



Cache of cash – ESPD and other law enforcement confiscated cash, a pound of meth worth \$58,700, and accomplished the largest K2 lab bust ever in Arkansas.

PHOTOS SUBMITTED



Meth/K2 “drug tree” chopped

MARY PAT BOIAN

Eureka Springs Police arrested numerous people Monday night and Tuesday on drug charges, including a man whose bond was set at \$1,000,000. ESPD Chief Earl Hyatt said a five-month investigation culminated in arrests for selling, manufacturing and possessing with intent to manufacture dangerous drugs, mainly methamphetamine. Jesus Contreras Casillas, 41, of Green Forest, was arrested after the investigation turned into a bust involving what Hyatt said is likely meth from Mexico, where it is much easier to get ingredients.

“This became a tree,” Hyatt said. “What started as a branch or two culminated in a full grown tree with many far-reaching branches.”

Two distinct investigations accelerated over the course of the last few months. On March 25, ESPD received information that Jason Nation, 39, was harassing another man, Jeremy Baker, regarding a K2 buy that didn’t go according to plan. Hyatt said Baker was supposed to have purchased K2 from Nation but reneged, and Nation wanted his money. Because of the harassment, a warrant was obtained for Nation’s arrest.

ESPD detectives Thomas Achord and Brad Handley went to the 1876 Inn, where Nation lives according to Hyatt, and when Nation answered his door detectives saw what appeared to be a package of K2 and a K2 lab in the motel room. Carroll County Sheriff’s Office Capt. Alan Hoos and Lt. Ralph Gordon were asked to assist as they are certified lab technicians. With telephone assistance from the Arkansas Crime Lab, the K2 lab was collected and packaged.

This was the first K2 lab discovered and seized in Arkansas, Hyatt said. Nation was charged with harassment and is awaiting charges of manufacturing K2.

K2 is synthetic marijuana made when nefarious chemicals are sprayed on natural herbs and sold as “herbal incense.” It was legally sold in Arkansas until two

DRUG BUST continued on page 26

Inside the ESI

Council	2	Editorial	13
Sweptco	3	Constables on Patrol	14
Earth Fest	4	Independent Art	16 & 17
Planning	5	Fame Came Late	19
Council Workshop	6	Astrology	20
ADHD	7	Crossword	21
Soccer	9	Community Datebook	23
New Arts Communities	10	Indy Soul	24
Independent Mail	12	From the Ground Up	27

This Week’s INDEPENDENT Thinker

“I think using animals for food is an ethical thing to do, but we’ve got to do it right. We’ve got to give those animals a decent life, and we’ve got to give them a painless death. We owe the animal respect.”

DR. MARY TEMPLE GRANDIN

She invented livestock handling facilities that are currently used in the U.S., Canada, Europe and Australia. Her inventions use behavioral principles rather than brute force to control animals. They keep animals calm and comfortable.

Temple Grandin is an inventor. She’s a writer and a public speaker. She looks out for animal welfare on an international level. She’s one of *Time*’s most influential Americans.

And she’s autistic.



*"When Rain Drops Fall
Remember To Call"*



**RAIN
GUARD**

**SEAMLESS
GUTTER
SYSTEMS**

675 CR 104
Eureka Springs, AR 72632
(479) 253-7363 Office

FREE ESTIMATES
REFERENCES AVAILABLE

 **Gutter
Helmet**
NEVER CLEAN YOUR GUTTERS AGAIN®

INDEPENDENTNews

Sewer saga backed up for at least two more weeks

NICKY BOYETTE

The situation of a backed up sewer line at Sherwood Court returned to the council table Monday evening when alderman Dee Purkeypile said he visited the site with Public Works director Dwayne Allen to figure out what had happened.

Brian and Lil Hostick, owners of Sherwood Court, explained to council at the March 25 meeting a sewer line had backed up into their tourist cottages causing an unsightly mess. Mr. Hostick told council they expended at least 230 hours of labor to remedy effects of the backup.

Purkeypile told council he had a letter from the previous owner of Sherwood Court regarding a similar event in 2009 caused by city workers jetting the main sewer line. However,

he said Allen had reviewed Public Works work tickets back through January, and there were no records of city employees doing any jetting in the vicinity of Sherwood Court. Allen also claimed private plumbers have more powerful jetting equipment than the city uses. Purkeypile stated although the conclusion is not definitive, he and Allen were 99 percent sure the city did not cause the accident by jetting.

Mr. Hostick maintained the backup must have been caused by forceful action, not just a clog in the main line. Mrs. Hostick also said the last guest of the season left in mid-December, and she and her husband were gone much of the last half of that month and all of January, so Allen said he would recheck his records and go back through the last half of December.

The Hosticks reported other neighbors had recently been having backup problems but nothing like their event. Purkeypile said, "I don't know where to go with this. Something happened while you were gone, but we don't know who, what, when."

Alderman James DeVito suggested the Hosticks check to see if any private plumbers had been working in their vicinity during their absence and Allen should investigate further at Public Works and report back to council. Purkeypile moved to put the item on the April 22 agenda.

Demolition by neglect

Alderman David Mitchell described several properties in town well known for being neglected to the point of being dilapidated and, therefore,

COUNCIL continued on page 28

Eureka Springs Hospital
"Hospital With a Heart"



Lunch and Learn

May 7th, 2013, (Tuesday) 12 noon
Free-But Bring One Non-Perishable Food Item
(For The Flint St. Food Bank)

C. Noel Henley M.D.

Topic: "Protecting Your Pain-Free Motion
- What You Should Know About Arthritis"

Inn of the Ozarks Convention Center

RSVP REQUIRED, call Anna
479- 531-9425 By Tuesday, April 30th




Dishin' the dirt – Carroll County Master Gardeners Karen Welch (front, from left), Linda Caldwell, Alice McNeal, Anna Mathews (back right) and Faye Martin cleaned up flower beds on April 6 at the Good Shepherd Humane Society Thrift Shop in Eureka Springs. The CC Master Gardeners designed, planted and maintain plant beds at the store.

PHOTO SUBMITTED

Herbicides at transmission lines raise concern

BECKY GILLETTE

The planned use of herbicides to control vegetation along the proposed new high voltage transmission line proposed by SWEPCO raises the level of concern by residents in the path of the new power line.

SWEPCO spokesman Peter Main said vegetation management for high voltage lines includes manual and mechanical clearing, and selective herbicide applications. Manual and mechanical clearing mostly takes place during actual construction of the lines, while maintenance includes selective use of herbicides.

Use of herbicides in Northwest Arkansas has generated controversy for Carroll Electric Cooperative Corp. (CECC). Large numbers of CECC members have come to annual meetings protesting herbicides being sprayed on their property. CECC has an option for property owners to opt out of spraying, but must agree not to sue if they are sprayed. Main said SWEPCO doesn't have a similar procedure, but will visit with individual owners if they want to discuss their concerns.

"But there are sound reasons for the use of herbicides as part of our right-of-way maintenance, and we like folks to understand what those are," Main said. "Manual and mechanical cleaning without the follow-up herbicide applications doesn't control root systems of the woody vegetation and you often get even more woody vegetation growing back."

SWEPCO-2 continued on page 27

Residents wary of high-voltage transmission line

BECKY GILLETTE

Property owners concerned about visual and environmental blight and a potential steep decline in property values from a proposed 345-kilovolt (kV) transmission line, that would cut a 150-ft. wide path through some of the most scenic natural areas of Carroll County, are scrambling to organize and hire attorneys to oppose the lines in proceedings before the Arkansas Public Service Commission (PSC).

Property owners have until May 2 to intervene in PSC proceedings on the preferred route that would run 48 miles from Centerton through Carroll County near Beaver and on to a new \$20-million Kings River Station to be located north of Berryville. Southwest Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) said it has been asked to build the line to ensure reliability within the area governed by the Southwest Power Pool, particularly northwest Arkansas and southern Missouri.

Opponents have said no one wants to live near a high voltage power line, nor view it. Issues also include

concerns that a high transmission line through private property would make it hard to sell their homes and could pollute their watersheds with herbicides.

The line would cost an estimated \$116.7 million, according to SWEPCO spokesman Peter Main.

Notice for a meeting to be held Thursday night in Eureka Springs said a primary topic would be how to have a voice in the decision making process of the PSC. "The commission will evaluate SWEPCO's contention that the station and line are necessary," the notice said. "If the commission finds in favor of SWEPCO on the issue of necessity, the commission will then decide on the line corridor's route. The latter decision determines who will be forced to concede right-of-way across their property to SWEPCO, either through negotiation or by condemnation via eminent domain."

Landowners weigh in

Dr. Jim Helwig, whose property on Wolf Ridge is in the path of the route 62-86 (listed as the second

SWEPCO continued on page 22

Hog wild over hog factories? Public meeting May 8

The Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality will hold a public meeting Wednesday, May 8 at 6 p.m. at the Carroll Electric building on Rte. 7 in Jasper.

Now is the time to research the facts and show up with people who love the Buffalo River and demand that "general permits" be rescinded.

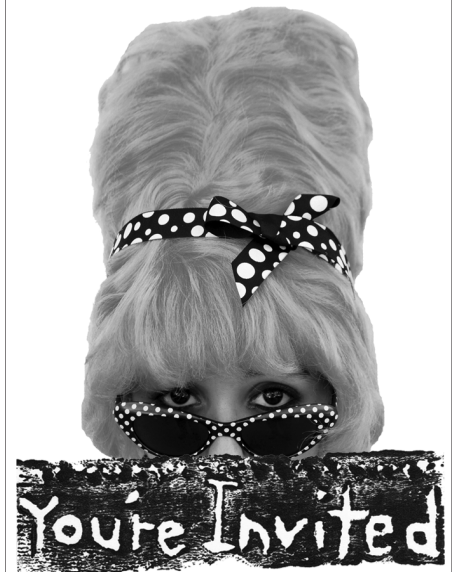
ES Quiz Bowl Team rocks!

Following are the scores for State High School Quiz Bowl Competition in Morrilton last Saturday.

Game 1: E.S. 305 – Buffalo 9; Game 2: E.S. 375 – St. Joseph 80; Game 3: E.S. 210 – Bigelow 110; Game 4: E.S. 285 – Union Christian 195; Game 6: E.S. 190 – Hazen 290.

We have some very knowledgeable students!

Clear Spring Fling
AUCTION



SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2013

Keels Creek Winery

3185 E. VAN BUREN
(BEHIND THE TASTING ROOM AND ART GALLERY)
STARTING AT 5:30 PM
KEELS CREEK WINE AND HORS D'OEUVRES SERVED

Tickets \$30 each

May be purchased:

Online:

www.clearspringschool.org

Mail:

Clear Spring School
PO BOX 511
Eureka Springs, AR 72632
and at event *if not sold out*.

SEATS ARE LIMITED!

*Tickets & Auction Packet
provided at Will Call*

Our Proud Sponsors:



COMMUNITY FIRST
BANK

Keels Creek Winery

Earth Fest at Laughing Mountain benefits pets and forests

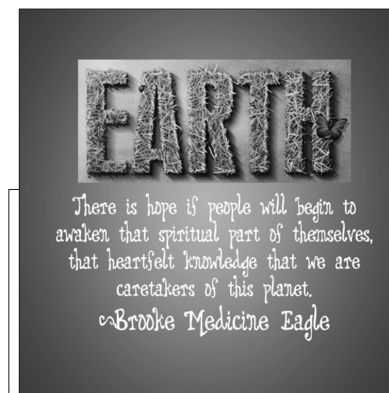
Earth Fest at the Laughing Mountain Visionary Healing Center is not only a fun and educational event, but organizers have also made it a fundraiser with a portion of the proceeds to be given to Good Shepherd Humane Shelter and Green World.

Beginning April 19 at 10 a.m. and continuing through April 22 at 5 p.m., the family-friendly festival will include music by Brown Bag Special, Brick Fields, Justin Welch, TOTOJOJO, Ozakwaaba and 13 Moons on a solar-powered stage provided by Rocky Grove Sun Co.

Terrapin Trading Company will provide Eco-friendly, Fair-Trade and handmade goods including, but not limited to, clothing, accessories, custom jewelry, reusable hemp diapers, herbal salves, gem and mineral specimens, hula-hoops and hemp lotions.

Featured workshops include Cobb: *The Art of the Earth Home*, *A Course Through Veganism*, *Healing Hoops and Hoop Jams*, *Dare To Vision*, *Spiritual Medicine of Ozark Plants*, *Yoga* and more. Star Walk Amusements is providing a bounce house and face painter for the kids.

Camping fees are \$5 per person each night (kids 15 and under free). Adult daily admission is \$15 with \$5 camping fee, or \$70 for all four days including camping. Save \$10 and buy all four days for young people too!



Home sweet home (to be) – During the workshop, Cobb: *The Art of the Earth Home*, participants at Earth Fest at Laughing Mountain April 19 – 22 will get hands on instruction on how to make these bare bones into a house.



Vendor price is \$20 per day.

The Earth Fest campground is located at 414 CR 550, Huntsville. Call for more information on bringing your group or for vendor guidelines – (479) 325-8849 for April or (479)

325-0834 for Kris.

See full schedule at www.laughingmountainearthfest.com or follow updates on Facebook at facebook.com/RuachaEarthFest.798.

FAIN'S HERBACY


Our Mission
"Helping people live healthier through smart food and supplement choice"

InStore, Online or Mail Order
479.253.5687


Expert Guidance
Unique Products • Great Prices

Jim Fain, PhD
61 North Main St. | Eureka Springs
<http://stores.ebay.com/defyaging>

Kristi Kendrick
Law Offices



152 W. Van Buren
West of Nelson's
Funeral Chapel
in the All Seasons
Real Estate
Building



Kristi Kendrick

Office hours by appointment.
Licensed in Arkansas and Louisiana

479.253.7200
www.kristikendrick.com

Vendor spaces still open for Eureka Earth Festival

Area residents will have plenty of opportunity to learn about and celebrate Earth this month. Following the Earth Fest at Laughing Mountain, which closes on Earth Day, April 22, a week-long Eureka Earth Festival will kick off April 22 at 10 a.m. at the Retreat at Sky Ridge in Eureka Springs West. The opening ceremony at the resort's Turtle Moon community labyrinth is free to the public.

There are a few vendor spaces still open for those who wish to exhibit and sell related art and goods. Activities and workshops focus on building stronger, healthier and more compassionate communities. The festival includes guest speakers, movies, workshops and live music by 13 Moons on Saturday, April 27 at 6 p.m. in the resort's Sky Ridge Pavilion. Workshop topics range from hiking and kayaking instruction to mastering past lives.

Most events are free, but workshops have different prices. Be sure to check festival details and ticket prices at www.eurekaearthfestival.com. For more information, or to sign up as a vendor, contact Marie Turnock at marie@eurekaearthfestival.com or (479) 981-3911. The

Retreat at Sky Ridge and Sky Ridge Pavilion are located at 637 County Road 111. For directions, visit www.retreatatskyridge.com.

Roadside and shoreline cleanup volunteers needed

Saturday, April 27, the Holiday Island Homeowners Association will sponsor the biannual roadside and shoreline cleanup. Roadside cleanup will meet at the Holiday Island Clubhouse north parking lot at 9 a.m. where volunteers will receive assignments. Shoreline cleanup will meet at the Island beach parking lot (first right after crossing the bridge) at 9 a.m. A picnic lunch will be provided for all volunteers around 11:30 a.m. at the Recreation Center Pavilion. Email hensonar@cox.net for more information.

Planning denies CUP for one-unit B&B

NICKY BOYETTE

Pam Ensminger appeared before the Planning Commission Tuesday night to represent her application for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for a one-unit B&B at her residence at 8 Drennon. Chair Beverly Blankenship told commissioners Ensminger had complied with all application requirements. Drennon is in the R-2 zone.

Ensminger said she had been busy making the property “neat and tidy” and she hoped to be ready to open by mid-June.

Richard Urdahl is a neighbor down the street from Ensminger. When he moved to the neighborhood, he said he bought an extra lot as a buffer on one side of his residence. His vacant property is within 200 ft. of Ensminger’s property. He stated he wanted “R-2 to remain R-2,” and he urged Planning to deny Ensminger’s application.

Blankenship then read into the record a letter from someone who she said lived on the street but outside the 200-ft. notification area. The letter stated the property at 8 Drennon already was attracting enough traffic to present a difficulty driving by. The author said Ensminger’s guests have used her driveway as a turnaround and have even caused damage to property there. Previous to Ensminger moving in, according to the letter, the neighborhood had been very quiet. The letter was signed by Gina Drennon.

Ensminger asked for a chance to respond. She said she had been working hard to get the property ready, and she intended to be very professional about her place of business. She had removed vehicles, parked there temporarily, and had made other attempts to clean up the property. She denied her guests would have had reason to go down the street to turn around as the letter claimed.

When the item came up on the agenda, Blankenship pointed out there were only five property owners within 200 ft. of Ensminger’s property. According to State Code, if 20 percent

of property owners within the 200-ft. area oppose the application, then a CUP cannot be granted unless at least 75 percent of Planning commissioners approve it. Blankenship explained since only four commissioners were present (commissioner Melissa Greene was absent) they were faced with another situation in which one No vote would deny an application.

Commissioner James Morris stated immediately that Drennon is a public street that everyone has a right to use. If a resident does not want passersby turning around in the driveway, then put up a chain across the driveway. He also stated he had driven down that street and there was a place to turn around other than a private driveway. He said City Code allows for a CUP in that zone, and Planning cannot deny an application because one of the neighbors wants the neighborhood to be quieter.

