

Planning denies outdoor stage plan

NICKY BOYETTE

At its Sept. 27 meeting, the Planning Commission got an earful from residents who live near downtown. On the agenda was the application for construction of an outdoor stage and audience area between the Cathouse Lounge and the former Office Supply building next door. Fifteen citizens spoke against the idea they characterized as irresponsible, intolerable, simply wrong and a public nuisance. Commissioners also deemed the application inappropriate and voted unanimously to deny it.

Several of the speakers lived on Vaughn Street, which runs parallel to Main Street and directly across from and above the location of the proposed outdoor venue. Karen Lindblad said the music already emanating from inside the Cathouse is so loud she cannot hear her own music. "It's not what I should have to put up with," she commented. Josie Yerby called it "constant torture." K.J. Zumwalt lives up the hill behind the Cathouse and claimed the music already rattles windows and disturbs her neighborhood. "The music is too loud even from the jukebox," she said.

Connie Evans told commissioners she cannot have music in her business, Local Flavor, which is just down the street. "Our town has residents also," she said. "It is not just a party town."

Beau Satori commented, "We've fought this already," referring to the situation of outdoor music coming from Chelsea's in the past. Chelsea's enclosed its music venue.

Referring to the Cathouse, Satori stated, "This place has already proved to be a bad neighbor... the music is still too loud even after customers are gone."

Chair Pat Lujan also read into the

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Deliberate abandonment – Sonny Carter found this note and hand-drawn, painted rock at the Dog Park. The art abandonment project is about creating works of art and leaving them where a stranger might stumble upon them. Many national groups leave their art in coffee shops, grocery carts, or in the knots of trees for some passerby to discover and keep.

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This Week's INDEPENDENT Thinkers

Remember when ketchup was declared a vegetable in order to provide flexibility and cost effectiveness in school lunch programs? 1981.

The public charter Village School in Eugene, Ore., is doing its best to make sure students have nutrition and health benefits derived from real food. 2016.

Yes! Magazine reports that the USDA, which oversees the national school lunch program, is responsible for standards of what 32 million students who get school lunches eat every day. But parents in Eugene stepped in and insisted on more fruits, vegetables and whole grains to give kids nourishment they were deprived of due to food industry contracts.

Now students might get brown rice with tamari-marinated tofu, roasted seaweed and salad – a hot lunch with plenty of protein and low carbs that's filling. Seventy percent of the students and staff prefer the new menu.

The USDA pays for 45 percent of it, and local organic farmers donate much of the rest.

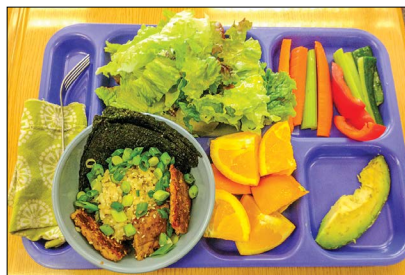


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record a letter from the board of the Eureka Springs Historical Museum, directly across the street from the Cathouse, urging Planning to deny the application because the project “would further degrade the surrounding area.”

Contractor Penny Pemberton represented the application for the owner, and said he just wanted to know what neighbors felt about this plan, and now he knows. She thanked those who expressed opinions, and said the owner would be willing to change his plans. Her recommendation was he should put the music venue inside the building next door to the Cathouse and add noise insulation if possible.

B&B suggestions off to council

Before the meeting, Planning held a workshop on updating City Code regarding Bed & Breakfasts in order “to tighten up some things,” as Lujan had described it. Commissioners have been holding workshops on this since May 24 in response to contentious response among citizens to three applications in the spring for Conditional Use Permits for Bed & Breakfasts.

Commissioners had stated confusion arose because of vague and inconsistent language in City Code regarding B&Bs. City Council in June even invoked a

six-month moratorium on new B&B licenses to give Planning time to clean up inconsistencies.

Lujan emphasized their work had been to recommend changes to city council and whatever is changed would apply to new applications. These are the recommended changes:

- “No request for a CUP shall be granted if an existing CUP or legally-non-conforming permit is within a two hundred (200) feet radius in any direction of a new application.” Presently, Code states no CUP shall be issued if a CUP offering “same or similar services” was within 200 feet of the new application, but “same or similar” was replaced by “any CUP.” Also, a 200-foot radius replaced “200 feet in any direction of the primary frontage streets of the property line.”

- The statement “shall certify in the application that the owner or resident manager shall occupy the premises at all times” was replaced with “shall certify at time of application and upon request that the owner or a resident manager shall occupy the premises and register the establishment as their primary domicile.”

Vote was unanimous to send recommendations to city council.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, October 11, at 6 p.m.

INDEPENDENTNews

Parks bobbles vacation request

NICKY BOYETTE

Barbara Dicks applied to the Parks Commission for a vacation of a section of land adjacent to her property that sits on the south side of where Grand Ave. becomes Dairy Hollow Rd. She said the property in question has been referred to as both an alley and a street although it is 60 feet wide, and no one knows who owns it.

Dicks told Parks commissioners at the Sept. 28 meeting that she and her husband bought land on the east side of the 60-ft. wide alley from the United States government more than 30 years ago. Later they sold that property to City Attorney Tim Weaver after buying property west of the alley, which is where she lives.

Chair Bill Featherstone said the property being scrutinized is actually two pieces, and a 30-ft. swath of the section nearest Grand Ave. has already been deeded to Weaver. Dicks is trying to get the other 30 feet of the front section and all 60 feet of the back section. With ownership of the front 30-ft. section, Dicks can expand her shop near Grand Avenue and convert it into living quarters. She would then

relocate to the new domicile and try to sell her other property.

Featherstone added, however, if the property under question is indeed deemed to be an alley and the city decides to vacate it, then the back section would have to be split between adjacent property owners which would mean Dicks would get 30 feet of it and the Cross family, an adjacent neighbor, would get the other 30 feet.

Featherstone noted the crucial hurdle for Dicks would be to settle the question of ownership of the alley. Commissioner Jay Fitzsimmons suggested Parks let city council figure it out.

Parks Director Justin Huss commented to Hicks, “I’m concerned for your end result.” He said Parks needed to proceed carefully because he saw a tangled web of issues to be sorted out before she could settle her request.

One certainty, according to Huss, was that Parks had no interest in the alley, but has been looking for an easement alongside the roadway to build a pathway from Harmon Park to Clear Spring School.

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CAPC gets professional assessment

NICKY BOYETTE

At a July 18 special meeting, the Eureka Springs City Advertising and Promotion Commission voted to hire the Johanson Group, a management consulting firm in Fayetteville, to perform an internal audit of CAPC operations. At the Sept. 28 workshop, Blair Johanson gave staff, commissioners and interested parties his findings.

His first suggestion was for the vision statement to be fine-tuned. It says in part, "The prepared food, beverages and lodging business will see a noticeable increase in the number of visitors and residents that are frequenting their establishments." Johanson suggested the statement needs to specify what success looks like. "It needs an endpoint," he said, "a way to measure the effectiveness of the organization."

He recommended commissioners "hold a few focused working sessions per year with CAPC staff to address opportunities and concerns raised by the commissioners." This should lead to a balancing of views regarding how to spend money, and greater transparency and tracking of established benchmarks.

Johanson also stressed an increased partnership with tourism stakeholders. Staff should identify who benefits from tourism and pinpoint common interests. Finding entities willing to have a presence in the promotions' effort might generate additional sponsorships for events.

He encouraged the CAPC to increase community visibility because locals need to know what the commission is doing, and said the organization should continue to stay up-to-date with marketing strategies but continue to look for ways to make sure the community sees the positive effects

of marketing. An effective tool would be for new commissioners "to be trained and equipped for effective commission service through a comprehensive and informative on-boarding experience."

Setting objectives

Another recommendation was to establish yearly goals for each staff member, and for Executive Director Mike Maloney to perform annual performance evaluations based on goals and job descriptions. Johanson also urged commissioners to evaluate Maloney once a year.

Johanson pointed out tax revenue collections have increased every year beginning in 2012 because of effective marketing strategies. He noted, however, performances and shows at the Auditorium have not always shown a return on investment, and suggested staff and commissioners learn how to more effectively vet shows. Spending intentional time together as a commission and establishing goals for events, according to Johanson, would create a better understanding of what to look for.

Heads in beds and on the phone

Johanson also pointed out not all segments of the community – hotels and Bed & Breakfasts, in particular – have experienced the same amount of overall growth, so he called on staff and commissioners to develop "a more comprehensive plan of action to increase demands and reasons for overnight lodging." One idea was to pursue the small meetings market and find ways to get folks here early and keep them afterward.

He commented that Millennials enjoy watching cooking shows, so an opportunity would be to entice them here

to learn from local chefs on a Thursday or Friday, and keep them overnight so they could attend a cooking event the following evening.

He also noted cell phones are ubiquitous. He had just passed by two construction workers on their breaks and both of them were looking at their phones. He implored the CAPC not to miss an opportunity to market Eureka Springs on mobile devices.

