

### This week's Independent thinker

We're all familiar with lost dogs, frantic owners

distributing posters, and crossing our fingers that Bowser gets found.

In Seattle, though, two-yearold Eclipse, a black Lab, got tired of waiting for her owner to take her to the dog park. So she



got on the city bus they usually rode together, by herself. Since that day, her owner, Jeff Young, can take all the time he wants to brush his teeth or tie his shoes. Eclipse simply leaves the house, gets on the bus and rides to the dog park where she gets off and waits for him to show up.

Eclipse is travel savvy, licking up tempting spots on the bus floor, getting comfy in her own seat and turning her head as she watches out the window for her stop.

This story leaves us happy, perplexed, proud and kinda jealous.

Photo from King County Dept. of Transportation

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**PJs? Check. Pillow? Check. Blanket? Check.** – Seventeen kids gathered at the library on the night of June 24 with the purpose of not sleeping until breakfast time of June 25. The kids got to enjoy spending the night inside the Eureka Springs Carnegie Library taking part of the hijinks of the Library Lock-in, which is a staple of the library's summer reading program. Pictured are some of the jazzed up kids as they take part in icebreaker activities at the beginning of the night.

Photo by Jeremiah Alvarado

## Former Eureka resident sounded alarm about loss of Obamacare

#### **BECKY GILLETTE**

Jeff Jeans, who is active in politics and was a candidate for mayor when he lived in Eureka Springs, has become a living symbol of the harm that could be done if Republicans overturn the Affordable Care Act, also known as Obamacare, including the provisions that people with pre-existing conditions can receive health insurance coverage.

Jeans, who moved to Sedona, Ariz., seven years ago, came under the national spotlight for pressing to retain the health insurance he believes saved his life after he was diagnosed with stage four vocal cancer five years ago. After being interviewed for an article in the *Huffington Post*, he was flown to Washington D.C. for a CNN town hall meeting with Rep. Paul Ryan, the House Majority leader who is leading efforts in the House to repeal Obamacare.

"A Sedona small-business owner's appearance at a CNN town hall Thursday night is going viral after he told House Speaker Paul Ryan that he was a lifelong Republican until the Affordable Care Act saved his life," said an article in *The Arizona Republic* Jan. 13.

"I am not trying to promote myself personally, but

am sharing my story so the millions of people with preexisting conditions will have a voice even though I lost my normal voice with my cancer," Jeans was said in *The Arizona Republic*.

Coverage of that event propelled Jeans into the public eye. Articles about losing his health coverage have been published in *New York Times*, the *L.A. Times*, *Mother Jones*, *Business Insider*, *Salon*, *Rolling Stone* and numerous television outlets, including CNN and MSNBC. It was one of the top news stories in the country for two days last January, but is even more appropriated now.

"It has been an unbelievable experience," Jeans said. "This is something I would have never have dreamed would snowball like it did."

One reason why the story was so compelling is that Jeans used to campaign for Republicans including Reagan and Bush. He had a Libertarian philosophy and believed private businesses were best suited to deliver healthcare and healthcare insurance. Then he was diagnosed with advanced vocal cord cancer.

"I assumed if you got cancer, they would treat you and you could pay cash," Jeans said. "But that is not true. **OBAMACARE** continued on page 2

### Happy Independence Day and Happy Independent's Day

#### **OBAMACARE** continued from page 1

We offered to pay for the treatments, which were about \$30,000. We offered cash and they wouldn't take it. They would not treat me without an insurance card. I had always been insured, although we found out it was a junk policy, until I took a job. There was a glitch in my benefits and I fell through the cracks and was uninsured. I got the lifesaving insurance through the Affordable Care Act. Obamacare saved my life."

Jeans said before Obamacare, half of people with no insurance were people who owned small businesses.

"These were not people who didn't want to work," he said. "That is such a misconception. Many of these people are the working poor, people that work two or more part-time jobs and small business owners who work more than sixty hours a week. It breaks your heart. Now I've been through all these expensive cancer treatments, I look back at all those friends in Eureka Springs who died or almost died because they didn't have health insurance. It is so sad."

Jeans has started the Facebook page, Obamacare Saved My Life, and continues to be active advocating saving Obamacare. The health care advocacy work he has done is something he would never have

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"It was something that didn't even cross my mind," Jeans said. "But now it takes up so much of my time, it is almost a full-time job. I have met so many cool people that have told me their stories. I had breakfast with Representative O'Halleron. I met with Paul Ryan's and Bernie Sanders' healthcare staff for over an hour. I have become close friends with some of these people like me who have pre-existing conditions. Losing healthcare coverage could cost us our lives. They are beside themselves with worry. Taking away healthcare would be a death sentence for so many people. I just can't believe in America they would take healthcare away from people. That just blows my mind."

Overturning The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act would hurt average, everyday Americans, Jeans said.

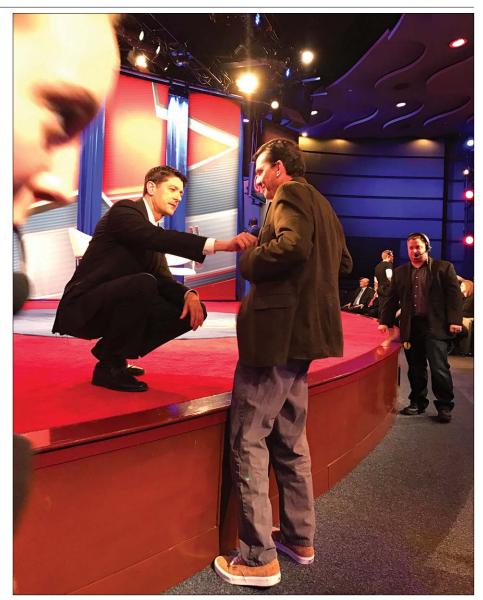
"A lot of our friends have children with congenital heart defects," Jeans said. "If you repeal the Affordable Care Act, these kids are going to die. How can that be happening in America? It is very sad. I'm definitely not a Libertarian any more, but I do think a lot of Republican leaning people identify with me. They look at me and say, 'I could be that guy'."

For people who suggest that people without health insurance could just go to the emergency rooms for treatment, Jeans points out that you can't get treated for cancer or have a triple bypass heart surgery in the emergency room.

"Some people think doctors take an oath that they have to treat you," he said. "That is so wrong. People think they will let you pay overtime. That is wrong, too."

Facing death as a result of the cancer, and then facing the problems with getting healthcare treatment, has made Jeans into a different person.

"I'm a completely different person than I used to be," Jeans said. "My outlook on life is totally different. I love life and



**Did you get that jacket at the Dog Shop?** – Rep. Paul Ryan seems to admire Jeff Jeans's jacket at a CNN town hall in January. The story is even more compelling now that Republicans are vowing to gut the Affordable Care Act, and Ryan said Tuesday that "Americans won't be pushed off affordable care, they'll simply choose not to buy it."

take care of myself. No more vices and I am a vegetarian. I'm much healthier than I used to be. I spend a lot of time advocating for health care. For example, I just wrote an article for the *New York Daily News*."

He has also become interested in alternative medicines for cancer treatment.

"CBD oil is amazing," Jeans said. "We have older dogs and one kept getting skin cancer. We put CBD oil on it and the cancer disappeared, like magic."



## City financial numbers get hopeful spin

#### NICKY BOYETTE

City council met for a workshop on the city budget Monday before the regular meeting, and alderman Terry McClung kept going over possible interpretations of budget numbers to gauge how the year was playing out financially for the city. Eventually he commented, "We're way short."

Mayor Butch Berry pointed out the rainy month of May affected tax revenue negatively, but the city will soon see money from the sewer rate increase.

"Seems like we're turning the corner on revenues," Finance Director Lonnie Clark said. Berry acknowledged department heads for keeping expenses in line, and said the new accounting software has made them more involved in the overall process on a month-to-month basis.

Clark told council as much as \$100,000 was due

### Community Center HAPPENINGS

The Farmers' Market is open at the Community Center every Tuesday and Thursday morning and the parking lot has been re-striped and looks great! from Medicare, which would go toward payment on an ambulance, but disbursement has been held up. However, on a high note, Mitchell reported billing and collecting for the Fire Department is looking far better than in past years.

Clark suggested alderman look toward late July or early August for a mid-year budget review where yet."

alderman can make necessary adjustments.

Berry saw the addition of the sewer rate increase and the Infrastructure Improvement charge to city revenue as a balancing factor, and said he expected budget numbers to improve for the rest of the year and beyond.

Final comment from Berry was, "Don't be worried yet."

## Council asked to rectify parking quandary

#### NICKY BOYETTE

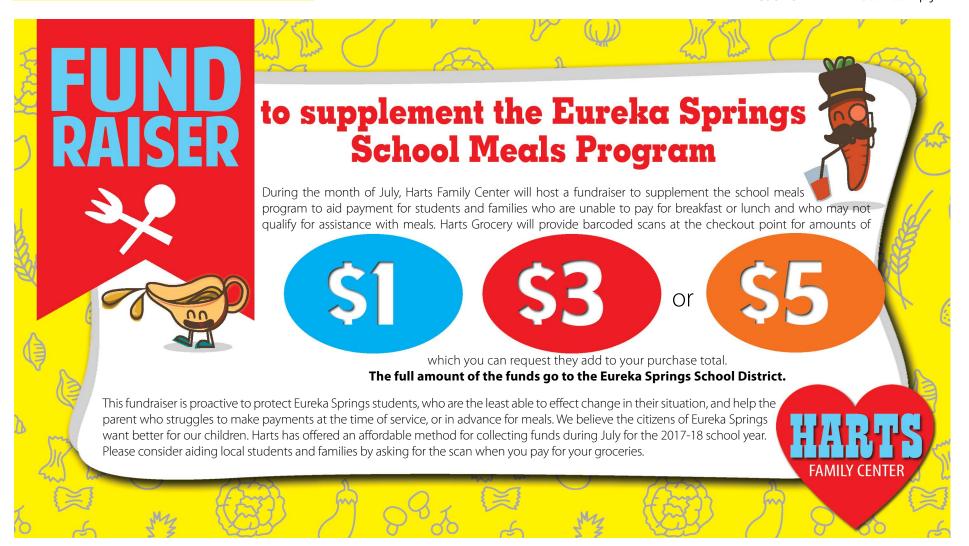
Linda McBride brought a different parking dilemma to council on June 26. She has lived at 264 Spring St. for 24 years, and parking has always been at a premium. She said in the past the neighbors had been able to work together and she was able to park fairly near her home. Dynamics have changed, and for the first time neighbors are not working together anymore which means often there is nowhere to park near her home.

