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This week’s Independent thinkers

Our country is economically first rate. Yes, we have poverty, but we also have running water, electricity, paved roads, airports all over the place, and a society that wouldn’t know how to live without such things.

When the current blistering drought hit east Africa, men lost their jobs and women had to get into the “official” workforce, which they did. Women saw that there were no trees left, so they used waste – sawdust, flour, wood chips, peat, paper – to make briquettes for cook stoves. Cleaner and cheaper than wood, and a lesson in how adapting to circumstances has an upside. The training was free, more than 450 jobs created, and the idea so successful that families can now afford to send their children to school.

And education is the way out of poverty wherever you live.



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Rollin’ rollin’ rollin’ – The 4th Annual Jeepfest last weekend brought in more than 100 Jeeps from as far away as Alaska. There were food and merchandise vendors as well as a band, raffles and a poker run. The Jeeps took turns running the “Tuff Jeep” obstacle course next to the HIFD station while two cars laid back as the Jeeps rolled over them.

PHOTO BY JAY VRECNAK

CAPC puts air in Fat Tire

NICKY BOYETTE

Scott Schroen, marketing director for the Fat Tire Festival, made a pitch for marketing support at the May 10 City Advertising and Promotion Commission meeting. The event, which includes various mountain bike races, group rides and events for children, will take place at Lake Leatherwood July 14-17. This year marks the 19th year for the event, and Schroen requested \$10,000 for promotion and advertising.

Parks Director Justin Huss urged the commission to support the event. He called the Fat Tire Bike Shop in Bentonville “an excellent corporate citizen.” Huss pointed out next year will be the 20th year, “so let’s grow it to a high level. I heartily endorse the event.”

Executive Director Mike Maloney said the promoters project that there will be 500 attendees who will stay two nights in town, so the festival will have a high public relations value for Eureka Springs.

Schroen called the festival “a beast of an event” for promoters. His intention is for the community to benefit from the experience and for participants to leave feeling like they had a good time. He said promoters would

move forward regardless of support, but “the more we put into it, the better it will be.”

He commented the event has progressed over the years from a series of mountain bike races to a festival type event where folks attend just to watch and have fun. Participants as far away as the bike-friendly towns of Colorado Springs and Park City, Utah, put it on their calendars. “We should ride the wave, be a part of the momentum,” he said, adding that he wanted to extend the reach through more advertising.

Commissioner Susan Harman was first to notice that with the social media marketing the CAPC employs already, would there not be duplication in advertising and the request more than necessary to extend the reach? Commissioner Terry McClung, who chaired the meeting, was okay enhancing the marketing reach for the festival, but also suggested a lesser amount.

Commissioner David Mitchell moved to provide \$2500 in marketing support, but there was no second.

Harman moved to provide \$5000, and again there was no second.

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Our bloom is gone. We are the fruit.

Huh??

Commissioner Bobbie Foster commented it has been a good weekend for merchants in town during the event, and the town needs new types of entertainment for visitors. She moved to provide \$7500 in support, and got a second.

Maloney said the funds would be used to reach the biking world, which is discovering our trails, and expected there would be return visitors as a result of marketing support. Events Coordinator Andy Green said he has worked with the promoters before, and noted they brought young people to Bentonville, “and you couldn’t find better partners to attract that group.”

Commissioner Dustin Duling remarked this is the demographic the CAPC has been focusing on, and Fat Tire can reach them, “so let’s get behind them.”

Mitchell was still unsure about the funding amount, but Maloney stated it would be a good move.

Vote to provide \$7500 in marketing support was 4-1, Mitchell voting No.

Social media expansion

Maloney stated analytics indicate the social media strategy has been effective at finding a younger audience while continuing to reach demographics across the board. He targeted viewers in Atlanta, Nashville and Cincinnati, with best results coming from Atlanta. Next he will place Facebook ads in Minneapolis, Austin and Chicago. He mentioned Chicago has already been looking at Eureka Springs, so it will be interesting to see the response.

He said there were 1000 articles about Eureka Springs in the previous month, and 158 million people read about Eureka Springs, the equivalent of \$431,000 in public relations value. In addition, KOLR-10 television in Springfield came to town and spoke with Huss and Mayor Butch Berry, which gave the town 10 minutes of prime time programming.

Next workshop will be Wednesday, May 24, at 4 p.m., at the CAPC office, and the next regular meeting will be Wednesday, June 14, at 6 p.m.

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Fireworks at Leatherwood a ‘Go’

NICKY BOYETTE

Parks Director Justin Huss told CAPC commissioners on May 10 he had presented the idea of having a 4th of July fireworks display at the Lake Leatherwood City Park baseball field to all the department heads at their recent meeting. CAPC Director Mike Maloney said response among department heads was “spirited and strong.” Huss said the total expense would be \$8000, and Parks was willing to split the cost with the CAPC.

Huss suggested having the event on Sunday, July 2. The show would keep visitors in town an extra day or two and might even attract a few more. He said the Transit Department was willing to supply free transportation to and from the event because the fireworks show would be a community benefit. He added that volunteer fire departments and churches would provide food options as fundraisers for themselves.

Vote to support the fireworks show was unanimous.

Season snapping into gear


NICKY BOYETTE

Springtime in the Ozarks brought 700 people to town recently, which CAPC Director Mike Maloney called a “great investment” of marketing support funds. At the May 10 meeting, Maloney showed commissioners two brief Made in Eureka videos that will soon be available on eurekasprings.org. The first featured Grotto Wood Fired Grill and Wine Cave, recently named by Gov. Asa Hutchinson as Restaurant of the Year.

The second featured MacKenzie Doss and Edward Robison explaining their Eureka Spectacle Augmented Reality Shakespearean Eureka Springs walking tour app which allows anyone with the app to point a smart phone at certain Eureka Springs locations and see instead a crew of actors performing scenes from Shakespeare’s *The Tempest*.

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Fluoride opponents pinning hopes on federal lawsuit

BECKY GILLETTE

Opponents of Arkansas water fluoridation failed to remove the state mandate and must now wait another two years until the legislature is in session. But a lawsuit was recently filed in federal court in California by the Fluoride Action Network (FAN) and other groups to get fluoride out of drinking water all across the country.

“This may be the lawsuit we have all been waiting decades for,” FAN said in an April 25 press release.

“This case will present the first time a court will consider the neurotoxicity of fluoride and the question of whether fluoridation presents an unreasonable risk under the Toxic Substances Control Act,” said FAN attorney Michael Connett. “In contrast to most other legal challenges of agency actions, TSCA gives us the right to get the federal court to consider our evidence ‘de novo’ – meaning federal courts are to conduct their own independent review of the evidence without deference to the Environmental

Protection Agency’s judgment.”

The complaint was filed in U.S. District Court, Northern District of California, against the EPA in response to its denial of FAN’s petition under Section 21 of the Toxic Substances Control Act seeking a ban on water fluoridation.

Connett said many independent scientists now recognize that fluoride is a neurotoxin.

“The question, therefore, is not if fluoride damages the brain, but at what dose,” he said. “We presented the EPA with a large body of human and animal evidence demonstrating that fluoride is a neurotoxin at levels now ingested by many U.S. children and vulnerable populations. We also presented the EPA with evidence showing that fluoride has little benefit when swallowed, and, accordingly, any risks from exposing people to fluoride chemicals in water are unnecessary. We believe that an impartial judge reviewing this evidence will agree that fluoridation poses an

unreasonable risk.”

In denying FAN’s initial petition, the EPA claimed that the petitioner failed to set forth a scientifically defensible basis to conclude that any people have suffered neurotoxic harm as a result of exposure to fluoride added to drinking water in the United States. Connett said that was despite the EPA being presented with more than 180 studies showing that fluoride causes neurotoxic harm (e.g. reduced IQ), and he pointed out that many of these studies found harm at levels within the range, or precariously close to, the levels millions of U.S. children now receive.

“Typically, this would be a cause for major concern,” Connett said. “But, unfortunately, the EPA has consistently shied away from applying the normal rules of risk assessment to fluoride.”

“I just can’t even believe that we still have fluoridation chemicals deliberately added to our drinking water,” said Darlene Schrum, who has opposed fluoridation in Eureka Springs for nearly

30 years. “There is nothing about it that makes any sense. When you read about it, what is added to our drinking water has always been an industrial waste product – not pharmaceutical grade fluoride. The fluoride chemicals contain harmful byproducts like lead and aluminum, and the chemicals are so acidic that they corrode our water pipes. That can release additional lead into drinking from water pipes that contain lead solder, while also causing the need for expensive pipe repair and replacement. We don’t need fluoride. But clean drinking water is essential to life.”

Jeannie Burlsworth, director of Secure Arkansas, which has led efforts to overturn the fluoride mandate, said they are hopeful the FAN lawsuit will be successful. “It definitely gives the public cause to stop and think about the consequences of adding fluoridation chemicals to drinking water, as well as the health department officials who put the mandate on us to begin with,” she

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CAPC seat still open

NICKY BOYETTE

CAPC commissioner Terry McClung announced that in addition to the seven applications already submitted, Debbie Davis had also applied to fill the vacant seat on the commission. He said it takes a majority of the commission, which means four, to nominate someone to fill the seat, and there were only five commissioners present. He opened the floor for nominations.

Commissioner Susan Harman nominated Carol Wright and Bobbie

Foster seconded. Dustin Duling nominated Beau Satori, but got no second. David Mitchell nominated Debbie Davis and Harman seconded. There were no more nominations, so commissioners wrote preferences on ballots. McClung said the tally was two votes for Wright, one for Davis and one abstention, so no name was nominated to send to city council for approval.

Commissioners agreed to vote again and got the same result. A third try was ditto, so McClung announced

they would try again at the next regular meeting.

Maloney wanted the public to know the application period was still open, so

anyone interested and qualified can still send in an application. Applications are available on capc.biz or at the CAPC office.

App moves to contract stage

NICKY BOYETTE

Director Mike Maloney distributed draft copies of an Application Development Agreement at the May 10 meeting outlining an understanding between the CAPC and developer Chip Ford regarding design and distribution of a mobile app with information and history about Eureka Springs.

Ford had requested \$20,000, but commissioner David Mitchell suggested the CAPC offer \$19,500 to avoid “extraneous issues.”

Commissioner Terry McClung suggested they approve the draft to get the process started, and vote was unanimous to approve the document and authorize Maloney to enter into negotiations with Ford.

ESHS signs Berryville principal

NICKY BOYETTE

After an executive session at its May 9 meeting, the Eureka Springs School Board hired David Gilmore as the new high school principal to replace retiring Kathy Lavender. Supt. Bryan Pruitt said Gilmore has been principal of Berryville High School for 16 years and was previously an elementary school teacher and middle school principal in Berryville.

Gilmore graduated from Eureka Springs High School in 1996 and is excited to return to his alma mater, where he said he received a great education and is looking forward to creating opportunities for kids to follow their own interests and become happy, successful adults. Regarding the new choices students have in school now, he said, “It’s not like one size fits all, and we’ve got to keep up with trends and the job market.”

Pruitt commented Gilmore is a good fit for the district because he already has experience at all three levels yet is young enough to identify with beginning teachers and serve as a mentor. He said Gilmore has demonstrated excellent leadership skills and will be a great asset to the district and the community.

Great skills

Two ESHS students placed first in their divisions at the statewide SkillsUSA competition, and the

board approved sending them to the national competition June 19-23 in Louisville, Ky. Tyler Crawford won in the plumbing category and Cole Rains finished first in masonry. In fact, ESHS students swept the masonry prizes with Kyle Rains finishing second and Jesus Balleza finishing third.

High school science teacher Eric Hearth told the board he took two students, Taylor Weaver and Savannah Shaw, to the Governor’s All-State Coding Competition in Little Rock. He said they faced challenging questions and were able to see what coding is like outside of a textbook.

Wagons Ho!

Middle School principal Cindy Holt said the Agriculture Extension Office brought over miniature Conestoga wagons as props to teach students aspects of the economy such as bartering, selling, and supply and demand. Students are also preparing for the annual economic fair on May 11. Following that experience will be Career Orientation in which students accompany someone in the community during a day to get a glimpse of what working in the real world will be like.

Also seventh graders got to experience the great outdoors at the Ozark Natural Science Center.

Other items

- Pruitt presented the board policy

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Planning rezones historic district property

NICKY BOYETTE

At its May 9 meeting, Planning commissioners approved the request of Byron and Marilyn McKimney for rezoning their property at 38 Prospect from R-1 to C-3 Quiet Use Commercial. Chair Melissa Greene pointed out the property is surrounded on three sides by properties zoned C-3.