He enjoined staff and commissioners to work with other commissions and local entities "for increasing the effectiveness of social media efforts." One idea in particular he specified was an effective comprehensive calendar of events in the city.

Johanson encouraged the CAPC to learn from and work with other similar organizations such as the Fayetteville A&P. He stated, "There's too much competition not to continue exploring new ways to get folks here."

Festivals need tending

Regarding events and festivals, Johanson encouraged commissioners to take inventory of what they are doing and either improve or drop them. He observed there are promoters who continue to produce barely marketable events, and "they need permission to stop. Evaluate the festivals another year, try improving them or take them off the list." Colleges are a good source for potential volunteers because sometimes students need volunteer hours to earn credits, and finding event sponsors means the financial outcome is not so dependent on ticket sales.

Overall, Johanson urged the CAPC to establish goals and chart a plan to get there.

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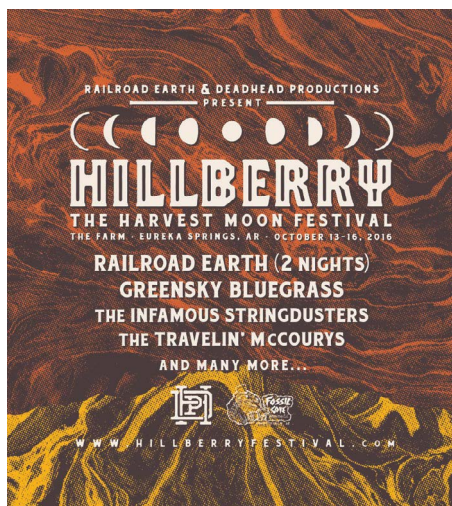
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Cost effectiveness of proposed tax explained

NICKY BOYETTE

Eureka Springs Mayor Butch Berry wants the city to chart a new course, saying city government – going back a few years – has spent just over \$800,000 of reserves to make up the difference for what had to be spent to keep the city's water and sewer operations in compliance with state regulations.

"The city no longer has reserves to loan to water and sewer; we have depleted these funds," states literature from Berry's office.

"There was a time we were not in compliance," Public Works Director Dwayne Allen said in an interview last week. The city has made some improvements over time and, according to Allen, is no longer on the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality watch list.

Berry's data states the new sewer plant came on-line in 2008 and construction costs were covered by bonds, but "the annual cost of sewer plant operation and maintenance, \$357,000, was never projected in the construction stages." Since then, the city has loaned funds from General Fund Reserves to

account for what water and sewer revenue did not cover, which has been approximately \$800,000 since 2013.

"A city of 2073 residents is burdened with maintaining an infrastructure supporting over a million visitors annually," according to Berry's fact sheet. In addition, the aging infrastructure delivering water needs upgrades.

Berry has proposed a one percent sales and use tax which voters would have to approve on the Nov. 8 election. The tax would have a 10-year sunset, and city hall estimates the tax would generate \$1.1 million annually. His plan is for 75 percent of the funds, or as much as \$825,000 annually, to be dedicated to water and sewer infrastructure repairs and improvements. The remaining 25 percent, or approximately \$275,000, would be for maintenance, operations and promotions of the Auditorium. Auditorium funds would be administered and watched over by an Auditorium Commission.

Berry said funds from the tax could begin to flow into the city as early as January 2017.

Water and sewer

"We've had a plan in the past but we've never had an opportunity to do anything with the plan," Allen said. "It takes money to implement it." His ten-year and five-year plans identify repair and rehab projects around town, but he commented, "We know what the first investments will be."

Allen's figures indicate Public Works currently spends \$157,000 annually on purchasing required chemicals that keep the sewer operation in compliance. Buying chemicals in bulk would result in significant savings, but Allen would need a place to store them. Berry's numbers show a storage facility and tank for the chemicals would cost \$125,000, and Allen estimated he would spend \$79,000 for bulk chemicals, an annual savings of \$78,000.

Allen said he spends about \$188,000 every year for utilities. He estimated if he spent \$75,000 for an additional generator, he would save \$57,000 a year by switching from the electricity provider to the generator during peak use hours. He commented this practice is common among similar facilities, and this investment would be cost-effective during the second year.

In addition, Public Works is required to have treated wastewater tested at a certified lab. Allen said he must send his samples to a certified lab in Springdale even though his staff takes the samples and handles all paperwork. He spends "about \$18,000 a year" for testing. He estimated if he spent \$30,000 to build out and fully equip the existing lab, the city would save that \$18,000 per year. Again, he noted the investment would pay for itself the second year.

He also said the State would train his staff at no cost to get the lab certified, so he would not need to hire new employees.

Allen said the investments would

produce a cost savings, which would continue to benefit the city thereafter, but it is the tax that enables the city to make the investments. With the limited revenue he works with now, he said, "You look at what you can cut, but we can't cut back when it's drinking water, so we become a drain on the general fund." An example he gave was recently the city bucket truck needed repairs, so Public Works could not take down banners before getting it fixed. "Certain things you gotta keep repaired."

He said Public Works has a jetter for cleaning out clogs, but it is not up to some of the tasks it encounters, so he has to hire someone for the job. He mentioned what he really needs to fix the jetter is a carburetor from a 1986 Ford 4-cylinder vehicle. Until he gets a new jetter or a carburetor for his old one, he spends money to hire out the job.

Also on the list of early investments would be a better camera for scouting out leaks. He said the camera he has in mind would quickly pay for itself because it would allow workers to stay ahead of the leaks by identifying potential weak spots.

Berry said funds from the tax would allow Public Works to start working on repairing distribution lines along Spring Street, where there are identified leaks, as well as replacing 1000 ft. of the distribution line along North Main.

He said his plan is for the one-time investments totaling about \$245,000 to bring about annual savings in operating and maintenance costs of about \$174,000. Public Works could use the savings, not the tax revenue, to pay back the General Fund Reserves over five years. He also emphasized the city would maintain a transparent tracking system so revenues and expenses from

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Parks encouraged to work with council on green space vacations

NICKY BOYETTE

Parks Director Justin Huss told commissioners last Wednesday that alderman Kristi Kendrick presented council at its Sept. 12 meeting with a plan for rescinding Ordinance 1628 which put all unopened streets and alleys under the jurisdiction of Parks. She had questioned parts of the Land Bank ordinance, and wanted to rewrite Ordinance 2203 to allow the city to recoup attorney's fees and fair compensation for land it vacates.

Huss said he saw differences between the best interest of Parks and Kendrick's proposal, but admitted there were some good ideas in it.

Commissioner Fergie Stewart said he had watched Kendrick's presentation, and her plan as he understood it would put the entire procedure in the mayor's office, and that bringing in money to city coffers was an important motivation.

Chair Bill Featherstone replied, "I contend we don't have too much green space; we have too little. Will I fight for green space? Darn right! If it's about money, that's as short-sighted as it gets."

Commissioner Steven Foster said he had spoken with Kendrick, and she was chagrined the city has been giving away land for nothing. She was interested in the city getting fair compensation. Foster said although green space is defined in an ordinance, opinion is divided on its best use.

Featherstone acknowledged he was OK with the city getting fair market value for property it vacates.

Foster mentioned Kendrick's plan also calls for the applicant to provide a current survey before a vacation request can be considered. This component of the process has heretofore been missing. He suggested commissioners take the time to read her presentation because this would be an opportunity for Parks to improve the process.

Featherstone noted they had spent two-thirds of their meeting wading through a vacation request, so an improvement was definitely in order. "The process is too burdensome," he said.

Foster encouraged commissioners to attend council's workshop on the subject, time and date to be determined.

Featherstone stated his opinion would be never to grant a vacation, but then again, "there is real stuff that happens" like Dicks's

situation and the one recently settled for Jim Girkin, so the city needs a process.

Director's report

Huss confabulated about the past month for Parks:

- Working on the online reservation system and bringing Wi-Fi to Lake Leatherwood City Park
- Soccer season is underway; more than 300 people expected at the Fall Jamboree during the first weekend in October
- Working with ESPD on new surveillance system for several parks
- Preparing for lodging at LLCP to be available during winter
- Hired Tom Beckendorf as full-time gardener
- Playground project at LLCP in final design stages; work to begin by mid-October
- Campground improvements underway at LLCP
- Second and third camper cabins to be in place during October; excellent response so far with first one; plan to market the Bike Camp at International Mountain Biking summit in Springdale in November
- Income for the year already exceeded budget projection
- National Interscholastic Cycling Association series of races scheduled for October; 120 students signed up so far.

In summary, Huss reported, "By the time that spring rolls around, Leatherwood will have a crisper, more inviting appearance that will show up on the bottom line. These advancements will help us fund other areas in our system as Leatherwood becomes more self-sustaining. We are on the move and I could not be more excited about our future."

Final comments

• Foster reported the Springs Committee supports Mayor Butch Berry's one percent tax proposal because clean water is vital and the town needs an infrastructure to support delivery of clean water.

