



Lack of corrosion controls raises concerns about lead in water

BECKY GILLETTE

Mayor Butch Berry said Monday he is seeking legal advice on whether the Carroll Boone Water District has violated its Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the city by not adding corrosion controls to the water – an action that could increase lead leaching from old pipes in the city. CBWD stopped using lime to control water acidity about three years ago, and in an email Feb. 5, confirmed it is not adding corrosion controls to the water.

The MOA between CBWD and its customers states, “The district shall produce a treated water that shall neither corrode nor scale the transmission lines or the user distribution lines of user Cities under the normal range of domestic operating conditions.”

An article in the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette (ADG)* last week looking at lead levels in water districts across the state concluded that only two districts are currently exceeding lead limits – one is Harrison Waterworks, a customer of CBWD.

“For corrosion control, utilities can either adjust the pH level in water – typically a lower pH is more acidic and more corrosive – or they can add orthophosphate to the water, which adds a protective coating on the pipes,” said the *ADG* article by Chelsea Boozer. “Both aid in stopping deterioration of pipes,

reducing the lead content in the water, officials said.”

Lead in drinking water has drawn major scrutiny recently because of neurological harm, particularly to children. In 2014, when Flint, Mich., switched to improperly treated river water, lead leaching from old pipes occurred.

In Boozer’s article, Jeff Stone, director of engineering at ADH, said, “In a lot of these problem areas, like Flint, it centers around lead-pipe service lines between the [water] main and the building. Due to Arkansas being a more recently built-out state, we don’t have very many of those.”

In 2008, Eureka Springs was under a mandate to reduce high lead levels in drinking water in some parts of town, and for two years the city dug up and replaced older lines. That reduced lead to below action levels, but Public Works Director Dwayne Allen said he is concerned that

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Leading the charge – The Eureka Springs Fire Department took lead of the Mardi Gras parade of kings, queens, dukes, duchesses and revelers that came rolling down the street on Saturday. The crowd was huge and immersed in the pre-Lenten celebration

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This Week’s INDEPENDENT Thinker

Abraham Lincoln wasn’t merely our tallest president.

He held a patent on a design to lift boats over river obstructions and shoals.

He signed the innovative Homestead Act, giving land ownership at little or no cost to men, women and freed slaves who had never taken up arms against our government; were 21 years old; could read and write; and had lived on the land for five years while improving it.

He issued the Emancipation Proclamation, precursor to the 13th Amendment that made slavery illegal.

He established a national currency, and is on 2.2 million \$5 bills and 2 hundred billion pennies.

He told stories to make his point.

He knew right from wrong.

Abe would be 207 this Friday, but is still quoted as the bellwether of honesty and integrity. He knew right from wrong and stuck to it.

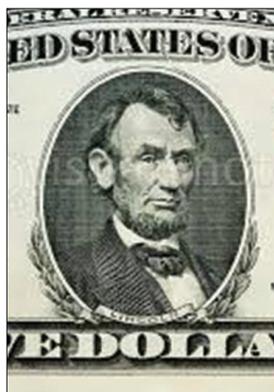


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increased corrosiveness from fluoridation chemicals could be increasing lead and copper leaching.

Arkansas Dept. of Health spokeswoman Meg Mirivel said that compared to some other areas in the nation, Arkansas does have relatively fewer lead service lines in use. "There are some areas of the state that are more historic," she said. "People who are concerned about lead can, as a matter of habit, run the water for fifteen to thirty seconds before using it and only use drinking water from the cold faucet."

Mirivel said the ADH is monitoring water across the state to make sure it's in compliance with federal and state guidelines.

"The *Democrat Gazette* article mentioned that one of only two systems that tested above the action level for lead during the most recent round of testing is making plans to add a corrosion inhibitor," Mirivel said. "This is an appropriate action to take. If other systems also find corrosion occurring in a similar way, it would be appropriate for them to utilize a corrosion inhibitor."

Harrison Waterworks is considering adding orthophosphate as a corrosion inhibitor and adding corrosion controls at the CBWD plant, as required by the MOA, that would protect Harrison, Eureka Springs and Berryville.

Allen said prior to fluoridation in August 2015, water samples were taken in Eureka Springs and sent to the state laboratory, but there was such a backlog, results weren't received until November. He said those results showed the city was already close to exceeding lead limits. "Our 2015 ninetieth percentile for lead was 0.011 mg/l and 0.24 mg/l for copper, which does not leave much leeway for increased lead leaching."

Public Works has begun in-house testing to avoid delays with using the state lab. Allen said he expects to have post fluoridation test results this month.

There is widespread agreement among scientists and government agencies that there is no safe level of lead exposure, according to Pat Costner, a retired Greenpeace chemist and senior scientist.

"It is well known that fetuses, infants, and small children are far more vulnerable than adults," Costner told the *Independent*. "For example, young children absorb four to five times as much ingested lead as adults

from a given source."

The greatest risk is to people who live in homes built before 1986. "Historic as it is, Eureka Springs has many old homes," Costner said. "However, homes built after 1986 can be at risk too, because brass pipes, plumbing devices and faucets can have high amounts of lead, as well."

Costner said too often the sampling and testing protocols approved for and used in testing for lead in tap water are flawed, so results do not reflect the actual lead levels.

"The situation can be improved if Carroll Boone Water District complies with its agreement to use corrosion control; if every home, school, and business has its own water filtration system; and even if people let their faucets run for several minutes before using the water," Costner said. "However, the only effective, long-term solution is to replace all pipes made of or containing lead, as well as plumbing fixtures and solders that contain lead."

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Water operators at CBWD, who all opposed mandatory fluoridation, spoke out in legislative hearings and other venues about concerns that fluoridation chemicals might increase lead leaching and pipe failures.

In addition, it is not currently known how much lead is being added to the drinking water with the fluoridation chemicals. An article in the *International Journal of Occupational and Environmental Health* said contaminant levels of lead, arsenic, barium and aluminum in fluoride additives could vary widely from batch to batch. "Such contaminant content creates a regulatory blind spot that jeopardizes any safe use of fluoride additives," the study concluded.

Mirivel said the ADH is unaware of any evidence that would support the claim that National Sanitation Foundation certified chemicals meaningfully contribute lead to the drinking water.

Another issue is that CBWD uses long-tasting type disinfectants, called chloramines, because of the length of the pipeline to Harrison.

Environmental Health Perspectives said the use of chloramines "has coincided with an increase in lead levels in drinking water in those systems. Lead in drinking water can be a significant health risk."

Fire and EMS fees about to rise

NICKY BOYETTE

At Monday's city council meeting Mayor Butch Berry presented a proposed ordinance raising fees assessed by the Eureka Springs Fire Department. Berry said he and Fire Chief Randy Ates had been looking at the situation for at least six months because fees have not been adjusted for several years.

Ates told aldermen that changes reflected in the proposed ordinance would bring in an extra \$10,000 – 20,000 annually. He said he could not be more specific because some of the services, such as ambulance standby, sprinkler system re-inspection, and Certificate of Occupancy inspections were not billed for in the past.

Alderman David Mitchell acknowledged Ates for being especially candid about the circumstance from ESFD's perspective as they developed the updated fee schedule.

Council unanimously approved the first reading of the proposed Ordinance #2238.

Other business

- Council approved the second reading of Ordinance #2236 which states new home businesses which involve "coming and going of the general public" would require a business license and a Conditional Use Permit.
- Council also approved the second



Fire Chief Randy Ates told council on Monday that rates need to keep pace with expenses.

reading of Ordinance #2237 which requires contractors who store equipment and supplies at home in the R-1, R-2 and R-3 residential zones to screen from public view all business and/or construction-related materials.

- A proposed ordinance rezoning 120 S. Main from R-1 to C-1 received

unanimous approval on its first reading. Alderman Terry McClung then moved to put the ordinance on its second reading, which also was approved.

Berry presented a resolution reinstating the Valic retirement plan for government employees. He said the plan comes up for renewal every five years, and assured council he and staff have done due diligence to make sure it is a reasonable plan. Resolution #675 was approved unanimously.

Berry announced the St. Patrick's Day parade is scheduled for Saturday, March 12, at 2 p.m. on Spring Street.

Next meeting will be Monday, Feb. 22, at 6 p.m.

Celebrate Jesus the night before Easter

The *Celebrate Jesus Parade & Concert* will take place March 25 and 26. Christian musicians for the concert and floats, walking groups, banners,

horses and dancers for the parade are being sought. For more information call (479) 253-8925 or email lardellen@gmail.com.

The Everything Ensemble looking for musicians

The Everything Ensemble, a group of musicians who get together once a week to play compositions from sheet music, are looking for violin, viola, cello, string bass and some wind instrument players. Group members choose existing and future repertoire. For more information call (479) 253-6211 or email klucariello@gmail.com.



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HDC clarifies directives and objectives



Historic District Commission chair Dee Bright addresses city council Monday.

NICKY BOYETTE

Historic District Commission chair, Dee Bright, commented at the Feb. 8 city council meeting that the HDC issues Certificates of Appropriateness for construction and remodeling projects in the historic district, and told aldermen that commissioners abide by design guidelines, available on the city website, in making decisions. Guidelines are updated periodically at workshops open to the public.