Greene mentioned the former grandfathered status of the property, once used as a Bed & Breakfast, was revoked at the June 28, 2016, meeting partly because attorney Tim Parker, representing the McKimneys, made derogatory comments toward commissioners but also because the property was in violation of the 180-day rule requiring B&Bs to show indications they are actually operating within that period.

Greene also stated those issues were in the past, and before them was a request for rezoning. She said she knew the building well, and it was not conducive to being a residence because it is divided into units. She told commissioners she was hoping for a decision at that meeting because she did

not want the property to just sit there.

City Economic Development Officer Glenna Booth commented the McKimneys would not be able to apply for a Conditional Use Permit for the property because there is a building with a CUP across the street. Greene pointed out, however, there are permitted uses in the C-3 zone including a B&B, but added the commission could put restrictions on the rezoning, such as not allowing a restaurant to go into that spot. She stated 38 Prospect has five off-street parking places.

Commissioner Doug Breitling contended the property fit the C-3 zoning. He said approving the application would not be “creating an isolated district counter to surrounding zoning.”

Commissioner James Morris wondered if the commission would not want to look at rezoning not just this property, but a larger portion of the neighborhood, to which Greene responded they should finish the business at hand.

As commissioners were considering the various permitted uses in C-3 and the impact

on neighbors, Booth pointed out whatever business goes in there would need a specific business license, and with that license would be parking restrictions.

Breitling moved to rezone the property to C-3 with the exception of no restaurants, but Morris still asked if they should rezone the entire area.

Other possible restrictions were mentioned, such as a tourist lodging, but commissioner Tom Buford reminded them available parking would dictate the use of the property.

The vote to approve the rezoning to C-3 but with no restaurants was unanimous.

Other items

- Commissioners approved a revamped complaint form regarding suspected Code violations, which will go to city council for approval.

- Greene said they would begin discussion of developing a Master Plan for the city at the next meeting. “The reason we need a Master Plan is because the rest of our laws are based on the fact we have a Master Plan,” Morris said. “We don’t have one...

we’re making a pathway, we’ve been doing it for years, we keep laying down stones of accomplishment, but we can’t tell anybody where it is leading. If you don’t have a Master Plan, you don’t know where you’re going.”

Next meeting will be Tuesday, May 23, at 6 p.m.

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QC asked to address festival noise

NICKY BOYETTE

At Monday's Carroll County Quorum Court meeting, Jim Mautte, saying he represented some neighbors in the Butler Hollow area, spoke up about noise concerns generated by concerts at The Farm, a camping, concert and event venue. Mautte said during concerts, the music reverberates through the area and lasts long into the night.

He asked the court to consider a countywide noise ordinance so the music would at least stop at a reasonable hour. "It's ludicrous," he said, "and we're an otherwise quiet area."

Justice of the Peace Chuck Olson said the venue is in his district, he heard that music lasted until 4:45 a.m., and he and Sheriff Randy Mayfield have spoken about the problem.

Mayfield told the court the county would need an ordinance because there is nothing on the books now his deputies can enforce.

JP Jack Deaton said he had talked to the folks at the site about trying to dampen the sound leaving the area.

Susan Mautte commented some folks go away for the weekend because the music rattles their homes and lives. "You shouldn't have to leave your home," she said. The events last three or four days.

Later in the meeting, JP Lamont Richie announced he would work with

those concerned.

Ambulance vote complications

JP Marty Johnson told the court that constituents have asked if there could be a re-vote on the millage creating the ambulance district for the eastern side of the county. Johnson said some people do not like the complications that have cropped up, some claiming they are being overtaxed and the process was rushed through.

Judge Sam Barr said a re-vote would take a petition signed by a certain percentage of registered voters.

Richie added he has looked into the claims of residents being taxed twice. He has not found any improper taxations, but those with property in both sides of the district will be taxed accordingly.

JP Larry Swofford added a person with property in two districts might want ambulance service available for both.

Newer voting machines on horizon

Dave Hoover, chair of the Carroll County Election Commission, told JPs the county has 47 voting machines, five not working right now. They were purchased in 2006 and their life expectancy was listed as eight-to-ten years.

Hoover said the state has been spending money in different locations trying out new machines. At least one city made arrangements whereby the state paid two-thirds of the cost of their new

machines. The state told Hoover it would go halvesies with Carroll County.

The new machines, according to Hoover, are easier, faster and better. When a person finishes voting, the voter's personal card with choices printed on it slides out for the voter to see and place in the ballot box.

Hoover gave notice that the county should plan ahead for new machines. Until then, his 11-year old veterans will be okay, and he will keep backups ready.

Other items

- JPs approved the second and third readings of an ordinance that amended the Personnel Handbook. Upon considering the second reading, Richie stated the ordinance would change the vacation schedule to advance the number of days employees get. Since raises are difficult, Richie said this change is at least an additional benefit. He also commented by passing the third reading, the ordinance would be a benefit to employees even sooner, and it indeed passed.

- The court passed two supplemental ordinances clearing up bookkeeping situations in the budget.

- JPs approved the nomination of David Carlisle to continue for a three-year term as a commissioner on the Western Carroll County Ambulance district.

Next meeting will be Monday, June 19, at 5 p.m.

Meditation, reading and discussion

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

Recognizing enlightenment at Metafizzies

The May 22 meeting of the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society will feature a video discussion on how it feels to experience enlightenment. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain. All are welcome.



And she graduates Friday!

Raschelle Edmondson is Eureka Springs Rotary Student of the Month for April. Raschelle is a senior and will graduate on May 19 with a GPA of 4.0. Her hobbies are photography, drawing and make-up, and she belongs to FBLA and AT-TF for film. She plans to eventually go to college and be a dental hygienist. Raschelle is pictured with Eureka Springs Rotarian, Joanie Kratzer.

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A bloom in a bouquet of authors

CD WHITE

One of the featured speakers on the slate for Books in Bloom on May 21 is Laurie R. King, author of the popular Mary Russell and Sherlock Holmes books including *The Beekeeper's Apprentice*, *A Monstrous Regiment of Women*, *A Letter of Mary* and 12 more. King will address "Writing the Unknown," and joins a host of popular authors including another *New York Times* bestselling author, S.C. Gwynne (*Empire of the Summer Moon*); Craig Johnson, author of the *Longmire* book and TV series; and other authors of national note and regional interest.

We caught up with Laurie R. King by email while she was researching *Russell XV* in London and Venice. As a child, King read her way through libraries up and down the West Coast and spent her middle years raising children, renovating houses, traveling the world and earning a BA and MA in theology. She now lives a genteel life on California's central coast writing crime series and stand-alone books.

First in the hearts of most readers comes Mary Russell, who met the retired Sherlock Holmes in 1915 and became his apprentice, then his partner. Beginning with *The Beekeeper's Apprentice*, Russell and Holmes

move through the Teens and Twenties in amiable discord, challenging each other to ever greater feats of detection.

More than just a crime romp, the series explores the roots of conflict in the Middle East and Afghanistan, feminism and early Christianity, and patriotism and individual responsibility while also having a rousing good time. Various stories revisit *The Hound of the Baskervilles* and Kipling's *Kim*, set a pair of Bedouin nomads down in a grand country house in England, and offer an insider's view of the great quake and fire of 1906; all the while forging an unlikely relationship between two remarkably similar individuals who happen to be separated by age, sex, and background.



LAURIE R. KING

But how did the author come to writing crime with a background in theology?

"I suppose I began by assuming I would teach, probably university level, in the religion/theology that fascinated me," King explained. "But in the early nineties my husband was nearing retirement, although our kids were young, and a PhD would have meant eight or ten more years of grad school. So, I thought that until I was forced to get a 'real job,' I might experiment with putting words and stories on a page.

"I was very lucky in that I sold my first novel before I was forced into the active job market. Then, after the first, I sold several more. By the time his retirement came about, I was earning a living by telling myself stories!"

King's Stuyvesant & Grey series, also historical, follows American ex-Bureau of Investigation agent Harris Stuyvesant, damaged young Capt. Bennett Grey, and Grey's sister Sarah as they move through Europe between the Wars.

Five other novels concern San Francisco homicide inspector Kate Martinelli, Kate's SFPD partner Al Hawkin, and her life partner, Lee Cooper. During the stories, Kate encounters a female Rembrandt, a modern-day Holy Fool, two difficult teenagers and a manifestation of the goddess Kali.

King's stand-alone suspense novels include *A Darker Place*, the story of a middle-aged professor of religion who investigates "cults" for the FBI and encounters a movement that embraces the dangerous beliefs of alchemy. *Folly* introduces woodworker Rae Newborne, who comes to a deserted island to rebuild a house and her life. *Keeping Watch* is the story of Rae's friend Allen Carmichael, a Vietnam vet who draws on his combat experiences to rescue abused women and children – until he comes across a boy whose problems

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Beware of divide and conquer

Editor,

I had dinner and drinks with some old friends from Nebraska this week. The subject of politics inevitably came up and I had to call “foul” and say that we’d already respectfully agreed to disagree, so there was no point in discussing it.

They’re not just Republicans (that’s sort of a given) but *avid* Trumpsters. I find that astonishing! Or maybe not. They all own and carry guns. (As if that really has anything to do with anything important!) Single-issue voters.

I don’t really care whether people choose to arm themselves with a gun or a Bible or a bag and a bong. You’re welcome to any (or all) of the above as long as you don’t shove it in my face. The *real* definition of single-issue voters is “divide and conquer” – and it works oh-so-well. I really don’t understand why people can’t see that!

We’ve all (99%) become slaves (no matter what color our skins) to a worldwide plantation and if we’re going to throw sticks & stones, we need to throw them at the masters (1%) in the plantation house, not at other slaves.

Keep your guns, your Bibles, and your bongs, or whatever else it is that makes you feel safer. We’re probably going to need them all ‘cause “it’s a jungle out there.” Sorry, but I just had to include that because we’ve been watching re-runs of “Monk” lately and that song is indelibly stuck in my head. I’ve been trying to exorcise but it won’t go away. I wonder why?

And, yes, I did participate in Occupy Wall Street (we are the 99%) a few years back, but after being kicked out of every

parking lot in town, even in Eureka, it began to feel like spitting in the wind.

Gloria Churchill

Healthcare for the privileged

Editor,

Coming on the heels of the horrendous health care bill passed by the House on May 4, Sen. Hatch’s remarks add insult to injury and the American people deserve an apology. He stated, “The public wants every dime they can be given. Let’s face it, once you get them on the dole, they’ll take every dime they can. We’ve got to find some way of getting things under control or this country and your future is going to be gone.”

Adding his own insult, Republican Sen. Paul Labrador stated on May 5, “Nobody dies because they don’t have access to health care.”

Seems that asking for decent health care is a luxury we all should be denied, except of course, members of the House, who voted themselves exempt from their own bill.

Those of us “on the dole” include roughly 10.1 million people who buy insurance through the law’s exchanges and qualify for tax credits that discount their premiums. Although there’s no hard data on how many have jobs, it’s safe to assume the vast majority do because otherwise they wouldn’t have enough income to qualify.

It remains to be seen what the Senate will do. You can give them a call at (202) 224-3121 (Capitol Switchboard) to ask for an apology at least! Sen. Cotton will be one of the leading architects of the next healthcare plan.

Nan Johnson and Dave Spencer

Resistance to evil

Editor,

The word *live* spelled backwards becomes *evil*. When we turn our backs on life in all its myriad forms, we invite evil into our lives. In our country money has become our god, the god of prosperity. This god does not celebrate diversity; quite the contrary, it seeks to celebrate only wealth, greed, power, and control.

You can see this in the eyes of our president and his cabinet appointees and advisors, and the GOP. They stare back at us with eyes whose empty sockets reflect hate and fear, greed for power and money – all indications of that which the Buddhists call the Hungry Ghost realm, the land of cravings that can never be satisfied – the wasteland of life-destroying sameness and the cold, non-affirming lust for object possession, the land of evil.

Here is where we see the marginalization, discrimination and torture of anyone who is not white and male, anyone who is not heterosexual and healthy, anyone who is not a fundamentalist Christian. Here is where we see the rape and pillage of our beloved planet and the cruelty exacted towards our four legged brothers and sisters. Here is where we see the poor and vulnerable tossed out like so many pieces of garbage.

We must resist; we must open ourselves to diversity both within and without. We must recognize our need to achieve success at the expense of all else. We must name this god we have created. We must acknowledge the evil within so that we may recognize it without and resist its attempts to destroy us.

