

## This week's Independent thinkers

Protesters from across the United States have made it clear to their elected officials in Washington that having secret meetings to devise



an incomplete and user-hostile healthcare plan is not in the best interest of citizens. Nor is repealing current affordable healthcare benefits.

Many protesters have been arrested.

But residents of Gate City, Va., raised awareness creatively by making a paper chain link for every child and older citizen in Southwest Virginia who would lose health care if the Affordable Care Act were repealed.

The chain was taken to Radford, Va., and added to 9<sup>th</sup> District names until there were 62,000 links in the 3-mile long paper chain so people could see with their own eyes how big a problem it is when a wealthy nation decides its citizens are dispensable, or at least not worth helping when they get hurt or sick.

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## What the health are you talking about?

About 50 people started arriving at 10 a.m. last Friday to drop off letters and speak with Rep. Steve Womack's two field workers at his mobile office in the Eureka Springs Chamber Office. Repeal and replacement of the Affordable Care Act stalled out Monday night when Republicans couldn't deliver the votes to even debate it. Pictured (I.-r.) are Peg Adamson, Edwige Denyszyn and Carolyn Amrit Knaus waiting in line with their designated numbers.

\*\*Photo By JAY VRECENAK\*\*

## Call for council peer review delayed

### NICKY BOYETTE

Eureka Springs City Council convened a special meeting July 12 to discuss "Code of Conduct as it relates individually to council person Mickey Schneider and associated behavior of City Clerk Ann Armstrong."

Alderman David Mitchell had first proposed this at Monday's regular council meeting, but Schneider, Armstrong and alderman Peg Adamson had already walked out of the meeting, and remaining aldermen decided to defer discussion until everyone involved was present.

Mitchell had distributed statements from four staff members of the County Clerk's office detailing an encounter in which Schneider and her husband, Steve, wanted to remove themselves from the voter rolls. The statement from Election Coordinator Sherry Cochrane described the Schneiders as being "rude and belligerent."

Cochrane also mentioned, "This is the second time I have witnessed her obnoxious and bullying performances in a County Clerk's office. She is not only rude and out of control but an embarrassment to the City of Eureka Springs." Cochrane removed both Schneiders from voter registration rolls.

The statement from County Clerk Jamie Correia said,

"At approximately 9:30 a.m. July 6, 2017, I walked into my office with Michele and Steve Schneider demanding me to shut down my State Voter Registration computer and not allow for any voter information be given out. Michele raised her voice and kept pointing her finger at me telling me I would be sued. Both used very foul language while present in the County Clerk's office."

She said she called to speak with Mayor Butch Berry after the incident, but he was not in, so she recounted the event to City Clerk Ann Armstrong. Correia said Armstrong looked up the point of law regarding how Schneider had unregistered herself, and was therefore ineligible to be an elected official. Armstrong told Correia she would speak with Schneider, "and then Ann asked me if she [Schneider] chose to re-register would this be okay, I said absolutely and Ann thanked me."

Schneider told the *Independent* she went to the Eureka Springs County Clerk's office the following day and reregistered.

### At the meeting

At the special meeting, Mitchell stated that earlier in the year council had adopted a Code of Conduct which says

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"City Council serves as a model of leadership and civility." It also states aldermen "will be respectful of other members of the city council, staff and public by refraining from abusive conduct, personal charges or verbal attacks," and that aldermen "do not engage in personal attacks of any kind under any circumstances."

Mitchell stated his focus was not the fact that Schneider removed herself from being a registered voter and therefore voided her seat on city council, but that, "The issue tonight is simply conduct unbecoming of a city councilperson and in the case of the City Clerk willfully and knowingly failing, refusing or neglecting to execute, or cause to be executed, an Arkansas law by not disclosing to the appropriate councilman or mayor at the time.

"When alderman Mickey acted in the manner at the County Clerk's office that is contained in the written statements and communicated to me in person, she was viewed as a councilperson representing Eureka Springs. Her actions, language and demeanor were inappropriate and totally in disregard to the code of conduct we as a council agreed to."

He also mentioned the several outbursts by Schneider that have occurred at the council table toward another



alderman over the past several months. "I have been, and now since this outburst, concerned enough with councilman Schneider and her abusive conduct and verbal attacks that take place to say enough is enough."

Mitchell requested that council conduct a peer review of her "aberrant conduct" and that she consider apologizing to the staff at the County Clerk's office, to the other aldermen, and to the citizens of Eureka Springs.

Regarding Armstrong, Mitchell said

after Schneider removed herself from being a registered voter, at no time did Armstrong notify the mayor or any aldermen. According to Mitchell, Armstrong, when asked if there was anything she needed to discuss with the mayor, told the mayor's assistant, "I've handled it," and to his knowledge Armstrong never did speak to the mayor about it.

Mitchell concluded Armstrong's actions amounted to nonfeasance in office based on the definition as "the intentional failure to perform a required

duty or obligation. To avoid dealing with this incident with councilman Schneider and City Clerk Ann Armstrong could be a dereliction of duty on the part of council."

Alderman Peg Adamson remarked, "I have several objections to the way this meeting is taking place." First she pointed out City Attorney Tim Weaver was not present. In addition, "I do not like having this stuff aired this way. The purpose is not informative; it's not helping anything." She moved to table discussion until Weaver would be present, and alderman Bob Thomas seconded.

Schneider said if the topic were to be discussed later, the people who wrote the four statements should be present. She claimed they had four totally different descriptions of what had happened, and she wanted them present to make things clear.

Berry reminded Schneider a council meeting is not a court of law, and Mitchell pointed out there was a very specific focus for the discussion. The topic was conduct and behavior, not voter law.

Thomas wanted to know more about the Code of Conduct as it applies outside of meetings.

Council voted to approve Adamson's amended motion to defer the discussion to the next regular meeting, Monday, July 24, at 6 p.m.



## **INDEPENDENTNews**

## Plan B for parking pitched

#### NICKY BOYETTE

At the July 12 City Advertising and Promotion Commission meeting, Finance Director Rick Bright reported he met with city Finance Director Lonnie Clark about the CAPC pursuing a bond to finance a parking garage downtown. Clark said Code allows the CAPC to put up a parking garage, but the city would ultimately be responsible for covering the bond, and he doubted city council would approve it right now. "There's only a slim chance we would be able to pull it off," Bright said.

Commissioner Bobbie Foster quickly said she wanted to know what it would cost to develop alternate sites such as the

## **Community Center HAPPENINGS**

The Eureka Springs Farmers' market at the ESCC on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday and the Eureka Springs Community Center has a new

parking area at the top of Planer Hill. She called it "a prime area to explore" because a visitor could park, get information and a ride

"It would solve the problem I hear about every day," she said.

Commissioner Terry McClung commented he saw at least 40 vehicles in that lot on a busy Saturday, so visitors use it.

Foster again mentioned a location off Water Street the city already owns which has "dozens of spaces... it would be fabulous." McClung said he would follow up on the Water Street site and chair Susan Harman said she would take these suggestions to Planning Commission discussions of parking.

### Director's report

Maloney reported his marketing partners Flypaper, formerly 121 digital, and Rightmind had a "robust discussion" to stay coordinated on who is doing what and how to do it better. Maloney said he is boosting his reach into the range between Little Rock and Oklahoma City, but especially in the 1-1.5-hour range such as Tulsa, Joplin and

Northwest Arkansas. He pointed out the I-49 corridor is growing at a blistering pace, and newcomers probably do not know about Eureka Springs, so he charged the digital partners to help him strategize.

He said they will target higher populated areas such as Little Rock and thereby pick up Conway, and this push is with digital marketing so it is flexible and he can, for example, add Kansas City to the campaign. He also intends to geofence Eureka Springs whenever there is a concert at the Auditorium so that everyone in town who uses a mobile device will know about the show.

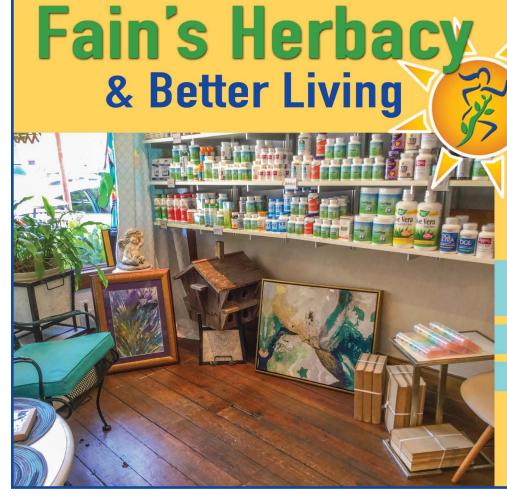
He announced that the CAPC will have a quarter-page ad in the program for the Walton Arts Center, so audiences for 150 acts will see a Eureka Springs ad.

Maloney said Arkansas Bride sends him leads for people interested in weddings, and anyone in the wedding industry who wants these leads can call the CAPC office.

#### The app

Maloney announced the launch of **CAPC** continued on page 19





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## CAPC tentative on Jackrabbit widget

#### NICKY BOYETTE

Kent Butler spoke on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce last Wednesday in asking the CAPC to add a widget to its website that would take the viewer to a Jackrabbit site showing lodging availability in Eureka Springs. Jackrabbit is online booking management software.

"We want to prevent folks from thinking there is no place to stay," Butler



said, adding there would be no extra work for lodging owners. There would, however, be a \$375 annual fee.

Commissioner David Mitchell right away did not like the fact every lodging owner would have to sign up. He also asked, "Are we hijacking my webpage?"