She said one home nearby has five vehicles all are parked on the street. Vacation rentals like Airbnb are showing up, so there go more spaces. A nearby tourist lodging added another unit but without any additional parking, so there is another competitor, and some homes have no parking to begin with.

"You're gonna have to find a way so that those of who do not have parking on our property have a place to park," she told council. She said there are times there is no parking available in her neighborhood at all.

McBride did offer possible solutions, one which would be to stripe parking spots. Then if a household camps two vehicles in three spaces, they can be cited. Another solution would be to consider if three trolley stops are really needed in that area, or if the trolley spaces could be available after 8 p.m. "Y'all are gonna have to find a permanent solution to this," she said.

McBride said Fayetteville neighborhoods near COUNCIL – PARKING continued on page 21



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## Alderman questions adherence to RRO

#### ΝΙCKY ΒΟΥΕΤΤΕ

The agenda for the Eureka Springs City Council meeting Monday evening started as always with a call to order, roll call, pledge of allegiance and agenda approval, followed by approval of the previous meeting's minutes. It was that fifth item where the meeting hit its first snag.

Alderman Kristi Kendrick said she objected to the way the June 12 minutes had been written because they were counter to Robert's Rules of Order, which states that minutes are to indicate what was done, not what was said. She cited specific examples to illustrate her point and distributed copies of the minutes she amended according to her reading of RRO. She moved to defer approving the minutes until City Clerk/Treasurer Ann Armstrong had reviewed her version. Vote on the motion was 3-2, aldermen Bob Thomas and Mickey Schneider voting No. Mayor Butch Berry abstained, and since the motion needed four votes, it failed.

Kendrick then moved to amend the minutes according to the changes she had made. City Attorney Tim Weaver said Kendrick needed to tell council what the changes were, but Kendrick disagreed, again citing Robert's Rules of Order, that she had provided her motion in writing and did not need to read it out loud. Weaver insisted Kendrick was not giving aldermen and council viewers enough time to read what she had provided.

Alderman Terry McClung commented by looking at Kendrick's version, he "would not have a clue what we had talked about." Alderman Mickey Schneider added the whole matter was superfluous and not being handled appropriately.

Alderman David Mitchell moved to table discussion and look at it another time, and Kendrick seconded. Schneider commented the whole amendment process had been a waste of their time, but vote on Mitchell's motion was 3-2, Schneider and Thomas voting No. Berry voted Yes, so the motion to defer passed and will be brought to the table later.

## Council votes to expand C-3 zone

NICKY BOYETTE

The proposed ordinance to rezone 38 Prospect from R-1 to C-3 was on the council table Monday, and Planning Chair Melissa Greene said there was new information to add to the mix. The neighbors at 40 Prospect, the only other non-C-3 property in the vicinity, had originally not wanted to be rezoned because of a possible increase in insurance, but alderman Terry McClung had checked and determined there would be no increase for 40 Prospect, so the owners were amenable with being rezoned.

Council wrangled over whether to handle one and then the other, or both together. Alderman Kristi Kendrick asked if council wanted to include 40 Prospect in the ordinance, would the property owners have to go through the entire process of rezoning, which included notifying nearby neighbors and waiting 30 days.

From the outset, McClung commented it would be a cleaner deal if council dealt with both properties in the same ordinance, and he moved to rezone both 38 and 40 Prospect as C-3.

Byron McKimmey, owner of 38 Prospect, said he and his wife had done everything they had been asked to do, and he preferred to get his application approved and council could then take care

of the other property.

City Attorney Weaver pointed out that to accomplish McClung's motion, the applicant at 40 Prospect would still need to notify nearby neighbors. He also stated it would be better to take care of both properties at one time, so aldermen voted to recodify both properties in one ordinance which Weaver would have to redraft.

## Taking a stroll through history

The Eureka Springs Historical Museum's 2<sup>nd</sup> annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Birthday Stroll will be this Saturday and Sunday, July 1 and 2 from 5 - 8 p.m. Start at the Eureka Springs Community Center site and walk on Kingshighway to Vestal Cottage at 12 Summit Street and learn the history of residents who resided in Eureka Springs.

Tours leave the parking lot every 30 minutes, lasting one hour. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for children 9 and under. Ticket price includes the stroll with birthday cake and ice cream at the end. Tickets are available for purchase at the Eureka Springs Historical Museum, 95 S. Main St. or online at eurekaspringshistoricalmuseum.org. Call (479) 253-9417.





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## No Smoking ordinance passes second reading

#### NICKY BOYETTE

At the June 27 meeting, city council considered a redraft of the proposed ordinance that would ban smoking tobacco in city parks, and alderman Terry McClung moved to put it on its second reading, but alderman Kristi Kendrick moved to amend the ordinance again, and passed around her newest version which added further restrictions on methods of using tobacco products.

Alderman Mickey Schneider asked, "Why list all this stuff?" She insisted council did not need to know how tobacco could have been used, just that it was banned in city parks. She said simpler was better, and Kendrick was making a mountain out of a molehill. Neither alderman David Mitchell nor McClung saw any problems with Kendrick's new version.

After one change suggested by Weaver, McClung moved to approve the amendment, and vote to approve that motion was 4-1, Schneider voting No. The second reading passed with the same vote.

#### Save the planet

During Public Comments, Gary Taub said he appreciated council considering a resolution supporting the Paris Climate Agreement. He said it is important to work with other cities and states to protect the planet, and he was appalled when President Donald Trump stated the agreement was not good enough and withdrew the United States from the accord. Nevertheless, cities and states across the nation, including Little Rock and Fayetteville, have expressed solidarity with the agreement, and Taub was pleased Eureka Springs was considering the same response.

Kathy Martone stated saving the planet was critical and she was chagrined the government was so shortsighted. She lauded the efforts of the cities and states that resolved to support the agreement.

Council approved Resolution 712, which expressed support of the Paris Climate Change Agreement of 2015. Vote was 4-1, McClung voting No.

#### Other public comments

Joyce Knowles decried the fact that in spite of complaints, sidewalks in town have not been made to comply with the standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act. She said the situation indicated a lack of planning and code enforcement, and urged the city to take action against those who do not bring their sidewalks into compliance.

Eric Knowles said he was not happy with his latest water bill. He claimed the city was overcharging his water use to pay for its sewer bond, and he does not use city sewer. Plus the city tacked on an Infrastructure Improvement charge, which he said was probably illegal. Knowles said the city failed to get outside advice when structuring the recent increase in sewer rates, and "hunches and speculation" from city hall were not working for the city. He claimed the city is losing more water now than before it installed new water meters, and he called for establishment of an independent water and sewer commission.

#### Other items

• Council approved re-seating Susan Harman to the City Advertising and Promotion Commission. They also voted to seat Carol Wright to fill the vacant position on the CAPC.

• Mayor Butch Berry announced there are vacancies on the Hospital and Cemetery Commissions.

• Berry's office will set up a joint workshop with council and Planning to review proposed revisions to City Code.

• City Attorney Tim Weaver will do further research to see if action is required regarding the new attendance policy approved by the CAPC in which commissioners can recommend removing a commissioner who misses three regular meetings in a year. Council would still have the final vote to remove the commissioner.

• During council comments, alderman Mickey Schneider stated some people in town complain the city is not fixing its infrastructure, but then complain about a small rate increase to fix infrastructure. "Check your priorities," she commented.

Next meeting will be Monday, July 10, at 6 p.m.



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## Airport commission stretches tight budget

#### NICKY BOYETTE

At the June 16 Carroll County Airport Commission meeting, consulting engineer Dan Clinton announced that County Judge Sam Barr should soon receive grant funds from the Federal Aviation Administration for resurfacing the taxiway. Hutchens Construction submitted the low bid of \$201,090, and is ready to get to work as soon as the grant funds arrive.

The project will include scraping off the top inch of old asphalt and laying down two new inches, taking an estimated ten days.

Clinton told commissioners state grants are in a holding pattern now, and he'll wait until August to submit the grant request for \$50,000 to refurbish the 60x60 hangar on the south end of the property. He suggested commissioners would improve their odds of receiving the funding by having a strong presence at the Arkansas Airport Operators Association conference in Eureka Springs in October. He also urged Airport Manager Michael Pfeifer to arrange for a gathering at the airport at the end of the conference for up-closeand-personal contact with the state aeronautics board.

#### Watching every nickel

As they do every meeting, commissioners juggled their shoestring budget to pay bills. Pfeifer said loaner vehicles needed more repairs than they anticipated, and asked commissioners to find \$2000 to cover expenses. He offered some of the line item set aside for furniture not yet bought, so auto repairs were paid for with furniture money.

Pfeifer told commissioners he had been approached by Berryville High School to buy a full-page ad in their fall sports program for \$150. Commissioner Sandy Martin pointed out they had \$288 left in the marketing line item, and wondered if the ad in the sports program would be the best use of \$150. Commissioner Dave Teigen said that a program purchased at a football game would not reach many pilots, and commissioner Morris Pate speculated that the Berryville Chamber of Commerce map might be a better buy, so the full-page ad idea was dropped.

At that point, citizen Chris Claybaker promptly commented, "I'll put in \$10 toward a smaller ad." Pfeifer noticed there was a \$25 ad buy available, and Claybaker put a ten-dollar bill on the table. Martin matched Claybaker's ten, and Pate pulled out a five, so the Berryville sports program will feature a smaller CCA ad.

Paying attention

Martin announced she had purchased ads in the next seven *Fly-Low* magazine issues, and three businesses in Eureka Springs – Nelsons and Nelsons Man Land, Eureka Zen Cottages and Suites, and Grotto Wood-Fired Grill – participated in the ad by offering 15

## Keep cool on 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend

The Grassy Knob Volunteer Fire Department will host an Ice Cream Social on July 2 from 1 - 3 p.m. at the Grassy Knob Community Center, 12037 Hwy. 187. Enjoy a sweet treat to kick-off the holiday weekend.

## Elks fight drug abuse

The Holiday Island Elks Lodge 1042 will hold a BBQ on Saturday, July 8 from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Cornerstone Bank Parking lot in Holiday Island to raise money to fund its Drug Awareness Program.

Every year in conjunction with the Red Ribbon program a group of Holiday

Island Elks visits 5<sup>th</sup> graders in our area to present a three-part Drug Awareness program.

