical Museum will host its 8<sup>th</sup> Voices from Eureka's Silent City cemetery walking tours from Oct. 20 – 22 and Oct. 28 and 29. The living history tours feature live actors in period costumes portraying some early citizens of Eureka Springs who helped shape the myths and history of the town.

Guided walking tours will begin at 5:30 p.m. and leave every twenty minutes until 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. There is no parking at the cemetery and free parking and shuttle service will be provided at the former Victoria Inn parking lot located on Hwy. 62 East.

The event is a fundraising project of the Eureka Springs historical museum. For more information call the museum at (479) 253-9417



## Meet and greet for city candidate

Peg Adamson will be at Brews on Tuesday, Oct. 11 from 5 – 7 p.m. for a meet and greet to speak to Peg about your concerns for the city of Eureka Springs.

## Hotel hosts Church of God



The New Testament church will hold a gospel meeting on Oct. 2 at 10 a.m. at the Basin Park Hotel. For more information call (918) 315-0494 or email [ajevertt86@gmail.com](mailto:ajevertt86@gmail.com). The event is free to the public.

### NET METERING continued from page 1

proposed revisions to the net metering rule that under the new rates, which will be coming out in a year or so, people who are installing a net metering system will have to pay more upfront costs than those of us who are existing net metering customers. And how the charges are imposed will be different for each of the four investor-owned electric utilities and 17 rural electrics cooperatives.”

There is concern the new rules will discourage solar power in Arkansas at a time when it has become apparent climate change due to greenhouse gas emissions from fossil fuels and other sources is escalating dramatically.

“The sooner we move away from fossil fuel sources for electricity, the greater chance we have of avoiding catastrophe for our children and grandchildren,” Costner said. “The U.S. intelligence community warns that climate change is already destabilizing communities worldwide. It is my hope this process of revising the net metering rules will raise this awareness of climate change within utilities taking part in these proceedings and among commission members and staff.”

Costner said people considering adding solar power generation to their homes or businesses might want to do it soon before the new rates charges are established.

Northwest Arkansas is a hot bed for solar power. Part of that is attributed to the awareness raised by the campaign to stop the SWEPCO high voltage transmission line. Of electric cooperatives

in the state, Carroll Electric Cooperative Corp. (CECC) has the highest ratio of net metering customers to total customers of any of the rural electric coops. Ozark Electric Cooperative is second.

Carroll Electric presently partners with 102 net metering customers in Arkansas which is 0.11 percent of total accounts, said Nancy Plagge, director of corporate communications for CECC.

“The numbers we have seen indicate Entergy has the largest amount of net metering installations in Arkansas and Carroll ranks second,” Plagge said. “Carroll Electric’s primary concern in this docket is that existing net metering accounts be grandfathered. These individuals have made significant investments and, if the rates for these consumers were significantly altered, the recovery of their investment would also be impacted.”

Plagge said the new rate design for net metering customers is still uncertain.

Michael and Faith Shah have installed a large number of solar panels at their home near Eureka Springs. Michael Shah said he is disheartened that the APSC appears to be moving towards discouraging alternative energy when “time is running out to address climate change. This heating climate in the past two years can’t be denied by any intelligent person. We are in the midst of a crisis that affects our children and grandchildren. If we are not thinking that way, we are not doing them any favors.”

Shah said the APSC and electric power companies should be doing everything possible to have encourage more solar

installations being connected to the grid.

“In terms of net metering, they should be glad to take our power,” Shah said. “They should be glad to give us a credit. They should be selling and installing solar panels. But they are not. Instead, we see things like Entergy investing \$450 million to retrofit the Turk Coal Plant when there was no reason not to know burning coal is a problem. Why are we even thinking of digging up the oil sand tars and transporting them across the U.S. on pipelines like the one being opposed at Standing Rock Indian Reservation when we have better options today for generating power?”

The Shahs have 48 solar panels on a net metering arrangement with CECC. They give CECC all their excess energy generation at no cost.

“Our 48 solar panels have produced 40.6 megawatts of electricity in two years,” Shah said in written comments to the PSC. “This production has offset 28 tons of carbon and had the beneficial effects of two acres of trees. In our local area, over 600 solar panels have been installed which could mean that together we could have saved our planet 12,857 tons of carbon with a possible product of 8,867 megawatts of electricity.”

Shah urged the APSC not to go backwards and “join other stupid states that penalize people who are fighting climate change in the most positive way.”

APSC Commission Executive Director John Bethel said the rules and rate structure are being considered separately.

“The rule changes that are being considered don’t address the rate issues at this time,” Bethel said. “The parties

requested the commission separate rate issues from modifications to the rule. The rate issues will be addressed on a separate schedule over the next twelve months or so. So there will be a working group. The parties will work together to address rate-making issues. That will be a matter of determining what modifications to the current rate structure may be necessary to comply with requirements of Act 827. There is not any recommendation on those issues currently before the commission.”

Bethel said for existing net metering customers, rates would not change at this time. Whether existing systems will be grandfathered at the current rate is a question yet to be determined.

“In the proceedings, several parties have recommended that the commission grandfather or allow existing customer to continue to served under the current rate structure,” Bethel said. “Some had offered legal support for why that can be done under the statute as modified by Act 827. Others have argued it cannot legally be done.”

A public hearing is scheduled 9:30 a.m. Oct. 4, in Little Rock at PSC commission office, 1000 Center Street. Citizens can speak at the hearing, or mail in comments to Arkansas Public Service Commission, 1000 Center St, Little Rock, AR 72201. To make a public comments online, go to [www.arkansas.gov/PSC](http://www.arkansas.gov/PSC), click on the public comments tab on the right, select docket number 16-027-R.

“The commission always appreciates it when individuals take time to offer those comments,” Bethel said.



# Grass airstrips are new recreation magnet

PHOTO BY HARPER GOODWIN

BECKY GILLETTE

Carroll County has a new grass airstrip under development on Pension Mountain near Berryville and the Kings River, just off Hwy. 221 in the Trigger Gap area that is expected to draw outdoor recreation tourists, according to a pilot who lives nearby.