Butler did not see it that way. He said there are vacancies in town that might not show up on the first four pages of the CAPC site listing, and it would cost the CAPC nothing to add the widget.

Mitchell still objected, and CAPC Executive Director Mike Maloney said this move would force the hand of property owners with one or two rooms who would not otherwise participate.

Chair Susan Harman agreed with Maloney that the new system would work fairly only if everyone were participating, but the annual fee puts some at a disadvantage. "Some people will feel like they are late for the party," she commented.

Commissioner Bobbie Foster contended \$375 was "such a small price



With a name like Jackrabbit Widget it must be good – CAPC Chair Susan Harman watches Rick Bright make notes while Kent Butler and Paul Miller look for CAPC support in improving lodging reservation systems.

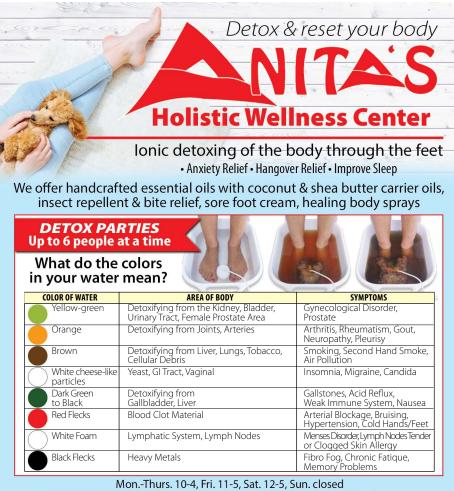
to pay for this availability."

Mitchell said a property owner could pay less for another service, and some people do just fine with their own booking system without third part involvement.

"How Maloney asked, many Chamber members want this? Does Randy Wolfingbarger want this? Does Jed Bullock want this?"

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## **INDEPENDENTNews**

## Planning recommends striping upper Spring Street

#### NICKY BOYETTE

The issue of parking problems in the residential area on Spring Street beyond the library came to the attention of city council at the June 26 meeting, and the Planning Commission offered a solution at its July 11 meeting.

Commissioner Woodie Acord provided an inventory of parking spaces from Pine St. north on Spring, saying there 17 metered spaces and one handicapped spot on Spring between Pine and Howell. From Howell to the library, there were 18 marked spaces, five library spaces with a 2-hour limit, one handicapped space and four marked spots just across from the library. However, there were no marked spaces on Spring from the library all the way to Harmon Park.

Acord stated that if a parking spot were considered to be 19 feet, there would be room for 103 marked spaces between the library and Grotto Spring. He said he was excluding red zones and the spaces would be on one side of the street only.

Commissioner Susan Harman said she had noticed wasted space because it is casual neighborhood parking and people spread out. p.m.

"Striping would benefit the neighborhood tremendously," she said, maintaining a more organized parking situation would alleviate many current issues, and give police patrolling the neighborhood a reason to speak to sloppy parkers. As things stand now, she said, there is nothing police can do.

Acord commented striping would open more parking spaces in that neighborhood. "In my mind, if people would use the parking available for their property, this wouldn't be nearly as much a problem." He was referring to multi-unit dwellings along that stretch that have off-street parking, and chair Melissa Greene said Planning should remind those residents to park off the street when possible.

After a brief discussion, Harman moved to recommend to council that the city stripe Spring Street from the library to Harmon Park. Commissioners acknowledged there might be red areas along the way, and vote to approve was unanimous.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, July 25, at 6

## CCSO busts last year's pot

#### NICKY BOYETTE

Carroll County Sheriff Randy Mayfield held a press briefing Friday, July 14, to show off a heaping pile of marijuana plants found growing wild in the southeastern part of Carroll County.

Mayfield said he flew in an Arkansas National Guard helicopter to this location because CCSO had found cultivated plants growing in this vicinity last year. To his surprise, there were more plants in the area this year although he is convinced they were not being cultivated but growing wild. He estimated there were 40,000 plants growing in an eight to ten-acre plot. This was possibly the largest haul in Carroll County history.

"I could smell them from two hundred feet in the air," Mayfield stated.

The operation recovered 3600 plants and destroyed the rest by bush-hogging and applying herbicide. Only a portion of the recovered plants were on display.

Mayfield said he expects no charges will be filed because they found no evidence the area was being cultivated.

He said last year the individual who had purchased the land saw people in the evening carrying away black trash bags, and once he discovered what was growing called CCSO. Mayfield said they recovered some and destroyed what they thought were the rest, but this year they made a more concerted effort to destroy more plants so they will not self-sow again.

Mayfield said he has seen fewer and fewer marijuana plots in the county over the years because it is easier and safer to

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## **INDEPENDENTNews**

## Council asked to clarify re-zoning decision

#### NICKY BOYETTE

Chair Melissa Greene recapped the recent history of 38 Prospect at the July 10 Planning meeting, reminding commissioners that at their May 9 meeting, Planning approved the request of applicants Byron and Marilyn McKimmey to rezone their property from R-1 to C-3 Quiet Use Commercial. Planning sent that recommendation to city council.

At the May 22 meeting, council voted to rezone the property, which meant there would need to be an ordinance to officially rezone the property. When considering that ordinance at the June 12 meeting, alderman Terry McClung advocated for rezoning both 38 Prospect and 42 Prospect next door to avoid the appearance of spot zoning. However, the residents of 42 Prospect were concerned their property taxes might increase, so council voted to delay discussion until that was resolved.

At the June 26 council meeting, after the property tax issue was comfortably resolved, City Attorney Tim Weaver was asked to rewrite the ordinance to include rezoning both properties at the same time. At the July 10 meeting, Greene reported it was now clear that 42 Prospect absolutely did not want to be rezoned, so council bounced it back to Planning to see if the McKimmevs would be okay with a Conditional Use Permit for a Bed & Breakfast instead.

Greene asked the commission if they wanted to reconsider their recommendation and discuss a CUP for 38 Prospect.

Commissioner Susan Harman said Planning had asked council to approve or deny a recommendation regarding 38 Prospect, and council changed the circumstance by including an additional property. When the resident objected. council sent it back to Planning without ever denying the recommendation or making their intent clear.

"We weren't given a clear explanation of what they expect from us," Harman said.

Greene responded that Planning could just let the topic drop and ask council to rezone it or not. However. her understanding was that council wanted Planning to intercede with the McKimmeys about the possible CUP.

Harman pointed out the McKimmeys had not applied for a CUP and she did not get why it was the responsibility of Planning to negotiate this deal. Commissioner Doug Breitling was not sure the CUP would be a better solution anyway, and Greene said many people have expressed reservations about rezoning.

Points continued to circle the table until commissioner Woodie Acord pointed out that council asked Planning to handle this back in May, and Planning sent council a recommendation. However, council changed the circumstances and a resident objected to council's intentions. Acord claimed the original decision by Planning still stood, and if council does not want to go that way, that would be fine. Then Planning can start the next process.

The decision was to get an approval or denial of the previous recommendation from council.

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## Wedding definition gets deeper than the dictionary

NICKY BOYETTE

In Public Comments at the July 10 Planning meeting. Bed & Breakfast owner Bob Jasinski stated the definition in a Merriam-Webster Dictionary for a wedding states it is a ceremony followed by festivities, meaning a reception. He added language in City Code also seems to allow receptions as part of a wedding.

When the commission got its turn, Doug Breitling suggested their definition of a wedding should include a reception with certain limits of what a reception would be. He started with a relatively simple cakeand punch reception, nothing lasting longer than an hour or so, and with only those who attended the wedding ceremony. Certainly not a sit-down dinner. He figured a definition with those terms would cover 98 percent of the receptions that happen in town and make life simpler for those who perform weddings.

Commissioner Susan Harman said the problems might start when events move outside. Breitling said the way Code is written now, a reception cannot follow a wedding. Plus, weddings are sometimes

held at Bed & Breakfasts, and B&B are supposed to serve breakfasts only. "We must update language in the Code," he said.

Commissioner Woodie Acord responded he did not see why the same parking requirements would not apply to weddings and receptions. There cannot be more people at a wedding or reception than there is parking for unless they are shuttled in.

Harman then suggested they arrive at parking requirements and other particulars for private events as distinguished from a reception. She suggested a permit process with a list all the requirements on an application. Acord saw a private event as being very similar to a reception. Breitling even proposed the definition of a private event could be an event not defined anywhere else in Code. If the particular definitions were strengthened, then a private event would be the catchall term for the rest.

Chair Melissa Greene said for the next meeting, Breitling would work on a definition for a wedding establishment and City Economic Development director Glenna Booth would provide a current list of the wedding establishments in town.

## Expanding retail gets attention from Task Force

#### NICKY BOYETTE

At the July 12 meeting of the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Development, chair Sandy Martin passed around copies of a 14-question community survey aimed at filling the gaps in retail in Eureka Springs. She said the grant from Winrock International is funding analysis of the retail landscape in town in hopes of identifying opportunities, and she sees the questionnaire as a step toward expanding the local retail base.

Damon Henke, representing Main Street Eureka Springs, noted that downtown Eureka Springs is such a hodgepodge it does not fit any typical pattern, and the town needs to create a pattern that will appeal to

Kimberley Clark commented that focusing just on retail is missing important ways visitors spend money. Travelers come to see the Great Passion Play and Turpentine Creek, and she claimed the bicycle people hardly visit retail shops. "When we think of how people spend money, we are limiting ourselves by sticking to just retail."

