



Council slides in ahead of state on SB202

NICKY BOYETTE

Eureka Springs City Council twice said No to discrimination at Monday’s meeting by approving Resolution 654 and all three readings of Ordinance 2223, plus the emergency clause. The resolution stated council’s opposition to Senate Bill 202, and the ordinance ensures all people will be free from unfair discrimination and have equal access to employment, housing and public accommodations.

Justice of the Peace Lamont Richie addressed council regarding Senate Bill 202 which passed the Arkansas House Monday afternoon and is on a fast track to the Senate. The bill would prohibit any county or municipality from adopting or enforcing any ordinance, resolution, rule or policy that creates a protected classification or prohibits discrimination on a basis not contained in state law.

“Arkansas allows people to be discriminated against in employment, housing and public accommodations based on sexual orientation or gender identity,” Richie said, adding that he and his partner, Steve, could go to a restaurant and be denied service based solely on the fact they are gay, “and we would have no recourse.”

He said discrimination based on gender would need a change in the law just as laws changed to protect the rights of African-Americans. He also pointed out “much of what women have had to endure in terms of lack of equal treatment with men was based on religious beliefs. It took a change in the law to begin the process of stopping that type of treatment.”

Richie added SB202 also has an emergency clause, which means it could become law before the end of this month or even this week.

“That is just plain wrong,” he asserted, “I am as worthy as anyone in this room, this city, this state or this nation. If someone wants to refuse to serve me tea in their living room, that is their prerogative, whether it’s based on their religious beliefs or my table manners. But if they

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If the shoe fits – In this case Whitney Anderson fits the big red shoe perfectly during the Eureka Gras Night Parade Feb. 7 as the good times begin to roll toward Mardi Gras in Eureka Springs. There’s a lot more Gras coming this week, and another parade on Saturday at 2!



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This Week’s INDEPENDENT Thinkers

McAllen, Texas, had its mandatory Walmart store, 124,500 sq. ft. of it. But the Walmart closed and moved to a new location, leaving a neighborhood with abandonment issues.

McAllen found itself with almost three acres of land pimpled with an enormous empty building, a community eyesore. But the city used its heads, and now McAllen owns the largest single-floor public library in America, complete with public meeting rooms, public study rooms, an auditorium, computer labs for the general public with special ones for kids and genealogists, a café, used book store, farmers’ market, crafts’ tables, self-checkout stations *and* artistic landscaping outside.

Talk about making lemonade...



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Come fly with me – Airport commissioner Sandy Martin presented a thorough assessment of 2014 budget to Quorum Court last Thursday. *PHOTO BY NICKY BOYETTE*

Airport budget may fly; tunnel may not collapse

NICKY BOYETTE

Justice of the Peace Jack Deaton announced at a Feb. 5 meeting of the Quorum Court Finance and Budget Committees that in the best interest of the county, the court had decided to combine the two subcommittees, and two items were calling for their immediate attention.

Deaton said the first issue was the Carroll County Airport budget. The budget committee had cut the 2015 budget for CCA to \$48,000 for the year and defunded all airport staff positions. However, Deaton said he had seen in recent documents from Commission Chair Morris Pate and commissioner Sandy Martin that CCA seemed to have a good plan going forward.

Martin said she was trying to provide JPs with everything they asked for, including documents showing income and expenses for 2014. She assured committee members it is the commission's intention to provide monthly updates to keep the court informed.

JP Lamont Richie mentioned the court would need documents showing they had approved the grant requests CCA had received, and Deaton added past bookkeeping "doesn't track well, and we just want to make sure things are clearer going forward."

Deaton mentioned CCA bookkeeping has held up auditors in the past, and it is happening again.

Deaton also stated only three of the eleven JPs on the Quorum Court have a vested interest in CCA, and some of their constituents wonder why the county supports it. He suggested the commission should keep a log of who flies in and how much the airport is used as a way to justify support by the county.

Pate pointed out he might not be able to hire an experienced airport manager with the budget he had been given. He said there is enough to do at CCA to justify filling at least 1.5 staff positions, plus there is grounds maintenance to account for.

Martin announced CCA is requesting a total of \$80,000 for 2015. Deaton said it looked to him there could be "some horse-trading," where the county might be able to help with mowing the grounds, for example, and in return get space in a hangar for equipment, which might save CCA some money.

After further discussion, Richie recommended the county adjust the budget to provide \$69,000 for CCA for the remainder of 2015—a monthly amount of \$6900 for March through December—as long as the commission continues to provide the financial information requested. County Clerk Jamie Correia pointed out she has already spent more than \$2000 this year on insurance for the airport.

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CAPC's analytics spot ripe markets

NICKY BOYETTE

Mike Maloney, executive director of the City Advertising and Promotion Commission (CAPC), can see by watching the computer screen in his office how many viewers are looking at the eureka springs.org website at any given time and where in the country they are. He can glean which website directed the viewer to the .org site, and he can see the number of views over a certain time period from any given region, even down to neighborhoods.

This is the world of analytics.

"Analytics is just data," Maloney commented, "but the ability to use this data has changed the world of marketing." Simultaneously, another game-changer for the CAPC, according to Maloney, has been the dramatic impact of social media, which has become a powerful new marketing tool because it is everywhere and it is real time.

"Gina [Drennon, CAPC publicist] can post a photo on Facebook and within five minutes 300 people will say they like it," Maloney stated. "Social media allows us to deliver information about Eureka Springs at light speed."

He said in 2012 the CAPC Facebook page had maybe 3000 likes, but as of Friday morning, Feb. 6, it had 33,921 and counting, which illustrates the expanding reach of social media in recent years and the opportunity for marketing it offers. For this reason, Drennon regularly posts new items about Eureka Springs on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest and Google Plus.

Maloney said he digs into the analytics

daily to see geographically where the most web traffic for the .org site is, therefore where target markets for the CAPC advertising would be. The map on his monitor showed clusters of viewers of eureka springs.org near Dallas, Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Wichita, Kansas City, Omaha, Springfield, and the I-49 corridor. It showed that Colorado and California have more viewers than New Mexico or Mississippi, for example.

Maloney commented it is revealing how many viewers get to the site via mobile devices, particularly iPhones, and the percentage of viewers who use mobile devices has steadily increased recently. Therefore, he said it is imperative they keep the site optimized for mobile users.

A curious phenomenon Maloney mentioned is the fact the I-49 corridor is home to "a big chunk of our viewership," yet a survey recently claimed 75 percent of the residents of Washington and Benton Counties had never been to Eureka Springs or had not been here in at least a year.

"So where do you dig for diamonds? In your own backyard," Maloney said. "Five hundred thousand people only 38 minutes away, and we should be getting more of them here."

He said a new target market might be the St. Louis area because of all the suburbs and its influence on western Illinois, plus it is within the four- to six-hour driving radius. Joplin would be another likely target.

Drennon said they have considered the Memphis market because it seems Memphis has not yet discovered Eureka Springs. She

said they could test the waters by trying *Memphis* magazine or cable television ads targeted at specific audiences in the area.

She said she can place Facebook ads targeting very specific groups such as women 18-35 in Arkansas who are getting married, and analytics is a start for knowing where to place ads and through which media.

Analytics also opens up the opportunity for effective geo-fencing, which is placing ads on mobile devices in a very specific area, such as within a five-miles of an event in Tulsa. "We see direct results from geo-fencing," Maloney commented. "We can see a spike in viewers looking at the .org website. It can be very effective."

Maloney stated it is important they remain as up-to-date as possible with technology and marketing strategies. But regardless of whether it is geofencing or tweets or Facebook posts, Maloney said all the portals lead back to the .org site. "Since our business is disseminating information, we use them all and they are all important."

Beef up for the weekend – FUMC Chili Supper Feb. 13

The United Methodist Women of the First United Methodist Church of Eureka Springs will host their 8th Annual Chili Supper Friday, Feb. 13, from 4 – 7 p.m. at the church, 195 Huntsville Rd. (Hwy. 23S). You'll need some good nourishment before the Hometown Jam later that night and the Chocolate Festival and Mardi Gras festivities on Saturday!

In addition to enjoying a delicious supper and plenty of amicable socializing, you'll be helping others in the community, since proceeds from tickets go toward the church's local missions work. In the last seven years, \$7,555 has been given to local organizations including People Helping People, Flint Street, ECHO, OARS, the Boy Scouts, Jeremiah House and others.

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Circus takes center ring

NICKY BOYETTE

An ordinance banning traveling shows with animals from performing in Eureka Springs was on city council's agenda again Monday, and six citizens spoke up in support of it. Their sentiments focused on the unnatural way animals were confined, hauled long distances around the country and contained and trained by use of electric prods, bull hooks and other abusive techniques.

Rebecca Zeleny cited several instances in which circus animals escaped into public spaces putting people at risk. She said the only barrier between elephants and the public at the recent Carson & Barnes Circus at Lake Leatherwood City Park was caution tape, hardly a safeguard for circus goers.

Alderman David Mitchell, who had asked to have the ordinance re-introduced, said he was "101 percent behind curbing animal abuse in city limits." However, he saw a distinction between a law curbing animal abuse and a law banning circuses. He asked if council banned circuses, would there be further bans and where would council draw the line on what it banned?

He suggested council could establish

a citizen's group to study the issue as it had with the Noise Ordinance.

Alderman James DeVito maintained several states and multiple countries had already banned traveling circuses which he referred to as "a dying breed." He insisted Eureka Springs is known as a city with great compassion toward animals, and by passing the ordinance, council would be speaking for the least among us.

Alderman Mickey Schneider insisted that although citizens in Eureka Springs want to ban circuses, they want to be part of the decision. "We can put it on a ballot and let citizens decide. Why is that so bad?" she asked. She said council would be taking away rights of the people.

Alderman Joyce Zeller did not want to wait for an election. "I am convinced I represent a majority of the people and I want to vote tonight."

The vote on reading the ordinance was 3-1-1, Schneider voting No and Mitchell voting Present, so the ordinance failed again.

However, during Agenda Setting at the end of the meeting, Mitchell requested to put the ordinance on the next agenda.

Historic Commission repeats call to fill vacancies

NICKY BOYETTE

Dee Bright, chair of the Historic District Commission, put out the call for someone interested in filling a vacancy on the commission, and noted another vacancy is on the horizon.

The commission considered eight applications at its Feb. 4 meeting, and all were approved unanimously.

- 24 Singleton – replace wood gable vent with wood windows – Wagner
- 26 Ridgeway – extend rear upper deck; move staircase; replace deck flooring with new material; replace deck railings
- 2/3 Washington – new materials for chimney
- 5 Ojo – replace door; replace deck/stairway railing
- 28 Glenn – rear privacy fence
- 23 Breeding – addition to ancillary building

The application for constructing a hot tub platform at 75 Prospect was approved though it had already been built,

much to the dismay of the commission.

To ensure its temporary status, the application for constructing a temporary storage shed for 37 Mountain was approved subject to reapplication after one year.

The commission approved these three items on the Consent Agenda:
Level I – 506 Village Circle – new sign
Level I – 37 S Main – new sign; new paint colors

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

Bright presented the only Administrative Approval:

- 8 Lookout Circle – re-roof

Administrative Approvals are applications for repair or work involving no changes in materials or color but includes applications for changes in roofing color.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, Feb. 18, at 6 p.m.

IRS phone scam hits taxpayers

NICKY BOYETTE

Virginia Lindblad, co-owner of Gazebo Books, said she received a “pretty freaky” phone call recently. A stern computer-generated male voice announced he was giving her the final notice before the Internal Revenue Service would file a lawsuit against her, and the voice gave her a phone number to call.

“It was done in a pretty professional way,” Lindblad remembered.

She noted the number was a Washington D.C. number and called it because if there were a problem it would only get worse if not resolved. This time, she said someone with an East Indian accent was on the other end. He introduced himself as Officer Ross, and before long they got disconnected.

Lindblad called back and again got Officer Ross and again got cut off.

Lindblad persevered and one more time her call went to Officer Ross, and this time he told Lindblad she had misfiled her taxes from 2008 - 2012.

She said, “I thought if that were the case, I would have been told already. That’s when I knew it was bogus.”