• Foster also reported the Bee City USA contingent received a good response to their booth at the county fair in Berryville.

• In Public Comments, Samantha Jones announced the Good Shepherd Humane Society is holding a raffle for their flea and tick fund. Tickets are \$2, and one lucky ticket holder will win a "very good bike." She said the GSHS website explains how to buy tickets.

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Cruising the lake is great fun right now

BECKY GILLETTE

Eureka Springs area residents have found it is worth the drive to participate in offerings at the Hobbs State Park-Conservation Area, which with more than 12,000 acres of land bordering Beaver Lake is the largest state park in Arkansas by land area. The park is bounded by Beaver Lake to the north and War Eagle Creek to the south, and takes in part of Benton, Madison and Carroll counties.

It is about a 45-minute drive from Eureka Springs to the Hobbs State Park Visitor's Center on Hwy. 12 near Rogers. In addition to having interpretive exhibits, there are short trails nearby with information about native plants, birds and animals, and historic landmarks.

Fall is a primo time to take advantage of special events put on by the Friends of Hobbs State Park (friendsofhobbs.org) – outings for learning, exercise and just plain fun. For example, next weekend events offered include a sinking stream hike, Mother Nature will entertain children with storytelling, a park interpreter will teach a program on identifying animal tracks, there will be Art in the Park at the Visitor's Center, a talk on the geology of Arkansas caves, and a sunset cruise on Beaver lake.

Most of the programs are free. Lake cruises that leave from the Rocky Branch Marina are \$10 plus tax.

Recently a group Eurekans enjoyed the sunset cruise with another Eureka resident, Debbie Haven, a volunteer for Friends of Hobbs, as tour guide. Haven started by pointing out that, technically, Beaver Lake is not a 28,370-acre lake, but an impoundment. The body of water was created by a dam started in 1960 and completed in 1966 on the White River, one of the few rivers in the country that flows from south to north.

Haven said there have been a lot of stories told about structures underwater that were flooded when the Beaver Dam was built, but she said the truth is, all the buildings were removed down to foundations with the exception of the partly submerged Monte Ne amphitheater.

Few birds were seen on out outing, and overall, Haven said, there are concerns across the country about declining numbers of migratory birds. She said Baltimore Orioles used to be residents of Beaver Lake, and now are only seen when passing through on migration.

The geology of the lake indicates that the area was once part of a vast inland ocean. It is located in the Ozarks Plateau, considered one of the most geologically stable areas of the U.S.—“until fracking,” Haven said.

What is the water quality of Beaver Lake? That depends on what contaminants are contained in rainwater runoff. Haven said every highway, roof or other impermeable surface added in the watershed can create contaminants that end up in the lake. Keeping the water as clean as possible is particularly important because the lake serves as the source

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Good friends and another good place to eat

BECKY GILLETTE

Arkansas Red's Deli opened at 77 Spring Street on August 20, the mastermind of Cory and Lyla Allison who have been involved in the Eureka Springs restaurant and retail scene downtown since they were kids.

Lyla is a native of Eureka Springs whose family owned the Painted Pony and the original Flossie's Funnel Cake Shop downtown. Cory's family owned the award-winning 1890 Deli on Center Street in the 1980s.

"Our goal is to carry on their tradition of great service and quality food for our community and visitors," Lyla writes on the back of their menu. "We both learned the service side of small business early on by working in family restaurants. Cory and I grew up in this quaint little town and feel as if we were planted in paradise."

Arkansas Red's Deli is between two other popular downtown eateries, Nibbles and The Grill. Prior to opening the Deli, the couple operated Allison Art Company in the same location. It featured Lyla's handmade jewelry and the work of 42 other American artists.

Cory has been cooking for 25 years and in the restaurant business for 35 years, 13 of them at Myrtie Mae's where he was named employee of the year twice. He started out at age seven making deliveries and handing out flyers for his parents at the 1890 Deli.

The couple's forte is good, affordable food including a lot of organics and Boar's Head meats and cheeses. Everything is made fresh, and there are no microwaves in the kitchen.

Vegetarian offerings include a grilled seasonal veggie stack with a side of black beans topped with chimichurri verde sauce or a garden supreme salad and a nut veggie burger with all the trimmings. No menu items are more than \$11.

A twist on pizza offered is Red's naan flatbread personal pizzas. Naan is a leavened, Tandoori baked, hand finished flatbread found in the cuisines of Asia, a good choice for people looking for lower carbs. Some of the other popular offerings include the turkey bacon club, the Razorback cheese steak sub, BBQ pulled pork sub and the Italian turkey meatball wrapped in grilled naan flatbread.

One more unusual offering is the fig 'n apple, which is a grilled cheese sandwich made with apple slices covered with fig jam, muenster cheese and bacon.

Lyla and Cory make their own sauces including creamy avocado dressing, Red's sweet and tangy barbeque sauce, hot mama's mustard sauce and hell's fury, which features haba ero and mango – you



know what they say, go hot or go home.

Cory cooks and Lyla serves and is also the baker. She makes up fresh desserts each day like gluten-free cheesecake with pecan and almond crust, lemon squares, and chocolate souff  .

In keeping with their Arkansas theme, they offer native Arkansas craft beers come from the Core Brewery and Distilling Company in Fayetteville and the Lost 40 Brewery in Little Rock.

They also offer an organic green goddess smoothie with apples, carrots, spinach, blueberry and pomegranate juice, citrus and fresh ginger.

The couple have been pleased with the response the first month or so after opening.

"We're excited," Lyla said. "We have gotten a lot of good feedback. We had one couple here on their honeymoon who liked us so much they came back to eat here each of the four days they were here."

They plan to keep Arkansas Red's Deli open through the winter. For more info, call (479) 253-7635.

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Setting things straight

Editor,

The recent article in the *Eureka Springs Independent* in which a Eureka Springs council person called the CAPC “deplorable” in the handling of promotion for the Brubeck Brothers Quartet might have been well served had the council person taken 5 minutes to call the CAPC and ask about the amount of promotion that was afforded the concert.

The date the contract was signed, immediate press releases were distributed not only statewide, but region wide to the major newspapers, TV and radio stations.

Weeks prior to the concerts multiple insertions were placed in the following: *AY Magazine*, *Currentland*, *NWA Entertainment*, *Kansas City Jam/Jazz Magazine*, *Celebrate Magazine*, *Northwest Arkansas Democrat Gazette*, *The Tulsa World*, *Tulsa World.Com*, *NWADG.Com*, *EurekaSprings.Org*, *JazzEureka.Org*, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest, Google+, *The Eureka Springs Fun Guide*, *The Eureka Springs Independent*, 10’x40’ billboard on I-49 in NWA, 10’x40’ billboard on the Broken Arrow Expressway in Tulsa, “Business Showcase” on KODE TV/KSN TV in Joplin, KUAF 91.3 radio, KESA radio, Magic 107.9 Radio, Eagle 93.3 radio, 200,000 digital impressions in the 4-state region, an additional 25,000 impressions targeted to jazz aficionados, 1,000 rack cards, over 100 posters, full page editorial in “What’s Up” by the *NWA Democrat-Gazette*, promotion by Robert Ginsberg on the KUAF Jazz Show reaching the 4-state market, *Nightflying* on-line, in addition to the CAPC monthly newsletter.

This doesn’t include the promotion by the Brubeck Brothers themselves on their own website promoting their show in Eureka Springs. Over \$12,000 was spent promoting the show.

Perhaps the word “deplorable” means something else in this council person’s mind.

Mike Maloney

Executive Director City Advertising and Promotion
Commission

Same amount of time, different ways to spend it

Editor,

Hillary Rodham Clinton has spent her entire life, since and including her teenage years, helping people.

Donald Trump spent the exact same time period hanging

out at the Playboy Club, ripping Black people out of apartments, and when confronted about the nine million lost jobs as a result of his casino fiascoes explained, “That’s business!” Uh, OK.

Now we all know or should know by now, as many times as we’ve incarnated on the earth plane just to learn a few simple lessons so we can move on, that we create our own reality as individuals and as a group.

So in November I’ll be very interested what group I’m living in. I might have to find another group.

Jayanthi

Helping legions of people

Editor,

The American Legion and Auxiliary were overwhelmed by the support we received at the Flint St. food drive this past weekend. The people of Eureka Springs and visitors opened their hearts and wallets to support this wonderful cause. Thank you, together we helped to feed many people in need. We are proud to be apart of this cause.

Mike Warkentin

Commander Post 9

‘The difference between genius and stupidity is genius has limits.’

Editor,

Albert Einstein might have been talking about Trump’s followers who stupidly annihilate facts and believe his undeniable lies.

1. They believe Trump will create jobs – Trump ripped off many workers by not paying his bills, buying off officials and judges to give him unfair advantages, partnering with the Mafia and other criminals to develop substandard buildings to rent at very high prices.

2. They believe his lack of experience is better than an expert’s lifelong practice – because Congress has proved itself corrupt and incompetent (due to the majority Republicans’ opposition to everything progressive), it would be good to hire a novice to run the government?