"The airfield is on The Nature Conservancy (TNC) property, built and managed through a license agreement with the Recreational Aviation Foundation (RAF)," Harper Goodwin said. "Focus of the airfield will be to attract fly-ins where pilots and their guests will be able to camp and enjoy fishing, canoeing, hiking and such in the Kings River area. This will attract more people to the area who like to fly and enjoy the outdoors." Last year Goodwin flew to Montana on a fishing trip and camped with friends at three different back country airstrips.

The Trigger Gap airfield will be somewhat different from a typical landing strip in that it is being developed by RAF, a national non-profit organization that focuses on identifying private and public land for development of new landing sites and assisting in funding the building of new airstrips on public land. Goodwin, who is a member, said the RAF has targeted the Ozarks for additional airstrips of this nature with the Trigger Gap Airfield being the first.

It won't be possible to walk from the airstrip to the Kings River, but visitors can make arrangements with someone like Ernie Kilman at Kings River Outfitter to provide shuttle service to canoe or kayak the river. Or they can fly over to the Carroll County Airport in Berryville, which has loaner cars.

"People who fly in, once they have access to transportation, would certainly like to come into Eureka Springs and Berryville to visit," Goodwin said. "Hopefully, Eureka Springs and the area can become more and more of an outdoor destination. And this works for TNC because it is trying to focus on low-impact access to their property."

TNC is a worldwide, non-profit organization that owns about 5,000 acres along the Kings River. Goodwin said TNC's primary focus in the area is stream bank stabilization, natural channel design, and reducing sediment in the Kings River. The second of three bank stabilization projects is now underway.

"They have been very generous in allowing this type of low-impact use of their land, as well as exploring other types of low-impact usage," Goodwin said, adding that the same kind of people who enjoy nature,

camping and paddling can also be attracted to getting back to a simpler version of flying.

"There are all sorts of airplanes," he said. "There are corporate jets like Trump flies around in, and small airplanes like I fly around in. Then there are the fabric-covered small airplanes like the Piper Club that goes slow and is kind of loud, not so much for those on the ground. But if you have been flying one of these for an hour or so, your ears know it. It is getting back to the original idea of aviation, more like flying used to be seventy-five years ago. Often times people bring their camping and fishing gear. It gives people with these types of airplanes access to recreation they happen to enjoy."

Goodwin said landing on a grass strip is safe as long as you are flying an airplane suitable for a slightly rougher surface than asphalt.

"People are very careful about what they do," he said. "There is always the option to not land if it looks unsafe. You also have pilot reports from others who have landed there. So you have a pretty good idea of what the surface is like before you go in there. Like any other hobby, there is a group of participants who network with each other as to conditions. One advantage of RAF is the networking among members about airfields of this nature."

Goodwin said that, generally, insurance costs aren't higher. "There are some insurance policies that restrict where you land, but I looked at my insurance very carefully, and it doesn't mention anything about grass strips."

Some airplanes have large balloon tires and fly so slowly that they can take off and land on a football field. "They could land on a gravel bar on the Kings River," he said. "One of the challenges I have in my airplane, a Cessna 210, is it has small tires. So it isn't quite easy to land on grass strips as an airplane with large tires."

Goodwin, who built a home near Trigger Gap in 2008, is excited about the new venture.

"I was at a fly-in at the Carroll County Airport, which they have once a month," Goodwin said. "A representative of RAF talked about this airport. I got excited because I enjoy the outdoors, have an airplane and am four miles away. I want to do whatever I can to advance this airport concept."

On Saturday, Oct. 1 and Sunday, Oct. 2 there will be a work party to prepare the airfield for its grand opening. For more information, email harpergoodwin@yahoo.com.



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Nellie Mills wrote *Early Days at Eureka Springs 1880-1892* as a memoir of growing up in Eureka Springs. She received so much information from those who shared those times that she published her second book based on correspondence and newspaper research. *Other Days* was published in 1950 by Free Will Baptist Gem, Monett, Mo.

Chapter One: The First Eureka Springs Railway

But whatever the politics or whoever the editor, the Eureka Springs Railway had its timetable in the papers. I have looked over as many news sheets as I could find; the timecard does not vary; Here is one. I found it interesting and hope others will.

Eureka Springs Railroad

Powell Clayton	President and Manager
George West	Auditor and Gen'l Freight Agt.
F.M. Richardson	Gen. Pass. and Ticket Agt.
W.S. Roberts	Local Freight Agt.

West Bound Trains			
Stations and Sidings	No. 1	No. 33	Miles
	Mixed	Pss'gr	
	A.M.	P.M.	
Eureka Springs	7:43	4:34	0
Gaskins	7:54	4:43	3
Narrows	8:06	4:52	5.25
Seligman	8:53	5:34	18.5

East Bound Trains			
Eureka Springs	10:30	7:17	18.5
Gaskins	10:21	7:06	15.5
Narrows	10:12	6:54	12.25
Seligman	9:30	6:07	0

Of course the timecard for the East Bound trains is read from the bottom upward. The time of reaching Seligman was made to connect with Frisco trains. It shows there were two trains to Seligman and two back to Eureka Springs each day. One train each day carried freight.

Gaskins is where West Leatherwood joins

Leatherwood. I am sure there were other stations. The cattle yard was at the mouth of the first hollow north of the station. Just beyond that was Frogge Switch. We children called it Frog Switch, but we knew that was wrong. It was Froje or something like that. I was named for the man who had lived there.

As I remember, Skelton must have been a flag station, for the train often stopped there. I think between Beaver and Seligman there was such a station called Walden, where there was a spring.

It was easy to get to Eureka and away from there by daylight and at reasonable hours. But the freight service was very valuable. Cattle were shipped out from that small stockpen set on an elevated lip of a hill east of the track, perhaps half a mile from the depot. We children saw the herds of cattle that were driven down Main Street. We did not know from where they came; probably down Mill Hollow.

There were loads of baled cotton. Mr. John Ping worked at the freight depot when Short and Pickering, for whom my father worked, had their warehouse along the same platform. In Goodspeed's History it is recorded that the first carlot shipment received there were several cars of hay, consigned to S.C. Mills, my father. We children were often down there; we marveled at the ease with which Mr. Ping, who was not a muscular man, handled those bales of cotton, which we had been told, weighed five hundred pounds each. Mr. Ping, with one of those small freight trucks, could put one of those heavy bales wherever he wished it to be. The principle of the lever was unknown to us, though we were seeing it demonstrated.