Lindblad called the Attorney

General’s office and was told people all over the state are getting these calls. The person said even the Attorney General’s office got one.

Shelley Grogan of the Eureka Springs Police Department said they have received several anxious calls about this particular phone scam and others. She said in their experience, the calls originate out of the United States, typically Jamaica or Nigeria, and sometimes the caller becomes aggressive and threatening.

She advised folks to report the call to the Attorney General’s office and the FBI, but, above all, do not divulge any personal information.

Sgt. Daniel Klatt of the Carroll County Sheriff’s Office reiterated the most important thing is not to divulge any personal information.

“The IRS won’t handle it this way, and they won’t ask for social security numbers and other personal information because they already know all that.”

Klatt advised someone who gets a call like this either to simply hang up or ask for a name and badge number. Then hang up and go to IRS.gov and click on a

link for reporting the incident.

Danny Werfel, IRS acting commissioner, in a statement regarding the IRS phone scam, stated, “This scam has hit taxpayers in nearly every state in the country. We want to educate taxpayers so they can protect themselves. Rest assured, we do not and will not ask for credit card numbers over the phone, nor request a pre-paid debit card or wire transfer.”

He also noted scammers might have access to the last four digits of a social security number or even follow up the phone call with an email, all of which adds to the intimidation factor.

Nevertheless, he suggests this simple response. If you think it is possible you might owe taxes, call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040. If you have no reason to believe you owe taxes, call 1-800-366-4484 to report the incident to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration or go to the Federal Trade Commission

site (www.ftc.gov) and follow the simple instructions for filing a complaint.

In its consumer alert of August 28, 2014, the IRS pointed out its protocol does not allow its agents to engage in any of the following tactics:

1. Call to demand payment. They always send a bill first.
2. Demand payment without the opportunity for an appeal.
3. Require a specific method of payment.
4. Ask for credit or debit card numbers over the phone.
5. Threaten to bring in law enforcement.

To report any scam phone call:

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CCSO: (870) 423-2901

Arkansas Attorney General: (501) 682-2007 (or file a complaint on the website)

IRS: (800) 366-4484

FBI (Little Rock): (501) 221-9100.

Former Eureka man found unresponsive

About 7 p.m. Friday evening the body of a former local resident, 29-year old Neil Brandon Miller of Springdale, was found in a restroom at Pendergrass Corner.

According to Eureka Springs Police Chief Thomas Achord, there was no one else present at the scene when the body was discovered. According to unofficial police report, there were no signs of struggle or trauma. After being transported to Eureka Springs Hospital by EMS, Miller’s body was sent to the



Miller

Medical Examiner’s office in Little Rock by Coroner Jimmy Capps; standard procedure in the case of an unattended death.

The official police report is pending a written report from the examiner’s office. However, Achord told the *Independent* preliminary findings from the ME’s office, related by phone to Officer Brian Young, indicated there was no evidence of foul play,

that Miller had a medical condition contributing to his death, and died of natural causes.

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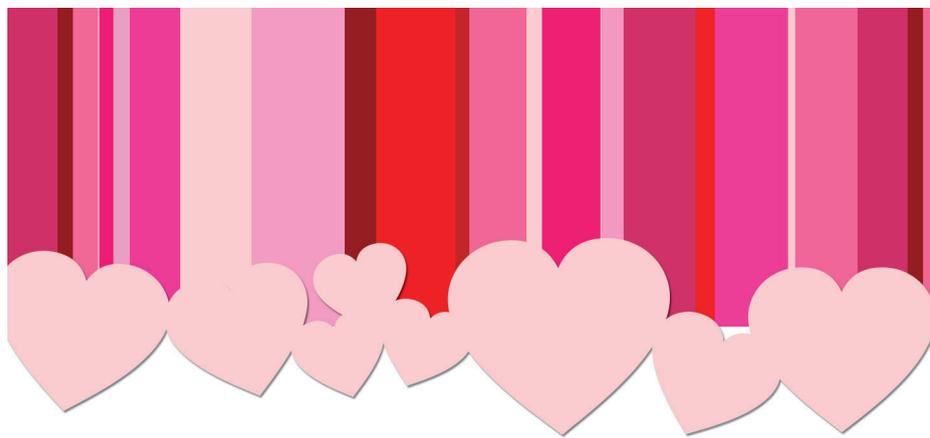


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Three Chairs for the Mexicans!

Editor,

This evening I bought a new leather recliner and was heading back from Fayetteham on I-49. The furniture people loaded my truck and didn't tie down the recliner. Around mile marker 71 around Lowell there was a hell of a bump and I figured my truck was locking up, but as I peered out my rear view mirror I could see my recliner flying out the back of my truck. Vehicles were swerving every which way.

I pulled over and ran back and the recliner was right smack dab in the middle of the two lanes. This was about 6:30 p.m., so traffic was heavy. I didn't see any way I was going to be able to get it out of the road even with help, and I wasn't too far past a little rise so you couldn't see the problem in time. I was trying to wave people down but no one stopped or turned on their flashers to help. Everyone was swerving and a few vehicles clipped the chair.

I called 911 and was wandering around trying to figure out just where I was by naming business signs I could see. Finally the officer said someone else called and I was at mile marker 71. I turned around and these two damn Mexicans had gotten my chair out of the highway. They were probably some of those damn illegals living off our welfare 'cause they spoke very little English and I don't speak Mexican but we did communicate a little.

They had duct tape and taped the box back as best they could and loaded it back in my truck, then these ingrates had the

nerve to use one of their ratchet tie downs to secure it. I guess what irritated me the most was when I tried to give them \$20 apiece, I had to practically break their arms to take the money (probably had a surplus of govt. welfare at the time).

As I drove home I happened to think about those damn black guys I was in Nam with. Those lazy bums that just had to always head into the action and move to the front in firefights making about half of the white guys look like cowards. No wonder we superior whites can't stand these damn interlopers.

John Dulin

Why is this even legal?

Editor,

Your recent articles involving the Carroll-Boone Water District putting in their new water line hits close to home for us. My husband and I have a current easement that runs directly in front of home, (25 feet wide) and now the water company wants to expand that by another 10 feet, towards our house. This issue was first proposed to us with a letter stating that they were going to "buy" our land, and dig a trench big enough for a 36-inch pipeline.

The stakes marking the new easement show it will pass through our home and across our front patio. CBWD, who say they want to be a "good neighbor" told us that we will have no guarantees regarding our foundation or well if damage should occur, and we were told that if we did not accept the offer, CBWD would file an Eminent Domain suit and dig the trench without our permission. My husband questioned the type of construction, (just digging? using explosives?) and the possibility of damage to our home or

well after construction was complete and the pipe in place. No answers have been given.

I have personally placed every rock, tree, flower and shrub in my front yard, the new easement would give CBWD permission to destroy all of this, plus tear up our driveway, not to mention what might happen to our foundation. The new easement deed states that the construction contractor will put things back in a way he deems appropriate, however, we were told that if we did not sign the agreement and Eminent Domain was processed, there was a possibility they would not restore our property.

The letter was given to us in December. We then presented CBWD with a letter stating our concerns and our proposal for compromise. By the time my husband attended their quarterly business meeting in January, we still had not heard back from them. At the meeting my husband addressed the issue of no return calls from them, the placement of easement stakes, and the threat of Eminent Domain. He was told by CBWD attorney Dan Bowers that he would receive a call. He was also told by one of the engineers on the project, Chris Hall, that the stakes were in the wrong place and the new easement would not go across our home. One week later Mr. Bowers did call my husband and informed him that he did not have time to talk but said he would call later, Have a nice day. Goodbye.

Chris Hall with the engineering company told us that because there are no large trees on our property we are not a priority to the project. He said that if they do not remove the trees from

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WEEK'S TopTweets

@LMFaye: Saw a chameleon today, so I'm assuming it wasn't a very good one.

@cpinck: I can't show how much I hate exclamation points without looking like a hypocrite.

@farleftcoast: "Well I should probably get off twitter. I have to be at work in 15 minutes and I haven't even showered yet." - me and at least 100 of you

@BettyLies: It makes me sad that in this age of computers and video games, my children will never understand what it's like to be raised by television.

@duplictron: Pretty cool how you can turn cotton into

delicious candy or a totally comfortable shirt to wear.

@JordyHamrick: Just read a really great tweet that was 140,000 characters long called a book.

@yoyoha: I just saw someone by themselves not looking at a phone. Hope they're ok.

@peteholmes: It's always a little disconcerting how before you trust them with your life every airline checks you in using computers running Windows 95.

@thetaltom: Pizza jokes are all about delivery.

@StephenAtHome: Why does X always get to mark the spot? I bet Q would like a turn.

Butler Hollow *not* a done deal

Last week I asked, is this a done deal? A very smart, concerned and informed community in the Butler Hollow area and many others are saying loud and clear – this is *not* a done deal.

If you listen to Wayne Walden, on KUAF's NPR Ozarks at Large "Feud in Butler Hollow," the Forest Service restoration project seems like the beginning of a scary movie: "Oh yeah, Ooh, aah, that's how it always starts. But then there's running and screaming" said Ian Malcolm. Our climate has changed; the 1800's ecosystem is gone.

Wayne Walden and Norm Camp know from their great-great grandparents; Butler Hollow in the 1800s was a forest. My money is on Wayne, Norm and their many friends. Please visit the "Save Butler Hollow" Facebook page; pictures tell the story.

Where there's smoke, there's fire

Is there a public need for this project? So far there are no good answers. There are only two choices according to the Forest Service: Go and No-Go. The No-Go alternative comes with large penalties. 1) Loss of economic value of salvageable wood products. 2) Increased potential for insect and disease infestations in adjacent woodlands. 3) Increased fuel loads and potential for stand-replacing wildfires. 4) Continued use of non-system roads, which would cause further erosion of roadbeds, potential siltation of streams, and unsafe conditions for public vehicle travel. The "Do-Nothing" alternative seems scary. I would have guessed the Forest Service gets paid for doing something; maybe they are just blowing smoke.

No Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

The U.S. Forest Service follows the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), an environmental law to promote enhancement of the environment. So where is the EIS? The Forest Service decided to first request public comments, and then figure out the next step.

Prescribed fires, wildfires, and fuels

Burning a cedar tree is easy. Burning *only* one cedar tree in the forest is hard to do; before you know it, you have a wildfire. Cedar trees are full of resin, a fast burning fuel. Once cedars are on fire, they burn with a flash and heavy black smoke. Rural fire departments do not have airplanes or specialized crews to put out forest wildfires.

Where there is fire there is smoke

Wood smoke is deadly and spreads for miles. When you breathe it in, you inhale fine toxic particles. Some long-term effects: chronic lung disease including bronchitis and emphysema, chemical and structural changes in lungs, risk of heart attack and stroke, and cancer. Those most likely to be affected are infants, children, the elderly, and adults with existing heart or lung conditions.

Commercial logging of national forests?

Commercial logging by the U.S. Forest Service of National Parks is not a USDA concept. Kentucky, North Carolina, Colorado, Arizona, Idaho and other states are opposing deforestation with strong grass-roots efforts. There is hope for Butler Hollow.

Big, long, expensive, and ugly

Open glades, the habitat of scorpions, tarantulas, and other predatory arthropods you find in Arizona, must be maintained with prescribed fires and herbicides by out-of-state crews. Koloski says this project will take decades. With heavy smoke, fires, flash floods, water contamination and dead wildlife, why do it? Is this a project with an end in sight, or a blank check to lease our national forests? The Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality has not been consulted. Audubon and Sierra Club are in the dark.