3. They believe he is an accomplished and rich businessman – starting out with a million dollar trust fund, he has declared bankruptcy four times leaving small businessmen and workers holding the bag, refusing to disclose his tax returns so his true

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WEEK’S Top Tweets

@meganamram: How do they fit so many islands into such a small bottle of dressing?

@rollinintheseat: Apple should make a sarcasm font and call it iRoll.

@badbanana: Million dollar idea: Invest \$995,000 in a bank CD.

@jorshuwah: An only child invented the boomerang.

@dubstep4dads: “Hey! Here’s some free oxygen! All I ask is that you don’t let your dog piss on m- oh, there he goes, he’s pissing on me.” – Trees

@strobegold: We are probably the first generation that will have our user names on the headstone.

@justinduncan: I hate when I put food in the microwave and it starts making explosive noises so I check and it’s still cold. Why you gotta be so childish?

@marklegget: Sorry, science, but religion promised me a place where I’ll get to hang out with grandma again.

@onelinersplus: Some women have names that simply demand respect. The few. The proud. The Maureens.

@highwaytohelv: I’m really sick of making my dog a birthday cake every 52 days.

Proposed ban on kratom another failure of the war on drugs

A friend alerted me recently to the fact that I could soon be guilty of a felony crime for having a small amount of a natural herb in the tea drawer in my kitchen. This is for a plant called kratom, derived from *Mitragyna speciosa*, a tree native to Southeast Asia.

It boggles the mind that at a time when 25 states and Washington, D.C., have medicinal marijuana, and when deaths from prescription opiate overdoses have skyrocketed, the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) recently moved to ban the sale of the active ingredients in kratom by Sept. 30.

"The Administrator of the DEA is issuing this notice of intent to temporarily schedule the opioids mitragynine and 7-hydroxymitragynine, which are the main active constituents of the plant kratom, into Schedule I pursuant to the temporary scheduling provisions of the Controlled Substances Act," the DEA said. "This action is based on a finding by the Administrator that the placement of these opioids into Schedule I of the Controlled Substances Act is necessary to avoid an imminent hazard to the public safety."

The DEA says kratom "has a long history of use in Southeast Asia as an opium substitute... in recent years, the presence of the psychoactive plant kratom has increased dramatically on the recreational market in the United States due to its opioid-like effects. Numerous vendors selling kratom have appeared in the past few years, markedly increasing its availability."

The DEA seems very alarmed that kratom products are just "a click" away for users, as kratom is easily obtained over the Internet.

A recent article in *Salon* was titled, "Is the DEA high? Emergency ban on kratom has to make you wonder what they're smoking. The ban on kratom – a safe and popular treatment for chronic pain, depression, anxiety and PTSD – is inexplicable."

There was a major Internet campaign to write U.S. senators and other officials to block the DEA's actions. One organization, www.amerikankratom.org, recommended citizens call the DEA (202) 307-1000 and say, "I am a responsible adult who consumes kratom to improve my health and well-being and I urge you not to emergency place it into Schedule I, but to go through a rigorous public and scientific comment process instead."

There were also pleas to contact your

U.S. senators and representatives. The DEA backed off after a large public outcry against making possession of kratom equal in penalties to possession of heroin or cocaine. For now, kratom will not be listed as a Schedule I drug. My tea drawer may be safe from search and seizure.

In my experience, kratom can help with anxiety and depression. You might find yourself humming as you clean the kitchen. Some people find it, like medicinal cannabis, very useful to treat pain. It has also been used to help people withdrawing from opiates.

In its notice to list kratom as a Schedule I drug, the DEA says "since abusers obtain kratom, which contains the main active alkaloids mitragynine and 7-hydroxymitragynine, through unknown sources, the identity, purity, and quantity of these substances are uncertain and inconsistent, thus posing significant adverse health risks to users."

Hello, have you looked at the warnings about harmful side effects that come with prescription medicines like opiates, benzodiazepines and sleeping pills? They are far more alarming than kratom.

And the "problem" with kratom not being regulated is the same with all of the

herbal supplements on the market. They are not tested for purity by any government watchdog. And I actually don't trust the FDA that is owned by big pharmaceutical interests to test to see if my echinacea is actually echinacea.

Just as with herbal supplements, I do research to make sure the manufacturer uses high standards. I don't buy the cheapest supplements. I got advice on the best source of kratom from my friend who has been taking it for years, knows what it should look and taste like, and the expected effects.

I asked her what she thought was behind the DEA's movement to ban kratom. Her response? "Big Pharma doesn't want us to have access to natural medicines. Instead, they want us to take addictive prescription opiates and anti-anxiety medicines that make big profits for the drug companies."

However, she also cautions that there is some risk of addiction to kratom. But labeling kratom a Schedule I drugs means it has no medicinal value and it is as dangerous as crack, which is preposterous. Instead of a ban, more studies should be done, which wouldn't be allowed if it was labeled Schedule I. And instead of prohibition, there needs to be a path to regulation.

Becky Gillette



The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

There is only one good reason to vote for Hillary Clinton. There are no good reasons to vote for Donald Trump. That causes some people, particularly Millennials – voters born after 1982 – to consider voting for 3rd party candidates like Gary Johnson or Jill Stein. Stein is your garden variety limousine lefty with the usual Government as Arts Council campaign, but Johnson is another matter: he's a Libertarian. What exactly is a Libertarian, and why would you vote for one?

Libertarians describe themselves as small government advocates who are against regulations and laws that control people's personal lives. Libertarians say they are for the dignity and independence of workers and for their right to individually represent themselves and their worth on the labor market. And Libertarians promise they won't involve us in wars or conflicts that occur outside our own sacrosanct borders. On day one of a Johnson Administration, we'd pull out of Syria, Iraq, and Afghanistan – and stay out.

If you vote for Libertarian Johnson you'll be voting for the right to grow dope in your back yard, and to smoke it on your front porch. If you want to raise hogs on the Buffalo River, one hog or one million hogs, that will be okay, too. And if you want to protest against raising hogs on the Buffalo, you get to. Of course, a Koch brothers funded PAC can protest your protest. Which is hunky-dory because Johnson is four square behind the Supreme Court's Citizens United ruling.

If you decide to work at Mickey D's you can offer your services starting at \$100 an hour, or any dollar amount you think you're worth because, by golly, you're worth it. And Mickey can counter back at .02 cents an hour, or less because he has the same rights you do. May the best negotiator win.

How are these contradictory Libertarian values possible? Because Libertarians combine the philosophical and ideological objectives of both capitalism and anarchism into a grotesque political fairy tale that masks an unrelenting Libertarian value: people with money can do anything they want. Anything, anytime, anywhere. The only Moral Authority in a Libertarian Administration is the god of Money.

A little help from our friends:

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

INDEPENDENTNews

Couple found dead in home

Carroll County Sheriff’s Office deputies were dispatched to a reported hostage situation at 1197 CR 920, north of Osage in the south part of the county, last Saturday afternoon, October 1. A 911 call from the son using a neighbor’s phone reporting his father was holding his mother hostage, according to Maj. Deputy George Frye.

When deputies arrived they attempted to contact anyone within the residence using a public address system, Frye said, but when there was no response they entered in order

to determine the wellbeing of anyone inside.

Two deceased individuals were found in a bedroom, both suffering apparent gunshot wounds. The victims were indentified as Aubrie Smith, 54, of the residence, and Victoria Smith, 50, of Harrison. The couple were married to each other, but had recently separated.

Their deaths are under active investigation, Frye said, although no suspects are being sought. The Carroll County Coroner took custody of their remains.

INDEPENDENT ConstablesOnPatrol

SEPTEMBER 26

8 p.m. – Constable on patrol made a welfare check on resident in a neighborhood just east of downtown. Person was doing just fine.

10:19 p.m. – Central dispatch passed along a warning about an erratic driver headed toward town, but constables never saw the vehicle.

SEPTEMBER 27

4:59 a.m. – Resident told ESPD an alarm was clanging next door. Constable went to the address but did not hear any alarms. He checked the house and found it secure.

7:10 a.m. – Constable took a report of an incident at a care facility.

9:32 a.m. – Constable picked up a dog running unattended at the east edge of town.

10:03 a.m. – Another untethered dog loose in the south part of town got a ride to the kennel.

10:24 a.m. – Constable worked with other agencies to find a stolen piece of heavy machinery.

12:19 p.m. – ESPD got word of a possibly impaired driver. Constable stopped her vehicle and found she was okay, just tired from a long trip.

7:15 p.m. – A distressed mother claimed her juvenile son was out of control. Constables were able to calm him down, but they were called back soon after and EMS transported the son to ESH.

9:36 p.m. – Person told ESPD she was having suicidal thoughts. Constable and EMS responded, and she was transported to ESH.

SEPTEMBER 28

3:05 p.m. – A large truck got stuck trying to navigate a narrow street. Constable helped

the driver extricate himself.