Bright said HDC was one of the first districts selected for the Certified Local Government program, which means

they can receive technical assistance and federal grant funds that allow commissioners to attend trainings.

They also assist nonprofits that have contributing buildings in the historic district with applications for Historic Preservation Restoration Grants. In 2015, \$52,000 in grant funds were used to restore the bell tower and roof at St. James Episcopal Church and the front stairs at the Carnegie Public Library. She said they hire local workers to do the work, so grant money creates jobs while saving important historic buildings.

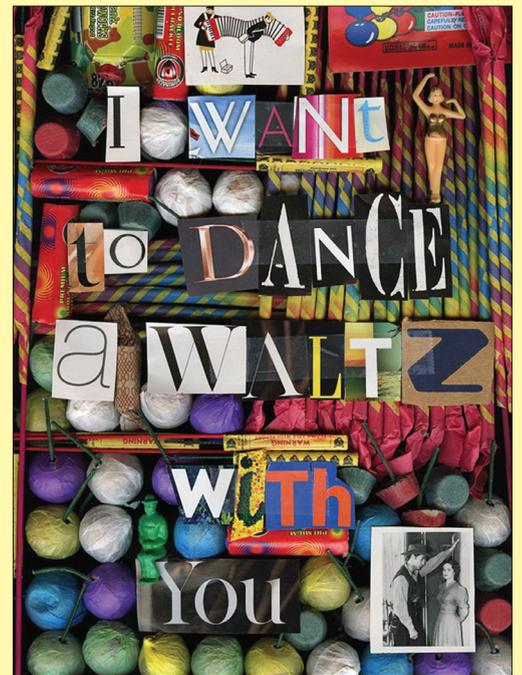
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What is the Word?

Fifteen artists were invited to participate in "The Word," a group exhibit where artists were asked to incorporate a word or words into their work of art. The works will be on display at Brews starting with an opening reception Thursday, Feb. 11 from 5 – 8 p.m. and the exhibit will run until March 23.

Participating artists include Charles Pearce, Judith Griffith, Booker Garrett, Phyllis Moraga, Adrian Frost, John Rankine, Nancy Sycamore Brooks, Lenny Addoriso, Christopher Fischer, Mary Smith, Mackenzie Doss, Dan Morris, Sara Scissors, Josh Clark, Gina Gallina and Shannon Newcomb.

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Shelter making great strides

DARLENE SIMMONS

The board of the Good Shepherd Humane Society met Jan. 27 to set priorities and vote on items related to the much needed changes at Carroll County's no-kill shelter. The shelter was closed Jan. 24 after newly hired manager Rachel Brix brought multiple concerns to the attention of the board. Many of Brix's concerns regarded animal health and safety, as well as breaches in computer security. At Wednesday's meeting, Brix said she has addressed many of the computer problems – deleted pet adoption files were reestablished, and animal photos and information were re-posted on pet adoption websites.

The amount of food provided to dogs has been increased, and changes will be made to the food storage system. All food at the facility, as well as food currently stored off-site, will be moved to the shelter grounds where a new 8 1/2 x 40 ft. metal unit is being purchased to store the food. The unit is sealed to protect food from inclement weather and pests.

Each animal's immunization record has already been audited. Twenty-seven cat vaccinations that were not current have been given. Dogs needing further vaccinations will receive them this week. The health status of every dog and cat currently at the shelter will be assessed and reflected within that animal's health file. Included within this health assessment will be the addition of the SAFER® program for dogs. Developed in association with the ASPCA, this document provides a list of observations of dog behavior. Use of this tool helps the staff determine temperament and provides information helpful in pairing up potential owners with specific dogs.

Another issue requiring immediate attention is that of appropriate cleaning and sanitation. The Bates Cat House, a large, open room that allows young cats to roam freely and socialize with each other, has been closed. Volunteers are ready to clean the area from top to bottom, so adolescent cats can again have more freedom. The purchase of a tankless hot water system was approved to have a limitless supply of hot water for cleaning kennels, washing dishes, and doing laundry. New cleaning and sanitation procedures will be instituted ASAP. The entire shelter will be "deep-cleaned," using a foaming detergent and scrub brushes, followed by bleach-based sanitizing.

The board approved acquisition of a new perimeter fence that will allow the entire shelter area to be more fully contained, enhancing animal safety.

The shelter will reopen March 21. During this period of upgrading the facility, files, and processes, animal surrender will be limited. The spay/neuter clinic will also be closed to the community during this time. Animals are still available for adoption and can be viewed at www.petfinder.com and www.adoptapet.com. Those interested in adopting a certain dog or cat seen on-line will be screened through a telephone interview and given an appointment to come to the shelter to meet the chosen pet.

Call (479) 253-9188 to discuss surrender or adoption of animals.

Brix, a lifelong advocate for animals, is asking for volunteers to help with the shelter's transformation.

Call (479) 253-9188 to see how you can help turn the facility into a safe and healthy temporary home for Carroll County's unwanted dogs and cats.

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Health Department rescinds ban on free soup

First known use of Religious Freedom Restoration Act in Arkansas

BECKY GILLETTE

Can it really be against the law in Arkansas to hand out cups of hot soup to hungry people?

That is what Chuck Jarrett was told recently when distributing hot soup on the streets in Berryville. An employee of the Arkansas Department of Health (ADH) told Jarrett he was violating the law by giving out food not prepared in a commercial food kitchen and not served in the building where it was prepared. Jarrett checked online and found the offense carries a fine of \$2,000.

For about two and a half years Chuck and his wife, Pattie, have been operating A Cup of Love food ministry where they make soup to give hungry people four days a week. On Mondays and Wednesdays, they provide soup at the Flint Street Fellowship, which has other groups providing free hot lunches on Tuesdays and Thursdays. On Thursdays, the Jarretts have been distributing soup on the street in Berryville. And recently on Fridays the Jarretts have

Pattie and Chuck Jarrett are back in business providing free soup to the hungry after being stopped by an Arkansas Health Department employee in Berryville and told what they were doing was illegal. The ADH is now re-evaluating statewide policies as they pertain to ministries that provide free food.



PHOTO BY BECKY GILLETTE

been giving out hot soup at Penn Baptist Church in Eureka Springs.

Jarrett said the need is even greater in Berryville, which has a larger population. He was giving out soup in Berryville on Jan. 28, when he was told what he was doing was illegal and he had to stop.

"I felt bad that whole next week because I couldn't feed and I knew that people would be going hungry," Jarrett said. "That is just not right. The health department employee told us to go on the Internet and find out what we had to do to fill out a permit. It is illegal to feed homeless people or give them change. But I'm not going to stop. I'm going to figure out a way to get back going."

When contacted for comment, Rep. Bob Ballinger took up the cause. Ballinger called the ADH and informed them that the health department rules were in violation of the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA) passed in the 2015 session of the Arkansas Legislature.

"I will take this case pro bono if the health department won't change their position because there is not a better test case for the application of RFRA," Ballinger said.

Turns out that wasn't necessary. Soon after contacting them, Ballinger received a text message from the ADH's attorney Robert Brech stating that AHD will not be enforcing the law against the A Cup of Love ministry.

Ballinger said the regulation is a perfect example of how the government gets in the

way of charity.

"The government doesn't mind giving out billions in food stamps but then prohibit someone carrying out true Christian charity by giving someone a cup of soup," Ballinger said.

The RFRA law passed in Arkansas was controversial at the time. It was opposed by business groups, including Walmart. There was concern the law was primarily intended to allow discrimination against the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community.

An estimated 21 states have RFRA laws. Ballinger said the RFRA have been used commonly in those other states to prevent laws forbidding public feeding.

"There was a case in Dallas where RFRA was used to prevent the city stopping the feeding of homeless people," Ballinger said.

ADH spokesman Meg Mirivel said that the health department employee who stopped Jarrett from giving out soup was addressing potential health and safety concerns.

"The department has not considered this type of situation and RFRA before," Mirivel said. "We are in the process of clarifying our policies when it comes to food ministries. We plan to re-evaluate our policies and let all of the environmental health specialists across the state know of any necessary changes so that this type of situation can be addressed uniformly."

Mirivel said while RFRA could have **CUP OF LOVE** continued on page 17

Clear Spring School hosts their *Spring Fling Auction* March 12

at Castle Rogue's Manor in Beaver, Arkansas. Featuring services and travel packages, as well as renowned artists' works, the event highlights the individualistic artistic freedom of handmade art, one of the touchstones of education at Clear Spring.



Fran Carlin
Glass Mosaic Artist



Fran Carlin has been a glass mosaic artist for 25 years with an Art Education degree from University of Arkansas. Her interest in glass mosaic was piqued when she saw the works of James Hubble in San Diego. She volunteered to build a preschool in Tijuana, Mexico for underprivileged children where she constructed glass mosaic art. In 2000 Carlin travelled to Italy for a glass workshop where she studied Byzantine techniques, tools, and native glass methods. She incorporates different styles and continues education through networking, on-line teaching classes, and travel, having returned to Italy to study more. She teaches mosaic classes at her studio on Spring Street currently. As a Eureka Springs resident she has "known people involved with school (Clear Spring) for years...likes to support education, particularly the arts education." Fran Carlin's art pieces will be available along with carefully chosen others of our talented and generous friends at this premier art event of the season that benefits Clear Spring School.