Smoking out the Truth

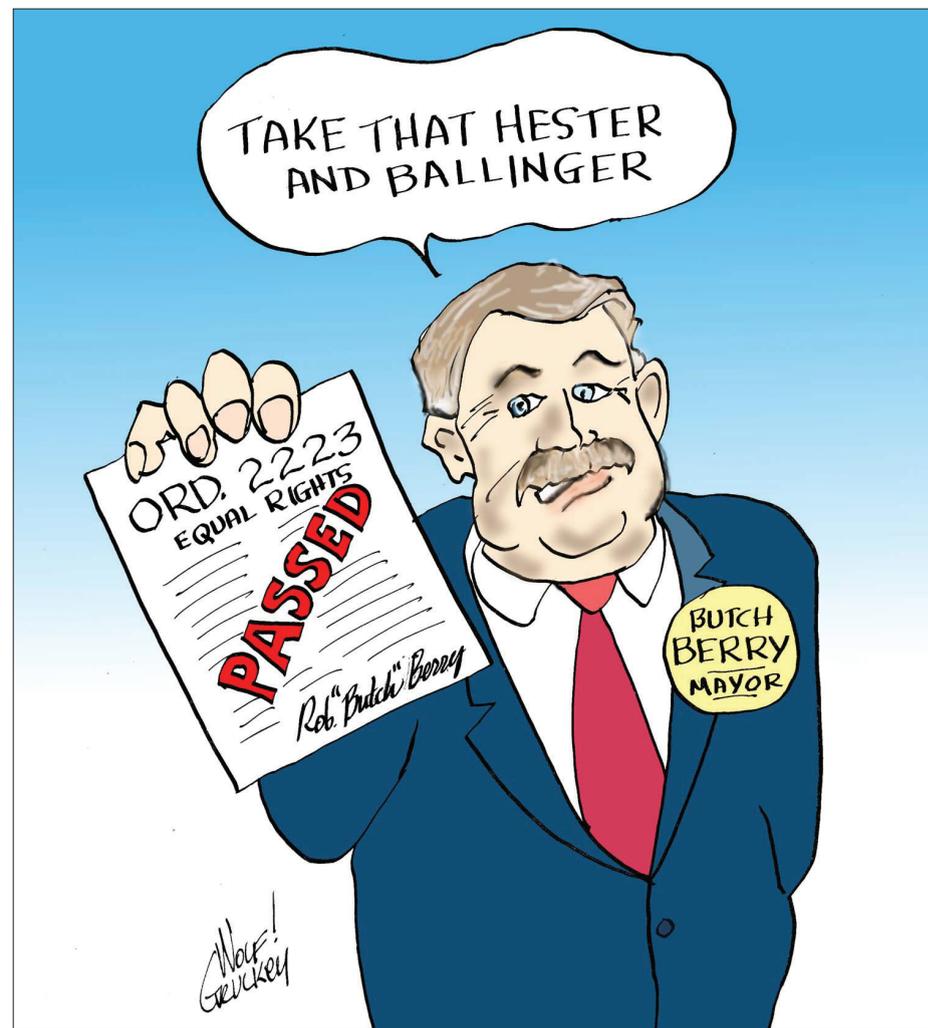
The Forest Service is pointing fingers to the Missouri Department of Conservation, and other unnamed environmental agencies. Who needs this project? What is the hurry?

Butler Hollow is not a done deal

Like other large projects this will be a long saga. Reason will prevail, but only if you are willing to participate. Please email your comments to comments-eastern-mark-twain-ava@fs.fed.us

Please visit Butler Hollow and Sugar Camp National Forest Scenic Byway. Take pictures before the fires start. Meet the locals; they are very smart and friendly with great stories.

Dr. Luis Contreras



The Pursuit of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

"Multi-Nucleated Cable Conurbations" was the oddly erotic title of a fascinating paper I wrote in the early '70s. It was about the future of a brand new deal called cable television. The paper described cable systems as being like the cellular structure of living organisms where cells make up tissue, tissue makes up organs, "the hip bone is connected to the thigh bone, the..." and so it went.

In those whacky days of baby cable, it was possible for people living in an apartment building to have their own television station. Small town merchants' associations could own and operate cable television stations, as could an association of beekeepers, a farmers' co-op, or the League of Extraordinary Gentlemen (you know who you are). All of these stations were connected to a municipal TV network that, at least theoretically, could have a gazillion affiliate stations.

It sounds a lot like the Internet, doesn't it? What happened? The Feds decided to regulate cable, which decoded, means they took it away from you and me and gave it to a few Fat Cats who send you bills every month for *Desperate Housewives*. There's nary a beekeeper in sight.

The same thing happened with radio. You can get an FM radio license for about \$10,000 and, theoretically, broadcast live music from the New Delhi Café, or any other place in town. In practical terms though, a Christian broadcaster in Springfield, Missouri, has a fat frequency FM tower on a hill north of town, which means that the Dance Party at the New Delhi will get shouldered aside by Dr. End Times' Ministries 9 times out of 10.

What's at stake in decisions about net neutrality is the principle that Internet service providers should enable access to all content and applications regardless of the source, and *without* favoring or blocking particular products or websites. If favoring happens, big payers will drive on superhighways while everyone else – small businesses, political activists, and you and me – drives on gravel.

Tune-in to C-SPAN on Feb. 26, to see if Congress sells your Internet. Lobbyists for Comcast, Verizon and AT&T have bet \$350 million dollars that they will.

A little help from our friends:

• **Carroll County Domestic Violence Hotline:** 1-844-247-3223 (844-24PEACE) is available 24/7. The Purple Flower Domestic Violence Resource and Support Center of Carroll County is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. on North Springfield St. in Berryville. (479) 981-1676.

• **GriefShare** is a weekly seminar and support group for people who are grieving the death of someone close to them. Group meets in the library of the Holiday Island Community Church from 2 – 4 p.m. each Sunday. Contact Dale or Laura Nichols (479) 253-8925 or email lardellen@gmail.com for more information.

• **24-hour NWA Crisis Line for Women** – NWA Women’s Shelter serving Carroll County – “Empowering families to live free of violence.” (800) 775-9011 www.nwaws.org

• **Cup of Love free soup lunches** – Fridays from 9:30 a.m. 2 p.m. in front of Wildflower thrift shop (yellow building next to chapel) on US 62E. Cup of Love also provides soup lunches at Flint Street Fellowship Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. (479) 363-4529

• **Flint Street Fellowship food pantry, lunch, free clothing** – Pantry open 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Free lunch Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Free clothes/shoes closet, books and household items. (479) 253-9491 or 253-4945. Leave donations in barrel at entrance if facility is closed.

• **Free Sunday Night Suppers** at St. James Episcopal Church, 28 Prospect, 5 – 6:30 p.m. Suppers will continue Sunday nights through March 29.

• **Wildflower food pantry, furniture bank and clothing** – Wildflower Chapel (US 62E) free food pantry 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. on Fridays. Thrift store and used furniture bank (now in big blue barn only) Wednesday – Saturday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. and Friday 1 – 6 p.m. Drop off donations Thursday – Saturday 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

• **Celebrate Recovery** – Soul Purpose Ministries, 801 S. Springfield, Green Forest, 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday. Potluck followed by 12-step Christ-centered meetings for those suffering from addiction, habit, hang-up or hurt.

• **No high school diploma?** Free GED classes in the Carnegie Library Annex every Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 9 a.m. - noon with study and tutoring for the GED test. Open to ages 18 and up. GED classes also in Berryville at Carroll County Center. Some open to ages 16 and 17 per educational requirements. For info: Nancy Wood (479) 981-0482, Carnegie Library (479) 253-8754, Carroll County Center (870) 423-4455). Offered by North Arkansas College with Carnegie Library support.

• **Coffee Break Al-Anon Family Group Women** – Tuesdays, 9:45 a.m., Faith Christian Family Church, Hwy. 23S, (479) 363-9495.

Meetings at Coffee Pot Club:

• **Alateen** – Sundays, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m. Email alateen1st@gmx.com or phone (479) 981-9977 • **Overeaters Anonymous** – Thursdays, 10:30 a.m. Barbara (479) 244-0070 • **Narcotics Anonymous** – Fridays, 5:30 p.m. (903) 278-5568 • **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. All other meetings: See www.nwarkaa.org

INDEPENDENT ConstablesOnPatrol

FEBRUARY 2

4:42 p.m. – Constable responded to a three-vehicle accident with injuries on US 62 west of downtown.

FEBRUARY 3

9:48 a.m. – Caller told ESPD he had run into a small owl with his vehicle and had taken the bird to his house where it began flying around. He asked for assistance getting it out of his house. Animal Control responded and got the owl out of the house but it flew into a nearby residence. Another constable arrived to help remove the bird from the second house.

11:36 a.m. – Wife told ESPD her husband, from whom she was not legally divorced yet, had remarried in December. Constable gathered information.

12:13 p.m. – Store employee reported a forged check.

12:14 p.m. – A tourist lodging reported a disgruntled guest in the lobby. Constable on patrol was able to clear up the misunderstanding.

12:22 p.m. – Constable got a call regarding an individual who was refusing to leave a bank, so he went to the scene and convinced the person to leave the premises.

1:38 p.m. – Custodian found drug paraphernalia in a trashcan at the high school, and a constable responded.

3:27 p.m. – A delivery truck set off a burglary alarm at a restaurant, but everything was okay.

FEBRUARY 4

5:04 a.m. – Central dispatch reported a call from a female who said she had gotten lost driving around the county for hours looking for a motel. Constable searched in the west part of town but never encountered her vehicle.

5:50 a.m. – Alarm company reported an alarm had been triggered at a business on US 62, but the constable discovered an employee had accidentally triggered it.

11:25 a.m. – Fire marshal asked for constable assistance because there was a small pile of ashes beside a vehicle. Constable determined nothing looked suspicious. He speculated someone had set a small fire to keep warm.

12:56 p.m. – Onlooker noticed two persons who did not belong there were on the back deck of a property. Constable arrived at the deck and advised them to leave and not come back. Constables added extra patrols in the area.

1:28 p.m. – Constable arrested an individual on outstanding warrants out of Huntsville and Benton County for failure to appear for bad checks.

3:20 p.m. – Constable filed a delayed accident report.

FEBRUARY 5

7:02 a.m. – Observer reported that a vehicle had left a roadway in the northern part of town.

FEBRUARY 6

3:46 p.m. – As a result of a traffic stop, the constable arrested an individual on an ESPD warrant and on a warrant out of Madison County.

5:11 p.m. – Constable responded to a call about an injured vulture, but it had flown away before he arrived.

7:35 p.m. – ESPD got a report of a man using a cane walking along the edge of a road, but he was gone when the constable went to look for him.

FEBRUARY 7

11:02 a.m. – Passerby noticed a person walking behind a vacant house for sale and thought he looked suspicious. Constable went to the address and found nothing untoward going on.

6:57 p.m. – Constable responded to a report of persons trying to sell prescription drugs at a motel. Constables did not find anyone but watched for the suspects’ vehicle.

7:22 p.m. – There was a hit and run accident in a parking lot downtown, but the constable determined there was not enough damage to warrant a report.

7:33 p.m. – Staff at a motel reported people in two vehicles in the parking lot seemed to be intoxicated. Constable went to the parking lot, but the vehicles had already departed and constables did not encounter the vehicle around town.

7:39 p.m. – Constable responded to an unresponsive male near a public bathroom downtown. EMS took the individual to ESH where report was filed for an unattended death.

10:09 p.m. – There was a fender bender accident on a byway just east of downtown.

FEBRUARY 8

8:51 a.m. – Motorist backed into a tree downtown. Constable filed a report.

11:20 p.m. – Constable followed a vehicle reportedly being driven erratically in town, but he found no reason to stop it.

Chocolate fest adds new twists

From 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. on Feb. 14, the Inn of the Ozarks becomes Chocolate Lovers’ Paradise. Tickets, \$12 adult and \$6 child, include an opportunity to browse and taste everything on site and even pack up a box of goodies gathered from your favorite displays and vendors to take home.

New events this year include live decorating demonstrations by students from the Pulaski Technical College Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management Institute. Area wineries will also have chocolate and wine pairings and tastings. Also new this year, the baking and decorating contest judging by celebrity judges Steve Grant of KY3 TV, Ann Gray of *2NJoy* magazine, Tim Tibbs of KTLO 97.9 FM and 1240 AM, Ken Ketelson of Farm to Table FRESH, and Little Rock food and travel writer Kat Robinson will be open to the public.

There will be cash prizes in baking and decorating contests and silent bidding for your favorite cakes. Get tickets in advance at the Chamber Visitor Center to avoid waiting in line. For more information visit www.eurekachocfest.org or call the Chamber (479) 253-8737.