Across from the railroad cattle pen, to the north or east of that first tributary hollow, is a stretch of gently sloping land that soon merges into the steep hillside. Here was situated May's Dairy, we called the hollow May's Hollow. Our father owned one hundred twenty acres of land on the slope on the other side of that ridge. Ever but once did we reach our farm climbing over that ridge beyond May's Dairy. It was so steep all of us were tired when we reached the crest. Pa led the way but he found a better way. By following the railroad to the next hollow – our father called it Livingston Hollow – we could walk up an easy incline to reach the farm. There was a spring there in a hollow, coming from a line of bluffs behind the house. By a short steep ascent we could reach the top of the ridge. We often came home that way, descending into May Hollow, not through the Dairy, but at some distance up the hollow to the east or south. Our father often went out there, but frequently just a crowd of youngsters out for a walk. The Rippetoe girls and Fred Roberts and perhaps others. If we got anywhere in those days our two feet were all any of us needed. What was two or three miles? Now and then we had a lunch before we came back. The best potatoes I ever ate were baked out there in a bed of coals, after the wood was all burned out. When we raked the potatoes out the skins were charred black and crusty, but inside was white and mealy – really delicious.

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More volunteers are needed at the shelter to provide critical services such as dog walking, which provides enrichment and socialization for the dogs. They also have volunteers who interact with cats to provide socialization, which makes the transition once they are adopted that much easier.

There have been some changes at the Doggie Thrift Store since Chupp took over as manager in June. Both stores are now open the same hours, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. Closings on Mondays gives them a day to clean up and do repairs. Chupp also added a place to sit, beverage service areas, and complimentary candy and small toys for children. Displays have been changed to make it easier to find things.

"I like to make everything look warm, welcoming, and inviting," Chupp said.

Chupp said every volunteer makes a difference.

"We have several volunteers who have been with us for nine or ten years," she said. "We are all here for the shelter. A shout out to Tracy Williams, who came up with a new formula to do the linens in our store. She picks up all the linens, takes them home, launders them, sizes them and makes sure there are no holes and they smell good. Our linens sales have increased quite a bit just from that. Dave Spencer, who runs the cash register at the Eureka store, has picked up several shifts to help out because we are short staffed. We also needed someone to do the books, and he has jumped up to help with that.

"Betty Watts, Connie and Ernst Schrader, Kathy Jensen, Nancy Werve and Tanya Renoude have all been volunteers a long time," Chupp said. "Lin Welford and Ann Wilson have worked

at the Berryville store and have worked there for quite some time, as well. Jeri Voerman, and Chuck and Karen Welch have been with us a very long time, as well. Jeff Burdsall does electronics. He serves on the board and helps out at the shelter itself. Janet Corley, retired RN, will do whatever I need. I could go on and on. All of our volunteers are like that."

Kathy Jensen, who volunteers at the Berryville store, came here from Wisconsin six years ago after retiring as an accountant for Harley Davidson.

"I thought volunteering at the thrift store would be wonderful to do," she said. She also served on the board of directors and as treasurer of the Good Shepherd Humane Society for several years. "There are so many animals that need homes. I think the fact we don't kill them, that we feed and take care of them until can find a forever home is a good thing. No animal should deserve to die because we are

overcrowded. Animals are so wonderful. They give us unconditional love. It teaches us how to love and care by having an animal.

"We meet nice people," she said. "They are happy when they come in. We get a lot of compliments on our store in Berryville. And it is rewarding knowing these clothes and other items are being repurposed, not being thrown away. We also have furniture. And everything new is so high priced, so this helps out people in the community."

Jensen has been working extra shifts recently because of the volunteer shortage, and filling in for people on vacation. She would love to see more volunteers join the effort.

Chupp said there is also a government workforce program that pays low-income elders to work at non-profits like Good Shepherd. For more information, Chupp can be reached at (479) 244-7156.



# Webworms, not bagworms, are the pests in the nests

NICKY BOYETTE

A common sight along our country roads for the past month has been sophisticated webs at the ends of tree branches that glow like lumanarias when the sunshine hits them at the perfect angle. Many folks say they are created by bagworms, but real bagworms do not create these kinds of webs. Other folks call them tent caterpillars, and Eastern tent caterpillars do create similar webs, but in the spring and at crotches in fruit trees mostly, not at the ends of branches as we are seeing in late summer and early autumn.

What we are seeing is handiwork of the larvae of a native moth, *Hyphantia cunea*, commonly known as the fall webworm. The small moth is native to the eastern United States and has a wingspan of about 1.5 inches. Females are white and males might have black or brown spots on their wings.

Webs appear in August and last through September or early October. Their favorite host trees are pecans, persimmons, black walnuts and hickories, but in robust years they will feast on other hardwoods such as sycamores, birches and redbuds. In Virginia, they are a nuisance to hops' growers.

Adriane Barnes of the Arkansas Forestry Commission states, "The caterpillars create silken tents that keep them safe while feeding on leaves. These webs are on the ends of branches, which can be easily pruned out." An exception, of course, is when the web is toward the top of a 30-foot hickory tree.

The larvae begin tent-making in August with a small web around a leaf or two toward the end of a branch. It is a remarkable example of a community working together. As they are hungrier for more leaves, the larvae expand or combine their tents. The webs are three-dimensional in that they not only surround an area of the tree but also provide pathways across the open space from one branch to another. Interested observers can watch some larvae feed, others hike out across the web to the other side, while others even worm their ways up and down the trunk. Maybe they are scouting for fresh territory. The backs of the segmented hairy larvae are marked by alternating bands of dark gray and light reddish-brown, their heads sort of orange. Underneath they are yellowish.

In lower branches, a homeowner can use a tool to poke holes in the web hoping birds or predator insects will graze on the army of larvae inside. Using a cultivator to rake the tents off lower branches will help temporarily, but industrious webworms



rebuild tents within a few days.