Kathy Martone Ed.D.

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WEEK'S TopTweets

@Chumpstring: [job interview] Interviewer: What can you tell me about the last three years of your life? Me: Just that I hope they haven’t started yet.

@ItsAndyRyan: Ten years ago I married my best friend. The vicar had awful eyesight and we were too polite to point out his mistake. All terribly British.

@CVTBaby: I don’t really *want* to make bad choices, but I got here late and all the good choices were already taken.

@3sunnnz: If I ever got a horse I would name her Grace just in case I ever fell from her.

@Iwearsiesie: Squirrel Mom: Remember what I told you. Squirrel Son: “Always look both ways before I finish crossing the street.”

@Rickneedssleep: – Gets \$127 phone bill. 1987: Grounded for a month, no more calling Dana long distance. 2017: Must’ve gotten some sort of discount this month.

@BookKrazy: Me: I want to think like a man. Genie: Granted. [5 min later] Genie: So what do you think so far? Me: About what?

@Celebritychez: I’ve found that people tend to leave you alone after they’ve seen you eat mashed potatoes out of your coat pocket.

@noticeablybacon: My target demographic for these tweets are adults who make racecar noises while pushing a grocery cart.

@hailraiser: Finally found a job ad that didn’t mention “attention to detail” or “team player.” Finally!

Diamond Interruptus

“I’m sorry to say so but, sadly, it’s true, that Bang-ups and Hang-ups can happen to you.”

— DR. SEUSS

The Arkansas Wildlife Federation Board passed a resolution last week requesting the US Army Corps of Engineers decline approval of the Diamond Pipeline pending an Environmental Impact Statement. “AWF proposes and requests the Corps of Engineers *decline approval* of the proposed region-wide Diamond Oil Pipeline project and water related crossings until the agency provides an approved *Environmental Impact Statement* sufficient to meet the Council on Environmental Quality procedural requirements.” CEQ is a federal agency charged with the implementation of the National Environmental Protection Act. NEPA has robust regulations on environmental quality and no exceptions for oil pipelines.

After months working in the dark, hiding the plans, and telling some lies, Plains All-American is about to find out not to mess with the people of Arkansas. Heck, I am not sorry at all!

Diamond is an environmental hazard

Diamond says the line is safe. What else are they going to say? “We are cutting corners using low-quality welded pipes, hiring crews without supervision, pretending spills may happen once in 4,000 years, with nothing but paper towels, diapers, pigs and buckets to clean toxic chemical spills, and lawyers to deal with damages?” AWF will show expediting permits ignoring known environmental hazards is unacceptable, just to benefit a shareholder owned financial venture.

What will happen with pipes already in the ground? Let Diamond deal with the Corps and landowners to restore the land and pay for damages. Other people and concerned groups may decide to stand up and protect public health and environmental justice.

Who let the dogs out?

For more than two years, landowners have been trying to protect their land. However, no one challenged the Diamond project and Diamond hired lawyers to use every loophole in Arkansas law.

The root of the problem is Arkansas *willful blindness* in favor of oil and gas. “Rules Done Right: How Arkansas Brought Its Oil and Gas Law into a Horizontal World,” a 2015 University of Arkansas Law Review report explains how the Arkansas law was changed to promote fracking!

The Arkansas Oil and Gas Commission says frack fluids are perfectly safe, no different from chemicals found in household items. If you have rat poisons, weed killers, floor cleaners, and a drawer full of prescribed drugs, you know to keep them away from kids and pets. Frackers use a foul brew, like the witches in Shakespeare’s *Macbeth*: toe of frog, eye of newt, fillet of fenny snake, and wool of bat.

The American Petroleum Institute says pipelines are perfectly safe, 99.999 percent of the oil arrives at its destination. API needs to hire a statistician, or a high school senior; what API says about five 9’s is meaningless. Reality is unavoidable, pipeline spills happen all the time, leaks go undetected, and spills are deadly. These “accidents” make the news, but the true cause of the spills is ignored.

Shale oil is not oil

In January 2014, the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) issued a major safety alert, declaring *shale oil chemically explosive*,

three days after the massive Casselton, N. Dak. explosion of an oil train. When shale oil’s volatile organic components vaporize from liquid to gases, BOOM! The Oil Industry blamed *trains* and said *pipelines are safer than trains!*

Transporting Hazardous Materials is insane

The Arkansas Department of Emergency Management is Arkansas’s Homeland Security and Preparedness Agency. ADEM says they protect us from threats to the security of the Nation. How is Diamond not a threat?

What will you tell your kids?

A good friend posted on Facebook: “I tried, baby. I called our leaders, I donated money, I stood on the corner with a sign, I passed out literature and raised awareness. I got on the news and informed Arkansans, I organized rallies and marches to oppose the corporate greed aiming to kill us all. I know that’s what I will tell my kids as we desperately search for water we can drink.”

Dr. Luis Contreras



Memorial gets a facelift

Wen Norton (r) and Chris (“Just Chris”) were working on fixing the broken parts – canteen, trigger, nose, and gun handle – of the doughboy in Basin Park Tuesday afternoon. The grant for repairs came from the Department of Arkansas Heritage and was funded by 1/8¢ conservation tax with matching funds from the Eureka Springs Preservation Society.

PHOTO BY ANGELA TENAN

The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

Democrats have more to worry about than Donald Trump. For one thing, they should worry if Americans still value truth telling. The answer is more complicated than it seems. For example, Jimmy Carter always told the truth and Americans couldn’t wait to get rid of him. Conversely, Donald Trump never tells the truth and plenty of Americans – 81% of Republicans – are just fine with it. As a matter of fact, American Evangelicals love him most of all and are probably digging up Bible verses as we speak to show that Jesus is cool with lies. As I said, it’s complicated.

The good news for Democrats is that President Trump is deeply unpopular with everyone else. The bad news is that Trump’s more popular than they are. According to a *Washington Post-ABC News* poll, only 28% of Americans believe that the Democratic Party is “in touch with the concerns of most people in the United States.”

It is frankly unknown if the truth matters to voters anymore, but if it’s important to Democrats they can start with themselves. First off, they need to admit that Democrats made Ronald Reagan’s supply side dreams come true by opening up all public purpose services – the military, the post office, education, healthcare, our penal system, university research, etc. – for privatization and commercialization. During the Clinton administration Democrats restructured government to operate “like a business” and created fake economies of scale by selling – outsourcing – public responsibilities to the lowest bidders. Eat at a National Parks’ restaurant these days and you’ll be served by a nice kid from Romania who’s “visiting America.” That’s because he’s cheaper for corporate “providers” to use instead of the local resident who used to do the job as a Parks’ employee. The kid who grew up in the army as a cook’s helper has been replaced by Halliburton managed contract labor from the Philippines. And the beat goes on.

Democrats once believed that government created pathways to economic security and the middle class – because it worked. Democrats should tell that truth again whether voters want to hear it or not. And all politicians, especially Democrats, need to stop treating “the business of government” as their private cash cow.

A little help from our friends:

- **Good Shepherd Humane Society** monthly board meetings are held the 4th Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m. at LeStick Nouveau Restaurant, 63 Spring St. All are welcome.
- **Carroll County Domestic Violence Hotline:** 1-844-247-3223 (844-24PEACE) is available 24/7. The Purple Flower Domestic Violence Resource and Support Center is open Tuesdays and Thursday from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. at 109 W. Church Ave. in Berryville. (479) 981-1676.
- **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
- **A Cup of Love Ministry** – Feeding the Hungry – Located at 4032 E. Van Buren, Hwy 62. Serving Soup Monday-Friday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Sunday Service – 10:30 a.m. Noon potluck following. Wednesday – Bible Study 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Friday – Food Pantry 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Caring for our community, spirit, soul, and body. (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 Country Hardware. One-dollar store in the yellow building open Tuesday – Saturday from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Thrift store, furniture bank in big blue barn behind chapel open Friday and Saturday from 10:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Donation drop offs by the blue barn only.
- **Recorded Teachings and Meditation Monday** – Recorded Rinpoche teachings at 5:30 p.m. on Mondays followed by meditation at 6 p.m. Call Alece at (479) 244-6841 or Gary at (479) 2444-6840.
- **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.
- **Grief Share** – A Bible-based, 13-week program for those who have lost a loved one will begin on Sunday, Feb. 12 from 2 – 4 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. You may join at anytime.
- **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) 981-1686. • **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.
- **St. James’ Community Suppers** – Held Sunday from 5 – 6:30 p.m. Meals provided by local restaurants and are free to all. St. James’ Episcopal Church is located at 86 Prospect Avenue on the historic loop and meals are served in the undercroft.
- **Support Group** – for those with **Parkinson’s** and their caregivers, first Wednesday of each month, ECHO Community Room at 10 a.m. For questions email Sally at sarahg@arkansas.net or call (479) 9810-1587. Next meeting Dec. 7.
- **Echo Thrift Stores and Clinic** – The Clinic is open 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month for appointments open 1 – 4 p.m. Open every Tuesday/Thursday to assess needs and to make appointments. Free services are offered to those without insurance or if insurance does not cover them. The Thrift Store is open Monday-Saturday from 9 – 5 p.m. Clinic number: (479) 253-5547. Thrift Store number: (479) 253-5888.

INDEPENDENT ConstablesOnPatrol

MAY 5

5:43 p.m. – Ex-girlfriend told ESPD she just broke up with her ex-boyfriend and he would not stop texting and calling her leaving harassing messages. Constable asked the boyfriend to stop all the messages. 11:53 p.m. – There was a report of a motorcyclist racking his pipes at an establishment downtown. Constable found the bike idling.

MAY 6

12:20 a.m. – Restaurant owner complained of possible theft issue with an employee, but wanted to check receipts again before filing a report. 12:33 a.m. – Individual claimed a male would not leave her residence. Constable went there, but the guy was gone. 1:53 a.m. – Constables responded to a disturbance and arrested an individual for DWI and refusal to submit. 3:45 p.m. – Concerned observer said a vehicle was racing through a neighborhood above downtown. Constables never found it. 4:39 p.m. – As the result of a traffic stop, the driver was arrested for DWI #2 and driving left of center. 7:20 p.m. – Witnesses alerted ESPD to an inebriated person getting into his vehicle. Constables did not encounter his vehicle. 10:56 p.m. – Individual at a downtown bar was threatening people with a gun. He was arrested for possession of a firearm by certain people, aggravated assault, terroristic threatening and on an outstanding warrant from CCSO.

MAY 7

5:24 a.m. – There was a one-vehicle accident on US 62. 1:07 p.m. – Worried observers asked for constable assistance because kids were driving an ATV and a golf cart on a street. Constable had a word with the kids about safety. 8:44 p.m. – Alarm rang out at a business. Constable found the building secure.

MAY 8

1:28 a.m. – Individual was arrested on a Springdale warrant. 4:59 p.m. – Call came in about teenagers burning a tree on a street. Constables and ESFD went to the scene. Turned out they were burning pieces of wood, and constable advised them of local ordinances. 6:42 p.m. – Resident in the western part of town was having problems with a raccoon. Constable dealt with the pesky animal. 9:09 p.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for driving on a suspended license and no taillights.

MAY 9

6:24 p.m. – Constable initiated a traffic stop and arrested a person on a warrant out of Washington County. 10:27 p.m. – Someone reported vehicles suspiciously parked at a closed business, but they were gone when constable arrived. 11:03 p.m. – Constables responded to a restaurant for a possibly suicidal male. He was already gone and constables never encountered his vehicle.

MAY 10

10:25 a.m. – Passerby alerted ESPD to a possibly inebriated female walking along US 62 in the commercial area. Constable spoke with her, and she was okay. 11:07 a.m. – There was verbal sparring at a location at the eastern edge of town. Constable found the couple at a gas station, and everything had settled down. 11:54 a.m. – There was a 911 hangup call from the downtown area. Constable looked around but found nothing to report. 5:05 p.m. – A domestic ruckus erupted just west of downtown. Female was reportedly screaming for help. Constables arrived to learn the event was entirely verbal and the couple apologized for getting constables involved. 5:45 p.m. – Witness claimed a vehicle was being driven fast and erratically in the western part of town. Constable found the vehicle safely parked in a parking lot. 7:47 p.m. – A large truck tailgated a motorist for a while, then turned onto a side road. Constable followed but did not see any problems with the driving. 8:06 p.m. – Patrons left a restaurant without paying for their meals. 8:13 p.m. – Customer at a business in the east part of town claimed her vehicle had been stolen while she was in the store, and she named the suspects. Constable found her vehicle and spoke with all parties. Situation might be a civil suit. 9:55 p.m. – A father asked for a welfare check on his daughter. Constable complied and found her okay. 11:10 p.m. – Constable learned a disturbance at a campground turned out to be concern for a child who ran out of the tent and near a pool. 11:21 – A group of maybe 15 people gathered downtown and a constable stood by. 11:22 p.m. – Landlord called about a tenant causing a disturbance outside, but responding constable found the neighborhood quiet and serene. 11:30 p.m. – There was a 911 call about an

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‘Domestic arts’ embroider activism

BECKY GILLETTE

What do you get when you cross crafts with activism? Craftivism!