'Don't drink the Kool-Aid' Arkansas Judge says more prisons are not the answer

BECKY GILLETTE

Are people in the U.S. so bad that they require being jailed at a rate higher than people in any other country in the world? Are Arkansas residents more criminally minded than people who live in other states whose incarceration rates are half or less than Arkansas?

With the prisoner population of Arkansas at 17,000 and growing, even conservative "tough on crime" legislators are balking at the growing burden on taxpayers for putting so many residents in jail. But there are few prominent people in the state actually speaking out about the unfairness of what might be labeled a criminal injustice system.

One strong voice for reform is Pulaski County Circuit Judge Wendell Griffen of Little Rock.

"Arkansas can't become more healthy and prosperous by continuing the ways that caused our prison overcrowding predicament," Griffen, who advocates for reform, said. "Our current predicament is

because we, like the rest of the United States, made the unwise choice to use the criminal justice process to address substance abuse, mental illness, poverty and racial diversity. We drank the 'tough on crime' and 'war on drugs' Kool-Aid. If we want to solve the problem, we can begin by rejecting the idea that our society needs more of that Kool-Aid and more pitchers for it [prisons and jails]."

Griffen said the claim that it's too hard to decide which nonviolent offenders should be released from state and county lockups isn't valid.

"We decided to put them there," Griffen said. "We decide what happens to them while there. We can decide how to release them and supervise them. The issue isn't whether we can do it, but whether we have the good sense and commitment to fairness to try."

Griffen spoke to Northwest Arkansas Senior Democrats in Springdale recently stating that mass incarceration has become a civil rights issue, where anyone with an

arrest record is legally discriminated against in housing and in looking for work. He opposes construction of a new \$231 million prison, and told the group that political pressures on prosecutors and judges to incarcerate is powerful.

In a letter opposing new prison construction sent to former Gov. Beebe, Griffen said most people in state prison for drug offenses have no history of violence or significant selling activity.

"Arrests for marijuana possession – a drug less harmful than tobacco or alcohol – accounted for nearly 80 percent of the drug arrests in the 1990s," Griffen said. "The 'war on drugs' has resulted in longer prison sentences, financed private prison firms and related businesses, undermined trust in law enforcement, and strained state and local government budgets. Arkansas does not have a prison overcrowding problem because of a dramatic increase in violent offenders. We have a prison overcrowding problem because of the war on drugs."

Griffen said it is foolish to believe that

cancer, AIDS and other life-threatening diseases would be reduced and cured by building mortuaries and cemeteries and hiring funeral directors and gravediggers. He said the decision of the Board of Corrections to build a new prison is similar folly and recommended a moratorium on new prison construction in Arkansas.

Kids, come to a Valentine Party!

Carnegie Public Library invites children grades K – 4 to a Valentine's Day Party Saturday, Feb. 14, from 5 – 7:30 p.m. Parents can enjoy a romantic dinner or night out with friends while the kids stay with us for the evening.

Legos, crafts, board games, pizza and cupcake decorating are some of the things we'll be doing. Email the library at info@eurekalibrary.org or phone 253-8754 for details.

TheNATUREofEUREKA by Steven Foster



Cold-blooded investigator targets herbal DNA

Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2015, the New York Attorney General, Eric T. Schneiderman, issued a press release on an action taken the previous day in which his office delivered "cease and desist" letters to four major retailers including GNC, Target, Walgreens, and Walmart alleging they were selling herbal dietary supplements that did not contain the plant materials listed on the product labels. The herbs included echinacea, garlic, ginseng, St. John's wort and saw palmetto.

According to the Attorney General's press release, 79 percent of the products tested either did not contain the plant material claimed on the label or contained other plant materials not listed on the label. All of the products were "store brands," made by contract manufacturers.

"This investigation makes one thing abundantly clear: the old adage 'buyer beware' may be especially true for consumers of herbal supplements," said Schneiderman. "The DNA test results seem to confirm long-standing questions about the herbal supplement industry. Mislabeling, contamination, and false advertising are illegal." "Seem" is the operative word here.

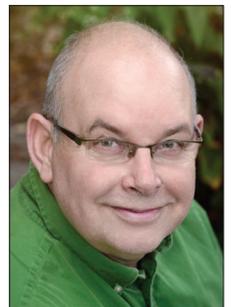
Schneiderman has apparently been watching too many episodes of CSI "city du jour" in which the DNA always solves the crime. DNA analysis for plants is great for

botanicals or plant specimens in which intact DNA still exists, but if you are testing an extracted plant ingredient –PRESTO – the DNA no longer exists!

Every qualified, experienced plant analytical laboratory that authenticates botanicals day in and day out, knows DNA alone is unreliable for testing plant extracts. Instead validated chemical analytical methods and other validated lab methods are used.

A retired plant scientist friend mused, "If DNA testing is required for validating plant ingredients claimed to be in any product, the supermarket shelves would be empty." If Schneiderman had applied the same DNA method to the brown liquid in the cup of coffee he might have drunk before his news conference, the test would have likely shown that his cup of coffee contained no detectable DNA of the coffee plant!

This is a case in which a public official, under the guise of science, has made allegations without confirming the validity of the science. Curiously, no plant genomic scientists I know had heard of the lab or researcher who did the testing! Turns out they hired a DNA lab specializing in reptile identification! I suppose Schneiderman had heard that the lab was run by "cold-blooded scientific investigators."



Baseball registration open

Berryville Parks and Recreation is registering for spring Cal Ripken baseball for ages 7 – 15. Registration forms are available at the Berryville Community Center and are being sent home with Berryville Public School students. Return completed form, copy of the participant's birth certificate and registration fee to the Berryville Community Center by

Monday, Feb. 16 at 8 p.m.

BCC hours of operation are Monday – Friday, 6:30 a.m. – 8 p.m. Saturday, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. and Sunday, 12:30 – 5:30 p.m. Registration for girls' softball, ages 7 – 15 and T-ball/Parent Pitch, boys and girls ages 3 – 6, will be at a later date. For more information call (870) 423-3139.

Girls' softball signup now open

Berryville Parks and Recreation department is now registering for girls' softball, ages 7 – 14, until Monday, March 16. Registration forms are available at the Berryville Community Center. Return completed form, a copy of the child's birth certificate, and the registration fee to the Berryville Community Center before 8 p.m. March 16.

Please help reestablish the girls softball program by signing up today. Parent Pitch and T Ball, boys and girls 3 – 6, will register at a later date. The Center's hours of operation are weekdays, 6:30 a.m. – 8 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. and Sunday, 12:30 – 5:30 pm. For more information, call (870) 423-3139.

HI Ladies Fellowship meets Feb. 16

The Holiday Island Community Church Ladies Fellowship will meet on Monday, Feb. 16, 10 a.m. at Holiday Island Community Church, 188 State Line Road. This month's speaker, Bailie Tuttle, will share the miraculous story of the birth of her daughter as well as interesting facts concerning the oils of the Bible. Please call Roxie (337) 513-9346 for more information. All are welcome.

Metafizzies explore the Hajj

The Feb. 16 meeting of the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society will feature a video on the Hajj, the pilgrimage to Mecca that all Muslims who are physically and financially able are required to perform. Meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in the reading room of the Christian Science Church, 68 Mountain St. All are welcome.

Box making class open to home-schooled students

Clear Spring School is offering an opportunity for home-schooled students to take a wooden box making class with master woodworker Doug Stowe. This four-week class is held at the school, 374 Dairy Hollow Road, from 10:30 a.m. – noon on Wednesdays from Feb. 18 through March 11.

Suggested age range is 8 – 13 years. Class is limited to ten students with a minimum of five. Cost is \$60, plus \$10 materials fee. For details or to register, call (479) 253-7888.

Gardening Classes begin Feb. 19

Each Thursday from Feb. 19 through March 19, Foundation Farm gardening classes will be held from 3:30 – 5 p.m. in the church building at 17 Elk St. The weekly classes, in order, cover seeds and transplants, preparing and nourishing soil, four-season growing techniques, insect and disease management, and a final hands-on class at the farm on preparing a garden bed.

Fee is \$20 per class or \$80 for the entire series. If interested, please email mamakapa@yahoo.com or see www.foundationfarm.com.

Ham it up Feb. 19

The Little Switzerland Amateur Radio Club will meet Thursday, Feb. 19, 6:30 p.m. in the physicians building at Mercy Hospital/Berryville. Anyone with an interest in amateur radio is welcome and refreshments will be available.

Little Switzerland Amateur Radio Club meets at noon on the second Thursday of the month and at 6:30 p.m. on third Thursday of the month. The frequency for their new 440 Repeater is 444.250 (+) 100.0 PL. For additional information go to their web site at Isarc.us or contact gmjar@outlook.com



Rapt attention – The Eureka Springs contingent, including Chamber of Commerce and CAPC members plus local business people, listen intently to Gov. Asa Hutchinson prior to the recent Legislative Luncheon in Little Rock. *PHOTO SUBMITTED*

Carroll Co. Republican Committee meeting

The CCRC meeting will be held Feb. 16 at 7 p.m. at the Storm Solutions Building, 206 S. Springfield, in Berryville. Carroll County Republican Women's meeting will precede the men's at 6 p.m.

The following officers were elected at the Jan. 19 meeting: Chairman, John Reeve; 1st Vice Chairman, Kathy Clark; 2nd Vice Chairman, Gary DeRamus; Secretary, Albena Link and Treasure, Bernice Smarsty.

Sunday at EUUF

On Feb. 15 Devon Tucker, a native Eureka, will Skype from Moscow, Russia. He will share his experience living there as well as his view of our current world state of affairs.

Program at 11 a.m. followed by refreshments. All are welcome at the Eureka Universalist Church, 17 Elk St. Childcare provided.

Ladies of Faith meet Feb. 24

Ladies of Faith will meet Tuesday, Feb. 24, 10 a.m. at the Gazebo Restaurant in the Eureka Inn for brunch. Cost is \$10.50

Speaker is Joann Turner. She and husband, Acra, have pastored the Rock Springs Baptist Church in Eureka for the past 8 years. At the age of 15 Joann ran away to Mexico – and you will have to come hear the rest of her exciting story.

Beth Severe will minister in music. Everyone is welcome to come and be blessed. Contact Margo Pryor (870) 480-3161.

Sign up now for a half year of fresh veggies!

Foundation Farm once again brings its produce subscription program to the table for the 2015 season. Beginning in late May, subscribers will have 25 continuous weeks of delicious farm-fresh food at a cost of \$375 (\$15/week).

This buys the equivalent of \$17 worth of food weekly, a 12 percent discount from the Farm's regular market prices (three weeks of free produce). Subscriptions are payable between now and Feb. 28.

Each weekly bag contains a selection of freshly harvested produce and herbs, typically six to eight items, adequate for one to two people. Bags can be picked up Tuesdays at the market from 9 a.m. – noon, or at Fain's Herbacy on N. Main from 1 – 5 p.m.

The program is limited to the first 12 families who respond via email to mamakapa@yahoo.com. For more info, see www.foundationfarm.com.

