

# Sheriff asks for health provider for inmates

NICKY BOYETTE

A standing room only crowd attended the Feb. 15 Quorum Court meeting to hear about medical care options at Carroll County Detention Center. Flint Junod, chief operating officer for Turn Key Health (TKH), a correctional facility health provider, said his Oklahoma City-based company provides services for 20 other jails – from small to very large – in Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri and Arkansas.

Junod gave the court two proposals: TKH would provide coverage 24 hours a day, every day, with a nurse on site 20 hours a week and doctors on call. Medications would be provided at a reduced rate and Turn Key would set up a clinic on the premises, so inmates would usually be treated at the jail, and TKH staff would be responsible for transporting prisoners to a hospital if needed, reducing man hours of deputies transporting prisoners. Turn Key would be responsible for these medical services, and Junod said the proposal would dramatically reduce liability for the sheriff’s department.

Management of medical and pharmacy services would cost the county just under \$100,000 annually. The proposal not including pharmacy services would cost \$78,000.

Sheriff Randy Mayfield told the court the jail spent about \$120,000 in 2014 to cover items in Junod’s proposal, and their risk management attorney recommended the county consider a third party service like Turn Key. Mayfield said

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**Chocolate farming –**  
Dakota Reichenberg, 4, of Berryville, took first place in Best Creative Youth category for cakes in the Eureka Springs Chocolate Lovers Festival on Saturday. Not a parking space was to be had at the Convention Center.

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BECKY GILLETTE



## This Week’s INDEPENDENT Thinker

Hayden Godfrey, 17, a senior at Sky View High School in Smithfield, Utah, started planning his Valentine’s Day earlier than those who order overnight gifts from amazon.com.

Hayden worked three jobs in the past year and a half – cook, dishwasher and grocery bagger – and put some money back from each paycheck until he had \$450.

Then he ordered 900 carnations so each of the 834 girls in his high school would get a flower on Feb. 14.

He even cut the stems and gave the carnations a good drink of water that morning.

Hayden wonders what he should do with the remaining 66 flowers, and we think he should give them to the Eureka Springs Valentine Fairy, who is thinking of retiring after 33 years.

She’d just cry.



PICTURE BY LINDA BURGESS

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the benefit of the third party service would be for reduced liability as much as cost savings.

Junod added Turn Key would indemnify the county in case of a lawsuit. "They can name you in a suit," he said, "but we'll take care of it."

Mayfield said there had been a nurse on duty at the jail some of the time (less than Turn Key was proposing), but she left and there has been a scramble to get adequate coverage since her departure. He pointed out non-medical staff at the jail are often in the position of making medical decisions. "We are absolutely in favor of this," Mayfield commented. "It is the trend."

Justice of the Peace Don McNeely said he had spoken with staff at the Boone County Jail, and they liked having a service like Turn Key.

Prosecuting Attorney Tony Rogers said it seemed the county would be getting extra insurance with the TKH proposal, however the county might need to put the service out to bid since the expense would be greater than \$20,000. He said he would check the law to make sure and provide an answer before the next meeting.

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

## INDEPENDENTNews

### Community Center needs community support

NICKY BOYETTE

Diane Murphy, chair of the Eureka Springs Community Center Foundation board, announced the foundation is initiating a grassroots fundraising campaign called IGave50 which they hope will generate \$100,000 in local support. This amount would be half of the initial \$200,000 target Murphy said they need to raise by April 1.

"We don't get anywhere without reaching our first goal of collecting \$200,000 by the end of March," she said. "This is our chance. For anybody who wants to see this happen, this is your moment, your chance to be part of making it happen."

To make a tax-deductible donation, see: [www.eurekaspringscommunitycenter.com/how-to-help/donate/](http://www.eurekaspringscommunitycenter.com/how-to-help/donate/).

Murphy stated there are generous donors waiting on the sidelines ready to provide support if they see the community is behind the project. "So, seriously," she remarked, "this is the time."

### Quorum Court committee appointments

County Judge Sam Barr Barr announced 2016 committee appointments at the Feb. 15 Quorum Court meeting: Budget Committee – Marty Johnson, Lamont Richie and Jack Deaton. County Facilities and Properties – Roger Hall, Chuck Olson and Matt Phillips. Personnel – Jack Deaton, Lamont Richie and Joe Mills. County Finance – Larry Swofford, Marty Johnson and Chuck Olson. County Library – Matt Phillips, John Reeve and Don McNeely.

### All invited to birthday bash

Marie Howard and Trella Laughlin invite you to the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 17 Elk St., on Sunday, Feb. 21 at 10:15 a.m. to celebrate

Trella's 79<sup>th</sup> birthday. Jori Costello of Big Bad Gina will be singing a special song for Trella. Bring wine. Food and cake will be provided.

### Sunday music at EUUF

Jori Costello, singer, songwriter and musician will lead the UU Fellowship in songs of struggle, love and hope on Feb. 21 at 11 a.m. at the Eureka Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 17 Elk Street. Childcare is provided and there is extra parking at Ermilio's Restaurant, 26 White Street.

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## Eastern ambulance ordinance passes Quorum Court

NICKY BOYETTE

Dr. Milo Warner, medical director of the emergency room for Mercy Hospital in Berryville, told the Quorum Court Monday an ambulance service for the eastern part of the county was needed because quick response in an emergency increases chances for a patient, and care should begin at the scene. He cautioned JPs that someone they know will be affected by how rapidly care is provided, whether it is a heart attack, airway obstruction or other trauma.

"The longer care is delayed, the harder it is to get them back," Warner contended, "and the percentage of full recovery diminishes." For these reasons, he maintained it is critical to have a paramedic on the scene quickly to find out what's wrong and begin treatment.

JP John Reeve presented a proposed ordinance that would allow the Ambulance Service Citizens Advisory Board (ASCAB) "to request proposals relating to ambulance service in the eastern district." He said getting this information would allow the court to know whether a millage would be needed to fund the ambulance district.

JPs Larry Swofford, Chuck Olson and Jack Deaton all agreed the ordinance was necessary, and Deaton commented the eastern district needs the kind of ambulance district like the western district has in place.

McNeely remarked, "It is time to let these guys [ASCAB] get their jobs done." Reeve moved to put the proposed ordinance on its first reading, where vote to approve was 10-0, followed by second and third readings approved by the same margin.

County Judge Sam Barr told the court he had received a letter from Mercy Ambulance stating they were ending ambulance runs March 30. Barr said he wished the situation were different, but thanked them for their all they have done.

## Hope for new hospital evaporating

NICKY BOYETTE

Chair Michael Merry said at the Feb. 15 meeting that hospital commissioners had been waiting to hear word of movement from Allegiance, the company that leases operation of Eureka Springs Hospital (ESH), about construction of a new hospital, but since no word has come, "we've put that possibility on the shelf."

Rock Bordelon, CEO of Allegiance, had said Allegiance would build a new facility in Eureka Springs when he first contracted to run ESH in 2007. He reiterated at the April 2013 commission meeting he was ready to begin the process once some agreements were reached.

Eureka Springs city council subsequently worked with an underwriter to be in position to finance extending the

city sewer to a proposed site for the new hospital on the western edge of town if Allegiance were ever ready to build. That moment has not arrived.

In other business, Vicki Andert, director of nursing at ESH, told commissioners their clinic in the Eastgate Center on US 62 has continued to attract patients, and Dr. Christopher Baranyk is establishing a rapport with other doctors in town, so that they are referring patients to each other.

Catherine Pappas, community liaison for ESH, said the next Lunch and Learn would be May 12, with details forthcoming.

Next meeting will be March 21, at 1 p.m., at ECHO Clinic, and commissioners voted Monday to shift to quarterly meetings after the March 21 meeting.

## Neighbors seek cleanup help

NICKY BOYETTE


During Public Comments at the Feb. 15 Quorum Court meeting, Anna Strickers said a property near hers on Greenwood Hollow Road has been unsightly, unsanitary and hazardous for a long time, and urged JPs to act.

"Trash and rubbish is piled up and stray dogs forage there," she said, adding that she and others offered to help the owner clean up but were rebuffed. She said appealed to the Health Department but got no relief, and claimed there are five occupied trailers on the property, though there are doors missing, and questioned whether there was water or sewer service to the property, which is outside the city limits of Eureka Springs. Strickers said the owner even posted a sign calling the property Sassafras Campground, and insisted her property has been devalued.

Sheila Spencer said she lives even closer to the befouled neighborhood than Strickers, and must drive by it every day. She claimed it is where homeless people in Eureka Springs often end up, and drug use there is a concern for neighbors since the property is less than a quarter-mile from the elementary school. She thanked Sheriff Mayfield for a recent arrest there.

"It's disgusting," she declared.

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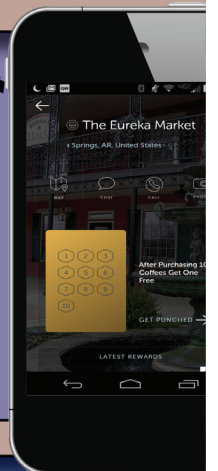
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# INDEPENDENTNews

## Planning tackles food trucks

NICKY BOYETTE

Steve Beacham conducted his first meeting as chair of the Eureka Springs Planning Commission Tuesday, Feb. 9, where the primary order of business was figuring out what commissioners were supposed to do about food truck vendors wanting to expand legal status for operating in the city.

Beacham noted properly defining a food truck would be part of the task. Commissioner Pat Lujan commented most of the food truck vendors in Fayetteville drop a trailer at a site to conduct business, so trailers of food vendors would be part of the discussion. He contended city council wanted Planning first to research City Code to determine which zones would allow food trucks. Then Planning could suggest other particulars, such as whether to restrict proximity of food trucks to existing brick-and-mortar restaurants, and establish hours of operation.

Commissioner Ed Leswig said they should start with the C-1 and C-2 zones, and they could suggest to city council that food trucks not be allowed in the heart

of downtown from 7 a.m. – 9 p.m., but could be allowed in other areas during times not permitted downtown. He and other commissioners agreed to consider a restriction such as the 200-ft. rule, which prohibits issuance of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for a business within 200 ft. of a business with a similar CUP.