“Craftivism has been around for a long time,” Buffalo River volunteer Ginny Masullo, said. “It’s the name that’s new. Change requires both an inner and outer dialogue. Craftivism, or activism through the art of crafts, fosters such dialogue. Betsy Greer coined the word with her book, *Craftivism*. Craftivism invites people to engage in conversation about the social and perhaps political intent of one’s arts-and-crafts creations. Greer says that craftivism differs from more traditional forms of activism and in-your-face protest actions, which can be polarizing.”

Masullo said Buffalo River prayer flags are an example of craftivism at its finest.

“Prayer flags are a way to express beauty around even contentious issues,” Masullo said. “The idea for the prayer flags came as a people’s project in that it is a way for people who are not prone to march or demonstrate, say, or write letters to the editors, to express their love and care for the river and display it. Hopefully, everyone who makes the flags and those who see the flags are uplifted and inspired to protect the river. The silent prayers or wishes are blessings released to the wind.”

Violet Trosper of Memphis, Tenn., made some elaborate Buffalo River prayer flags for Masullo’s birthday.

“Violet is a very astute and politically conscious person who expresses her concerns through her art,” Masullo said. “I hung the prayer flags in my house and several Buffalo River folks said, ‘Wouldn’t it be cool for other people to make these and even send some to the governor?’”

Trosper’s project took her two years. There was a desire to make it simpler, out of which the people’s Buffalo River Prayer Flag project was launched.

“I just put the idea out there at a woman’s gathering and Faye Alter, a fabric artist in Fayetteville, said she could make the blank flags for people to decorate,” Masullo said. “These are plain white muslin. She made 88 flags, some that have been distributed to several women’s groups in Newton and Washington counties, and some to individuals. Then another friend started making the colorful flags with her craft group.”

Another local example of craftivism is work done by Donna Sternja Mulhollan of the Fayetteville-based folk duo Still on the Hill. Mulhollan uses quilts and



artwork displayed while performing songs about agri-business’s animal confinement practices.

Donna and her husband, Kelly, designed an interactive shrine to Emily the Cow which they featured at the “Don’t Fence Me In” event on Earth Day in Fayetteville two years ago. Emily the Cow became famous after jumping a five-ft. fence to escape from a Massachusetts slaughterhouse in 1995 and eluding capture for 40 days during one of the coldest Novembers in history.

“The nearby Quaker Peace Abbey befriended the cow, named her Emily, and bought her from the slaughterhouse for \$1,” Masullo said. “Emily lived for another nine years, and people came from all around the globe to meet her. Emily’s story came to Fayetteville, carried by craftivism.”

Beside the shrine was a “crankie,” which Donna described as an old Appalachian storytelling device. It’s a large box with two dowels. The top dowel has a crank and the bottom dowel has fabric attached. On the fabric, the story is told.”

Masullo described the entire “Don’t Fence Me In” event as a craftivist extravaganza that was successful in engaging people about what we can do to make a difference for this old blue planet.

Another example she gives of craftivism is artist Weyam Ghadbian, a second generation Syrian former resident of Fayetteville living and working in California.

“Her handmade book on Palestinian cross-stitch (Cross-stitch Intifada) highlights Palestinian embroidery as a form of craftivism. Ghadbian said in the case of Palestinian cross-stitch and embroidery,

Palestinian women are acting as craftivists by preserving their cultural history in a context (Israeli settler colonialism) which seeks to erase it,” Masullo said.

“By stitching centuries-old embroidery motifs with specific meanings and affiliations with their particular villages and locales, Palestinian women are re-inscribing their cultural memory,” Ghadbian said. “They are asserting their existence. We are here, stitch, we have been here, stitch, we cannot be erased, stitch.”

Another example is a 90-year-old Australian man who knitted tiny sweaters for penguins affected by an oil spill.

“His little sweaters prevent penguins from swallowing deadly oil when they clean themselves,” Masullo said. “That project may have more impact on the hearts and minds of others than a mass demonstration protesting big oil.”

Craftivism has also been used to raise awareness such as the case of a student in Professor Susan Moss’s craftivism class at Fort Lewis College in Colorado who embroidered 7,000 French knots and one heart on a gray background – the gray color representing the brain.

“The student’s craftivist creation commemorates not only her father, who died of a brain cancer, but the 7,000 people a year who die of the same disease in the United States,” Masullo said. “In stitching this embroidery, she contemplates her own father. In sharing the finished work, she raises people’s awareness about the disease.”

Check out the Facebook site the Buffalo River Prayer Flag Project for more information.

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Cultivate Kansas City visit Ozarks

BECKY GILLETTE

Representatives from Cultivate Kansas City (CKC) and the Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas visited the Ozarks last week to meet with business consultants Dan Krotz of Berryville and Larry Laverentz of Kansas City, and nurture ideas about how to grow the sustainability and success of farming enterprises.

The Kansas City visitors toured a large solar power installation at Jane and Richard Pille's homestead north of Holiday Island before traveling on to Blue Eye, Mo., to get ideas from the owners of Long Creek Herbs about how to make value-added herbal products.

Kathryn Kelly, executive director and co-founder of CKC, said they were particularly interested in new ideas to assist farmers at KCK's farm business development program called New Roots for Refugees at Juniper Gardens, on eight acres of previously vacant ground near the downtown area. The program steers resettled refugees through a five-year program that provides hands-on training learning how to produce and sell food for local markets.

Kelly said in addition to building more food security for Kansas City, the program helps immigrants establish a way to make a living.

"Farming is one of the most transplantable skills," Kelly said. "Across the country there is a challenge growing local farmers so they can make a full-time living. Our Juniper Gardens program is modeled to spread capitalization costs over multiple farmers so they don't have to buy or rent all their equipment alone like tractors, high tunnels and greenhouses. Our model is designed to help younger people or people without capital to be able to establish themselves as growers."



Jim Long with Kansas City visitors at Long Creek Herbs.

CKC has given a grant to Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas to start the project that pays dividends by building economic security for immigrants and food security for Kansas City, which has a population of about 471,000. Currently 16 refugee families are involved in the program, and 19 families have graduated from the program since 2008, with 15 continuing to farm on land they own or lease.

During the visit with the Pilles, Jane said she and her husband are trying to grow most of their food, which can be a big challenge, and also work with the neighborhood in support of each other.

"The people who live around us are very helpful," she said.

Richard Pille told the group that he sees

solar systems such as the one installed on the roof of a large barn as being capable of meeting the energy needs for a commercial kitchen and possibly cold storage. He also said that solar systems continue to improve while costs decline, making them more economically attractive.

The Pilles also spoke of the challenges of dealing with the heavier rainstorms that have resulted from a warming climate.

"We have had sixteen inches of rain in the past two weeks," Jane said.

After continuing on to Blue Eye, on the Missouri-Arkansas state line northeast of Berryville, the group heard from Jim Long and Josh Young, owners of Long Creek Herbs. Long spoke about the importance of having multiple ways to make a living from

a small farm like his. In addition to herbal products, he earns fees from speaking to garden and herb groups, and has published a number of books, including a series of books such as *Home Remedies That Work*. He has found those popular with visitors, and sells them nationwide on his website.

"We sell our Herbal Nail Fungal Soak all over the country," Long said. "That is our main product. Customer response to our Herbal Nail Fungus Soak is amazing. Our files are filled with notes of thanks from happy customers describing how much they love our product."

Long said loving what you are doing with herbal products is as important as taste, fragrance and medicinal uses of formulas. "If you hate doing it, it's no good," Long said. "You have to love what you are doing. And usually the best products are an evolution."

The topic of climate change also came up at Long Creek Herbs. Long said that they used to be in climate zone 6 and are now in climate zone 7A. "We can grow things that we couldn't before," he said.

The gardens at Long Creek Herbs were a hit for being both beautiful and useful.

"For us to include a plant, it must be stunningly beautiful, as well as edible and or medicinal," Long said.

Josh Young is also a writer, author of *Myths & Mysteries of Missouri*.

Garden tours are available by appointment only certain days this season (specified on their website.) To visit on those days, there is a \$20 reservation fee, credited to purchases in the shop following your tour. June 17, which will be the Long Creek Herbs 30th annual open house, herb tours will be free and no reservations needed. For more information, send an email to longcreekherbs@yahoo.com or visit the website www.longcreekherbs.com.

Being productive as we grow older

A group of people interested in learning about issues of aging and how one can live their lives happily and productively as they enter the last third of life is meeting at the First United Methodist Church on May 18 at 1 p.m. Anyone interested can join Ron and Ruth Morrison and others in the downstairs youth room. Call (479) 253-8987 for more information

HIFDA luncheon May 23

The Holiday Island Fire Department Auxiliary will hold their luncheon and business meeting at noon on Tuesday, May 23 at the Clubhouse Ballroom at 1 Country Club Drive with doors opening at 11:30 a.m. for social visiting. The cost is \$8 for lunch and \$12 for dues. Reservations must be made by Friday, May 19. Call Drendon Higdon at (479) 363-8125.

Jesus Parade and concert May 26

The Western Carroll County Ministerial Association will hold a celebrate Jesus Parade and Concert on May 26 with music in Basin Park from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. On

Saturday, May 27 music will play from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. and the parade will roll down Spring Street at 2. For more information call Dale and Laura Nichols at (479) 253-8925.

Walkin' to the art

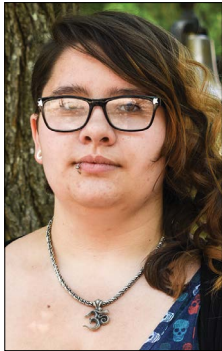
The 27th annual White Street Studio Walk will be Friday, May 19 from 4 – 10 p.m. White Street is the working address of several local artists who will welcome the public into their homes and studios to view their latest works and more than 40 guest artists will join them.

White Street is located on the upper historic loop and the even is free to the public.

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*"What lies behind you
and what lies in front of you,
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- Ralph Waldo Emerson



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Commencement

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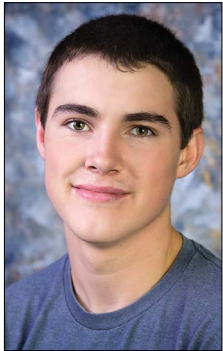
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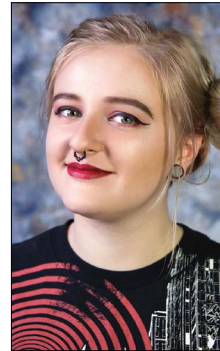
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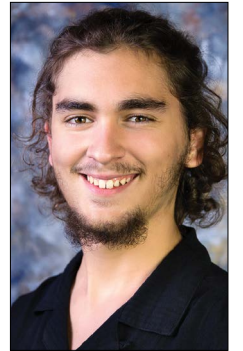
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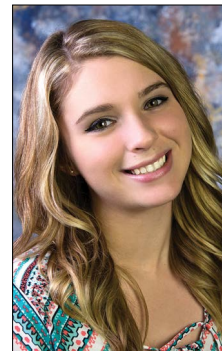
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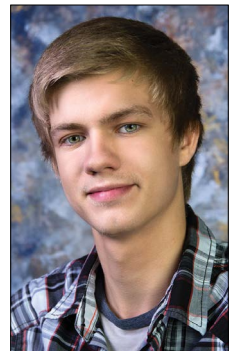
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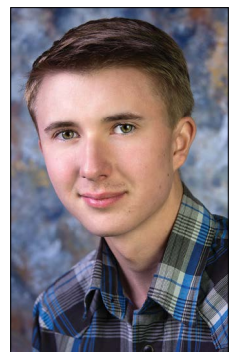
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- Ralph Waldo Emerson

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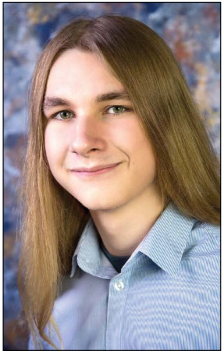
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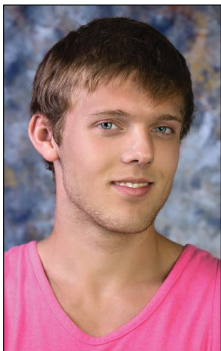
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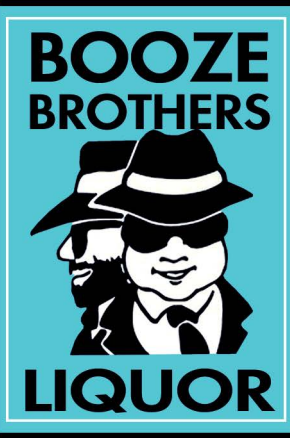


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A busy Mother’s Day for Eureka

From May 8 – 14 people were encouraged to fasten flowers to the Basin Bath House Bridge across from Basin Spring Park to show love to the women in our lives. The flower market had flowers available to tie on to the “Bridge of Love” with a donation to Clear Spring School, which used the funds for their beekeeping project. And at the Auditorium, Grammy nominated John Two-Hawks held his annual Mothers Day Concert. Below, Cné Breaux and Teresa Pelliccio DeVito on the Bridge of Love. Below right, Two-Hawks plays flute.