Refinement OK'd by HDC

NICKY BOYETTE

At its Feb. 3 meeting, the Historic District Commission approved modifications to a previously approved application for new construction at 35 Benton. Architect Mike Finefield told commissioners he redesigned the plans to put the garage on the left side of the house to better fit the contour of the lot. He also resized the house's footprint. He emphasized the owner retained the rocks from a wall to be repurposed after construction.

Commissioners approved these two items on the Consent Agenda:

- 53 Vaughn – new trim color; new fence color
- 2 Center – paint awning; new logo

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

Chair Dee Bright presented these Administrative Approvals, which are applications for repair or work involving no changes in materials or color, but also include applications for



changes in roofing color.

- 17 Spring – re-roof
- 19 Spring – re-roof
- 3 Breezy Point Circle – re-roof
- 67 Mountain – re-roof

- 156 Spring – extend COA for six months
- 106 E. Van Buren – extend COA for six months

Next meeting will be Wednesday, Feb. 17, at 6 p.m.

Meditate, interpolate, articulate

The Eureka Springs Buddhist Study Group will gather for 30 minutes of meditation followed by reading and discussion on Thursday, Feb. 11 at 4 p.m. at Heart of many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

DAR meeting Feb. 11

The Abendschone Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will meet at noon on Thursday, Feb. 11 at ECHO Community Room. There will be a business meeting followed by an awards ceremony honoring local high school senior students for their participation in DAR's Good Citizens Award program. For more information email pjvjones@outlook.com or phone (479) 363-6005.

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Chairman's Comments

Trails Update

Director's Report

Theft, Vandalism and Damage Report

Reports of Standing Committees: Basin Park,
Dog Park, Lake Leatherwood, Springs, Trails

Reports of Special Committees: None

Public Comment

Unfinished Business

1. Permanent Director
2. Lake Study
3. Outstanding Minutes of June 16, 2015 and July 21, 2015

New Business

1. Election of Officers
2. Commission Membership Requirement
3. Outdoor Recreation Grant 2015 Budget & Timeline
4. Hogs at Lake Leatherwood City Park

Minutes: Jan. 19, 2016

Announcements:

Lake Leatherwood City Park opens for the season
on Wednesday, March 9, 2016

The Eureka Springs Preservation Society is the beneficiary of the
“Cocktails for A Cause” fundraiser scheduled for Thursday, April 7
and will be donating these funds to Parks to supplement the
gardening budget

Next Workshop, March 1, 2016

Next meeting, March 15, 2016

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Power of participation

Editor,

Two weeks ago you published a letter I wrote regarding the mayor's trial policy to move all parades to an evening time slot of 5 p.m. or later at the request of some businesses in town. I want to provide an update. After that letter was published I was contacted by several merchants who agreed this was not a good idea, especially for the car show parades, and asked if I would help them gather signatures for a new petition.

I'm pleased to say we collected about 350 signatures from approximately 140 businesses in Eureka Springs that want the city to reinstate the day-time parades. Several merchants then met with our mayor and he agreed to lift the trial period of evening-only parades and reinstate the day-time parades. I thank the mayor and the merchants and businesses in town that rallied and volunteered time to overturn the trial period

of evening-only parades.

In regards to the Mustang Car Show, a 21-year tradition in Eureka Springs, our own Chamber of Commerce has been in touch with former organizers and will be taking this event over moving forward. I also publicly thank Mr. Jim Post who organized this car show for many years. His expertise and passion for the Mustang Car Show will be missed, and it is my hope he will become an invaluable advisor to our Chamber of Commerce under the direction of our new and dynamic Chamber President, Ms. Tammy Thurow.

The merchants and citizens I met in this process were likewise passionate that we all work together (downtown and uptown) in preserving our traditional guests to Eureka Springs, while seeking new visitors to our unique town with a renewed spirit. Thank you.

Troy Johnson



WEEK'S Top Tweets

@thesharon06: I was spontaneous once. didn't go as planned.

@kendragarden: Kudos to Mattel for making Barbie reflect the average woman! I'm buying the one with massive student loan debt & a fear of cement trucks.

@meladoodle: I just noticed “Glue Sticks” is a name for some stationery item but also just a fact.

@badbanana: I'd like my obituary headline to read: “Local man's struggle with upstairs wireless printer is over.”

@thethryll: There needs to be a Meat Likers Pizza for those of

us afraid of commitment.

@biorhythmist: Ugh, I just spilled red wine all over the inside of my tummy.

@Nickadoo: On Passive-Aggressive Jeopardy, contestants answer Alex Trebek in the form of rhetorical questions.

@MessJenkins: Text “ANYTHING” to “Any Number” to donate \$5 to your service provider if you have no texting plan.

@UnPunkMonk: I can't help but feel partially responsible for the fact that you're reading this Tweet right now.

@Moore_Vincent: Boy, they sure don't make time machines like they will anymore.

Burning our forests to power the grid

Last week, the U.S. Senate passed an amendment to the “Energy Policy Modernization Act of 2015,” to allow coal-fired power plants to harvest U.S. National Forests and burn the trees to power the grid. The August 2015 “Modernization Act,” of the Energy and Natural Resources Committee, ignores wind and solar energy and promotes increased fossil fuel production, pipelines, and mining permits. The new amendment promotes replacing coal with wood pellets and harvesting national forests.

Who benefits from the new rules?

Coal-fired power plants, wood pellet mills, big timber, the US Forest Service (USFS), and the pulp and paper industry are at the top of the list.

What is the social cost of the proposed rules?

The extreme floods, wildfires, droughts, insect infestation, high temperatures and other impacts of abrupt climate change in 2015 would increase. Deforestation, loss of drinking water, air pollution, poor public health from wood smoke, river contamination from continued use of coal-fired power plants and wood pellet mills, loss of biodiversity and wildlife, and many other negative impacts come to mind.

How is burning wood pellets to replace coal justified?

The rules are based on flawed logic, ignorance and deception.

1. Claiming burning wood pellets is carbon-neutral. According to the Act, new trees would grow back, capturing carbon dioxide, compensating the emissions from burning wood pellets. Can you find the holes in the story? Coal is a much better fuel than trees, wood is a low-density fuel. Power plants can't burn trees, only dry pellets. It takes a great amount of energy to harvest the forests, deliver trees to the mills, make wood chips, dry the wood to make pellets, and ship pellets to the coal plants. The fossil fuels, greenhouse gas emissions, and pollution to burn forests to power the grid are ignored. Cutting down forests is done in days, using monster skidders, ripping the soil and anything in their path; it takes decades, in good weather, for trees to grow.

2. USFS claims “thinning” national forests improves the health and reduces the risk of wildfires. Thinning is the term used to describe forest sales. Big timber gets a great deal harvesting trees at bottom prices. US Southeast forests are different from West Coast forests; global warming, severe droughts and insect infestations are the root cause of West Coast wildfires. Thinning would be an additional source of trees for pellet mills.

3. Denying mills use trees. Pellet mills claim feedstocks come from “huge inventories of unused forest dregs, logging leftovers, imperfect commercial trees, dead wood, sawdust and other non-commercial trees that need to be thinned from crowded, unhealthy, fire-prone forests.” Collecting forest dregs would take a long time; mills harvest forests. Let's do the math: trees store 40 percent of water, wood has 50 percent cellulose, so it takes, at least, twice the amount of wood mass to make the same mass of pellets, and additional wood to generate steam and electric power. The Dogwood Alliance has aerial pictures of deforestation and logging trucks entering pellet mills. Stumps don't lie.

What are the consequences for Arkansas?

Arkansas is one of the main targets. The harm would be immediate and permanent. Forests are not just sticks in the ground. The invisible underground forest soil is a complex ecosystem working in concert with the forest trees. Carbon-rich soil stores large amounts of water and mitigates flooding. Tree roots keep the soil from eroding, and protect rivers and creeks from sedimentation. No trees, no soil.

What is the impact on the Climate Emergency?

While the rest of the world embraces solar and wind power, plants billions of trees, and protects standing forests, this Act would send a clear message that the US chooses fossil fuels over the survival of humankind.

What can you do?

Join the efforts to plant trees in the area. Celebrate Arbor Day. Please join the Biomass Monitor conference call on Thursday, Feb. 18, 7 p.m.: “Does Logging Forests Lower Fire Risk and is Woody Biomass Clean Renewable Energy?” To RSVP, send an email to thebiomassmonitor@gmail.com. Call-in number is (712) 432-0111, Code 560040#.

Dr. Luis Contreras

Love Poem to My Species

The disclaimer you constantly voice,
"I'm only human" gives cause to rejoice,
When it comes to romance,
Given just half a chance,
A human would be my first choice.