Lujan maintained their task was to send a complete package of guidelines to city council – in other words, create a draft ordinance for aldermen. He said he would survey North Main to see if food trucks could fit, and commissioner

Woodie Acord committed to checking out areas along US 62.

Commissioner Melissa Greene cautioned the others to be careful about including public property, and maintained there might be conflicts in City Code regarding definitions of permitted uses as they relate to food trucks; therefore, definitions might need clarification.

Beacham promised he would take the points they had mentioned to council, send a summary, “and we’ll start looking.”

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



## 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.

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# Mayor's task force reaching out to pull in

NICKY BOYETTE

The Mayor's Task Force on Economic Development met Feb. 10 to continue the effort to find ways to energize and diversify the local economy. Chair Sandy Martin announced she, Dan Hebert and Mayor Butch Berry had gone on a field trip to Fayetteville to see the business incubator operated by the Technology Development Foundation of the University of Arkansas. She said that two business ideas hatched at the incubator had been bought by international companies.

Martin explained the business development park, called an incubator, is a place where entrepreneurs bring their ideas and the university facilitates getting financing and development so the ideas can proceed to the production phase. Hebert mentioned the incubator has spun off businesses to cities along the I-49 corridor.

Philip Stafford, a Green Forest native familiar with the economic environment in Carroll County, is head of the incubator program. Stafford had said at this point Eureka Springs is better suited to grow local

businesses than recruit new ones because of lack of incentives and the question of an available workforce for certain kinds of businesses. He approved of the task force goal of addressing workforce development because an available worker pool would be attractive to entrepreneurs.

Stafford agreed to remain connected with the Task Force as it moves forward.

## A minute to sell it

As another way to attract business developers to the area, Martin introduced the concept of staging a G60 event, an opportunity for entrepreneurs to pitch ideas in 60 seconds before a panel of judges. The concept is the person with the idea presents the startup plan with no slide show or accompanying materials, and the two best presenters would get a prize of maybe \$1000 to help start their project.

G60 literature says the concept has spread throughout North America in the past five years, and because of the experience, aspiring entrepreneurs have gone on to build successful ventures. Martin said she has worked with Berry and others to narrow

down the date of Tuesday, May 24, at 6 p.m., for a G60 event in Eureka Springs.

The group discussed the most appropriate location in town for the G60. Martin was told a G60 in Arkadelphia attracted as many as 25 participants plus an audience of one hundred or so. After discussing possible sites in town, Kent Butler, marketing director of the Great Passion Play (GPP), commented the Auditorium would be a memorable site for the presenters even though it might be larger than the ideal venue.

Martin said subsequent G60s could include mentoring aspects, and Tammy Thurow, director of the Chamber of Commerce, said there is grant money available to create an entrepreneur academy through the National Chamber of Commerce. She stated this program would be a good complement to an incubator program.

Hebert observed the academy mentioned by Thurow, or a similar guidance, would be important because often entrepreneurs know their specialties very well, but not how to run a business.

Butler also pointed out the GPP is losing valuable employees because they leave town to get better-paying jobs, and Berry added locals who get laid off during the off-season often leave, and have "a huge impact on the town." He said the idea of inviting budding business developers to town, some of whom might decide to stay, could reverse the trend.

Hebert asked, "So how do we get word out about the G60?"

Martin replied the first thing would be to email local businesses so locals know about it. Also the City Advertising and Promotion Commission has a database that would be useful, and the task force should spread the word at nearby universities. "Pull out all the stops," she said.

Thurow added the resources of the Chamber to the outreach effort. She said she was pleased to see the city going in a direction that would attract millennials.

Martin followed that the same marketing package the city uses to draw in tourists — charming town, outdoor opportunities, easy-

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## Flanagin says efficiency and alternative punishments are vital

BECKY GILLETTE

Chris Flanagin says that he would like to be elected to the new District Court Judge position covering Carroll and Madison counties because he knows the court system and would deliver fair and impartial judgment.

"I think one of the most important qualifications for this position is knowing and understanding the people you serve. I believe my years here serving the people provide ample experience for that," Flanagin said last week. "All but three months of my legal career have been here at home serving the people of Carroll and Madison counties. I have been prosecutor, defense attorney, and special district judge. I know the people of this district. I understand the people of this district and have spent my time here trying to help people.

"I feel that if someone has to go before a court, the person deserves a judge who will be fair, strive to do justice, and have a background to rely on in order to make the best decision possible. I feel



CHRIS FLANAGIN

as judge I will be able to continue to serve the people of Carroll and Madison counties with understanding by making informed, well thought out decisions."

Flanagin said his work as both prosecutor and defense attorney has

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given him a lot of experience in different types of cases. He has practiced before the Court of Appeals and Supreme Court of Arkansas, and has served as special district judge when needed by local judges. He was also attorney for the City of Berryville, and has been president of the Carroll/Madison Bar Association for six years. He also does *pro bono* work to help no- or low-income families with legal needs.

Flanagin said his goal is to see the court run efficiently. If elected, he would vigorously collect fines and costs from those who can pay, and have a community service program for those who cannot.

"The winter is a slow time for business in this area and people need an alternative way to pay their debt to society," he said. "Simply arresting people for non-payment of fines without first a showing of the ability to pay could subject the counties to litigation; therefore, people who owe fines would continue to report to court until the case is resolved.

"I believe incarceration is most appropriate for those who hurt other people, endanger families and children, and steal property. Otherwise, I believe in alternative punishment methods such as house arrest, community service, and fines, which would allow persons to not lose their jobs, but pay their debt to society.

"I want to do everything possible to make sure those arrested for violent, sex, or property crimes don't simply bond out to commit more of the same. I believe this can be helped by ankle monitors, in-house breathalyzers and drug testing, should the accused make bond.

"I believe the use of drugs and alcohol is a major cause of these types of crimes, especially domestic violence, and if the person does bond out, additional conditions can be required at the expense of the accused. Ankle monitors can especially be utilized to prevent one accused of

domestic violence from returning to where the victim may live or work. Although this court will not hear felony cases, this court will be setting bonds, and conditions of bond, on felony cases."

Flanagin grew up in Forrest City, and graduated from Forrest City High School in 1996. He graduated from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville in 1998, and entered law school when he was 20, in 1999. He was licensed to practice law in 2002.

"I worked as deputy prosecuting attorney in the 3<sup>rd</sup> District [Newport] until becoming deputy prosecuting attorney for the 19<sup>th</sup> East District in January 2003, covering Carroll County," Flanagin said. "I left the prosecutor's office in February 2006 to join Thurman & Bishop, which is now Thurman & Flanagin."

In addition to campaigning in Carroll County, Flanagin said he has been to every corner of Madison County while on the campaign trail.

Election Day is March 1.

## New full-time District County Judge replaces three part-time judges

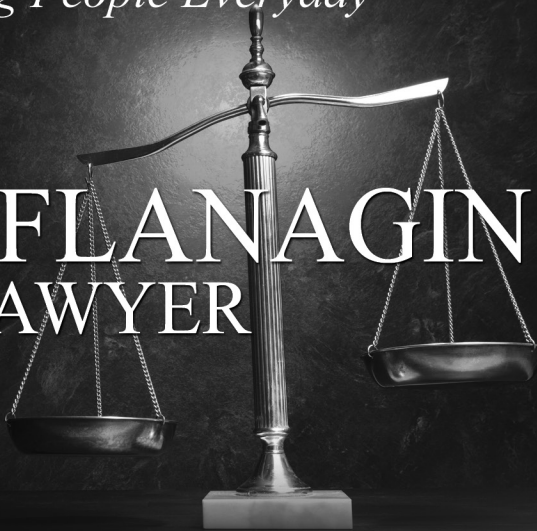
Early voting starts Feb. 16 for the national presidential primary March 1 that will also include an election for a new full-time Third District Court Judge position that will cover Carroll and Madison counties, and rule on misdemeanor crimes and small claims and civil cases under \$25,000. The two candidates for the non-partisan position are Chris Flanagin of Carroll County and Dale Ramsey of Madison County.

There are currently three part-time District Court Judges in what is to become the Third District Court, Tim Parker, Greg Thurman and Dale Ramsey. The three part-time judge positions are being combined into one full-time position.

The four District Courts in Carroll and Madison counties are located in

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# Ramsey champions community service

BECKY GILLETTE

Dale Ramsey says one reason he would like to be the new District Court Judge for Carroll and Madison counties is to address the problem this state has with prison overcrowding.

"Arkansas has a real crisis when it comes to housing violent and nonviolent criminals who have been found guilty," Ramsey said. "Our jails and prisons are overcrowded, and that means our justice system is having to do more with less money."

Ramsey said it is important to keep violent criminals where they belong, instead of cycling through a prison revolving door due to lack of bed space. But he also advocates working hard to give nonviolent offenders other options at repaying their debt to society.

"One proven way is to have a program for community service," Ramsey said. "As judge I would work closely with local cities, counties, churches, and not-for-profit organizations who need free labor. A district judge can require



DALE RAMSEY

community service instead of having the same nonviolent offender sit in jail, costing the taxpayers money."

Another advantage, Ramsey said, is the value in allowing nonviolent offenders to keep jobs that would otherwise

*"Everyone deserves fair and even-handed treatment in American courts."*

have been lost due to incarceration. "Community service is a proven win-win for our society," he said.

Ramsey mentioned he has been a tireless campaigner.

"I believe the most important part of my campaign has been to meet voters, on their terms and on their doorsteps," he said. "I have spent many weekday afternoons, and most Saturdays over the past six months, visiting over three thousand voters' homes. I have done this to not only introduce myself, but more important, to listen to the voters – to hear their comments and concerns about our judges, our courts, and our criminal justice system. I will never forget what I have heard and learned. In fact, I have already made some changes in our court as a result of those front porch and living

room conversations. I wish I had had the time to visit the door of every voter in both counties, as this has been the part of my campaign I have enjoyed the most."