5:28 p.m. – Thrift store employee told a couple the store did not accept the items they wanted to drop off. After she went back to work, the couple dumped their stuff anyway. Constable took a report of criminal mischief.

7:28 p.m. – Concerned witness reported a suspicious person hanging around the ball field. Constable went to the scene but the suspicious person was gone.

SEPTEMBER 29

10:48 a.m. – Hotel staff reported a theft.

12:29 p.m. – Someone reported a male had been mistreating his dog. Constable found the pair and the dog seemed happy and well kept.

12:40 p.m. – Homeowner was flying her United States flag upside down. Constable checked the situation, and homeowner said she was not in distress or trying to be disrespectful, she was demonstrating her support of citizens in North Dakota who oppose the pipeline going through their land.

3:22 p.m. – Someone parked a vehicle halfway in a driveway and halfway in the street. Constables checked it out, and the resident called a tow truck.

5:51 p.m. – Constable took a report of a hit and run accident on US 62.

5:55 p.m. – There was damage, possibly accidental, to a sign in the cemetery.

9:25 p.m. – Witness told ESPD a person was running around in a restaurant breaking ceiling tiles. Constables arrived on the scene and arrested the individual for public intoxication and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Grants to non-profits

All are invited to the Carroll County Community Foundation Giving Tree grant award ceremony from 5:30 – 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 6 at the Carroll Electric Cooperative meeting room. Sixteen nonprofits working in and for Carroll County will be there accepting grant checks from the Carroll County Giving Tree Endowment held by the Foundation.

5-alarm pancakes

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.

Master Gardeners to make pollinator-friendly garden at library

Carroll County Master Gardeners invite the public to a hands-on workshop at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 8 at the Eureka Springs Carnegie Library to plant a pollinator's garden in front of the library. The Master Gardeners will be directing work to remove non-native bushes and replace them with plants that provide food for pollinator insects, hummingbirds and other birds.

For more information call Patricia Messer at (479) 981-6076.

Free concert, free CD next Thursday at the Aud

Eurekans and folk festival visitors have a rare treat in store Thursday, Oct. 13 at 7 p.m. at The Auditorium. Ozark duo *Still on the Hill* – homegrown and internationally acclaimed modern-day bards – perform their brand new *Still A River* show in a free concert where 100 CDs will be given away to the first 100 folks through the door!

Multi-instrumentalists Donna and Kelly Mulhollan, recipients of the Governor's Folk Life Award, carry on the ancient tradition of storytelling in song. The *Still A River* collection of original story-songs celebrates the Buffalo River's rich history. These songs are poignant reminders of what we cherish about our nation's historic first national river and invite us, as the river's stewards, to protect the sights and sounds that nourish us.

Donna and Kelly will introduce you to people like *Elizabeth and Piety* and *Granny Henderson* and places like the *Morningstar Mine* via their unique "low tech power point" – an assortment of handmade quilts.

Songs like *Sam's Throne* and *Bushwhackers and the Rooster* invite us back in time for a look into the lives of the river's people and the events that shaped them. You'll learn how *Bee Bluff* got its name, and hear how *Eveline and Peter Tyler's* love story intertwined with the Arkansas Peace Society and events of the Civil War.

The *Still A River Project* (sequel to *Still on the Hill's* terrific grant funded project for Beaver Lake, *Once a River*) is funded by a community collaboration to raise awareness of the Buffalo River. It provides free concerts



and free CDs to audiences across the region. This means that you – as well as folks from school children to people in

nursing homes – have the opportunity to celebrate the Buffalo River, in song, with your community, for free!

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Betrayal

“An Ass and a Fox partnered, but when a Lion came, the Fox said he would lead the Ass to a pit for the Lion. Lion agreed. Fox did it. Lion killed Fox first.” - Aesop

Most of us have suffered some type of betrayal, a deep suffering inflicted by someone we trusted. Betrayal, like cancer, goes undetected for some time. At some point, the treachery is uncovered, breaking the trust.

Trouble in Butler Hollow

After nearly two years opposing commercial logging and prescribed burns for decades, it seems all our concerns were ignored. District Ranger Joe Koloski will make the final decision on the project. If Koloski decides to proceed, we will have an opportunity to appeal in court.

This is not all. A similar project was announced Sept. 16, 2016, for Siloam Springs, with an invitation for a public meeting. Koloski encourages any interested public to attend to discuss initial ideas for management of 14,446 acres. “Public input is highly valued by our District Management team, and we rely on forest users and neighbors to help us identify potential issues at these initial stages of project planning,” he said.

What is up with this? Is the U.S. economy in such a dire condition we need to sell the forests for export revenues?

Trouble for the Forests

Dr. Sam Davis of the Dogwood Alliance, on a recent article *Mighty Trees, Warriors Against the Threat of Climate Change*, explains how forests are our best hope for survival. “Forests are our number one defense against climate change. They’re cheap to grow and keep. The world’s forests absorb almost 40% of manmade carbon dioxide. So, all of our cars, and all of our planes, and all of our power facilities emitting carbon dioxide, 40% of that gets taken up by the world’s forests” Davis says.

Forests are fragile and unique ecosystems. A new USDA study shows severe weather is threatening forests and grasslands. Western forests suffering from extreme drought have insect infestations and wildfires. Southeast healthy wet forests are threatened by wood pellet mills exporting our trees to keep UK National Grid shareholders fat and happy.

“80 percent of wetland forests are gone, from the 1600s.

Compared to dry forests, wetlands contribute about twice in endangered species protection, in wildlife habitat, in pollution treatment, and flood control, and water treatment. And they also provide significantly more carbon sequestration,” Davis says.

Arkansas is doing all it can to sell our forests. The Economic Development Commission (AEDC) used our taxes to lure Highland Pellets and Zilkha Biomass to Arkansas. U.S. Rep. Bruce Westerman [R-AR] is once again sponsoring the Resilient National Forests Act, HR2647, in the Senate Agriculture Committee.

U.S. Senator John Boozman [R-AR], praised Westerman’s leadership. “This is a guy that’s working so hard for the forest industry in Arkansas and has made a big mark. The bottom line is, at the end of the day, forests will be healthy in Arkansas as a result of getting legislation like this passed,” Boozman said.

If the bill is approved, USFS would have absolute power to sell the trees and burn at will. Ranger Koloski would not need to invite the public to comment and pretend to care. Stumps don’t lie and smoke will tell.

I respectfully disagree with our Arkansas representatives. Resiliency has nothing to do with increasing forest product exports or sales of tracts in the Kisatchie National Forest in Louisiana and the Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forest in Georgia.

More money, planes, helicopters, or logging won’t stop fires. Reducing CO₂ emissions and keeping fossil fuels in the ground is the only solution.

Arson, ignorance, and carelessness are the most common causes of wildfires. Arsonists are repeat offenders, they are rarely found, and the penalties are light. With community participation, we can stop arson and preserve the forests and public health.

“I have heard there are troubles of more than one kind. Some come from ahead and some come from behind. But I’ve bought a big bat. I’m all ready you see. Now my troubles are going to have troubles with me!” – DR. SEUSS

Dr. Luis Contreras

Listen to the voices from a silent city

The Eureka Springs Historical Museum will host its 8th 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 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 20 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

Ozark Folk Festival celebrates 69th year

The country’s longest continuously run folk festival will return on Oct. 13 – 15. The festival kicks off with a free performance on Oct. 13 at 7 p.m. at The Auditorium with Still on the Hill’s “Still a River” concert with story-songs about the people and history of the Buffalo River.

Folk art vendors will be set up in Basin Spring Park on Friday, Oct. 14 from noon – 4 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 15 from noon – 5 p.m. There will be an afternoon of music in Basin Spring Park at 2 p.m. on Friday with HuDost followed by Down Hill Strugglers at 3 p.m. and Connie Dover and Kelly Werts at 4 p.m. The 3rd grade Hedgehoppers will appear in the Aud at 6:30 p.m. with their traditional dance. The Barefoot Basin Bash will kick off in Basin Spring Park at 7 p.m.

The Elders will play at the Auditorium Saturday night with The Vogt Sisters opening at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$25 and available at www.theaud.org or at the door. For more information go to www.ozarkfolkfestival.com.

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Interpreting the New Testament at Metafizzies

The Oct. 10 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.

Keeping the roads clean

The Holiday Island Hospitality Association will sponsor the semi-annual roadside cleanup on Saturday, Oct. 22. The roadside cleanup volunteers will meet at the Holiday Island Clubhouse north parking lot at 9 a.m. where volunteers will receive their road assignments and supplies.

A picnic lunch will be provided for all volunteers at approximately 11:30 a.m. at the Recreation Center Pavilion. Orange safety vests and trash bags will be provided and there will be no rain date.

Meditation, reading, and discussion

The Eureka Springs Buddhist Study Group will gather for 30 minutes of meditation followed by reading and discussion on Thursday, Oct. 6 at 4 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

Teens use their heads and hands

Beginning on Oct. 14 the Carnegie Public Library will be hosting a free Teen Maker Club every second Friday of the month. All kids ages 10 – 18 are welcome to participate in planned projects with pre-supplied materials at no cost or bring their own projects to work on in the Library Annex Friends room from 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Teen Maker Club projects will engage science, technology, engineering, art and math principles and empower kids to explore and learn from the processes of building with their own hands. For more information call (479) 253-3483 or contact info@eurekalibrary.org.