Commissioner Denys Flaherty asked for clarity on where Urdahl lived, and a map showed his vacant lot was within the 200-ft. proximity to Ensminger’s property, not his residence.

Blankenship said 8 Drennon had the requisite number of parking spaces. She read the list of considerations, which included whether the proposed CUP was contrary to the Master Plan or any density plan, whether it would adversely affect drainage problems or present traffic concerns.

Morris said it is their obligation as commissioners to look beyond what the plan sounds like. He said they grant CUPs on a case-by-case basis, and by granting a CUP they actually restrict what activities can occur at an address, thereby creating even less of an impact on neighbors than if they denied it.

Blankenship said they “had run this one around the bush,” and it was time for a vote. The vote to approve the CUP was 2-2, Flaherty and commissioner Ed Leswig voting No.

Ensminger told the commission she felt blindsided and “very overwhelmed

by your turning your heads against me.” She insisted she intended nothing but a professional operation in a town she loved. At the end of the meeting, she thanked commissioners for allowing her to make her case.

North Main parking lot

Architect Butch Berry represented the city’s plan to install public bathrooms in the southwest corner of the city parking lot on North Main. Berry said his plans are for a 16x24-ft. building slightly elevated because the area is in a flood zone, but would still be ADA-compliant. The building will not take away any parking spaces and will provide much-needed accommodations for visitors since the next nearest public bathrooms are about a mile away. He said his plans would be ready to put out to bid within a month and construction would take no more than a couple of months and facilities should be open before mid-summer.

Blankenship added the Master Plan calls for more public accommodations, and this installation would be a vast improvement over the present situation.

Vote to approve the application was unanimous.

Code conundrums

Commissioners encountered a confusing statement in Code regarding corner setbacks, and Blankenship said she had looked up everything in Code she could find about them. She said it does not make sense to allow for narrow front setbacks but require as much as 30 feet for side setbacks. Leswig agreed it did not make sense.

Blankenship said Planning might as well clean it up if possible, but she would like professional advice from contractor-types about this part of Code.

Leswig had also noticed two other inconsistencies in Code, one regarding a B&B and another regarding an address no longer being used as a church. Blankenship said she would look into the glitches.

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

**Bear Creek
Nursery &
Landscaping**



Spring Special

Bring this Coupon

Through April 15th

Buy Any Tree

Over \$35

Get Free

Fertilizer & Mulch

**Orchids Arriving
From Hawaii
This Week!**

Open Mon thru Sat 9-5

Sunday 11-4

479-253-7466

www.bearcreeknursery.net

Century 21

Woodland Real Estate

170 West Van Buren, Eureka Springs • 479.253.7321



Nice 3/2 mobile in Holiday Island, with large shop, studio space and garden shed. New roof, upgraded fire alarm, great condition and private location. Only \$75K.

Call Marilyn at (479) 981-6729.



Clean, spacious and affordable! Great property with lots of privacy and nice floor plan, \$72,000. FHA financing available to qualified buyer with as little as \$2,500 down payment!

Call Diane at (479) 981-1323.

Jumbo cabs enter taxi fray

NICKY BOYETTE

Eureka Springs City Council again grappled with distinguishing taxis from limousines at a workshop April 4. Ideas and suggestions bounced back and forth across the table, often all at once, because City Code presently is not clear enough to cover what is happening now in town. The previous council conducted workshops last summer and produced an ordinance that made it through its first two readings before being voted down on the third reading in September because it required a two-hour minimum fee on a limousine ride.

Alderman Joyce Zeller thought the previously proposed ordinance needed only a couple of changes to be good enough.

Alderman Terry McClung stated, "Limousines should be tied into taxis." He said if a company had a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, it could perform either service. Without the certificate, it could do neither. He said limousines

are a gray area in State Code, so "we can do what we want." He thought clearing up City Code could be as simple as adding limousines to the certificate and defining limousines in the ordinance. He added he wanted to keep "freelancers" out of the picture.

There was concurrence with some of McClung's points. Alderman David Mitchell said a person could call for a ride, and the company would decide what kind of vehicle to send depending on the number of passengers.

However, there was also the matter of fares, hotel shuttles, hourly minimums and enforcement. Cody Steussy of Abundant Transportation (AT) threw jumbo-cabs into the mix.

Alderman James DeVito insisted any solution must include a definition of a limousine. Alderman Dee Purkepile agreed, but he stated council should take this issue one step at a time.

DeVito stated they also need a definition of a jumbo-cab, which

Mayor Morris Pate observed seemed to be just a limousine being used as a taxi. DeVito added he wanted a time delay between receiving a call and the response as a way to distinguish limousines from taxis. He said he saw no reason to throw limos into the taxi ordinance. He advocated separate ordinances and separate certificates.

Steussy said AT had no issue with getting two certificates if required.

As for interlopers operating under the Line Item 199 for "Businesses not otherwise defined," DeVito said council should make the law clear that the certificate approved by council is required to operate as a limousine or taxi, then impose a fine structure and make the fine for a second offense prohibitive.

Purkepile summed up what it seemed like they had decided on, which was to ask city attorney Tim Weaver to add a definition of jumbo taxis to the previous taxi ordinance and write a new limousine ordinance which would include a fine schedule.

Paranormal experiences in and out of this world ...

The 26th Annual UFO Conference April 12 – 15 at the Inn of the Ozarks Convention Center will feature presentations by serious researchers and authors, more than 40 tables of vendors, a UFO photo/video contest and lots of thought-provoking information.

Scheduled speakers include Dolores Cannon, author of *Conversations with Nostradamus*, pioneering hypnotherapist, inventor of Quantum Healing Hypnosis Therapy and investigator of UFOs for 20 years; Larry Cekander, owner of UFO Hard Evidence LLC, who has been involved in researching and testing a UFO artifact reportedly shown to have properties unlike anything known on earth; Nigel Grace, researcher and volunteer for the Bosnian Pyramid of the Sun Foundation; J.J. Hurtak,

PhD, and Desiree Hurtak, PhD, founders of the Academy for Future Science and researchers in the UFO field for 40 years.

Linda Mouton Howe is author of four books on "high strangeness topics" such as crop circle formations and testimonies about forces that interact with Earth life. Jeff Wilson, director and co-founder of the Independent Crop Circle Researchers' Association will bring everyone up to date on research in that field. Other speakers include Ted Phillips, Director of the Center for Physical Trace Research, who has been investigating UFO reports since 1964; and Jamie Maussan, Mexico's leading ufologist.

For complete schedule of talks and ticket info, see www.ozarkufoconference.com.

Words like bread

Food for Thought is a lively evening of literary entertainment presented once a quarter by Studio 62 and the Christian Writers' Group as members and guests take a turn reading at the open mic and make you think, laugh and sometimes cry. Come, listen and enjoy words that feed the soul and delight the heart Friday, April 12, 6 –

7:30 p.m. at K.J.'s Caribé on US 62W. Feed the stomach, too, with a free salsa bar, smoked chicken, coffee and tea courtesy of K.J.

There will be music, metaphorological weather-tainment, poetry and more. For information on the event or the writers' group, phone (479) 363-9209.

Art of Beverage Fermentation April 13

Flora Roja Community Acupuncture, 119 Wall St., is hosting *Beginners Fermentation Pt.2* with Vela Giri on April 13 from 6 – 8:30 p.m. Cost is \$20 for the class.

Topics will include everything from the history of fermentation to equipment needed and the health and financial benefits of fermenting. Learn the steps to making kombucha, water keifer, ginger bug, basic cheeses, yogurt and sweet potato fly (a Southern treat), along with the use of whey kvass (beet, lettuce and juniper).

Vela Giri has been a natural food chef for more than 30 years. An organic vegetable and herb grower, he has a passion for probiotics and fermented foods and would love to share his passion. Please join Vela for this exciting class!

To reserve your place please call Flora Roja Community Acupuncture (479) 253-4968. For more information on community acupuncture, our herbal apothecary and other classes please stop in or visit online at floraroja.com.

Scholarship benefit April 19

The Berryville Junior Chamber Scholarship program will be the recipient of proceeds from a benefit performance at Pine Mountain Theater on April 19 at 7:30 p.m. Junior board members are selling \$50 business card sized ads for the program that evening. Show tickets will be \$10 rather than the normal \$24 charge.

Come enjoy the show and help fund scholarships for area students. Please email Ginger at berryvillechamber@windstream.net if you would like to lend support by buying an ad for the program.

Finding focus when your mind is jumping

NICKY BOYETTE

Rachal Hyatt is the counselor at Eureka Springs Elementary School. When her son Preston began attending kindergarten, she, as an inquisitive parent, would occasionally peek in to see how he was doing. Children would be sitting in reading circles, for example, but Preston might be scam-

pering around the room or checking out the musical instruments. He also had trouble sleeping at night. He learned in his classes – in fact he is on the honor roll – but his day at school was not like that of other students. Rachal said it was his father, Earl, who commented that Preston's brain just worked differently.

Preston was diagnosed with Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD). Studies indicate approximately one in twenty children in the United States has ADHD. It is normal for preschoolers to have short attention spans and be unable to stick with one activity for long, but for some children it goes beyond just immaturity. Three different aspects of the ADHD are inattention, hyperactivity and impulsiveness. Symptoms might be leaving tasks unfinished, not appearing to pay attention, inability to organize activities, squirming and fidgeting, exaggerated restlessness, interrupting others or difficulty waiting for a turn.

The number of diagnosed cases of ADHD has skyrocketed in the past 30 years, partly because of better diagnostics and acknowledgement of the condition. The British journal

The Telegraph reported in its April 8, 2013, issue the number of cases diagnosed in the United States rose by 53 percent in the past decade. Those who study ADHD around the world argue about statistics because there are different criteria in various cultures for determining exactly what the condition is and who suffers from it.

Some educators and psychologists around the world consider ADHD mostly an American condition. *World Psychiatry* magazine took on this question, and their studies determined “the apparent 20-fold difference in the prevalence of hyperactivity reflects differences in the definition of the condition rather than real differences between British and American children.” An article posted on WebMD stated, “There is

ADHD continued on page 29



Follow that boat! Deanne Mayer drives her crew on *Volare* in pursuit of *Jaded*, skippered by Jimmie White, during Beaver Lake Sailing Club's opening day of 2013 racing. Sun, water and wind combined for a perfect day of friendly competition among 13 boats last Sunday. The Spring Regatta continues April 21. Read all about it in the *Independent*.

PHOTO BY DEVEN PHILLIPS

Zarko
a fine design gallery

67 Spring Street
479/253-2626 • 877/540-9805

www.zarksgallery.com
info@zarksgallery.com

**WE ARE AN
AMERICAN
ART & CRAFTS
GALLERY**

SAT. APRIL 13
FIRST GALLERY STROLL OF 2013!

KATE BAER
FOSSILS

ARTIST IN GALLERY
BEGINNING AT 2:00 PM

RECEPTION
5:30-8:30 PM



NOW AVAILABLE
NEW BREAK OUT ALBUM BY JOHN TWO-HAWKS



AVAILABLE AT BLUE SPRING TRADING POST AND HERITAGE CENTER
FAINS HERBACY • GRANNY'S PLACE • SIMPLE PLEASURES

CD RELEASE CELEBRATION APRIL 25TH 7:00 PM
CRESCENT HOTEL CONSERVATORY

GET TICKETS AND CDS AT: WWW.JOHN2WOHAWKS.COM OR CALL 888-790-9091

Mayor says No to old high school

NICKY BOYETTE

The Eureka Springs School District is giving the public an opportunity to suggest how the old high school property should be used, but Mayor

Morris Pate eliminated one possibility by stating he was not interested in the city buying the property and putting city offices there.

“There’s just too much wrong

with it,” Pate said, “and it’s more than just the one building. The city would have to buy the whole property. You can’t just piecemeal it.”

Pate said he had discussed the purchase with city finance director Lonnie Clark, and they could not justify putting taxpayer money toward repairs and renovations required in just the first building.

“It’s all glass, so it’s too bright on the inside. The roof is bad, the paint is bad, the floor needs to be replaced ... there are no good parts about it,” he said Wednesday.

Pate also pointed out there are no bathrooms he knows of in the other buildings except maybe the old art room.

In addition, since the property is in the historic district and would be considered historic, it would be difficult to get permission to raze it and put up something new.

Student of the Month – Cursten Whitley, daughter of Eric and Charity Whitley, is Eureka Springs Rotary Student of the Month for March. Cursten, a senior at Eureka Springs High School, was also named Elks Student of the Quarter for 2012-2013. She has served as Skills USA President and Student Council Representative and was named the Class of 2013 Best “Shoppie,” a shop class award. Cursten maintains a 3.0 GPA and enjoys mudding (4-wheeling in the mud) and fishing. After graduation Cursten plans to seek her bachelor’s degree in Criminal Justice and become a parole officer.



Ask about our temporary stay

*Affordable Assisted Living
... with a touch of class*

Studio, 1BR and 2BR Floor Plans • Private Patios & Decks • Large Closets • Beauty Salon
3 Meals Daily (served restaurant-style) • 24-hour Staff for Assistance when you need it
Assistance available for bathing, dressing, grooming, medications



Peachtree Village Assisted Living

5 Park Drive, Holiday Island, AR
(Just off Hwy. 23 North by the Bluffs)

479-253-9933 • www.peachtreevillage.org

CALL OR DROP BY FOR A TOUR



Park Bark – Hi there. I’m Hank and my breed can keep going and going and going ... but with nowhere to run, I’m antsy. I need exercise! I need a dog park! Won’t you please help us and come to Cocktails for a Cause at Eureka Paradise on April 18 from 5 – 7 p.m.? And while you’re at it, lend a paw by buying a brick for our memorial garden. A lot of our parents are having a garage sale at the end of the month, so while you’re spring cleaning set aside stuff for us to sell! Contact Rachel (479) 244-9151 for more info or to donate today, and come to our next meeting on Wed., April 17, 6 p.m., at the library annex.

A little help from our friends:

(Please email ongoing
community service

announcements to newsdesk@eurekaspringsindependent.com)

• **Food pantry, furniture bank and used book store** – Wildflower Chapel Food Pantry is open 10:30 – Noon on Fridays. Thrift Store and Used Furniture Bank open Monday – Friday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. (479) 363-6408. Service times and other chapel information: 253-5108.

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

• **First United Methodist Church offers free Sunday suppers** 5:30 – 7 p.m. Hwy. 23S. Night Church at 6 with short message and music. (479) 253-9887

• **“Beginning To Heal Together,”** bereavement support group for parents/grandparents who have lost a child. First Saturday, every month, 12:15 – 1:45 p.m., St. Elizabeth Parish Center, Passion Play Road. Linda Maiella (479) 253-1229.

**Meetings at Coffee Pot Club
behind Land O’ Nod Inn**

U.S. 62 & Hwy. 23S

• **Alateen** – Sundays, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m. Email alateen1st@gmx.com or phone (479) 981-9977.

• **Overeaters Anonymous** – Thursdays, 10:30 a.m. Barbara (479) 244-0070.

• **Narcotics Anonymous** – Fridays, 5:30 p.m. (903) 278-5568

• **Al-Anon Family Group (AFG)** – Sundays, 11:30 a.m., Mondays and Tuesdays 7 p.m.

• **Eureka Springs Coffee Pot AA Group**

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

All other meetings: See www.nwarkaa.org

Gentry cops two from Eureka; boys defeat Decatur

NICKY BOYETTE

On Tuesday a depleted but spirited Lady Highlanders soccer squad played a well-coached Gentry girls team, and the Lady Pioneers won 7-0. The margin would have been wider except for what Coach Shreya Smith called “some brave dives and super saves from goalkeeper Samantha Mueller.”

Smith said the Lady Highlanders rested last week because of a rainout cancellation with the Springdale JV girls on April 2, and a forfeit win April 5 over Decatur.

The Highlander boys were able to play against Decatur in a rare early evening game. The Bulldogs scored an early goal, but the hometown Highlanders staged a relentless second half comeback with goals coming from Oscar Mendez and Nick Walker, plus a nifty header by Schuyler Worley to win their first conference game.

Smith described the Highlander game against the Gentry Pioneers as “close, thrilling and edgy.” Leading scorer freshman Oscar Mendez tied the game 1-1 at the end of the first half with a last minute free kick. The Pioneers regained the lead in the second half on a deflected shot and held out for a 2-1 win despite a determined Highlander comeback effort.

Both squads will play Friday, April 12, against the Danville Littlejohns. Free admission, and concessions are available.



“Fly” ball – The Lady Highlanders’ Hayden Mayfield, left, lines up to stop a kick by the Gentry Lady Pioneers at Lake Leatherwood Park April 9. Despite some good saves by goalkeeper Samantha Mueller the Lady Highlanders lost 7-0.

PHOTO BY DAVID FRANK DEMPSEY



FEEDING THE COMMUNITY

every Sunday night

FREE MEAL beginning at 5:30 p.m. along with
music ... followed by **FREE COFFEE and DESSERT**

Night Church

begins at 6 p.m. with message by Pastor Stan Adams
and/or Friends and Music by Brick Fields and Friends

Food, Music, Worship, Message and Fellowship
Every Sunday night, 5:30 to 7 p.m.