The cost is \$5 for a burger or a brat, chips and a soft drink or ice tea. Proceeds will be used to purchase packets, rulers, pencils, and pens that each child receives as part of the program. percent discounts to folks who mention the *Fly-Low* ad or bring in a copy of it.

#### Manager's report

Pfeifer reported he had to cancel the Touch-a-Truck fly-in because weather did not cooperate this year. A fly-in at the Recreational Aircraft Federation at Trigger Gap was also canceled because of inclement weather.

In airport business, Pfeifer bought \$4000 worth of aviation fuel, added locks to a couple hangars and replaced the battery, fuel filter and blades on the mower. Volunteer Dave Sparks donated \$100 worth of new aircraft tie-down ropes.

Pfeifer said William Caldwell gave CCA a diesel tank, so he purchased 200 gallons of off-road diesel and a new hose, nozzle, filter and security lock for the tank. Pfeifer said he should not need to purchase any more diesel this year, thereby possibly freeing up as much as \$400 in the budget.

Next meeting will be Friday, July 21, at 12 p.m.

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### Arkansas Senators really don't care about people of Arkansas Editor,

I don't even know where to start. I cannot believe that in 2017 we as a country are actually looking at a bill that takes health care away from 20 million people - 20 million of our nation's children, our disabled, our elderly. We hear it all over the news, and to most, it's just news. But to some it means the difference between life and death.

For the disabled community being able to live at home with an aide gives them the ability to stay with the family as well as the opportunity to be independent.

If this bill passes, programs like Waiver will be lost, forcing some of those into institutions and costing thousands more on the Medicaid system, as well as being inhumane. This is why Waiver was put into place. It helped keep the client at home with the family and saved financially on the Medicaid budget.

But now in the rush to pass this farce of a bill to give tax cuts to the rich, senators are stepping over a dime to pick up a penny. This will in the end cost Medicaid much more on the poor going to the emergency room instead of getting preventive care.

The elderly will end up paying much more for their care at a time in their lives that they are on a fixed income.

The biggest issue really blinding us in the face is the fact that we have two Senators who don't care about the poor, the old, and the disabled in Arkansas. That is the real problem.

If you lose the heart and soul of our country that cares for the most vulnerable, where will that leave us? Dani Joy

### Picking Cotton

Editor.

Mr. Cotton, I watched you make a mockery of the Senate Intelligence Committee on June 13, 2017 when you pretended to interrogate Jeff Sessions. Could you be any more obvious, Senator - cracking jokes and exchanging small talk about spy novels, all the while cozying up to your buddy, Mr. Sessions?

Let me share another novel with you about a young man from Arkansas who rises to power quickly. He forgets that power is a gift largely due to the privilege of growing up in a great country, a privilege that afforded him essential opportunities denied to others.

He is corrupted by his own insatiable greed and develops a close alliance with a malignantly narcissistic president while maintaining a blind eye and deaf ear to the rest of humanity. And all the while he pretends he is just a character in some outlandish story. He is disingenuous to his core and secretly votes to destroy health care for millions of people. Many suffer and thousands die. He goes down in history as a condemned traitor.

But hey, this is only fiction right? We can laugh about it over Scotch and water, watching video clips of you alongside the megalomaniac president you are so fond of, no?

But I am not laughing, Tom. Neither are millions of others just like me. My life is a never-ending nightmare from which I never awaken. Far removed from the fairy tale existence of your Beaver, Arkansas own small life.

Kathy Martone

Boozman sold us out, too Editor.

To Sen. Boozman, my sincere thanks to your webslave staffer, who sent me a prompt, although quite deceptive, form letter reply to my email requesting that you step away from the Republican herd currently betraying their constituents and their oaths.

It's plain that the Republican herd does not actually mean any of fine sentiments expressed. Why, oh why, was the current Senate bill drafted in secret (no doubt by beltway bandit lobbyists), without any public hearings and with an accelerated vote proposed? Clearly, the Republican herd leadership does not actually wish to work with anyone from "the other side of the aisle."

When you come up for re-election. please be assured that I will actively work for your defeat.

Your Arkansas constituents see through such duplicitous statements, and they will know who sold out their interest in affordable healthcare to give a gross, unneeded tax break to the very rich.

It's not too late to turn aside from your wicked ways, Senator. Do as the Good Book says, and provide for the poor and powerless.

It is sad indeed that a long-time optometrist should have so little ability to see clearly what the mass of Arkansans need and expect their senator to provide... **Bill Hill** 

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cheeseboy22: Our 3yo puts his pants on just like everyone else: He puts both feet into one leg hole and falls on his face. @upsidedown: Mice are just frozen Mwater.

@alldrolledup: I want to have the kind of hope my dog has when the kids walk around eating chips.

@NewDadNotes: Dog 911: Hello. Dog: I accidentally ate the trash. Dog 911: Crouch low to pretend you're sorry. Dog: But I'm not sorry. Dog 911: I said pretend.

@TheDeducers: Climate: Hey. Me: You've changed. @SarahJonesVent: How to Parallel Park 1. Back in slowly. 2. Nope wrong angle. 3. Oh god, ur holding up traffic. 4. Keep driving forever, u live in the car now.

@rkatz94: Me: I'll have a scotch on the rocks with a twist. Bartender slides drink, "You're dad's alive. He's hiding in Cuba." Me: I did *not* see that coming.

@loverofcomics94: Is a rivalry between 2 vegetarians still called a beef?

@andrewchamings: [joyriding in stolen Lamborghini] Her: No way this thing does 150. Me: Only one way to find out... [pulls over & checks Wikipedia]

**@keetpotato:** [Burglar breaks into house] My dog: "BARK BARK BARK BARK" Burglar: [strokes dog's head] My dog: "I have misjudged this very nice man."

## Ignoring Lyme disease won't make it go away

The Arkansas Department of Health had to be dragged kicking and screaming to reluctantly acknowledge there is Lyme disease in the state. Arkansas was the last state in the country, other than Hawaii, to admit having Lyme disease. ADH only took action after Springdale mother Alarie Bowerman pressed the issue after having two daughters with positive blood tests for Lyme under the stringent criteria established by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The state still wouldn't have admitted Lyme except for tireless public advocacy by Bowerman and others painfully aware of the existence of Lyme.

Even now, ADH is determined to downplay Lyme disease.

"Recognizing these two cases is consistent with Arkansas's designation as a low-incidence state for Lyme disease," AHD State Epidemiologist Dirk Haselow said in a press release. "We know that Lyme is rare here, and we encourage doctors and patients to consider other diagnoses first. However, we are committed to finding cases of Lyme when they do occur. If a test for Lyme is done, it is important for the testing to be done correctly to meet the case definition. Doctors and patients can learn about proper testing and reporting for suspected Lyme cases on our website."

ADH hasn't been looking for Lyme believing it wasn't here, and previously that was the advice doctors received. So, some doctors wouldn't even test for Lyme.

It took Bowerman nearly a year to get the ADH to accept that her two daughters had blood work confirming they had Lyme disease. As Bowerman points out, did the ADH think there was a force field around Arkansas keeping out Lyme while all the neighboring states had it? Can infected birds and dogs not cross state lines?

So, another year passed when state residents and the doctors who treat them were uninformed. Bowerman, who has co-founded the Arkansas Lyme Foundation (www.arklf.com), said more than 150 people in the state with Lyme or family members of people with Lyme have contacted her. In addition to the 12 Lyme patients profiled in our recent series on Lyme and other tick-borne diseases, another seven local residents have since reported also contracting it.

Nancy Jean Baptiste got it in 1999, and her experience shows the flaws of the CDC testing procedures that may miss more cases of Lyme than it finds. Baptiste got the classic bulls eye rash around a tick bite, and her local healthcare provider said since she had only two bars positive on the Western blot test, she needed no treatment.

"My sister is a physician in another state and she said saying I didn't need treatment is crazy because Lyme can lay dormant and cause all kinds of problems later," Baptiste said. "She treated me with doxycycline for thirty days. The second time I got it about seven years ago, I had a 'flu' shortly after a tick bite. My joints hurt so much I couldn't touch them. This time I called a health care provider who knew me at the clinic. After describing my symptoms, I received a prescription for thirty days of doxycycline."

ADH continues to claim that Arkansas is a low-incidence state for Lyme cases, one of 15 states where cases of Lyme were fewer than one per million between 2005-2015. "In comparison, Arkansas reports a high number of cases of other tickborne diseases, including tularemia, Rocky Mountain spotted fever, and ehrlichia, all of which can be fatal," ADH said. "These diseases are more prevalent in Arkansas than in most other states."

ADH said following the clinical diagnosis of Lyme by a health care provider, the patient should consult with a physician or an infectious disease specialist to determine **if treatment is needed**. That seems to suggest there are cases of Lyme that don't need treatment.

It's extremely difficult to admit you are wrong, but the health of many people is at stake here. Early treatment for Lyme can prevent a lifetime of disabilities. ADH needs to go back and review earlier cases such as those profiled in our series, and hundreds of other cases in the state of people who have contacted the Arkansas Lyme Foundation. It needs to launch an aggressive campaign to educate healthcare providers in the state – who have been told for decades the Lyme doesn't exist here.

The state must do more to improve monitoring and public and physician education about Lyme disease and its common co-infections with other tickborne illnesses.

Becky Gillette



Holy cow, we're 5! Not only is it Independence Day but it's also Independent's Day. A man from Belgium brought us a smashing 5 lb. rum cake and the California wine is from a California girl. By the way, we will be closed Tuesday, July 4 – we'll be celebrating our 5th birthday. Photo BY JEREMAN ALVIRADO

## The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

I'm beginning to think Democrats *are* a bunch of snowflakes. Not only do they lose elections, but after losing they run around in circles like Chihuahuas barking, "It's Trump! It's Trump!" Of course it's Trump. We get it. What else have you got?

The first thing Democrats can do is to quit posturing about raising the minimum wage and pretending it's an economic message. It's almost meaningless. A 40-year-old person working today at the same job I held 25 years ago – and in the same place – is getting exactly the same daily rate I got in 1994. College graduates today earn 30% less than college graduates did in 1976, and the same is true for almost all people in the skilled trades, for union workers, and across the manufacturing sector.

The free-fall in wages is not exclusively due to globalization, or technology gains: when corporations pay their fair share of taxes they invest profits in new plants, new technology – and higher wages for their work force. Today's Reagan and Clinton inspired tax codes encourage corporations to beat workers over the head. If Democrats had the tiniest bit of interest in working people they would demand that wages be directly linked to productivity gains – as they were throughout the 1950s and up to about 1980.