PHOTOS BY JAY VRECENAK



Elks give veterans a boost – The Elks National Foundation awarded Elks Lodge 1042 a \$2,000 Beacon Grant which was used to purchase basic cleaning, bathroom and kitchen supplies, bedding and small appliances to create four Welcome Home Packages for returning veterans as they move into their first house or apartment upon returning from deployment. The first kit was delivered to Army Veteran Calvin Hayes in connection with the screening by the Veteran Affairs Supportive Housing Program. Photo: Angela and Calvin Haynes, Rupert Baumgarten, ER – Elks, and Amy Cash, LCSW and HUD/VASH Supervisor.

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All you can eat pancakes

The Holiday Island Elks Lodge will be holding a Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, May 27 from 7 – 10:30 a.m. at the Elks Lodge, 4 Park Cliff Drive in Holiday Island. There will be all you can eat pancakes, bacon, sausage, biscuits and gravy, as well as juice and coffee. Adults are \$6 and children under 12 are \$3. Proceeds help support Elks Lodge 1042 community programs.

Gospel band playing at Faith Bible Church

Ozark Mountain Revival, a 9-member, gospel bluegrass band, will be playing at Faith Bible Church, Holiday Island on Sunday, June 4 at 4 p.m. Faith Bible Church is located in the Holiday Island shopping center off Highway 23 N. by the Post Office. For more information call (479) 363-6636.



Philanthropic work honored – Chapter A members recently attended the state PEO Convention in Little Rock for its 125th anniversary. Chapter members, Margy Bullock and Jan Carrothers presented a display of the Chapter's history. Chapter A was the first chapter organized south of the Mason Dixon Line. Pictured (l.-r.) Margy Bullock, Susan Stille, Terry Eilskov, Nancy Werbizky and Jan Carrothers.

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ARTAttack by John Rankine

For the first time in 20+ years I'm going to miss the White Street Studio Walk. Heading north for a family wedding also means missing Books in Bloom, the conclusion and

winners of the Plein Air Festival at Inn of the Ozarks, the debut of 40 new works by Jim Nelson and the 2nd annual Bird Cage Art Bazaar, across the street from Basin Park.



Art is in the tray of the beholder – Janet Alexander, aka Eureka Janet, instructs visitors on miniature mobile making in Basin Park on Saturday. People could choose up to 5 trinkets from several trays on tables to attach to pre-made mobile structures. Locals and visitors were delighted to take home a Eureka souvenir they made themselves. Alexander, partnered with John Stalling, are responsible for the large mobiles (The Four Seasons Project) hanging in Basin Park for the May Festival of the Arts. PHOTO BY JOHN RANKINE

The WSSW, always the third Friday in May, rain or shine, has been a steady anchor for the May festival. It was conceived by White Street artists and neighbors, Zeek Taylor, Eleanor Lux and Mary Springer, 27 years ago and is a showcase for some of the town's best creative talent, and always a wonderful time.

Last year's surprise hit was the Plein Air Festival, sponsored by ESSA, where artists from all over came to paint the local scenery and compete for prize money. I've since learned there's a whole Plein Air circuit, where mostly professional artists travel from festival to festival, and Eureka Springs is on the map. Several artists I met last year told me they'd fallen in love with our town and would be back. Rogues Castle, Blue Spring and our historic downtown are some of this year's plein air locations.

One downside of hosting your own event is missing everyone else's. Saturday night's "Grand Gallery Stroll" at Eureka Fine Art, featuring artists Drew Gentle and David Zimmermann, went well with a steady stream strolling in and out from next door at Brews, where Pearl Brick and Melissa Carper were playing.

But it meant missing Timm Hilty's Bloody Marys at Zarks, Emily Hartley's reception at the Jewel Box, and Ron Lutz's cigar box guitars at Studio 62, along with many others on the Stroll.

As one friend put it, "a town of over choice sometimes."

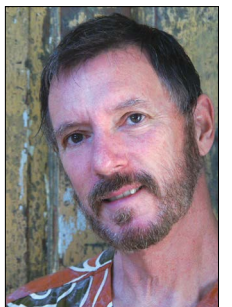
Also Saturday, the Ozarks Chorale, led by conductor and arranger Beth Withey, performed at the AUD, which I'm told was lovely. To celebrate the Nuits Rosé Wine Festival I forewent my usual heavy red for a glass of Rosé at the StoneHouse.

Another weekend highlight was learning to jitterbug upstairs at the Melonlight Sock Hop with dance partner Heather Huber. I then got to practice my moves with the young and talented Mia Evans, who wore the perfect '50s twirl skirt.

I love Janet Alexander and John Stalling's towering mobiles in Basin Park. Janet and friends hosted an all day miniature-mobile-making event in the park. Trays of trinkets were laid out on tables for people to choose from, which they attached to pre-made mobile structures. When I was there a large group of high school art students from Camden, Ark., was having a ball.

John Two-Hawks held his traditional Mother's Day concert at the AUD and I got to tie a red carnation to the Bridge of Love in memory of my late mother.

It was another jam packed week, or at least weekend.



Country over Party

Sen. Cotton and Rep. Womack,

It has been unbearable enough, throughout the last half of 2016, to have to imagine Russians in Moscow giggling while they jiggered our election. And it got worse, during the early part of 2017, to have to picture them laughing out loud at how hugely they succeeded.

Because Russian foreign minister Sergei Lavrov stood right here on American soil in front of American cameras at the side of American Secretary of State Rexxon Tillerson and laughed right in our faces when he and his little “Order of Friendship” chum were asked if “our” president’s firing of James Comey, the man tasked with investigating The Russian Connection, had “cast a shadow” over negotiations between the U.S. and his murderous sneak-dog nation.

What Lavrov replied is, “Was he fired? Was he fired? You are kidding!” all the while wiggling his eyebrows faux-quizzically. Then he just waved and chuckled and shrugged off the entire American press before going off to meet in private with Damnable J. Trump like he was the winning contestant on *Celebrity Apprentice*, because by God, now he is: Tell him what he’s won, Don Pardo.

Another Sergei, this one a Kislyak, a known Russian spy, got his photo taken with the Skunk In Chief, ol’ Sergei smiling and grinning with his “trophy president.”

I guess it’s funny, from their point of view: The president fired the man who was investigating the president’s Russian connections, and possible treason. But down here in Arkansas, I don’t find it nearly so funny, sirs.

I have just witnessed the legislative branch of the government prove it is more than willing to put a party’s agenda over country, and an executive branch put personal profit over everything else, including world peace.

At this point, you can only imagine my outrage, and that of my fellow Arkansans. Our anger is still “at a remove.” But it will very soon become up close and personal, and “in your face,” not just in Arkansas but all over this country. We are starting to get a real clear idea of how to truly “make America great again.”

We’ve now got one hell of a swamp to drain.

Brad Bailey

High level affluenza

Editor,

I know this is a useless effort, but I need to figure out *why* the President, his family who now help run the government, the Cabinet, staffers, Republican Congress, and even his Russian financiers appear so enslaved to the pursuit of even more money. I do not understand greed.

I worked for a feminist multi-millionaire who sent me around the world to video struggles for human rights and women’s rights. She believed in gift giving and gave over \$13 million as she walked her talk. Not all wealthy people are greedy. Maybe just those who want to be like Trump?

T.A. Laughlin

Heroes can’t be still

Editor,

Sometimes I wake up struggling in the blanket, trying to jump out of the pages of the John LeCarre novel we are living in. I don’t think that even he could come up with some

of this plot because it would be considered too unreal. Trump has recently hired a new law firm, Morgan Lewis, which is none other than 2016’s Russian Law Firm of the Year! Seriously. I’m not joking.

Here’s what else is not funny. During the past 3 ½ months, a 61 year-old woman has been sentenced to one year in prison for laughing during Sessions’ confirmation hearing for US Attorney General; a news reporter was arrested for asking Tom Price, HHS Secretary, questions about healthcare, and 200 random people are facing 75 year prison sentences for felony arrests during Trump’s inauguration.

Republican Congresspeople are conspiring with Trump by steadfastly ignoring the show in the Center Ring. Under cover of blatant graft and treason, they are weaving their destructive web of tax cuts for the wealthy at the expense of everything. Slowly the noose of fascism is tightening around the throat of our constitution, silencing the Great American Democracy for the greed of the few over the rights and needs of the many.

Will we live under the thumb of our new Russian overlords? Or will we find the courage to wake from the slumber of partisanship and “other” to find our humanity and commonality as a free people who love our country and constitution? To quote Mariah Carey, “The Hero Lies In You.”

Sheri Hanson

Neighborhood watch

Editor,

I thank our wonderful friends, family, and utility workers for all of the help, support and concern during the recent storms and tornado.

A very special Thank You to Evan McClung at Bare and Swett Insurance Agency. Evan went above and beyond to help with everything related to filing a claim. He nudged our adjuster and questioned information when it needed clarification. He called numerous times to see if we needed anything. He is exemplary!

I also thank Ozark Tree Service for the prompt, professional and affordable service, especially during a time when price gouging is so prevalent. They also went above and beyond with cleanup. Watching them take the gigantic oak off of our roof was amazing!

Lovely place to live!

Becky Newhart

Which side of honeysuckle are you on?

Editor,

Three cheers for the Eureka Springs Cemetery Commission and the Men’s Group from the Christian Church. The cemetery fence has had a badly needed haircut. I had asked a former commissioner a year ago and was told that Eureka seemed to be equally split so they decided to remove it slowly. We can even argue about honeysuckle.

Much progress has been made in the last several years and the commission is on a mission. They also have a new problem with the pine beetle.

Many years ago, while researching for one of my books on Eureka Springs history, I decided to find Si Wilson’s grave. He was one of the robbers killed in the downtown bank robbery. All the bodies were claimed except Si Wilson’s.

The *Eureka Springs Times-Echo* said the city buried him in a pauper’s grave. Nita at the courthouse said she had received the cemetery records in a cigarette carton and a blow dryer box from Albert Harp (Harp’s Grocery). Albert had been in charge of them for many years.

She valiantly had tried to put them on index cards, but did not remember the name Si Wilson, suggesting I go see Albert. Albert said the city had buried him in a pauper’s grave. I asked where in the cemetery and was told in a hollow and eventually dirt was added and more graves put over the top!

Susan Schaefer

Fence clearing shines up cemetery

Editor,

On behalf of the City Cemetery Commission and residents and travelers on Highway 62, I thank the First Christian Church of Eureka Springs Men’s Group for all the time and physical labor over the past few weeks that the group has put into clearing up the iron fencing along the cemetery’s highway boundary. Special thanks to Pastor Golaway for coming to the commission with the offer to help, and coordinating the work of the Men’s Group.

Because the tangle of brush, weeds, honeysuckle, and poison ivy (as some of you discovered first hand!) the fence had been mostly hidden and overlooked for many years. Your group revealed it to be not just an old overgrown fence that seemed to be falling down in places, but the stalwart and attractive guardian of the cemetery’s entrance and boundary that it was intended to be when it was first installed so long ago.

The Cemetery Commission would have been hard-pressed to pay for all the man hours of work your group contributed. That work would very probably have gone undone for some time to come.

There is the old saying that “you have to see it to appreciate it.” The FCC Men’s Group made it possible for people to see the cemetery fence and they certainly are appreciating it.