Steve Holst
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The Pursuit of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

Do you know Paul Simon's song, *The Boy in the Bubble*? I've been thinking about it as a fair summary of 2015... and how confusing a year it was. Simon wrote, *These are the days of miracle and wonder/ This is the long distance call/ The way the camera follows us in slo-mo/ The way we look to us all/ The way we look to a distant constellation/ That's dying in a corner of the sky/ These are the days of miracle and wonder/ And don't cry baby, don't cry/ Don't cry.*

These *are* the days of miracle and wonder. School kids carry hand held devices with the program architecture of a thousand IBM 790s, while working men pin their futures on the ambitions of a fatuous trust fund baby. I don't know what to make of it all, and I'm thinking I should start smoking dope again before I need it for a strictly medical purpose. You're free to join me. We'll take slo-mo selfies and paste them on Facebook.

The big takeaway from 2015 is that we want our politicians to lie to us. Maybe we'll want some approximation of truth as we get closer to election day, but our leaders will certainly double cross that bridge when they come to it. In the meantime, trickle-down economics works, there is no such thing as global warming, and the South will rise again as soon as it can figure out how to get out of last place in everything except football coach salaries.

But I've digressed. What to expect in 2016? People will tell big fat lies on social media and then believe what they read. On April 29, the President will encourage Americans to celebrate Arbor Day, conclusively proving that he hates white people and won't be happy until there's a !!Radical Islamic Terrorist!! hiding behind every crape myrtle he's conned witless Americans into planting. NASA will send Congress into space to test the effect of weightlessness on weightlessness. The rich will get richer; Teabaggers will throw them parades. We'll learn that there's nothing the matter with Kansas.

These are the days of miracle and wonder. And don't cry baby, don't cry. Don't cry.

A little help from our friends:

- **Community Suppers at St. James:** St. James' Episcopal Church, 28 Prospect, will hold Sunday community suppers, from 5 – 6 p.m., through March 20. Supper will be provided by local restaurants. The suppers are free and all are welcome.
- **Carroll County Domestic Violence Hotline:** 1-844-247-3223 (844-24PEACE) is available 24/7. The Purple Flower Domestic Violence Resource and Support Center of Carroll County is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. on North Springfield St. in Berryville. (479) 981-1676.
- **24-hour NWA Crisis Line for Women** – NWA Women's Shelter serving Carroll County – "Empowering families to live free of violence." (800) 775-9011 www.nwaws.org
- **Cup of Love free soup lunches** – Cup of Love provides soup lunches at Flint Street Fellowship Mondays and Wednesdays from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. and at First Baptist (Penn) Church on Fridays, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. (479) 363-4529
- **Flint Street Fellowship food pantry, lunch, free clothing** – Pantry open 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Free lunch Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Free clothes/shoes closet, books and household items. (479) 253-9491 or 253-4945. Leave donations in barrel at entrance if facility is closed.
- **Wildflowers one-dollar, furniture barn/thrift store** US 62E across from Hill County Hardware. One-dollar store in the yellow building every Friday from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Thrift store, furniture bank in big blue barn behind the chapel open Wednesdays – Saturdays from 10:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Donation drop offs Thursday – Saturday between 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Healing and delivery outreach in chapel Saturdays at 7:30 p.m.
- **Shamatha and Tonglen meditations Monday** – A meditation group will meet every Monday at 6:30 p.m. to focus on Shamatha, learning how to focus to achieve peace of mind, and Tonglen, a practice of love and compassion on all beings. The meetings will alternate these two practices so that one is the focus on each Monday with coffee and tea afterward. Call Alece at (479) 244-6842 or Gary at (479) 244-6840.
- **Celebrate Recovery** – Soul Purpose Ministries, 801 S. Springfield, Green Forest, 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday. Potluck followed by 12-step Christ-centered meetings for those suffering from addiction, habit, hang-up or hurt.
- **Coffee Break Al-Anon Family Group Women** – Tuesdays, 9:45 a.m., Faith Christian Family Church, Hwy. 23S, (479) 363- 9495.
- **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.
- **Grief Share**, A Bible-based, 13-week program for those who have lost a loved one will begin on Sunday, Feb. 21 from 1 – 3 p.m. at Faith Bible Church, Suite C, 3 Parkcliff Drive, Holiday Island. Share with others experiencing similar circumstances in an informal, confidential setting. Call (479) 253-8925 or email lardellen@gmail.com.
- **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) 244-0371 • **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

INDEPENDENTNews

Zoning map release imminent

NICKY BOYETTE

Steve Beacham, chair of the Planning Commission, gave city council a brief report Monday night about what he expects Planning to take on during 2016. One development is completion of the long-awaited zoning map for the city. Beacham said he anticipates Planning will put the updated map to use right away, and at some point a zoomable version will be posted on the city website.

He also encouraged residents to make their questions and comments known to the commission by attending meetings or submitting inquiries or comments to City Hall, with the reassurance that Planning would address their matters in question.

Currently on Planning's agenda are food trucks, tour homes, a light industrial zone, traffic flow and Code corrections.



A great crowd for a great parade – People flocked to Spring Street for the Mardi Gras Day Parade on Saturday. Revelers got to witness the royal court out and about, greeting people and tossing billions of colorful beads.

PHOTO BY JAY VRECNAR

INDEPENDENTConstablesOnPatrol

FEBRUARY 1

4:28 p.m. – Constable on patrol checked on a vehicle suspiciously parked in a gas station parking lot. Constables learned the passenger was waiting for a ride.
8:04 p.m. – Concerned friend asked ESPD to perform a welfare check on an individual who was sometimes suicidal and was not responding to calls. Constable found the friend doing just fine.

FEBRUARY 3

7:35 a.m. – Constable took a report of a broken window at a business near US 62.

FEBRUARY 5

12:06 a.m. – Central dispatch alerted ESPD to a possibly intoxicated driver headed to town, but they never encountered the vehicle.

1:04 a.m. – Staff at a tourist lodging reported guests in one of their rooms were still be loud after being asked to settle down. A visit to the room by constables was followed by a quieter time for all.

FEBRUARY 6

11:21 p.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for DWI, implied consent, careless driving and no proof of insurance.

FEBRUARY 7

1:51 a.m. – Resident who was out of town received an alert that the interior motion alarm at his home had been triggered. Constables went to the address and found the home secure.

4:57 p.m. – Constables arrested an individual on an ESPD warrant.

Dinner and a Double

Treat yourself and your Valentine with an evening of good food and two shows presented by ES Tableaux on Friday, Feb. 12. The Eureka HS Drama Department will serve a pasta meal from 6 – 6:45 p.m. followed by a double feature of two humorous dramas about dating.

The cost for the meal and double feature is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. For more information call Mr. Rick Mann at (479) 253-8875.



Can you dig it? The 2016 Arkansas Master Gardener Convention will be in Eureka Springs during the height of the growing season, June 2 – 4, for Gardening on the Rocks and "Creating Beauty in the Ozarks." Carroll County Master Gardeners, who do nothing but back breaking work to improve the esthetics and allure of our 630 sq. miles, are dependent on sponsorships from individuals and businesses. To help out, email Nancy Plagge at plaggesplace@gmail.com. Pictured are Lola Bunch (l.) of the Eureka Springs Family Clinic and Master Gardener Sandra Kaye.

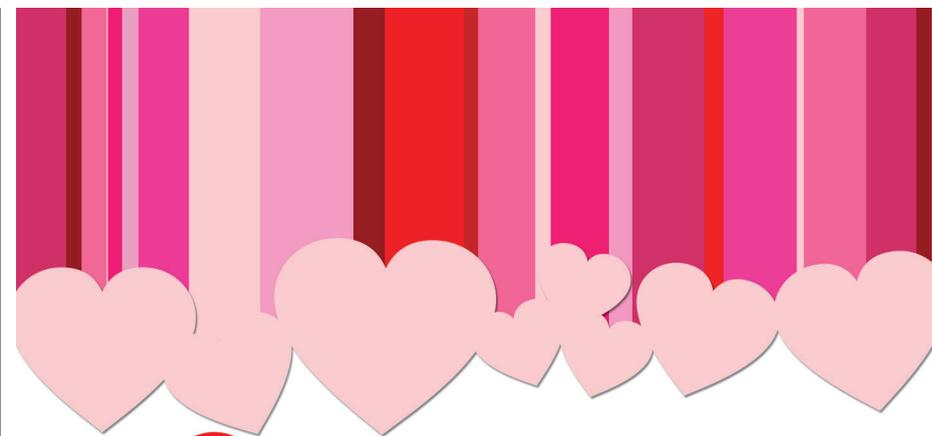
34th annual Victorian Classic

The Eureka Springs Rotary Club will host the 34th annual Victorian Classic charity benefit run on Saturday, March 19. The Victorian Classic race is sponsored by the Eureka Springs Rotary Club and donor sponsors from Carroll County. Proceeds from the race will go to Samaritan's Feet, a nonprofit organization which supplies shoes for the needs of local children. Registration for the 10k and 2 mile-run and 2 mile walk can be found online at www.eurekarotary.org. For information email VictorianClassic@gmail.com or call Patsy at (479) 981-3065.



What's up, doc? Scholarships!

Application is open to all 2016 Carroll County graduating seniors who plan to enter any field of medicine for two \$1,000 scholarships. Applications, which have been provided to school counselors, are due by Friday, March 11 at noon and the scholarships will be announced by April 15. Applications may be obtained by emailing MercyBerryvilleAuxiliary@mail.com.