The Democrats' failure to advocate for a single-payer Medicare for All system from the very beginning of the Obama Administration – a system which includes veterans and members of Congress - has led to almost constant worry and strife for many Americans. Democrats should stand back and let TrumpCare be enacted. This will delay enactment of a single payer system for a few years, but the only conceivable way to change the hearts and minds of Trump supporters is to let them experience first hand the closure of their rural hospitals, medical-costs related bankruptcy, higher and higher premiums, and denial of critical services. Give them what they asked for.

The Democrats problem isn't Trump. It's their own lack of honesty, political aimlessness, geriatric leadership, and their childish emulation of Republican inspired government by investigation. If Democrats must investigate something, I suggest they investigate why they're such losers.

## A little help from our friends:

• *Good Shepherd Humane Society* monthly board meetings are held the 4<sup>th</sup> 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 Rinpocne 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 fro 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  $2^{nd}$  and  $4^{th}$  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.

• *Heart of Many Ways Open Sanctuary* – Wednesdays 1 – 4 p.m. A Sacred Space open for silent prayer, meditation, spiritual reading or simply for soaking in the silence of a quiet place. People of all faiths, spiritual paths, or individual spiritual expressions are welcomed. 68 Mountain St. Enter up the front stairs to the left. Call Amrit at 253-3165 or email oeema@mail.com.

## INDEPENDENT ConstablesOnPatrol

#### June 19

4:24 p.m. – Constable on patrol responded to an accident on US 62 toward the western edge of town.

7:03 p.m. – An accident at the top of Planer Hill was reported.

8:03 p.m. – Motel staff asked for constable assistance because a possibly intoxicated individual would not leave the premises. As the constable was en route, the subject left.

8:50 p.m. – There was a fight in a neighborhood just north of downtown. Combatants fled before constables arrived.

9:39 p.m. – Motel staff asked a person to leave the property and he refused. Constables arrested him for criminal trespass and public intoxication.

10:48 p.m. – Caller alerted ESPD to a suspicious vehicle parked at Van Pelt Stadium. Constables did not encounter any vehicles at all.

#### **JUNE 20**

3:22 p.m. – Person from a church reported a wallet was missing.

#### **JUNE 21**

8:48 a.m. – Individual claimed the license plate from her car was missing.

10:47 a.m. – Motorist said a vehicle ran her off the road and into a utility pole near the middle of downtown.

12:11 p.m. – A deer was down and in harm's way on North Main. Public Works got the call.

3:54 p.m. – Individual came to the station with a flyer about a missing dog and said he thought he saw it at the Berryville Walmart.

4:11 p.m. – A father reported his daughter had been in an accident and was sitting at a gas station in the west part of town. The father asked that a constable explain to his daughter what a hit and run is. Constable went to the station and waited for a call back from the father.

6:21 p.m. – Caller told ESPD she had been at a photo shoot, and her car would not start, so she let ESPD know a tow truck would arrive in the morning.

7:09 p.m. – Individual claimed the dogs next door barked day and night and she was tired of hearing it. Constable visited, and the dog owner took them inside.

9:35 p.m. – Person asked if he could fly his drone over Holiday Island. He was advised to check with the sheriff.

9:48 p.m. – Motel owner told ESPD a guest with a baby had reported seeing spiders in two rooms provided for her.

The owner told EPSD she did not see the spiders and wondered if the mother was hallucinating. She was concerned for the baby. Constable on patrol found the mother and baby at another motel and determined the mother was okay, just very afraid of spiders.

#### JUNE 22

6:21 a.m. – Central dispatch transferred a call about an individual who would not leave the Community Center property. Constable went to the scene and, zippo, the wayward one went on his way.

7:53 p.m. – Caller claimed to have accidentally made a 911 call, but the constable checked out the situation anyway.

#### **JUNE 23**

12:08 a.m. – Constable responded to an alarm at a business downtown and found the place secure.

12:47 p.m. – Caller reported two vehicles with flashers on were stopped on US 62 blocking traffic. Constable went to check it out but both vehicles were gone.

10:47 p.m. – Constable assisted a motorist at a motel.

#### JUNE 24

2:15 a.m. – Individual was arrested for public intoxication and sleeping in his vehicle.

2:26 a.m. – Person was arrested for third degree domestic battery.

#### JUNE 25

1:55 a.m. – Constable arrested a person for public intoxication, possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia and dog at large.

7:30 a.m. – Resident filed a report on breaking and entering.

8:21 a.m. – Constable responded to a request for assistance in removing an unwanted person from a property.

12:39 p.m. – Employee of a restaurant claimed someone stole the **OPEN** sign.

2:07 p.m. – Constable responded to an accident on Hwy. 23 South.

5:52 p.m. – Passerby was concerned for two dogs in a parked vehicle. Constable went to the scene and found the windows were down and the dogs were okay.

10:59 p.m. – Observer at a restaurant called in a possibly intoxicated driver, and a constable responded.

#### JUNE 26

6:52 p.m. – Constable arrested an individual on an ESPD warrant and on a warrant for a parole violation.

9:21 p.m. – A neighbor complained about **COPS** continued on page 23

## HDC going to the hospital

#### NICKY BOYETTE

Historic District Commissioners heard from Hospital Chair Michael Merry, Mike Finefield and Laura Morrison, representing Morrison Architects, on June 21 regarding renovation of the Eureka Springs Hospital buildings. Merry said his commission is in discussions with Allegiance Health Care to remodel or totally remake ESH, and the commission needs to know what HDC will allow. The first question is can architects plan to remove a building and start over or must some or all exterior walls remain?

HDC Chair Virgil Fowler replied that commissioners needed more details to even discuss what can be allowed.

Finefield noted the Morrisons had not been chosen as the architects yet, but they have background information on the property which is useful at this stage, and the first thing the commission needs from the HDC are parameters of the project, in particular, "Can we take down a building?"

HDC's Melissa Greene suggested a site visit. "We all want good health care," she said, adding that leaving historically important facades would be important, but she would need to visit the site before deciding.

Commissioners eventually agreed s

to visit the site at 4 p.m., July 5, and the Hospital Commission will bring a list of options for HDC to consider.

#### Siding approved

A late application to replace damaged siding at 5 Cliff Street with a fiber-cement product, about which guidelines state, "If damaged exterior siding is wood, it must be replaced with wood siding to match the profile of the existing siding. Fiberreinforced cement board (Hardi-board) is not appropriate for replacement unless there is a demonstrated moisture problem and must be approved by the Historic District Commission," was presented.

Commissioner Susie Allen stated right away the repair was already completed because the applicant did not know she should have applied for a Certificate of Appropriateness first.

Greene noted the damage is where water splashes against the wall very near the bottom of the hillside. Commissioner Dee Bright added the commission allows exceptions to the guidelines if a structure is within a three-foot splash zone. She said they had approved fiber-cement siding before in these cases, and the building was not contributing or nor is the repaired spot visible from the road.

"It's better to save the house," Bright stated.

Greene commented the project would have been approved if it had been presented beforehand, and vote to approve the application was unanimous.

#### Complaint filed

Fowler announced a complaint of an unapproved window relocation at  $17^{1/2}$  Elk had been turned over to the Building Inspector.

Commissioners approved these items on the Consent Agenda:

Level I – 22 S Main – new trim colors

Level I – 14 Center – new sign

Level I – 105A W. Van Buren – new sign Level I – 105B W. Van Buren – new sign

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

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

2 Martz – re-roof

25 Kingshighway – re-roof

Next meeting will be Wednesday, July 5, at 6 p.m. Preceding the meeting will be a site visit at ESH scheduled for 4 p.m. followed by a workshop on property file database and code enforcement procedures.



#### A strong B is always

**good** – Ken Trimble and his grandson, Tenner Schabacker, manned an information booth outside the library annex last week for a Pollinator Alliance meeting. An SRO crowd watched a film advocating native plants to attract and feed bees, butterflies and birds. Trimble talks with Gwen Bennett as Nancy Wines chats with Faith Shah and Chris Fischer before the presentation.

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## Illuminative Wholeness



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#### NICKY BOYETTE

The Western Carroll County Ambulance District board last week approved a new contract for the Eureka Springs Fire Department Emergency Medical Services to provide ambulance service to the western part of the county. Approval was quick and anticlimactic after heated exchanges about points in the contract at workshops and meetings in preceding months. Commissioner David Carlisle said he would take the signed document to Mayor Butch Berry the following morning for his signature.

#### Performance report

ESFD Chief Nick Samac carefully went over the EMS performance report explaining any responses that went beyond the expected time. He said he is changing report forms, including color-coding the calls according

## WCCAD contract signed

to recent discussions, and commissioners suggested other modifications such as distinguishing which calls were non-critical and therefore would have a slower response time. Samac said he would continue to revise reporting, and commissioner Ken Mills said he likes what he has seen so far.

#### **EMR** reports

The Grassy Knob Fire Department had seven calls in May but nothing out of the ordinary. Inspiration Point had eight, and Holiday Island had 31 on the island and six rural, all typical.

Mike FitzPatrick spoke for Rural Eureka Springs responders, and said he took exception to the statement in the minutes of the April 18 meeting in which Ward stated of the 98 calls during the previous reporting period, R-ES had not responded to 88 of them. FitzPatrick called the statement false news and claimed there was no basis for it. He said there had been no calls in which he or his responders had not been available.

Commissioner Marie Lee took a quick look through her binder and found the minutes in question and the quote referred to and showed Ward. "Okay, I found it," Ward said. "If I said it, I apologize to you."

"Apology accepted," FitzPatrick replied.

#### New officers

Commissioners elected David Carlisle, chair; Sam Ward, vice-chair; Judy Giggey, secretary; Ken Mills, treasurer.

Next regular meeting will be Tuesday, August 15, at 4 p.m., at ESFD.

## Herbal remedies allay Lyme Disease

#### **BECKY GILLETTE**

When Native American Doctor of Naturopathy and master herbalist, Kit Shepperd, first got symptoms of Lyme disease several years ago, instead of heading to the doctor for an antibiotic prescription, she used an herbal remedy, sarsaparilla.

Shepperd had a big bullseye's rash on her back and symptoms including fatigue and extreme joint pain. A nurse told Shepperd she had Lyme disease and showed her photos of the rash that can sometimes, but not always, accompany Lyme.