Bob Thomas

Applause right back at you

Editor,

Thanks to our entire community for enthusiastic support of the Five & Dime Drama Collective Spring Production. *Dance of Deceit*, by local playwright Tom Gorsuch, was performed on May 7 at The Auditorium with over 400 in attendance. Featured were local cast, musicians and artists who contributed their talents to this multimedia show, expertly directed by Larry Horn.

The City of Eureka Springs supported the production as part of the May Festival of the Arts. Many local businesses and individuals provided financial support and they are shown on our web site, along with great photos by Richard Quick. As we start planning our 2017 Fall Production, we are looking for people with an interest in theater to submit scripts, audition for roles, and participate in the management of the organization. We hope to hear from you!

Ann Hopkins & Tom Gorsuch

The nature of your image

Almost ten years ago in June of 2007, human evolution changed forever. The upright erect *Homo sapiens*, the species that is you, began to evolve to a new, but subtle morphological variation in which the human neck began to elongate and curve downward. This evolutionary adaptation includes a strengthening of muscles at the back of the neck in order to accommodate the human head tilting forward

at a 30° angle, on average 74 times a day for up to seven hours a day, to interact with a transformational advancement in human consciousness known as the iPhone (and soon to follow knock-offs). Since we touch our phone an average of 2,617 times a day, soon our fingertips will evolve the touch capabilities of ET himself.

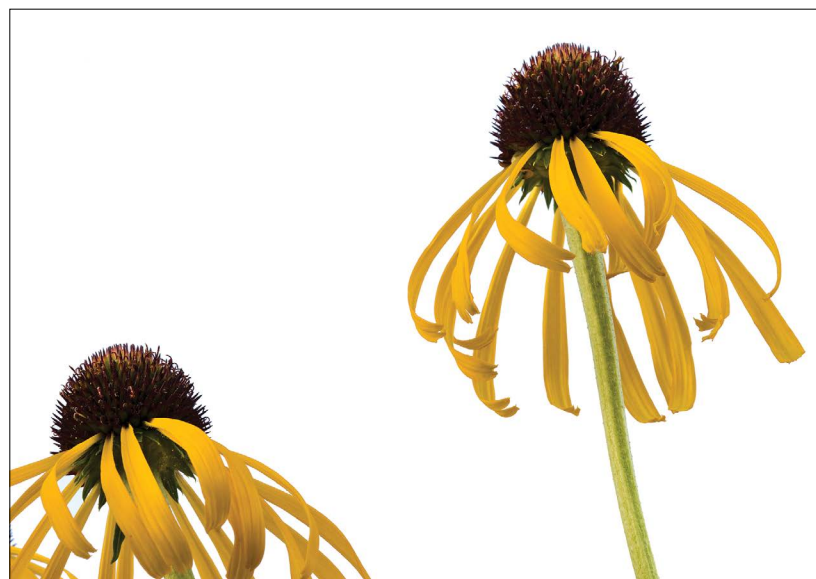
The year 2007 also marked the beginning of the end of my career as a professional botanical photographer, because starting in June of 2007, in a short time, my thousands of dollars of camera equipment was replaced by a camera on the phone in my pocket. Everyone became a photographer. I'm a creature of habit and tradition, so I continue to dutifully haul 25 lbs. or more of camera equipment on my back everywhere I go, on every hike. When I come upon something to photograph, I lay my heavy camera equipment on the ground, pull my iPhone from my pocket and take photographs or high quality movies clips.

Human evolution, being what it is, something unexpected happened. In a short period of time, millions more



people became interested in photography, and improving their photographs, moving up from the cell phone camera to the broader possibilities of a digital SLR camera, sitting on a tripod capturing the beauty of nature with high quality optical lenses. The ubiquitous phone camera actually stimulated much wider interest in traditional photography, increasing the quantity and quality of photography in general. This weekend I abandoned my iPhone and shot the accompanying photo of the Ozark endemic, yellow coneflower (*Echinacea paradoxa*) with my big 'ol camera on a tripod.

What goes around comes around. The same trend is seen in books. In 2016 digital books sales declined by 17%, while the sale of high quality books with tactile beauty increased. If you're really cool, you don't waste time with mp3 music files, you buy vinyl albums. This week what's coming around to Eureka Springs is the Mid-America Photography Symposium (May 19-21) with a fabulous lineup of photo seminars from international famous photographers. You'll see more people with tripods than iPhones on the streets this coming weekend. See: www.mapsym.org.



CONSTABLES continued from page 10

individual who had fallen off a rock wall downtown. Constables checked it out.

MAY 11

2:00 a.m. – Individuals causing an uproar downtown disappeared before constables arrived.

10:45 a.m. – Impending civil issue led to a physical altercation. One of the altercators left the scene.

12:20 p.m. – Tourist lodging asked for assistance removing a person from the premises. Constable arrested the individual for public intoxication.

1:14 p.m. – There was a two-vehicle accident on US 62 in the commercial area, and both drivers left the scene. Constable located one of them at a residence and arrested him for DWI.

10:25 p.m. – Alarm company alerted ESPD to an alarm at a business, but the constable found the building secure.

11:22 p.m. – Individual appeared passed out on a windowsill of a business downtown. He told the constable he was waiting for a ride.

MAY 12

12:01 a.m. – Motel staff reported two people sleeping in a truck in the parking lot. Responding constable learned they were waiting for an employer to pick them up.

7:29 a.m. – Constables arrested an individual for driving on a suspended driver's license.

Person was also subject of a warrant, but the warrant was not served due to being outside the traveling limit for that county.

12:30 p.m. – A student punched a door at the high school and left the property. Constables found the student and stood by until someone took custody.

1:01 p.m. – Someone stole yard items from a tourist lodging.

6:33 p.m. – Mother asked for assistance finding her daughter, who had left the residence depressed and upset saying she was going to drive off a cliff. All nearby authorities were alerted to watch for her.

7:54 p.m. – Staff at a motel reported a male urinated in front of a group of people in the parking lot. Constables searched for but did not encounter the suspect.

9:12 p.m. – Witness alerted ESPD to a very inebriated female. Constable found her at a liquor store and drove her home and advised her to stay there for the rest of the night.

9:17 p.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for driving on a suspended license and juvenile revocation. Passenger was arrested for public intoxication and obstructing governmental operations.

10:48 p.m. – Constable checked on a vehicle reportedly blocking a roadway but determined it was not.

MAY 13

1:18 a.m. – Guests at an inn were being

noisy. They told the constable they would cool it and go inside for the night.

3:39 a.m. – At another inn, another party continued until the manager intervened. Parties were inside by the time the constable arrived.

10:48 a.m. – Constable performed a welfare check and found the subject okay.

4:15 p.m. – Motel claimed guests were in the parking lot injecting drugs. They left and the constable made a traffic stop.

9:36 p.m. – Possibly intoxicated patron at a restaurant got a ride home.

11:07 p.m. – Constable responded to a motel for a report on stolen wedding gifts and cell phones.

11:27 p.m. – Motel staff asked for assistance with guests in the parking lot drinking and being loud. The constable arrived to find them headed toward their rooms.

MAY 14

12:18 a.m. – Resident near downtown claimed her dog was alerting her to someone outside. Constable looked around but did not find anybody.

12:28 a.m. – Individual was arrested for public intoxication and third degree domestic battery.

12:31 a.m. – A report regarding stolen wedding gifts was filed.

2:14 a.m. – Same person again reported her dog was barking at something outside.

Constable checked again and nothing going on nearby.

9:17 a.m. – Someone broke into a business south of town.

9:42 a.m. – Person cut himself on the arm and was bleeding. Constables eventually found him and his parents at ESH.

10:38 a.m. – Motorist reported a vehicle crossing the centerline several times. Constable located the vehicle and spoke with the occupants and determined they were not impaired.

12:22 p.m. – Observer called 911 regarding a vehicle that tried to run another vehicle off the road. Constables watched for but did not encounter the adverse vehicle.

3:51 p.m. – Caller told ESPD she was involved in a rolling domestic event headed west on US 62. Constables encountered the vehicle at a motel and arrested one person for fleeing and on a warrant out of Benton County.

5:46 p.m. – Witness claimed two cars were racing on Hwy. 23 South on their way toward town. Constable encountered them and they were driving safely at the time.

MAY 15

12:23 a.m. – Complaint came in about two females and one male yelling obscenities and being obnoxious downtown. Responding constable advised them to wander back to their hotel rooms and stay there.

As Above, So Below

The Sun and the planets shift about more than usual in the following days, which means more shifting about and activity on Earth. As the outer planets are contacted, we see signs of continued transformations in our world. Mercury and the Sun change signs this week. Mercury left risk-taking Aries and entered slow-moving Taurus (**Monday night**), sign of the Art of Living.

On **Saturday**, Sun leaves Taurus (comfort) and enters Gemini, sign of the messenger instructing humanity in communication.

Friday (possible difficult day) things get all shook up due to interactions between Saturn/Uranus, Mars/Pluto

and Venus/Jupiter. As above in the heavens, so below on Earth.

With Saturn trine Uranus (in fiery Sag & Aries), everything staid, unmovable, crystallized and locked into place is shocked into instability. Uranus doesn't allow the old ways to hinder the new ways from forming. Uranus disrupts everything, allowing new rhythms to take shape.

With Mars/Pluto (Gemini/Capricorn), the old world comes tumbling down with a fury! Nothing seems to work. Messages (Gemini) are lost in the rubble.

With Venus opposite Jupiter (Aries/Libra), something new "over there somewhere (opposite us)" appears. We can't

comprehend it, so we ignore or destroy it. But Venus/Jupiter is benevolent, kind and expansive. They bring awareness, love and wisdom to our relationships. Eventually, we allow ourselves to see what new is being introduced. Gradually, we accept and integrate it. We always learn through conflict and chaos.

With **Sun in Gemini** we are more communicative, friendly, sociable, interested and curious to learn about everyone and everything. We gather information and share it. We listen to Blake Shelton's music (Gemini Sun). And our hearts open. Why? Gemini distributes Ray 2 (Love/Wisdom) from a star in the Big Dipper.

ARIES: You may be dreaming more often, feeling more instinctive, sometimes confused, sensitive, inspired and insightful. Prayer, meditation, study, contemplation are good for you. They create compassion and a deeply caring way of being. When you find yourself in a group calling you to leadership to help create the future the needed skills, tools and virtues appear. The new world is what you are to initiate.

TAURUS: You have one task now – a focus upon health. Tend to joints and bones and your heart, taking more calcium/magnesium, not allowing anxiety or stress, eating calming foods. Swimming in warm salt pools is recommended. Use practicality to care for yourself. You must choose daily – to be out and about socially, leading everyone into the future, or remaining at home, in the garden building toward perfect health. Begin each day facing the early morning Sun. Eyes wide open.

GEMINI: Something revelatory happens between you and the world, you and work, and you and certain groups. You're inspired, encouraged and guided. With careful study, years of preparation, and viewing the past in terms of cultivating your gifts, a spiritual pathway opens. Choices and commitments are more easily made, and gratitude settles

in your heart. The next festival is the Gemini festival of Goodwill. Plan to participate.

CANCER: What have you been sensing, feeling and thinking of during these spring festivals? Do you feel you're being introduced to new qualities within yourself, a new identity emerging? Do these days make you feel generous and at home? Is there a new reality or interest presenting itself? You want to participate fully. But you know it's not quite the right timing. Are you gardening, *redecorating*, expanding your foundation? Love is close by.

LEO: You're becoming more perceptive, intuitive and enlightened and this affects those you work with. Someone, something (words, ideas, memories of someone in particular) will create a shift into greater and deeper awareness of how you have related in previous relationships. Your mind sorts through ideas of intimacy, money, sadness sometimes, and old dreams. Love is good, all the time, even when it

hurts, which means you're learning.

VIRGO: You will relate better with others, especially those close to you, if you offer love as unqualified and unconditional. This is something many of us need yet to learn. We don't quite know how to love. But when we do so, we flourish and thrive and discover greater support and the needed guidance. Challenging others doesn't work. Curiosity, listening, care and compassion do. They nourish all hearts.

LIBRA: Think, visualize and pray daily for all that you want and need your life to be. Include art, creativity and loving relationships and partnerships. If you're not sure of your needs, ask yourself each day, "What are my hopes, dreams and wishes? What are my abilities and gifts?" In the coming months, you become stronger, more resilient. Take cautionary care with money and resources. You need fishes in a fish bowl and an apricot canary.

SCORPIO: Use your resources and investments in terms of preparing for the future. Find a forward-thinking money manager. Think seriously about a new economy needing to unfold. It will look much different than our present one. Don't speculate in the old economy. Consider precious metals. Study books on greenhouses and bio-shelters and the resources needed to create these environments. You then become forward thinking.