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McDonald's employees' bucket brigade – Fast thinking McDonald's employees tackled a brush fire next to their restaurant Friday afternoon as a cigarette started a fire in the row of bushes next to the drive-through. Engine 1154 arrived and soaked the bushes and flammable materials.

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Secret Season Cinema at the Carnegie library

French film *Girlhood* will be the selection for the Feb. 12 day of the Secret Season Cinema at the Carnegie Library. The film centers on Marieme, a young woman from the Parisian projects who joins an all-girl gang to gain friendship

and identity. This film is not rated. Screening will be in the Library Annex Friends Room; admission and popcorn are free. For more information, go to events calendar at eurekaibrary.org or call (479) 253-8754.

Mercy Hospital Berryville Charity Ball returns

Mercy Hospital Berryville is looking for donors for a fun-filled gala with the goal to support patient health in the community. The annual Black and White Charity Ball will return on Saturday, Feb. 20 at Inn of the Ozarks. Attendees will be treated to dinner as well as live entertainment by returning band, Red Ambition, and there will be live and silent auctions.

The 2015 gala garnered a record \$64,000, which purchased six new patient stretchers used in the emergency room at Mercy Hospital Berryville.

Ham Radio Testing

The Little Switzerland Amateur Radio Club will be conducting tests for technician, general and extra class amateur radio licenses on Feb. 13 at 6 p.m. The tests will be given at the Physicians building at Mercy Hospital in Berryville, 211 Carter St.

There is a charge of \$15 for each individual taking the tests. If you wish to test contact Terry Dean at terryjdean@cox.net or call (870) 350-0385 or Gary Jones at gmjar@outlook.com or call (479) 363-6005.

Exploring Sufism

All are welcome to join in an inquiry into Sufism on Feb. 10 and 24 at 7 p.m. at 68 West Mountain St. and explore the teachings, practices, stories, music and poetry of the Sufis. The group gathers twice a month on the 2nd, 4th or 5th Wednesdays.

OzMoMu wins state award

The Ozark Mountain Music Festival was the winner of the 2015 ALFiE for “Best New Festival or Event” held at the 1905 Basin Park Hotel from Jan. 21 – 24. Mary Howze, activities director for the Basin Park Hotel and 1886 Crescent Hotel & Spa, accepted the award for the hotel.

The winners of the 2015 ALFiE Awards, given by the Arkansas Festival

and Events Association, were announced during the association’s 32nd annual conference. ALFiE is an acronym for “Arkansans Love Festivals and Events” and honor the best and brightest festivals of the preceding year.

Dates have been set for OzMoMu4: Jan. 19 – 22, 2017. For more information regarding this award-winning festival go to www.OzarkMountainMusicFestival.com.

Let them have music

The Carroll County Music Group is sponsoring the 5th *We’ve Got Talent* concert on March 13 at 3 p.m. at the Eureka Springs Auditorium. This concert is a major fundraiser for sending young area musicians to summer music camps to enhance their opportunities in music. Playing at the concert will be The Ozarks Chorale, APO String Coalition Chamber Orchestra, Berryville High School Show Choir, John Two-Hawks and others.

The goal for this year’s concert is to raise \$20,000 which will help 40 – 50 students attend music camp. Carroll County Music Group is a 501(3)c non-profit organization. For more information call Sharon Parker at (479) 981-0870.

Ham Radio meeting Feb. 13

The Little Switzerland Amateur Radio Club will meet on Saturday, Feb. 13 at 4 p.m. at the Physicians building at Mercy Hospital in Berryville, 211 Carter Street. Anyone with an interest in amateur radio is welcome.

For additional information go to <http://lsarc.us> or contact gmjar@outlook.com.

Meaning of the soul at Metafizzies

The Feb. 15 meeting of the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society will feature Stephen Foster on the meaning of the

soul. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at the Heart of many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

Early Days at Eureka Springs Arkansas 1880-1892, a memoir of Nellie Alice Mills whose family moved here in two covered wagons from Oswego, Kansas, was written in 1949, relying on memory. In her second book, *Other Days at Eureka Springs*, written in 1950, she went through old records she had kept. The family home was built on the west side of Leatherwood, “about a hundred yards beyond the mouth of Magnetic Hollow, opposite Cold Spring, which supplied us, and all our neighbors, with water.”

Part Four – Persons and Places of Those Early Days

The alley behind the house led north until the curve of the hill diverted it to the west; from there a rough road straggled along until it joined what was afterward The Grade. The row of houses from the Reading house to Turley’s faced that alley.

North of our place, after Major Tullock’s buildings ceased to be, Mr. Henson built a very comfortable home, every floor a “ground floor.” The kitchen was part of the second story, but the door opened on the ground. Beyond the Henson house a path (later a flight of steps) led up the hill opposite the mouth of Magnetic Hollow. Just north of that was the *Times* office. Annie Ross and John Basey worked there. I knew John Basey by sight, but I did not know until a few years ago that he rescued the one mule saved in that spectacular drowning.

I knew Annie Ross House for she passed our home every day, to and from her work on *The Times*. She has told me since that she learned there to set type. Very often she came by as I was on my way to or from

the Cold Spring for the morning’s supply of drinking water. I liked Miss Ross; she was a young lady and I was a little girl, but she always had a pleasant word of greeting.

A word about the Cold Spring. It was – it no longer is – the source of water supply for quite a wide neighborhood. It was situated on the east side of Leatherwood at the foot of a low bluff, from the brink of which projected a dogwood tree. So many things around there have been changed that this low line of cliffs may be changed, but there was no way to climb that rocky barrier except by a few breaks in the rocks just a few feet north of the spring. A sort of irregular stairway, not more than three or four steps led to the ground above.

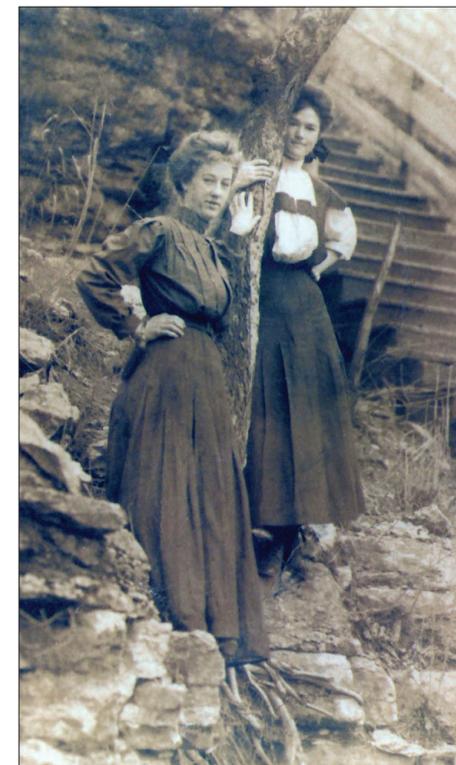
Of course the dogwood tree is gone. The spring came from a narrow cavity under the bluff and filled a rocky basin as large as a good-sized tub. The water trickled away through a channel for a few feet and then ran under a barrier very much of a natural bridge, set so deep that we never saw the lower edge, but the sides were flat,

the top rougher but smooth enough that any one coming to the spring walked the half dozen steps it took to cross it. Below this barrier was a deeper pool where the water sometimes became muddy, but never stagnant before it overflowed into a tiny rivulet that crawled away parallel with Leatherwood for several rods before emptied its current into the larger stream.

The water in the spring was always cold and crystal clear; it was deep enough that we children could dip our small pails in and fill them. The south wall of the spring was so high that when we came up on that side we must cross the short natural bridge and on the other side step down on a flat stone to reach the water. The spring was affected by rains; but it was not surface water that ran in, for it was always clear.

And cold! The little rivulet, after running in the sun, was so cold it made our fingers ache when we kept our hand in it very long.

There used always to be a footlog across the branch. Often a freshet carried one away,



so that the new one was not always put back in the same place. There would be one across below the spring brook, where the creek was bordered for a short distance by rocks and boulders, with space between them and the low bluffs on a line with the spring for a path. At other times the footlog would be put above the spring. Below the spring the west side of the creek was so flat a long log was needed to span the water.



Cornerstone Bank featured artist

Mariellen Griffith is the featured artist throughout the month of February at Cornerstone Bank, 1 Parkwood in Holiday Island. The show may be visited in the foyer of the bank Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Rise to end violence against women

The 2nd annual One Billion Rising will be held on Feb. 13 from 1 – 3:30 p.m. in Basin Park. One Billion Rising is a mass action to end violence against women based on the statistic that 1 in 3 women on the planet will be beaten or raped during her lifetime. Join in for music, dancing, performing, singing and drumming.

Speakers from The Purple Flower Resource Center for Domestic Violence will be there with information. All donations will be given to them. Emma at Melonlight Dance Studio will be teaching the “Flash Mob” dance on Saturday at noon for \$5 per class. For more information call (479) 981-4517 or go to onebillionrising.org.