Village Writing School teaches the mystery of manipulation

The Village Writing School will offer a workshop on Oct. 15 designed to help writers understand and control narrative distance. Dr. Brad Gambill will explain how professional writers manipulate “narrative distance” to bring added life and vitality to characters.

The workshop will be held at the Center for Nonprofits at St. Mary’s at 1200 West Walnut in Rogers from 1 – 4 p.m. Cost of the workshop is \$25. For more information and to register visit www.VillageWritingSchool.com or phone (479) 292-3665.

OTHER DAYS at Eureka Springs® – by Nellie Alice Mills, 1949

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 (cont.)

My father got very little from the farm. The tenant kept us supplies with huckleberries. One year we had all the strawberries we wanted. Another fall we got a good supply of chinquapins.

After the railroad line was extended to Harrison, the new track must have been laid up one of those hollows. The first time I went to Eureka Springs after that extension was made I was puzzled by the switching and amazed when, the train running backwards, I saw familiar scenes and finally stopped at the old Eureka Springs station.

Of course I believe in railroads since each of my brothers served fifty years in railroading. Trains running through those hills don’t swing around curves that make some people seasick. Those who are lucky enough to drive down there in their own cars can see much more of the town. I can not at the present time walk five or six miles a day.

Another valuable service that the old Eureka Springs Railroad performed was carrying mail. In 1890 Major True, at that time Post Master at Eureka Springs, gave the schedule of stages that connected with the railroad and carried mail to the neighboring towns; some of them must have been miles distant. See this list of stages: Arkansas Stage Company via Berryville, Green Forest, Carrollton, Batavia, to Harrison. Golden, Missouri, via Oak Hill, Ark., and Omega, Ark., via Wynona Springs, Mundell, Ark.

The hours of arrival and departure are given, which is of no consequence now.

In those days when the Narrows was our favorite picnic ground, the railroad management would lay a boardwalk across the railroad bridge between the rail of the track so that anyone, old or young, could walk across the bridge without fear of falling through. On the side of the river at the Narrows it was easy to climb down the rocks to the water’s edge, and walk downstream for some distance, near enough to the water to cast in a fishing line. I know for I have walked along that way with my father when he was fishing. There was good footing, but with water on one side, towering cliffs on the other.

But opposite, on the other side of the river, there was, I suppose there still is now, a wide, gravelly beach. The bridge is built high above that low bank, to be above high water. A flight of wooden steps had been built down to the ground. We often descended those steps and walked about on that gravelly shore. At one time there was a floating bathhouse anchored near that dry flat beach.

Chapter Two

Perhaps I learned from Mr. Barnett to quote poetry. I always loved it and committed much to memory. My title is from a song that was taught to us in the grade schools. I don’t know who taught it.

“March on to victory, thou headlight of the world.



Bless the public school, ‘tis the Nation’s beacon light.

From every schoolhouse let the banner be unfurled
With its golden motto of Justice, Truth and Right.”

Mr. Barnett commented thus: “Longfellow’s beautiful words from “The Building of the Ship” came home to us Thursday when our building seemed destined to go to pieces with all on board. At 11:00 o’clock the lifeboats were filled with the children and soon all were safe at home.”

The old Lamar was a wooden building designed for stores and rooming house quarters. Perhaps it had been weakened by the removal of partition walls. All its great length was open to the west wind; it had not much width to brace it. John Jennings, in one of his poems, published recently in the *Times-Echo*, voiced the remembrances of many Old Schoolmates when he wrote: “Now comes the old Lamar, the school that I love best; It rocked like a cradle when the wind blew from the west.”

Of course we loved it. Just remember, poor as it was, it was the best schoolhouse we had ever known. The windows might rattle and the cold winds might send drafts into the classrooms.

Invasion of the webworms

The fall webworm, or tentworm, is particularly evident this year, which given its abundance, consider it an outbreak. Not to worry. The webbed nests cover treetops throughout Northwest

Arkansas now. These “tents” are the home of the larval stage of an otherwise inconspicuous white moth *Hyphantria cunea*. This species is found throughout much of the United States and Canada,

extending into northern Mexico. It is also an invasive alien in China, first seen in 1979, and even considered an aesthetic threat to the 2008 Beijing Olympics. It landed in Yugoslavia in the 1940s and is invasive in most of Europe.

Egg-laying from the nearly pure white fuzzy adult females, with a wingspan of about 1.25 inches, begins in May or June. Females can lay upwards of 500 eggs, covered in white hairs on the underside of leaves. It is usually the second-generation larvae that we see this time of year. Once the larvae hatch, they begin spinning the web, which expands with the growing brood of larvae and helps to protect them from predators.

The webs or tents are usually on the ends of branches on the host tree on which the larvae feed. Many trees in our area are affected including black walnuts, elms, hickories persimmons, sycamores and other species. They have been recorded on over 100 tree species, especially broadleaf deciduous trees, rarely on conifers.

The larvae can damage young persimmon or pecan trees. On other trees,



the unsightly infestation rarely consumes enough foliage to actually damage the trees. Don’t confuse the fall webworm with the eastern tent caterpillar which is seen in the crotches of trees in spring. The fall webworm will stay within its protective tent and continue to munch on leaves until they’ve had their fill, then transform into the pupal stage and the cocoons overwinter in leaf litter.

Although we may have a visceral reaction to their presence which initiates our urge to get rid of them, relax and wait it out, because in most instances, it’s a visual annoyance to humans, not an actual threat to the vast majority of trees where the fall tentworms make their home. There’s really no need to do more than tolerate the unsightly presence of these insects. The most harm they will do is to your sense of aesthetics, plus they are a good reminder that winter is coming.



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Inscribed in the Book of Life

Mercury enters Libra this week. Mercury signifies our thoughts, communications and ideas. Libra is the sign of Right Relations. Mercury in Libra calls us to have Goodwill, Right Relations and Right Speech. Recognizing also that everyone is on different developmental levels. Then we can come from the heart, which is all that matters.

Monday is Columbus Day, which has become a “politically correct issue” these many years. What does Columbus

Day celebrate? Expansion of Europe’s knowledge of the world, discovery of a new world across the ocean. A brave young man with three ships discovered the world was larger than Europe. In some esoteric texts Master St. Germaine is considered an incarnation of Christopher Columbus – born in Genoa, Italy, 1451–1506 AD, later settling in Portugal, and landing in America in 1492 during the first of four voyages to the New World sponsored by King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella of Spain. His voyages expanded

all world views.

Wednesday, Oct. 12, is *Yom Kippur* (Day of Atonement, most solemn festival in the Jewish year), festival of Judgment & Remembrance. Yom Kippur ends ten days of repentance begun at Rosh Hashanah when God “opened” the Books of Judgment and Creation, observing humanity for acts of goodness, kindness, forgiveness and service. Judgment has been “pending” these ten days when prayers, forgiveness and service are required.

Then on Yom Kippur (Saturday), our fate is decided, the judgment “sealed” (by G-d and the Heavenly Court).

However, the verdict is not finalized. We are given another chance. G-d offers us Divine Mercy through the Festival of Sukkot (explained next week).

May everyone be inscribed by G-d in the Creation Book of Life. Let us prepare plates of apples and honey, pomegranates & wine, sharing with family & friends, wishing everyone an upcoming “sweet year.”

ARIES: A sort of Libra tension seems to descend upon you. Maintain awareness and do not ignore this pressure or become impatient. Tension is to be used for creative purposes. Should conflicts arise with close relationships, be more cooperative, use intentional Goodwill, choose to love more. Love is a choice. The unusual may appear. You will be tested in maintaining balance.

TAURUS: Each day you tell us you’re working on the mountain of tasks set before you. You suspend all pleasure and focus on each day’s labor, some of which is surprising for each day contains unexpected and unforeseen challenges. Tend to your health carefully, resisting any foods, drinks, people and/or events that lowers or imbalances your immune system (like sugar). Rest in the afternoons.

GEMINI: Your behavior tells us you’ve become a Leo, expressing yourself with an “I am” focus, wanting to make self-proclamations and needing recognition. Self-denial, discipline, and setting aside gratifications are not strengths at this time. Invite others to enter your state of new self-awareness. You need lots of amusement, enjoyment, games and fun. Some Geminis will marry. Some won’t.

CANCER: Are there many thoughts about or activity with family? Are you considering relocation? Or redoing your home? Are you accomplishing great tasks around the house? Something about home and family is developing and expanding. To neutralize any possible conflicts, begin to agree with everyone. Or just listen. If living with parents, you’ll need freedom soon. Redirect any irritability toward being thankful. It works.