Bible Reading Marathon calls for volunteers

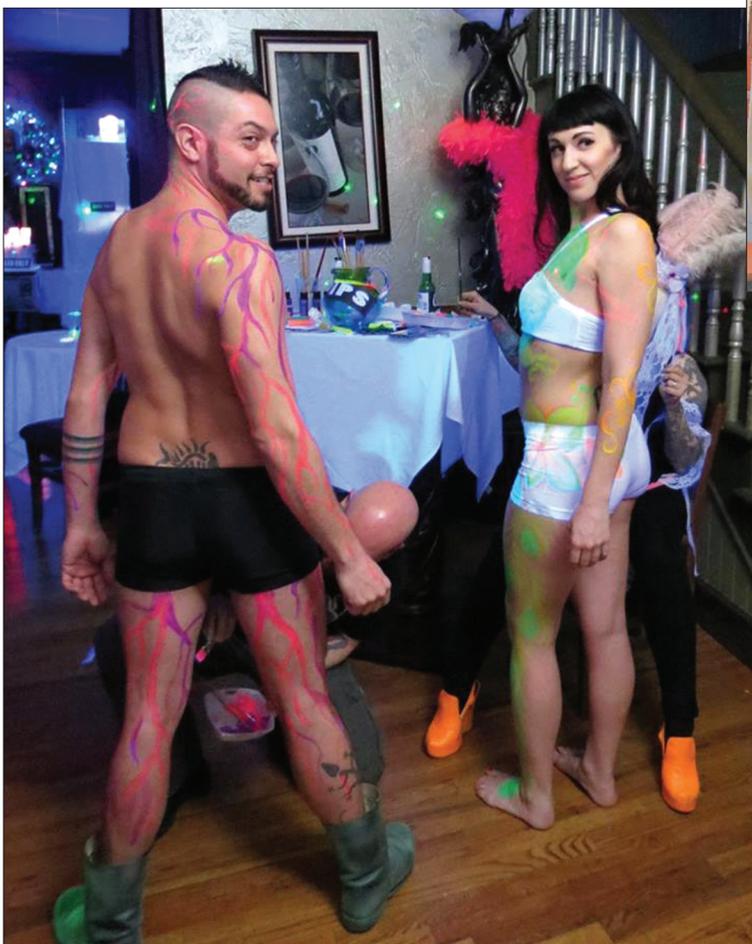
The Carroll County Bible Reading Marathon committee is gathering volunteers for the 6th annual Bible Reading Marathon planned for May 3 – 7 in conjunction with National Day of Prayer.

If interested in volunteering or reading, there will be a meeting Monday, Feb. 9, at 6:30 p.m. at The Depot in Green Forest. If you cannot attend, contact coordinator Bonnie Roediger (870) 350-0865 for details.



You go girls! – Marie Howard, left, and Trella Laughlin barely had room to stand upright in the crowd that showed up for the birthday party Trella threw at Caribé for Marie's 80th. *PHOTO BY JAY VRECEK*

Melonglow – Ray Ulibarri and Emma Anne of Melonlight Dance get painted up before the black lights come on at the Black Light Ball Feb. 7 at Le Stick. *PHOTO BY JAY VRECEK*



Catching the first ball – This mysterious masked quartet caught the eye at the first of the Mardi Gras balls – the inaugural Mayor's Ball held at the Basin Park Hotel Feb. 6. Two down, three to go! *PHOTO BY JAY VRECEK*



Fond farewells – ESSA Director, Peggy Kjelgaard, right, heaps accolades on retiring Program Director, Sabina Miller, during a well-attended party in her honor on Feb. 8. Sabina will still be at ESSA on Tuesdays for a while. More party pix on our Facebook page. *PHOTO BY JAY VRECEK*

Service with a smile – The ladies of Apache Mountain Naturals are ready with answers for a customer at last weekend's inaugural Historical Museum Garage Sale at the Inn of the Ozarks. From left are Danielle Royal; Lemon Sharbrough; Danielle's mom, Robbie Selph; and Natalie Royal. *PHOTO BY CD WHITE*



INDEPENDENT Art & Entertainment

ASAP call for music video participants

The Artist ONE, who has been called one of the great visionary artists of this century, will be shooting a music video in and around Eureka Springs Feb. 16 – 22, and is looking for people who would like to play a small role in the

making of his first music video, *Slaves*.

If interested in being in the video shoot call Glenn Coggeshall (479) 244-7305. For details on this and the larger project of which it is part, visit www.theartistone.com.

Poetluck Feb. 19

Thursday, Feb. 19, writer-in-residence Cynthia Sample will read from the group of stories she's working on at the Writers' Colony at Dairy Hollow.

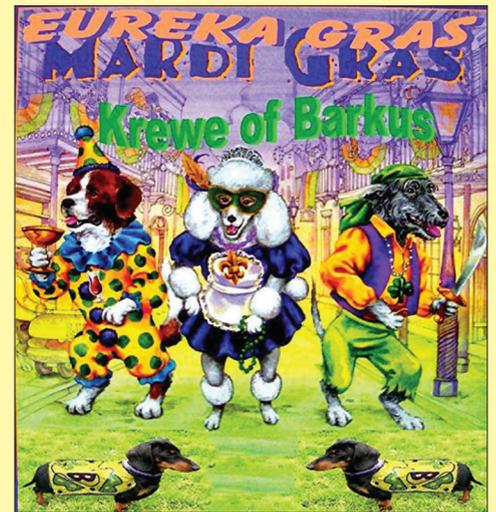
Cynthia holds an MFA as well as a Ph. D. in finance and a degree in mathematics. Her fiction has appeared in *Steel Toe Review*, *NumeroCinq*, *SLAB*, *Summerset Review*, *Sleet*, *Love*

After 70 and elsewhere.

Local writers and musicians are invited to read from or perform their work for up to four minutes after Cynthia's presentation. Potluck dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. at the Colony, 515 Spring Street. Everyone is welcome, so bring a dish to share and settle in for a great evening.

Dress out that dog!

If you're a dog owner, dress your pooch in Mardi Gras gear and meet at the post office at 1:30 Saturday, Feb. 14 to join the Krewe of Barkus in the Mardi Gras parade at 2 p.m. For more info email rachelmbrix@yahoo.com.



Check, Please – ESHS dinner theatre Feb. 13

The ESHS Drama Troupe, directed by Mr. Rick Mann, will perform a dinner theatre featuring *Check, Please* at the high school auditorium. The 6 p.m. performance is a series of comic playlets depicting unusual first date experiences. Your Valentines, young and old will enjoy vegetable lasagna and a cast of talented high school actors, servers and support staff.

Admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children with proceeds supporting the ESHS Drama Department. For more information call or email Mr. Mann (479) 253-8875 or rmann@es.k12.ar.us.

You can beat the winter blahs but you can't beat the bands!

The 4th Annual Midwinter Hometown Jam on Friday, Feb. 13, promises to be another blowout show with six great bands including Brick Fields, the Sarah Hughes Band, Kevin Riddle, the Ariels, and the Josh Jennings

Band each performing a 20 minute set followed by all bands onstage with a show stopping jam on favorite rock n' roll tunes.

The show begins at 7 p.m. Tickets only \$10 in advance at the Chamber Visitor Center (479) 253-8737, or \$12 at the door.

Diana Harvey's work gets wide representation

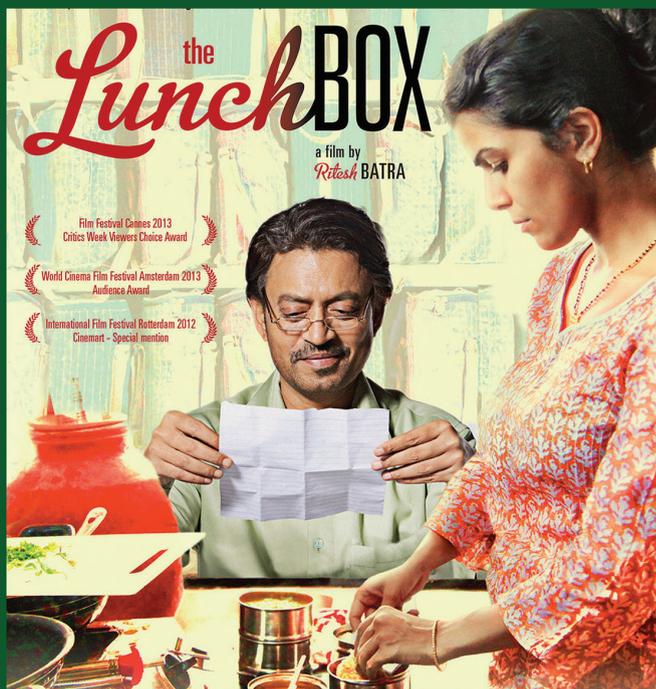
Curators for the Arkansas Committee of the National Museum of Women in the Arts recently selected a body of work from local artist Diana Harvey for inclusion in their 2015-2016 Artists' Registry. Work by selected artists is uploaded to the website and can be seen at acnmwa.org.

The honor also includes a national presence in major shows at galleries and museums such as the Best of America, The Russell, American Art in Miniature, etc. Above is Harvey's piece that will be in The Russell this year, the invitational benefit for the CM Russell Museum and one of the biggest Western art auctions in the country.



RED RIVER #2 BY DIANA HARVEY

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Sycamore, written by Constance Wagner and published in 1950 by Alfred A. Knopf, is the story of a sophisticated New York girl who marries a boy from Arkansas. The Wagners and their daughter lived in Eureka Springs while the novel was written. In addition to five novels, Constance Wagner wrote numerous articles and stories published in *The New Yorker*, *Atlantic Monthly* and *Collier's*.



CONSTANCE WAGNER

Tracy's car was in the drive, when she reached home, and Tracy herself huddled on the front step, with a paper bag in her lap and a number of tramped-out cigarette stubs at her feet. She must have been waiting for some time.

"Why didn't you go in?" Jane asked her. "I never lock the door."

Tracy's look of discontent deepened. "Never thought of trying it," she said, going in ahead of Jane. "I thought city people always locked their doors... I'm frozen." She went to the kitchen and emptied the contents of the paper bag onto a plate. "I brought some doughnuts," she said. "And we'll make coffee. Good, hot coffee – mmm!" She began measuring water into the pot before she removed her coat.

Watching her as she moved, cozy and proprietary, about the kitchen, Jane felt an increasing uneasiness. She had never been drawn into so exclusive a friendship as this, and she found it not altogether to her liking. Tracy's attitude had in it a disturbing resemblance to her own schoolgirl crush days. She called up the now-faded mental image of Carol Sprague (who was not very bright, but who dominated the hockey field and the basketball court with a large and easy magnificence that had made Jane, perched on the side lines, blush and tremble with ecstasy). And the roses, bought out of her lunch money – two dozen every week, from a nursery on Long Island, while she

grew scrawny on tea and toast! The anomaly of pale, shell-tinted roses for so solid and insensitive an idol as Carol Sprague had not occurred to her at the time. Ridiculous! Had Carol ever guessed who sent them? No doubt she'd attributed them to some lovesick boy, and it was just as well if she had...

"I used to have a crush on a girl at school," she said, curious for Tracy's reaction. "She was two years ahead of me, a rather horsy type – athletic, basketball star and all that. I used to send her roses."

Tracy turned from the stove to stare at her. "I never *heard* of such a thing!" she cried incredulously.

"Didn't you really?" Jane, pleased, sat back on the kitchen stool and lit a cigarette. "Why, it's very common at girls' schools. Practically a tradition. I never really knew any boys till I was about sixteen – unless you want to count the miserable little oafs that turned up at dancing school on Friday afternoon."

The response to this was so unexpected that Jane was almost bowled off the stool. Standing disconsolate beside the stove, Tracy caught her lower lip tightly between her small, sharp teeth as if to keep from bursting into tears. Then, with her unhappy eyes glued to Jane's face, she said passionately:

"When I think of all the advantages you've had – while I've been stuck off down here all my life – going to State U. – never meeting any exciting

people, never learning how to *do* things the right way. It isn't fair!" she cried, in open rebellion against her mean destiny.

"Tracy! That's the silliest damn guff I ever heard." Inside herself, Jane felt shock. Tracy had given indications, before, of a vague sort of envy, but she had never let it come out so baldly. "I was trying to make you see how artificial and stupid it all was, my childhood – really abnormal – and you break in talking about *advantages*! Are you watching that coffee?"

Tracy pulled out the plug and stood watching the coffee drip through the glass tube, in a posture of lassitude and defeat, her shoulders drooping. She'd be good-looking, Jane thought, if only she'd stand up straight. That hollow, curved look – I wonder what's the matter with her? As always when Tracy was in one of her moods, Jane felt an impatient kind of pity for her – a sterile emotion, since it became clearer each time that there was nothing she could do to help her.

She got down cups and saucers from the cupboard and poured the coffee with an air of no-more-nonsense. "Shall we drink it here?"

"Yes, said Tracy, still life's stepchild. "I feel more at home in the kitchen."

"I got a letter today," Jane said, determined to alter the tone of the talk, "from an old college friend. She may come down to visit, on her vacation next summer. I want you to meet her,

Tracy. You'll like her."