Martin replied she could do an analysis on sites Clark mentioned, but what she wanted to emphasize was "expanding the trade zone" by bringing more retail to town to fill the needs of locals while adding to the city's tax revenue. She said she hoped to have

enough completed surveys by mid-August to get meaningful results.

Martin encouraged people to fill out the survey at eurekaspringsliveworkplay.us/surveys, 14 questions about which city a local visits to buy items like vehicle parts, furniture, sporting goods and general merchandise.

Martin said the county is growing with many residents choosing to live outside of town. Since her goal is to increase the tax base inside city limits, the key is more retail. She also wanted to know more about where travelers are from, and suggested it would be useful to collect the zip codes of customers from a few key retailers, restaurants and hotels.

#### If a business did move here...

Mayor Butch Berry reported that Mike Preston, director of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, was in town with news about outside businesses considering a move to the area. One possibility is an agribusiness call center employing from 20 workers to begin with, but possibly many more depending on success. Another would be a company developing a solar farm here and offering 20-50 high tech jobs.

Berry pointed out the obvious concerns are whether Eureka Springs would have the housing or workforce. The group agreed that some workers would relocate in the county outside of town, but there are spots inside city limits that could be developed. Berry said the Planning Commission might need to update development requirements in City Code as that develops.

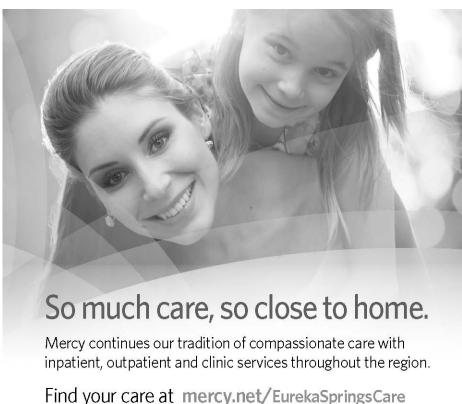
He noted there are new housing developments in town now, but they're not affordable housing projects. However, if these new industries moved to town, employees could afford to buy homes.

Martin said she is developing a 10x10-ft. map identifying who owns every property in Eureka Springs. When completed, the map will be useful for identifying potential locations for new businesses.

There was consensus that things are looking up in the county with the three cities working together on new levels. New Chamber of Commerce President Paul Miller joined with Henke offering to assist the Task Force in recruiting new businesses.

Jacqueline Wolven, director of Main Street Eureka Springs, was hoping for green industries like solar, and Martin reminded the group the city might get a marijuana dispensary which is certainly green, and along with it could be opportunities for related products.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, Oct. 11, at 10 a.m., in the Auditorium.





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## Connect 4 project getting rooted

### NICKY BOYETTE

Sandy Martin reported at the Mayor's Task Force meeting last week that the Berryville Armory will be site of the Connect 4 workforce development center, and Tyson Foods has committed \$1.3 million to get it started. The idea is to provide a track of training for high school juniors and seniors to learn useful skills such as HVAC, plumbing, advanced maintenance, and basics in a variety of trades. She said as the project develops, Tyson would

try to lure other sponsors so the center can offer adult education or retraining classes.

Connect 4 is a cooperative effort among Green Forest, Berryville and Eureka Springs High Schools where students will spend part of the day at the armory and part in regular academic classes. Martin said money has been identified to pay for transportation from the high schools to the site.

The project is scheduled to begin in September 2018.

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## True or False?

Editor,

For those who think Eurekans are emotional crackers:

- 1. The American people are no longer able to govern themselves and need help from foreign governments?
- Only the wealthy should have healthcare that doesn't send them into bankruptcy?
- Seeking the help of a hostile foreign power to win elections is not considered treason?
- Does Vladimir Putin choose his words very carefully because that is the patient and careful way to achieve world domination?
- Did Nikita Khrushchev say, "We will bury you?" And my favorite, "The U.S. will fall into our hands like an overripe piece of fruit?"
- Can hatred, fear and greed be used as tools to make people vote for something they don't really
- Can a strong stance of apathy and avoidance of facts protect your cherished freedom?

8. If clues are dropped on some folks, should they have the weight of a hammer, or perhaps a hammer and sickle?

I like to joke with people a lot, but things is getting' serious for this old hillbilly.

Peace.

Danny Foddrell

## **Putting on the dog**

Editor,

I am writing to say thank you for a local service. I recently had a stray cat show up at my home in the country, hungry and possibly pregnant. I was already feeding another stray. I called The Good Shepherd Humane Society's spay and neuter clinic for help.

I was able to get both of these strays in the next day for surgery. Dr. Mueller and the staff at the shelter are very professional and knowledgeable. While at the shelter I took a look around. The dogs were almost all outside in pens enjoying outside time. The shelter smelled and looked very clean and well kept. Bravo! Carroll County is very fortunate to have this shelter and all who support it.

This has been such a help to me and these cats. Thank you Dr. Mueller and Kathy for a job well done and much appreciated.

Glenda Allison **Berryville** 

## **ESFM** committed to trust

Editor,

The Eureka Springs Farmers' Market announces the resignation of Patrice Gros of Foundation Farm from the board of directors. Mr. Gros recently acknowledged that he had been using prohibited herbicides on his USDA Certified Organic farm. While the Eureka Springs Farmers' Market does not require organic growing practices of its vendors, we absolutely cannot condone deception of our customers and community.

Our local farmers' market is committed honest relationships between our producers and our customers. Essentially, trust is the foundation of our market. A board member, in particular, must be above reproach in this respect. Acknowledging this, Patrice Gros offered his resignation to the board and it was regretfully accepted.

The Board of the farmers' market, on behalf of its entire membership, apologizes to customers for this unfortunate situation.

Board of Directors, ESFM



## **WEEK'S TopTweets**

@andyasadjective: Her: I still think you made up that word just so you could win at Scrabble. Me: That's ridictacular. **@pundamentalism:** Alligators can live up to 100 years, which is why there's an increased chance that they will see you later. @meganamram: How many days should I wait before I call my senator, I don't want to seem desperate.

@asgardianRose: Still disappointed that a goblet is just a cup

and not a miniature goblin.

@abbycohenwl: You're only as old as the sounds you make when you get out of the car.

@Boyd'sbackyard: I think I may have offended a millennial, I've never seen his mom that mad...

**@manfish:** I hope the guy who invented Autocorrect burns in

@tastefactory: Car commercials grossly overestimate how much time I spend driving around in the desert.

@dumbbeezie: Goodnight everyone except the guy who invented that thing that shows that you are typing something. @WineHoney: I hate when I'm cleaning the house and

accidentally go to bed until the next day.

## **INDEPENDENT Guestatorial**

## The Crack

"I don't like to gamble, but if there is one thing I'm willing to bet on, it's myself." - Beyoncé

We are all going to die. This is not news but it has been on my mind. Watching President Trump on July 12 in the Oval Office meeting with his most senior advisor and confidant was terrifying. Trump reviewed his presidential record. Building a strong military, "we are the most powerful nation in the world and I am a strong military president, Qatar is the main funder of terrorism." Building a strong energy industry, "we are going to frack, natural gas, export coal, and LNG. Approving the Keystone XL pipeline and DAPL will create many jobs, it was a no brainer." He added, "we have lifted thousands of restrictions and the stock market has gained trillions." This was an impressive imaginary list of accomplishments. Pat Robertson smiled and did not mention Satan.

#### The Larsen C Ice Shelf

The Crack was a vivid reminder of the threats of global warming and rising sea levels. Ice cubes float in a glass of water, but glaciers and calving are complex. What matters is global warming.

Imagine a bus with enough seats for everyone on Earth. The brake fluid is low, an inexperienced driver is looking in the rearview mirror, it is hot, foggy, and some say we are heading for a cliff. This bus trip is like global warming, a man-made climate emergency from an unprecedented concentration of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere.

In 1896, Svante Arrhenius, a Swedish physicist and chemist, discovered an essential relationship - increasing greenhouse gas emissions increases the Earth's temperature. Arrhenius won a Nobel Prize. It is getting very hot, and some people don't want to know, but it does not matter what people think or who is to blame.

### The Survival Game

We have two choices: act immediately and do all we can to reduce greenhouse gases, or wait. Global warming may be a hoax or the threat may be real. The Survival Game has simple rules. Everybody plays, the game started 100 years ago, we are running out of time, and the outcome will determine life on Earth.

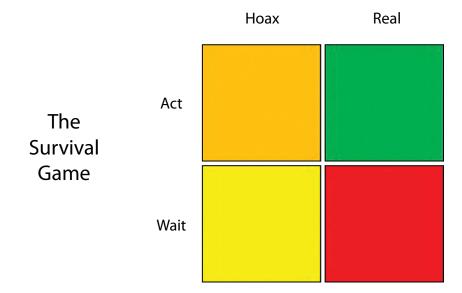
If we act and global warming is a hoax, we'll end up joining the rest of the world with a strong economy. If global warming is real, our children and grandchildren will remember us as Climate Warriors.

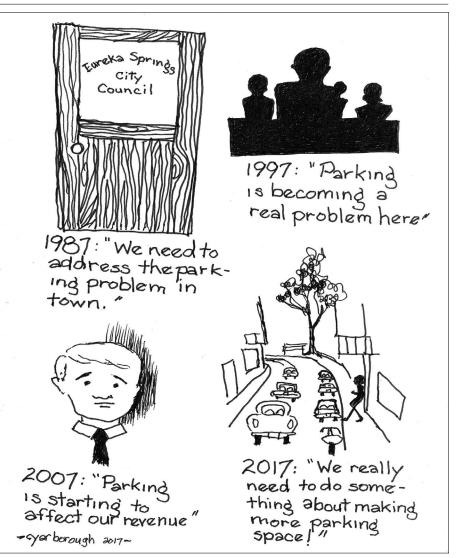
If we wait and global warming is a hoax, the rest of the world will remember the U.S. as a global pariah for pulling out of the 2015 Paris Climate Agreement. If GW

is real, we are toast. Game over.