LEO: Many new and expansive thoughts and ideas are appearing. Share all ideas with those who listen well. Don’t keep them to yourself. Observe how others respond. Do they listen and ask questions or refer your ideas to themselves? Many are learning how to listen. The ability to listen only occurs when we are aware, awake and observant. Each day’s pulsating beat and rhythm will be felt. You work to nurture everything.

VIRGO: Money is a neutral energy. It helps us have what we need and want. It allows us

to choose, to have possessions, make purchases, have beauty and nurture body and spirit. When used wisely money helps us to share, help others in need and accomplish goals. Money is made out of the mineral and plant kingdoms. We thank them. And we thank you, too, for all that you share and give now and in the future.

LIBRA: Be aware that your energy is very expanded, bright, impressive and active. Lack of sensitivity to this can create relationship difficulties. Not inclined at this time to bend to others’ needs, it’s best to work alone allowing for freedom and independence. Be extra careful with health. You could overwork and be unaware of your body’s requirements. A new more loving self-identity is forming. Pay attention to the signs.

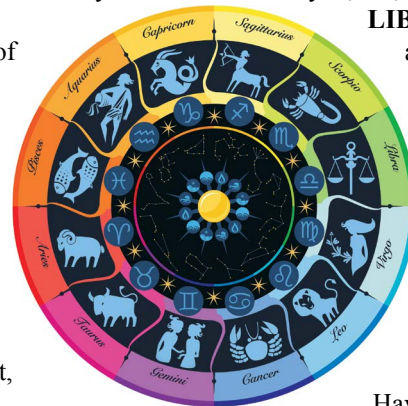
SCORPIO: Allow all difficult experiences to simply pass you by. Often others act with unconscious patterning, undermining your intentions. You could feel frustration and irritation. To ease this situation, work a bit in solitude and consider everything you do as service to the world. Then all experiences benefit your well being. Have intentions for Goodwill, even in times of difficulty. Go to church (or synagogue).

SAGITTARIUS: Your thoughts are toward the future, a focus on hopes, wishes and dreams and your next level of work in the world. You want to do what summons your potential. Don’t be too solitary. Although you’re quite independent, there’s a need for balance by interacting with those you trust and have fun with. Coordinate your needs with the needs of others. Saturn’s in your first house. You may need more rest.

CAPRICORN: Mars has entered Capricorn. This gives you much needed energy, more each day. However, you could burn out easily too. Careful of hurting yourself. Careful not to bump your head. You may be identifying goals and ambitions, trying to work hard and independently, with initiative and great effort. Carefully and subtly, with your Soul star, align your interests with everyone around you and help will appear. And rest more.

AQUARIUS: Tend carefully to money. You may not know where it is or be afraid of losing it. Know that you need not hope others agree with your thinking. They already do. Unusual events and people come into your life creating within you freer points of view. Assess them. What you believe in now frames your future. You find your energies turning inward. Life changes us from within.

PISCES: You can barely maintain the shadows of the old ways of living. You want new values, a revolution to occur in your life and a new path taken in relationships. Assess your use of personal resources. Perhaps you need to untangle yourself from something or someone. Faraway places are on your mind. You’re doing a good job, Pisces. You pray each day for miracles & a new home to appear. You’re doing your work.



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the tax are not mixed with other finances.

Allen commented his department has used its resources wisely over the years, but water and sewer are supposed to be self-supporting and they have lagged behind. Regarding the proposed one percent tax, he remarked, "From an environmental and health standpoint, we think everybody would want to be on board with this." He said if his workers could stay ahead of the leaks in the distribution system, they would not only be saving money for the city, they would also be making a difference in quality of the water.

"We're all drinking this water. We're all in this together. If you're living here, you're

involved in this," he said.

The Auditorium

Berry said the community asked for a change in how the Auditorium is managed, and two Auditorium Committees have recommended establishing an independent community commission to take over all management, maintenance and operational responsibilities. He said he would bring an ordinance to city council establishing the commission as soon as the tax passes, and some citizens who participated on the recent committee would be likely candidates.

In addition, the City Advertising and Promotion Commission has been given, and accepted, a directive to make clear how it will continue to support the Auditorium

after the tax passes. They would also have the challenge of charting their participation if the tax does not pass.

Berry said CAPC commissioners have already discussed redirecting the \$110,000 they spend now on maintenance of the facility toward additional promotion of shows.

Berry mentioned the new commission would establish five- and 10-year plans like Public Works has in place. The goal would be for the Auditorium to be self-sustaining after the tax sunsets in 10 years. "We cannot afford to go back at the end of ten years to where we are now," Berry contended. The commission would at some point have funds to match grants for renovating the

building, such as waterproofing the backside or installing an elevator to the basement so it could become a more usable venue again, even a revenue-generator.

Berry commented it will take awhile for the commission to get moving forward, but previous commissions did not have a steady revenue stream like this one will have if the tax passes. "The tax would give citizens a solution. It's time to quit blaming people and take the initiative and do something positive for ourselves. Some people might be upset with how the CAPC uses its funds for advertising the city, but they bring folks to town, and this is our revenue stream for the whole community. We all have to play together better."

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Sad Daddy pluck heartstrings at Brews Friday, Brewer & Shipley reminisce in the Park Saturday

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Remember Still on the Hill next Thursday, the 13th, at the Aud. Free concert and a free CD to the lucky one hundred.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6

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, OCTOBER 7

ANGLER'S – *Adam Moraga*, Blues, 7

p.m.
BALCONY RESTAURANT – *Jeff Lee*, Folk, 12 and 5 p.m.
BREWS – *Sad Daddy*, Americana, 7 – 10 p.m.
CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Chris Harp*, Singer/Songwriter, 8 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – *Luna Jamboree*, 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 with Stan*, 8 p.m.
NEW DELHI – *Pete and Dave*, Americana, 6 – 10 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER – *Karaoke with Brock Entertainment*, 7:30 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Dave Smith Trio*, Rock, 9 p.m.
STONE HOUSE – *Jerry Yester*, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

ANGLER'S – *Michael Dimitri*, Singer/Songwriter, 7 p.m.
BALCONY RESTAURANT – *Michael Dimitri*, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m.,
Steve Zimmerman, Singer/Songwriter,
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BREWS – *Pearl Brick*, Singer/Songwriter, 7 – 10 p.m.
CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Outlaw Hippies*, Rock, 8 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – *Shine Delphi*, Folk, 4 – 7 p.m., *Hillberry Pre-Party: Caleb Ryan, Opal Agafia and the Sweet Nothings*, Americana, 8 p.m.
EUREKA LIVE! – *DJ & Dancing*, 9 p.m.
GRAND TAVERNE – *Jerry Yester*, Singer/Songwriter, 6:30 p.m.
LEGENDS SALOON – *Asked the Wrong Men*, Rock, 7 p.m., *Another Fine Mess*, Rock, 9 p.m.
LE STICK – *Pete Maiella*, Singer/Songwriter, 7 p.m.
NEW DELHI – *Pete and Dave*, Americana, 6 – 10 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER – *Septembers End*, Rock, 7:30 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Danny Mullen*, Singer/Songwriter, 1 – 5 p.m., *Mark Sheilds Band*, Rock, 9 p.m.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

ANGLER'S – *Steve Pruitt*, Open Jam, 7 p.m.
BALCONY RESTAURANT – *Jeff Lee*, Folk, 12 and 5 p.m.
EUREKA LIVE! – *Green Screen Karaoke*, 7 p.m.
NEW DELHI – *Dewey Rush*, Singer/Songwriter, 12 – 4 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Richard Burnett*, Singer/Songwriter, 1 – 5 p.m.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10

BALCONY RESTAURANT – *Steve Jones*, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – *Sprungbilly*, Bluegrass, 9 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

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 12

BALCONY RESTAURANT – *Pearl Brick*, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – *Brian Martin*, Singer/Songwriter, 7 p.m.

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David Rush works featured during Gallery Stroll

The Jewel Box will be featuring new works by multimedia artist David Rush on Saturday, Oct. 8. He will be showing his soutache necklaces along with his copper flame paintings. Soutache is a flat braided trim that he uses to frame centerpieces for his necklaces. He will be in the gallery from 3 – 9 p.m. with a reception for the artist from 6 – 9 p.m.



Crazy quilts and classes at Mosaic

Crazy quilts were first shown in the Japanese Pavilion at the 1876 Philadelphia Centennial Exposition and now will be shown in Eureka Springs. The crazy quilts of Mary Beth McCormac will be on exhibit Oct. 14 – 16 during studio hours at Mosaic Studio, 123 Spring St. with an artist reception Sunday, Oct. 14 from 4 – 7 p.m.

Registration is open for two classes at Mosaic Studio:

Glass Mosaic Quilt Pattern – Wednesday, Oct. 12, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

– Duplicate a traditional quilt design using glass you will learn to cut during the class.

Sugar Skull Making – Saturday, Oct. 29, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. – Learn the traditional skill just in time for the Zombie Parade which will shuffle down the street outside the studio beginning at 6 p.m. Begin with a basic sugar skull pattern on polymer clay and decorate it as you see fit.