Tracy's small, pale face seemed to grow whiter. "I don't want to meet her," she said rigidly. "It's bad enough to have *you* looking down on me, without your friends from New York doing it, too."

"Oh, *stop* it!" Jane cried. "I don't look down on you and I don't have that kind of friends, and Katy is not from New York but from a one-horse town in Vermont, no bigger than Sycamore. And she was at Wellesley on a scholarship because her family couldn't afford the tuition. I do believe you're one of the worst snobs I ever knew."

During the outburst, Tracy had stood gazing at her from stricken eyes. Now, abject and beaten, she crept round the table and sank down on the floor, clutching at Jane's knees and sobbing, with her face hidden against Jane's skirt. "No, no. It's not that," she kept saying in a choked voice. "Forgive me, Jane, honey. It's just – you don't know what you've meant to me – taught me so much – more than *anyone* else – and I can't bear to think of anybody spoiling it, coming between us. You – you can't *realize* how dull and awful everything was before you –" She broke off, crying more quietly, but still clinging to Jane with desperate fingers, as if fearful that she might drown without her.

NOTES from the HOLLOW by Steve Weems

During his teenage years, my father worked at the Basin Park Hotel as a bellhop. The Eureka Springs landmark was then owned by prominent banker and attorney Claude Fuller. My father had many stories about the hotel and the various characters who would hang around, including some about Mr. Fuller.

He told the story of mopping the hotel lobby before school one morning while Claude Fuller sat in a chair reading the newspaper. My father mopped around the chair and waited for Mr. Fuller to lift his feet so he

could mop under them, as was their custom. When Claude didn't lift his feet, my father dropped the mop and said, "If you won't lift your feet, you can mop the floor yourself. I have to go to school," and stormed out of the hotel. He said Claude looked up at him with wide eyes, but didn't say a word. My father returned to work later and neither ever mentioned the incident.

Mr. Fuller must have liked my father, though, because he hired him to be his driver on certain occasions. For instance, my father chauffeured him to the 1960 Arkansas Democratic

Convention in Little Rock. I take it for granted that Claude Fuller made an impression on my father. When my dad talked about Mr. Fuller, he could recall their conversations in detail.

I think about that long drive to Little Rock with just the two of them in the car and try to see it through my father's eyes. He was a teenager at the time, so I can just imagine what it would be like for a kid to spend time with not only the boss, but a former Mayor and Congressman who many considered to be the richest and most powerful man in town.



I sometimes contribute photographs and information to the genealogy website www.findagrave.com. Claude Fuller is the only person that it rates as "famous" in the list of 3,292 internments in the Eureka Springs IOOF Cemetery.

Avatars, Presidents, Valentines, Ashes, Lent & a New Moon

This is our last week of Aquarius (World Server). Next week (Wednesday) Sun enters Pisces (World Savior). Note the different esoteric tasks. Although it's being denied, past structures of reality continue breaking down and dissolving. As this occurs new revelatory (Uranus) alternatives will slowly be revealed (Aquarius). The breakdown is Ray 6 (Piscean Age, beliefs) withdrawing. New information/archetypes for the Aquarian Age (Ray 7) and new technologies (Ray 5, Venus) streaming in provide understanding, hope and beauty to the breakdown.

Thursday, Feb. 12, is Abraham Lincoln's 206th birthday. Lincoln was an Avatar (esoteric definition).

Avatar means "from far away." An Avatar's appearance signifies new principles, laws, energies released to our world. Avatars, through their actions, strike a note, offer new teachings that express future cycles of development that bring forth a new age and civilization. Avatars embody great truths towards which the masses... must work (to fulfill)." Buddha and Christ were Avatars.

The Presence of Avatars are called into being from the very heart of humanity. When great needs occur, the heart of humanity yearns (prays) for that need to be filled. Lincoln represented humanity's need for freedom. And freedom, yet unrealized, still constitutes an objective in our world.

Saturday is Valentine's Day. What to give? Something alive (rose bush), organic/fair trade (chocolate). Things self-made... chocolate, caramel sauce, ice cream, card. Monday commemorates Lincoln and Washington's birthdays.

Tuesday is Mardi Gras. Wednesday is the Aquarius new moon, Sun entering Pisces (sacrifice), Ash Wednesday (first day of Lent). With ashes placed on our foreheads we hear the words, "From dust thou (the personaity) art, and unto dust thou shalt return." Lent... 40 days and nights of fasting, purifying and preparing for the Three Spring Festivals. Fasting is good. After 40 days and nights, habits disappear.

ARIES: The message is clear. Groups are calling you. You're being pulled, pushed, attracted, magnetized or simply swept into a group needing your skills. Community and collaboration must become part of your knowledge base; these successfully expand your endeavors. Study collaborative learning. You're to become cause-oriented, impersonal and humanitarian. You decentralize – from person to transpersonal.

TAURUS: Your purpose is bridging energy and form, maintaining forms in matter that create sustainability for humanity. You're

attempting to anchor ideas that create new resources needed for the times to come. Resources (understanding Venus) are to be used differently now. No longer scattered but tended, saved (like seeds), and cherished. You are to create all the structures for this saving of resources. Build it. You know the rest.

GEMINI: There's a difference between an aspirant and Disciple. The aspirant is the "experiencer" of form and matter; unreflective and unaware of others, focused only upon self (needed developmental stage). Disciples are "observers," reflecting upon and aware of their experiences in order to serve others. Which are you? The jungle, the clearing, or the Path? What would you like to be?

CANCER: Each day seems like a time of testing and/or transformation. It's a stage of regeneration actually. Hidden within regeneration is Resurrection. You may not know this yet for much of you hides under your shell with intermittent soaring in the air. Do you see or dream of birds (messengers)? What hurts is healing. Then you become the healer. All relationships at this time may bring you to your knees. Pray there.

LEO: From imbalance comes the urge for equilibrium and balance. From developing our individual creative gifts comes the offering of those gifts to humanity. From centralization (self only) emerges decentralization (self merged within the Group). But only when you, Leo (developing the creative self) are ready. Out of seeing only the light of self surfaces a "light that shines over the earth and penetrates the dark." You become this Light.

VIRGO: The inner and outer parts of your self are merging. The long process

of learning discrimination has created inclusivity. As you searched for order within disorder, order then leapt out of chaos. At

first you were fearful and now you're resourceful. You see yourself no longer imprisoned by form but that you (humanity and all the Kingdoms and the Earth itself) are actually the Divine Form, Creator made and beautiful.

LIBRA: The ancient wisdom teachings tell us to stand in the Sun, especially at dawn and dusk, and with focused intention absorb the light and heart of the Sun into our hearts. You are to begin this practice. From the Sun's heart to your heart Love then flows, becoming wisdom. Instead of reflecting others' light you become a source of Light. One with an intelligent heart and a loving mind. You then live in the heart of all that matters.

SCORPIO: The chaos/conflict experience must be understood. It is actually states of creativity needed for new harmony to emerge. Be more and more in nature. It's God's body. Eventually you move from desires to aspirations, and then more into sharing. Scorpio is the disciple. At first you rested in embryonic waters, then the waters of the Earth. Then the Water of Life poured forth for thirsty humanity. This you will become. You're the Mother now.

SAGITTARIUS: You're entering into a new state of relations, creating Right Human Relations (results of Goodwill). You sought knowledge. Now you're seeking deeper understanding. At first you related only to yourself, then to others. Now it's the world. You're on both arms of the Cross – vertical (God to Earth) and horizontal (toward humanity). The center of the cross denotes synthesis. Tossed about then circulated by it, you'll soon direct the Wind.

CAPRICORN: In coming weeks you'll

attempt to resolve some sort of conflict. At first conflict simply appears. Know that to achieve a new state of harmony, conflict must exist. It provides dissolution, information, creates tension, calls us "to attention." Understanding this, you can effectively work with conflict. As you struggle with the horns of conflict, the "horns of plenty" (harmony) appear.

AQUARIUS: Much of who you are is being replaced with whom you will be. An Aries (I am) quality is blending with your Aquarian (I serve) energies. Observe your speech. Do you say, "I am," "I and Thou," or "we"? All are good statements. Different stages. The light within you is a pulse, a glow and a radiance. Attempt to recognize them. Follow Libra's information.

PISCES: You're aware Pisces is the sign of the World Savior. So let's begin with the questions. Is your energy dispersed everywhere or service oriented? Where and what is your focus (self, humanity or planetary)? Do you act and respond personally, impersonally or trans-personally? Are you reflective and inventive? Are you an anarchist, revolutionary revealer of the Plan? Is your movement chaotic, purposeful or rhythmic? It's good to know these things.

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EXPLORING the fine art of ROMANCE... by Leslie Meeker



My husband and I married young. I had no sexual experience and I'm still shy in the bedroom. Lately I've been pondering the idea of trying an adult "toy" but how do I talk to my husband about it without being embarrassed or making him feel insecure?

Great idea, ponder away! Couples typically settle into a routine that leaves their sex life simmering on auto-pilot. As life changes, a couple's sexual style must continuously adapt. Maintaining sexual vitality in long-term relationships requires *variation*.

Start by researching on your own. The number of products available is overwhelming and you are guaranteed to come across some that will completely disgust you. Take no offense, just move on to items that appear pleasing to you. Read customer reviews. Becoming informed will build your confidence and alleviate your anxiety when you have "the talk" with your husband.

When ready, simply tell your husband that you're

curious about pleasure products and you'd like to explore some with him. If he seems defensive or insecure, reassure him that there is no product on this planet that can replace the real thing – him, whom you desire and adore. Both partners benefit from the enhanced arousal pleasure products provide. Besides, men love power tools. I've yet to come across a gentleman offended by pleasure tools.

There are quality on-line boutiques but if possible, visit a storefront boutique. You may be terrified to discuss sex with some random store clerk but they will quickly put you at ease, provide a wealth of information and answer your questions honestly. They've heard it all, don't be shy.

In-store shopping also allows you to handle products and feel their different functions and levels of intensity. At checkout the clerk should open the package and test the product to ensure proper function. Pleasure products are not returnable unless they are defective. Some products

are quite pricey. Believe me, you get what you pay for!

Wash your new item before using it. Important tip: Many products do not use batteries and are charged like cell phones. If you're anticipating a hot after dinner romp, be sure to charge your new plaything before dinner.

Pleasure products may not be for everyone but if you're game, your sex life will surge from simmer to sizzle.

Questions? Email leslie@esindependent.com. Leslie Meeker, M.A., L.P.C., is a psychotherapist who has specialized in relational and sex therapy, sexual compulsivity and sexual trauma for the past 15 years, after receiving extensive training in human sexuality at the Masters and Johnson Institute in St. Louis, Mo.

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Comfortable Brother rocks Chelsea's, Crescent City Combo brings jazz cool, and Mardi Gras Parade Saturday

Let the good times swing and roll in Eureka Springs this weekend, with events all about town. Comfortable Brother brings eclectic rock to Chelsea's on Friday, featuring members of Don't Stop Please. Eureka

Gras parades through downtown Saturday afternoon. Zakk and Big Papa Binns bring their electric blues heat to Cathouse Saturday, a father-son duo not to be missed.

Thursday, Feb. 12

GRAND TAVERNE – *Jerry Yester*, Grand Piano Dinner Music, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.
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LEGENDS SALOON – *StarSeed*, Blues, 8 p.m.

Music, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.
LEGENDS SALOON – *DJ and Karaoke with Kara*, 8 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER – *Joe and the Homewreckers*, Classic Rock, 7 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Terri and Brett*, Classic Rock, 8 p.m.
THE STONEHOUSE – *Jerry Yester*, Artist's Choices

Friday, Feb. 13

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Septembers End*, Americana, 8 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – *Comfortable Brother*, Rock 'n Roll, 9:30 p.m.
CRESCENT HOTEL CRYSTAL BALLROOM – *Coronation Ball*, 6 p.m.
GRAND TAVERNE – *Arkansas Red*, Amplified Acoustic Guitar Dinner

Saturday, Feb. 14

EUREKA GRAS DAY PARADE DOWNTOWN – 2 p.m.
BREWS – *Melissa Carper*, Americana, 3- 6 p.m., *Ozark Maybelles*, Americana, 7- 10 p.m.
CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Sage Ahava*, Americana, 2- 6 p.m., *Zakk and Big Papa Binns*, Father & Son Blues, 8 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – *Crescent City Combo*,

Jazz, 9:30 p.m.
GRAND TAVERNE – *Jerry Yester*, Grand Piano Dinner Music, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.
LEGENDS SALOON – *JAB the Band*, Rock 'n Roll, 9 p.m.
NEW DELHI – *The Medicine Man Show*, Music as Therapy, 6 - 10 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER – *Terri and the Executives*, Classic Rock, 7 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Terri and Brett*, Classic Rock, 12- 4 p.m., *Blew Reed and the Flatheads*, Classic Rock, 8 p.m.