First United Methodist Church of Eureka Springs
Hwy. 23 South – 195 Huntsville Road
479.253.8987

HunterDouglas



SAVE \$100*
or more with rebates
on qualifying purchases of
Hunter Douglas window fashions.



Pirouette® Window Shadings and Luminette® Privacy Sheers

SAVE APRIL 3 – JUNE 14, 2013

Two different ways to brighten your day.
With Hunter Douglas Pirouette® Window Shadings and Luminette® Privacy Sheers, you can disperse and diffuse the sun's rays, filling your rooms with natural radiance. Save now. Ask for details today.



Since 1979

Acord's

HOME CENTER

Restore, Remodel, Redecorate

Financing Available WAC

251 Huntsville Rd., Hwy. 23 South • Eureka Springs, AR 72632 • Mon.-Fri. 7-5 • Sat. 8-12
479-253-9642 • 1-800-844-1642 • www.acordshomecenter.com



*Manufacturer's mail-in rebate offer valid for qualifying purchases made 4/3/13-6/14/13 from participating dealers in the U.S. only. All rebates will be issued in the form of a prepaid reward card. Ask participating dealer for details, rebate form and information on qualifying purchases. This rebate offer may not be combined with any other Hunter Douglas offer or promotion. © 2013 Hunter Douglas. All rights reserved. All trademarks used herein are the property of Hunter Douglas.

New arts community business study ranks ES in Top 12

National organization ranks arts among top strategies to revitalize communities

America's Top Twelve Small-Town ArtPlaces were recently announced by ArtPlace, a collaboration of leading national and regional foundations, banks and federal agencies committed to putting the arts at the heart of a portfolio of strategies designed to revitalize communities.

The new annual ArtPlace initiative recognizes smaller communities where the arts are central to creating the kinds of places where people want to live, work and visit.

In alphabetical order by state, the Top Twelve Small-Town ArtPlaces for 2013 are:

Eureka Springs, Ark; Crested Butte, Colo.; Ketchum, Idaho; Vineyard Haven, Mass.; Boothbay Harbor, Maine; Lanesboro, Minn.; Highlands, NC; Taos, NM; Marfa, Texas; Stowe, Vt., Eastsound, Wash. and Saratoga, Wyo.

The selection was based on three factors identified by Impresa, Inc., a Portland-based firm specializing in the study of regional economies: 1) per capita numbers of arts-related non-profits, 2) arts-related businesses and 3) people working in creative occupations. The scores were normalized on a percentile scale (100 highest, zero lowest) and multiplied.

The towns selected had the highest scores in the country.

Eureka Springs boasts more than

200 working artists, more than 20 galleries, a writers' colony and fine arts colony.

Fun with pasta: eat it – or paint it, paste it and sculpt it for prizes!

Enjoy an authentic spaghetti dinner between 5 – 7 p.m. at DeVito's on Center Street. Then see pasta in a whole new light beginning at 5 p.m. at the *Eureka Springs Independent's* Pasta Art Contest! It's all part of Circus in the Park during Fun After 5 in Basin Park on April 26.

The contest is open to kids 6 – 12, teens 13 – 17 and adults 18 and up. Pasta of any kind may be used, but the art must consist solely of pasta (varieties of pasta may be used together). It can be strung, hung, pasted together as a sculpture, made into jewelry, glued onto a background, painted, dyed or otherwise manipulated.

There is no entry fee or application to fill out, just make sure your art is in the park by 5 p.m. Friday, April 26.

A team of judges will pick winners in each division at 5:30 and award prizes at 6 p.m. Prizes will be named in next week's *Independent*.

Since your inner artist will now be on the loose, decorate a stick for the Sphere while you're there or get your face painted while being entertained by jugglers, hoopers and music with DJ Testube. It's all part of Fun after 5 from the Eureka Springs Downtown Network.

Dinner tickets are \$10 adult, \$5 kids 12 and under. Proceeds benefit ESDN and all the fun it brings downtown. Get tickets and see more at funafter5-efbeventeventbrite.com. Tickets also available at participating downtown locations and on the night of the event.



**FRIDAY • APRIL 26 • 5-7PM
CENTER ST & BASIN SPRING PARK**

Spaghetti Dinner on Center

Tickets: \$10 Adults & \$5 Kids 12 and under

Dinner On Center Street by DeVito's

Proceeds Benefit Eureka Springs Downtown Network

TICKETS: funafter5-efbeventeventbrite.com • Participation Locations • Night of Event

CIRCUS IN THE PARK

Juggler's & Hoopers Free Face Painter DJ Intertube

**Eureka Springs Chamber of Commerce
Community Sphere Stick Painting**

**Farmer's Market The Fine Art of Romance's Lilah Circus Stroll
Eureka Street Market on North Main**



Unbridled joy –

Lucinda Shaddox dances to the beat of at least a dozen different drummers in Basin Park Saturday, April 6. The drumming was background to one of many stick-painting events happening around town all month in preparation for the community Sphere unveiling on May 4 during the May Fine Arts Festival.

PHOTO BY DAVID FRANK DEMPSEY

Show off and paint your stick!

There will be a stick painting event at the Pied Piper Pub and Cat House Lounge Saturday, April 13, 2 – 4 p.m. The event is free and open to all. Participants will have a fun opportunity to decorate pieces for the Chamber of Commerce Community Sphere. Sphere artist Robert R. Norman will be onsite to offer assistance. Come on down and have a fun, creative exSphere-inece!

Sunday at UUF

April 14: Gabriele Schafer is a long time resident of Fayetteville and a pilgrim traveler who has walked Europe for several decades, including El Camino in Spain. Gabriele will share her journeys and experiences, weaving in the principles of Unitarian Universalists.

Please join us Sundays at 11 a.m., 17 Elk Street, for a program followed by coffee and snacks. Child care is provided. Extra parking at Ermilio's Restaurant lot, 26 White Street. (479) 253-0929, www.euuf.org.

Songs and Conversations about God

The community is invited to come worship the Lord with one heart and one spirit on Sunday, April 14 at 6 p.m. Enjoy songs and conversations about God with refreshments and fellowship following in the Fellowship Hall at the Holiday Island Community Church, 188 Stateline Drive. For more information, contact Debbie Cosens (479) 981-1881.

EATING OUT in our cool little town

Comfort food to haute cuisine – we have it all

#1 Recommended Restaurant in Eureka Springs
Voted #1 Restaurant by Arkansas Times Readers' Choice Awards

Emilio's
ITALIAN HOME COOKING
Dinner

Casual, comfortable, just like home

Daily 5 – 9 P.M. • Free Parking
26 White Street on the Upper Historic Loop
479.253.8806
No reservations required

COTTAGE INN
MEDITERRANEAN CUISINE

DINNER
Thursday-Sunday
5 – 9 p.m.
See website for menu

Hwy 62 West
Eureka Springs
479-253-5282
www.cottageinneurekaspgs.com

EXTENSIVE WINE LIST • FULL BAR
Fine Dining
Restaurant & Lounge

The Grand Taverne

GREAT AMERICAN FARE
FEATURING Chef David Gilderson

Dinner Nightly
5-9 p.m.

37 N. Main
479-253-6756
RESERVATIONS SUGGESTED

THURSDAY LOCALS NIGHT
\$14.95 Specials

Advertising fills the table

Call
Bev – 479.790.3276;
or
Mary – 479.981.3556

SPARKY'S

**Beer • Wine
Cocktails**

OPEN ALL YEAR
Tuesday - Saturday
Tues., Wed., Thurs.
11 a.m. – 8 p.m.
Fri. & Sat. 11 a.m. – 9 p.m.

HWY. 62 EAST • 479-253-6001

ANGLER'S GRILL
"A Family Atmosphere"
Wi-Fi Access
Take-Out Available

All-You-Can-Eat CATFISH
Burgers • Brisket • Chicken

MON.-THURS. 11 A.M. TO 8 P.M.
FRI. 11 A.M. TO 9 P.M. • SAT. 7:30 A.M. TO 9 P.M.
SUN. 7:30 A.M. TO 8 P.M.

14581 Hwy 62 W • 479.253.4004
Just 3 miles West of Town – Towards Beaver Lake

Cool Whites
Sultry Reds
Crisp Bubbly
and Groovy Tunes ... Cheers!

The Stonehouse
WINE, CHEESE & CONVERSATION

89 S. Main • Eureka Springs • 479.363.6411
EUREKASTONEHOUSE.COM

Many have eaten here... Few have died.

HAND-CUT STEAKS • SEAFOOD • BURGERS
DAILY SPECIALS
Family Owned & Operated
ALL FOOD MADE FRESH DAILY

The Roadhouse

Breakfast served 'til 2 p.m. Daily
\$5.99 LUNCH SPECIALS

Private Party Room • Deck Seating Available
BEER & WINE
Open Sun. & Mon. 8–8; Tues. & Wed. 8–3;
Thurs. 8–8; Fri. & Sat. 8–9

6837 Highway 62E • 479.363.0001
1 mile east of Passion Play Road
GPS Coordinates: N36°39.5496' W93°69.8712'

RESTAURANT QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

1. Cottage Inn
2. Angler's Grill
3. Mei Li Cuisine
4. The Grand Taverne
5. Cafe Amoré
6. The Stonehouse
7. The Squid and Whale
8. The Roadhouse
9. Casa Colina
10. Caribe
11. New Delhi Cafe
12. Sparky's
13. Rowdy Beaver
14. Voulez Vous
15. 1886 Steakhouse
16. Ermilio's
17. DeVito's
18. Eureka Live

The **Eureka Springs Independent** is published weekly by Sewell Communications, LLC

Copyright 2013

178A W. Van Buren • Eureka Springs, AR
479.253.6101

Publisher – Sandra Sewell Templeton

Editor – Mary Pat Boian

Editorial staff – C.D. White, Nicky Boyette,
Harrie Farrow

Photographer – David Frank Dempsey

Contributors

Ray Dilfield, Steven Foster,
Becky Gillette, Wolf Grulkey,
Dan Krotz, Chuck Levering, John Rankine, Risa

Office Manager/Gal Friday – Gwen Etheredge

Art Director – Perlinda Pettigrew-Owens

Warden of the Janitor's Closet

Jeremiah Alvarado-Owens

Press Releases

newsdesk@eurekaspringsindependent.com

Letters to the Editor:

editor@eurekaspringsindependent.com
or

ES Independent

Mailing address: 103 E. Van Buren #353
Eureka Springs, AR 72632

Subscriptions:

\$50 year – mail to above address

Office: 178A W. Van Buren
Eureka Springs, AR 72632

Display ads:

Contact

Bev Taylor at 479.790.3276
bevtaylor.independent@gmail.com
or Mary Flood at 479.981.3556
advertise.independent@gmail.com

Classifieds:

Classifieds@esindependent.com
479.253.6101

Advertising deadline:

New Ads – Friday at 12 Noon
Changes to Previous Ads –
Monday at 12 noon

This paper is printed with
soy ink on recycled paper.



Reduce, Reuse, **RECYCLE**

INDEPENDENTMail

The opinions on the **INDEPENDENTEditorial** page are our opinions and the opinions on the **INDEPENDENTMail** page are readers' opinions.

All **INDEPENDENTMail** must be signed and include address and phone number for confirmation.

We reserve the right to edit submissions. Send your **INDEPENDENTMail** to:

ES Independent, 103 E. Van Buren, #353, Eureka Springs, AR 72632 or editor@eurekaspringsindependent.com

Council should buck up

Editor,

Why can't this city *ever* take responsibility for itself? No one on the council wants to make any "final decisions" in any given situation, for fear of what? A move to "postpone" is your solution! You are the council someone (?) voted for. How are you supporting us? How are you backing us up? What are you doing to improve our life here?

The sewer situation stinks in this city. The blame is always placed on the "other" person! How can that be when the city is not up to code? They clearly stated that in the March 28 edition titled, "Sewer backup all over again."

I am sure you all remember what happened to Nelli Clark? Has the city reimbursed her? Have they fixed her house after two years? That was not her fault either, the city tried to use loopholes to prove otherwise.

Now you are going to attempt to pawn the responsibility of Sherwood Court on the previous owners when you have *clearly* stated the pipe was not up to code? What is wrong with you people? Have you *no* backbone? Have you *no respect*? Have you not a single care for the people who make money for *you* and *your* jobs?

I am disgusted to say I am a native of Eureka.

Lisa Bingaman-Davis

No indoor smoking

Editor,

Eureka Springs is not exactly an accommodating town when it comes to visitors or residents with disabilities. This is obviously due to the historic architecture of the town, which cannot be easily modified to accommodate many people's disabilities.

One barrier that could easily be removed at no cost to anyone is the current barrier that prevents people with asthma, certain allergies and other

respiratory disabilities from having equal access to all establishments in town. Banning smoking in all indoor places would instantly remove this selfish and unnecessary barrier.

Sam Evans

Eatin' season big success

Editor,

St. James' Episcopal Church completed its season of Sunday Night Community Suppers with a great Easter evening on March 31 and we thank our guests and volunteers who helped serve the meals. A special thanks to our 10 restaurants and providers for our 2012-2013 season: Chelsea's Pizza, Andy Fink; Crescent Hotel, Jodie English; Ermilio's, Paul Wilson; Fresh Beanz Coffee, Allen and Susan Walter; Garden Bistro, Lana Campbell; Grand Taverne, Dave Gilderson; Local Flavor, Britt Evans and Bill Sarad; Myrtie Mae's, Jayne Janes; New Delhi, Bill Gupta and

MAIL continued on page 31



WEEK'S Top Tweets

@samuelheard --- Was just asked to leave Mayflower, Arkansas – or spend the night in jail. Thanks, Exxon.

@Zen_Moments --- Either write something worth reading or do something worth writing. ~ Benjamin Franklin

@BarackObama --- "She stands as an example to our daughters that there is no glass ceiling that can't be shattered." –Obama on Margaret Thatcher's passing

@rjmcculloch --- Yet more evidence that Roger Ebert led a great life. Westboro Baptist Church will picket his funeral.

@Aspersionscast --- Your secrets are safe with me, I wasn't even listening to you.

@lize_tagge --- I have a life outside of twitter I just can't remember my password for it...

@martalezz --- I'm gonna get a tattoo that says 'Helvetica', written in Arial. When a woman corrects me on it, I will marry her.

@schindizzle --- No horror movie is as frightening as letting someone use your computer.

@oliviawilde --- in a thousand years people will dig up tanning beds and think we fried people as punishment.

@jwentwistle

--- The side of the mayflower oil spill that exxon doesn't want you to see. Taken yesterday.



A guy walks into a bar ...

Make that a restaurant. He's really hungry, having driven straight through to get to Eureka Springs in time to plan out some places for his group to visit when they arrive the next day. Consequently he missed lunch and it's now about 3:30 p.m. He's glad to see there are no customers except a couple already eating at the far end of the dining room.

The place is spacious and the prices are excellent. He's thinking this might be a good spot for everyone to meet for lunch one day after shopping. He steps up to the counter where a lone server is busy with slow-time chores. She notices him and heaves a heavy sigh as if he's a little kid who's been nagging for attention and driven her to the end of her patience.

"Ah, she's tired after the lunch crowd," he thinks, and says something pleasant about the nice surroundings, hoping to brighten her mood.

She doesn't smile or answer; just looks at him like he's an idiot and points to a specials board while she goes on about her work. He asks about an item on the menu. This elicits another heavy sigh and a curt reply. He really is an idiot. Feeling uncomfortable now and not wanting to ask any more questions, he picks something random off the menu to satisfy his hunger, mentally crossing the place off from any future consideration.

Instances like this imaginary scenario are rare in Eureka Springs, but experience and the grapevine says they do happen in some shops, restaurants and various businesses that deal with a lot of tourist traffic hour after hour. Because the economy dictates that people sometimes take any job they can get, whether they like doing it or not, it takes a smart manager, or whoever does the hiring, to know the difference between a person who's not invested in the job and one who will help their business grow instead of deep sixing it.

Just having a warm body present to do the job isn't enough to assure that people will keep coming back. Studies show one bad experience will sour a customer, while it takes six or more good experiences to make them change their minds about a place later. But if they never come back to have those good experiences, they're lost permanently. And the worst part is, they'll blab their tale of woe to everyone they know.

On top of that, there's a small workforce pool to hire from in these parts, and even when hired, some folks just don't show up when they don't feel like it. On the workers' side, there may not be enough incentive or feeling of "ownership" in the success of a business to bother showing up if something else seems more important.

That probably means there's work to be done on both sides – employer and employee.

Being hospitable to visitors is *work*, especially for those of us who'd rather be hermits, and more so if the guest or customer really *is* a jerk. The non-people person has to work against nature to be a people person. But it can be done.

Next Thursday, on April 18, at the Best Western Eureka Inn, the Chamber of Commerce is holding a hospitality training seminar in conjunction with the Arkansas Hospitality Association.

They're encouraging every business owner or manager to send employees to learn, among other things, about making good first impressions, being well informed and how to share that information.

It may sound simplistic – how to make a good first impression – but a lot of psychological research has been done concerning what turns people on or off at first encounter, especially when they're in unfamiliar surroundings. Some of the information shared in this seminar may surprise us – and could turn things around for those less skilled in the customer service arena.

Since tourism is our main business in Eureka Springs, it makes sense to learn and implement all we can to make sure it's a *thriving* business. The CAPC can't do *everything* for us.