Ramsey has practiced law in Washington D.C, Kansas City, and Northwest Arkansas. He has heard thousands of cases serving as the Madison County District Judge for the past three years, and has presided over many cases in the District Courts in Berryville, Green Forest and Eureka Springs.

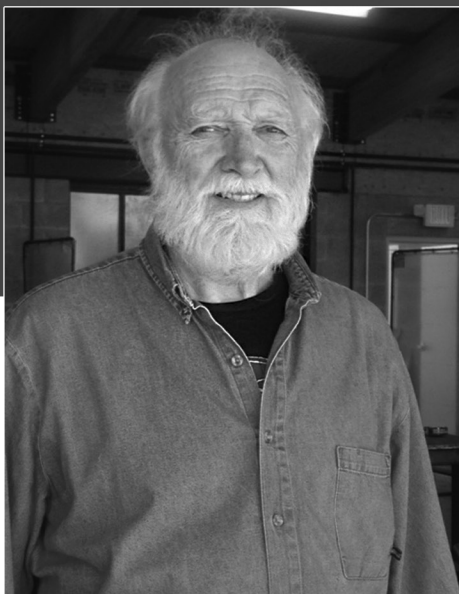
He grew up in Fayetteville and received bachelor's, master's, and law degrees from the University of Arkansas. He and his wife moved away after law school and returned to Northwest Arkansas seven years ago, after their children were grown.

Ramsey's wife of 36 years, Therese, said her husband knows how to work hard.

"When he is serving as judge, he is always mindful that people deserve to be treated fairly and with respect," she said.

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*Clear Spring Fling Auction, March 12* at Castle Rogue's Manor in Beaver, Arkansas is the premier art event of the season. Services and travel packages are available and renowned artists' one-of-a-kind works are featured in the enviable setting, benefitting **Clear Spring School**. One such artist is **Dan Morris**.



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donation of a granulated silver piece for Clear Spring Fling Auction celebrates all of his learning. While teaching art Morris "learned to appreciate methods that promote lifelong learning... lifetime learning is the key." Currently a Resident Artist at ESSA, Morris also teaches watercolor painting and attends a writers' group. Look for amazing pieces of art from Dan Morris and other talented and generous friends of Clear Spring School at the Clear Spring Fling Auction. This will be a great event held at beautiful Castle Rogue's Manor on March 12 showcasing wonderful talent and fun, fun, fun.

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## Shades of gray

Editor,

The fuss regarding Madeleine Albright's saying there is a special place in hell for women who don't support women, misses.

Do human behaviors have anything to do with subconscious thoughts linked to procreation? Do some men still get in bar fights? Are women subliminally in competition for the "best" male? Does that notion affect how she behaves?

I was 20 in 1968 attending University. Highly independent and excited at the notion of a cultural revolution and having some power for the first time in my life, I vehemently protested when Nixon moved into Cambodia during the Vietnam War. Yet, my heterosexual procreative hormones drove me decidedly to seek out the "fittest" young men and kiss them.

Gloria Steinem was correct. I am different than I was at 20 – able to see gray areas where they were once only black and white – more knowledgeable about why humans act the way they do.

Many younger females are more self-assured today, as our culture has moved forward. However, an about face revolution has not taken place. Have you looked at the makeup of those running for president when more than half the U.S. population are women? Do you really believe that the playing field between women and men in society today is even?

At 66, I don't know who I favor – Hillary or Bernie. But I do know that unfortunately, Bernie will not achieve free college for all. Sorry, 20 year-old self.

**Julie Freeman**

## Re-establishing postal banking

Editor,

In 2006, the US Congress, under the influence of corporate delivery services and billionaire money, passed the Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act, which was meant to destroy the Post Office. PEA required the PO to pay forward its retirement benefits for the next 75 years, which no other public or private enterprise has ever been required to do. Now, of course, the PO is heavily in debt, services cut and prices increased. Had the PAEA not been installed, in 2007 the PO would have had a \$1.5 billion surplus.

The good news is we can revive the once powerful PO

and at the same time help with our problem of private financial dominance of the economy by restoring postal banking. Since every town has its post office(s), little new infrastructure would be needed. With minimum start-up costs, many new jobs (a teller in every office) and a powerful stabilizing influence on the banking community (no gambling with PO funds), positive changes will come. And the two percent interest they paid would seem pretty good right now.

This is no pie-in-the-sky fantasy. For 50 years, until 1965, PO banking served working Americans. Many other countries have postal banking now. New Zealand, a country that knows how to take care of their citizens, instituted Postal Banking in 2002. Also, the Japanese Postal Bank, which is the world's largest publicly owned bank, holds most of its public debt. In this way, middlemen are eliminated and all generated funds stay public, drastically lowering overhead.

As well as the need to downsize the hugely destructive too-big-to-fail corporate banks, re-establishing Postal Banking is one of Bernie Sanders's basic platform items.

**Rand Cullen**

## Money in politics

Editor,

You all know I'm a Bernie fan, so I had to check in on the Wisconsin Democratic debate on Thursday Feb. 11, just to hear what Clinton had to say after her trouncing in New Hampshire by Sanders.

Well, I wasn't surprised to hear her in her expedient mode, again. I believe she will say anything to get the backing from any faction. She is also backed by PAC money, therefore, if she gets the nomination and wins the presidency, she will be owned by her money buddies. There go all her promises she has made to the voters.

If you are aware of any body language, then you know why Clinton can't be trusted. Every time Clinton rubbed her nose or scratched it, she was lying. Clinton spent a lot of attention to her sniffer during the debate. That's enough on Clinton.

However, if you really want to know about "The Donald," read August 31, 2015's issue of *Time* magazine. *Time* compares Trump to Madoff as another Ponzi crook while running Trump University. Check it out at the library.

**Enid B. Swartz**



## WEEK'S Top Tweets

**@kumailn:** Growing up is watching your parents morph from superheroes to ordinary people just trying to figure stuff out.

**@3MO75:** I'm your son's teacher and I'm calling to tell you that he may be a compulsive liar. "And a damn good one. I don't have any sons."

**@sarcasticsapien:** Republicans & Democrats are like divorced parents who care more about getting the kids to hate the other one than they do about their well being.

**@housewifeofhell:** He got me some fancy, romantic wine for Valentine's Day. It's the good stuff, with real French words printed on the box.

**@lianamaeby:** Parties: for those times you're just dying to

clean up twice in twelve hours.

**@samgrittner:** Dudes don't like it when you ask if their salmon-colored pants are wild or farm-raised.

**@theyearoffelan:** Ordering decaf coffee is like ordering a picture of food.

**@satanstongue:** Just saw a snail driving a car with a big S on it. It was amazing to see that escargot.

**@jennyjohnsonHi5:** People with private Twitter accounts should know that withholding their tweets is like not letting us talk to their toddler on the phone.

**@jimgaffigan:** There is little difference between how a horse eats hay and the way children consume spaghetti.

**@scullymike:** There's seldom a fun word that follows "early onset."



## Thumping the Can

**M**any women have successful careers in hardship and poverty, and it seems the way to be even more successful is for them to run for public office. That way they can have a heavy slap of disrespect to top it all off.

Back in the last century, 1999, I covered Holiday Island meetings for our newspaper, the *Lovely County Citizen*. One morning commissioners were blushing proudly about buying a new fire truck. They had pictures, records, mileage, debt retirement figures and new upholstery invoices for anyone who questioned the expenditure.

After the meeting, a retired fire chief from Chicago joined me outside in the wind to watch Table Rock Lake deposit arrowheads on the shore. Hillary Clinton had just been nationally skewered for something; maybe it was for standing by her man in the face of everybody else's opinion of what she should do. Isn't it interesting that we have solutions for how others should live? Putting fluoride in the water is our business, but having an opinion of others' personal choices is our preference.

We started talking.

The fire chief said he grew up in Park Ridge, Illinois, in a neighborhood full of kids who played outside every summer night. "Kick the Can was our favorite game. You can play with as few as three or as many as the whole neighborhood," he remembered. "But oh that Hillary Rodham. She lived on our block and we had to beg her to play. She'd finally agree, and we'd rock paper scissors for who was It, then everybody scrambled to hide in the bushes or up a tree. The game would last until our parents whistled for us to get home.

"We'd all go back to pick up the can and say goodnight, but where was Hillary? We'd call for her and look in all the usual hiding places and eventually find her sitting under a streetlight reading a book. She had no idea the game had ended, or even happened, but was willing to 'play' when we needed more people."

He laughed. "She was smarter than any of us, not anti-social, just not interested in being part of the gang. She was more intrigued by learning something than she was in racing to kick a can down the street."

The chief didn't just know Hillary, he admired her, even then.