10 a.m.
OZARK MOUNTAIN TAPROOM – *Game Night/Cards Against Humanity*, 2 - 9 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Terri and Brett*, Classic Rock, 12 - 4 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 16

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

Tuesday, Feb. 17

CHELSEA'S – *Open Mic*

Wednesday, Feb. 18

LEGENDS SALOON – *GG Unleashed*, One Woman Wrecking Crew, 7 p.m.

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Healing Path workshop begins Feb. 18

The Healing Path workshop, Feb. 18 and 19 at the Christian Science Reading Room, 68 W. Mountain, will look at several healing methods documented by, but not limited to, the Sufi tradition.

Sponsored by Heart of Many Ways – a Home for all Faiths and Spiritual Paths, the workshops are an exploration of the spiritual dimension that informs and enriches our personal and professional healing. For cost and details, phone Melissa Clare (479) 253-8252 or email melissaclare01@gmail.com.

Managing your land with prescribed burns

Learn how and why at Hobbs on Feb. 14

Managing private land for animals and plants is a diverse science utilizing numerous techniques, including prescribed burns – burns done on purpose for ecosystem restoration and maintaining healthy forests. Prescribed burns can be very useful in enhancing wildlife habitat on small pieces of private land.

On Feb. 14 at 2 p.m., Levi Horrell, Private Lands Biologist with the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission, will provide free technical assistance on how to best manage private property to accommodate wildlife, focusing on an in-depth overview of prescribed fire and the reasons for its use.

He will also be available to answer questions pertaining to forest/wildlife stand improvement; creating nesting, brooding, and fawning cover as well as establishing annual and perennial food plots. The public is invited “bring your burning questions” to this free presentation at the Hobbs State Park visitor center, Hwy. 12 just east of the Hwy.12/War Eagle Road intersection.

Valentines against violence

The One Billion Rising Revolution is a worldwide event to end violence against women. Join the revolution Saturday, Feb. 14, from 11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. in Basin Park for dancing, speakers, drumming and music and be part of the worldwide gathering of artists, authors and women around the world.

Donations will be given to The Purple Flower Domestic Violence Resource Center for Carroll County. For info on the worldwide event, see onebillionrising.org online.

Don't forget the spaghetti!

Carb up for the week at the Eureka Springs High School soccer players spaghetti dinner Sunday, Feb. 15 from 4 – 8 p.m. at Lookout Cottages. Tickets are \$10 for this fun event and there will be a limited number of tickets at the door.

Tibetan monks here for sacred healing ceremony

Direct from Drepung Loseling Monastery, India, the Tibetan Mystical Arts monks will be in Eureka Springs Feb. 15 to perform a sacred healing ceremony for living and deceased members of our community at 7 p.m. at the old Christian Science Church on 68 Mountain Street.

Bring pictures or the names of your loved ones written on paper for the monks to bless with healing mantras accompanied on ancient musical instruments. All donations will fund the monks on their healing tour around the U.S. this year. They will also bring a dharma store with beautiful art objects, beads, jewelry and clothing. For more information call Sheri (479) 253-7141.

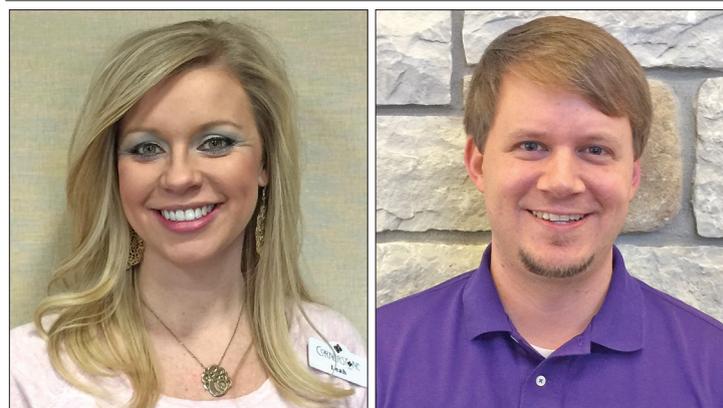
Master Gardener registration ends Feb. 18

Register before Wednesday, Feb. 18, for the 2015 Carroll County Master Gardener training classes beginning March 7 at the Freeman Heights Baptist Church, 522 Freeman Ave., in Berryville. Classes run through March 28 and all eight (total 40 hours) must be attended to become a certified Master Gardener.

The course includes topics from forestry to vegetables and fruit, plant disease and insects, landscape, watering and composting, turf



Boosters get a boost – Booster Club President, Gina Drennon, receives a check for \$111 from the team of Colossal Cupcakes and Cones. The money was raised through last year's ESCupcake fundraiser. From left are Taylor Little; Jordan Moyer, Colossal Cupcakes Manager; Drennon, and Kimberly Cavanaugh. *PHOTO SUBMITTED*



Cornerstone Bank promotes two – Jason F. Tennant, Cornerstone Bank executive vice president, announced the promotion of Leah Thompson to Deposit Services Manager/Branch Manager and Landry Weston to Loan Officer/Credit Analyst at Cornerstone Bank in Berryville. Thompson will be responsible for the oversight of the deposit services and daily operation of the Berryville facility. Weston has a strong background in sales and customer service, and, along with current duties of credit analyst and in-house appraiser, will be handling all types of loans for the Berryville market. *PHOTOS SUBMITTED*

Parton named retail banking manager – Jason F. Tennant, Cornerstone Bank Executive Vice President, has announced the appointment of Berryville resident Donna Parton to Vice-President, Retail Banking Manager. Parton will oversee the local bank's sales team and be responsible for the bank's marketing and product development. She brings 28 years of experience in the banking industry, having worked for Arvest Bank and First National Bank of North Arkansas prior to joining Cornerstone's management team. *PHOTO SUBMITTED*



THIS WEEK'S Datebook

Thursday, Feb 12:

Hookers & Jokers Ball, 6 p.m., Inn of the Ozarks Convention Center. Hors d'oeuvres, entertainment, costume contests. \$25 advance, \$250 table, (479) 253-7788. Email stevew501@sbcglobal.net. www.eurekaspringsmardigras.com or www.krazo.ureeka.org.

Friday, Feb 13:

8th Annual Chili Supper, 4 – 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Hwy. 23S, \$8/\$4, reserve tickets (479) 253-7051/8812 or 363-6428.

Check Please!, 6 p.m. dinner theater by Eureka Springs High School Drama Dept., high school auditorium. \$10/\$5, (479) 253-8875, email rmann@es.k12.ar.us

Coronation Ball, Crescent Hotel, 6 p.m. (Invitation only)

4th Annual Midwinter Hometown Jam, 7 p.m., auditorium, \$12 door, \$10 advance at the Chamber (479) 253-8737.

Saturday, Feb 14:

Chocolate Lovers' Festival, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., Inn of the Ozarks Convention Center, \$12/\$6.

One Billion Rising, 11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., Basin Park. Worldwide anti-violence event. Speakers, song, dancing, drumming. Donation.

Eureka Gras Day Parade, 2 p.m. with newly-crowned royalty, floats and more.

Sunday, Feb 15:

Jazz Brunch, 11:30 a.m., Crescent Hotel, live music. Reserve at (479) 253-9652.

Monday, Feb 16:

“Tastefully Risque” Arti Gras Reception/Art Review, 6 p.m., KJ's Caribé Cantina, 309 W. Van Buren. Original works, bejeweled masks – a must see. Festive Dress.

Tuesday, Feb 17:

St 'Lizabeth King Cake Ball & Cajun Dinner, 6 p.m., St. Elizabeth Parish Center, Passion Play Road. (479) 253-8864 or 253-4503. Tickets at the door only if not sold out.

For details on events through Feb. and March, pick up the *Independent Fun Guide!*

Reserve now for St. 'Lizabeth King Cake Ball

St. 'Lizabeth's King Cake Ball once again defines Fat Tuesday, Feb. 17, with a Cajun Dinner, the state's largest King Cake, live music and dancing at the St. Elizabeth Parish Center on Passion Play Road. Early reservations are strongly encouraged as this event is always a sellout.

A special treat this year will be an Early Bird Cash Raw Oyster Bar at 5:30. Festivities begin at 6 p.m. with cocktails and boudin ball appetizers. Procession of the Royal Court and new King and Queen begins at 6:45 p.m., followed by the first of many second line dances. Served dinner will start at 7 p.m. with wonderful Cajun dishes followed by imported praline King Cake for dessert.

Dancing begins at 8 p.m. with music by Naturally Brass, returning for their sixth year. The ball ends at 11 p.m. and Lent begins at midnight – so eat and party hearty.

Tickets are \$40 per person by calling Rod (479) 253-8864 or (479) 253-4503. Tickets at the door only if the ball has not sold out. Call (479) 253-2222 on Feb. 17 between 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. to see if tickets are still available. Mardi Gras fancy dress suggested. Costumes encouraged.

Historical Museum celebrates Black History Month

During Black History Month, the Eureka Springs Historical Museum offers an opportunity to peer into the past and experience the town's African American community as it existed in the early days of Eureka Springs.

The exhibit, which runs until Feb. 28, features artifacts from museum collections including hymnals, AME Pilgrim Church minutes and other items from the late 1800s and early 1900s. Photo subjects include Pastor Thoro Harris, remembered for composing more than 600 hymns. Other photographs depict daily activities of those residing in the city at the time.

Of note is a painting by Frank Wetherell, an architect from Des Moines, Iowa, who retired to Eureka Springs in 1931 and painted scenes of the town until 1944. The painting features

several people, including Miss Alice, daughter of Richard and Annie Fancher, descendants of Fancher slaves who were among the first to come to Eureka Springs. Miss Alice, her sister Mattie and Mattie's adopted son, Richard Banks, were the last surviving members of Eureka Springs's once large African American neighborhood.

Information on the Fancher Family is courtesy of *Eureka Springs in Black and White: The Lost History of an African American Neighborhood*, by Jacqueline Froelich. The exhibit will be on view at the museum, 95 S. Main, throughout February.

For more information, visit www.eurekaspringshistoricalmuseum.org, email director @eurekaspringshistoricalmuseum.org, or phone (479) 253-9417.

DEPARTURE

Robert Paul "Bob" Freeman Feb. 13, 1921 – Feb. 6, 2015

Robert Paul "Bob" Freeman, a resident of Eureka Springs, Ark., was born Feb. 13, 1921 in Berryville, Ark. He was the son of Ray L. and Chloe (Boatright) Freeman. He passed away Friday, Feb. 6, at the Eureka Springs Hospital, seven days before his 94th birthday, at age 93.

Robert graduated from Eureka Springs High School in 1939, he went on to attend Arkansas Tech in Russellville, Ark. He graduated from Spartan School of Aeronautics in Tulsa, Okla., on June 5, 1942 as an Instrument Technician. Robert was inducted into the US Air Force July 22, 1942. As a member of the 864th Bombardment Squadron, he served in battles and campaigns in Eastern Mandate-



Southern Philippines, Luzon, and Ryukyus Air Offensive Japan. He was Western Honorably discharged as Staff Sergeant November 24, 1945.

Returning home to Eureka Springs, he was employed by Border Motor Co. in Eureka Springs, and then by his dad at Red Front Grocery in Eureka Springs. He operated Lake Leatherwood from 1949 to 1964. Then worked with his dad, mom and brother at the Joy Motel from 1964 to 1976, then he and his brother, Charles, purchased the Joy Motel in 1976. The motel was sold in January 1999 and Robert retired.