– CDW



The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

Our legislature has passed laws making abortions more difficult to get, permitting guns in churches, and requiring voters to run a gauntlet. Whether we personally agree or disagree with these measures, polls show they reflect the people's will: this is what between 60-70 percent of Arkansans want and believe. Along the same lines, our Congressional delegation promises to end Big Government; the applause has been loud and wide-ranging.

How "ending big government" is going to work out is a bit of a mystery, though. Arkansas has been on the federal dole since FDR was president and always depends on tax money from donor states to float the boat. It is possible that our Representatives have a "them" strategy in mind rather than an "us" strategy when it comes to getting Arkansas off welfare, but it would be a good thing if they'd explain it to "us" so we'd know how to distinguish ourselves from "them" when the time comes.

If we used tithing as the baseline for "rendering unto Caesar" we'd send a dollar to Washington and get 90¢ back. That seems fair, doesn't it? Ten percent seems about right for national defense, interstate transportation and all the other federal baloney like Medicare and public education... wouldn't you say?

We'd have to cut some flab, though. Arkansas currently receives about \$1.41 for every \$1 it sends to Washington; I guess tithing means about 51¢ of local flab cutting, a hard thing maybe, but not impossible when the majority wills it. And we've elected leaders at the state and federal level to exercise the people's will, so it is all good. Right?

Now that Arkansas' Grand Old Party has achieved all its social engineering goals – gosh, they have haven't they? – they can move on to the economic development phase of the plan. It is hard to imagine how they can exceed the Democrat's potlatch for attracting new business to the Natural State, but maybe they can. Luckily for us, they have a couple of Wichita, Kansas, billionaires telling them exactly how to do it. I can't wait to bathe in the trickle down.

INDEPENDENT Constables On Patrol

APRIL 1

11:25 a.m. – Constable on patrol responded to report of a broken down van in a parking lot. Turns out the van had run out of gas and was already gone when he arrived.

12:14 p.m. – Constables removed broken beer bottles from US 62.

12:29 p.m. – Constable prevented a semi from getting any further up Spring Street, then got it turned around and on its way.

1:40 p.m. – Central dispatch asked for local assistance on a domestic dispute in progress but did not know the exact address. Constable patrolled the vicinity but did not hear anything untoward.

2:50 p.m. – Two vehicles bumped it up in the courthouse parking lot.

4:24 p.m. – A vehicle seemed to be abandoned at a downtown intersection, but the constable was able to speak with the owner who said he would move the vehicle by the next day.

11:49 p.m. – Three teenagers were walking around in a parking lot at the late hour arousing suspicion. Constable who responded did not encounter them.

APRIL 2

6:37 a.m. – Central dispatch alerted ESPD to a truck which passed a vehicle on the Leatherwood Bridge on its way into town. Constable encountered the truck but it was behaving at the time.

10:15 a.m. – Witness reported a small dog with a pink harness running loose on US 62, but constable never saw it.

12:58 p.m. – Former tenant was sending harassing communications, and the landlady reported it.

6:10 p.m. – Someone entered the old high school gym and smashed the vending machine sending glass all around.

6:22 p.m. – Merchant reported two persons had been coming to the store even though they were not allowed there. Constable advised she should alert ESPD if they come again.

APRIL 3

9:34 a.m. – Animal Control picked up a dog that had followed somebody to the elementary school.

10:49 a.m. – The elementary school asked for assistance with a student.

9:10 p.m. – Concerned caller told ESPD a nephew had taken an elderly aunt from

her residence against her will. Upon investigating, the constable learned a Miami police officer had been present at the time and the aunt, who suffers from dementia, had gone willingly. The constable also spoke with the nephew and aunt and reported there was no reason for concern.

10:18 p.m. – Central dispatch passed along an alert of a possibly intoxicated driver with a child passenger. Constables on patrol watched for but did not encounter the vehicle.

APRIL 4

12:42 a.m. – Two males altercated outside a bar. One of them left before constables and EMS arrived.

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

6:46 p.m. – Person came to the station to file a report of harassing communications by her ex-boyfriend.

10:45 p.m. – Passerby noticed the doors of a downtown business were open. Constable responded and found nothing amiss. The owner locked up.

APRIL 5

9:57 a.m. – Constable encountered a stray dog downtown and brought it to the kennel.

10:57 a.m. – Owner of a tourist lodging reported guests had left without paying for their stay.

11:21 a.m. – EMT responded to a medical call for an elderly guest at a motel and came upon a family dispute. Constable was called, and he had to advise the family they had no legal grounds for restraining the woman unless she presented a danger to herself, which was not the case because she was clear-minded and alert.

1:38 p.m. – Caller wanted to speak with a constable about a recent sales transaction because something seemed suspicious. Everything got worked out on the phone.

2:35 p.m. – The high school at first asked for assistance with a student, but when the constable arrived, things had been settled.

2:40 p.m. – Constable arrested an individual on a felony warrant.

5:21 p.m. – There was a concern for an elderly female about to drive. Constable

came to escort her home.

6:56 p.m. – A 96-year old female with a walker was flagging down vehicles on U.S. 62. She wanted a ride to the airport. Constables arrived and resolved the situation.

8:04 p.m. – There was a backing accident in a parking lot.

11:33 p.m. – Distressed merchant downtown reported five to ten wild ones yelling and screaming in front of her business. She said they were headed down Main Street. Constable on patrol did not encounter the yellors.

11:40 p.m. – Manager of an establishment reported two ex-employees were on the scene causing problems. He asked them to leave and they refused. By the time constables arrived, the troublemakers had departed. Constables looked for but did not encounter them.

APRIL 6

4:37 p.m. – There was a minor traffic accident on US 62.

7:41 p.m. – Call came in about three females fighting on Spring Street. Constables responded to the location but did not find any pugilists.

8:20 p.m. – A crowd of people in Basin Park were reportedly being very loud, but the party had disbanded by the time the constable arrived.

8:38 p.m. – Resident complained her ex-boyfriend would not return things belonging to her children. Constable responded and advised her to get orders from the court.

11:03 p.m. – Concerned person reported someone with a flashlight running through her yard. Constables responded and checked the area but did not encounter the person with the flashlight. They maintained extra patrols during the night.

APRIL 7

12:18 a.m. – Observer reported three males fighting another male on Main Street. The gang of three continued down Main Street, but were gone by the time constables got there.

12:57 a.m. – Perturbed resident reported a neighbor had let dogs run free and they are keeping everyone awake with their barking. Responding constable found the dogs inside but barking very loudly and no one was home to control them.

Animal control will follow up.

2:46 a.m. – Manager of a motel reported two female guests had said a rough-looking male had been knocking on their door. Other guests said he had made advances toward them also. Constable arrived to find the subject was nowhere to be seen at the time, but he remained on site for awhile.

9:03 a.m. – A vehicle had been parked in a church parking lot for two days. Constable checked it out.

9:53 a.m. – ESH asked for assistance with a suicidal patient.

10:02 a.m. – Merchant reported an elderly woman staying at a nearby motel had asked for assistance and would not leave until police arrived. Constable responded, but the lady's family was escorting her back to the motel.

10:02 a.m. – Someone suspected vandalism at the track behind the elementary school, but responding constable found the wind had blown over a trashcan. Nothing else looked amiss.

2:30 p.m. – ESPD was alerted to an allegedly reckless driver headed toward town from the west. Constables never saw the vehicle.

2:33 p.m. – Concerned observer was worried about the welfare of a woman who seemed out of sorts. Responding constable determined everything was okay.

7:05 p.m. – Someone complained there were people juggling fire in Basin Park. Constable did not find anyone juggling fire.

APRIL 8

12:28 a.m. – Benton County Sheriff's Office asked for assistance in making contact with an individual who had threatened to drive to Bentonville and get his kids. Constable responded to the address, but the subject's vehicle was not there.

5 a.m. – Worried person told ESPD her roommate should have been home by now. He had gotten off work two hours earlier and it was not like him to be late. Constables watched for his vehicle. Later she called back to say she had received a text message from him saying he had fallen asleep at a friend's house.



EUREKA SPRINGS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Front row, from left: Manon Gros, Jazz Urioste, Sarah Address

Second row, from left: Brandon Ray, Matthew McClung, Robert Lefever, Nathan Address

Top row, from left: Alex Cisneros, Coach Parkman, Jake McClung.

Not pictured: Holly Ton

PHOTO BY DAVID FRANK DEMPSEY

We support the Eureka Springs Highlanders

EUREKA STONE CO.
479.253.7313
Go Highlanders

HARTS
FAMILY CENTER
Go Highlanders!
Hwy. 62 West
Eureka Springs
253-9561

Liberty Service Company
Heating • Cooling • Refrigeration
178 B West Van Buren • Eureka Springs
www.libertyservicecompany.com
KEN TRIMBLE • 479.253.9644

TURPENTINE CREEK
WILDLIFE REFUGE
Rescuing Exotic Cats Nationwide
479.253.5841
www.turpentinecreek.org

Supporting the Highlanders
ES INDEPENDENT
479.253.6101
esINDEPENDENT.com

SPARKY'S
Beer • Wine
Cocktails
OPEN ALL YEAR
Tuesday - Saturday
Tues., Wed., Thurs.
11 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Fri. & Sat. 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.
HWY. 62 EAST • 479-253-6001
S.U.A.E.

Eureka Springs BookShope
... Specializing in Modern First Editions
charles@eurekaspringsbookshope.com
Great Books,
Great Prices, Great Service

Next week:
SKILLS TEAM
To advertise, call
Bev Taylor - 479.790.3276
or
Mary Flood - 479.981.3556



With the help of my friend Zeek, we bleached and colored my hair cotton candy pink for the opening reception of the Graven Images installation at The Space on Good Friday.

During the course of the evening's reception, several people remarked that I looked like the guy who shot all those people in that movie theater. Trust me – that was not the look I was going for.

So why pink? Because I've never had pink hair – it was Easter weekend, I was in the trusted hands of a professional, and I needed a hairstyle to go with the red and white trimmed Santa shirt I was wearing to the opening – and at 58, I thought, I better do it while I still have hair.

The inspiration came from a photo I saw of British actress Helen Mirren (Oscar winner for her role in *The Queen*) who at 67, arrived at some awards ceremony with pink hair looking very sexy and elegant.

(In my best Ronald Reagan voice), “Mr. Rankine, you are NO Helen Mirren,” – or Molly Ringwald for that matter.

Who knew that a middle-aged, gay, white man with a greying beard, donning a pink doo could make so many people feel uncomfortable?

Most friends laughed out loud – some were a little shocked with the realization it was not a wig, and a few just shook their heads in silence.

But it was in the “Real World” where things got interesting: shopping at Harts; waiting in the doctor's office; minding my store. It was the averted eyes, the classic double-take, the quick glance away, or the straight-forward stare; a nervous smile, one genuinely hostile look, and the innocent gaze of a child who loudly announced to everyone, “Mommy, that man has pink hair,” that made it impossible to forget what was atop my head.

My neighbor, a fellow artist, loved the hair and suggested a

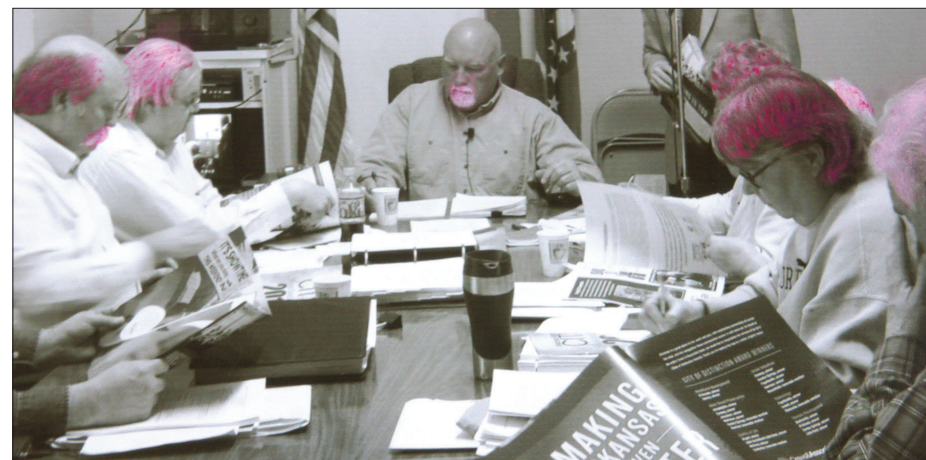
community art piece where everyone dyes their hair or beards pink – an art piece where we could raise breast cancer awareness, where all politics and small town bickering is put aside with the community coming together united in pink.

Wouldn't it be fun to see Elizabeth Kelley or be greeted by your favorite bank teller, or served a drink by Nate at Chelsea's, or look up from the dental

chair to see Dr. Covington – all with pretty pink hair?

It's been almost four years since

I photographed members of our community visualizing peace for the “A Community at Peace” installation. Imagine “A Community in Pink.”



Rankine's rendering of city council in the pink.

INDEPENDENTArt

Are you the Ozark Idol 2013?

Ozark Idol 3 is holding auditions for solo, duet and band musical acts in the Grand View Hotel Dining Room on the Berryville Square Saturday, April 27, from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

The local audition is part of a 7-week series of auditions taking place throughout the Ozarks. Auditions are videotaped and posted online followed by a series of eliminations to select finalists for the “Big Show” on week 15. Go to www.jimstv.com for complete information, guidelines and pre-registration (optional) and follow the auditions on Facebook at Ozark-Idols-3.

The 302 Restaurant in the Grand View Hotel will be open during tryouts, so come and cheer your favorite performer and have a great meal.

Earn an ESSA workshop with work-study/volunteer program

The Eureka Springs School of the Arts is seeking volunteers and work-study students for help in administration, studio assistance, housekeeping, facilities, special events and anything you can imagine! Perform 30 hours of work-study assignments for ESSA and receive a complimentary five-day workshop valued at \$295! Contact ESSA at (479) 253-5384 to apply and/or for more information.



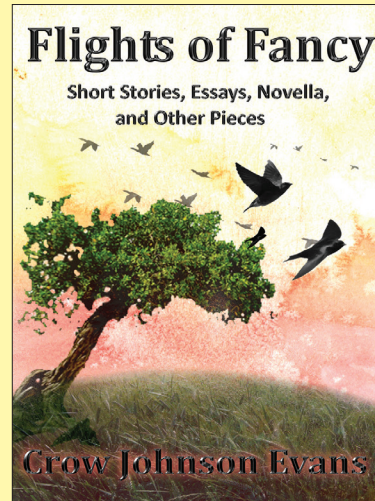
Jones exhibits at Main Stage

Eureka Springs artist Paula Jones' vibrant paintings of farm animals drawn from childhood memories and her abstracted figures combining subtle layers of mixed media, translucent glazing and freehand scribbles will be exhibited at Main Stage Gallery April 12 – 28. A public reception for the artist will be held Friday, April 12 from 6 – 8 p.m.

Main Stage Gallery is open Saturdays 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. and Sundays 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at 67 North Main.

It's Thyme for spinning tales

Crow Johnson Evans lives in the NW Arkansas woods with her husband, Arthur. After years on the road as a musician, she now enjoys weaving stories, spinning yarns (in words and fiber) and eco-touring to see endangered wildlife across the world. In celebration of Crow, her new book and her timeless spinning and weaving, Eureka Thyme Gallery is hosting a show on April 13 where you can meet this fascinating woman between the hours of 1 – 4 p.m. and again from 6 – 9 p.m. during the Gallery Stroll. For more information see www.CrowSpun.com.



Poetluck features poet Lissa Lord April 18

The Poetluck potluck and literary salon on Thursday, April 18, will feature writer-in-residence, Lissa Lord, reading from a new collection of poems written during her 2012 stay at the Writers' Colony at Dairy Hollow

Lord is an academic librarian at The University of Kansas Libraries and publishes the award winning *Dissertation Research Blog* (dissertationresearch.blogspot.com). Her professional writing also includes reviews of websites and books for *CHOICE* magazine and *Library Journal*. Lord's passion for poetry and art are evident on WordLayers.com, her personal blog.

Her artistic style begins with poetry that

concentrates on the creative word. "Dyslexia stands behind all I do. The importance of one word at a time comes first as visual phenomena and second as a piece of language. Poetry is the perfect platform for seeing and hearing words at the same time," Lord explained.

She will share her work after the 6:30 p.m. potluck. All are invited and local writers may read from their work for up to four minutes following the presentation. Poetluck brings established visiting poets and writers together with local writers, aspiring writers and those interested in the creative process. Please join us and bring a dish and some words to share at the Colony, 515 Spring Street.



Collage graduate – Chaffyn holds one of his 17 new digital collages on display during a one-man, one-night show at The Space on April 9. A selection of 50 of Chaffyn's older digital collages were also on exhibit.

PHOTO BY DAVID FRANK DEMPSEY

Jewelry shines on Gallery Stroll

During the April 13 April Gallery Stroll local jewelry designer, Ginny Norris, will present her latest creations at Iris at the Basin Park. A gallery fave, Ginny has been designing and fabricating unique pendants and earrings from fine silver highlighted with 24k gold-plated accents. She will be in the gallery from 1 – 4 p.m. and in the evening from 6 – 9 p.m.