For observers who find them suddenly appearing on trees around the home, Barnes states, "Don't get too concerned – this small creature is not considered a 'forest pest' because it rarely kills the host tree. It is, however, unsightly, and occasionally can cause damage to pecan groves." The defoliation is mostly a temporary cosmetic inconvenience at the end of the season, and the trees almost always recover the following year. However, continued major defoliation of a particular tree might inhibit its growth or productivity.

One key to controlling them is to watch for them early, say in July or August. If a small tent appears, remove it. This approach, of course, will require perseverance for the first year or two, and the webworms have their own cycles as well, so regardless of preventative efforts, they might suddenly appear again in three or four years, anyway.

According to the Baxter County Cooperative Extension office, moths in mid-spring "lay clusters of up to 500 greenish eggs on leaf surfaces of host trees. The eggs are partly covered with white hairs or scales and usually occur on leaves near the

ends of branches." This would seem to be an opportunity for intervention by a careful observer.

The Baxter County article goes on to state the larvae are about an inch long when mature. At that point, "they crawl down the tree to spin a cocoon and pupate in the ground litter in July. There are two generations a year – the first in early June (into July) and the second and normally the largest and most damaging generation of larvae present in August and September (sometimes into early October). Larvae from the second generation remain in the pupal stage until the next spring, when the moths emerge to begin the cycle again."

This pattern would seem to suggest two more chances to interrupt the cycle. One would be to watch for larvae as they migrate up and down the tree trunk. If the population in their tents is any indication, there would be hundreds of them, and what happens next would be up to the one watching. Also, cultivating under the tree should disturb their happy hibernation and expose them to predators.

Sources also suggest there are horribly terrible poisons an environmentally-

insensitive homeowner could spray on them once the tents have been pierced or their off-season hideouts opened up. Then again, a safer choice would be *Bacillus thuringiensis*, sold as Thuricide, a natural pesticide proved to be effective in controlling caterpillars.

Apparently, some homeowners try to get rid of the webworms by burning the affected parts of the tree. Reliable sources are unanimous that this bonehead strategy would only damage the tree far worse than webworms ever could.

## Bagworms

The real bagworms, *Thridopteryx ephemeraeformis*, do not make web-like tents. An article from the University of Kentucky Department of Entomology states, "Bagworm caterpillars make distinctive 1.5 to 2-inch long spindle-shaped bags that can be seen hanging from twigs of a variety of trees and shrubs. Sometimes the bags are mistaken for pine cones or other plant structures." A bagworm will begin in spring to envelop themselves with bits of plant material from its host as protection and camouflage while it feeds. These larvae can defoliate and kill a tree if abundant enough.

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## Michaelmas, Libra New Moon, Rosh Hashanah

**T**hursday, September 29 is *Michaelmas*, Feast of St. Michael, honoring Archangel Michael, protector of the Earth during Autumn. During each season a different cosmic protector or archangel tends, cares for and protects Earth and her kingdoms. The Autumn Archangel is Michael. He carries a sword. Winter's protector is Archangel Gabriel. He has a special connection with Mary, Mother of Jesus. Spring's Archangel is Raphael. He carries the chalice of healing. And summer's protector is Uriel. He teaches in meadows and fields to all the kingdoms. The devas

(nature spirits) especially love him.

**Friday** is the new moon at 8.15 degrees Libra. At new moon festivals we "strengthen and support the endeavors of the New Group of World Servers." The NGWS work in all nations. Often unrecognized, they work with intention and dedication to bring into the world that which humanity needs. We must always ask ourselves when attempting to serve the world, "*What does humanity need?*"

**Sunday** night is the first evening of *Rosh Hashanah*, Jewish New Year, ending **Tuesday**

evening. Rosh Hashanah celebrates Adam and Eve's (humanity's) creation and we contemplate upon (our) humanity's role in G-d's world. It's a day of Judgment, too. The shofar (ram's horn) is sounded, calling humanity to forgiveness. Rosh Hashanah is the first of the 10 Days of Repentance culminating in Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement, Wednesday, Oct. 12). During Rosh Hashanah we eat apples dipped in honey asking for a "sweet year" ahead, and bless one another with the words "*Leshanah tovah.*" (*May you have a good year.*)

**ARIES:** You will be called to teamwork, perhaps by competitors and possibly by those you consider as enemies. Don't fret or fuss. Libra is about bringing Right Human Relations, balance, and fairness to all interactions. You can initiate this though your intentions and will(ingness). This will enhance your public image, create new alliances, and affect your environments (inner and outer), friendships and release love all around.

**TAURUS:** It's time to seriously consider another level of health, exercise, and proper eating – very necessary at this time to vitalize your energy system and adrenals. The emphasis now needs to be on service to self. Everyone around you, including pets, will be reflecting your health issues. Use homeopathics. Consider Ayurveda. Add resveratrol, chlorella and herbs for the lymphs. Swimming is good, too.

**GEMINI:** What are your favorite activities, hobbies and what do you do for fun? Have these changed in the past several years? What do you value and love, where and how do you find freedom, and are there children or pets in your life? Contemplate upon these questions, so you can, with eyes wide open, recognize your true life Path. Libra balances and harmonizes Gemini's polarities and dualities. Do you understand this?

**CANCER:** It seems your property, what you own and/or where you live, has been in a state of reordering, reorganizing, reorientation, and transformation. At some point, emerging from your inner rooms you might consider creating a "garden room." Perhaps it's also time for a greenhouse and an uncluttered home office. Where and who is your community these days? What is your personal "Art of Living?"

**LEO:** It's a good time to write letters, the old fashioned way. It's also good to contact family, siblings, old friends and renew relationships, which may have been set aside due to excess work, intense grief, or a general antipathy toward relationships. Visiting forests, woods, oceans and glens allows you to feel your relationship with all of life. The most nurturing relationship is the with the plant kingdom, the most balanced. Communicate with the green and violet devas.

**VIRGO:** Perhaps it's time for a resale sale, or maybe a new look at your resources and

valuable possessions. Assessing your resources with new eyes provides insight into what your true values are. How have your values changed in the past 12 years? Acknowledging what you value refreshes and regenerates your identity and directs your next steps on the path. Which then again, could change.

**LIBRA:** Do not be afraid of leadership. But do be aware leadership is a razor's edged path. It's important to understand that others look at leaders through the lens of their own experiences, wounds, childhood, expectations, needs and projections. This is not comfortable for leaders. Only the courageous and loving can lead effectively. Begin to create new projects that will overflow into next year. Something's almost over. As something new, a feeling, a forgiveness perhaps, appears.