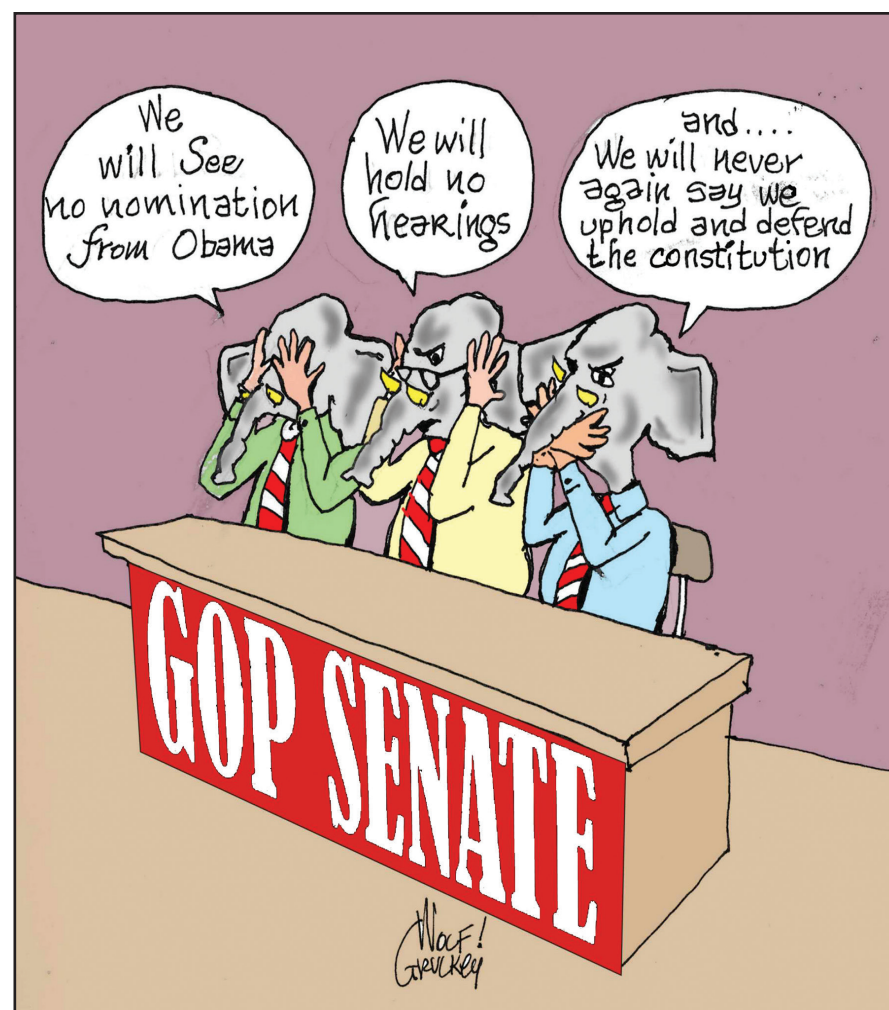
Honestly, we are as happy as a tree full of frogs that the days of Richard Daley and Richard Nixon have been hauled to the dumpster, but we are fully aware that this election pre-wash cycle is filled with those who repeat, "Kill, kill, kill in order to be safe, safe, safe." Those are called Republicans. Now, we do believe there are Republicans who are an asset to our country, gosh, we're even related to some. But for heaven's sake, these Republican candidates all seem to be treading water a bit far from the boat expecting us to save them.

Which brings us to Hillary and Bernie. Both smart. Both devoted. Both open minded and able to think before they speak. Both have our and our country's best interests at heart. We know more about Hillary, a lot more, because with her life of public service came the tabloid of her private life. We don't know much about Bernie, including his wife's name, but we know he's a powerful speaker and obviously a man committed to lightening burdens we find weighty.

So why do we have to choose sides? We need both of them. Difference is as much a strength as solidarity is, and frequently the way we listen is more eloquent than speaking or writing. But it seems to us that in order for this country to be a land where decisions are made not for next week, but for the next seven generations, we should figure out a way to get that girl out from under the streetlight to intensify what she has already done for women, children, Africa, immigrants, mental health, the disabled, LGBTs, Myanmar, raising the minimum wage and combating climate change.

We hope she is sentenced to the presidency because all of us deserve even better lives, whether in Eureka Springs where we need clean drinking water or in Guatemala where they need it, too.

Mary Pat Boian



## The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

### A word of advice for Hillary Clinton supporters:

**I**'m inclined to agree that 74 year-old Bernie Sanders's candidacy is quixotic and, while charming as a nursery rhyme is charming, he isn't the Democrats' best bet to win in November. Mrs. Clinton is the better bet. But can we ask that she, and you, stop whining?

Let's begin by agreeing that primary and caucus campaigns are competitive processes and not coronations. The act of supporting someone other than Clinton during these campaigns is not a betrayal of democracy, it is not employment as a dupe or pawn of the Republican Party, and it is not class or gender treason. It is the exercise of a free people; they are not trolling, they are voting.

Women who vote for Sanders are not going to hell. Contrary to Gloria Steinem, young women who vote for Sanders are not characters in the Connie Francis standard, *Where the Boys Are*. Let's agree on that, shall we?

A vast right wing conspiracy surely exists. Does it exist solely for the purpose of be-deviling the ethically adventurous Clintons? Nope. Remember when Ed Muskie was addicted to ibogaine, and his wife Jane had a skanky mouth? Then there was Michael Dukakis: he was mentally ill, and his wife was an alcoholic. Jimmy Carter had an awful beer-guzzling brother, and a sister who handled snakes for the Holy Ghost. And Barack Obama is a Kenyan, a Muslim and... OMG... a black guy. It comes with the territory, folks: you gotta suffer if you wanna sing the blues, okay?

It would also help if Clinton demonstrated a vaguely recognizable congruence between word and deed, and hadn't helped pitch the country into the mire of a never-ending war. Instead of whimpering for respect for a history that never was, perhaps she could claim to have been born again? Once she was lost, but now she is found?

That aside, constant and ubiquitous whining may confuse people into thinking that Clinton is a secret Republican, afraid of everything, and a bit schitzy to boot. She should cheer up. The mule she bought and rides in on will certainly hand her the nomination.



## 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](http://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](mailto:lardellen@gmail.com).
- **Alateen** – Sundays, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m. Email [alateen1st@gmx.com](mailto: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](http://www.nwarkaa.org)

## Celebrate Jesus Parade and Concert planning

The Western Carroll County ministerial Association invites all to join in the annual celebration of Jesus on March 25 with music in Basin Park from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Saturday, March 26. Music will play from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. followed by the parade with music resuming after the parade until 5 p.m.

Christian musicians and choirs are being sought for the concert and floats, banners and walking groups that edify the Lord for the parade are welcome.

Every Wednesday all are welcome, from noon – 1 p.m. in the lower level of the First Baptist Church, 100 Spring St., to join in prayer for the city, county and nation. From 1:15 – 2 p.m. there will be prayer and planning for the parade and concert. A representative from each church and Christian organization that is taking part in the event is requested so all will be informed of the activities.

For more information call Dale or Laura at (479) 253-8925.

## INDEPENDENT Constables On Patrol

### FEBRUARY 8

1:22 p.m. – Traffic stop resulted in arrest of the driver for driving on a suspended license.

3:39 p.m. – A couple engaged in a heated argument knocked over a mailbox as they drove out of a parking lot on US 62. Constables searched for but never encountered their vehicle.

10:35 p.m. – In the western part of town, a vehicle was parked blocking traffic on a roadway. Constables were unable to contact the owner, so the vehicle was towed.

### FEBRUARY 9

12:17 a.m. – Alarm at a gas station was triggered and constables responded. They found no disturbances and the building was secure.

8:33 a.m. – Alarm at a restaurant was accidentally set off by an employee.

8:48 a.m. – Request came in for a welfare check on a female residing near downtown. Constable found her upset but okay and she did not want any help.

10 a.m. – A juvenile was wandering along a road on the eastern side of town. Department of Human Services was notified, and the child was released to his grandmother.

7:59 p.m. – Constable took a report of theft at a business.

11:20 p.m. – Motel manager told ESPD a very inebriated male asked for a room but was asked to leave the premises. The individual walked away toward the rear of the motel. Constables found him there and determined he actually had a room at the motel but had forgotten which one.

### FEBRUARY 10

2:58 p.m. – Constable responded to a report of a vehicle stolen along US 62 in the commercial area.

### FEBRUARY 11

1:33 a.m. – Constables escorted a vehicle headed to ESH.

4:21 a.m. – Central dispatch transferred a call from a resident near downtown who claimed she heard someone in her house and her balcony door was open. Constables searched the house and the vicinity but found nothing awry.

11:07 p.m. – Clerk at a gas station reported a boisterous female was screaming and banging on the door because she could not get gas. She drove away with her trunk lid up, but constables did not encounter her vehicle.

### FEBRUARY 12

9 a.m. – Businessperson and another individual had an altercation, and the individual was asked not to return to the property. The businessperson asked for a constable, who spoke with both parties.

7:48 p.m. – Constable filed a report on an accident.

### FEBRUARY 13

11:10 a.m. – Concerned passerby reported a dog had been hit by a vehicle on US 62 in the eastern part of town. Constable who responded did not see the animal.

1:06 p.m. – A truck on North Main was in jeopardy of landing in the creek. A constable assisted while the tow truck removed the vehicle from difficulty.

1:49 p.m. – Observer claimed a male carrying a trash bag was suspiciously walking back and forth between one motel and the one next door. Responding constable searched the area, even sat and kept watch, but never came across the individual.

5:36 p.m. – Constable filed a report on a stolen dog.

8:34 p.m. – A vehicle was parked in a loading zone downtown. Constable noted the time, and when he returned, the vehicle was gone.

### FEBRUARY 14

1 p.m. – There was a two-vehicle bump-up in a parking lot.

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going lifestyle – could also be used to pull in millennials who have business ideas. Also, collecting a fund for the G60 prize money would be an opportunity for local banks to participate in the efforts of the task force.

She said she would begin canvassing local banks to try to get the prize money for the event.

### Other items

• Woodie Acord said he had spoken with several local residents who work from home to see what brought them here. Included among his interviewees were a professional screenwriter and a software engineer for a large computer company. He learned some of them came here for vacations or following a love interest, and they liked

the town so much they never left. He pointed out these individuals could afford to buy homes here, and the city could use their testimonials to attract others who want an easier lifestyle. None of them reported problems with lack of sufficient bandwidth.

• Butler said a group from the CAPC, the Chamber and the GPP have been attending travel conferences to attract potential tourists to town, and have collaborated to improve the dissemination of leads of potential customers to businesses which can use them. He said the goal of their effort is "to put useful information in one spot to create a better customer experience."

Next meeting will be Wednesday, March 9, at 10 a.m., at the Auditorium.



# Where have all the flowers gone?

## *Feral hogs on the loose*

NICKY BOYETTE

Doug Stowe, who resides in the northern part of Eureka Springs, recently walked out his front door early one morning to find the flowerbed against the front of the house upturned. Across the pathway, another flowerbed looked like it had been rototilled. “All our gardens in the front were completely destroyed,” he said.

Feral pigs were the culprits. “This is a different level from armadillos and deer,” Jean Elderwind, Stowe’s wife, commented. “It’s opened our eyes.” She said she had worked for a decade developing a perennial flowerbed with deer-resistant plants, and overnight it was turned upside down.