Shepperd has an extensive library on herbal medicines, and started studying what remedies were suggested. Within a few days of taking sarsaparilla tincture, she felt better.

"Sarsaparilla killed the spirochetes that is Lyme's," Shepperd said. "After I started taking it, I had no more pain. Then I started taking teasel root tincture. Teasel will go into the deep tissues and move the spirochetes out. I took teasel for a week and then started back on sarsaparilla. I kept that up for three to four months going back and forth between sarsaparilla and teasel. When I would get pain again, I knew it was still in my system and would continue the herbal remedies. That is the way I used it on myself and I ended up with the symptoms being completely gone."

According to Beneficialbotanicals. com, treating Lyme disease is the most common use of teasel. "Teasel Root is widely used in conjunction with antibiotics as well as other phytoceuticals to treat Lyme disease for its ability to pull



**KIT SHEPPERD** 

the bacteria from muscle tissue (where antibiotics and the immune system cannot reach) into the blood stream so that the immune system can do its work." Shepperd said she didn't use antibiotics, which can have side effects, because she was able to cure the illness without them. But she makes no bones about how serious Lyme disease can be.

"It really messes up the nervous system," Shepperd said. "There were times that instead of pain, there would be tingling in my hands. I think I would still be seriously ill without taking these remedies because of not just the pain, but the weakness and fatigue. It's real hard to deal with it."

Shepperd lives in the country and spends a lot of time outdoors. She still gets tick bites, but is vigilant about removing them right away.

"If I feel I might have any problems, I take sarsaparilla again," she said. "I make sarsaparilla tincture for my own use. Sarsaparilla is also healthy for other conditions like aches and pains in joints, blood impurities, hormone imbalances, glandular problems, skin diseases and psoriasis. There are no contraindications to taking it. Years ago, they made root beer out of it so people drank it all the time."

Shepperd said she believes Lyme may be underreported in Arkansas because until recently the state denied it existed in the state, so many people were not being tested for it. And others may be unreported because, like Shepperd, they didn't get testing and instead used natural remedies.

One is local massage therapist Rebekah Clark. About five years ago Clark had the bullseye rash after tick bite and immediately starting taking the sarsaparilla and teasel. Clark said she never developed further complications, and attributes that to herbal remedies.

Clark said she uses Cactus Juice to repel bugs while she is outdoors. And after coming in, she takes a shower and checks for ticks. "The sooner you wash off, the better."

Shepperd repels ticks and other insects by making a spray with vinegar and pennyroyal, which she grows, saying that really cuts down on bug bites.

## Bible Study each Friday

Frank Wicks invites all to join in Friday Bible Study at Holiday Island Community Church on the book of Jeremiah. The study will begin at 10 a.m. each Friday and run for approximately an hour each week. HICC is located at 188 Stateline Drive and the meetings will be in the lower level of the Fellowship Hall.

### All welcome for meditation, reading and discussion

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

## Calling artists and photographers

The Holiday Island Art Guild is planning their  $29^{th}$ annual Art Show and Silent Auction on August 18 - 20. If you would like to enter check out their Facebook page for more information. Entry forms must be in by July 25.

## Looking to a healthier future

#### BECKY GILLETTE

Like many people who care about the environment, Dr. Jim Dudley and his wife, Genie Moffett, have been disappointed at all the rollbacks in environmental protections, combined with the U.S. pulling out of the Paris agreement on climate change, but that has stiffened their resolve to support alternative energy and conservation.

"There are a lot of people here who are doing great things to protect the environment," Dudley, who has been providing eye care in Eureka Springs for 40 years, said, "Now is the time! No one can do everything, but everyone can do something."

For starters, Dudley has been a vegetarian for about 15 years, which reduces pollution and use of non-renewable resources. Scientists estimate it takes almost a gallon of oil and 441 gallons of water to produce one pound of beef. The couple also have a large garden and raise their own chickens for eggs.

This year they added 24 ground-

mounted solar panels and an electric plug-in hybrid car. This has resulted in an electric bill that runs \$12.61 per month – the minimum service charge required for service connections even if a customer's system is producing more power than it is using. Solar panels power their home, including an air conditioner, electric water heater and one of their two cars (the other one runs on gas).

"The panels, inverter and installation were about \$15,000, but you get a thirty percent federal tax credit, which brought the price down to about \$12,000," Dudley said. "As of now, there is no fee charged by Carroll Electric for hooking onto the grid, but the Arkansas Public Service Commission is currently discussing changing this policy. I'll be grandfathered in, but there may be a fee for grid tied systems in the future, so now is the time to install a solar system."

In addition, a solar system increases the value of your home.

Cliff Beacham and Matt Quigley constructed the ground mount framework.

Wes Beaver, Todd Baldwin and Jerry Landrum helped with the solar and electrical system hookup. Landrum provides free solar consultation and does demonstrations at the Eureka Springs Farmers' Market on Tuesday mornings. He can be reached at (479) 244-0377.

Many people might think an electric car is way beyond what they can afford, but Dudley and Moffett shopped around and found one in Dallas, which, after the federal electric car tax credit, cost \$19,350. The MSRP sticker price was \$36,500. Even though it wasn't a 2017 model, it was brand-new.

"After charging the car (usually overnight), your first 20 to 25 miles are all electric, and then it switches over to hybrid (gas and electric)," Dudley said. "Overall, we're averaging about 80 miles per gallon. Right now, electric vehicles are cheap because gas is cheap, too. Genie loves driving this new electric hatchback. It's peppy, cute and fun. Right now, we use the 110-volt charger that came with the vehicle. It takes about seven hours for a full charge, but we're planning on getting a 220-volt charger that will give a full charge in about two-and-a-half hours. Also, many stores such as Whole Foods and Sam's Clubs will have fast recharging stations at all their new stores. There's even an app which tells you all the stores in Northwest Arkansas that have charge stations you can plug into while you are shopping."

Dudley said they were was inspired to take the action in part because they see so many others in our area putting money into energy conservation, alternative energy and a sustainable lifestyle. He knows people who grow their food, live off grid with alternative energy, use composting toilets, and have large native plant gardens beneficial to birds, bees and butterflies.

"There are plenty of stories more environmentally inspiring than mine," he said. "It is great to live in an area where so many people are putting their beliefs about protecting the environment into action. We can all do something."

## Storm relief agencies in Carroll County

Disaster relief workers are in Benton, Boone, Carroll, Clay, Faulkner, Fulton, Jackson, Lawrence, Pulaski, Randolph, Saline, Washington and Yell counties. Some workers go door-to-door and will be wearing FEMA shirts. Be sure to also ask for their identification card.

Federal Disaster Loans to assist homeowners, renters and businesses that incurred damage due to severe storms, tornadoes, straight-line winds and flooding between April 26 and May 19, 2017 are now available. If you are a homeowner or renter, the Federal Emergency Management Agency may refer you to the Small Business Administration. SBA loans are the primary source of money to pay for repair or replacement costs not fully covered by insurance or other compensation.

The SBA offers low-interest loans to homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes and private, non-profits.

Homeowners and renters may borrow up to \$200,000 to repair or replace their primary residence.

Homeowners and renters may borrow up to \$40,000 to replace personal property.

Businesses may borrow up to \$2 million for any combination of property damage or economic injury.

SBA offers low-interest working capital loans to small businesses and most private, noon-profit organizations of all sizes having difficulty meeting obligations as a result of the disaster.

#### What You Need To Know

Begin by registering with FEMA at (800) 621-3362. Homeowners and renters should submit an SBA loan application, even if they are not sure if they will need or want a loan. If the SBA cannot approve your application, in most cases they refer you to FEMA's Other Needs Assistance program for possible additional assistance.

#### **3** Ways to apply to SBA

Online https://disasterloan.sba.gov.ela Apply in person at a Disaster Recovery Center (800)

#### 659-2955

Complete a paper application and mail to SBA, 14925 Kingsport Rd., Ft. Worth, TX 76155-2243

Interest rates can be as low as 3.125 percent for businesses, 2.5 percent for private nonprofits, or 1.938 percent for homeowners or renters with terms up to 30 years.

## 4<sup>th</sup> of July on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of July, it's fireworks all the same

The United States of America is 241, Eureka Springs is 138, and the Eureka Springs Independent is five, so take Tuesday off, we are. The Parks Dept. and CAPC are putting on one whale of a fireworks show Sunday at the Lake Leatherwood City Park ball fields, where concessions start at 5, fireworks after the sun goes down, and parking is \$5 per carload. As long as Sunday is a day off anyway, and Tuesday is a day off anyway, think about taking that pesky Monday off, too, and laugh about it later. It's the little things, right?

And remember, there's a smashing July 4 parade on July 4, starting at the library at 10 a.m.





COMMENTARIES

by

Sheri

Hanson

Camp'ing for coffee - New KOA Campground owners, Mike and Christina Camp, hosted the Eureka Springs Chamber's Wake Up Eureka meet, greet, and networking coffee klatch Tuesday morning by the KOA pool. Among Chamber members, staff and ambassadors attending were, from left, Miranda Smith; Paul Miller, incoming COO; Jonathan Teigen, Holly White, Mike and Christina Camp, KOA owners; Debra and Mike McCarthy, Jessica Wheeless, Cheri Flowers and Judy Wilks.

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Hey RICCI, where's Lucy? Edwige Denyszyn created a papier mâché donkey for the Democratic Party Carroll County Arkansas July4<sup>th</sup> of July parade entry using last week's Independents. RICCI is an acronym for Responsibility, Integrity, Compassion, Communications and Inclusiveness. You'll get a kick out of it!

Photos Submitted







## How fake news manipulates us all

 $\mathbf{F}_{ ext{keep}}$  up with friends and family and explore our world through this medium. Personality tests appear all through everyone's Facebook feeds. Some fun ones: What is the color of your rainbow? Who were you in your last life? What does your real spirit look like?

Innocent and silly games, right? Wrong! These are serious psychological profiles being built individually for each of us who plays the game. The question is, who wants to know our most intimate emotional details?

The makers of fake news. They need to know all about our emotional lives so they can feed us fake news stories designed for our personalities.

We are all targets of fake news. Sounds kind of creepy, doesn't it? It's more than creepy; it can unconsciously shape our thoughts about people and politics.

We are targeted with ads based on where we go on the Internet and this is just an extension of that manipulative marketing. When you visit a site that interests you, suddenly you receive sales pitches about that subject. Fake news works in much the same way. Give them a profile and they will give you fake news you might believe.