The best strategy is to act now, do all we can to reduce our carbon footprint and be kind to everyone.

Dr. Luis Contreras





# **Pursuit Of HAPPINESS**

by Dan Krotz

The Bible insists that we love our I neighbors and also commands that we love our enemies. Paradoxically, they are often the same people; and annoyingly and ruthlessly, the Good Book further commands that we love the unlovable. A pilgrim's progress is, indeed, crooked and steep.

Love, as Jesus teaches in 1 Corinthians 13:13, is the greatest of Commandments, or laws. However, all Great and Big Laws are soon accompanied by lots of little laws. That's why God's pack mule, Religion, and Religion's factotum Denominations, vigorously assure that no stone is unturned in the matter of defining what Love "is."

Bill Clinton, drawing on his Baptist roots, shed some light on the meaning of "is" when describing whether or not he engaged in sexual relations with Monica Lewinsky: "It depends on what the meaning of the word 'is' is." Clinton said. "If 'is' means is and never has been, that is not – that is one thing. If it means there is none, that was a completely true statement. Now, if someone had asked me on that day, are you having any kind of sexual relations with Ms. Lewinsky, that is, asked me a question in the present tense, I would have said no. And it would have been completely true."

The President's helpful clarification may have obscured a few who what and where details, but it certified that "is" is a pretty action oriented nonstandard reduplicative copula and Boy Howdy you don't want that on your permanent record. So, what "is" Love, say, in the case of a lazy bum, a case where you "Love the bum, but hate the laziness?"

Application of the Big Law "is" lunch for the bum, referral to a job, and a smile, albeit tired. Application of the Big Law's little laws "is" telling him he's lazy, that laziness is an abomination, that he'll burn in hell forever unless he goes to work, and that it "is" his responsibility to get off his lazy rump and find a job.

And so, another riddle for Christians to muddle through: can little laws have any authority, or even exist, outside the "is" of the Big Laws?

## A little help from our friends:

- *Good Shepherd Humane Society* monthly board meetings are held the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m. at the Good Shepherd Humane Society Shelter, 6486 Hwy. 62E. 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) 981-1587.
- *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.
- *Chronic Pain Support Group Forming* Call if you feel Alone and are looking for resources, support, and advocacy. (870) 350-5571.

# Just two wheels and a road to cruise on

Join a fun, social bike ride through downtown on Tuesday, July 25 from 5:30-9 p.m. All bike riding experience levels are welcome. Meet at Harmon Park and take a casual ride, and stop at Devito's and the Cathouse. Bring your bicycle, helmet, and safety lighting. Go to facebook.com/BicycleES for more information

## INDEPENDENT ConstablesOnPatrol

#### **JULY 13**

4:02 a.m. – Observer was concerned about a group of people suspiciously gathered near the middle school. Constable responded but no one was there when he arrived. 4:06 p.m. – Individual came to the station to report a neighbor unplugs his phone line at the box. He did not want a report or a constable response but to log the situation into the system in case the behavior continues.

6:21 p.m. – Person asked for a welfare check on her friend. Constable did not find the friend at home nor was the person admitted to ESH.

6:58 p.m. — Witness told ESPD there was a vehicle in the southwest part of town with both doors open and two people sleeping inside. The female had syringes in her lap. Constable arrested the female for possession of a controlled substance with intent to distribute and three counts of possession of drug paraphernalia. The male was arrested for two counts of possession of drug paraphernalia.

#### **JULY 14**

7:33 p.m. – Individual out of town reported her sister-in-law was at her house on Hwy. 23 North, and a male was there on her deck claiming she stole his dog. She insisted she did not steal his dog. CCSO was advised of the situation and a deputy responded.

#### **JULY 15**

3:02 p.m. – Person told ESPD she received an eviction notice stating she had three days to move from the property but she did not get the notice until the day she was supposed to be gone. Information was passed along to a constable.

3:57 p.m. – There was a motorcycle accident on US 62 toward eastern side of town with a possible broken leg. EMS responded and a helicopter was called.

5:43 p.m. – Individual who was out of town told ESPD someone trying to enter his home had broken his storm door. Constable went to the scene and filed a report.

 $8{:}41\ p.m.-A$  man could not find his dog and called to see if anyone had reported it.

9:30 p.m. – Witness noticed two couples in an SUV were fighting and screaming, and the vehicle headed west on US 62. Vehicle had been parked on the grass on private property, and owner told the driver to leave. There was some shoving, but owner did not want to file a report. Constables never encountered the vehicle.

11:58 p.m. – Guests at a motel had a family disagreement boisterous enough to prompt a call for a constable.

### JULY 16

1:51 a.m. – Call came in about two inebriated females walking down the middle of a street. Constable went to the area and found the street free of inebriated females. 2:35 a.m. – Constable checked on a disturbance at an apartment complex.

11:28 a.m. – Constables performed a welfare check on a person at a hotel and found her doing just fine.

6:33 p.m. – Someone took a sign from a business.

### July 17

12:38 a.m. – Constable responded to an alarm at a business on US 62 and found two employees on site. The building was secure.

1:43 a.m. – Night manager at a restaurant reported items were missing from the freezer.

3:35 a.m. – Resident near downtown asked for a constable to check for a trespasser. Constable found no trespassers.

## **INDEPENDENT Commentary**

## Healthcare or wealthcare?

ast Friday I attended Congressman Steve Womack's "mobile office" at the Eureka Springs Chamber office where two seemingly nice, but deadly inept Womack flacks listened and tried to answer questions from some of his constituents.

I told Teri Garrett and Jeff Thacker I was there as a private citizen and documentarian to record and listen to their one-on-one conversations with those who came to voice concerns over Womack's stands on healthcare, the environment, and Trump's collusion with Russian officials.

Approximately 50 people showed up, some to just drop off personal letters, others taking a number to wait their turn to speak.

Their questions were knowledgeable and eloquent, and fell, I'm afraid, on deaf

My two, what I thought simple questions, "If we are the richest most powerful nation in the world, why are we the only civilized country that does not provide healthcare for all its citizens?" and "What message will Mr. Womack give to the estimated eight hundred thousand Arkansans who will lose their current insurance coverage?" were met with awkward silence.

Biting my tongue, I listened as alternative Republican fact talking points were espoused. "For every one call in favor of Obamacare, they get five calls opposing it." (Really? Just like everyone at Womack's last Town Hall meeting?) "That there are just too many people bilking the healthcare system and getting a free ride." That Congressman Womack is "taking very seriously" these allegations of Russian meddling (while not saying a single word about them), and that he is very pro-environment, even "touring a solar energy plant two weeks ago" (while slashing funding and programs for the EPA).

It was not until the very end when a young woman carrying a baby accompanied by her mother, sat down and I could bite no longer. Concerned over her sister's long-term health, Abbi asked about cuts to Medicare and the preexisting condition clause that would no doubt affect her sibling.

It was after Mr. Thacker said with a noble, straight face that the pre-existing condition clause was a top priority for Mr. Womack that I spoke up rather loudly to remind him of the congressman's signed House Bill that even his president said was "too mean." Yes, there was a preexisting condition clause in the bill, but it basically gave cart blanche to insurance companies to raise premiums on the preexisting sick.

For people like Abbi and her sister, there are no safety nets.

It's obvious they hold these events to give us the illusion we are being



represented, but most disturbing were the handshakes and big welcoming smiles from people who really have no idea how heartless they are.

I guess they have to say these things to keep their jobs, which, guess what? come with government healthcare.

John Rankine

## Arkansas activists arrested in DC

#### HARRIE FARROW

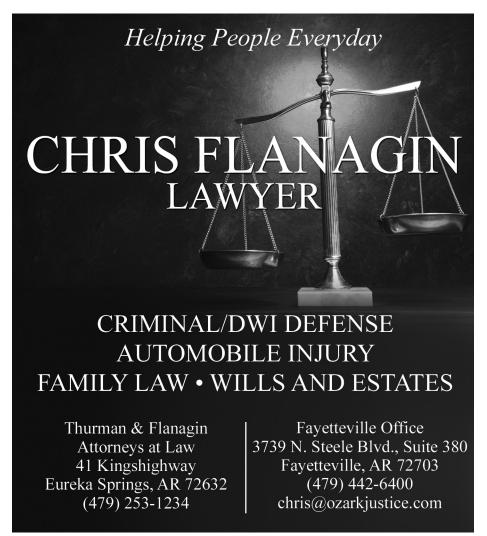
Eleven protesters from Arkansas were arrested outside Sen. John Boozman's office in Washington D.C on July 10. There were 22 activists from Arkansas who protested the proposed healthcare bill, part of a larger action that included about 150 people from at least 18 states. At least 80 were arrested.

Groups of ten or more went to the offices of 13 senators and congressmen. The Arkansas group entered Sen. Boozman's office and requested to speak with him, expressing frustration at not having been able to find him at his home offices during congressional breaks nor able to get him to hold town hall meetings.

When staffers said the senator was unavailable, members of the group began telling healthcare stories. Whoever was telling their story would say a sentence, pause, then the group would echo it loudly, and so on, until their story was done. Two staffers at their desks continued to work until one of the activists told them it was disrespectful not to listen to the people who came all the way from Arkansas to have their healthcare stories heard.