“It’s devastating,” she lamented.

Arkansas Game & Fish claims Arkansas has one of the largest feral pig populations in the country. They have been spotted in all 75 counties in Arkansas. According to Jaret Rushing, a University of Arkansas extension agent in Calhoun County, the largest concentrations have traditionally been found in the southern part of the state, but wild hogs are smart and adaptable and can figure out how to survive in almost any environment, so their territory is expanding. An AG&F site states wild hogs “compete for food resources, destroy habitat by rooting and wallowing, and will eat ground-nesting birds, eggs, fawns and young domestic stock. They also carry up to 45 bacteria, diseases and parasites.”

The Mississippi State University (MSU) website contends we can blame Spanish explorer Hernando DeSoto for our wild hog dilemma. They are not native to our continent. Domestic stock, as well as European wild boars, were introduced into the southeast beginning in the 16th century. Some animals escaped into the woods but others were released to fend for themselves, and later hunted by farmers.

Folks learned it was simpler to hunt them in the woods than maintain them at the homestead. Hampton, the county seat for Calhoun County, holds an annual Hogskin Days festival in spring to celebrate the history of farmers releasing domesticated pigs into the bottomlands and letting them fatten themselves on acorns, insects, insect larvae, bird eggs



Feral hogs can tear up a garden faster than armadillos ever thought of.

PHOTO BY NICKY BOYETTE

and young animals until it was time for a ham dinner.

A source quoted in extension service literature claimed, “Wild hogs are perhaps the most prolific large animal on earth.” Lifespan is up to eight years in the wild, and a wild sow can bear two litters of six to ten piglets annually. The average for a young feral sow to begin bearing is about 13 months, so the geometric progression of a wild hog population expansion can be staggering to contemplate.

“At least 66 percent of a hog population must be removed each year just to prevent it from growing,” according to AG&F literature, and management on this kind of a scale is a challenge. Trapping is a more effective means for controlling the population than hunting. In fact, AG&F claims, “Sport hunting of feral hogs has been more of a hindrance to hog removal than a benefit.” Shooting one or two only disperses the others and makes it difficult to round up the rest of the sounder, or family group.

Stowe said he and Elderwind have seen as many as four or five pigs at a time on the road leading to their home but never saw evidence near their house until the fateful overnight invasion. Elderwind said a friend on Pivot Rock Road has seen 20 pigs at a time, and another friend saw eight on his front porch.

Bill Featherstone, chair of the Eureka Springs Parks Commission, said there has been evidence of feral hog traffic at Lake Leatherwood City Park (LLCP) in the past, but the situation became more significant in 2014. Parks engaged two hunters from Washington and Benton Counties to trap and dispose of the hogs.

There are different trapping strategies for catching feral hogs, but one kind is a corral trap, a circular cage 20 ft. or so in diameter, suspended above ground on three or four poles. Corn, or other bait, is placed under the cage to lure the animals in, but since they are so intelligent, the process of acclimating them to the location might take two

months before the whole sounder comes to feed. This would mean eight more weeks of peripheral damage in the meantime. There would be a camera in place for remote monitoring and the cage can be dropped when enough of the sounder has arrived. Featherstone said the trap at LLCP caged 24 pigs in one fell swoop, which were then either processed or buried on the spot.

He said the trapping managed the problem for awhile, but remaining hogs scurried off and became someone else’s problem. They continued to reproduce and root through our Ozarks landscape, and Featherstone remarked there has been more evidence lately at LLCP “than at all other times combined... from one end of the park to the other. Large rocks were turned over like a cultivator went through.” He said the park will recover, but the issue is public safety. Bikers occasionally roll upon a group of them, and a pack of wild pigs is a scary encounter.

Olivia Foster from the Extension Office in Berryville said it is difficult to assess the Carroll County population because the animals roam so freely. She also mentioned it is illegal in Arkansas to transport trapped live feral hogs, although Extension publications indicate illicit relocation continues to contribute to the spread of the problem. State legislation allows property owners much latitude in controlling feral pig populations on their land. Feral pigs are considered a public nuisance, not wildlife, and there is no limit to how many a hunter or trapper can harvest. Hunting feral pigs at night is allowed and no license is required on private property.

AG&F maintains a feral hog captured in a trap should be killed immediately or properly ear-tagged and transported to a terminal facility. Only dead pigs can leave such a facility.

Arkansas law exempts the mascot of the University of Arkansas from state law regarding feral hogs.

Stowe said his recent experience “created a sense of urgency for us.” Elderwind commented feral hogs are not going away, and the situation will only get worse. Along with a photo of the furrow plowed through one of her flowerbeds, Elderwind posted on Facebook, “They’ll be walking down Spring Street soon.”



## 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](mailto:klucariello@gmail.com).

## GriefShare sessions starting

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## Exploring Sufism

All are welcome to join in an inquiry into Sufism on Feb. 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 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays.

## Meditate, read and discuss Feb. 18

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

## Metafizzies embrace spirituality

The Feb. 22 meeting of the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society will feature a group discussion on spiritual topics. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at the Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain St. All are welcome.

## Travel planners shown around town

The Eureka Springs Group Travel Committee brought in 25 group travel planners from around the country on Wednesday, Feb. 10 to experience our Eureka Springs. The tour offered travel planners to get a taste of Eureka Springs including Turpentine Creek, a backstage tour at The Great Passion Play, downtown, Thorncrown Chapel, and dinner in the Crystal Dining Room at The Crescent Hotel.

“The best way for planners to sell Eureka Springs to their group is to experience it themselves,” CAPC Sales Director Karen Pryor said.

More planners will be in Eureka Springs in September. Anyone interest in learning more about the group travel industry is welcome to attend the Group Travel Committee’s next meeting Thursday, Feb 18 at 2 p.m. at Farm to Table Fresh, 179 N. Main.



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## Hosts needed for May’s Plein Air Festival

Plein air painters from around the country are signing up at Eureka Springs School of Art (ESSA) for a new event celebrating the art of painting outdoors during May Festival of the Arts.

Town is likely to be crowded and ESSA is looking for hosts who can offer a room to an out-of-town painter during the Eureka Springs Plein Air Festival from May 22 – 26, either as a donation or for a nominal overnight fee. Hosts will not have to provide meals or

transportation.

This is a great chance to meet an artist and join in May’s colorful atmosphere in a meaningful way. You will also be invited as a special guest to two ticketed receptions, the awards show and presentation at no cost.

If you can help, contact Maureen. [essa@gmail.com](mailto:essa@gmail.com) or phone (479) 253-5384. For complete information about the Plein Air Festival see [www.essa-art.org](http://www.essa-art.org).



## Run to help Rotary help others

The Eureka Springs Rotary Club will host the 34<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.eurekarotary.org). For information email [VictorianClassic@gmail.com](mailto:VictorianClassic@gmail.com) or call Patsy at (479) 981-3065.

## Get your easels set and paintbrushes ready

Registration is now open to the Eureka Springs Plein Air Festival, sponsored by Eureka Springs School of Art (ESSA) and Plein Air Painters of Eureka Springs (PAPES). Enjoy paint-outs at the city’s most iconic sites, both in and out of town, and workshops taught by Kelly along with Carl Petering, David Tripp and Wen Norton from May 22 – 26.

There will be cash prizes for “Pick of the Day” paintings during the festival and a feature in *Plein Air Magazine* for the “Best of Show” artist. There will also be two art show/receptions and the public will have a chance to purchase work at the final art show. Any participating artist may sign up for a display table.

Register for the entire festival, sign up for one day or choose any of 12 separately priced events. For a complete schedule and prices, or to register, see [www.essa-art.org](http://www.essa-art.org), phone (479) 253-5384 or email [Maureen.essa@gmail.com](mailto:Maureen.essa@gmail.com)



# Dry weather fuels concern for fires

BECKY GILLETTE

Many people are enjoying the abnormally warm winter temperatures and sunny days, but despite record-breaking rain in December, including one day when about ten inches fell, there has been so little rain in January and February that concerns are growing about the potential for major fires.

Carroll County is currently under a burn ban, but there have been brush fires due to people putting ashes out from woodstoves that start grass fires.

"In those cases, people were not aware their ashes could cause a fire – particularly when the wind picks up," Eureka Springs Fire Chief Randy Ates said. "We had a scare out in Hillspeak recently when a brush fire caused by fireplace ashes pushed up to a wooden house. In any circumstances, be careful about your outdoor burning. Fires can start in the strangest places, for example, leaf debris under the decks, things that blow up around edge of house and shed. Those are prime spots for embers from an outdoor burn to start a fire."

Ates said there are concerns that without some measurable precipitation in the near future, there could be a very bad fire season between March 15 and April 15 –before grass turns green and trees bud out. Right now the saving grace is there is dew in the morning and frost at night, so there is some moisture.

Arkansas Forestry Commission County Ranger Bo Bohannon said the small amount of rain this past Sunday

was little help, especially with temperatures forecast this week to be in the high 60s to low 70s.

"It takes at least one inch of rain to influence fire behavior," Bohannon said. "And we haven't had a good inch of rain in at least a month or so. Factor in high winds and unusually high temperatures and you end up with unusually low humidity. Humidity is down to 20 to 30 percent, which is an odd factor. The 65 to 70 degree weather in January and February is not a normal weather pattern for us. Wind is also a factor."

Northwest Arkansas isn't alone in the fire danger situation. Texas and Oklahoma are also in droughts and experiencing a lot of fires.

Bohannon said the fire season here starts in November and ends May 1. When there isn't enough snow to pack down the leaf "fluff," fires get a lot of oxygen and can grow hot and spread rapidly.

"Small grasses can burn about any time," he said. "Most of the fires being run on now are grass fires. Normally by now we have had a good heavy snow that packs down that fluff. A few heavy snows packs it down good."

Although there is a burn ban on, some people burn brush piles. Bohannon said it is a good idea to call the local fire department and the Arkansas Forestry Commission at (800) 830-8015 to notify them. Otherwise, it is possible they will waste time responding to a fire unnecessarily.