SAGITTARIUS: The planets are affecting your sense of self, your identity, your money, your family, home situation, creativity and possibilities in terms of relationships, partnerships, and for some, marriage. So many different realities pulsing about. Something kind and benevolent, something

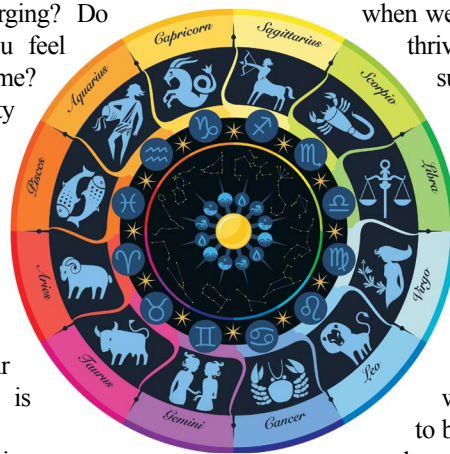
sacrificial and sad is remembered in your family. Are relatives and loved ones on your mind? Your remembering creates the needed relinquishment.

CAPRICORN: You're thinking optimistically about doing something new about who you are in the world, your talents and gifts. You want to bring more grace, goodness, ease and beauty to your life and the life of humanity. You recognize everyone's doing their very best, especially you, and you're asking for more opportunities in the world. Begin writing (journaling) in earnest and even drawing how you want to serve the world. This is your next creative endeavor.

AQUARIUS: Money and resources are going through a definite change. You want adequate money in order to stabilize yourself in the future. This means more attention to the well-being of your finances. Don't forget to always help others. When we serve others, our needs are always taken care of. The charts show a focus on home, past, present and future. Follow what calls to you. It loves you.

PISCES: Neptune in Pisces brings forth revelations and visions and, at times, confusion. Neptune blends many realities into one reality and specifics dissolve away. Be aware and observe this occurring. Neptune is not the planet of detail. It's the planet of refinement, of parting the veils, of creative imagination and realms where dreams come true. Neptune transits can make us experience exhaustion. Magnesium, Vitamins A, B & D₃ help stabilize the body. Tend carefully to health in these times.

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2. hodgepodge. 3. a medley or potpourri.

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said. "I feel our state representatives didn't understand the harm that fluoride causes when they voted for the mandate in 2011."

Two water districts in Arkansas have refused to fluoridate, and are involved in lawsuits with the Arkansas Department of Health. The Ozark Mountain Regional Public Water Authority and the Madison County Regional Water District have opposed fluoridation based on concerns not just about human health effects, but that fluoridation chemicals are so corrosive they can reduce the life of the water delivery system by 40 percent while increasing lead leaching from old pipes.

"All of these lawsuits add up," Burlsworth said. "It just proves to me you can go at this more than one way with a lawsuit. Any which way you turn it, wrong is

wrong, and harmful is harmful."

Dr. Sandra Young, a Secure Arkansas consultant who has lobbied to remove the fluoride mandate, said it is frustrating the Arkansas Department of Health and state legislators have not read, or have discounted, scientific studies showing harm from fluoridation chemicals. She lauded FAN's lawsuit as hope for finally allowing science to prevail.

"This will allow the courts to look at the science independently and not be influenced by politics," Young said. "People can access the studies that FAN used in their petition to the EPA to educate themselves. I feel that eventually we will prevail."

Fluoride does not normally occur in our bodies.

"It is harmful," Young said. "It is the most active of all elements, never occurring alone, but always

combined with another element. It causes diseases that use up most of our health-care dollars. Fluoride increases the rate of cancer. In point of fact, fluorine causes more human cancer death, and causes it faster, than any other chemical, according to Dean Burk, Ph.D. former head of the National Cancer Institute's cytochemistry section, chief chemist emeritus at the U.S. National Institute."

Young said fluoride has been epidemiologically associated with both Parkinson's and Alzheimer's disease. The U.S. has the second highest death rate from Alzheimer's out of 172 countries, and Americans consume more fluoridation chemicals than the rest of the world combined, according to FAN. The U.S. ranks fourth out of 172 countries for rates of death from Parkinson's disease.

Party in the Park with Rotary

The Holiday Island Rotary has announced the 6th annual Party in the Park will be held from 4 – 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 27, at Veterans Memorial Park in Holiday Island. Pulled pork sandwiches, baked beans, cole slaw and drinks will be served beginning at 5 p.m. with entertainment provided by the Lost Bridge Trio.

Net proceeds will go to support the Rotary Club's community activities. Tickets are \$9 per person and may be obtained from Holiday Island Rotary members, the Holiday Island branch of Cornerstone Bank and at the event.

River cleanup first Saturday of June

The Kings River Watershed Partnership will hold its 12th annual river cleanup on June 3. Meet at the Grandview Bridge on Hwy. 143 at 8 a.m. to join in. Bring your boat and a sack lunch. Cleanup will be followed by a cookout with live music and door prizes. For more information go to kingsriverwatershed.org or call Ray at (870) 654-4134.

Meditation through movement

Dances of Universal Peace will be held at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 17 Elk St. at 7 p.m. on Friday, May 19. The Dances are simple moving meditations that involve the singing of sacred phrases with accompanying movements from the world's many spiritual traditions. Participation is free. Contact Rebecca Babbs at (479) 253-8303 or email babbsrebecca@gmail.com for more information.

Pete the Cat is back again for Books in Bloom

Iris at the Basin Park is going to be sharing Pete the Cat with Books in Bloom again this year. James Dean, the creator of the eclectic cat, Pete, will be in the gallery Saturday afternoon from 1 – 4 p.m. to greet fans of his art and books. His newest book, *Pete the Cat and the Cool Cat Boogie* has just been published and copies will be available for him to sign. On Sunday afternoon, James will be at the 1886 Crescent Hotel as a featured artist for the annual Books in Bloom.

Blue Skies Book Study June 6

The next Blue Skies Book Study will take place on Tuesday, June 6 from 5 – 6:30 p.m. at St. James Episcopal Church. Selection is *Gospel Memories – The Future Can Rewrite Our Past* by Jake Owensby.

Told as a series of wonderful short stories, the book illustrates how one can view their past with a different and positive perspective. Copies of the book are available through Amazon, and at least one copy will be available at the Carnegie Library. Dr. Dennis Campbell will lead the discussion in the Undercroft at 28 Prospect. All are welcome.

DEPARTURES

Thomas Charles Stacks July 14, 1952 – May 8, 2017

Thomas Stacks was born July 14, 1952 in Chicago, Illinois. He spent much of his childhood overseas, as his father's military career continued. The family moved to Lawton, Okla., in 1963, and Thomas graduated from Eisenhower High School in Lawton in 1970. He attended Oklahoma State University, where he earned his Bachelor's and Masters degrees in Psychology. He served in the Air Force from April 1975 to October 1976, when he received an honorable medical discharge. He managed the Geriatric Psych ward at Washington Regional Hospital in Fayetteville, Ark., for a few years.

Thomas later established a private family counseling practice in Oklahoma City, helping low income families and children. In 1997, he and a partner ran a clinic for needy school children in conjunction with OU Children's Hospital in OKC.

In 2011, Thomas moved to Holiday Island, Ark.

While there, he had a private practice for the Eureka Springs area.

He also enjoyed his part-time employment at the Crescent and the Basin Park Hotels, leading ghost tours and telling fireside tales as Major Tom.



He was an avid reader, reading two or three books a week. His favorite authors were Tom Robbins, Hunter S. Thompson, and Carlos Castaneda. He loved listening to music, marching in or driving his Jeep in Eureka parades, talking philosophy, religion and often politics. He was proud of his beloved daughters and adored his grandchildren, who called him Poppy. Driving in his Jeep through the Arkansas hills and valleys was pure joy to Thomas.

Throwing horseshoes with the Kansas Street guys was something he looked forward to. His recreational activities included canoeing on the Illinois River, camping out, and traveling. He went skydiving once and

participated in the Women's March in Denver this year.

Thomas loved being around people and helping people, from children to senior citizens, but he also enjoyed quiet and solitude in his mix of life activities. He will be missed, and he will also remain with us.

Row, row, row your boat... life is but a dream.

GO POKES!

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lt. Col. Robert Stacks and Jean Stacks. He is survived by his daughters, Skyler Catania and husband, Todd, and Chelsea Baker and husband, Tarren, of Edmond, Okla., grandchildren Cruz Catania, Presley Catania, and Bennett Baker of Edmond; brothers Bob and Michael, sister Terry, all from the Kansas City area, ex-wife Vicki of Edmond; many cousins, nieces and nephews, and The Chelsea's Family in Eureka Springs.

His body has been cremated, and his spirit soars! There will be a memorial celebration at Chelsea's Pub in Eureka Springs on May 21 from 1 – 4 pm. Memorial donations should be made to any movement working toward the early removal of 45 from office.

Charlotte Ann Solleder June 19, 1935 – May 6, 2017



Charlotte Ann Solleder of Holiday Island, Ark., was born June 19, 1935 in Chicago, Illinois, the daughter of Albert and Ann (Riscica) Livesay. She departed this life Saturday, May 6, 2017, in Bentonville, Ark. at age 81.

Charlotte was a member of the Holiday Island Community Church and played the bells at her church. She loved spending time with her friends and family.

On July 24, 1954, she was united in

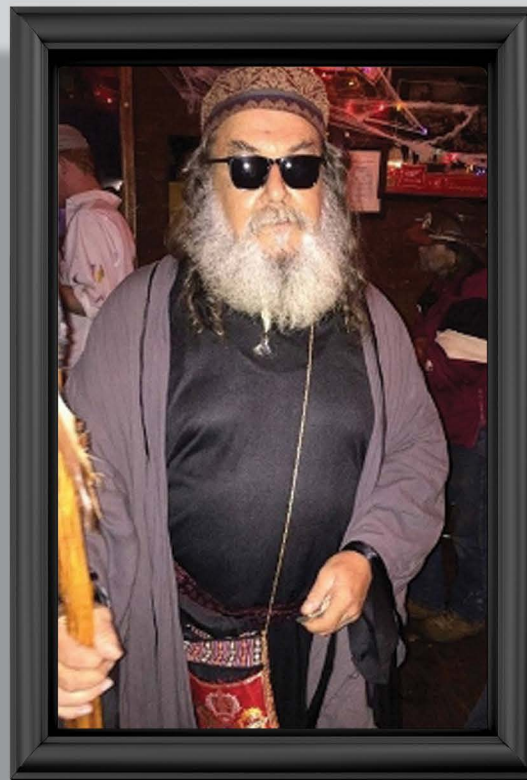
marriage to Howard Solleder who survives her. She is also survived by her daughter, Cheryl Olson and husband, John, of Hudson, Wisc.; one grandson, Howard Olson of Hudson, Wisc.; nephews and nieces, Tom Eskola, Fred and Sue Solleder; niece, Elizabeth Nack; great nephews and nieces; Fred Solleder; William and Shea Solleder; Jennifer and Zack Dryden, and Mark and Laura Nack; great-great nephews and nieces, Elizabeth and Luna Mae Solleder; Tyler

and Charli Nack; Ocean and Jasper Dryden; many friends and loved ones.

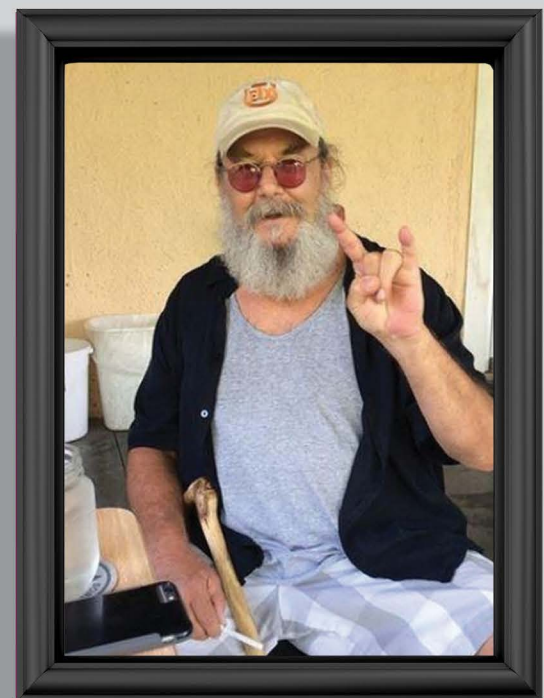
She is preceded in death by her parents and grandparents.