Every Wednesday

- 7 p.m., Drink & Draw w/ Robert Norman, live music, Chelsea's, donation.
- 8 – 10 a.m., Plein Air Painters, all welcome, check www.studio62.biz for locations

TheNATUREofEUREKA by Steven Foster

A season of cycles

You know (for sure) that spring has arrived when redbuds begin to bloom. That doesn't mean we won't have another odd snow flurry. I remember at least three times when we've had snowfall on dogwoods' blooms. How many times have you seen the redbuds in

full bloom only to enjoy them for a day or two before an errant arctic blast withers the blooms to a drooping mess? Yes, those odd weather events occur, especially in April mixing moist subtropical air with a bubble of cold dry Arctic air, forming the predictable tornado season. Despite those odd flips of weather, there's no going back now. Spring is here.

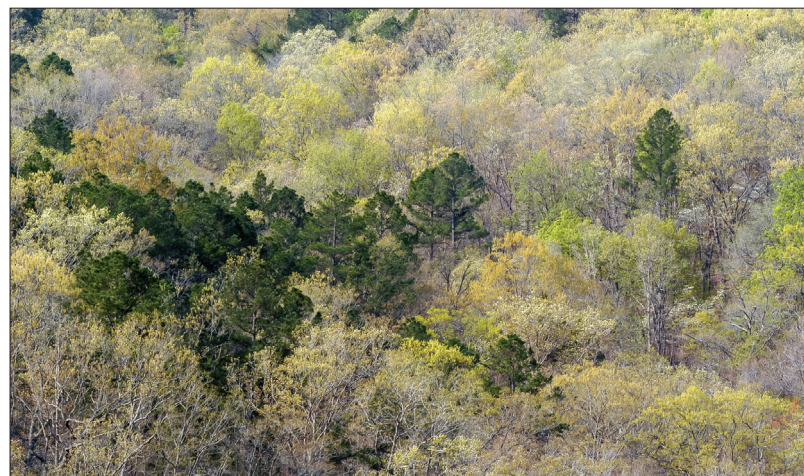
I've been in the Ozarks watching the cycles of spring for 34 years, and this is my favorite time of year, coming into that week-long period when a thousand shades of green dance on the hillsides as most of the deciduous trees bloom and leaf out (evidenced by the pollen on the hood of your car). I've been here long enough so that all the indicators of spring, including errant weather events, are predictable cycles.

Last weekend I was a speaker at the medicinal herb weekend workshop at the Ozark Folk Center in Mountain View,

Arkansas, along with Vermont herbalist, Rosemary Gladstar. I've known Rosemary since before I moved to the Ozarks in 1979.

The perspective of decades led to remembering now deceased mentors and colleagues we've known, and how a new generation of herbalists is emerging, some thinking they have discovered what we've known for years. It reminded me that humans are also a part of the cycles of nature.

We were delighted by the fact that there was an even younger generation there – two ten-year-old young ladies – paying workshop attendees – with the books we had written under their arms lining-up for a book signing. They bought the books with their own allowances. I was talking to the father of a 10-year-old girl from Rogers. I informed him that there is a new herb group that meets once a month in Northwest Arkansas, and encouraged him to take his daughter to the meetings. He smiled and said, "She presented the program at the group's March meeting."



Spend Sunday in the Park with ESPS

...and you might end up with Willie Nelson's hat! The Eureka Springs Preservation Society (ESPS) is setting the table for their fourth annual spring fundraiser, *Sunday in the Park*, on April 21 to help fund ESPS preservation efforts for 2013. The elegant event will take place from 2 – 4 p.m. p.m. in the Crescent Hotel Conservatory.

Celebrities including Willie Nelson and Joseph Wambaugh, bestselling American writer and 14-year veteran of The Los Angeles Police Department, will donate personal hats for a silent and live auction. (More surprises to come.)

Crescent Hotel guests and local residents will have the opportunity to view and place silent bids on the special hats from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Auction winners will be announced following the live auction at the end of the day's event.

All guests at the fundraiser are invited to create or decorate and wear their own hats and bonnets in the Grand Bonnet Contest. These will also be auctioned to the highest bidder with proceeds benefiting ESPS.

There will also be a chance to purchase raffle tickets for door prizes nestled in decorated picnic baskets. The 2013 exclusive the ESPS Christmas ornament honoring a great preservationist and historical Eureka Springs landmark will be announced and presented at the event.

Sunday in the Park table sponsors and decorators include Sandra and Charles Templeton of the Eureka Springs Independent, Linda Bridwell and Dee Bright designers; Eureka Spring Preservation Society, Georgette Garner designer; Stan Fradd of Upholstery by Stan; Kaylene Sheperd of Something Simple; Greg Moon; Al Hooks of Al Hooks Realty and Wayne Franks, Judy Denny, designer; Marty Cogan; Linda McFarlin of Cottage Caboodle; Bill Sarad of New Delhi Cafe; Ilene Powell & Cné Breaux; Eureka Springs School of the Arts; Cornerstone Bank, and Kathy Pickowitz designer.

Tickets for *Sunday in the Park* are available at The Grand Central Hotel at (479) 253-6756 or Cottage Caboodle (479) 363-6163 at \$20 a seat, and should be purchased in advance. Ticket contributions are tax deductible.



Pie ala Music

Join the Carroll County Orchestra for dessert and some



sweet music on Sunday, April 14, 3 p.m., at *Pie ala Music* in the Berryville Community Center. Cost is \$7 adults and \$5 for children. Proceeds will fund music scholarships for Carroll County Youth.

Ken Smith will direct the orchestra

program including *America Exultant*, *English Folksong*, *Louis XIV Suite*, *American Folk Song*, *Batman*, *Irish Folk Song*, *Shenandoah*, *Sonatina Folk*, *Cartoon Symphony* and *Muppet Show*.

For more information, contact deborahgeorge1@yahoo.com, (870) 350-2151.

Regional school Counselors of the Year announced

Counselors of the Year for the North Central Region of ArSCA for 2013 are Rachal Hyatt, Elementary Counselor of the Year (Eureka Springs Elementary School) and Lisa Plagge, Secondary Counselor of the Year (Eureka Springs Middle and High Schools). Congratulations to both Rachal and Lisa, who will go on to compete at the state level for Counselor of the Year.

Two local students “clean up” in Arkansas’s Youth Poster contest

Local winners in the *Great American Cleanup in Arkansas Youth Poster Contest* are Emma Hutchens, first-place winner in Grades K-2 category and Mackenzie Loudermilk, third-place winner in Grades 3-5. Both are students at the Academy of Excellence.

Keep Arkansas Beautiful sponsors the contest to involve students in increasing awareness of the annual spring cleanup and to educate the public about the importance of a clean and beautiful community for improving environmental quality of life.

Each first-place winner receives a \$50 Walmart gift card; second-place winners, a \$35 Walmart gift card and third-place winners, a \$20 Walmart gift card. Keep Arkansas Beautiful representatives presented each winner with a gift card and a certificate of achievement. Georgette Garner is the local Keep Arkansas Beautiful commissioner.



See saw – Spring Diversity Weekend was in full bloom all over town last weekend. Organizers planned a full menu of events and music, including this evening at New Delhi where revelers were treated to tunes played on a saw by Geoffrey of the Craig Kinsey band. Rapidly.

PHOTO BY BEV TAYLOR

Fame Came Late © is an unpublished historical manuscript written by Lida Wilson Pyles (1906-2000). It is the story as she was told about Eureka Springs bear hunter, John Gaskins. Pyles married into the Gaskins family in 1924.

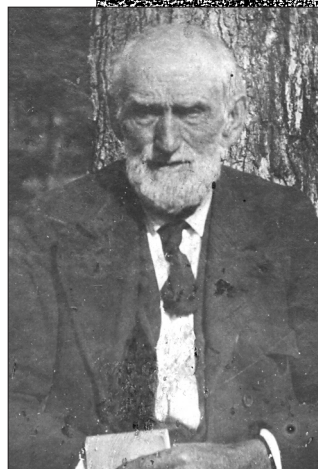
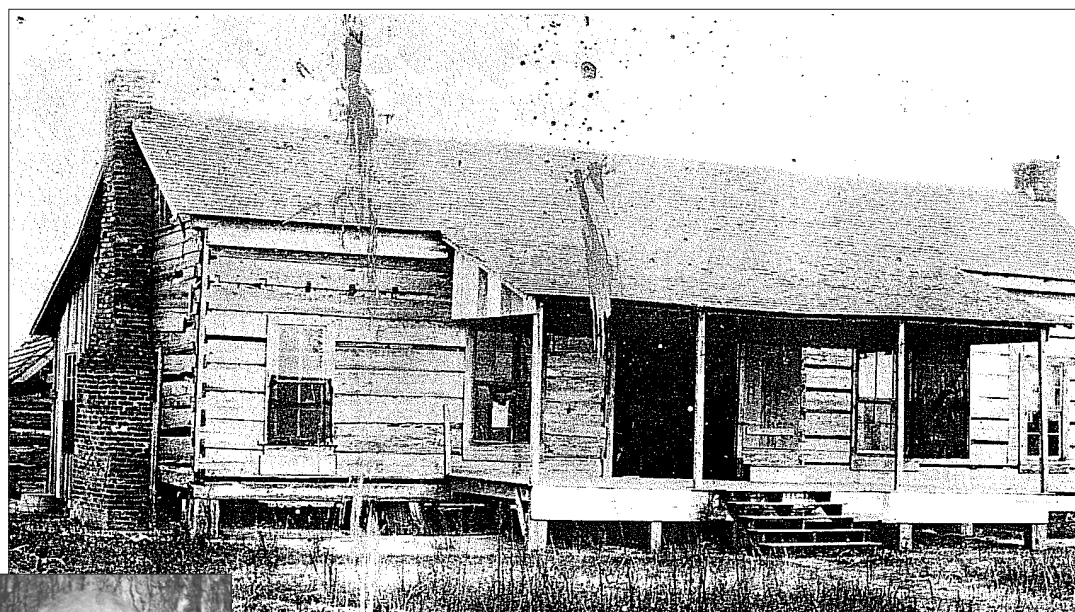
“I’m glad there’s some apple pie left for you and your girls,” Mrs. Hickman told Johnny. “Since the weather got so cold, I couldn’t cook outside any more. I had to have a cook stove brought down from Springfield. It shore has been handy. I can bake pies in the oven and don’t have to fool with a Dutch oven any more. A Dutch oven is all right for makin’ jest one pie but that is not enough when I am cookin’ fer a whole bunch of men. I want to show you my stove,” she told him.

“I had all ready seen it and wondered what it was,” Nancy volunteered.

“You will see a lot of things here that you never saw before,” her father explained. As the meal was finished, he turned to his hostess and said, “Mrs. Hickman, you probably know that when I come to town I allus go down to the saloon and get a few drinks, but a saloon ain’t no place fer a man to take his girls. Could they stay here with you an’ your girls for a couple of hours? We have to start home pretty early. It’s a long trip.”

“Certainly, Mr. Gaskins. We would be glad to have them. I agree with you that a saloon is no place for girls.” Then looking around to see if his girls were within hearing and lowering her voice, she said, “Mr. Gaskins, I hear that there are ‘bad women’ in town and that they go into saloons jest like men. I shore wouldn’t want my girls a-meetin’ up with that kind of women. You know the kind I mean,” she whispered.

“Shore, I know what you mean an’ I ain’t a-goin’ to have my girls goin’ near such a place.” He looked toward the girls who were talking at the other side of the room and added, “An’ if I did, I reckon my Susan would horse-whup me. My wife don’t get riled very often but when she does, there’s hell to pay. I don’t



cross her much when she gets her dander up.”

It was two hours later when Gaskins returned to pick up his girls. In the meantime one of the women in the neighborhood

had arrived for a visit.

“This is Mr. Gaskins,” Mrs. Hickman began but before she could say more, the friend interrupted, “Mr. Gaskins,” she said in astonishment, “I’ve heard of you. You’re the man I heard about that got drunk down at the saloon and lit his pipe with a twenty dollar bill.”

Mrs. Hickman tried to shush her guest but Johnny Gaskins answered himself, “Yes, ma’am, that was me. I was just a showin’ off because I was drunk. I’m a little drunk right now but I ain’t too drunk to explain that when I lit my pipe with that twenty dollar bill, I didn’t have no hungry kids at home. More that that, my wife knowed exactly where I was an’ that’s more that I can say fer a lot of men that go to that saloon. Some of ‘em get on a three-day drunk an’ leave a family hungry at home. I ain’t hid from nobody. That twenty

dollar bill was mine an’ I didn’t owe it to nobody. I reckon it was a foolish thing to do but that’s my business, too. It ain’t the first time I ever done anything foolish and probably won’t be th’ last, but I reckon there ain’t much anybody can do about it.”

“Mr. Gaskins, I’m sorry I brought that up. I just did it before I thought. My husband come home a-laughin’ about it. We both thought it was funny,” the visitor apologized.

“I reckon I thought it was funny too, or I wouldn’t a-done it. I kinda like to get drunk and do funny things once in a while. It’s good fer my rheumatiz,” he added as he ushered his girls toward the wagon.

Mrs. Hickman turned to her guest and explained, “That man is a character. He does more for other people and for the community than any three other men I know. All that sputterin’ is just to show his independence. He wants everybody to know that he does exactly as he pleases. That seems to be the main thing he is tryin’ to tell people. He come here and left his girls with me while he went back down to the saloon. He had bought them all kinds of nice thing before he brought ‘em here. One just has to understand that man to learn to like him. I’ve got a great deal of respect for him.”


The two women watched from

the door as Gaskins untied his team from the hickory tree and loaded the girls into the wagon. He looked back over his shoulder to be sure he had an audience and let out a loud “whoopie,” loud enough to be heard half-way back to the saloon, then drove off down the road.

“He’s a-showin’ off again. They say he does it every time he gets drunk,” Mrs. Hickman continued. “Sometimes I wonder just what kind

of a wife he has got and what she thinks about his shenanigans. They tell me he has got a good wife and that they get along fine. They say she is used to his goin’s on. I don’t know what it would be like to live with a man like that. They say he is awful good to his family and that even though you can’t tell by lookin’ he is pretty well off. I guess if I had a man that was able to light his pipe with twenty dollar bills, I could put up with his gettin’ drunk if he wanted to.”

It was several days before Mrs. Hickman saw Johnny Gaskins again. She was not surprised at his absence. She knew there was going to be a wedding in his family and assumed that everybody at their house was very busy.



CARROLL COUNTY LITERACY COUNCIL

If you can read this and know someone who can’t, we can help.
 Call us at **870-505-1556**
 or visit our website
 for more information:
www.carrollcountyliteracy.org

The Stars Shine & Teach, Pluto Retrogrades

As the planets circle the Sun, they gradually enter into fields of the twelve zodiacal signs. Gathering the energy of a sign they stream that energy to Earth. As the planets and stars shine they also “teach” different lessons based upon the Law of Vibration. Sometimes many planets are changing signs simultaneously. Sometimes sign changes are spread out over months. This week Mercury (leaving Pisces) enters Aries, Venus (leaving Aries) enters Taurus and Pluto retrogrades in Capricorn.

With Mercury in Aries, we’re enthusiastic (filled with thoughts from the Mind of God), quick

to communicate, won’t tolerate old ideas, initiate new ideas that takes a Taurus to complete. Mercury builds the Rainbow Bridge to the Soul.

Venus in Taurus enlivens our senses. We seek beauty for stability and comfort, become conventional, learn to say “no” more, commit only to relationships that have purpose. We’re not dreamy, but we’re very romantic. We need luxuries to create the Art of Living.

With Pluto retrograding (till September), this “underground transformer” becomes even more “underground.” Pluto rules Scorpio, “detective” of the zodiac. Pluto retro enters deep into things

hidden and one by one brings them into the light. Because only light transforms them.

Pluto retrograde calls for transparency, elimination and release of all things outworn, unreal, obsolete and over-used. Regeneration occurs within. It’s a time of psychological change where we travel backward in time, repeating events to get them right. Then we create new ground rules.

Pluto encourages growth, makes life richer, more solid. For six months we ponder upon these things. Finally we embrace our potential and not our past. That’s over. The changes we encounter with Pluto retro will be permanent.

ARIES: There’s a sense that you’re here on Earth for a reason. That it’s a spiritual and soul-driven reason and that it’s a mission and so you assess your abilities, seek internally what legacy you want to leave in the world, and with power and intensity you slip away from previous ways of believing and enter a pathway that fulfills your destiny. You see the Matrix and step out of it.

TAURUS: Your journey is one of the mind. You’ve left the Matrix, the prevailing belief systems, knowing they do not allow for change, truth, life or regeneration. You know the future will be one of endurance. Events begin to happen that enlarges this new picture, expands the mind. You help prepare humanity for this new world. They often don’t understand.

GEMINI: There are many hours and days when you think about the process of death, a mystery to most. Each new experience creates a little death of the old. You renew an interest in things hidden (esoteric), the Presence behind outer realities, understanding crisis and your part in helping to create, from the depths of yourself, a new world. You struggle with power struggles. You learn how to communicate only with Goodwill.

CANCER: You seek to relate with others more closely. You seek

depth. One-on-one interactions are best. Sometimes you will challenge others with your demands. You seek to have no false assumptions. But first you must begin with an authentic self and step out of the shadows. Set aside anger and impatience. And take off your shell. You’re safe all the time.

LEO: You will attempt to transform your work life into something that takes into consideration your health and that of co-workers. You want to include all levels of self – body, emotions, mind, soul, spirit, to integrate and purify them. Then you can be dedicated to serve all those who look to you for guidance. You consider many levels of healing. There is no longer any shadow.