In between speakers, the group chanted "Kill the bill! Don't kill us!" and "Trumpcare Kills!" After six or seven people told their stories, the group occupied the hall outside Boozman's office, sat in a long line, and continued to chant and tell stories about how the proposed bill would be detrimental to their lives. Some spoke of how the bill would threaten their lives or those of their children and other family members.

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## Type O Negative blood in short supply

Community Blood Center of the Ozarks will hold a blood drive on Wednesday, July 26 from 1-6 p.m. at Inn of the Ozarks, Hwy. 62 West. Each donation will be awarded LifePoints as part of CBCO's donor rewards program. LifePoints may be redeemed online for a variety of gift cards or points may be assigned to other meaningful causes or charities.

To be eligible to give blood you must weigh at least 110 pounds, be in good health, and present a valid photo ID. For more information visit www. cbco.org or call toll-free (800) 280-5337.

## Quorum Court sprints through agenda

#### NICKY BOYETTE

The Carroll County Quorum Court quickly took care of business Monday evening with Justices of the Peace approving three items:

- a supplemental appropriation ordinance transferring \$70,037 to pay for repairs to the Eastern District courthouse
- an ordinance appropriating \$44,000 received from the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program to be used toward improvement of the Carroll County Historic Courthouse
- an appropriation ordinance reallocating \$14,538 from contract labor line item in the Assessor's budget toward paying for a full-time employee

JP Noreen Watson pulled a fourth item regarding

Sheri

Hanson

amendments to the Personnel Handbook related to longevity payments. She said an updated ordinance wwouldill be presented at the August 21 meeting.

#### **Jump starting ECCAD**

JP Lamont Richie told the court it would be advisable for as many JPs as possible to attend the next meeting of the Eastern Carroll County Ambulance District on Tuesday, July 25, at 7 p.m. at the courthouse in Berryville. JP Don McNeely said he attended the most recent meeting, and commented that commissioners are still establishing their process, but JP Chuck Olson stated the process of setting up the district seems to be going slowly.

Next meeting will be Monday, August 21, at 5 p.m.

uring World War II, the Germans used a technique called the Blitzkrieg. The moment for most thinking Americans. idea was to attack on every front with every military force you possess.

The target is unable to respond because there are too many fronts and not enough forces to repel so many attacks at once.

George Bush used this technique for political purposes, but Steve Bannon and Roger Stone are absolute masters of the Dirty Tricks Blitzkrieg, and we, the American population, are having a hard time just keeping up, much less being able to respond intelligently.

Of course, the Trump White House doesn't want you to keep up and is doing everything in its power to keep us all in the dark. No cameras at press briefings, very limited White House Comment operators, a website that once offered Melania's jewelry, but doesn't have information on the environment, LGBTQ issues or other social issues that are important to the American people.

For the past six months, it has been a neck and neck race to see if the Republicons destroy more than 20 percent of our national economy, leaving our lives in ruins by crashing health insurance, before Donald Trump completely hands our country over to the Russians. Either scenario offers a stomach churning

Now we have confirmation that Trump and his campaign collaborated with a hostile foreign government to steal the election in 2016 and all we can do is wait for the Special Counsel to give us his findings of what happened.

And in the background, we have Mitch McConnell daub dropping millions and billions of dollars here and there to Republicon Senators. He's dangled \$1.8 billion to save Alaska's Medicaid to get Murkowski's vote to screw every other state. Mitch still needs to squeeze out that \$1 trillion for the wealthy to get tax cuts, and cutting Medicaid for the other states will accomplish his goal.

Without one more Republicon with a conscience, this abomination will be the law of the land. So, schedule all medical procedures for this year, because next year our health will be in the hands of those who feel nothing for us. Their latest ploy is: sure, offer insurance policies that cover nothing for lots more money. Even insurance companies say this is unworkable.

But then again, you may want to die an early death to avoid The Brave New World of Oligarchs and Trillionaires.

## **DEPARTURE**

## Mary Elizabeth "Beth" (Caldwell) Manire Short May 8, 1921 – July 11, 2017

Mary Elizabeth "Beth" (Caldwell) Manire Short, had a career in the YMCA, and moved to Corpus Harold's death in 1996 Beth moved to Eureka Springs 96, died peacefully on July 11 at Brighton Ridge Christi, Texas, in 1957 to continue Y work.

Nursing Home, Eureka Springs, Ark. Beth was born May 8, 1921 in Henrietta, Texas, the daughter of Frank E. and Zelda Faye (Jones) Caldwell.

Beth had a musical upbringing playing piano, French horn, trumpet, cello, piccolo and Scotch baritone. One of the highlights in her teen years was traveling and playing in the Kelties all girl marching band. She was also active in theater playing the lead in many plays in high school.

While attending Oklahoma City University she met the love of her life,

Hubert B. Manire whom she married in 1940. They had four children together, Larry, Bryan, Jane and Steve. They settled in Oklahoma City while Hubert



In Corpus Christi, Beth developed a life-long interest in performing as a clown named Snookey. She has brought much joy and laughter to many people at parades, hospitals, nursing homes,

parties, festivals and the like.

After another move to Milwaukee, Wis., for Y work, Beth and Hubert changed careers and moved to Hot Springs, Ark., to build KOA campgrounds in Hot Springs and Little Rock. Retiring from successful camping careers, they moved to Rogers, Ark., where she founded the Arkee Malarkee Clown Alley and was

active in the First Methodist Church.

After Hubert's death in 1986, Beth married retired Col. Harold Short, the father of a fellow clown. After to be near her children.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Eureka Springs, Chairman of the Board for several years, an active volunteer for the Eureka Springs Hospital Guild, People Helping People and Help Hospitalized Veterans.

Beth is survived by her four children, her sister Rose Ann (Caldwell) Davis of Hot Springs, Ark., nine grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren; and Harold's children Joe, Jewel, Ron and Judy.

A memorial service will be held at First United Methodist Church of Eureka Springs on July 30, at 2 p.m., with reception to follow. Beth's ashes will be interred aside Hubert's at Crestview Cemetery, Hot Springs, Ark. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be sent in her name to the church at 195 Huntsville Road, Eureka Springs, AR 72632, (479) 253-8987.

Beth requested that, in memory of her, you "laugh long and heartily. Remember that laughter is healing."

## School Board boosts building fund

#### NICKY BOYETTE

The Eureka Springs School Board wasted little time handling the full slate of items on its agenda at the July 11 meeting. Most notable was the vote to transfer \$983,000 to the Building Fund to prepare for future projects.

Board member Debbie Davis commented the district should at some point also consider salary increases for teachers, emphasizing it was important for the district to stay competitive.

Vote to approve the transfer was unanimous.

#### **Stipends**

During the June 13 meeting, the board asked for more information about a proposed stipend schedule for the upcoming school year. Stipends are for sponsors at after school programs, coaches and others extra duties. Supt. Bryan Pruitt provided an updated breakdown of the stipend schedule which reflected a total increase of \$8455 over the previous year.

Board member Tina Johnson raised the question of whether everyone getting a stipend was performing the duties required. "If you're not doing it, you're

not getting paid," Pruitt responded, adding that expectations are made clear for those receiving stipends.

District Treasurer Pam McGarrah commented the principals sign off on stipends, and teachers get hardly anything for their efforts, and some do it because somebody must.

Vote to approve the stipend schedule was unanimous.

#### Other matters

The board also approved:

- an upgraded Wellness Policy which incorporates suggestions from the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture.
- 2016-2017 audit; the only suggestion was for finances to be handled by more people. The comment was made the board has received this recommendation in every audit in recent memory.
- Act 1120 Resolution which listed any employee whose salary had increase by five percent or more during the previous school year. Pruitt said the typical entries are those who were part-

time and added more hours. This year a bus driver was hired as a teacher.

- · Miscellaneous duty schedule for those who, for example, work basketball games. Pruitt said all miscellaneous duties would be paid on an hourly basis.
- Electronic payments schedule for direct payments
- Transfer of a Berryville student to the district
- · Receipt of a Horticulture and Plant Science grant of \$109,000 from the Arkansas Dept. of Career Education for a greenhouse; Pruitt said the district would pay for utilities and the pad on which the greenhouse rests.
- · Renovation of the HVAC in the middle school gym

After Executive Session, the board approved these personnel matters: resignation of Truett Thomas, bus driver; hiring of Glenn Brownlee, Jr., as bus driver; adding seven years previous work experience to the contract of Pat Todd.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, August 8, at 5:30 p.m.

## Learning spirituality at Metafizzies

The July 24 meeting of the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society will feature videos of the American spiritual teacher Gangaji. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain. All are welcome.

## Fayetteville poets performing at Poetluck

Kody Ford, editor of Idle Class magazine in Fayetteville, is bringing poets from the Open mouth Reading Series to Poetluck at The Writers' Colony at Dairy Hollow, 515 Spring this Thursday, July 20.

Local writers and musicians are invited to read from or perform their work for up to five minutes after hearing from visiting poets.

Poetluck begins with a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. and takes place every third Thursday of the month at The Writers' Colony. Writers of all kinds and genres are welcome. Bring a dish to share and settle in for a great evening!