Music of spiritual love at Heart of Many Ways

Hu Dost, the award-winning neo-Folk World Rock Ensemble, will perform the music of spiritual love at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain Street on Valentine’s Day at 2 p.m. Advance tickets are \$15, students \$7.50 and children under 10 free. Purchase tickets at hudostheart.brownpapertickets.com, call (870) 480-6388 or email hudostheart@gmail.com.

Soldier on Service Dogs grand opening

The Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce and Soldier On Service Dogs will hold a grand opening ceremony and ribbon cutting on Tuesday, Feb. 16 from 3:30 – 7:30 p.m. at the new Soldier On

Service Dogs facility at 2378 W. Moore Lane, Fayetteville.

Volunteers, veterans and the public are invited to tour the new Soldier On Service Dogs new facility.

“be(ing) of love (a little) more careful...” (e.e. cummings)

Wednesday (Feb. 10) is Ash Wednesday when Lent begins. **Friday** (Feb. 12) is Lincoln’s 207th birthday. **Sunday** is Valentine’s Day. On Ash Wednesday, foreheads marked with a cross of ashes, we hear the words, “*From dust thou art and unto dust thou shalt return.*” Reminding us our bodies, made of matter, will remain here on Earth when we are “called back.” It is our Soul that will take us home again (*returning to our origin, s the Father’s House*). Lent offers us forty days and nights of purification in

preparation for the Resurrection (Easter) festival (an Initiation) and for the Three Spring Festivals (at the time of the full moon) – Aries, Taurus, Gemini. The New Group of World Servers have been preparing since Winter Solstice.

The number 40 is significant. The Christ (Pisces World Teacher) was in the desert for 40 days and 40 nights prior to His three-year ministry. The purpose of this desert exile was to prepare his Archangelic (light) body to withstand the pressures of the Earth plane (form and matter). We,

too, in our intentional purifications and prayers during the 40 days of Lent, prepare ourselves (physical body, emotions, lower mind) to receive and be able to withstand the irradiation of Will, Love/Wisdom and Light streaming into the Earth at Spring Equinox, Easter, and the Three Spiritual Festivals.

What is Lent? Anglo-Saxon word, *lencen*, ancient spring festival, agricultural rites marking the transition between winter and summer. The seasons reflect changes in nature (physical world)

and humanity responds with social festivals of gratitude and of renewal. There is a purification process, prayerfulness in nature and in humanity in preparation for a great downflow of Spiritual energies during Springtime.

Valentine’s Day – Aquarius Sun, Taurus moon. Let us offer gifts of comfort, ease, harmony, beauty and satisfaction. Things chocolate and golden. Venus Taurus things. Remembering to “*be of love (a little) more careful than of anything.*” (e.e. cummings).

ARIES: Do you feel free, loved, cared for, alive or restricted in groups? Consider your group experiences in the past. The Aquarian Age is the Age of Groups working together. No more individuals. This new group reality is being formed worldwide. The first formed Aquarian Group was/is the New Group of World Servers. Everyone is invited to join. There are guidelines, rules of service. You need a group to initiate the building of the new world. You’re one of the leaders.

TAURUS: The same words written for Aries apply to all of us and especially to Taurus. The energies summoning you concern leadership, which you’ve developed over the years yet still hide under a mantle of protection. You’re waiting for right timing. Pallas Athena, the asteroid of intuition is helping you understand your role in the new world. Venus calls you to new lands. New worlds unfold.

GEMINI: It’s good to think about travel, a journey somewhere that leads to new thinking, community, a new way of life, that feels like an adventure. It’s important to consider who you would like to live with in community. Community is our future. Geminis gather and distribute information. In your travels, wonderings, wandering, walk-about, driving, research, thoughts and readings, share with us all your discoveries.

CANCER: Careful with and observe all communication. There can be too much and/or too little. Be sure to achieve a balance of both. Always communicate from the heart. That is really all that even matters. Allow your shell to lift allowing the sunshine in. The sun will uplift and dissipate all sadness and secrets you hold. And heal the separations in your heart, too.

LEO: The Sun, Vesta and Ceres in Aquarius are influencing your relationships. Interactions with others may feel different. Unusual people, places and events may appear. All Leos must step into the future, recognize and cultivate their gifts. And then help create the new realities, the new world, with those gifts. This creates a new state of self-identity, a new focus. A deeper creative one.

VIRGO: You want fun and freedom. You want to expand beyond anything you’ve ever been before. You have a sense of hopefulness knowing a new path is beginning to form taking you into unknown territories. You always have a sense of responsibility and work you feel must be accomplished. Tend first to your complete well being. Then the rest of life will follow along.

LIBRA: A love affair becomes deeper, more loving... or difficult. How you celebrate festivities, especially Valentine’s Day, may differ from how others celebrate. Give always what you always want to receive. Things like love and respect which holds us intact when change comes forth. Be in touch with those who love you. Remember the teachings... “*Contact releases Love, and love underlies all happenings in our lives.*”

SCORPIO: There’s a focus on home and family. You seek to change something, perhaps family interactions or where you live. Pondering, researching, talking and even “leaving” family assume new meaning. You consider the many families in the world – your biological family, the family you’ve created, families you want to create. Every day family values begin to reflect your true reality. So... who is your family?

SAGITTARIUS: Your mind is on the future. You wonder about your place, identity and work in the world. So much seems unknown. You feel change, along with revolution, playing itself out wherever you are and in whatever you do. There’s no neutralizer for this, no quick fix. You may be irritable, accepting, adaptive or upset. This will pass. Wait, watch, listen with patience. Make beauty a first choice.

CAPRICORN: Careful with communication. Observe others as you speak. Are they understanding your words and intentions? You may encounter opinions quite different than what you expect. And unexpected communication and depths of feeling. Allow all of this to pass over you. If you must travel, make sure the vehicle traveling in is safe. Choose things simple and comfortable. Transformation’s coming at a fast pace. You’ll keep up.

AQUARIUS: Happy Birthday, Aquarius. Valentine’s Day is very special during Aquarius. When it’s our birthday we shine like the Sun. For Aquarius, everyone is their friend. Except those who don’t understand (and thus are cruel to) Aquarius. Those you stay away from. Proceed onward into the future. Let nothing, no ideas or old beliefs, hinder you. You’re the “waters of life for thirsty humanity.”

PISCES: Pisces can feel left behind when Aquarius rushes by. That’s OK for now because Pisces has become reclusive, contemplative, quiet and more private than ever. It is an important spiritual and imaginatively creative time. Dreams and visions and revelations may appear. Remember the nightly review prior to sleep. Review the day, remake what went awry. Then see that the day was good. Write, draw, cut out and paint valentines. Then send them off. With love.



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been in play, there is also an Arkansas statute that exempts potluck suppers, community picnics and “group gatherings where food is served but not sold” from being required to have a food establishment permit.

Marie Howard, a Flint Street Food Bank volunteer who has been baking cornbread twice a week to hand out with A Cup of Love soup, was delighted the ban had been lifted.

“I hated it when he was stopped because there were so many people down who need that hot food, which is particularly important in the winter,” Howard said. “He makes thick soup. It sticks to your ribs. And all Chuck ever asks them is, ‘Are you hungry?’”

Statewide poster contest to keep Arkansas beautiful

The Keep Arkansas Beautiful Commission encourages all students in grades K-5 to enter the annual Great American Cleanup in Arkansas Youth Poster Contest. KAB coordinates this poster contest in conjunction with the Great American Cleanup in Arkansas to involve elementary age students to increase awareness of the cleanup initiative and educate the public about the importance of a clean and green community.

Prizes will be awarded in two divisions: Grades K-2 and grades 3-5. KAB is providing gift certificates

for the top 3 posters in each division. One poster per class may be submitted for statewide judging. 4-H clubs, Scout groups and home-school students are encouraged to enter.

Contest entries are due no later than Feb. 26. The Great American Cleanup in Arkansas runs March – May. For additional information about contest rules and entry, or a calendar of local events, go to KeepArkansasBeautiful.com, email info@KeepArkansasBeautiful.com or call (888) 742-8701.