VIRGO: It’s important to recognize yourself as a creative person and assume this identity as a reality. Something from the past is a seed for your creativity. You rediscover and ponder upon this as it brings you happiness and joy. It’s your own self-expression and you’ve had it since childhood. It’s been in your heart, resting there ever since. A bit of play would be good.

LIBRA: Some Librans (Sun/rising) are remodeling, buying or selling their homes. Some are moving in (or out) with parents, some are foreclosing.

So much emotion emerges from the past concerning family. It’s good to create a new conversation about family. Seeking deeper into the reality that love was always there. And that love was part of the “happenings of the times.” When you know this, forgiveness happens.

SCORPIO: You want to be known as someone who stands behind his/her words and for people to see the real you. But not too much of the essential you and not too much discussion. You’re at heart a hermit and researcher. You’re presently interested in neighbors, your neighborhood and town. You may not show it but you know much more than most. You know how to strategize, a way of maintaining personal power. Often you are unspoken.

SAGITTARIUS: There have been challenges over the years concerning money and finances. But the real situation is about values – knowing about values, changing values, sensing new values, coming to a true value of self as naturally talented and able to provide completely for the self. After value assessment then the idea of security, trust and resilience come into play. And you search for your true geographical “sense of place.”

CAPRICORN: You can be very sensitive to chemicals and toxicity. Your life is being ruled completely

by Pluto. It strips away all things not useful for your life, eliminating them completely. You are called to transformational change and thinking in parts of your daily regime. Many will see this occurring. You will experience it. The power that is within you, hidden and quiet till now, comes forth. You will learn how to work with this unique power. For you will be a leader in the world. You will combine power with love.

AQUARIUS: You will sense so many things veiled within your psyche. Pluto shines a light on these areas, revealing how you really feel, what you actually sense, want and know to be true for yourself. It will be both surprising & revelatory at first. Then you will enter the core of your being and from there a new direction comes forth. Focus now on what’s important for you. Know this will change.

PISCES: You will let go of many things—people, ideas, beliefs and ways you’ve held for the longest time with compassion. However, you finally come to an end point, a boundary and you begin to firmly close doors. This is healthy and important, eliminating areas that are not compatible to your future usefulness. These actions will seem radical. However they simply allow you to focus on that what matters most. Health.

*Risa is Founder & Director of the Esoteric & Astrological Studies & Research Institute, a contemporary Wisdom School in the Ancient Mysteries tradition.
Email: risagoodwill@gmail.com. Website: www.nightlightnews.com. Facebook: Risa’s Esoteric Astrology*

Chamber hosts free hospitality training seminar

The Arkansas Hospitality Association in conjunction with the Greater Eureka Springs Chamber of Commerce will conduct "Welcome To Arkansas First Impressions," a free hospitality training seminar Thursday, April 18, 6 p.m. at the Best Western Eureka Inn.

All area business managers and front line service industry personnel are encouraged to attend. The seminar, conducted by Scott Sudduth,

Arkansas Hospitality Association Welcome To Arkansas Coordinator, will focus on making good first impressions on customers, the importance of being well informed and cross selling within the city, region and state.

Every business owner or manager is being asked to send employees to this valuable training. For information contact the Eureka Springs Chamber at (479) 253-8737.

ESH Guild hosts district meeting

The Eureka Springs Hospital Guild is hosting the A.H.A.A. Northwest District Meeting at the Inn of the Ozarks Convention Center, Wednesday, April 17. Program starts at 10 a.m. with a luncheon at noon followed by a music program provided by the Ozarks Chorale with Beth Withey, artistic director/conductor and Ellen Stephenson, accompanist.

Chris Bariola, Eureka Springs Hospital Administrator, will provide the welcome. Hospital auxiliaries and guilds with members attending represent hospitals in Berryville, Rogers, Harrison, Bentonville, Springdale, Siloam Springs and Fayetteville.

For more information email marydol5@aol.com or phone (479) 253-4939.

Sponsors sought for world's largest walk to end cancer

The American Cancer Society (ACS) Relay for Life of Carroll County is seeking sponsors for the team walking year's event scheduled for Friday, May 3, 6 p.m. at the Berryville High School track.

The ACS Relay for Life is a global cancer research fundraising initiative and last year's Carroll County event

raised more than \$10,000, making it one of the Top 10 per capita teams in the US. Sponsorship fees for area businesses and community organizations are tax-deductible. Additional information and sponsorship forms available at www.relayforlife.org/carrollar, or contact Ashley Robbins at (479) 263-6273 or ajrobbins09@gmail.com.

Spring cleaning = yard sale dollars – sign up by April 16

After numerous requests for a springtime yard sales event, The Greater Eureka Springs Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce the first Springtime Yards & Yards of Yard Sales will take place April 26 and 27 between the hours of 7 a.m. and 3 p.m. each day.

The springtime sale is in addition to the 19th Annual Yards & Yards of Yard Sales scheduled for August 2 and 3.

Sign up now to participate, and then clean out the basement, garage, storage shed, closet or attic and maximize your sales by joining

this popular event. Shoppers, there's something for everyone; so mark your calendar and don't miss the bargains and treasures!

Stop by the Chamber of Commerce office in The Village at Pine Mountain to sign up and to receive your "Official Yard Sale Participant" sign. Registration fee is \$15. Participants must sign up by 5 p.m. April 16 to be guaranteed placement on the official Springtime Yards & Yards of Yard Sales map.

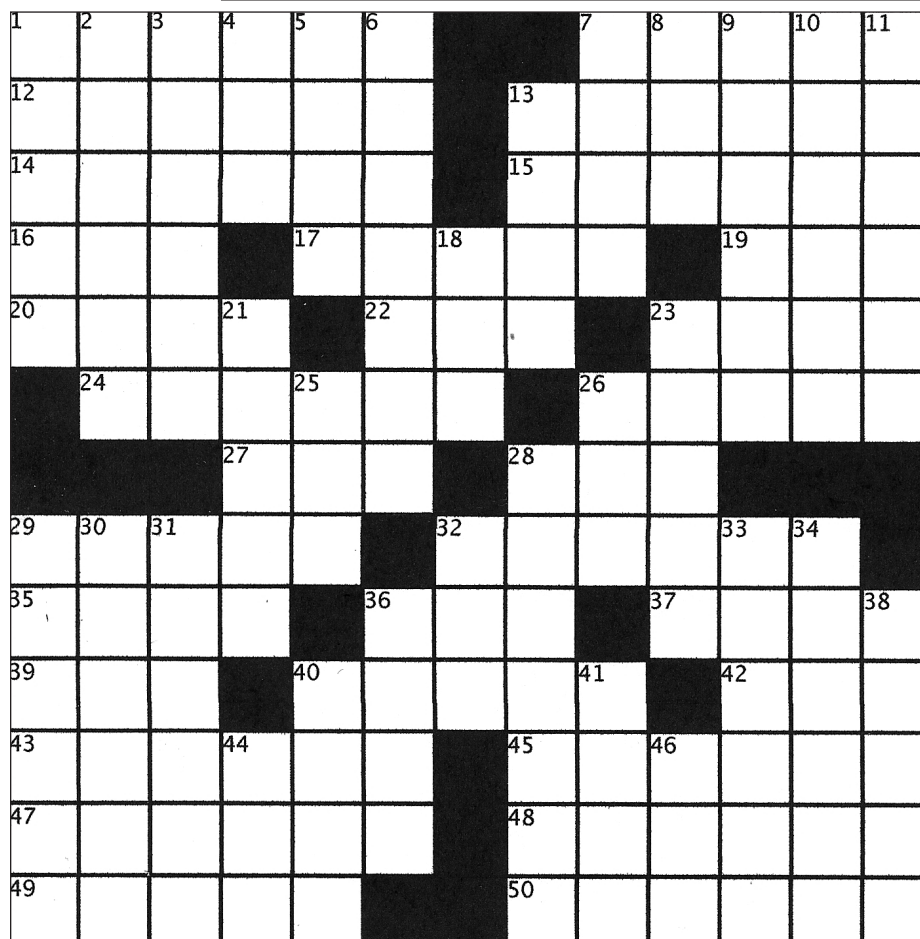
For more information contact the Chamber of Commerce at (479) 253-8737.



INDEPENDENT Crossword

by Chuck Levering

Solution on page 31



ACROSS

1. Chaotic din
7. Mystics' deck
12. Awaken
13. Baltimore pitcher
14. Long-eared hound
15. Move heavily
16. Tattoo fluid
17. Wild dog of India
19. Lawyers must pass this
20. Bolos, ascots, e.g.
22. Peak in Crete
24. Bring into harmony
26. Harder to find
27. Chest containing 10 commandments
28. Two or more eras
29. Properly orient
32. Small pool of water
35. Redirects a reader's attention
36. Owned
37. Mongol's tent

39. Never ask women this
40. Amble
42. Neither's partner
43. Defensive encampment; circle of wagons
45. Illness
47. Canada's capital
48. Speaks pompously
49. Requirements
50. Most up to date

DOWN

1. Nuns wear one
2. Astronomy's muse
3. Grove; thicket
4. Public transportation
5. Pre-owned vehicle
6. Meditate
7. Accurate
8. Goal
9. Thief
10. An ester of oleic
11. Great fear
13. Clay utensil
18. Lyric poem
21. Actor's platform
23. Major city in Sri Lanka
25. Very large coffee pot
26. Reel's companion
28. Benevolent spirit
29. Luxurious Toyota
30. Surgically bind
31. Imagine or conceive
32. Mas partners
33. Crescent or moon-shaped
34. Eats away slowly
36. Israeli circle dance
38. Lovers' meeting
40. Hawk cages
41. Nimble; easily manageable
44. Pursue pleasure
46. Order's partner

alternative), said one critical issue is whether current electricity consumption really dictates a huge new transmission line.

The Southern Power Pool needs study was originally done in 2007, the same year an economic downturn known as the Great Recession started reducing growth – particularly residential growth in the Bentonville-Fayetteville-Springdale areas. In recent years more businesses and homeowners have started using CFL and LED light bulbs that use less energy, and there have been government rebates for purchasing energy efficient appliances. Cost of solar panels has declined considerably in recent years.

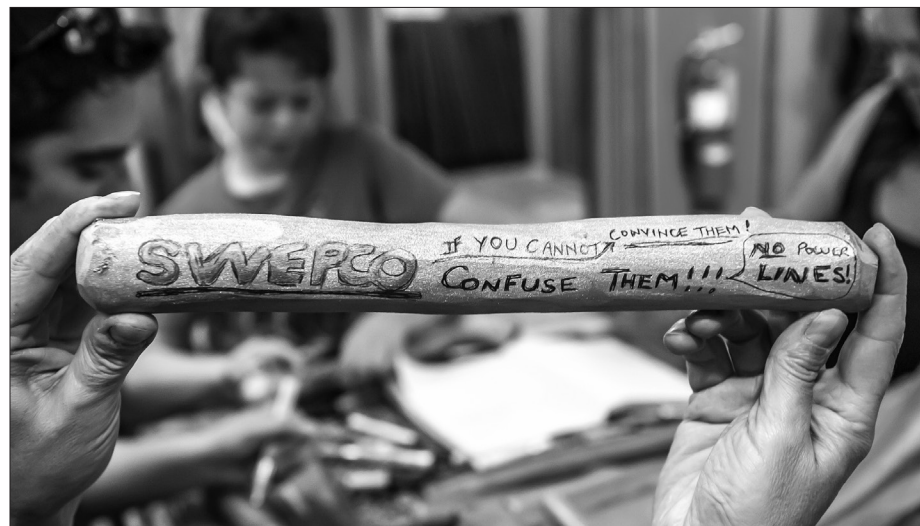
Eureka Springs signed onto the Mayor's Climate Protection Agreement, and unanimously adopted a Climate Action Plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 50 percent by 2020 and 80 percent by 2050. The city received a grant last year and installed energy measures including LED lighting, energy conservation and renewable energy.

Helwig said in addition to researching whether electricity consumption has grown at the rate predicted earlier, it is important to make sure alternatives are considered such as distributed power generation which generates energy from smaller, localized energy plants, and smart grids. A smart grid uses information and communications technology to make electric generation more efficient, reliable and economical.

Studies forecast growth

SWEPCO spokesman Main said studies have predicted overloads on the transmission system in 2016 and beyond. "And so this is putting facilities in place to strengthen the system so that it is able to handle the load that is anticipated in 2016, in particular the Carroll County portion," he said.

Main said energy conservation wouldn't eliminate the need for the new line. He said the Southwest Power Pool study process looks annually at needs across the system, and "they have not changed their instructions or their assessment that



Speak softly and ... One decorator made his reaction to the proposed new high-voltage power line known at a recent Sphere stick painting party at Caribé.

PHOTO BY RICHARD QUICK

this line is needed. That is not a one-time snapshot from 2007. Their responsibility is for the broad region and it is also long term. Their planning process is ongoing. The need for this line remains in their planning."

However, Southern Power Pool spokesman Tom Kleckner, when asked the same question about whether energy demand had grown as fast as anticipated in 2007, said, "This question is probably better suited for SWEPCO or Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation (AECC), as they are the providers meeting much of the load in that area. I do understand Northwest Arkansas continues to see growth."

Kleckner was also asked if the Southwest Power Pool ever considers investing in energy conservation or distributed power systems instead of spending large sums to build high voltage transmission lines.

"We work closely with our members to balance the economic, reliability and public policy aspects of the region's transmission needs," Kleckner said. "That said, we do incorporate some of our members' demand-response solutions – which modifies electricity usage – in our load-forecast process. It is the utility's role to identify how much generation is needed to serve customers."

Alternatives to pastoral disruption

Jerry Landrum, a retired Navy scientist, said he would encourage the PSC to give SWEPCO's existing rebate programs a chance to work or,

better still, expand them.

"Right now SWEPCO offers incentives for energy efficiency to all customers, but only offers incentives for renewable energy production to industrial and commercial customers with 50 kilowatt or larger service," Landrum said. "If these renewable incentives were offered to small business and residential customers, as well, I think the gains from efficiency and renewables would more than offset any future growth in population or the economy."

Landrum said the alternatives could be far less expensive and negate the need for the new power line altogether. That would be especially true if the PSC extended the rebate program to Carroll Electric Cooperative. He said large utilities like SWEPCO have a moral responsibility for addressing critical problems with climate change by reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

One of the opponents of the proposed route 33 is Pat Costner, a retired senior scientist with Greenpeace. Costner's 135 acres contains features such as caves, springs and creeks, and she has gone to considerable effort to make sure the property is preserved. Costner has had her own power generation with solar panels for eight years, and has upgraded her system to accommodate a new air source heat pump that heats and cools her house.

"I am by no means the only one using alternative power sources,"

Costner said. "There are a number of other homeowners who have similar systems. Industries including chicken farms are being encouraged to use LED lighting that will reduce their power demand considerably, and are taking other steps to reduce their power usage."

SWEPCO said the new line is needed to serve growth in Carroll County, but also the entire grid. Kleckner agreed stating, "We take a broad, regional outlook in working with our members to help keep the lights on. This line is seen as important to the greater northwest Arkansas area, and southern Missouri as well."

Some people opposed to the new line have questioned if this isn't a duplication of services between SWEPCO and Carroll Electric Cooperative Corp., which serves rural areas of the region.

"It is not a duplication because we are talking about different levels of voltage," Main said. "This is a higher voltage. Compared to a highway system, it is going to be higher traffic and higher carrying capacity for the higher voltage lines. SWEPCO is the company with the responsibility for construction of the lines at that voltage level for this area. I do hope people understand the purpose of building and maintaining is reliability of electricity."

At press time it wasn't known if one citizen group would form to hire an attorney or if multiple groups would form to oppose the six different routes under consideration.

"Meetings are ongoing," Helwig said. "Everything is on the table. Circumstances dictate any effective group needs a leader, and a budget for a lawyer. Strategies of opposition are not yet clear, and difficult to come by. Lawyers are needed, and time is short."

For more information about citizen action opposing the new power line, contact Tony Freeman, (479) 409-8461, Logistics.aka@gmail.com. More information about the SWEPCO application is available at the website www.swepco.com/shipekings, which has links to the PSC website that include identification of different routes, the application, and supporting testimony.

This week's Community Datebook

Ongoing events:

Wednesdays:

- 10 a.m., Early Literacy program for preschoolers, Carnegie Library, fun activities. 253-8754
- 7 – 9 p.m., Sandra Synar free astrology class at the Carnegie Library Annex through June 26 (except May 1). (479) 445-4325, sandsynar@yahoo.com.

Thursdays:

- 9 a.m. – Noon, Farmers' Market, Pine Mountain Village.
- 4 p.m., ES Buddhist Study Group, Library Annex

Coming up

Friday, 12:

- 6 – 7:30 p.m. *Food for Thought* at Caribe. Christian Writers group open mike, music, food and more. (479) 363-9209
- 6 – 8 p.m., Paula Jones exhibit opens with reception at Main Stage Gallery

Friday 12 – Sunday 14:

- Wildflower Weekend, Withrow Springs State Park, withrowsprings@arkansas.com, (479) 559-2593,
- UFO Conference, Inn of the Ozarks Convention Center, ozarkufoconference.com.