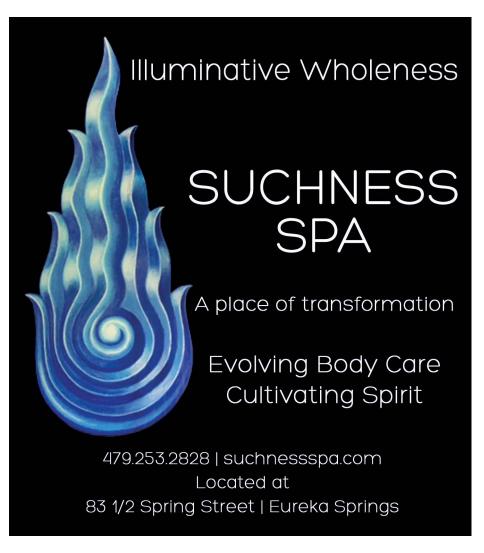
## YYYS is back for the summer!

Now is the time to sign up your yard sale for Yards & Yards of Yard Sales, which will take place on August 4-5 from 7 a.m. -3 p.m. citywide. By signing up for YYYS your name will be put on the official YYYS Map that is distributed throughout town on the weekend of the sale.

Stop by the Eureka Springs Chamber of Commerce at Pine Mountain Village and pay \$15 to mark your spot on the map and get an YYYS permit sign. Signup deadline is Wednesday, July 26.

If you are interested in having a vard sale, but do not have a vard or live too far out there are a limited number of spaces in the grassy area between the Visitor Information Center and Hwy. 62/East Van Buren.

For more information, (479) 253-8737 or email Jessica@ eurekaspringschamber.com.



## **INDEPENDENTNews**



City Park. This year's Fat Tire Festival brought in mountain bikers from all over the country to take part in competitive races.

PHOTOS BY JEREMIAH ALVARADO

## Hospital gives an update without a meeting

#### NICKY BOYETTE

Just before the July 17 Hospital Commission meeting was to begin, commissioner Suzanne Tourtelot was called away from the meeting leaving only three commissioners and therefore no quorum. However, four representatives of Eureka Springs Hospital, four architects, two reporters and the assistant to the mayor were present, so chair Michael Merry suggested an informal visit instead of a meeting.

Peter Savoy, CEO of ESH, told the group Allegiance was the corporate partner who, with a group of physicians, formed Central Louisiana Hospital Group and purchased three Louisiana hospitals going through bankruptcy. All three were the only hospitals in their communities, and because of the purchase the towns retained their hospitals, employees kept their jobs and residents continued to have access to medical, surgical and emergency care. As a result, CLHG was named the 2016 United States Department of Agriculture Business of the Year.

Savoy said Allegiance now runs 12 hospitals, and is

looking to procure four more in Louisiana toward its goal of having 25 within five years.

He also introduced Dr. Paul Daidone, the newest physician at ESH. Merry pointed out Daidone is the second new physician brought on board within the past two years.

#### Early baby steps for the ESH remodel project

Merry told the group he attended the Historic District Commission meeting on June 21 to introduce the possibility of a cooperative project between the Hospital Commission and Allegiance Health Management to either remodel existing ESH buildings or take them down and construct new ones. In response, the HDC toured ESH July 5 to get familiar with the facility. Since the property sits within the Historic District, HDC must approve alterations to building exteriors.

Merry said the HDC would need specifics such as concept drawings of what was intended before they could make decisions. He pointed out that the process depends on what Allegiance is willing to commit to, but Allegiance also needs more specifics.

Merry said he is working with Mayor Butch Berry's office to send out Requests for Quotes to find an architect to prepare conceptual documents. Merry suggested they develop drawings of what could happen for \$2 million, \$4 million or \$8 million, for example, so the commission and Allegiance can agree to go forward or not.

Commissioner Barbara Dicks commented she was a bit concerned whether Allegiance would continue to partner with them, but wanted to pursue the project and spend the money to get a plan. Commissioner MJ Sell said, "I want this to be a shining example of what a small town can do."

Assistant to the mayor Kim Stryker said the RFQ process might take two months before the commission gets to the point of choosing an architect.

Savoy committed to asking Allegiance about putting up a surety bond.

Next meeting will be Monday, August 21, at 1 p.m., at ECHO Clinic.



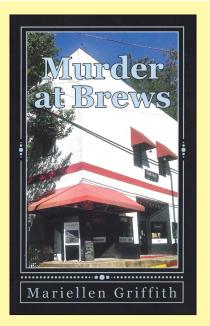
Elks provide playing cards to Vets - Holiday Island Elks Lodge 1042 secured 83 decks of playing cards from the Elks National Veterans Service Commission to give to veterans in hospitals, VA homes and care centers. Rodger Hill, Chair of the Elks Vet Committee gave the cards to veterans Ronald Elrod and Ray Hamaker in the Veterans Health Care System of the Ozarks so they could start dealing. Photo SUBMITTED

## Meditation to clear the mind

The Eureka Springs Buddhist Study Group will gather for 30 minutes of meditation followed by reading and discussion on Thursday, July 20 at 4 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain St. All are welcome.

## Sunday at EUUF

Join on July 23 at Eureka Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 17 Elk St. as Nancy Brooks and Forrest Jacobi give the 2017 General Assembly Report. The program is at 11 a.m. followed by refreshments. Childcare is provided and extra parking is available at Ermilio's Restaurant, 26 White St.



## Book signing for new novel at Brews

Mariellen Griffith will hold a book singing at Brews, across from the post office on July 23 from 2 -5 p.m. for her new novel, Murder at Brews. The novel is based on real events in Eureka Springs and Brews, where a murder, robbery, and kidnapping take place nearby. Mariellen Griffith based many of the characters in the novel on people she met in Brews and the adjacent Fine Art Gallery.

## Book Review *Murder at Brews*

#### JEREMIAH ALVARADO

What immediately caught my attention about Mariellen Griffith's novel *Murder at Brews* was just the amount of lists that are presented to the reader in the first 50 pages. Every character large or small to the overall plot gets a paragraph description to describe their clothing, mindset, what drink they order at the bar, and just how their day is generally going. This leads to some interesting pros and cons to the story in general, and let's start with the pros.

The book takes place in a non-fictional setting with semi-fictional characters. From my understanding most of the characters in the novel are based on real life people. The long list-like descriptions of most characters, whether they are plot needed or not, leads to a fun guessing game for locals who can kind of guess based on surface level description. I will admit to laughing with giddy after Mr. and Mrs. Heartbreak entered Brews under different names because I could recognize them.

In the end though I find that this type of surface level description leaves something to be desired within the story, which is character complexity. We get introduced to a ton of characters but really learn nothing about them. And I find this to carry over to the characters that face the most conflict, Suzette and Phyllis. After reading this book I feel that I still know virtually nothing about them and I feel like this novel sacrifices the fact that people might know who they are for the sake of character complexity and depth. And I feel that problem comes down to I don't know who Phyllis or Suzette are supposed to represent and the novel makes no attempt to help the reader learn about

If you are a local in Eureka I would recommend this book. Especially, if you are heavily involved with other people in town this book quickly becomes a fun game of who's who. But I am not sure that I could recommend this to someone who is not from around here as the book leaves you in the dust.

There will be a book signing at Brews on Sunday, July 23 from 2-5 p.m. *Murder at Brews* can be bought on amazon for \$10 paperback or \$4 in eBook format.

## **INDEPENDENTNews**



**Being good citizens** – *The Lovely County Citizen* hosted their Summer Social and raised money for the Eureka Springs High School Art Program by auctioning off art raising \$200 including donations. Pictured (l.-r.) Publisher Bob Moore, Ty Loftis, Amanda Nettles, Kelby Newcomb, Samantha Jones, and Diane Newcomb holding a few of the art pieces that were up for auction.

PHOTO BY JEREMIAH ALVARADO



**Summertime gift giving –** The Methodist Women's group of Eureka Springs threw a birthday party for the residents in Brighton Ridge in June and donated 28 lap quilts they made for the residents for Christmas. (L.-r.) June Westphal, Linda Sprenger, Janet Rose, Shirley Lykins, Marsha Havens and Marge Sullivan.

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## **INDEPENDENTNews**





Putting and paddling – This year's big Raffle prize for the Eureka Springs Rotary Club's Golf Tournament was a 12-foot Native Slayer Kaya. Rotarian Dorothy Guertin (left) presented the kayak to winner Richard White following the Golf Tournament Friday afternoon. Proceeds from the Raffle, Golf Tournament and Thursday evening's Silent Auction go toward scholarships for local students.

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## Paddling off into the sunset -

Forty-five women of all ages from the surrounding area headed out to Beaver Park for a sunset paddle hosted by Outdoor Adventures for Women last Wednesday. Dinner was had on the shore afterwards and parking, dinner, dessert and wine were included in the admission fee. The next Kayak Night is Thursday, Aug. 24 at Big Clifty on Beaver Lake.

PHOTOS BY JAY VRECENAK

## ESOTERICAstrology as news for week July 19-25 by Risa

## Amidst the Lion's Roar

Thursday is very complex this week with many planetary collaborations. What are they? Moon in Gemini (this & that, up & down, here & there), Mars enters Leo, Venus/ Pluto, Sun/Uranus and Sun/Chiron. Potent, changing and difficult interactions.

The focus this week is fiery Leo. Sun joins Mars in Leo Saturday morning and Leo new moon, Sunday (0.44 degrees). At new moon times, the New Group of World Servers supports and upholds the hands, arms and endeavors

of the women and men of Goodwill everywhere.

The fifth Gate (Leo, opposite Aquarius) opens as Sun enters Leo. The fifth Labor begins. It's a difficult and, at times, rather dreadful labor and we must be prepared. Let us keep watch over each other, even though our heart may be questioning.