The data driven company, Cambridge Analytica, became known after the Brexit vote in the U.K. Owned by American Robert Mercer, this company engineered the outcome of that vote using

fake news. After the vote, the most common Google search was "What is Brexit?" Overcome with fear created by imaginary stories about immigrants, England left the European Union, whose destruction is a goal of Vladimir Putin.

Here at home, Trump paid Giles-Parschal, a San Antonio, Texas, company, \$72 million to target US voters based on our emotional profiles. For example, they targeted Democrats with anti-Hillary fake news. Remember the phony story about Hillary's pedophile ring being run out of pizza restaurant basement? The pizza parlor didn't even have a basement, but that didn't stop a man with a gun from trying to shoot the place up "to save little children."

The Latin phrase, Caveat Emptor, means Buyer Beware! The Internet is a wonderful place but Caveat Emptor! Our constitution and country depend on our discernment between fact and fiction.

Sheri Hanson

## ECHO expands into the future before it gets here

#### BECKY GILLETTE

Eureka Christian Health Outreach, continuing to evolve into more than a healthcare clinic, has kicked off a free Music & Movement story time on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. at the ECHO Thrift Store at the corner of Rockhouse Road and US 62. In another bold move, ECHO just had a generator wired that uses solar panels for alternative power in preparation of emergencies when the facility will be used as a shelter.

"We have this facility, and it seemed it could be put to use in so many ways to serve the community," Danyelle Harris, manager of ECHO Thrift Store said. "With tornadoes hitting close by in the past few years, if Carroll County were hit, it would not take much for our little hospitals to be overrun with patients. To have a shelter set up and ready has been an important goal for us. Even with the flooding over the past couple of years, we were lucky enough to have people in the community help each other out."

The ECHO Thrift Store had solar panels hooked up a year-and-a-half ago to assist with energy efficiency costs. Now, they are also equipping the clinic to be an emergency shelter option as they are finalizing the generator and solar panel set up.

"With the wiring connected, we can move forward with a supply of cots and emergency equipment to be able to set up a MASH unit or emergency shelter," Harris said, "and we have done trainings with the Red Cross."

There are no other designated public emergency shelters in the Eureka Springs area.

But back to the new children's activities, Harris says, "Children's books

are one of our most popular areas. Before I moved here from Texas, I did a music therapy business called Kindermusik. I am passionate about music, movement and child development. We have created an air-conditioned story area so moms can come in and have a place to read that is child friendly. This summer we are getting music movement and story time off the ground and hope it has enough momentum to continue it into the fall."

Harris said music and movement connected to literature have a major beneficial impact on a child's mental development. "Our brains grow the more in the first five years of our lives than they will for the remainder of our lives," she said. "The first three years there is rapid growth. Surrounding children with music and literature so they can get used to the rhythm of words or music helps them with other skills – how to cut with scissors, walk, run. Music combined with physical activity stimulates every area of the brain. Music is a multi-sensory stimulus."

Music & Movement favorite activities include dancing with scarves while making circle or square shapes, and learning how to tap a percussive instrument while reading. A variety of percussive instruments will be introduced in upcoming months.

"Music and dancing wake up our brain in a way our culture of everyday life doesn't challenge us to do," Harris said.

The Thrift Store staff and volunteers are focused on keeping the store tidy, friendly and stocked with a fresh turnover of merchandise to attract locals and tourists, Harris said. "Our free Wi-fi café offers specialty coffees, charging outlets for electronics, and we sell honey made in Carroll County," Harris said. "ECHO



ECHO Manager Danyelle Harris is generating enthusiasm for a free Music & Movement story time at the US62-Rockhouse Rd. thrift store, where kids experience brain enhancement Tuesday mornings at 10. (479) 253-5547 for more info.

is striving to inspire a whole healthy existence."

Arnie Matthews-Richter, who works at the store, said business has been brisk.

"I'm thrilled with all the people coming in from other places," Matthews-Richter said. "We get a lot of people from Oklahoma. Some tourists have told us they enjoy coming in each time they come to visit. People are impressed with the purpose of the thrift store to finance the free health clinic. We are blessed with wonderful donations from the community. It is just incredible the really neat things we get from clothing to furniture, books and everything. And our prices are really good, too."

### Morris wants to give back more

Gary Morris, childhood friend of our own Charles Epley, is running for State Representative, District 97, in the 2018 election, a mere 17 months away. Gary has Carroll County roots that stretch back more than 100 years, and a broadcast journalism and corporate communications background. When asked if he was a Republican or a Christian he said that after he retired from business he became a Methodist minister and decided to enter politics to give Northwest Arkansas honest, open government. As a Republican.

The 97<sup>th</sup> District encompasses Carroll, Madison and eastern Washington counties.



GARY MORRIS

### More ways of looking at the New Testament

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

### Permaculture group meeting July 1

The Northwest Arkansas Permaculture Study Group will meet at Egan Brothers' Farm, Orchard, and Vineyard at 195 Flamingo Road in Busch at 10 a.m. on July 1. Call Jerry Landrum at (479) 244-0377 for information.

## ESOTERICA strology as news for week June 28-July 4 by Risa

## Chiron Stations & the Birthday of the United States

**Tednesday**, we talk a lot and do a lot. Then we feel a fruition. we've done and said too much. So, we pull back into a Saturn shadow. But we still keep talking (Virgo moon).

Thursday, Virgo moon continues and we are still talking. Why does Virgo talk so much? Because that's how they integrate their experiences and understand their lives. We listen with patience. Thursday, we feel we've had enough talk and so thrust ourselves into a mystery. And stay there awhile - Mercury opposes Pluto.

Friday, Libra moon, we seek balance from the last two days. It's the 2<sup>nd</sup> guarter moon, rising at sunset, growing from crescent to full. We, too, are developing and growing toward

**ARIES:** The month ahead sees you working towards all that you value. If you don't actually know what your values are, then be a keen observer of yourself - your thoughts, actions, friends, focus, communications. You may be slower than usual, tending what you love (and value) with extra care. You see your ambition, the acquiring of possessions,

your impatience or impulsiveness. Your senses are more alive. You may eat more. Everything changes.

TAURUS: You have the Vulcan volcanic ability to make gold out of lead. You have so many abilities, you can share a few. Notice reactions to events and people. You're more communicative, energetic, active, forceful and sometimes, a bit aggressive (shocking!). For a moment or two it's ok for you to be overly assertive. Rarely do you do such things. Each day there's more and more to do in your life. Do all that you can to achieve poise and equilibrium. And rest more.

GEMINI: Venus slipped into your 12th house of Pisces. You become more spiritual, perhaps religious, more sensitive, reluctant to push the river. Confidence has taken a different path than you've taken. Working a bit more in secret, you can be blamed for things you didn't do. Gradually a sense of instinct becomes intuition and the past

Saturday, Chiron (the wound, the healing) retrogrades ('til Dec. 5). Chiron helps us feel and be aware of our deepest wounds. Later we are able to recognize the same wound in others. As our compassion comes forth for others, a wholeness and healing occurs within us.

Sunday is Mars opposite Pluto. A day to be very careful of self, family and all others. Not a good day to climb mountains. Monday, our wounds heal.

**Tuesday,** July 4<sup>th</sup> Independence Day, is the 241<sup>st</sup> birthday of the United States, a country created by the Hierarchy (inner spiritual government) as an experiment in

freedom. Externally, the U.S. was formed in order liberate itself from England (freedom from the old ways). The United States of America is called to do a "great work." That of "standing within the Light & leading humanity within and towards that Light." The United States, in these days of crisis, is in need of new, enlightened servers - the New Group of World Servers.

On July 4th under Cancer's light, let us each become a Light for the World, a light that "nurtures & nourishes the little ones" (humanity). As we dedicate ourselves in service, we recite the ancient Mantram of Service together. "Help us, O Lord, to know and to do our part in the world."

merges with the present and life becomes more valuable. Dreams (day & night) appear, imagination is creative. Music of the spheres is a must.

**CANCER:** It is most important to think about efforts at cooperation that impact a group. With all your thoughts and

ideas, you may be inclined to talk more. It's just a stage, as you continue to redefine yourself and your everchanging values. You find yourself participating in a team effort, toward a

humanitarian goal. It's most important to have daily agendas, schedules, plans and goals mapped out. They become your order, context and protection.

LEO: You are a valued leader, the one everyone looks to, hopes to be, emulates and learns from. You're recognized for your accomplishments. This pleases you, though you hide it. A Leo, to evolve, must be seen, recognized, praised and applauded for their efforts, gifts, talents, creative abilities. Praise is how (especially) Leos can more fully identify themselves. Praise helps Leos say, "I am because of what I create (and you see it)." Eventually you will turn to others

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and praise them, too.

VIRGO: There is a need, hope, wish and hunger for adventure far away from daily life. There's a restlessness that can't take no for an answer. Your mind and heart actually do need expansion through travel and new experiences.

All the energy you're feeling will propel you into travel, new

studies, new interests, new books and new learning. Stay away from overt opinions, disagreements, arguments and anything illegal. If traveling, travel with a group.

LIBRA: Careful with projecting any sort of anger from long ago toward others,

especially intimates. You may be unaware of doing this. Are there issues with joint money and resources? Are there conflicts and crises concerning different values? Sometimes you just want to act and be on your own. This is both subtle and overt. Careful of consequences. Begin with knowing your true needs. Then step forward and love more. Out of conflict comes great harmony.

SCORPIO: Everything may be changing or challenging, both professionally or intimately. Should you encounter conflict, attempt to see if it's a reflection of your internal conflicts. This is how and why conflicts occur. They also appear after great struggle so a new level of harmony will emerge. Everything will be conflictual, then it resolves, then there's rapprochement. Help someone, in the meantime. Be as kind as you can be. And pray more.

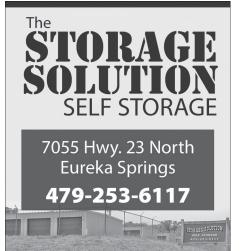
SAGITTARIUS: Interesting new (and more) energy appears in the groups, daily routines, work schedules and workloads. Focus on health matters - exercise, diet, walking, running, yoga, etc. A daily regime of physical activity is important or depression, anger, frustration, restlessness, mental and emotional distortions result. Be cooperative when working with others. Be on time. Respond. Don't dispute anything. Recite silent Ohms. "Laughter is the best meditation," said Alan Watts.