Saturday, 13:

- 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., Free cancer survivor writing workshop, Writers' Colony. 253-7444

- 1 – 4 and 6 – 9 p.m., Crow Johnson Evans book signing at Eureka Thyme, 19 Spring

- 1 – 4 and 6 – 9 p.m., Ginny Norris, jeweler, Iris at the Basin Park

- 6 – 8:30 p.m., Beverage fermentation class, Flora Roja, 119 Wall, \$20, 253-9468

Sunday, 14: 3 p.m. Carroll County Orchestra, *Pie ala Music*, Berryville Community Center, \$7/\$5

Monday, 15: 10 a.m., Ladies Fellowship Brunch, HI Community Church, 188 Stateline, HI. (479) 253-9398

Wednesday, 17: 6 p.m., Dog park committee meeting (open), library annex, (479) 244-9151

Thursday, 18:

- 5 – 7 p.m. Cocktails for a Cause, Eureka Paradise, benefit for Dog Park

- 6 p.m., Hospitality training seminar, Inn of the Ozarks Convention Center, 253-8737

- 6:30 p.m., Poetluck with Lissa Lord, Writers' Colony, 515 Spring, 243-7444

- 6:30 p.m., Little Switzerland Amateur Radio Club, Mercy Physicians building, 211 Carter behind Berryville hospital. Refreshments

Friday 19 – Saturday 20: 8 a.m. opening both days, Chainsaw Carving Festival behind Cornerstone Bank, auction Saturday 4 p.m., 253-2080

Friday, 19 – Monday, 22: EarthFest at Laughing Mountain. Workshops, adult/kid activities, live music, vendors, camping. (479) 325-8849 or laughingmountainearthfest.com



Fresh harvest for GSHS – Kathy Barnes, left, talks with Nan Johnson about pairing a variety of olive oils with balsamic vinegars during a fundraiser for Good Shepherd Humane Shelter at the Fresh Harvest Tasting Room in Pine Mountain Village Monday, April 8. Fresh Harvest donated \$2 or \$5 to GSHS for each bottle sold. Goodies made with olive oil and/or balsamics were a big hit – especially the blood orange brownies.



Bargains are back – Volunteer Nancy Werve sorts and prices goods in the new Doggie Thrift Shop that opened Friday next to the Lucky Dragon Restaurant in Berryville. The former store was destroyed by fire on Dec. 29. A grand opening at the new location is set for Monday, April 15.

PHOTOS BY DAVID FRANK DEMPSEY

DROPPING A Line by Robert Johnson

White bass are running up the Kings River with some good crappie being caught with them up river from Sweetwater. Fish the pea gravel flats and way up below Hwy. 86 bridge. You might get you a good walleye here, too.

Holiday Island is just turning in with bigger stringers of whites and crappie coming in. It will really get going good after this rain gets the water moving. Walleye are being caught along with whites up river from Beaver town to Houseman. All being caught from 3 – 12 ft. deep.

Beaver Lake striped bass are mostly being caught up river from Hwy. 12 bridge to point 12, and will be in that area until after the spawn, then

come back our way in May. We do have a few in the dam area, but most run up the rivers. Water temps on all three waters are running close to 58°. Stripers are running from 4 – 24 ft. deep with little or no weights, most being caught on smaller shad and brood shiners.

Here's a pic of Marvin and Kevin Mathewson from Kansas City who came down April 7 for some white bass fishing and ended up with a few crappie mixed in. Have a nice day and don't forget to take a kid fishing.

JOHNSON GUIDE SERVICE & TAXIDERMY
Holiday Island



Summer Osborne is on a mission to infect the nation with love. With her powerful and passionate voice she weaves a story that is riveting. The lyrics and melodies in her original work are soul baring and thought provoking. She wants your experience at her show to be “an evolution of the soul – one song at a time.” Beginning her musical journey onstage at age four, Osborne has been performing her own originals since 2005. The five albums she has released are the soundtrack for her life, chronicling joys and sorrows experienced and turning them into something she shares with the world. With music that could be described as folk soul or acoustic rock, she delivers a message of love. Band members Lori Osborne, keyboard and percussion; Amy St. Clair, vocals and harmony; Lisa ‘Blu’ Sahani, percussion and B*Snap on bass guitar back her up and bring out her best. Hear them at Voulez-Vous Lounge Saturday night starting at 9 p.m.

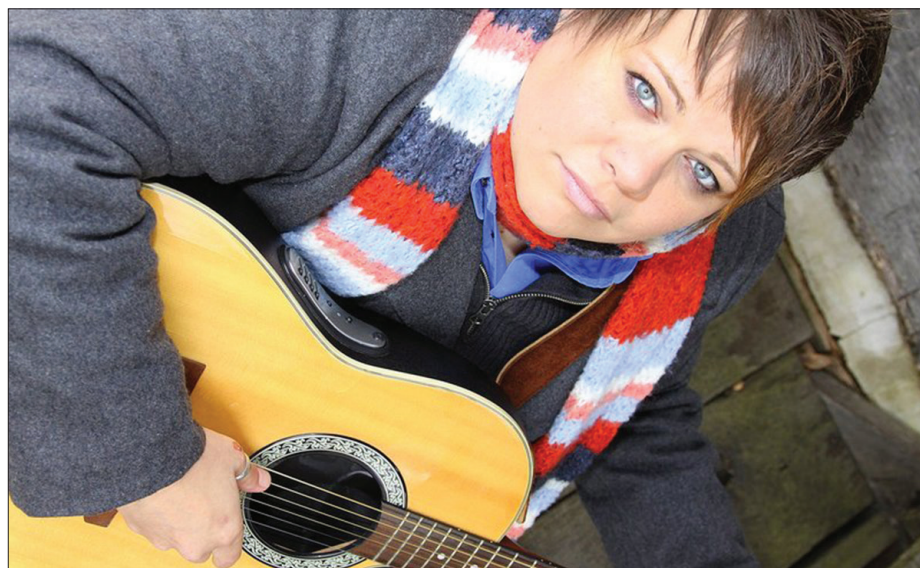
Congratulations are in order for Grace Askew, a Memphis artist who

has performed at the Squid & Whale with her band The Black Market Goods. Auditioning with “These boots are made for walking,” the sultry singer who was reviewed by yours truly in January 2012, has progressed on The Voice, an NBC reality television singing competition. She chose country singer Blake Shelton to be her mentor over spicy singer Shakira. Good luck to her, and thanks to Tony at the Squid & Whale for always booking new and exciting talent for our listening pleasure.

FRIDAY – APRIL 12

- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** *Slam Boxx*
- **CHELSEA’S** *Sarah & The Tall Boys*, 9 p.m.
- **EUREKA LIVE!** DJ & Dancing
- **EUREKA STONEHOUSE** *Jerry Yester*, 5–8 p.m.
- **GRAND TAVERNE** *Arkansas Red* Guitar, 6:30–9:30 p.m.
- **JACK’S PLACE** *Karaoke with DJ Goose*, 8 p.m. – midnight
- **LUMBERYARD RESTAURANT &**

Summer Osborne at Voulez-Vous



SUMMER OSBORNE – Performs at **Voulez-Vous** on Saturday, April 13 at 9 p.m.

- SALOON** DJ Karaoke, 8 p.m.
 - **NEW DELHI CAFÉ** *Scratch ‘N Riff*, 6:30–10:30 p.m.
 - **PIED PIPER CATHOUSE LOUNGE** *Dorrian Cross Band*, 8–midnight
 - **ROWDY BEAVER** *Pieces of Dreams*, 8 p.m.
 - **ROWDY BEAVER DEN** *Terri & Brett*, 9 p.m.
 - **SQUID & WHALE PUB** *Blind Driver, Blues • Rock*
 - **VOULEZ-VOUS** *Big Bad Gina* – SOLD OUT
 - **302 ON THE SQUARE** (Berryville) *Berryville Hootenanny – An Acoustic Jam – All Welcome*, 7–9 p.m.
- ## SATURDAY – APRIL 13
- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** *Ozark Thunder*
 - **CHELSEA’S** *Klondike 5 String Band*, 9 p.m.
 - **EUREKA LIVE!** DJ & Dancing
 - **GRAND TAVERNE** *Jerry Yester*

- Grand Piano Dinner Music*, 6:30–9:30 p.m.
 - **JACK’S PLACE** *JD & the Mudhounds*, 9 p.m. – closing
 - **LUMBERYARD RESTAURANT & SALOON** *Gordo Live*, 8 p.m., *Benefit for Bri Johnson*, 11 p.m.
 - **NEW DELHI CAFÉ** *Elevating Quartet*, 12–4 p.m., *Mike Blackwell*, 6:30–10:30 p.m.
 - **PIED PIPER CATHOUSE LOUNGE** *Dorrian Cross Band*, 8–midnight
 - **ROWDY BEAVER** *Terri & the Executives*, 8 p.m.
 - **ROWDY BEAVER DEN** *Sneaky Pete*, 1–5 p.m., *Bottlerocket*, 9 p.m.
 - **SQUID & WHALE PUB** *Blue Moon, Country • Americana • Blues*
 - **VOULEZ-VOUS** *Summer Osborne*, 9 p.m.
- ## SUNDAY – APRIL 14
- **CHELSEA’S** *Chucky Waggs*, 6–10 p.m.

ARKANSAS LOTTERY

here!

Alpine Liquor

Eureka's Largest Selection of
BEER, WINE & LIQUOR

WEDNESDAY WINE DAY

10% OFF

2036 E. Van Buren • Eureka Springs, AR
479.253.8633
Locally owned and operated

New Delhi Cafe

BREAKFAST • LUNCH • DINNER

Live Entertainment

Voted Best Indian Restaurant in the State

Where happy people meet!

Where the locals play!

2 north main st.
eureka springs
479.253.2525

Homestyle Indian Food

Breakfast • Deli Sandwiches
Soups • Salads • Great Burgers
Espresso Bar • Full Bar

11 am to 2 am • 253-6723

Chelsea's

Slightly OFF Center at Mountain

Ice Cold Beer • Red Hot Music
Guinness & Harp On Tap

LADIES NIGHT MON. • OPEN MIC TUES.

Thurs., April 11 • 9 P.M. – JAZZ NIGHT
Fri., April 12 • 9 P.M. – SARAH & THE TALL BOYS
Sat., April 13 • 9 P.M. – KLONDIKE 5 STRINGBAND
Sun., April 14 • 6-10 P.M. – CHUCKY WAGGS
Mon., April 15 • 9 P.M. – SPRINGBILLY
Tues., April 16 • 9 P.M. – OPEN MIC
Wed., April 17 • 9 P.M. – CHOOCH & THE GOUGERS

PIZZAS

WE DELIVER
479-253-8231

Fri. Apr. 12
(NO COVER)
Blind Driver
Blues • Rock

Sat. Apr. 13
(NO COVER)
BLUE MOON
Country • Americana • Blues

Sun. Apr. 14
(NO COVER)
WHISTLE PIGS
Hillbilly Bluegrass

OPEN MIC EVERY THURSDAY
479-253-7147

LATE NIGHT PUB GRUB *the SQUID and WHALE*
PUB & GRILL
10 Center St.
37 Spring St.
SMOKE FREE
www.squidandwhalepub.com
www.facebook.com/squidandwhalepub

FOOD 'TIL LATE

- **EUREKA LIVE!** Customer Appreciation Night, 5 p.m.–close
- **LUMBERYARD RESTAURANT & SALOON** Free Texas Hold ‘Em Tournament *with prizes*, 6 p.m.
- **NEW DELHI CAFÉ** *Effron White*, 1–5 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER** Free pool
- **ROWDY BEAVER DEN** *Jesse Dean*, 12–4 p.m.
- **SQUID & WHALE PUB** *Whistle Pigs, Hillbilly Bluegrass*

MONDAY – APRIL 15

- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** Pool Tournament, 7 p.m.
- **CHELSEA’S** *SpringBilly*, 9 p.m.
- **SQUID & WHALE PUB** Disaster Piece Theater

TUESDAY – APRIL 16

- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** Dart Tournament
- **CHELSEA’S** Open Mic
- **LUMBERYARD RESTAURANT & SALOON** Pool Tournament, 6:30 p.m.
- **NEW DELHI CAFÉ** Open Mic Poetry Reading
- **ROWDY BEAVER** Hospitality Night
- **SQUID & WHALE PUB** Taco Tuesday \$3 Margaritas til 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY – APRIL 17

- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** Beer Pong
- **CHELSEA’S** *Chooch & the Gougers*, 9 p.m.
- **NEW DELHI CAFÉ** Open Jam
- **PIED PIPER CATHOUSE LOUNGE** Wheat Wednesday *Draft Beer Specials*
- **ROWDY BEAVER** Wine Wednesday
- **SQUID & WHALE PUB** Pickled Porpoise Revue

THURSDAY – APRIL 18

- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** Taco & Tequila Night
- **CHELSEA’S** Jazz Night, 9 p.m.
- **GRAND TAVERNE** *Jerry Yester Grand Piano Dinner Music*, 6:30–9:30 p.m.
- **LUMBERYARD RESTAURANT & SALOON** Taco and Margarita Night, Ladies Night–Happy Hour all night
- **SQUID & WHALE PUB** *Open Mic Musical Smackdown with BLOODY BUDDY and friends*
- **302 ON THE SQUARE** (Berryville) *Monastary Dogs*, 6–8 p.m.

Don't miss
SUMMER OSBORNE
at the
Saturday, April 13th **9 P.M.**

FRIDAY & SATURDAY
APRIL 26+27

FEATURING 2 NIGHTS OF :
GRATEFUL DEAD TRIBUTE
THE SCHWAG
DOORS TRIBUTE
MOONLIGHT DRIVE

FOLK-SOUL-FUNK, PIANO POP, POWER VOCALS
AND STORYTELLING GENIUS!

Open Sun., Mon., Thurs. & Fri. at 4 p.m., Sat. at 2 p.m.
Full dinner service every night
Dinner served until 11 p.m. on Fri. & Sat.
63-A Spring St. • Eureka Springs • 479.363.6595
Inside the historic New Orleans Hotel
www.voulezvouslounge.com

Come Party & Dance Underground
Open Wed. & Thurs. 5 Till Close
Fri., Sat. & Sun. 11 Till Close

EUREKA LIVE

UNDERGROUND

\$5 Menu in the Beer Garden

Fully Dressed
BLOODY MARY BAR

LARGEST DANCE FLOOR DOWNTOWN!

FRIDAY & SATURDAY
DJ & DANCING

What happenz underground
stayz buried

35 N. Main • Eureka Springs • 479-253-7020
www.eurekaliveunderground.com

BYRDFEST 6
A WEEKEND CAMPOUT CONCERT EVENT

FRIDAY & SATURDAY
APRIL 26+27

FEATURING 2 NIGHTS OF :
GRATEFUL DEAD TRIBUTE
THE SCHWAG
DOORS TRIBUTE
MOONLIGHT DRIVE

WITH
MOUNTAIN SPROUT
DEADMAN FLATS
BRODY BUSTER
ICE COLD FATTY
CHUCKY WAGGS
BROTHER LEADFEATHER
FRIENDS OF THE PHAMILY
LITTLE ROCK SUPERJAM

IT'S ALL HAPPENING AT
BYRDS ADVENTURE CENTER
7073 AR HWY 215
OZARK, AR 479-667-4066

THIS IS AN 800 ACRE CAMPGROUND
WITH 3 MILES OF RIVER FRONTAGE
ON THE MULBERRY. BYRD'S OFFERS
CANOE FLOAT TRIPS, A ZIP LINE,
SHOWER HOUSE, SHADED CAMPING,
ETC... THIS EVENT WILL ALSO HAVE
VENDORS, FOOD, DRUM CIRCLES,
HOOPING, & MORE...

DIRECTIONS FROM EUREKA SPRINGS :
23 SOUTH FOR 61 MILES TO A
LEFT ON HWY 215 FOR 6 MILES

TICKETS : \$60 FOR THE WEEKEND
OR \$35 FOR SATURDAY ONLY
INCLUDES CAMPING FEE + PARKING + CONCERTS

WWW.BYRDSADVENTURECENTER.COM

ArtRageous Parade marshal chosen

Every year, the Eureka Springs Arts Council recognizes an individual for outstanding contributions to the arts community and names that person Grand Marshal of the ArtRageous Parade, to be held this year on Saturday May 4 at 2 p.m., the first official event of the month-long May Festival of the Arts

This year's recipient is overflowing with Creative Energy. Jeremy Mason McGraw is an international photographer and painter known for creating evocative images for some of the world's finest hotels and travel destinations. Drawing on his experience as a theatrical set and lighting designer, Jeremy's work is noted for its story-telling quality and its striking light. Jeremy started The Creative Energy Project two years ago to create unique temporary public art installations and viral art events.

Last year Jeremy electrified the May Festival of the Arts with his "Electric Vision" project, an interactive photo-light painting project of backlit panels installed in Basin Park throughout the festival.

For the 2013 month-long festival, McGraw is working on two public installation projects. One is with artist Robert Norman who is creating "The Sphere," a community sculpture project. For months, Norman and McGraw have been having "stick painting" parties all around the community. Everyone is invited to write a dream, poem or whatever they want on the provided sticks, which will be assembled into a giant sphere to be displayed in Basin Park. The Sphere lighting ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, May 4, at dusk.

The second project is with photographer John Rankine. The MUGS project, a unique portrait exhibition of nearly 100 Eureka Springs resident artists making funny faces, will show the world just how seriously Eureka Springs takes its art and artists.