For cost and to reserve space call (479) 244-5981 or see Mosaic Studio on Facebook.

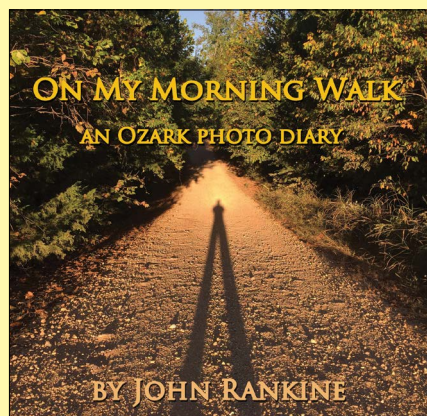
Rankine and Trigg at Eureka Fine Art Gallery

An opening reception will be held for Eureka Fine Art Gallery member John Rankine and guest 3-dimensional ceramic artist Lorna Trigg during the Eureka Springs Second Saturday Gallery Stroll on Oct. 8 6 – 9 p.m.

Both artists will be featured for the entire month. Rankine will debut his new book of photographs titled *On My Morning Walk* based on the collection of photographs that were part of his 2016 Eureka Springs May Festival of the Arts installation in Basin Park and Brews. Trigg will have new ceramic works

inspired by animal totems on view.

Refreshments will be served and all are invited. Eureka Fin Art Gallery is located at 2 Pine St. next door to Brews.



On My Morning Walk – book



Detail of Triggs totem

Sunday at EUUF

Molly Fulton Seeligson and Will Fulton will share their philosophy of education from their founding of Clear Spring School to their work in education in the U.S. and India. They'll tie their philosophy to Unitarian principle.

Fellowship project to focus on healing after sexual assault

Counselor and mediator Susan Kraus will be writing a self-help guide for rape victims suffering from PTSD during her fellowship at the Writers' Colony at Dairy Hollow. She has worked with military members, their spouses and families and is a Licensed Domestic Mediator for the State of Kansas. The Fellowship entitles the recipient to a two-week stay at the Writers' Colony at Dairy Hollow.



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Loaves & Fishes gets bread – The staff and board of directors of the Carroll County Community Foundation gave the first grant checks from the Richard and Thelma Lambert Charitable Endowment. Loaves & Fishes Food Bank of the Ozarks and Carroll County Senior Center's Meals on Wheels program will each receive grant checks every year in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Lambert. Pictured: first row (l.-r.) Chris McClung, Foundation Board Chairman; Jeanne Thompson, Loaves & Fishes; Carla Mann and Ruth Gibson, Meals on Wheels; Janell Robertson, Foundation Executive Director. Back row (l.-r.) Foundation Board Members: Sally Gorrell, Donna Hill, Lona Noonan, Jeff Sugg, Dave Jeffrey, and Don Anderson. **PHOTO SUBMITTED**

DEPARTURE

Derrick Wade Turley Feb. 16, 1996 – Oct. 1, 2016

Derrick Wade Turley of Berryville, Ark., was born February 16, 1996 in Berryville, son of Adam Turley and Charlotte Spencer. He passed away Saturday, October 1, 2016 at age 20.

He is survived by his father, Adam Turley of Berryville, Ark.; mother, Charlotte Spencer of Berryville, Ark.; seven brothers, Kenneth Smith, Joshua Smith, Rick Smith, Bently Turley, Taven Maxwell, Trent Purdue and Cory Hunt all of Berryville, Ark.; six sisters, Shelby Johnson, Destinai Smith, Mary Smith, Olivia Woods, Jasimine Maxwell and Kendall Gonce all of Berryville, Ark.; maternal grandmother, Shirley Gaffga of Shell Knob, Mo.; paternal grandparents, Steve and Janice Turley of Jasper, Ark.; nine aunts and uncles, several nieces, nephews, a host of friends and loved ones.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, Charles Spencer and one brother, Braxton Turley.

Funeral service was Wednesday, October 5, 2016 at the Charles M. Nelson Funeral Service, Berryville, Ark., with Brother Sam Felton officiating, and



interment followed the service in the Jones Cemetery, Urbanette, Ark., under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service, Inc.

Memorial donations may be made to the Derrick Turley Memorial Fund at any Anstaff Bank location. Online condolences may be sent to the family at nelsonfuneral.com. © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2016

A man with a beard, wearing a red t-shirt, sunglasses, and a black baseball cap, is smiling while holding a large striped bass fish. He is standing on a blue boat. The fish is silver with dark horizontal stripes and has its mouth open, showing a red interior. The background shows a rocky shoreline with green vegetation and a concrete dock area.

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PERSONALS

Dear parents,
Sorry to hear father is not well. Mother, keep yourself healthy. Love you both tremendously.

PJP – Not sure how long I was in there, think it was some kind of time warp. I went to one of those special dinners, could not afford the whole plate so I only got an appetizer therefore I got a press pass but no autograph. But I did get first prize in the mobile phone demolition contest!

ESTATE SALE

ESTATE SALE – Holiday Island Sat., Oct. 8, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Antiques, collectibles, furniture, books, pocket watches, firearms, pocket knives, and new items (fitness wear, candles, skin care, etc). 37 Woodsdale Drive, Holiday Island.

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YARD/GARAGE SALES

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of drinking water for one of every eight residents of the state.

Prior to being dammed, the White River was considered one of the finer warm water fisheries in the country. As part of the tradeoff for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers building the dam for floodwater control and electricity generation, the Corps created a cold-water trout fishery below the dam. The lake itself is a favorite with anglers for largemouth and smallmouth bass, bluegill, walleye, catfish, stripers and white and black crappie. Most of the game fish have been introduced.

Haven gave a tip for fishing. “Fish don’t have eyelids,” she said. “So they seek the shadows. That is the best place to fish for them.”

Beaver Lake has five resident eagles, in addition to varying number of eagles that winter in the area. Some of the more popular cruises offered by Friends of Hobbs State Park are in winter when dozens of eagles can be sighted. Haven said the number of

eagles depends on how cold it is. Migratory eagles like Beaver Lake because it’s usually the northernmost body of water that doesn’t freeze, so can be fished during the winter. But Haven said because last winter was warmer than normal, not as many eagles were seen.

Haven also talked about the special ecosystem of the forest glade areas on lake edges, and how most of the caves have been closed to prevent spread of the White-nose Syndrome that has been fatal to many bats.

As sunset neared, Haven drew attention to the changing colors of light. She recommended looking for the “blue flash” at sunset.

Hobbs State Park has openings for many more volunteers including boat guides or boat captains, doing trail construction and maintenance, leading hikes, working on oral history, doing tree studies and grant writing. For more information, contact Hobbs State Park Volunteer Coordinator, Roland Goicoechea at (479) 789-5000, or roland.goicoechea@arkansas.gov.

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- The commission officially approved the \$50 per month telephone allowance for Huss.
- Foster noted the Parks website is sorely overdue for updates in information and functionality. He said he would be happy to do some work on it to which Featherstone quickly replied, “Hired!”
- Huss announced there would be a community meeting to discuss the local

feral hog situation at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 13, in the former cafeteria at the new Community Center. The local Extension Office will have staff attending, and landowners and any interested persons are welcome.

Next workshop will be Tuesday, Oct. 11, at 6 p.m. at Harmon Park. This will be one week later than the usual workshop date. Next regular meeting will be Tuesday, Oct. 18, at 6 p.m.

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wealth cannot be known.

4. They believe Trump is smart not to pay taxes—Trump wants to run the government without supporting government and he has dishonestly bought politicians who created tax loopholes for the wealthy and has paid out millions to camouflage his tax returns thereby paying no taxes at all for at least 20 years;

5. They believe lesbians and gay people are immoral to love someone of the same sex – Trump has openly and proudly admitted to his compulsive conquest of young women and has had many public affairs outside of his three marriages;

6. They believe Trump is telling the truth about what is needed in America – “If you tell a lie big enough and keep repeating it, people will eventually come to believe it.” – Nazi Joseph Goebbels;

7. They really do not care what Trump has done since they are so very angry – E.J. Dionne of the *Washington Post* talked to white Trump supporters who knew of

his deceptive practices and did not care because they were so angry about what they perceived as injustices done to them.

8. They think Trump is a Christian – his very lifestyle mocks true Christianity, he misquotes the Bible to pretend he is religious, and his main drive, according to him, is to get revenge.

9. They believe the “little guy” will get a tax break – Trump proposes cutting the top rate on the wealthy from 39.6% to 25%, eliminating the estate tax which applies only to the rich, eliminating capital gains tax and other sleight-of-hand trickery ending with a \$2,700 tax cut for middle-income Americans and a \$275,250 reduction for wealthy Americans.

10. They assume Trump’s toughness would bring peace – Trump has said NATO is obsolete, he might use nukes in Europe because it is “a big place,” and that it would not be a bad thing “if Japan, South Korea and Saudi Arabia (among others) had nuclear weapons.”

T.A. Laughlin

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