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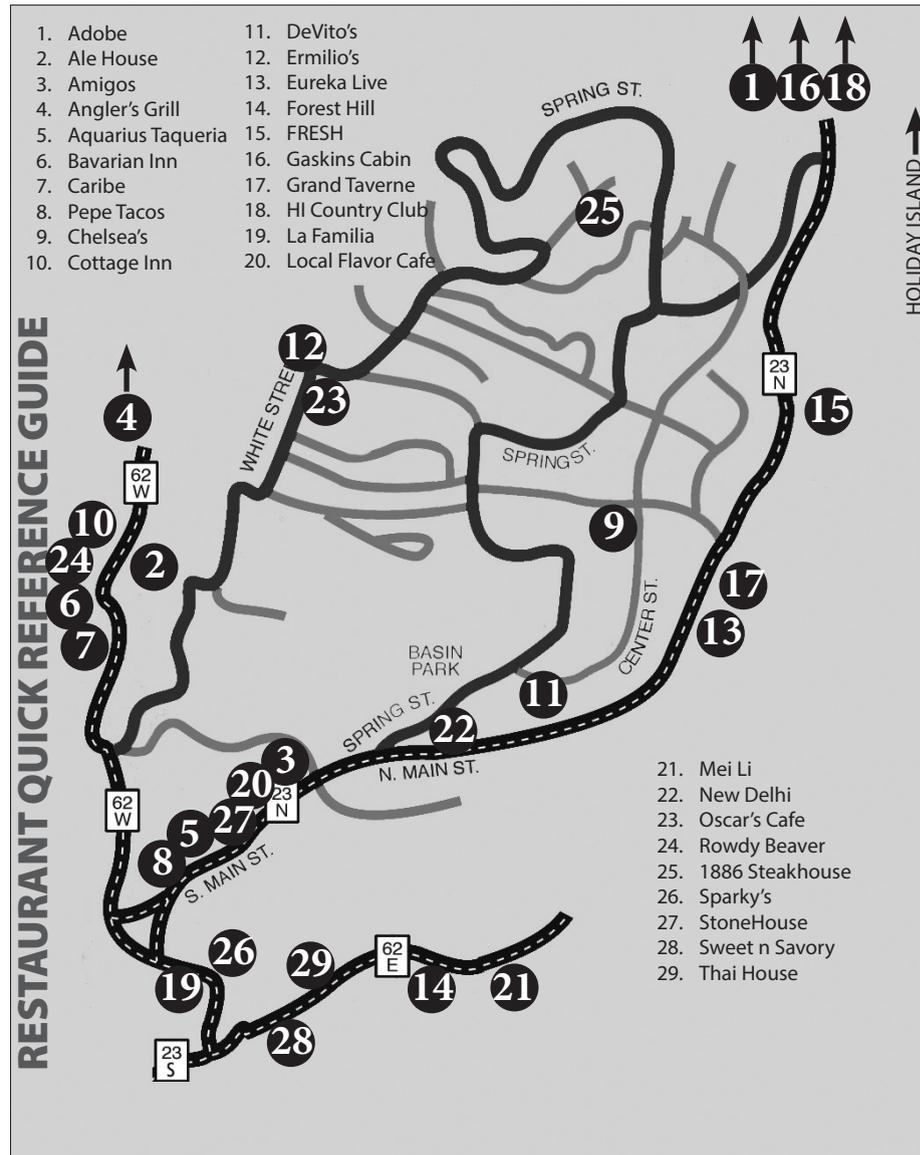
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11

EUREKA LIVE – *Green Screen Karaoke*, 9 p.m.

LEGENDS SALOON – *Some Other Band*, Rock, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Jukebox Party*, 8 p.m.

CHELSEA'S – *Chucky Waggs and Company*, Americana Singer/Songwriter, 9 p.m.

EUREKA LIVE! – *DJ and Dancing*, 9 p.m.

GRAND TAVERNE – *Arkansas Red*, Amplified Acoustic Guitar Dinner Music, 6:30- 9:30 p.m.

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

ROWDY BEAVER – *Johai Kafa*, Folk, 7 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Jason*

Kinney Band, Rock, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Wink Burcham*, Tulsa Rock, 8 p.m.

CHELSEA'S – *Kalo*, International Blues, 9 p.m.

EUREKA LIVE! – *DJ & Dancing*, 9 p.m.

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

LEGENDS SALOON – *Headley Lamar*, Ridge Rock, 9 p.m.

NEW DELHI – *The Medicine Man Show*, Folk, 6 – 10 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER – *Jimmy Garrett Band*, Rock, 7 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Skel-TONES*, Bone Rock, 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14

CHELSEA'S – *Nathan Kalish and the Last Callers*, Americana Roots, 7 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Los Roscoes*, Roots Music, 5 p.m.

CHELSEA'S – *Open Mic*, 9 p.m.



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Trump alien plants

Donald Trump wants to build a wall to keep out aliens. I wonder if he is aware of the fact that a far greater problem is invasive alien vegetation. Unfortunately, The Donald only sees people who look different from him, and like most

Americans, the only greenery he is able to distinguish is that with a picture of Benjamin Franklin vs. George Washington on it.

This is an excellent time of year to begin to become aware of invasive alien plants, and learn to differentiate them from

native plants. Why? About 30 percent of the vegetation that passes before our eyes is non-native plant species. This time of year, many are particularly evident and easy to learn to identify then take steps to control them. One of the problems with non-native plant species is that they have no natural controls, such as insect predators. Therefore, they often out-compete native species and takeover, crowding out and often eliminating native plants.

When we are getting ready to clean up our yards for the forthcoming growing season, it's a good idea to start pulling out and removing non-native plants that are becoming a nuisance. English Ivy (*Hedera helix*) is scorned by those who have stone or brick buildings, as they have adhesive pads that penetrate into mortar, causing it to crumble. Many a tree in Eureka Springs is covered with this tough evergreen vine that strangles and kills trees. Japanese honeysuckle (*Lonicera japonica*) is also an evergreen vine that strangles native vegetation. Avoid planting Vincas (*Vinca rosea* and *Vinca minor*), which are invasive in shady situations choking out all native vegetation. Awareness of invasive alien plants is an idea whose time has come.

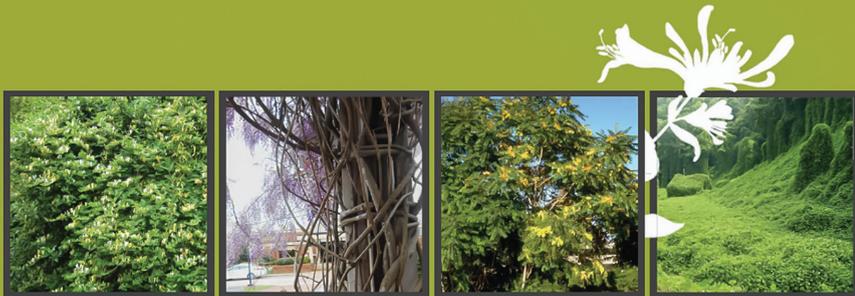


Fayetteville has become the first city in Arkansas to focus on identifying and removing invasive plants as part of public policy regarding landscapes and urban forestry. Fayetteville Ordinance 5820 aims to control invasive plants. The purpose of the ordinance is "Discouraging the new installation of identified invasive plant species and encouraging the removal of invasive plant species." A brochure, *Invasive Plant Species in Fayetteville, Arkansas* is available as a downloadable pdf from the Fayetteville city website that tells how to identify, how to control them, and what native plants can be used instead for planting. The brochure can be downloaded at www.fayetteville-ar.gov/documentcenter/view/7965.

Also, KUAF's Jacqueline Froelich produced an *Ozarks at Large* segment on the subject that can be easily found using the search terms "invasive plants" at kuaf.com.

INVASIVE PLANT SPECIES

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Code Yellow Alert for all blood types

The Community Blood Center of the Ozarks will hold a blood drive at the Mercy Hospital in Berryville on Wednesday, Feb. 17 from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Each donation will be awarded LifePoints as a part of CBCO's donor rewards program. LifePoints may be redeemed online for variety of gift cards or points may be assigned to other

meaningful causes or charities.

To be eligible to give blood you must weigh at least 110 pounds, be in good health, and present a valid photo ID. For more information about sharing your good health with others or on the LifePoints donor rewards program go to www.cbco.org or call toll-free (800) 280-5337.

Hike on over to the meeting

The Holiday Island Hikers will meet on Thursday, Feb. 18 at 10 a.m. in the Island Room by the Rec Center to formally organize the club to apply for 501c3 tax-free status and eventually accept donations for trail construction in Holiday Island.

Two forms of membership will be proposed; a voting member for which dues will be required and a social member who wishes to continue to participate with the group as they currently do. A minimum of \$400 will need to be raised from dues to cover the cost of the 501c3 application.

There will be a draft constitution and by laws to review, officers will be elected and the minutes will reflect who can sign checks so a bank account may be open.

Anyone interested in joining or in trail development in Holiday Island welcome.

Foreign film fest continues at Carnegie Library

The Eureka Springs Carnegie Library's foreign film of the week is *The Second Mother*; a drama/comedy from Brazil about the upheaval of modern class and cultural barriers when a live-in housekeeper's young daughter comes to stay with her. The film is rated R. Screening will be in the Library Annex Friends Room on Friday, Feb. 19 at 7 p.m. Admission and popcorn are free. For more information go to events calendar at eurekcalibrary.org or call (479) 253-8754.

National Day of Prayer meeting Feb. 19

The Carroll County Bible Reading Marathon committee will meet on Friday, Feb. 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the Passion Play to continue plans for this year's 7th annual National Day of Prayer event. Volunteers are still needed for the

event to be successful. Attend and "give back" to Carroll County the Word of the Lord with your gifts and talents.

Contact Bonnie Roediger with any questions or to become involved by call (870) 350-0865.

GriefShare sessions starting

A Bible-based, 13-week program for those who have lost a loved one will begin on Sunday, Feb. 21 from 1 – 3 p.m. at Faith Bible Church, Suite C, 3 Parkcliff

Drive, Holiday Island. Share with others experiencing similar circumstances in an informal, confidential setting. Call (479) 253-8925 or email lardellen@gmail.com.