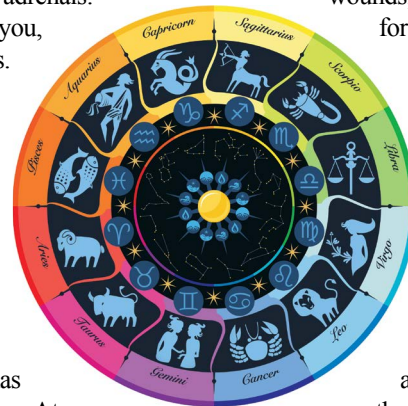
**SCORPIO:** Visit the ill, the hospitalized, the shut away, the sad, the lonely, and the limited. Those in need. This will provide you with a perspective on your own life that leads to clear self-analysis, contemplation, and the ability to reorient yourself toward spiritual values. Tithe, be charitable, ask forgiveness for past omissions, and seek work that heals humanity. Big tasks for a courageous person (disciple).

**SAGITTARIUS:** Are there several social contracts or social aspirations that you consciously or unconsciously adhere to? Ask yourself if there are opportunities for a new occupation that would benefit you if you told others of your immediate and far-reaching aspirations and life goals? How is your financial situation? Things are attempting to balance and reorient themselves to the light this month. Short trips out and about are good. They bring you to right balanced perspective.

**CAPRICORN:** New work goals and newer ways to offer your gifts, talents and abilities come forth. Review past work and know that it was good. Know also that you can summon all gifts from your many past lives into your present and ask that they be applied efficiently and brilliantly to this life. Ask also that they provide you with art and beauty. Ponder on possible plans and goals. All things beneficent fall into your world, your daily life. You create rituals of gratitude.

**AQUARIUS:** It's time to contemplate upon a long-range life program. Ask yourself, "What do I want to learn and to do? Where do I want to go? Whom do I want to meet and include in my life?" Recognize that answers to these questions bring light to your life's needs, providing you with a view of your aspirations. And your inner nature. Write your answers down in a notebook, anchoring them. Know everything will come to pass. Perhaps a home is first.

**PISCES:** Continue to eliminate things in your life that are not in alignment with order, organization, purity and simplicity. Pay all debts and continue saving. Economic prudence is most important now and will, later, become a resource. There are several very important items needing to manifest in your life to be used communally. See yourself working with the Law of Attraction. It comes with Love. Conserve all spending as you conserve your energy. A new talent arises.



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#### Meal with good friends –

Several times a year Friends of the Barn hold a potluck to solicit donations to the Barn Fund. Green Forest Mayor Charlie Reece spoke briefly to Barn supporters about his campaign for Carroll County Judge and Catherine Reed entertained following his talk.

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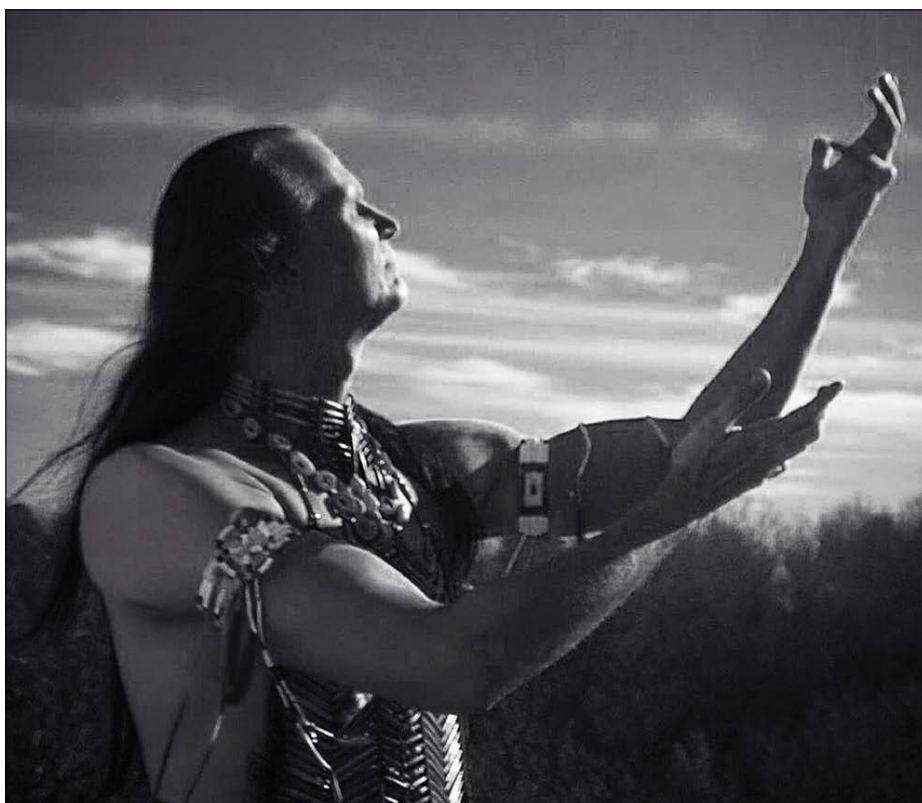
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### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**

**BALCONY RESTAURANT** – Catherine Reed, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.

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

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

**LEGENDS SALOON** – Another Turn, Rock, 8 p.m.

### **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**

**ANGLER'S** – Adam Moraga, Blues, 7 p.m.

**AUDITORIUM** – John Two-Hawks, *Hidden Medicine* album release, 7 p.m.

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

**BREWS** – Chris Harp, Singer/

Songwriter, 7 – 10 p.m.