Memorial service will be at 2:15 p.m., Sunday May 28, 2017 at the Holiday Island Community Church. Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service and online condolences may be sent to the family at nelsonfuneral.com. © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2017

Thomas Charles Stacks



July 14, 1952 -
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Arkansauce. brushes songs at Chelsea's Friday; music in Basin Park Saturday night

Arkansauce is a group of professional string musicians from Fayetteville whose songwriting is concise and with tasteful jams, always serving the song. They return to Chelsea's Friday with songs about Levon Helm and Madison County Sheriff Ralph Baker, among other local institutions. Saturday Grady Nichols brings his smooth jazz saxophone to Basin Park on Saturday early evening as part of the 3rd Saturday Music Series.

THURSDAY, MAY 18

BALCONY RESTAURANT – *Maureen Alexander*, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.

BREWS – *Art Deco Band*, Americana, 6 – 8 p.m.

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *George Brothers*, Rock, 6 p.m.

GRAND TAVERNE – *Jerry Yester*, Grand Piano Dinner Music, 6:30 p.m.

LEGENDS SALOON – *Another Turn*, Rock, 9 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 19

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

BREWS – *The Lark and the Loon*, Folk,

7 – 10 p.m.

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Jesse Dean*, Rock, 8 p.m.

CHELSEA'S – *Arkansauce*, Americana, 9:30 p.m.

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

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

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

ROWDY BEAVER – *2 Dog 2 Karaoke*, 7 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Terri and Brett*, Rock, 9 p.m.

THE STONE HOUSE – *Jerry Yester*, Artist's Choices, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 20

BALCONY RESTAURANT – *Jeff Lee*, Folk, 12 and 6 p.m.

BASIN PARK – *Grady Nichols*, Jazz, 5 – 7 p.m.

BREWS – *Dane Arnold*, Singer/Songwriter, 7 – 10 p.m.

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

CHELSEA'S – *Rozenbridge*, Americana, 9:30 p.m.

GRAND TAVERNE – *Jerry Yester*, Grand Piano Dinner Music, 6:30 p.m.

LE STICK – *Pete Maiella*, Singer/Songwriter, 7 – 9 p.m.

NEW DELHI – *Cori Jay*, Singer/



Arkansauce. plays Chelsea's Friday, May 19.

Songwriter, 6 – 10 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER – *Terri and the Executives*, Rock, 7 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Terri and Brett*, Rock, 1 – 5 p.m., *Blew Reed and the Flatheads*, Blues/Rock, 9 p.m.

STONE HOUSE – *Buffalo Gals*, Americana, 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 21

BALCONY RESTAURANT – *Catherine Reed*, Singer/Songwriter, 12 and 5 p.m.

BREWS – *Trivia*, 7 p.m.

NEW DELHI – *Whiskey Menders*, Americana, 12 – 4 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Terri and Brett*, Rock, 1 – 5 p.m.

MONDAY, MAY 22

BREWS – *Gypsy Jam*, Folk, 6 – 8 p.m.

CHELSEA'S – *Sprungbilly*, Bluegrass, 8 p.m.

OSCAR'S – *Buffalo Gals*, Americana, 5:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 23

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Los Roscoes*, Blues, 5 p.m.

CHELSEA'S – *Open Mic*, 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Jimmy Wayne Garrett*, Singer/Songwriter, 6 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Karaoke with Stan*, 8 p.m.

Annual Blues Weekend at TCWR

Eureka Springs Blues Weekend and Turpentine Creek Wildlife Refuge will host seasoned award winning blues artists and blues newcomers with events hosted in Eureka Springs June 15-18 and at TCWR on June 17 and 18.

June 18 is also the Turpentine Creek's annual membership meeting and Father's Day picnic. All are invited to join in on the Father's Day Picnic but only card-carrying members can participate in the membership meeting and events. The membership meeting starts at noon and the Father's Day Picnic is from 1 – 5 p.m.

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Part 2 Current lures

On the top right you have my favorite, the white rooster tail next to the chrome kastmaster spoon. These are both good for small baits with some weight to get distance. Bring in at a good speed giving the kastmaster little twitches. The rooster tail is one you have to hold low reeling in fast enough that you can feel the blade spinning.

Bottom right leads us to trolling light tackle on 6 – 10 lb. line, and back to the smaller baits being best for crappie and trout. Most of any of these with a lip over an inch will get you down to 11 ft. or more when trolling with 70 – 120 ft. of line out. Run two back rods high out the furthest, with the shallower running baits and two rods lower in front that run deeper so they are in front and below the back baits. Don’t turn too sharp and you should be ok.

Now to the fishing this last week with all this high water and mud that has kept most fishermen and women in ‘til the trash gets out of the way.

Crappie are having a good spawn in shoreline brush. Problem is what brush to fish, it’s everywhere.

We took our Holiday Island trip to Lake Leatherwood this week, which was not as muddy, but pretty stained and the reason this report is about artificial baits. We caught no fish on minnows. Then we went to trolling small crankbaits and caught crappie and small bass about 11 ft. deep. A little noise and comets they can see is what it took.

On Beaver Lake the cleanest water is now from the dam to Rocky Branch. Stripers are now just getting settled in to this end again, so no more drives to Rogers. We will be putting in from the dam now until October. By next weekend Beaver and Table Rock will drop more, along with the mud clearing out more as they move it towards Bull Shoals, which is still below flood level, and our holding lake slowly moving it towards the Mississippi. These fish will be more adapted to this change, along with us. Good luck.

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manual, which included a few slight changes recommended by the Arkansas School Board Associations. The board approved the manual.

- The board also approved the Special Education Assurances and Agreements which states the district will spend designated funds as they are intended.
 - The classified salary schedule for the next school year was approved.
 - Following the executive session, board members accepted the resignations of Chris Holt (aide) and Robert Belzung (bus driver). They approved hiring Jason McAfee (agriculture teacher), Daniel Behrman (middle school math teacher), Shawna Miller (high school science teacher), Angela Lemme (cafeteria staff), Susan Williams (part-time special education secretary), and Bill Parton (custodian).
- Next meeting will be Tuesday, June 13, at 5:30 p.m.

INDEPENDENTCrossword

by Mike Boian with extensive help from his wife, Ann Solution on page 27

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- ACROSS
1. Spirit that haunts houses

7. Rascal; rogue

12. First game of the season

13. Of wretched quality; poor

14. Take back

15. Electrical current rate

16. Besides

17. Ointment

19. Find the sum

20. Common prefix for “do well” individual

22. Month of VE Day

23. Coffee remnant

24. Shrouded

26. Cell of trained and devoted workers

27. Ermine, sable or mink

28. Hawaiian dish

29. Hooligan

32. Hunting hound

35. Problems

36. Moral violation

37. Deviates temporarily from a straight course

39. New Year in Vietnam

40. Horse’s training rope

42. Small swallow

43. Author of *The Armies of the Night*

45. Violent seizure of another’s property

47. Maximum possible

48. To gain satisfaction for an insult

49. “Please take your _____”

50. Sparse

10. Illegal taking of a human life

11. Promise

13. Rough ocean

18. Boy

21. Huck Finn’s fleet

23. Loves me, loves me not flower

25. Poison buildup in a wound

26. Romaine

28. Sentence with all letters of the alphabet

29. Certain type of test

30. Fatty acid ester

31. British supercar

32. Container

33. Slowly settling in

34. Momentary, sharp pain

36. Separate laundry

38. Hitler’s production manager

40. Smaller amount

41. Part of a roofline

44. House building spot

46. Cause of distress for a princess
- DOWN
1. Sacred text of Islam

2. What a shopkeeper or Broadway play did

3. Weekend experience likely forgotten

4. Singular

5. Sign of strength in a wine

6. One who imagines unusual things

7. Less than all

8. Edible mushroom

9. Southern adjective

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HKP – Heard some news on Sunday. You know of what I speak. No consultation? No request for advice? No one asked if I'd like to go. I suppose you'll do a quick drive-by drop off. I'll be wating at the end of the drive.

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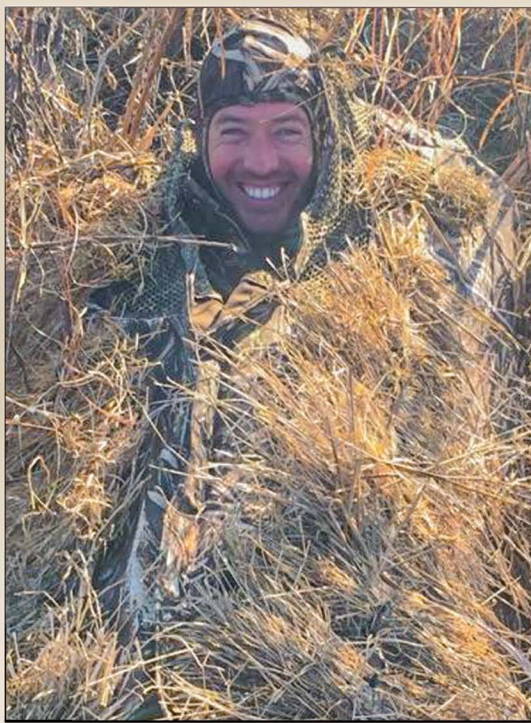
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Maloney said the videos were filmed by Sandy Martin of the Arts Council, and he plans to produce about 20 during the remainder of the year. He said anyone can apply on capc.biz to be featured in a video, and anyone can submit a video for review. He also mentioned the predominant theme in bicycling ads was to show someone cycling through the woods, so he and his team tried a contrasting approach, and magazines liked them because they were different.

RVs, classic cars cruising in
Sales Director Karen Pryor told commissioners 50 RVs are in town from the Red River RV Club, and the Teton Club International will be bringing in 50-60 more soon. At least 20 antique cars, members of the Lambda Car Club, will be cruising in from Missouri, Louisiana and Texas. Also, a small group of motorcyclists will roll into town toward the end of the month. Pryor will be hosting a group of tour leaders, mostly from Kansas, in August. Pryor said she could not attend a recent Missouri Bank Travel Show, but because of her solid connection with the organizers she still got 32 leads that were disseminated around town.

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may rival his own. *Califia’s Daughters* (a paperback original under the pen name Leigh Richards) is a post-apocalyptic sort of tale set in a near future where women rule and men are fragile. King has also collaborated on nonfiction works including *Crime & Thriller Writing* and *The Grand Game* as well as several short story anthologies. Her work, however never really abandons her academic background. “Many of the stories incorporate theological ideas or religious persons, such as the cop who is confronted by a holy fool, or Mary Russell encountering a modern-day mystic. Theological ideas allow me to explore deeper issues that wrap around the central crime, and to make the people real,” King noted. With such an ardent following for the series, it’s inevitable King would deal with some strong opinions from fans who closely follow her characters. “Any long-running series develops a life of its own, with fans for whom the characters are considerably more real than the mere author,” King said. “It’s common to find push-back when it comes to some event in the book, with readers objecting that ‘[a character] wouldn’t do that.’” King said her favorite book is always the next one; and as for which was the hardest to write, she confessed that “they all go through tough bits.” “The one that’s taken me the longest, from its beginnings to actual publication, is the upcoming *Lockdown*, a novel built around a series of short stories that stretch back to the late nineties. Each of those stories is about a person who appears in the novel, explaining what has brought them to this middle school on this particular day. I really love this book, and although I suppose in a way the lengthy writing process means it was ‘difficult,’ it was also a joy to see it come to life before me.” *Lockdown*, coming out June 13, is set in a present day California central coast middle school. There is threat, as the title indicates, but it’s also an exploration of community and strength, and how the most unlikely of individuals fit together to make a whole. Books in Bloom is a free event presented by the Carroll and Madison Public Library Foundation on Sunday, May 21, from 12 – 5 p.m. at the Crescent Hotel. See www.booksinbloom.org for complete author bios and speakers’ schedule.



Say not in grief "he is no more" but live in thankfulness "that he was."

We wish to extend our sincere thanks for your many kindnesses, and for the condolences and support we have received. We will never be able to express our appreciation for the community that has wrapped their arms around us in this time of need.

Thank you to everyone who donated, brought us meals, prayed for us, hugged us, the list goes on and on.

We thank Bobby Rea Thurman and his excellent staff at Nelson's Funeral Services who took care of us like family and made this terrible process bearable. Special thanks to Latigo Treuer and everyone who was involved in the Friends With Benefits fundraiser, you all are amazing! This community is built by and on love from people like you.

Christopher loved this town. We are truly blessed to call Eureka Springs our home!

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