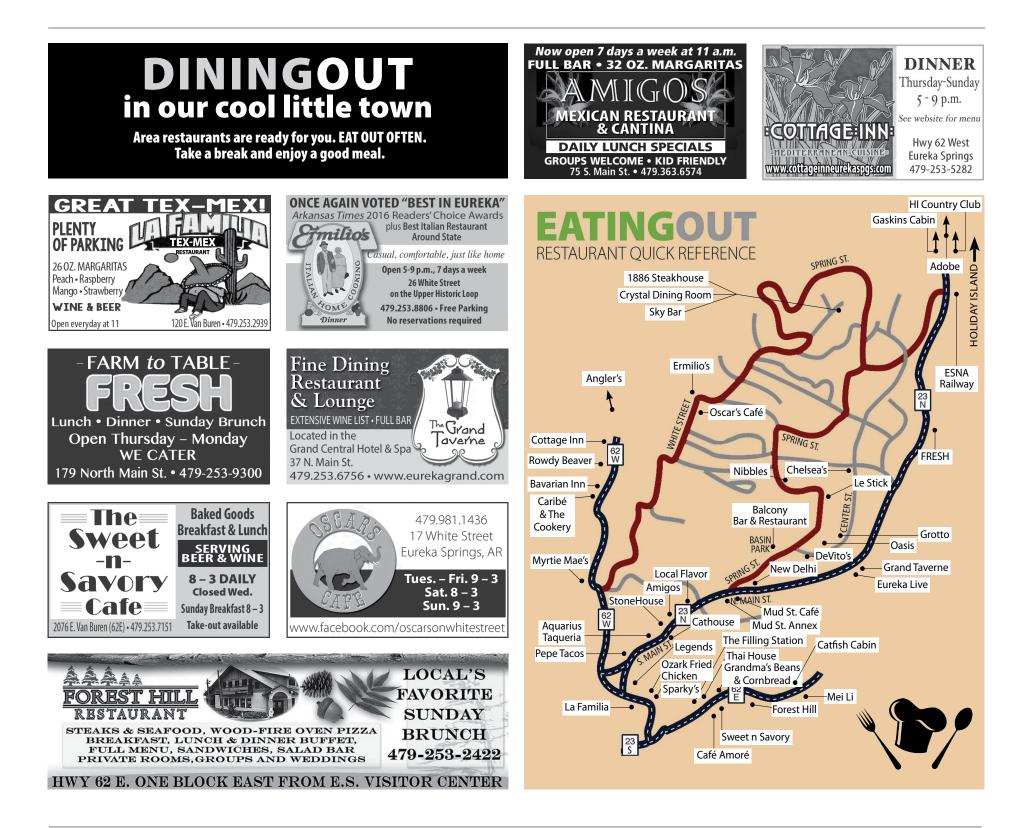
CAPRICORN: You might feel you have lots of energy out in the world. But really there's a great need to rest, reflect and contemplate yourself. You have become like Persephone. Pluto has taken you underground. All you can do is drink pomegranate juice now, things red, orange, yellow, deep blue. At times Pluto had a jealousy issue. Do you see that in your life with those around you? Tend to close loved ones. Speak words of love. Is communication difficult at times? Is there a wound occurring? Is your home changing? So many questions!

AQUARIUS: Take special care of money and resources. Or they will float away someday. Be more protective and defensive with yourself in order to have more security. Are you concerned about your family? You will be more moody, restless at home with possible family conflict or disputes. If previous issues from the past emerge, it's time to talk with someone about them. Perhaps you're asking "where is my true home?"

PISCES: Work efficiently on order and organization each day. Allow yourself to consider future aspirations. Talk about your ideas, plans, hopes, wishes, dreams and aspirations. Communications may become tense and heated, with disagreements emerging. Allow this to occur, step back, observe any impatience and/or impulsiveness. This is Mars at work. Tend to hands and feet with care. Sew, journal, draw and paint. Use your mind (visualization) and hands to create the needed order and beauty.

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### Congressional Christianity an oxymoron?

Editor,

I do not want to sound like I am whining or ungrateful for the wonderful opportunity to live in Eureka Springs. I do want to tell voters what I went through without Medicare or Medicaid.

Before I was 65 and eligible for Medicare, I was diagnosed with ovarian

cancer, which had at that time a survival rate of less than 17%. Of course, I was terrified.

Fortunately, Washington Regional Medical Center allowed me to have surgery at a reduced rate. My doctor, however, did not reduce my rate and it took me 6 years to make monthly payments. I ended up with a nicked bowel, which may have been caused by the first surgery and had to have several other surgeries to repair this hole. It took me another 5 years to pay off this surgeon.

I just heard that Senate Republicans are planning to drastically cut Medicaid. Next, Medicare? And, cut the taxes of the rich! My heart sank and tears came. I am now 80-years-old and depend on Medicare and Medicaid for my healthcare. I do not know what I will do without these two good healthcare programs.

I feel that I am very fortunate: my sweet spouse is supportive and loving; our organic farmers' market offers clean, non-poisoned food; the water is relatively pure except for fluoride; the air is cleaned by the bountiful trees; most people are progressive and kind; my GP doctor is excellent and the ES Hospital is wonderful; and, I get by with barely enough social security to live on but cannot afford extras or luxuries or expensive healthcare.

I will never understand the Republicans who call themselves Christian and vote to deprive the elderly, the disabled, children, poor and workingclass people what we need to survive. They make sure they have good health insurance! Something is bad wrong in this country, a very rich country, when instead of healthcare for all, we have to fear about our insurance being cut by greedy people who line their pockets with bloody money!

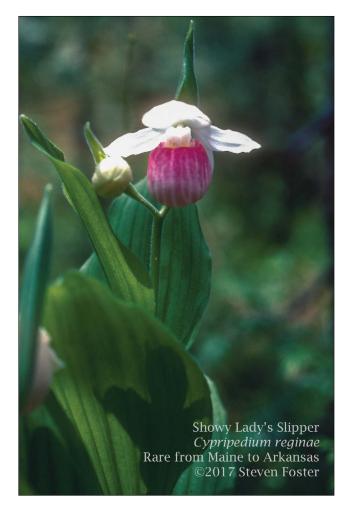
Trella Laughlin



Installing officers and handing out awards – Members and guests of Mercy Hospital Berryville Auxiliary gathered June 13 at the Carroll Electric Community Room to receive reports, elect, and install officers for 2017-18 as well as present awards. Picture on left – (L.-r.) President Pat Armer, Auxilian of the Year Deanna Davidson, and Mercy Hospital Administrator Doug Stroemel. Picture on right – (L.-r.) Elected officers, President Elect Joy McKinney, Secretary Leoria Brewer, and President Pat Armer. Time Awards Chair Ella Fiveash presented 42 awards for a total of 20,550 hours donated this past year for Mercy Hospital Berryville.

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## TheNATURE of EUREKA by Steven Foster



### Comparing and contrasting the nature of a place

A couple of weeks ago I went to Maine to teach a medicinal plant workshop way Downeast on the coast near the Canadian border. The contrast and comparison with the Ozarks were immediately apparent. When one returns from where one hails, four decades absent, things you once didn't notice become glaringly apparent.

Like the Ozarks, the underlying bedrock along the Maine coast is about 1.5 billion years old. In the Ozarks we walk on 350-million-year-old hardened sediments from a shallow sea. In Maine, I hiked on granitic outcrops produced from 120-millionyear-old volcanic rock that was scraped, crushed, and tumbled by Pleistocene glaciers. The rocks are round. In practical terms, if you walk on a beach in the Ozarks (also called a goose litterbox), the sharp rock particles lock together and create a reasonable surface upon which to walk. A Maine beach, on the other hand, with its glacial and ocean-tossed round grains of sand, moves to the form of a footprint just like a bag of marbles forms to the shape of your pocket. That makes walking in Maine sand like walking in snow.

No need to contrast and compare bodies of fresh water with the ocean. They are just too different. However, like the Ozarks, Maine is rich with fresh



water, but in the Ozarks the water keeps moving downhill; the only time it gathers in one large catchment is when humans build a dam.

In Maine, the countryside is dotted with thousands of bowl-shaped lakes, ponds, and bogs. Therefore, unlike most of the Ozarks, Maine has mosquito populations like those seen in south Arkansas. Mainers are surprised when I tell them I can sit on the back porch without getting driven away by mosquitos. But a Mainer would not leave a back porch in the Ozarks for fear of venomous snakes. Heck, they don't even go to New Hampshire except for tax-free booze.

Maine is nice in the summers. I prefer Ozark winters. Like the Arkansas Department of Health is in denial about Lyme disease, Mainers are in denial about harsh winters. However, Mainers are not in denial about Lyme disease. Maine has the highest per capita incidence of Lyme disease of any state. There were no ticks here when I was a kid. I think they arrived in my suitcase one summer about 40 years ago. Sorry. I will refrain from bringing Maine Lyme disease back to the Ozarks.



#### Keeping up with the Chamber -

Members of the Eureka Springs Chamber of Commerce enjoyed an all-you-can eat taco and enchilada buffet at the 2017 mid-year Chamber of Commerce meeting held at Amigo's. Chamber of Commerce COO Paul Miller was there to meet with members, and information about the Chamber's partnership with JackRabbit Systems was presented. JackRabbit is a reservation service that will allow visitors to Eurekaspringschamber.com to search for lodging and book directly from the website.

PHOTOS BY JAY VRECENAK





Where the Beautiful is really beautiful – B.J. Dennis, Administrator of the Holiday Island Community Garden, received the 2017 Garden of the Year Award on behalf of the Community Garden from the Holiday Island Garden Club. She has also won a scholarship from the American Community Gardening Association to attend the 2017 annual conference in Hartford, Connecticut, at the end of July.

PHOTO BY T. LAWSON PHOTOGRAPHY

## Independence Day weekend with funk at Chelsea's, Drumming in the Park, and kid's opera in the Aud

We cruise into summer with an extravaganza of fun for the Fourth of July weekend. On Friday Cadillac Jackson brings the funk and hip-hop styles through the summer night haze at Chelsea's. Saturday we have Drumming in the Park, always drawing a big crowd with hypnotic rhythm, and on Saturday at 3, Opera in the Ozarks belts out Jack & the Beanstalk children's opera in the Auditorium. It'll cost adults a sawbuck, young'uns are free.