"We fly all over Arkansas looking for smoke,"

Bohannon said. "Those guys in the planes are looking for fires. Letting us know when you are burning saves personnel from going to a fire that is under control."

The Arkansas Forestry Commission recommends a minimum 30-ft. defense base around a home where there is no vegetation that can catch fire. Trees should be trimmed and leaves raked away from the house. Don't store firewood near the house.

When conditions are favorable for a controlled burn, Bohannon recommends burning later in the evening because humidity is going up and temperatures are going down around dark. A mistake sometimes made is starting a fire in the morning when it is calm. But then the wind picks up and can scatter embers. With a big fire, ashes can smolder for surprisingly long periods of time.

"Fire runs uphill, so people on ridges are in one of the more dangerous places," Bohannon said. "We still have ice storm debris down in the forests. There is plenty of fuel out there to burn."

Whenever burning, pay careful attention to weather and wind. Permits are needed from the Eureka Springs Fire Department for fires in Eureka Springs, but are not currently available due to the burn ban.

"When you have a fire start due to negligence, think about all the volunteer fire department people who come out who don't get paid," Bohannon said. "They do an excellent job."



Pictured (l.-r.) Joel Brown, ESHS Principal Kathryn Lavender (in absence of Naomi Floyd) and Lupita Perez-Lopez accepting their DAR Good Citizen Awards. PHOTO SUBMITTED

## DAR Good Citizen Awards bestowed on local students

Winners of the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizens Awards from the Abendschone Chapter of DAR were given out on Thursday, Feb.11 and prizes were handed out to winners Joel Brown of Berryville, Lupita Perez-Lopez

of Green Forest High School and Naomi Floyd of Eureka Springs High School.

The DAR Good Citizens program and Scholarship Contest is intended to encourage and reward the qualities of good citizenship.

## 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.

## Let them have music

The Carroll County Music Group is sponsoring the 5<sup>th</sup> *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.



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## INDEPENDENTNews

### 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.

### Certification for Northwest Arkansas Master Naturalists

Northwest Arkansas Master Naturalists will meet at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 21 at the Washington County Extension Office, 2536 N. McConnell Avenue in Fayetteville. Certification awards will be given to those who have completed their volunteer and training requirements. Special awards will also be presented at this meeting.

Spring classes are under way with a full class of Naturalists in training. Applications are being accepted for classes starting in February 2017. Those interested may join and participate in chapter activities prior to receiving training. For more information go to [wordpress.arkansasmasternaturalists.org](http://wordpress.arkansasmasternaturalists.org).

### Ladies of Faith begin again

Kirstin Cooper will speak at the Ladies of Faith meeting on Feb. 23 at 10 a.m. at the Gazebo Restaurant. Cost for brunch is \$10.50. All are welcome to come and hear Kirstin's testimony.

Ladies of Faith meetings will be once every other month with the next on April 26 at the same time and place. Contact Margo Pryor at (870) 423-9399 for more information.

### 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](http://KeepArkansasBeautiful.com), email [info@KeepArkansasBeautiful.com](mailto:info@KeepArkansasBeautiful.com) or call (888) 742-8701.

### 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](mailto:MercyBerryvilleAuxiliary@mail.com).



# EARLY DAYS at Eureka Springs<sup>©</sup> – by Nellie Alice Mills, 1949

*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

But after Mr. Putnam’s new store was built there was no more need of footlogs. This new store was a long building reaching from the edge of the branch almost to the foot of the low bluffs. The platform which covered the creek and bordered the street was wide enough to form sidewalks on both the south and north side of the store. The south walk connected with a long flight of steps that led up the hill; the north walk led back to the region of the Cold Spring. Steps led down to the ground near the spring.

The beauty of the Cold Spring was never appreciated, nor any effort made to improve it. An effort was made to tap the water at another place which resulted in the water escaping. The spring was ruined, without success in the endeavor.

We children played on the hillside above. Once, when the Rippetoes lived in the log house, we had a picnic play dinner under the trees just south of their home.

One of our best and nearest playgrounds was the Bendover Tree.

We always called it that. Early in its life the tree had been deformed, but it stood staunch and strong, the greater part of its trunk extending laterally down the hill. It was a little beyond and below Mr. Turley’s place. For a foot or two the trunk rose vertically. One quick step and an active child of eight or ten years could stand upon the slightly slanted trunk and easily walk along the gentle incline of the bole to where the brushy top grew up to meet the sun. At least six or eight of us could sit side by side upon its slanted trunk. We often crawled around the upright limbs that had grown since that early accident, to the one dwarfed horizontal limb that had no doubt survived despite the early disaster. The tree trunk was eight or ten inches in diameter; this extension was much smaller. We used to swing down from it by our hands, and drop to the ground, which was quite a drop, as the ground sloped down much more than the tree sloped up.

This tree was just above where the *Times* office used to be.

### *The Bendover Tree*

Oh, that dear old Bendover Tree!  
After long years it calls to me.  
As children we went there to play,  
On its bent trunk day after day.  
Long years had passed since some  
mischance

Had bent a sapling’s stem askance.  
But its deep roots were staunch and  
strong

And full of power life to prolong.  
Its wound had healed, its strength  
revived;

By efforts brave it had survived,  
Had raised new limbs to greet the sun,  
Its challenge for new life begun.  
It sent strong roots into the ground,  
Its stem grew thick and smooth and round;  
Through summer’s heat and winter’s cold  
It thrived and grew as years unrolled.

Not was the white man first to make  
Signposts to point the way to take.

The red man in the forest green  
Left guiding marks that might be seen.

Perhaps upon this injured tree  
Where children played so happily



An Indian scout had hewed the mark  
That left that deep scar in the bark  
A sapling bent to point the trail  
That friends who sought him should not  
fail.

To follow him along the way  
He marked for them that far off day  
The twig became a bent oak tree  
Where many children loved to be,  
To play in groups upon it there.  
In simple feats that all could share.



Clara M. Rorick



Justice Bogue with high school principal, Kathryn Lavender

**Rotary students applauded** – Clara M. Rorick and Justice Bogue were recognized as Rotary Students of the Month for November and December. Clara will be attending Arkansas Tech University in Russellville this fall and Justice will be studying at Missouri Southern State University in Joplin. **PHOTO SUBMITTED**

## 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 eureka.library.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 7<sup>th</sup> 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.



## Pisces Sun, Full Moon & Lantern Festival

**F**riday, the Sun enters Pisces, sign of the fishes, and symbol of “saving humanity.” Pisces is esoterically known as the “Light of the World.” Pisces light “ends forever the darkness (ignorance, cruelty, hopelessness, evil, etc.).

Pisces is known for its saviors, sacrifice, and sense of dying to the world. Saviors appear periodically on Earth, dying to their state of Paradise, sacrificing themselves to help in the struggles of

humanity. Their words, the keynote of Pisces, “**I leave the Father’s House in order to serve & save humanity.**” Christ was our last and present (Pisces/Aquarius) World Teacher & “Savior.” This is His season, the season of Lent. We stand with Him in the desert. Do you know a Pisces?

**Monday**, Feb. 22, Washington’s birthday, and mine, too. I celebrate my birthday by tithing and doing things that create a template of beauty & balance for

the rest of the year. Join me, everyone.

**Monday** is also full moon, the 3 degrees Pisces solar festival. It is also the Chinese Lantern (floating, fixed, held, hung, flying) Festival. Lanterns floating, fixed, held, hung, flying – in our homes, around windows and doors, in the trees, glow in the winter light, bright with blessings and full moon dreams for the new year. The Lantern Festival began during the Han Dynasty (25 – 220 AD).

Emperor Hanmingdi watched monks light lanterns in the temples greeting the Buddha on the first of the new year (spring). The emperor ordered all temples, households and palaces to light lanterns on that evening from then on. The lanterns symbolize the loosening of the past and welcoming of a new phase and a new year. The red of the lanterns symbolize prosperity, auspiciousness and good fortune.

**ARIES:** It’s good to enter into solitude and retreat for a while. This builds strength and confidence. Your ruler (planet influencing Aries), Mars, calls you to a place of shelter, refuge, sanctuary, an inner harbor, so you can reflect upon the past and make plans quietly for the coming times, festivals and seasons. This is a gift of time and contemplation. Attend church.

**TAURUS:** You find yourself constantly thinking about groups. It’s because they need your quiet, efficient, illuminating mind, practical direction and determined focus. Behind all your words and ideas are these realities; it’s time to salvage (restore) the world and much sacrifice must come from all of us. When you lead, everyone follows.

**GEMINI:** What talents and abilities do you want to be recognized for in helping to construct the new world? What gifts of self do you want to offer as part of the New Group of World Servers? A task of the NGWS is to radiate new ideas that become an ideal within humanity to create the new culture and civilization. What are your thoughts on these things? Actually, where are you?

**CANCER:** An interesting situation is occurring. You now have the freedom to choose one or more of many paths. Your life becomes filled with possibilities and potential. You will be impressed with complex information while simultaneously perceiving multiple realities. You have entered a new journey, a new path, a higher mind understanding, a brilliance.

**LEO:** You might find that religious themes form an important area of study. Altruism becomes your keynote and people begin to perceive you as philosophical, idealistic and visionary. You will have inspired insights that assist first yourself and then others. You imagine other lands, people’s cultures and worlds. It’s good to build a boat, eat fish, swim in warm waters.

**VIRGO:** At times you find yourself functioning in other worlds and feel compassion

for others growing daily. Be very aware of shared finances and resources and never feel deprivation. There is no deprivation. There is only goodness, everywhere. God is always good. Some obligations and responsibilities call. Serve like Mother Teresa.

**LIBRA:** Librans always yearn for “the other,” striving to harmonize intimates, friends, family, business colleagues and loved ones. Through others we step outside ourselves. Others invite us to grow and become more whole. It’s painful.

Relationships, especially family, hone our rough edges. This is the design embedded within relationships. What is your story?