**CATHOUSE LOUNGE** – *Septembers End*, Rock, 8 p.m.

**CHELSEA'S** – Dr. NOLA and the Soul Shakers, Americana, 9 p.m.

**EUREKA LIVE!** – DJ and Dancing, 9 p.m.

**GRAND TAVERNE** – Arkansas Red, Guitar Dinner Music, 6:30 p.m.

**LEGENDS SALOON** – DJ Karaoke, 8 p.m.

**NEW DELHI** – Medicine Man Show, Americana, 6 – 10 p.m.

**ROWDY BEAVER** – Karaoke with Brock Entertainment, 7:30 p.m.

**ROWDY BEAVER DEN** – Jimmy Garrett, Singer/Songwriter, 1 – 5 p.m., Jimmy Garrett Band, Rock, 9 p.m.

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

### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1**

**ANGLER'S** – Michael Dimitri, Singer/Songwriter, 7 p.m.

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

**BASIN PARK** – Drumming in the Park, 6 p.m.

**BREWS** – Jessamyn Orchard, Americana, 6 – 9 p.m.

**CATHOUSE LOUNGE** – Jimmy Wayne Garrett, Rock, 8 p.m.

**CHELSEA'S** – Gates and Dan, Folk, 2 – 5 p.m., Opal Fly and KAPOW, R and

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## World's fastest 2-wheelin' woman is practically one of us

Eureka Springs is one of America's more popular destinations for two-wheeled tourists, and also marketing headquarters for Valerie Thompson, the world's fastest female motorcycle racer.

On Sept. 1, Thompson became the first female to exceed 300 m.p.h. driving a motorcycle at the Bonneville Motorcycle Speed Trials – with a one measured mile average speed of 304 m.p.h. – riding the famous “7” Racing streamliner. Event organizers honored Thompson and Team “7” Racing with the “Top Speed of the Event Award,” earning her the title “World's fastest female motorcycle racer.”

Thompson is a long-time Scottsdale, Ariz., resident, but her marketing and public relations work is managed by Eureka Springs resident and Retreat at Sky Ridge resort co-owner, Eric Studer.

“Valerie and I were introduced five years ago by a mutual friend who knew of my marketing and motorsports experience,”

Studer said. “She had just formed her own independent land speed racing team and needed marketing and PR support to attract new sponsors. What started out as a couple of favors for the most determined racer I had ever met has grown into a marketing consulting business I can manage from Eureka.”

When Studer met Thompson, she held two land speed records as a contract rider for the owner of the “world's fastest Harley-Davidson Pan Head.” Today, she is an independent team owner/rider, fielding a record setting BMW land speed-racing bike with seven land speed records and lifetime membership in six premier 200 MPH Clubs.

You can see Thompson on Fox Sports TV next year based on her plans to compete in the NHRA Drag Racing Pro Stock Motorcycle class in 2017. She is also on Barrett-Jackson Auto Auction TV broadcasts where she works as a celebrity vehicle presenter.



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

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

**ANGLER'S – Steve Pruitt,** Open  
Jam, 7 p.m.

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

**BREWS – Trivia Night,** 7 p.m.

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

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 3

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

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

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

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4

**BALCONY RESTAURANT – Jeff**  
*Lee*, Folk, 5 p.m.

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

**CHELSEA'S – Open Mic,** 9 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

**BALCONY RESTAURANT – Pearl**  
*Brick*, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.

**BREWS – Open Mic,** 7 p.m.

## Breakfast with the firefighters

Join us on Saturday, Oct. 8 at the Holiday Island County Club Ballroom for breakfast with the firefighters of Holiday Island from 7 – 10 a.m. Adults are \$6 and Children under 12 are \$3.

## Meditation, reading, and discussion

The Eureka Springs Buddhist Study Group will gather for 30 minutes of meditation followed by reading and discussion on Thursday, Sept. 29 at 4 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

## Second Saturday features Brewer & Shipley

Second Saturday Music in the Park on Oct. 8 brings American folk rock duo Brewer & Shipley (One Toke Over the Line) from 5 – 7 p.m. at Basin Spring Park.

## American Legion food drive

The American Legion Post and Auxiliary 9 of Eureka Springs will hold a food drive at Hart's Family Food Center for Flint Street Food Bank on Friday, Sept. 30 and Saturday, Oct. 1.

## Stephen Foster at Metafizzies

The Oct. 3 meeting of the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society will feature Stephen Foster continuing his discussion on metaphysical interpretation of the New Testament. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.



**Aaarrgansas –**  
Peachtree Village's staff members dressed in pirate costumes to entertain residents on Sept. 23. April led a pirate-themed game of charades much to residents' enjoyment.

PHOTO JAY VRECENAK



## The true story of the corrupt Diamond Pipeline

*“Crimes against our environment must be met with swift action and accountability.*

*The carelessness of Plains All-American harmed hundreds of species and marine life off Refugio Beach. This conduct is criminal and today’s charges serve as a powerful reminder of the consequences that flow from jeopardizing the well-being of our ecosystems and public health.”*

— CALIFORNIA ATTORNEY GENERAL, KAMALA D. HARRIS

On May 16, 2016, a California Grand Jury indicted Plains All-American Pipeline on 46 criminal charges, including four felonies, from the Line 901 oil and hazardous substances spill into state water. AG Kamala said PAAP had been “less than cooperative” during the investigation. PAAP faces up to \$2.8 million in fines plus additional costs and penalties. PAAP’s response was swift: it denied all charges and had the Grand Jury transcript sealed. PAAP is known in Arkansas as Diamond Pipeline and DP Pipeline. Will the Arkansas Attorney General step up and stop the line?

Welspun, the pipe supplier chosen for the Diamond pipeline, is owned by Welspun, Ltd. India’s Welspun Ltd. is currently facing two class action lawsuits by WalMart and Target for selling fake “Egyptian cotton” sheets at the price of real Egyptian cotton. Corporate culture, the way a company does business, is defined by top management. Corrupt behavior is toxic and spreads to every business transaction. In 2009, PHMSA

found defective Welspun pipes in the field, stretched under pressure, creating expansion anomalies from using low-strength steel. Welspun was responsible for 88 percent of defective pipes on the Boardwalk pipelines.

Frackers build pipelines for export profiteering. The *Fiscal Times* report of June 6, 2016, says, “U.S. oil exports surge, near 100-year high.” U.S. crude oil exports rose to 591,000 barrels per day in April, up 83,000 barrels from March, according to new data from the U.S. Census Bureau.

### Trading money for water, justice, and public health – is fracking wrong?

If you ask U.S. Senator Boozman [R-AR] why we need the Keystone XL pipeline, he will say energy independence, pipelines are the *safest* way to transport crude oil.” Welspun jobs are the fly in the ointment.