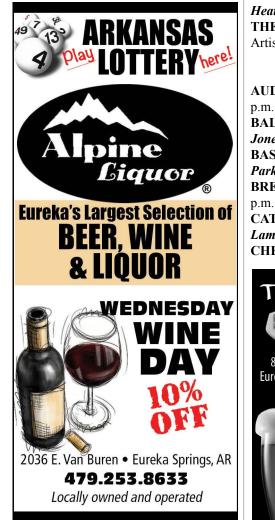
#### THURSDAY, JUNE 29

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

BREWS - Art Deco Band, Americana, 7 p.m.

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – Jimmy Wayne Garrett, Singer/Songwriter, 6 p.m. **GRAND TAVERNE** – Jerry Yester, Grand Piano Dinner Music, 6:30 p.m. **LEGENDS SALOON – Live Music**, 9 p.m.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 30 BALCONY RESTAURANT – James** 



White, Singer/Songwriter, 12 and 5 p.m. BREWS - John Henry, Singer/ Songwriter, 7 p.m. **CATHOUSE LOUNGE – Pinetop** Renegades, Rock, 8 p.m. CHELSEA'S - Cadillac Jackson, Funk, 9:30 p.m. **GRAND TAVERNE** – Arkansas Red, Guitar Dinner Music, 6:30 p.m. **LEGENDS SALOON – DJ and** Karaoke with Scott. 9 p.m. NEW DELHI - Brick Fields, Blues, 6 p.m.

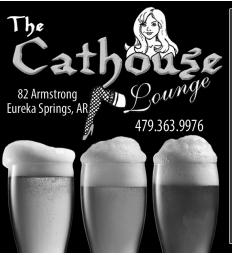
**ROWDY BEAVER – 2 Dog 2 Karaoke**, 7 p.m.

**ROWDY BEAVER DEN** – *Mary* Heather and the Sinners, Rock, 9 p.m. THE STONEHOUSE – Jerry Yester, Artist's Choices, 6 p.m.

**SATURDAY, JULY 1** AUDITORIUM – Children's Opera, 3

**BALCONY RESTAURANT – Steve** Jones, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m. **BASIN PARK** – Drumming in the Park, 6 p.m. BREWS - Sad Daddy, Americana, 7

**CATHOUSE LOUNGE – Hedley** Lamar Band, Rock Ridge, 8 p.m. CHELSEA'S - Mark Shields Trio,



**LEGENDS SALOON – Pinetop** Renegades, Rock, 9 p.m. LE STICK - Pete Maiella, Singer/ Songwriter, 7 p.m. NEW DELHI – Dr. Nola and the Soul Shakers, Boogie, 6 p.m. **SUNDAY, JULY 2** BALCONY RESTAURANT – Jeff Lee, a.m.

Folk, 12 and 5 p.m. BREWS - Trivia Night, 7 p.m. **NEW DELHI** – Melissa Carper and Friends, Americana, 12 p.m. **ROWDY BEAVER DEN – Michael** Tisdale Duo, Rock, 1-5 p.m., Chicken Pot Pie Acoustic, Rock, 9 p.m.

**GRAND TAVERNE** – Jerry Yester,

Grand Piano Dinner Music, 6:30 p.m.

Rock, 9:30 p.m.

THURSDAYS 6-8 P.M. Jimmy Wayne Garrétt FRIDAY, JUNE 30 · 8-11 P.M. Pinetop Renegades SATURDAY, JULY I . 8-11 P.M. Hedley Samar Band TUESDAYS · 5-7 P.M. Los Roscoes

#### **MONDAY, JULY 3**

Cadillac Jackson play Chelsea's on Friday, June 30.

BREWS – Eureka Music Revival, Americana, 7 p.m. CHELSEA'S - Sprungbilly, Bluegrass, 8 p.m. **ROWDY BEAVER DEN – Blue Muse** *Trio*, Rock, 1 – 5 p.m.

#### **TUESDAY, JULY 4**

CATHOUSE LOUNGE - Los Roscoes, Blues, 5 p.m. CHELSEA'S - Open Mic, 8 p.m. DOWNTOWN - July 4th Parade, 10

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

BREWS - Open Mic, 7 p.m. **ROWDY BEAVER DEN – Shawbee** Karaoke, 8 p.m.

## Talk about July 4 at EUUF on Sunday

Share your thoughts or experiences about being American with your own words or with a favorite essay or poem, or sing and play an instrument at Eureka Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 17 Elk Street on July 2 at 11 a.m.

## DROPPINGA Line by Robert Johnson



Well, the water temp has finally gotten up to  $80^{\circ}$  which is a sign that it's warm enough to swim and stripers are into their summer pattern on Beaver Lake now. Most stripers are below the thermocline at 20 - 40 feet deep into the deeper part of the lake from here at the dam to the Rocky Branch area.

So it's weights on and big bait for big fish from now to September. This here is Gena and daughter, Faith Bryan, from Cheyenne, Okla., holding a 12 and a 32-pounder we got on Friday. Both fish were caught on a big gizzard shad down about 28 feet in water between 40 and 60 feet deep off the edge of a flat.

Here at the Island we're finally getting up past Beaver Bridge, and evenings seem to be best when they're

#### generating, which moves smaller shad upriver to cool. Walleye, spotted and white bass are moving with them to feed alongside of some big trout. Minnows, jigs, roostertails and rapalla type lures should all work.

What I like to do here is take my cast net and get them small shad when they first come up so we're fishing what they're feeding on.

Look for crappie, bigger perch and bass in the sunken brush from 6 to 12 feet deep. Jigs and minnows under a slip float works best for me.

Well, that's it for this week. Take a kid fishing and don't forget the swimsuits.

Johnson Guide Service, www. fishofexcellence.com (479) 253- 2258

#### **COUNCIL** – **PARKING** continued from page 3

Dickson Street encountered a similar problem, and Fayetteville city council responded with a program of parking stickers for residents and serious fines for interlopers. There were also accommodations for residents who were expecting extra guests.

She cautioned council not to get bogged down in petty squabbles in neighborhoods, but remain focused on the bigger picture, which is long-term solutions. "Please address this problem," she implored.

Mayor Butch Berry said he had spoken with Public Works Director Dwayne Allen about striping the area, and with Transit Director Ken Smith about the need for three trolley stops in that stretch. Berry said Smith was not convinced three stops were necessary.

The mayor suggested Planning set up a committee to look into the parking dilemma in this neighborhood first and others afterward, and said the police department should be in the discussion. In the meantime, he will continue to work with department heads on need for a solution.

## **NDEPENDENTCrossword**

by Mike Boian with extensive help from his wife, Ann

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42. Cause of fire

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52. Single piece

53. Former Yankee

shortstop Bucky

54. Freshwater fish with

long jaw and teeth

DOWN

Sudden advantage

Certain musician

As of this moment

Spars to hold sails

Pay too little

attention to

10. Doorway pillar

11. For fear that

17. 1, 2, 3, 4, or R

19. Olympic chant

Tiny

9. Formerly

Small case for needles

Shooting requirement

49."

#### ACROSS

- 1. With skill or aptitude
- 5. Priests, e.g.
  8. Well-being or
- prosperity 12. Pouting grimace
- 13. What the dog did to
- my homework 14. River that flows into Donegal Bay, Ireland
- 15. Copse or clump of trees, *var*.
- Recommends
  Half of two, times
  - itself
- 19. Advantageous
- 20. Skin art, in slang
- 21. Eliot the Untouchable
- 23. Wear away
- 25. Soul, life
- 27. Scrawny; meager
- 31. Finish behind the
- winner 32. Pithy or witty remark
- 33. Leg joint
- 34. Plead; beseech
- 36. Embossed emblems
- that show authenticity
- 37. Bark sharply; yelp
- 38. Eject
- 39. Non-specific

- 22. Granular substance used in polishing
  - 24. Swipes
  - 25. Darker malt beverage
  - 26. Sequitur or issue intro
  - 27. Drunkard
  - 28. Any of the mouth appendages of an insect
  - 29. It's set by cooling
  - 30. Affirmative reply
  - 32. Creating charts
  - showing locations
  - 35. \_\_\_\_ Rutherford, NJ
  - 36. Traditional market,
  - esp. in Arab countries
  - 38. An abalone
  - 39. Like fine wine
  - 40. City in coastal France
  - 41. Oft-repeated tale
  - 43. On the briny
  - 45. Affirm with
    - confidence
  - 46. "There is nothing like a
    - \_\_\_\_" from South
    - Pacific
  - 48. One of six holding a wheel in place
  - 49. Vigor, vitality

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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EUREKA SPRINGS FARMERS' MARKET now at Eureka Springs Community Center – Open Tuesday, Thursdays & Saturday, 8 a.m.–1 p.m. Vegetables and fruits, cheese, meat, eggs, honey and so much more. Come for the food, music and to be with your friends. Catch us on Facebook. Accepting applications for Saturday vendors.

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#### GAWLIC

(Portuguese – Rhode Island pronunciation.) In three weeks I'll have BLACK GARLIC. Very high in anti-oxidants. White St. Market, Saturdays, 9-12. Come see Mark to find out all about it.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

It's A Mystery BookStore the gently-used book store featuring vintage, modern & classic reads on the Berryville Sq. www.itsmystery.net.

#### PERSONALS

*Dear parents,* Missing my sisters. Missing you.

**HKP** – Worked really hard over the weekend on September preparations. Tried to make up for lost time. Worked too hard. Think I was on the verge of a heat stroke. Feeling better now. Hope you can make it early. The To Do list is long... and growing.

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#### HELP WANTED

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## **Boston Mountain Rural Health Center**

is currently accepting applications for a full time LPN at our clinic located in Holiday Island, Arkansas. The LPN works as part of the clinical team and assists the Healthcare Provider in the provision of primary health care. The nurse provides limited direct patient services and performs specifically designated independent procedures as outlined by the nursing scope of practice by the Arkansas State Board of Nursing.

#### Qualifications include: Current Arkansas LPN license Basic Life Support Certification Must be willing to travel

Boston Mountain Rural Health Center, Inc. is a family and community health center that offers a wide range of services for insured, uninsured and underinsured patients. Employees of BMRHC are offered an excellent benefits package which includes medical, dental, and vision insurance as well as retirement benefits.

Email Pepper Myatt, Human Resources at **careers@bmrhc.net**. Applications may be submitted to **BMRHC** at **PO Box 1030, Marshall, AR 72650.** Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. ADA/EOE.

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loud music coming from a nearby house. Constable asked the deejay to turn the volume down.

#### JUNE 27

2:48 a.m. – Constables went to the source of a 911 hangup call and learned a child had called by mistake. 3:35 a.m. – Resident near downtown claimed some one or some thing was trespassing on private property.



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