**SCORPIO:** This is a time set aside to care for your health.

Know that you are the best there is. And now, do you have a long held dream and/or vision? Do not become disillusioned. This will affect your health. Do not overwork or allow any excessive worry. You will never fail. You are never lost. There is only the journey. Right now.

**SAGITTARIUS:** There are times you may struggle with disillusion and disappointment concerning relationships and professional endeavors. In the midst of these you find a surge of creativity and recognition in the world. Feeling your inner powers still to be expressed, you long to do something significant. You’re talented and lucky. Sometimes sacrifice plays a part. You need peace and seclusion in a big garden.

**CAPRICORN:** Communication is most important now. You look beneath the surface of words people are speaking to understand the complete picture. If we listen to communications through the question, “What needs are being expressed here?” the hidden psychological messages become clear. Seek solitude when creating, writing or doing imaginative work. You only confide in the very few.

**AQUARIUS:** You can be very generous now. However, you can also be dreamy and/or imaginative about your money. You have a sense of timing and intuition concerning when things should be done, with whom, when and where. These abilities will be more easily understood in coming months. You can tap into unusual resources. There is always the supply you need. Share generously.

**PISCES:** You’re not an everyday sort of person. You don’t have the energy of Aries or the steadfastness of Taurus, the business acumen of Capricorn or the relating skills of Libra. You’re in touch with other states of reality, different values based on spiritual motivations. Know that you always have the ability to be thankful and have gratitude. You need music, art, culture, and to plant your spring garden from seeds. Happy Birthday, Pisces.



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25. 1886 Steakhouse
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29. Thai House

## DISTRICT JUDGE continued from page 6

Berryville, Eureka Springs, Green Forest and Huntsville. These District Courts will not change, nor will their staffs change. The only change being made is that beginning Jan 2, 2017, a full-time judge will preside over the four courts instead of the current three part-time judges.

The type of cases heard include traffic violations, misdemeanors such as shoplifting and DWI, and civil cases and small claim cases. District Judges often handle other judicial matters, such as holding first appearances for prisoners in jail, and issuing arrest warrants and search warrants. Beginning in 2017, District Courts may hear certain Circuit Court cases including civil matters of less than \$25,000 (increased from \$5,000) and protective orders.

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"In his law practice, as with any small business, he believes that customer service is a top priority. He is a good communicator. When he works with older clients in his law firm, he stresses the peace of mind that comes from making important decisions today instead of placing the burden on their children. I am glad his clients trust his judgment."

Ramsey said Arkansas law requires that all judges serve as "non-partisan," meaning there are no Democrats and no Republicans on the judicial ballot. In the March 1 presidential primary, judicial candidates will be on all ballots.

"This is typical for many states in order to preserve the public's faith in the independence of our judges," he said. "Another reason this is the law is because judges are ethically bound not to speak publicly about matters that are likely to come before them. If a judge were to proclaim a position on a matter of social interest, some people believe that judge would have to recuse and refuse to hear the case. When a recusal happens, our judicial system slows down and people begin to lose faith in the outcome of a particular case."

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On Friday our friends, Handmade Moments, play bistro duo harmonies at the StoneHouse whilst their van is being tuned up. Then Richard Burnett from Fayetteville plays twice, a full rock performance with Mudhawk on Friday at the Cathouse and as a duo Saturday at the Rowdy Beaver Den.

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18

AUD – *Magic Men Live*, Live Dancing, 7 p.m.

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

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

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

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Mudhawk*, Rock, 8 p.m.

CHELSEA'S – *Luna Jamboree*, Moon Swing, 9 p.m.

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

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

LEGENDS SALOON – *DJ and Karaoke with Kara*, 8:30 p.m.

NEW DELHI – *Terri and the Executives*, Rock, 6 – 10 p.m.

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

STONE HOUSE – *Handmade Moments*, Jazz Duo, 7 p.m.

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20


CARIBE – *Bands for Bernie (Sanders)*

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

*I'm 37 and have been single for five years. Life's been busy so I'm just now becoming interested in dating. Unfortunately, I've found that I have no idea how to approach a man. Flirting is a foreign concept to me. Can I learn to flirt and does it even work?*

Yes, flirting is undeniably effective. If you know how to work it, that is. While it feels foreign to you try not to overthink it. Anxiety and flirting don't mix. Flirting requires some etiquette and includes a multitude of unwritten rules, most of which we are unaware of until we breach them. Such is life. Along all paths from novice to master our best lessons learned come from our own mistakes. Painful, but true. Be realistic on your journey into flirtation. Awkward moments and embarrassing blunders are bound to occur. Accept this then take the plunge.

It's a fact that flirting is more effective than beauty.

Attractive people are not actually approached more often. The most frequently approached individuals are those who portray confidence and signal their availability using the two fundamentals of flirting, eye contact and smiling. Smiling makes everyone more attractive, plus it's contagious. Don't get me wrong though, you cannot get by just upon a smile, girl. That's a love ballad not reality.

Attention to grooming and attire is important. For example, research has consistently shown that wearing red is a slam dunk in terms of upping the sexual appeal. Not my favorite color, but science is science. And ladies, let's be real. Men love boobs, and more specifically well contoured boobs. Choose your bras wisely. Sexist? Perhaps. Yes, it's my pet peeve but I guarantee it makes a difference.

Flirting is not just an art, it's an attitude. One of playfulness and warmth that flourishes through humor, good banter and a bit of tease. Keep it real. Clichés create

discomfort. Turn up the sweetness if it's your style. Sultry vixens don't own the market on sex appeal. Sweetness is sexy and incredibly seductive but it's real power lies in disarming through charming.

If your flirting forays consistently fail, I hate to say it, but it is in fact your fault. No one can read your mind. Turn up the volume and flirt with intention. Why not? You only live once. Make it count.

Questions? Email [leslie@esindependent.com](mailto: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 17 years, after receiving extensive training in human sexuality at the Masters and Johnson Institute in St. Louis, Mo.



## 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](http://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:

- Supercow Endowment for Academic Excellence in Agriculture – Agriculture based majors
- Ashley Lodge #66 Scholarship

Endowment – Berryville students only

- William & Rosanna Sumner Education Opportunity Endowment – Alpena and Green Forest students only

- Dr. Austin C. Smith Memorial Scholarship – Medical field studies

- Poultry Federation Scholarship – students whose families are affiliated with poultry production.

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](mailto:carrollcounty@arcf.org).

**INDY SOUL** continued from previous page  
with *Handmade Moments*, *RANT*,  
*Melissa Carper*, Grassroots, 6 p.m.  
**CATHOUSE LOUNGE** – *Jimmy Wayne Garrett*, Rock, 8 p.m.  
**CHELSEA'S** – *Mike Schembre and Dan Redmond*, American Roots Music, 9 p.m.  
**EUREKA LIVE!** – *DJ & Karaoke*, 9 p.m.  
**GRAND TAVERNE** – *Jerry Yester*, Grand Piano, 6:30 p.m.  
**LEGENDS SALOON** – *Jeff Horton Band*, Rock, 9 p.m.  
**ROWDY BEAVER** – *2 Dog 2 Karaoke*, 7 p.m.  
**ROWDY BEAVER DEN** – *Richard*

*Burnett Duo*, Singers/Songwriters, 8 p.m.

### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21**

**EUREKA LIVE** – *DJ, Dancing*, 8 p.m.

### **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22**

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

### **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23**

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

**CHELSEA'S** – *Open Mic*, 9 p.m.

### **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24**

**CHELSEA'S** – *Voxana*, Americana, 9 p.m.



**We are a billion and we stand together** – Saturday's One Billion Rising event at The Space drew about 60 people, including Sheriff Randy Mayfield who gave the keynote address. One Billion Rising is an global mass movement to end violence against women. *PHOTO BY BECKY GILLETTE*

## TCWR tops on FlipKey's attractions list

Turpentine Creek Wildlife Refuge is listed as Arkansas' #1 family attraction on FlipKey's – a Tripadvisor Company – 2016 Top Family Attraction's list. Through customer feedback, online ranking and travel research, FlipKey found the #1 family attraction in each of the 50 states. This is the third year that FlipKey has released a top 50 travel list, part of a "best of" series they are releasing.



## The Holiday Island Community Church: A Review

Services at the Holiday Island Community Church begin at 9:30 on Sunday mornings, a kick-off time much appreciated by early risers in general, and by NFL fans in particular, who want to be settled in for the pre-game shows at 11. Who are these early risers and NFL fans? Well, one of them would be me on January 31, when I attended services.

The Community Church's bulletin says "our congregation includes persons from a wide variety of traditional and denominational backgrounds" and that it is "dedicated to the glory of God and to the service of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ." What I observed was a mature congregation of approximately 75 attendees who appeared to be affluent, who were friendly, and who were business like as they went about worship. There were no children or young families present, and I suppose the lack of age diversity is simply a function of the church serving a retirement community.

One reason I chose to attend the HI Community Church is that it's had a recent membership dust-up, and I was curious about the outcome. Gossips informed me that longstanding and mainstream oriented members – who I was meeting this morning – prevailed over more conservative members who, exercising the classical Protestant differential coefficient quest, left in a huff and rented alternative worship space in a strip mall.

Among those "left behind" are organist/pianist Ellen Foncannon

Stephenson, and Director of Music, Jim Swiggart. Stephenson and Swiggart are locally famous, Stephenson for her work as a teacher and composer, Swiggart for his remarkable and effective leadership of the Opera In the Ozarks. I was not surprised to see and hear a talented and skilled Chancel Choir of about 20 robed members.

The congregation sang three traditional, or at least familiar hymns, beginning first with Joachim Neander's splendid *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* (1668), followed by Carter's *Standing on the Promises*, and Civilla D. Martin's somewhat hard to sing *God Will Take Care of You*. Several members smiled and swayed to the music while singing and seemed to enjoy it quite a lot. I did too, and was relieved not to find evidence of a regular "Praise Band."