Energy independence has political appeal but is it a desirable goal? Boozman is not talking about sustainable distributed solar and wind power generation. Boozman wants to frack, export oil

and keep Welspun in business. OSHA has reports of serious workplace safety violations and one fatality. The Arkansas Economic Development Commission says worker safety has nothing to do with the millions of incentives to lure Welspun, it is all about head count.

Pipelines are not safe. Like dogs, they come in many sizes, and they all leak. Pipeline safety is a function of the design, construction and operation of the pipeline. The Diamond Pipeline, designed, built, and operated by a corrupt company using the worst pipes, is guaranteed to spill, and when it does, Arkansans will pay with their health, water, and cleanup. DP Pipeline LLC mentioned on the Arkansas Public Service Commission application, is an Arkansas dummy corporation – it has no assets, people, or even a phone number.

Welspun, Little Rock, has 350 miles of Keystone XL pipes in their Little Rock yard manufactured in 2012. Welspun recently laid off 160 workers, knowing the \$47 million order for Diamond pipes was in the works. Sales of red Rust-

Oleum are up.

### Stephen Lee, Diamond project manager?

The Rebuttal Arkansas Public Service Commission testimony shows Lee’s arrogance, ignorance, and incompetence. The 28-year old pipeline responsible for the PAAP California 2015 spill was due to a defective pipe with external corrosion, inspected just before the spill. Lee said the design life of the Diamond pipeline is indefinite. When asked, “What is more important than water,” Lee said, “It depends.” He did not answer the most important question, the reason brave Lakota warriors are protecting their land.

Lee has a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, licensed to work in Texas, with no geological experience in Arkansas or Tennessee. According to the Arkansas State Board for Professional Engineers, “Any Engineer doing work in the State of Arkansas must be licensed in the State.”

Daily updates on Facebook, Stop the Diamond Pipeline!

*Dr. Luis Contreras*



**Getting a new coat of one color** – The Christ of the Ozarks statue received fresh white paint last week just in time for Bikes, Blues, & BBQ. The Passion Play welcomed bikers to take pictures with the statue and its new paint job over the weekend.

PHOTOS BY JEREMIAH ALVARADO







Picked them up at 6.30 a.m., they had their limit by 8.30! Keith Pullins from McKinney, Texas, knew it was a good time for him and his daughter, Cindy Pullins, to get some fish in the freezer. They heard Beaver Lake was well known for bigger stripers than what they’ve caught down at Lake Texoma.

They just needed someone up this way with a striper boat, shad and enough big rods to cover some water. I was rubbing my phone like a Genie lamp waiting for it to ring when it rang.

Well, we just happened to hit the right spot at the right time. If you happened to be driving down Mundell Road towards Starkey’s last Friday and looked to your right near Lake Shore Cabins, well that was us in the big blue Kenner with the rods bent down and the bait tank open.

Never had a break to even get the lid closed or get out more than five bait rods until 8.30. Caught our stripers with big shad down 30 – 36 feet deep off the flats in water from 40 – 70 feet deep. Jigging spoons are also working for those who can’t hold shad.

A 2 oz. Kast Master is a good choice. With the sun low in the morning and evening I would also have a big Zara Spook or your favorite top water bait ready to throw if you see one swirl on top.

I’m a spooky kind of guy and like to keep the rod pointed down twitching all the way in so it pops right and left.

If you snag your line you’re working it too fast or not reeling in your slack line fast enough. Best way to get slack up when learning the spook and still catch fish is go 1, 2, 3, short pops, pause to reel in slack, 1, 2, 3. Stripers, white bass, smallmouth, spotted and largemouth bass will all hit this big lure usually on the 1 after the pause.

The same will also work here at Holiday Island with the baby spook when the sun is low. Then as the sun starts warming, you up go to the spoon but the bass and walleye here will feed more around 12 – 20 feet deep off the flats and points from here to Houseman.

With our deepest water running close to 30 feet deep, trolling crankbaits that run 10 – 18 feet deep is a relaxing way to catch all these fish, along with crappie and trout, too.

The water temperature on both lakes just crept back up to around 82° as of Monday, but the forecast for the next two weeks says our low night temps will stay below 60° and our high temps won’t see 80° again. We’re dropping fast, which is bringing the water temps down with more oxygen to let them come up to us.

No moss on the lines this week so the turnover should be over. Clean water and more oxygen usually puts more fish in the boat.

Well, I better get back to rubbing that phone. October is time for some fall colors, top water fishing and cutting off the weights.

INDEPENDENT**Crossword**

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

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- ACROSS**

1 *Karenina*

5 Hindu religious teacher

10 Loose cover

14 Swerve

15 Secret group of plotters

16 Etna output

17 Without end

18 Marble material

19 Amino or boric

20 Save a sinner

22 Posted a fee

24 Appointment to meet, esp. secretly

25 Hollywood’s biggest prize

26 Best

29 Helmet-shaped structure, anat.

33 Water or snow board

36 Vacuum

40 Very soon

42 Cacaphony

43 Outdated recording medium

44 Act of slowing something down

47 Low value coin of Burma

48 Termination of any process

49 Minor upset

51 Very, very long time periods (var.)

55 Monetary unit of Nigeria

59 NW New York city

61 Decrease
- 62 Several points

63 Along an imaginary straight line

65 Male animal kept for breeding

66 Related to flight

67 Roman Senate attire

68 Otherwise

69 Small, brownish songbird

70 Place in to effect, as a law

71 Sediment or dregs
- DOWN**
- 1 Redirect

2 Not at any time

3 Lacking essentials

4 Stop forward motion

5 Trickery

6 Slang word for an estimation

7 Small island in N. Bahamas

8 Additions and subtractions

9 Pertaining to third intestinal area

10 Blatant, overt

11 Fancy trim

12 Eager

13 Certain residence, in the ‘50s

21 British prep school near Windsor Castle

23 Sturdy wool fiber

27 Small body of water

28 Classical portico
- 30 Giant jump, maybe of faith

31 To look upon

32 On the briny

33 Reddish or brownish chalcedony, used as a gem

34 Site of ACL

35 Tiniest bit

37 Punch or slap

38 Current American tormentor

39 Light gas

41 Swimming

45 Mother of Zeus and Poseidon

46 Full U. S. Supreme Court roster

50 Graduation decoration

52 Egg-shaped

53 Agnew’s running mate

54 Goatlike antelope with large muzzle

56 Plant fiber used in making carpets

57 Employ again

58 Peruvian mountain range

59 South African of Dutch extraction

60 43,560 square feet

61 For fear that

62 Rule to guide behavior in society

64 Resinous substance used in making varnishes and sealing waxes



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## PERSONALS

*Dear parents,*  
I found a painted coconut in my mailbox!  
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## PERSONALS