Foundation scholarships available for Carroll County students

Arkansas students can apply online for more than 100 private scholarships through Arkansas Community Foundation. April 1 is the deadline to apply and students can begin their online application by visiting www.arcf.org/scholarships.

Each scholarship has its own eligibility criteria and the Community Foundation's scholarships are for Arkansas students pursuing higher education at two or four year colleges or universities, vocational schools or technical training programs.

Eligible scholarships for Carroll County students include:

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Local public, private and homeschool students are encouraged to go online and browse all available scholarships. For more information about scholarships available for Carroll County students or to find out how to create a scholarship endowment that benefit local students, contact the Carroll County Community Foundation at (479) 253-8203 or carrollcounty@arcf.org.



Showing a love of literature – A crowd congregated at the top of the Basin Park Hotel to support the Carnegie Public Library at ESDN's Cocktails for a Cause on Feb. 4. Goal of the event was to help fill a budget gap for the local library.

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Colors of Mardi Gras – Mardi Gras themed art provided by Holiday Island Association of the Arts members was showcased Tuesday at the Holiday Island Cornerstone Bank. King Cakes, shrimp and other Fat Tuesday delicacies were served.

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Fishing this week has been good here at home staying warm in and keeping my big shiners warm in the can. When I get a temptation to go get a line wet, I just drop down a little worm and catch and release all the 4 to 5-in. shiners I want. For water changes and to get rid of dead bait, just flush. This also culls out the weak bait by forcing them to go against the fast current to stay in the bowl. They also know that if they can endure this, their reward is going on a boat ride which they enjoy very much.

Well, fishing has been slow due to the cold, and most anglers are staying inside by the stove thinking about how the spring spawns are going to be. We have plenty of high water in the brush for baby fish to hide in for survival, and plenty of water for the walleye and whites to go upstream, so I say it should be a good year to the fish and fisherman.

Striper and walleye fishing both get going good in March as they start moving upstream to lay their eggs. Stripers don't lay their eggs until sometime in April, but both lake records were caught in March and most anglers who want one on the wall know a fish this big has a lot more weight before they spawn. Both males and females are full of what they need to reproduce.

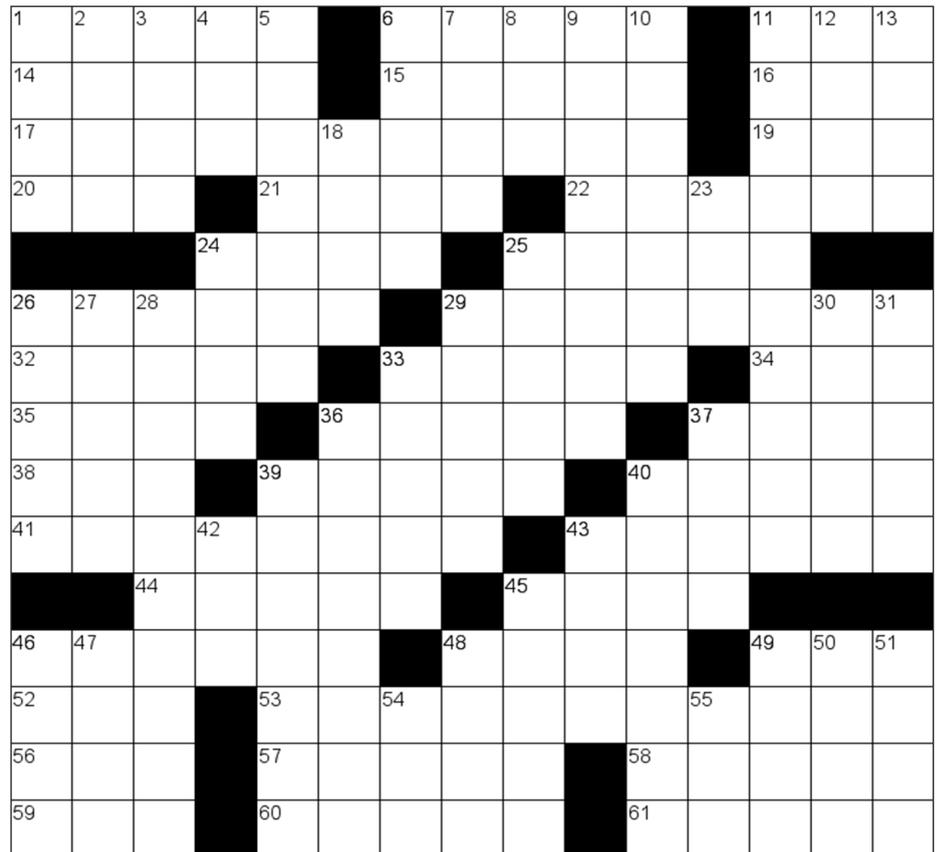
Get your tackle ready and watch the forecast, as the sun stays in the sky longer and when the water starts warming they will know and you should be their waiting.

Till that time comes, stay warm and enjoy some inside fishing or if you have to get a line wet outdoors for the next week, try some trout fishing below the dam. They are cold water fish that our winters don't really affect that much.

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Probate Division

In the Matter of the Estate of Bobby Dale
Lewis, Deceased

Name of Decedent: Bobby Dale Lewis

Last known address: 34 County Road 1522,
Carroll County, Arkansas 72632

Date of death: October 17, 2015

On February 4, 2016, an affidavit for collection of small estate by distributees was filed with respect to the estate of Bobby Dale Lewis, deceased, with the clerk of the probate division of the circuit court of Carroll County, Arkansas, under Ark. Code Ann. § 28-41-101.

All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them, properly verified, to the distributee or his or her attorney within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit of estate.

The name, mailing address, and telephone number of the distributee or distributee's attorney is:

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SHE'S RED WITH WHITE HORNS, has a hole in her ear where her tag came out. Lost between Houseman Access and the White River Bridge. Please call R.E. Clark, (479) 253-5323.

PERSONALS

Dear PARENTS,

I love and miss you. Perhaps you'll come visit in March?

Love, Your DAUGHTER

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– Manufactured in Chicago. Fully functional. Era 1800s. Good to very good condition. \$700. Willing to negotiate. (417) 846-3782. Will deliver.

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ATTENTION ALL CNAS & HOME HEALTH AIDES!!!

PRN Medical Services will be hosting a recruiting/job fair at the Berryville Community Center on Wednesday, Feb. 17th from 10am-2pm. Please join us & find out what PRN has to offer! Questions? Call (479) 756-8701.

HELP WANTED

ROCKIN' PIG now hiring experienced, friendly wait staff. Apply in person only. Gaskin Switch Center, US62.

HELP WANTED: Bus Driver PT evenings and weekends. Call Steve, (620) 770-9612.

NOW HIRING PREP AND LINE COOKS. Apply in person at Pied Piper/Cathouse, 82 Armstrong.

PART TIME COOK – Holiday Island Grill. One year cooking experience. Must be able to work days, evenings and weekends. Apply in person at 1 Country Club Dr., Holiday Island. (479) 253-9511

BARTENDERS / SERVERS / CASHIER/HOST – Looking for experienced bartenders. Also hiring Servers, Store Cashier and Hosts. Join our great team and celebrate our 10th year in Eureka Springs! Apply at 417 W. Van Buren, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

LOCAL FLAVOR CAFE and AQUARIUS TAQUERIA are accepting applications for ALL positions. Applications are available at Local Flavor Café.

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HIRING FOR KITCHEN HELP – Sweet-n-Savory Café. Inquire in person, 2076 E. Van Buren.

HELP WANTED

HOLIDAY ISLAND COUNTRY CLUB

– Seasonal golf course maintenance team member, March-October, 40+ hours a week, must be able to work some weekends and Holidays. Duties include, but not limited to, mowing, trimming, bunker maintenance, watering, and assistance in chemical and fertilizer applications. Must be in good health and able to lift at least 50 lbs. If interested, please contact Jon Prange at (314) 604-6451 to schedule an interview. No experience necessary must be able to pass background check and drug test.

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ONE BEDROOM Spring Street downtown. First, last, deposit, references. Private patio, front balcony. Water paid, no pets. (479) 253-9513

AS SMALL ONE-ROOM EFFICIENCY at Manor House Apartments on Onyx Cave Rd. \$325/mo. First/last/deposit. Call (479) 253-6283.

ROOM FOR RENT. Share big beautiful house ten minutes south of town. \$400/mo. + electric. (479) 981-6049

2 BEDROOM, 1 BATH – Kings Hwy. near hospital, downtown walkable. Deck, wooded view. One off-street parking space. \$560/mo., first last \$100 deposit. References of work history/income required. No drama, no party animals, quiet residents only. Behave or be gone. You pay all utilities except trash. Call (479) 981-3700, ask for Bob.

IN THE HEART OF THE HISTORIC DISTRICT – 2 bedroom, 2 bath garden level apartment on Spring Street. Totally renovated in 2010. \$775/mo., first, last, \$300 deposit. Sunroom, gas stove, central HVAC, dishwasher, W/D connections. No pets, no smoking. Lease, references, stable work history/income required. No drama, no party animals, quiet residents only. You pay all utilities except trash and water. Call (479) 981-3700, ask for Bob.

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