Curt Swartzlander presided. He is a graduate of the Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, which is affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention, and is apparently filling in while the congregation navigates through the aforementioned dust-up. Swartzlander preached from Genesis 28:10-16: "The Lord is in His Place but I Did Not Know It." Roughly summarized, God is always where God IS (big verb) and we fail to see Him because 1) we may be ashamed of ourselves and our behavior, and feel distant from God as a consequence, 2) our nature as human beings is to elevate ourselves through pride, vanity, etc., to a



God, and 3) life is hard and its tribulations may wear us out enough to feel separate from God. In spite of these three states of BEING (another big verb), God is always there, God loves us unconditionally, and God waits for us now, and endlessly.

Swartzlander's sermon was 19 minutes long. It was interesting, intelligent, delivered in a quiet and matter of fact way, and the obligatory joke – something about Sherlock Holmes and

I was glad I heard him preach, and I appreciated how respectful he was as he addressed the members.

The Holiday Island Community Church is in a modern, tasteful, and apparently well-maintained building. The members were friendly to me, and seemed happy to be there. I left feeling calm, happy, and cheerful about how I had used my time on a sunny and splendid Sunday morning.

## DEPARTURE

### Nancy Sutcliffe June 8, 1927 – Feb. 12, 2016

Nancy Sutcliffe of Eureka Springs, Ark., passed from this life to Heaven on Friday, Feb. 12, 2016 at the Circle of Life Hospice in Springdale, Ark. Nancy's journey in life began in Honolulu, Hawaii, on June 8, 1927. She grew up in Kekaha, Kauai, Hawaii, where she attended Waimea High School and worked in the family grocery store.

After high school, she and her sister, Shima, moved to Chicago where Nancy met her husband of 28 years and father of her four children, Harry Sutcliffe.

Eureka Springs has been Nancy's home since 1965. During that time she owned and operated Bell's Flowers and then served the community of Eureka Springs as City Clerk for 20 some years, where she became known for her welcoming smile by townspeople and visitors alike.



Nancy issued more marriage certificates than one can imagine and loved that part of her job.

Nancy's life can best be described as being one of the most generous, kind, and loving human beings and will be remembered for her optimistic spirit, her beaming smile, and her love of people. Nancy enjoyed gardening, flowers, and baking, was dedicated to God and often practiced His good will by volunteering for Meals on Wheels and making her famous banana nut bread for neighbors, friends, and the homebound.

Nancy is survived by her four children, Priscilla Willis and her husband, Donald Willis, of Huntington Beach, Calif., Harrison Sutcliffe of Eureka Springs, Ruth Heagney and her husband, Tom Heagney, of Greenwich, Ct., and Kathy Nelson of Berryville and Springdale, Ark.;

six grandchildren, Erica and Adam Sutcliffe, Claire and Catherine Chabert, Justin Nelson and Chloe Willis; as well as two great-grandchildren, Kaleb and Kagen Ellis.

Nancy is preceded in death by her parents, Tatsuo and Masayo (Ouchi) Takaoka; two brothers, Kinley and Takeo Takaoka; and one sister, Shima Dwyer.

Graveside services were Feb. 17, 2016 at the Eureka Springs Cemetery with Rev. Tim Garrison officiating. Interment followed under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service, Inc.

Memorial Donations may be made to the Circle of Life Hospice, 901 Jones Road, Springdale, AR 72762; Good Shepherd Humane Society, 6486 Highway 62 East, Eureka Springs, AR 72632; or Alzheimer's Arkansas, 201 Markham Center Drive, Little Rock, AR 72205. Online condolences may be sent to the family at nelsonfuneral.com. © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2016





PICTURE FROM GUY-SPORTS.COM

Well, has been over a week now since I have been out myself so I had to find another funny fish picture for you. Looks like even Moses likes to keep a hot fishing spot to himself. I have been busy fighting the flu and trying to get my taxidermy work done before March when the fish and fishermen start getting more active. We have had a good winter with water temps not getting below 40°, so stripers have not slowed down that much, they are still being caught around 40 ft. deep between Point 4 and Point 6, which is due to the deeper water on our end of the lake being warmer and cleaner. I had a call this week from one fishing buddy who just got a 40-pounder in the Point 5 area. Look for fish and bait balls in the main channel and up the big creek arms. Water temperature will start warming in just a couple weeks and they

will start their spring run toward the river for the spawn, along with the whites. I average about two fishing trips in February and more than 20 in March. It's like someone turns on a light switch. It's about the same here at Holiday Island with the walleye that have already started moving from the Missouri side of Table Rock Lake back into Arkansas for their spawn up into the Beaver tailwaters. A good place to start looking now is off the flats between the island and Beaver, with a big minnow off the bottom or slow trolling. Well, I guess I will go for now and we should have some fresh fish pics very soon. If you still have cabin fever work on your tackle and be ready when that light switch comes on. This warm front on us now is a good start. Robert Johnson, (479) 253-2258, www.fishofexcellence.com

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by Mike Boian with extensive help from his wife, Ann Solution on page 23

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- ACROSS

1. Sofa

6. Roman Catholic leader

10. Diminishes

14. Type of football

15. Player in the Contra affair

16. Whip

17. BBQ utensil

18. TV's lottery winner

19. Change directions

20. Within the heart

23. Sense of self

24. Cardinal Schoendienst

25. Grew over

27. Renaissance movement

32. French currency

33. "We \_\_\_ the World"

34. Symbol

36. Spring day for seniors

39. Nightshirt

41. ICBM enclosures

43. Needle case

44. Navigates regularly

46. Generous one

48. Bulgarian money unit

49. Inoperative system

51. Sherpa, usually

53. "\_\_\_\_\_ is not an
- option"

56. Lyric poem

57. Fuss

58. Ineffectual

64. "Go, Went, \_\_\_"

66. Mouse-like rodent

67. Onstage comment

68. Type of exam

69. Prep school near Windsor

70. Norway, at home

71. Sign

72. Lascivious

73. Wooded
- DOWN

1. Pre-romance event, perhaps

2. Press

3. Sell

4. Type of goat

5. Budding

6. Harbor feature

7. Toward the mouth

8. Texas and Arkansas town

9. Intertwine

10. Newt

11. SKYY vodka container

12. Rush in unannounced
13. Church meeting

21. Madrid "ta-ta"

22. Praise

26. Soft cheese

27. Part of a padlock assembly

28. Caspian Sea tributary

29. Inhabitant of southern France

30. Part of a panic stop

31. Slang for "head"

35. Not one

37. Hints

38. Bees' home

40. Bottom of a hull

42. Deep sleep

45. Original name of Apostle Paul

47. Lustrous

50. Hogwash

52. Landlord

53. Campfire fuel

54. Venerate

55. Behave theatrically

59. Turn up soil

60. Proceed indirectly

61. Become worn out

62. Rim

63. Proof of land ownership

65. Building extension



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## LEGALS

In the Circuit Court of Carroll County,  
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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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Cinema suspense  
at the library

The selection for the Friday, Feb. 26 Secret Season Cinema is the Austrian horror film, *Goodnight Mommy*. The film tells the story of twin boys whose mother returns home as someone they don’t recognize after a surgery that leaves her face covered in bandages and her personality different. This film is rated R.

Screen will be in the Library Annex Friends Room at 7 p.m. Admission and popcorn are free. For more information go to events calendar at eureka library. org or call (479) 253-8754.

Having a  
Souper Sunday

The Holiday Island Fire Department will hold its annual Souper Sunday fundraiser on Sunday, Feb. 28 from 10 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. in the Clubhouse ballroom at 1 Country Club Drive in Holiday Island. Homemade soups and desserts will be served by department firefighters. Cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under 12.

All proceeds benefit the fire department, which serves the Holiday Island SID and rural residents. Those who wish to donate a soup or dessert should call Mary Inglehart (479) 981-1725.

Disaster relief loans  
available

Residents of Carroll County, Ark., and Barry County, Mo., are eligible to apply for disaster loans provided by the Small Business Administration as a result of flooding, straight line winds, tornadoes and severe storms occurring between Dec. 26, 2015 and Jan. 22, 2016.

Business physical disaster, economic injury and home disaster loans are available for those with an acceptable credit history, ability to repay, and collateral.

For more information call (800) 659-2955 or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov. Physical damage applications must be received by April 15, and economic relief applications by Nov. 7.

**Sweetest day of the year** – Wade Holt of Broken Arrow, Okla., dips a marshmallow into the chocolate fountain during the 12<sup>th</sup> annual Chocolate Lovers Festival.

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BECKY GILLETTE



Getting the buzz going

The Writers’ Colony will be launching “The Buzz,” a monthly after-school coffee house and performance opportunity for young people aged 11 – 18, on March 1. There will be a playful writing exercise with an instructor, followed by an Open Mic invitation for those who wish to read their work, perform dance, music, poetry or share their video productions. The Buzz will

be open from 3 – 5 p.m. Coffee, provided by Fresh Beans, tea and hot chocolate will be available at no cost. There will also be baked goods and soft drinks for sale. Young people from public, private and home-school environments are welcome. For more information call the Writers’ Colony at (479) 253-7444 or go to [www.writerscolony.org](http://www.writerscolony.org).

Homecoming Queen Selection for Arkansas

The 36<sup>th</sup> annual Arkansas Homecoming Queen Selection will be held March 6 at the Jacksonville Community Center in Jacksonville, Ark. America’s Homecoming Queen, Inc. is a non-profit organization promoting

education and community service for high school homecoming queens. If you are a 2015-16 high school homecoming queen and have not received your application from your high school contact [ahq1181@aol.com](mailto:ahq1181@aol.com) or phone (901) 755-9144 for an application.

Moving meditations  
at UU

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

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## DEDICATION & EXPERIENCE

- President of Madison and Carroll Bar Association for over 6 years
- Practiced in the Court of Appeals and Supreme Court of Arkansas
  - Extensive jury trial experience at the state and federal levels
- Former prosecutor and for over the last 10 years, has served the legal needs of Madison and Carroll Counties
  - Has handled thousands of cases for over 14 years, including sitting as special District Judge

Chris has been here helping people at home.

Chris is the right choice for District Judge.

# VOTE FLANAGIN



# *District Judge*

Paid for by Committee to Elect Chris Flanagan



# VOTE March 1