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CONSTABLES continued from page 10 walking down a road in the west part of town. Constable chatted with them and determined all was okay. 8:02 p.m. – Resident complained of noise at a downtown restaurant. Constable determined the noise was well within legal limits. 9:20 p.m. – ESH reported a patient left the emergency room against doctor’s orders. Constables were unable to find the person. 9:20 p.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for DWI #1, noisy muffler and two outstanding warrants. 10:26 p.m. – Somehow the burglar alarm at a business on US 62 was triggered, but constable found nothing out of the ordinary.

SEPTEMBER 24 1:53 a.m. – ESPD got word a disturbance might occur, but by the time a constable could get to the scene, the possible disturbers were gone. 2:35 a.m. – Motorist reported a male walking dangerously in the middle of a narrow residential street. Constable never encountered him. 3:15 a.m. – Resident just north of downtown called from her closet because she suspected an intruder might be in her house. Constable checked the house and property and found the doors and windows locked up tight. 10:21 a.m. – Constable performed a

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welfare check on guests at a tourist lodging and found them doing well. 11:56 a.m. – There was a motorcycle accident on US 62 near Lake Leatherwood City Park. 1:20 p.m. – Resident near downtown claimed someone stole a hubcap off her car. 5:09 p.m. – Concerned onlooker told ESPD a man wearing only a Speedo and tank top ran through Basin Park to a vehicle in the courthouse parking lot. Constables never encountered this individual. 5:36 p.m. – Witness reported a person drinking an alcoholic beverage in a parking lot. Constables responded but the person was gone. 5:52 p.m. – A female was holding a sign in front of a tourist lodging toward the west side of town and was disrupting traffic on US 62. Constable asked her group not to do that, and they agreed to comply. 6:21 p.m. – A fiber optic line came down across US 62. ESPD and ESFD directed traffic until the utility company fixed the problem. 9:35 p.m. – Motel staff reported a resident had driven through the building. SEPTEMBER 25 5:03 a.m. – Individual came upon what appeared to be a motorcycle accident and no one was around. Constable took a report. 6:30 a.m. – Yelling emanated from a

COUNCIL – WRAP UP continued from page 5 life back to the Auditorium, and he said he hopes citizens understand the city is trying to get visitors to help pay for repairing and upgrading the infrastructure as well as for repairing the Auditorium and bringing in more performances.

Final items • Council approved the first two readings of Ordinance 2248, which Berry said simply reaffirms what is already in place regarding the millage levied on real

WEBWORMS continued from page 15 Bagworms have been considered a serious pest in Florida orange groves. In Arkansas, they are known to affect junipers, red cedars, Leyland cypress and arborvitae as well. However, in Madagascar, they are encouraged because the protein-rich pupae are collected as food. Yum!

Eastern tent caterpillars The handiwork of the Eastern tent caterpillar bears a closer resemblance to fall webworm webs but with distinct differences. Tent caterpillars prefer fruit trees such as wild cherry, apple, peach, plum and others. A cluster of Eastern tent caterpillar eggs encircle a host branch through the winter in a dark varnish-appearing mass with a texture

residence near downtown. Constable found a person screaming on his phone and asked him to keep it down. 7:44 a.m. – Constable performed a welfare check and found the person doing just fine. 8:53 a.m. – Gentleman reported his motorcycle had been stolen. 9:29 a.m. – Constable spoke with a caller about the attempted theft of a motorcycle. 10:38 a.m. – Staff at a tourist lodging reported an abandoned sports bike. 12:28 p.m. – Tree branch fell across a street near downtown. Constable on patrol moved it. 7:50 p.m. – There was a motorcycle accident in front of a bar on US 62. Constable and EMS responded.

CROSSWORDSolution

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and personal properties. • Council also approved Resolution 690, which authorizes Berry to accept a 100 percent grant from the Western Arkansas Planning and Development District of up to \$10,000 for the purchase of ballistic vests for the Police Department. • City Clerk/Treasurer Ann Armstrong presented the 2nd Quarter Financials and invited alderman to drop by her office to peruse them. Next meeting will be Monday, Oct. 10, at 6 p.m.

like Styrofoam. They begin to hatch in early spring and gather at a crotch of the host to begin their tents. Mature tent caterpillars are a bit larger than fall webworms, but they will have done their damage before fall webworms appear. Another difference is tent caterpillars wander from their host trees. The same University of Kentucky article mentions, “They [tent caterpillars] are frequently seen crawling on other types of plants, walkways and storage buildings. They are a nuisance and can create a mess when they are squashed on driveways, sidewalks and patios.” The same prevention and treatments strategies apply for tent caterpillars and fall webworms.

COUNCIL – CAPC SEAT continued from page 2 2017 council meeting. McClung then observed if the seat is remaining vacant until January, Henke would still occupy it as a full voting commissioner because he has not been replaced. Vote to defer a vote until January was 3-3, with McClung, DeVito and Kendrick voting No. Berry cast the fourth Yes vote, so the matter was deferred.

Henke responds It just so happened that Public Comments immediately followed this discussion, and Henke was the only person signed up to speak. He said he has served on the CAPC for more than 2.5 years and they are making progress toward bringing more and more folks to town. He pointed out he maintains three websites which promote far more than just his own business interests, and enumerated several of the businesses and individuals with a presence on his sites. He also mentioned that he bought the ad for his business on the Chamber site because the Chamber at the time needed the income. Regarding Schneider’s comments, he pointed out he never had any conversations with the Chamber board about the kinds of incidents Schneider accused him of. Referring to his part in promoting the city, he has regularly attended meetings of the Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Development.



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