During the Leo labor, "We burnish bright our shields and feel our courage strong. Amidst the lion's roar, we venture forth. Knowing we must create a brave new Aquarian world. Together."

Monday Venus opposes Saturn. We might not know the location or value of our money, resources or relationships. We might feel somewhat lost, over "there" somewhere, not knowing we have the means to return home again.

Tuesday evening, Mercury enters Virgo. Thinking becomes detailed, our speech clear and bright. We quietly hold new ideas in our hearts. Ideas that seed, nurture and build the "brave new Aquarian world."

ARIES: In the days to come, with Sun, Mars, North Node and Mercury in Leo, your deepest creativity comes forth. You must be awake, aware, sensitive and silent to recognize it. The Sun reveals your temperament, characteristics and reasons of why you are in this particular life and incarnation. It will highlight all gifts from previous lives. These gifts you are remembering in this lifetime. They point out your path to the stars.

TAURUS: It will be impressed upon your mind that you are a deeply creative person. One gradually begins to have confidence in themselves when their creativity emerges. You begin to express yourself in new ways. They affect your home life. There is much in the home that needs clearing, ordering and tending. Deep within, when your gifts and abilities are recognized, you are happy. Then you know you are loved. Be playful and have fun at home.

**GEMINI:** It's good to speak quietly and compassionately. These allow you authority and authenticity. Perhaps you speak quickly, any words will do, as long as you make people laugh and they don't cling to you. You must be free like a bird in a meadow. Personal power and courage emerge when you speak from the heart.

It's important to identify and articulate always what and how you feel. You become a light in the world when you speak.

**CANCER:** It's important to realize you are valuable and a rich source of important resources. Give generously of yourself. Expect nothing in return. Do not hide

your feelings or create puzzles or confusions for people trying to ascertain how you feel. When we value our feelings, we express our feelings clearly. It's important to cherish our feelings. They provide us with direction and are our pathway to peace.

**LEO:** You have the ability to bring the heart of the Sun (Love/Wisdom), into your heart, radiating the light outward to the world. You have the ability to create warmth in others

the ability to create warmth in others and to all the kingdoms. Many people feel cold and dispossessed in their lives. You are to understand that you carry the golden warming light of the Sun. Often, unaware, you hide yourself in that light. You must instead, radiate that light. Leos are the Sun!

**VIRGO:** As the Sun illumines your twelfth house it will ask you to dissolve

all separative thoughts, feelings, words and actions. Imagine dissolving them into a universal loving matrix. Then your aspirations can be recognized by the Soul. The Soul cannot direct unkind, cruel, judgmental or critical personalities. These are separative behaviors. The Soul's light

is Love/Wisdom. When you see others creating separations,

direct to them your Soul's light.

LIBRA: You are the bright shining star with friends, family and work groups. Everyone appreciates your courage, flair, beauty and generosity. You share everything you have with

everyone. Sometimes, though, you want to hide away. Sometimes you're tired. There are internal places to explore still unknown to you. These are your shadows. Each of us enters our shadow self. It becomes a healing. Is there someone you don't share your starry light with?

SCORPIO: Scorpios are warrior disciples. They always are triumphant. Even when it seems a failure, it isn't. Deeply individual, you build a strong courageous personality. Later awareness of purpose and serving humanity appears. Often people think you're hiding when you're simply pondering life's mysteries, which you undertake, one after another. You shoulder great responsibility so others can move toward the light.

**SAGITTARIUS:** You sometimes throw caution to the winds. You also sometimes hide your star, letting others shine in their own light. You aren't happy with anything less than the very best of everything. You bring warmth, personality, style, élan, a buzz wherever you are. You look away sometimes from what others see. You look toward your destiny. You shine a

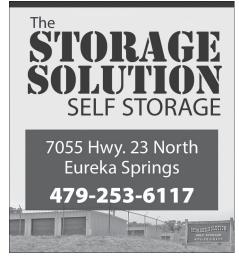
light on it. You walk towards it. It waits patiently.

CAPRICORN: There's an unspoken energy around you that brings attention to your happiness and creativity. There's a bit of mystery about you, too, that no one understands. You maintain your dignity in all situations. You know the difference between people who love you and people who... (you fill in the blank). You have a childlike way of loving and are hurt when others are cruel. Keep your trust intact. Help others laugh more. The issues this month will be on shared resources. You always share.

AQUARIUS: It seems to be time for an interlude, linking you to nothing and nowhere, just for a bit of time, so that you can come to a state of balance as to who you are, where you are, why, and what further choices you must make in and for the future. You must, as you stand in balance, attempt to hold all opposing forces in check. This tension creates a greater awareness concerning your gifts in service to humanity. In the tension is also direction.

**PISCES:** You need someone who understands and listens to you, someone who shares your hopes, wishes and dreams, someone who hears your heartbeat and knows all that you say contains a message. You need environments that bring forth playfulness, beauty, intelligence and balance. Chemical reactions between two substances transforms both. If only one is transformed, then only one is singing. Create your Vesta box.

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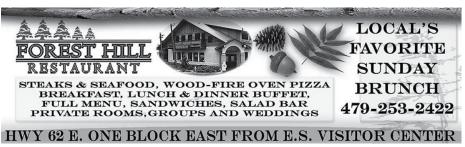




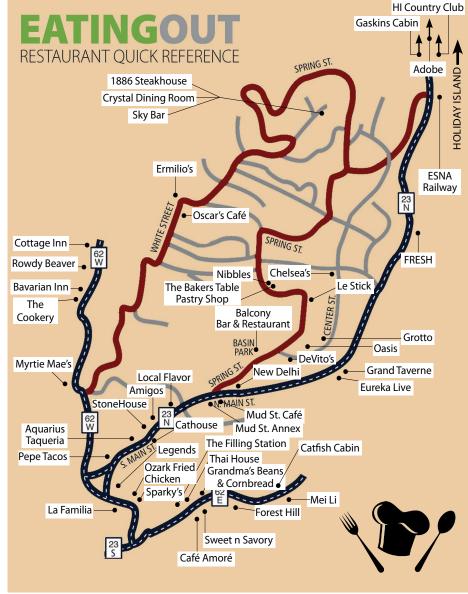












#### **CAPC** continued from page 3

the Eureka Springs app has been delayed while Modern Tourism Apps checks for glitches. The new launch date is late August.

When it is launched, Maloney said he would geofence Eureka Springs so visitors in town will know about it and, hopefully, download it. He will also geofence Rogers, Branson and Springfield to promote the app. His office will send out an e-blast announcing it and mention it in all print ads, on two digital billboards, in a trailer accompanying television ads, on the radio, and on rack cards around town.

Commissioner David Mitchell suggested a big rollout event to get business owners familiar with it.

#### Other items

- Commissioners approved covering an additional \$460 in expenses for Springtime in the Ozarks. The original support amount had been \$1040.
  - Bright reported tax collections for the year through the

end of May are 1.6 percent below collections for the same period last year, and mentioned that contributing to lower numbers was a very rainy May.

Next workshop will be Wednesday, July 26, at 4 p.m., at the CAPC office.

### **POT BUST** continued from page 5

import the finished product.

Three helicopters flew over the entire county, but no other plots were discovered. One other possible sighting in the north part of the county turned out to be ragweed.

Regardless of the law legalizing medicinal marijuana, Mayfield said it is still illegal to grow marijuana in Arkansas, "so until that changes, we'll still eradicate it when we can."

CCSO conducted the eradication program in cooperation with the United States Drug Enforcement Agency, Arkansas Game & Fish and the Arkansas National Guard.



## Buffalo Gals two nights at Brews, Dead Electric inaugural show at Cathouse Saturday

**B**uffalo Gals, featuring Melissa Carper and Rebecca Patek, are a local acoustic harmony duo steeped in traditional bluegrass and folk music with just the right amount of lament. They play at Brews Friday and Saturday. Dead Electric, another powerful duo, play their first show in Eureka Springs at the Cathouse on Saturday. Two great friends sharing their favorite songs with the audience to sing along. And you'll know all the words.

#### **THURSDAY, JULY 20**

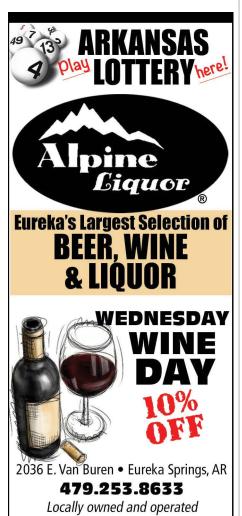
BALCONY RESTAURANT -Catherine Reed, Singer/Songwriter, 5

BREWS - Art Deco Band, Jazz Band Classics, 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.

### FRIDAY, JULY 21

BALCONY RESTAURANT - Steve



Jones, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m., Michael Dimitri, Singer/Songwriter,

BREWS - Buffalo Gals, Americana, 7 p.m.

**CATHOUSE LOUNGE - Joe Mack,** Singer/Songwriter, 8 p.m.

CHELSEA'S - Divas on Fire, Americana, 9:30 p.m.

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

LEGENDS SALOON - DJ and

Karaoke with Stan, 8 p.m. NEW DELHI - Cori Jay, Singer/ Songwriter, 6 p.m.

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

**ROWDY BEAVER DEN - Blew Reed** and the Flatheads, Blues, 9 p.m. THE STONE HOUSE - Jerry Yester, Artist's Choices, 6 p.m.

### **SATURDAY, JULY 22**

**BALCONY RESTAURANT – Pearl** Brick, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m., Michael Dimitri, Singer/Songwriter,

BASIN PARK - Dancing in the Park with DJ Testube, 3 p.m.