On January 1, 1950 he was united in marriage with Patricia Taff-Freeman

who survives him of the home. He is also survived by two sons, Rick Freeman of Eureka Springs, and Randy and wife, Catherine Freeman, of Eureka Springs; grandchildren, Nick Freeman of Grandview, Mo.; Amber Freeman and Matthew Brown of Fayetteville, Ark.; Alex Freeman of Fayetteville, Ark.; Austin and Amber Freeman of West Fork, Ark.; Brianna Freeman of Eureka Springs; two step-grandchildren, Celeste Raphael of Fayetteville, Ark.; Jesse Raphael of Bentonville, Ark.; great grandchildren, Paxton Brown of Fayetteville, Ark.; Samuel Raphael and Alexis Raphael of Bentonville, Ark.; nieces and nephews, Julie Freeman-Bingham of Springdale, Ark.; Clarke Freeman of Fayetteville, Ark.; Burton Freeman of Rogers, Ark.; sisters-in-law, Charlene Taff-Davis of Colorado Springs,

and Ludean Taff-Cross of Eureka Springs.

The family thanks Dr. Greg Kresse and the staff of the Eureka Springs Hospital for his excellent care while a patient there.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Charles and sister-in-law, Vinnie West Freeman; grandparents, Robert and Josie Boatright and Dallas and Flora Freeman; brother-in-law, Loyd Davis of Colorado Springs, Colo.

Visitation will be from 5 – 7 p.m., Friday, Feb. 13, 2015 at Nelson's Chapel of the Springs. Robert requested visitation, cremation and no memorial service. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service. Online condolences may be sent to the family at nelsonfuneral.com. © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2015

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Deaton said the simplest way to handle the situation is to give the commission the responsibility of hiring staff at the airport and providing employee benefits. He speculated over the coming years, if CCA follows its plan, it would become more self-sustaining.

Commissioner Larry Swofford stated, "No one in this room is against the airport, but our constituents have concerns and we have to watch what we spend."

Richie reiterated concerns could be ameliorated if the commission continues to provide evidence of what the money is used for and what happens at CCA.

Deaton said a budget adjustment

ordinance would be presented at the Feb. 23 Quorum Court meeting and CCA would receive the adjusted amount beginning March 1.

Tunnel collapse in Eureka Springs

Richie told the JPs he had asked Eureka Springs Mayor Butch Berry to attend the meeting because it had recently been discovered the tunnel running underneath the parking lot between the courthouse and Auditorium in Eureka Springs had collapsed in a spot. The property is owned by the county and leased by Eureka Springs.

Richie said the problem spot had been cordoned off for years, but the situation had quickly deteriorated to where runoff

water coming down Main Street would have only about a one square foot space in the tunnel to continue draining downhill. He said Public Works Director Dwayne Allen estimated the repair might cost \$138,000.

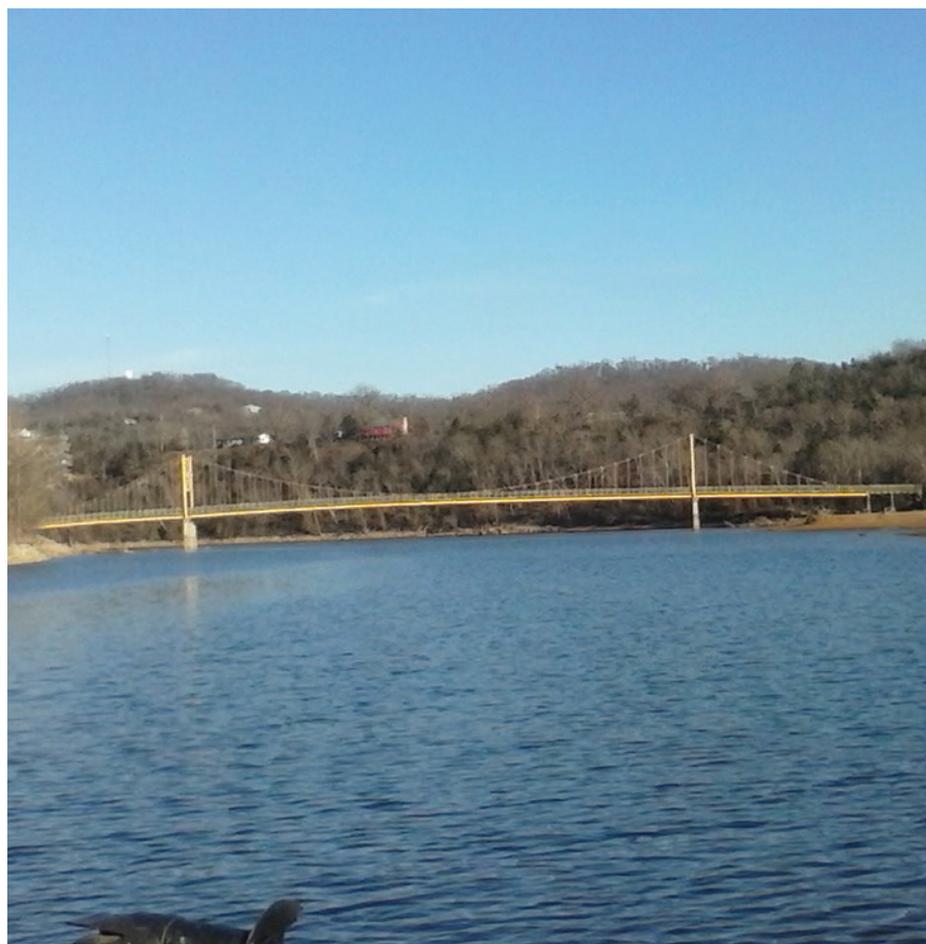
Berry pointed out the repair would have been far less expensive if it had been handled years ago, but now the situation has become an emergency. There is no longer enough space in the tunnel for drainage of heavy rain, and the backup could flood the bottom floor of the courthouse and possibly damage the foundation.

Berry asserted the subsurface problem is the responsibility of the county, but Eureka Springs is willing to

do what it can to help. Berry said the city had engaged engineers to come up with a repair plan and he offered assistance from Public Works. He said repair would probably take four to six weeks, and the city would lose at least half the parking lot during the work.

JP Larry Swofford remarked the county should get it repaired as soon as possible, and Richie observed the bidding could be waived.

JPs agreed Berry and Judge Sam Barr would work together to come up with a repair plan for the court to consider after which JPs would see about using money from the road budget or courthouse budget to pay for repairs.



It's time to get some minnows and sit on the shoreline in Beaver. Walleye are being caught in the river. They should spawn on the next full moon, which is March 3. Best fishing before and after the spawn.

If you're in a boat, most are being caught by jigging a small minnow imitation on a jighead. Fish the flats around Holiday Island and Beaver and up river to Houseman.

Crappie and white bass are also in the main channel. We got into dome big whites off the flats on our outing this week. Stripers on Beaver Lake are still

holding in the Rogers area from Point 10 to Point 11. Water temp is still holding in the low 40s, which is keeping them down 30 – 40 ft. deep feeding on the smaller shad. Big shiners, small shad and jigging a spoon smaller than two inches can catch you some big fish now.

Water temps should start warming now, so the fish will start feeding more to get healthy to lay their eggs. So get out and enjoy some of this warm weather and take a kid with you. Spring is coming.

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52. Widen
55. Detergent
56. Reagan's controversial Sec. of Interior
57. Mammal with a short, flexible nose
59. Auto parts giant
63. Pay for (*Archaic*)
64. Experimental surgery
66. Short snooze
67. Silly, stupid
68. Days of yore
69. Gobbled up or wolfed down
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71. Seed coat
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22. Mocking smile
24. Get a bead on a target
26. Scamp
27. Bar projectile
28. Pelvic bone parts
29. Cliché
30. Dear book?
34. Essays
36. Water, water everywhere
37. What Jack Sprat's wife could not eat
39. Tweed green
41. Ironic humor
44. Williams or Nugent
46. Mom's mate
49. Back of the eyeball
51. Soothing
52. Tarzan's boss
53. Capital of Morocco
54. Relating to sailors
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61. Meter writer
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64. Vigor
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6. In out of the rain
7. Take the wild out
8. Motionless
9. Sandinista enemy
10. Tool bag
11. Unconventional
12. Part of the wedding

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Holiday Island's American Legion Post 36 and Post 77 are hosting the **6TH ANNUAL MILITARY BALL** Saturday, March 7 at the Crescent Hotel. \$37.50 p.p. Contact Steve Isaacson (479) 363-4458 for tickets.

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Call for parade participants

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Organizers are looking for Christian musicians and church choirs for the concert and floats, banners and walking groups that edify the Lord for the parade. Call Dale or Laura Nichols (479) 253 8925 or email lardellen@gmail.com.

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Writing the Historical Story Feb. 14

The Village Writing School, 177 Huntsville Road, will hold workshops on Feb. 14 on *Writing the Historical Story* – addressing the challenges of fiction and memoir for beginning and established writers alike.

From 9 a.m. – noon learn how to realistically portray the beliefs and culture of a prior era without alienating modern readers, also how to conduct research and record and organize voluminous records. The workshop from 1 – 4 p.m. will provide more individualized instruction and one-on-one discussion.

Cost is \$25 per workshop or \$45 for both. Register online at villagewritingschool.com, or email alisonstaylorbrown@me.com, (479) 292-3665.

Community support sought for We've Got Talent

One of the best concerts of the year featuring area talent in all genres of music will be back at the auditorium on March 8 at 2:30 p.m.

This concert is the major fundraiser for sending young area musicians to outstanding summer music camps to enhance their opportunities in music. The goal for this 4th annual concert is to raise \$10,000 which will help 40 to 50 students achieve their dream of attending a music camp.

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easement areas before March, then "environmental groups" would be able to shut the project down because of a particular species of bats that live in trees. In January, CBWD voted to bypass their competitive bidding process for tree cutting in order to get the job done quickly before the bats appear in order to save \$100,000 in fees have a bat expert become involved in the project.

CBWD claims they want to be good

neighbors, yet they have made no effort discuss our concerns, they are currently using laws that allow them to come onto private property and take what they want for a price *they* determine fair. They are a private company and yet they use government funds for these types of projects. They obviously do not care about our home, our inconvenience, or the loss of property value. This is when theft becomes legal.

Judith Thompson

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open a restaurant, a bakery, or work for the government handing out marriage licenses or drivers' licenses or whatever, or operate public accommodations, it is unconscionable that anyone should

be denied service or access because of their sexual orientation, their gender identity or their gender expression."

When council had its turn, alderman James DeVito said, "It seems the state is trying to preclude cities from passing laws protecting citizens," and passing the resolution puts council on record as opposing SB202. He said a Municipal League attorney voiced concerns with language in the bill and the mayor of Little Rock noticed the bill could very logically lead to unfair bidding practices.

Council quickly passed the resolution 5-0.

DeVito also urged council to move forward on putting the ordinance in place before the legislature passes SB 202, which would mean council would

have to pass all three readings of the ordinance plus the emergency clause at that meeting. "It is wholly within our rights to protect our citizens. If the state won't do it, we must," DeVito declared.

City Attorney Tim Weaver pointed out even with the ordinance already on the books, SB 202, if it passes, would prevent the city from enforcing the ordinance. Weaver asserted if the city fines someone for discrimination, it might be violating that person's right to be a bigot. He said he understood the sense of urgency among aldermen, but advocated a slower approach.

DeVito claimed SB202 was a flawed and possibly unconstitutional law. He called upon council to pass the ordinance and not be cowed by the possibility of litigation in the future.

Alderman Mickey Schneider did not mince words. "It [SB202] is morally despicable. I dare the state to do anything."

Alderman Joyce Zeller, in lockstep with Schneider, stated, "We're taking a chance someone won't sue us, but I'm in favor of passing the ordinance."

Council tweaked the language of the proposed ordinance but approved each reading and the emergency clause unanimously. At the end, even Weaver stated, "I don't like haste, but it [Ordinance 2223] has been hashed through thoroughly."

DeVito commented, "I want to thank council for being brave and passing this ordinance."

Next meeting will be Monday, Feb. 23, at 6 p.m.

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