BREWS - Buffalo Gals, Americana,



Dead Electric play Cathouse Lounge Saturday, July 22.

**CATHOUSE LOUNGE – Dead** Electric, Acoustic Classics, 8 p.m. CHELSEA'S - Earl and Them, R and B, 9:30 p.m. GRAND TAVERNE - Jerry Yester, Grand Piano Dinner Music, 6:30 p.m. LEGENDS SALOON - Opium Western, Rock, 9 p.m.

LE STICK - Vinny Ray, Jazz Violinist, 7 p.m.

NEW DELHI - Lindsey with Issues, Singer/Songwriter, 12 – 4 p.m., *Cori* Jay, Singer/Songwriter, 6 p.m. **ROWDY BEAVER** – *Mary Heather*  and the Sinners, Rock, 7 p.m. **ROWDY BEAVER DEN - Jason** Kinney Duo, Rock, 1-5 p.m., Jason Kinney Band, Rock, 9 p.m.

### **SUNDAY, JULY 23**

BALCONY RESTAURANT – Pearl Brick, Singer/Songwriter, 12 and 5 p.m. BREWS - Trivia Night, 7 p.m. **CATHOUSE LOUNGE - Melodie and** the Loud Boys. Rock. 2 p.m. **ROWDY BEAVER DEN – Terri and** *Brett*, Rock, 1-5 p.m.

### **MONDAY, JULY 24**

CHELSEA'S - Sprungbilly, Bluegrass, 8 p.m.

### **TUESDAY, JULY 25**

CATHOUSE LOUNGE - Los Roscoes, Blues, 5 p.m. CHELSEA'S – *Open Mic*, 9 p.m.

#### **WEDNESDAY, JULY 26**

ROWDY BEAVER DEN - Karaoke with Stan, 8 p.m.



## Hotels offer appreciation to those who tend the young flock

As teachers prepare for the start of the new school year, the 1886 Crescent Hotel & Spa and the 1905 Basin Park Hotel is extending a discount to all area teachers, administrators, and school workers for all these historic hotels have to offer.

"From August 1 thru August 6, any person showing proper school-affiliated identification from an area school, college or other institute of learning will receive a twenty-five percent discount on hotel lodging, food in our restaurants, services in our spas, and tickets to our tours," General Manager Jack Moyer said.

The discount may be used for overnight rooms at both hotels; food in the Crystal Dining Room Restaurant, SkyBar Pizza, Crescent Confections, and the Balcony Restaurant; any and all services at both the New Moon Spa & Salon and Spa 1905; tickets to the Crescent Ghost Tour, Flickering Tales, Not Really A Door production, and the Spirits of The Basin tour; plus hotel souvenirs. Teachers are reminded that reservations are suggested at some of these venues and that this special, limited-time teacher discount may not be combined with any other discount or promotional offer.

For more information, teachers may go to CrescentHotel.com or BasinPark.

## DROPPINGA Line by Robert Johnson



Tew Eureka Springs resident Rusty Ames decided he wanted to take his father out on Beaver to see what all the fuss was about on these stripers last Wednesday. We fished the dam area starting with the sunrise until about 11 a.m. Had some big fish hit that didn't make it to the boat. Out of the three that did get netted, two were caught on gizzard shad and one on a green perch with lines down 30-40 ft. in water from 50-170 ft. deep, close to the river channel.

With the surface temperature running about 84° and the thermocline running about 28 ft. deep most all the bait and fish we marked were just running below the thermocline. The best striper fishing now is from the dam to Point 5 area. Follow the river channel close to the edge of flats,

points and bluffs.

Here at Holiday Island our deepest water is about 40 ft. deep, and with the cooler water coming from the dam it seems the thermocline us closer to 12 ft. with most fish being caught just below it.

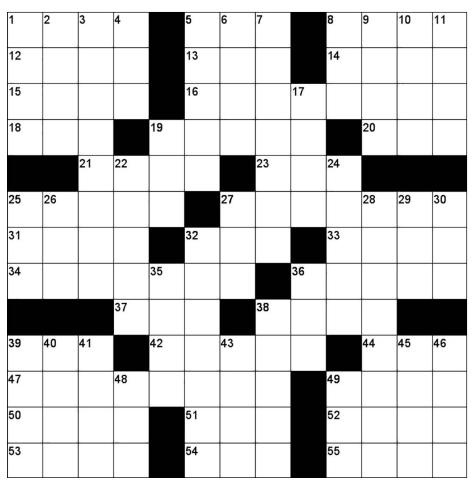
Look for walleye off the edge of the flats and the back of the creeks. Crappie and bass and a few walleye are being caught 10 - 15 ft. deep throwing and trolling crank baits that run from 12 - 15ft. deep. Also look for bass and crappie in the deeper brush in the creeks and main river channel.

Well, I better go get some bait. Stay cool and fish close to sunrise and sunset and you should have a enjoyable day, along with fish for dinner.

Johnson Guide Service (479) 253-2258

## **INDEPENDENT Crossword**

by Mike Boian with extensive help from his wife, Ann



#### Across

- Oomphless
- "Dear old" man
- Submachine gun in Worcester
- 12. "Man" is one
- 13. What you want wine and a toddler to do
- 14. Cogito sum
- 15. Samoan dollar
- 16. Nadia Comaneci, for one
- 18. Color attribute
- 19. Backing of a particular organization
- 20. Lyrical stanza
- 21. Kind of sale
- 23. Whillikers preceder
- 25. Plinth that supports a column
- 27. One who eats at another's table, maybe
- 31. Range that divides Europe and Asia
- 32. Child
- 33. Prefix for smith or bics
- 34. Give evidence of;

- indicate
- 36. All the world is one, they say
- 37. Method or technique
- 38. Type of horn
- 39. Organ ender
- 42. Zambian money
- 44. Magazine or newspaper
- 47. Big deal over a minor matter
- 49. Bulls' guard Dwayne
- 50. Sheet of ice in the ocean
- 51. Floe
- 52. Dating couple
- 53. Yesteryear
- 54. Where to find peas
- 55. Finds out about

### Down

- Accompanied by
- Twin who was tricked
- Feral feline
- New Zealand parrot
- Challenged
- Eager to see
- Person greatly admired or feared
- Money in Cambodia,

- Malaysia and Indonesia
- Kingston is one
- 10. Holy cow!
- 11. Zero
- 17. Lost, aimless
- 19. "You kidding!"
- 22. Permit
- 24. Muse whose name means "lovely"
- 25. Underwater sandwich?
- 26. Valuable mineral
- 27. Place for recyclables
- 28. Remove air or gas
- 29. Work station
- 30. Caviar
- 32. One who provides movie camera support
- 35. Japanese writing
- 36. Way to refer to your boat or airplane
- 38. Hemmed
- 45. Gulf on Arabian Peninsula
- 46. Amethysts or emeralds
- 48. Price of admission
- 49. Go completely wild, with "out"

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The INDEPENDENT Classifieds cost \$8 for 20 words, each additional word is 25¢. **DEADLINE – Monday at noon**To place a classified, email **Classifieds.Indie@gmail.com** or call 479.253.6101

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### Dear parents,

So you had an alien invasion. So you tried to recover pieces of the UFO from the mountaintop. So you're going to encourage the weird and unknown by having a solar eclipse party... think I'm busy that day.

**HKP** – So you relinquish position as favorite. About time. Heard you had trouble getting through Atlanta. Heard you had trouble getting through Tampa. Remember to always keep the tank full or perhaps look into flying. MP and DP said they had to call you. I called them. Looks like you really did lose favorite status. Just saying.

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### **DC ARRESTS** continued from page 11

Police and media arrived quickly, and within a few minutes, the police – despite using a bullhorn - fought to be heard over the protesters, ordering the group to clear the area. After several warnings, including warnings personally given to each protester, police arrested those who chose to remain.

About half of the Arkansas group was from Little Rock area. The others were from northwest and north central Arkansas, mostly members of Indivisible groups. Three of the 22 – Eureka Springs resident Harrie Farrow, Springdale resident Kati McFarland, and Sarah Bryan of Fayetteville - had also taken part in the June 28 protest action at Sen. Tom Cotton's D.C office.

Bryan and McFarland were among the group from Arkansas who were arrested at the June event, and Farrow and McFarland were among those arrested July 10. Also arrested in July was Betty Adkins from the Eureka Springs area.

The arrests, for "obstructing, crowding, or incommoding," took place in mid-afternoon. All 80 detainees were held in a mass group in plastic handcuffs in the center of the Capitol Police bus barn. The un-airconditioned space served as a makeshift processing center.

The only bathroom was a single porta-potty out back. The Arkansas group after receiving cold water throughout the afternoon and night - wasn't released until shortly after midnight, after paying a \$50 "post and forfeiture," whereby a person charged with certain misdemeanors posts and simultaneously forfeits an amount of money, thereby obtaining full and final resolution of the criminal charge.

### **CAPC – JACKRABBIT** continued from page 4

Harman returned to her point that some property owners will feel forced into joining, and commissioner Terry McClung said he just wanted it to be fair for everyone.

Butler then pointed out that the Chamber had signed a contract and they are going live with this early in August. He again encouraged the CAPC to add the widget to its site.

Mitchell suggested a survey of CAPC listings to see what people think. Maloney said, "No harm in a survey."

New Chamber President Paul Miller said there would be a demonstration of the Jackrabbit system Tuesday, July 25, at 11 a.m. at Wake Up Eureka, and Harman said the CAPC would let its tax collectors aware of that.

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