Targeted – Eureka Springs Police Chief, Earl Hyatt, coaches Sharon Frost as she fires a gun for the first time during a basic home defense class April 6. Frost purchased the gun when she was 18 but had never fired it. Hyatt and Det. Thomas Achord taught basic firearm safety and the Arkansas laws regarding carrying firearms inside vehicles. Achord also teaches a concealed carry class. The workshop began with classroom instruction followed by a trip to a private firing range. For more information call Eureka Springs Police Department (479) 253-8666.

PHOTO BY DAVID FRANK DEMPSEY



All hands on deck – Early visitors to the open house and ribbon cutting at Starkey Marina on Tuesday, April 9, got a good look at new decking, varnished woodwork, a redone interior and a revamped store now offering beer and pizza. By the time the ribbon cutting rolled around the deck was packed to the edges. Manning the scissors are new owners Steve and Deanna Womack and son, Ryan. The Womacks and employees did the makeover and renovations.

PHOTO BY BEV TAYLOR



Going for the juggler – At left, Dan Edwards from Minneapolis was one of nine performers in Ozark Mountain Mystique, A Night of Juggling and Wonderment at the Aud Saturday, April 6. Think this looks easy? He's riding a unicycle.

PHOTO SUBMITTED

DRUG BUST continued from page 1

years ago. Medical experts insist the THC-mimicker could cause rapid heart rate, dangerously high blood pressure, hallucinations and paranoia. THC is the active ingredient in unadulterated marijuana, and considered medicine by many health providers.

“They are using horrible chemicals on these herbs,” Hyatt said. “Things that can take you down.”

The other investigation started with an informant buying drugs in exchange for leniency on his burglary arrest last October. ESPD provided cash and recording devices, and the informant would buy drugs, primarily methamphetamine, from suspected dealers. As more suspects were identified, Hyatt said, they, too, were given the opportunity to become “cooperative informants” in order for law enforcement to get meth off the streets of Eureka Springs.

Local law enforcement is required to get permission from County Prosecutor

Tony Rogers before they can tell suspects they can receive consideration for cooperation. Hyatt said ESPD had the “blessing” of Rogers to make deals with suspects.

Achord and Handley worked with other Carroll County law enforcement officers and federal ATF agent John Norris. Berryville Police Department detective Robert Bartos joined Achord and Handley in identifying and arresting several individuals, and the investigation was drawing to a close when a cooperative informant bought an eight-ball (1/8 oz.) of meth from a woman in Berryville.

Following the sale, the woman who allegedly supplied the meth, Melia McEnaney, 36, of Harrison, was followed by Handley and Bartos who performed a traffic stop. The marked “buy” money and approximately three ounces of meth were recovered from her car.

Shortly after that, officers had a confidential informant call a supplier to arrange for buying three ounces

of meth. The supplier, identified as Casillas, agreed to meet with the informant, who had \$3000 in marked bills, at Little Bear Storage on US62, between Berryville and Eureka Springs.

Handley rode with the informant to Little Bear, where a car in storage was unlocked and “pure ice D crystal meth,” according to Hyatt, was in the trunk. Handley watched the exchange of \$3000 to Casillas, and at that moment police pounced. Handley, Bartos, Achord and Berryville officers Daniel Crawford and Kevin Disheroon arrested Casillas and his accomplice, Dorothy Keys, 43, of Green Forest.

During the arrests, officers said they saw Casillas throwing a red plastic bag to the ground. The recovered bag had approximately one pound of crystal ice meth with an estimated street value of \$58,700. A Star 9 mm semi-automatic handgun with a full magazine and 440 grams of packaged K2, valued at \$5800, were also listed as found in the vehicle. Two vehicles were seized as a

result of the bust, a 2004 Toyota MTX and a 2003 Volkswagen.

Western District Judge Tim Parker, who set Casillas’ bond at \$1,000,000, set Keys’ bond at \$500,000.

Hyatt said Casillas and Keys will be handed over to federal authorities “for one reason, the sentencing will be tougher.” He also said Casillas has had other difficulties that should have prevented him from being in this country.

ESPD has filed forfeiture paperwork requesting all the recovered money and both vehicles.

According to police reports, 22 others were arrested in the ongoing sting, including two who allegedly sold small amounts of meth and several who sold various prescription drugs. Hyatt said it is not uncommon when an individual has a purse or wallet stolen that the ID and credit card are used to order prescription drugs from Canada via the Internet for resale. Drugs are also stolen from those with legitimate prescriptions for pain medication.



Life in the garden: Weeds and death

Something I've come to realize is that farming is as much about killing plants as growing plants. It's quite sad. As I walk through our pasture area I see intermingling clusters of dozens of grasses and weeds living in harmony. I call them weeds but I see our family cow relish many of these plants. Back in the garden, almost everything we didn't plant is considered a weed.

We start our farm work as catalysts of life, bringing to the soil nutrients like animal manure, compost and plant residues. Then we use straw

mulch to promote growth of soil microbes. Mulch provides a moist, moderated environment for fungus, bacteria, worms and beetles. Slowly these guys will turn that mulch into living soil.

At the same time, mulch works to bury almost all weeds that want to grow in the garden. One day we will decide it is time to clear a little hole in the mulch, and we'll put a tomato seedling in there, and nurture this one plant for many months. Even when our vegetables are carefully nurtured for weeks or months their

lives are often cut short. We cut the heads of lettuce, or pull carrots and radishes and turnips – roots and all – out the soil. We plant life and we take it away.

We go through the garden in search of weeds that have escaped the mulch cover. Currently, we are on the hunt for chickweed and yellow dock. I actually really like these weeds. Chickweed is a great winter cover crop that holds nutrients and protects the soil. It's also a delicious spring green on salads. However, one plant can produce 800 seeds, and

800 chickweeds will out-compete any of our spring vegetables –

also not everybody wants chickweed harvested with their arugula.

Yellow dock sends down a long tap root that scavenges many minerals from the subsoil and brings them up top. But it gets really big and difficult to eradicate later in the year, so we kill it when while it's young.

Sometimes I'm sensitive to the nurturing of the soil and plants, and sometimes death is a part of life.

PASSAGES

Bob McBride, August 10, 1940 – April 4, 2013

Bob McBride, who with his wife, Linda, was a longtime and frequent Eureka Springs visitor and homeowner, died last Thursday in Fayetteville.

"He was so incredibly polite," one close friend said. "Bob really liked it here, and although he was out and about, few people have a handle on him because he was so quiet. He was all about business, he went to every place in town that served Budweiser, his beer, and he would check the dates on the bottles to make sure everything was as it should be. He was a stickler for making sure all was well with those who were buying beer from McBride Distributing.

"And he was a crazy tipper. He made sure others knew he appreciated their hard work. Bob



Bob McBride loved a parade.

and Linda were not just visitors, they got it, they understood and appreciated this town. They were grand marshals for an early parade. And he loved

going to White Street."

Bob and Linda were in one of the first May Festival of the Arts parade that was so short they each drove a convertible and did the loop twice.

Another friend, who said Bob was a friend for 20 years, told of Bob's business acumen. "He was encouraging. He paid attention to details. He supported business and those who insisted on pursuing it. Bob was a true, gentle soul, which he complemented with being smart. And he actually lived his consideration, it was authentic, it was the real deal."

And he loved drinking beer with Jesus at the Hi Hat.

Services are Friday, April 12 at St Paul's Episcopal Church in Fayetteville at 2 p.m.

SWEPCO-2 continued from page 3

What we are trying to accomplish is to convert woody vegetation within rights-of-way to low growing grasses, forbs and herbs that don't include the growth of the tree species that get up into the lines.

"We have a federally mandated requirement to maintain distance between our transmission facilities and the nearest vegetation. That is in order to maintain reliability on lines crucial to the electric grid and certainly the 345-kilovolt lines are backbones of electric system. It is

very important to electric reliability for the region."

Pat Costner, a retired senior scientist with Greenpeace, said property owners could expect the same issues with herbicides with SWEPCO that they have experienced with CECC.

"Both companies use herbicides and, as far as I know, neither will enter into firm agreements with individual landowners to forego the use of herbicides on a landowner's property," said Costner, whose 135-acre homestead is along the

preferred route for the new high voltage line. "Both companies use outside contractors for spraying herbicides on line rights-of-way. In all probability, both companies direct contractors to use the same or similar mixtures of herbicides."

Information on the effects of each individual herbicide on people and other vulnerable creatures is generally incomplete. However, Costner said many herbicides, as well as the accompanying adjuvants, have been shown to have detrimental impacts on several vulnerable species

found in this area.

"Even less is known about the impacts of mixtures of multiple herbicides and adjuvants," she said.

Because Northwest Arkansas is in a geological area known as karst where limestone erosion produces caves, sinkholes and underground streams, chemicals sprayed on the ground can enter into wells and surface water supplies that may be used for drinking water.

Some chemically sensitive individuals report becoming very ill after nearby herbicide spraying.

Chainsaw Carving Festival gets a buzz on

There's more than one way to get a buzz on in Eureka. After watching the blizzard of flying wood chips and sawdust at Carving in the Ozarks, you'll never look at chainsaws the same way again. Who knew these unwieldy carving tools could produce such detailed art?

Don't miss this family-friendly event Friday and Saturday, April 19 and 20 behind Cornerstone Bank next to McDonalds on US 62. Carving

events begin at 8 a.m. both days. On Saturday at 4 p.m. all pieces carved over the weekend will be auctioned off! A portion of the proceeds will go to local charities. All registered bidders are also entered into a drawing for a carving to be given away after the auction.

Event organizer David Blankenship says there will be about 20 talented carvers this year – from as far as Tennessee to the Pacific Northwest,

and Wisconsin to Texas. Among them will be two National Champs, Steven Higgins from Kansas City and Bob King from Washington State – making this an exciting event to watch as masterpieces emerge before your eyes.

For more information call (479) 253-2080, email sleepy@ipa.net or visit carvingintheozarks.com to see photos and videos of carving events from previous years.

COUNCIL continued from page 2

possible safety hazards. He stated the onus has been on the Historic District Commission to decide the fate of some of these buildings, probably considered contributing historic structures, although the weight of history has rendered them unsafe and now presents an opportunity for useful demolition. Yet, the city has no provision in Code allowing it to take action.

Purkeypile echoed Mitchell's sentiments about the need for addressing this, and cited examples in town. Purkeypile said sometimes an elderly owner does not want to release the property over to the kids, so it sits abandoned for years. He agreed there are properties that are eyesores and safety hazards, "rotting as we speak," and some are near streets and highways, thereby presenting additional safety hazards if they fell. He also said some owners might be glad if the city did something.

Alderman Mickey Schneider said some owners invest in these properties for future value, so they sit back and wait for the structures to fall apart.

Alderman Joyce Zeller commented council had tried to address this in the past, but citizens voted down council's action. Property owners thought they would not be able to afford the repairs if their properties were targeted by the city.

Mitchell asked hesitantly, "Are we going to need another workshop?" He moved to have the mayor's office set it up on the topic of demolition by neglect.

Alderman Terry McClung said Glenna Booth, Economic Development Coordinator, should be present and could represent HDC.

DeVito said Building Inspector

Bobby Ray should also be involved. Also, whatever they come up with should include measures for preserving properties before they get to the point of demolition by neglect.

The mayor's office will set up the workshop date and time.

Vacating green zones

Council examined the ordinance provided by Parks Director Bruce Levine in his attempt to clean up existing procedures for vacating green zone properties in town. Levine said the old ordinance dating back to the early 1990s was due for updates and corrections. The revised document combines step-by-step instructions and up-to-date forms for the applicant in one document.

Levine said he had presented the update to the Planning Commission and they liked it.

McClung stated that, in his experience in the real estate business, vacations take much too long, constraints are too cumbersome and some of the steps are not necessary.

Levine reiterated this document was an attempt to make the process clearer for the applicant and thereby maybe more expedient. He wanted to make sure the city is not put in a position of liability and everyone affected by a vacation is informed and involved in the process.

Review of limos rolls along

Schneider offered a review of what council decided at its recent workshop on regulating limousine services in town. She said aldermen want city attorney Tim Weaver to add a definition of a jumbo taxi to the existing taxi ordinance and spell out penalties for violations.

She said council also wants Weaver to write an ordinance specifically for limousines similar to the taxi ordinance,

but distinguish limos from taxis. DeVito added the ordinance should define a limo, include a delay between the request for a pickup and arrival of the limo, prescribe the hourly rental amount, and define penalties for violating the ordinance.

Mayor Morris Pate said they should also make sure what they want in the ordinance is legal, and McClung said the ordinance would be difficult to regulate so they might need Police Chief Earl Hyatt's input.

DeVito responded that, as with other ordinances, the city depends on the good graces of people to abide by the law, and offenders do get reported.

Weaver asked for someone from council to a liaison as he drafts the ordinances, and DeVito and Schneider volunteered.

Bicycle racks

During Public Comments, Teresa DeVito told council the city needs bicycle racks downtown as a way to eliminate some traffic and continue on its green path. Ashton Shaw said young people would be able to ride their bikes to town when they go to work, and that Denton West had volunteered to build racks as a donation to the city.

When the item came up on the agenda, alderman DeVito said installing bicycle racks downtown is a good idea, and Eureka Springs is behind the curve on the concept. He moved to have the mayor proceed with getting it done. Council agreed. The two locations will be near city hall and the post office.

All the rest

• Levine explained he had been informed of a longstanding account on city books called "Skateboard Park," and the account holds approximately

\$6600. "We would like to relieve Lonnie [finance director Lonnie Clark] of the burden of carrying this forward," Levine said. Parks would use the funds for a fence between the skateboard park and the playground and possibly for better access from the skateboard park to the parking lot or for a culvert across Grand Avenue. Levine also mentioned the skateboard park has been successful with lots of skaters every evening.

Purkeypile moved to transfer the amount in the line item to the general fund so that Parks could use it. The vote was unanimous in agreement.

• Mitchell was ready to set a date for a town hall meeting to discuss six priorities council had chosen. DeVito thought it would be important to establish a format and provide the community enough time to be informed. He wanted to work out details before setting a date.

Zeller asked what the town is supposed to contribute since council had already picked its six priorities. DeVito pointed out the exchange of ideas could be beneficial. "Maybe there's a diamond out there," he said.

Purkeypile suggested they have a workshop to establish the format. The mayor's office will set the date and time.

• Council approved first reading of an ordinance which would allow the Planning Commission to be comprised of seven members that could include no more than two members who hold positions on other commissions or in city offices but no more than one member from council.

• Council also moved to have Weaver redraft the parking lot regulations by removing an outdated section.

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

a reluctance for parents to seek help and for doctors to diagnose ADHD because of the public perception of ADHD in France.”

Tammy Miers was a mother of two before she had twin girls. She said, “I fell into the group who thought it was lazy parenting until it happened to me. I could tell right away something was different about my twins. Folks need to know it is a real condition.”

Her daughter Laura, now almost 20, says it is hard to focus when there are any distractions around, and for that reason school was especially difficult. She said she feels like her brain is jumping all over the place and she cannot control it.

Causes

The cause of ADHD is not definitely known. Some think heredity is a factor because, according to WebMD, the condition tends to run in families, although this is not always the case.

HealthDay News published a report indicating preschoolers with parents who were either depressed or engaged in partner violence were significantly more likely to be diagnosed with ADHD by the time they entered school.

There was also a study in *World Psychiatry* of Ukrainian children who lived near the Chernobyl nuclear plant at the time of the disaster who had been relocated to Kiev where they remained for more than ten years. Presence of ADHD symptoms among these kids was more than twice that of American children of a similar age. “It is possible the higher Ukrainian prevalence reflects the environmental adversity and psychosocial dislocation associated with the Chernobyl disaster,” but there was no Ukrainian control group with which to compare the results.

Nutrition affects all aspects of health and brain function, so naturally some researchers point to unhealthy sugary and fatty diets as a contributor to ADHD symptoms. Famous British chef and television personality Jamie Oliver suffers from ADHD. He said, “It was with great regret I didn’t do better at school. People thought I was thick. It was a struggle. I never really

Nutrition affects all aspects of health and brain function, so naturally some researchers point to unhealthy sugary and fatty diets as a contributor to ADHD symptoms.

had anyone to help and who could bring out my strengths.”

Oliver grew up dabbling in the kitchen, and once he understood his situation, he focused on creating an awareness of the positive effects of healthy meals for school kids as a way to control the symptoms of ADHD. “Many kids can tell you about drugs but do not know what celery or courgettes (zucchini) taste like,” he said. He has used the influence of his television programs to spread the word across England.

Finding focus

Hyatt remarked a child with ADHD can lose his/her way if the family or the teachers cannot find what drives the child, and studies indicate this can lead to tragic consequences. A study by New York University revealed children with ADHD had higher frequencies of dropping out of school, higher divorce rates and higher incidences of drug abuse. But this is not inevitable. Symptoms might moderate over time, or a person can learn ways to cope.

David Gilmore is principal of the Berryville Elementary K-2. He said if one of his students cannot focus, the teacher shares the concern with the parents and together they discuss options and try to discover what drives the child. The school is not in a position to diagnose, but the school can recommend professionals who can help, such as physicians or psychologists.

Olympian Bruce Jenner said he struggled in school until he won a race in the fifth grade. Suddenly being the fastest kid in school became his focus, and he focused well enough to win the decathlon gold medal in the 1976 Summer Olympics.

For Michael Phelps, who some say is the greatest Olympian ever, swimming was the way to channel his

energy productively. A teacher once told Phelps’ mother, “Your son will never be able to focus on anything.” Her response to teachers became, “What are you doing to help him?”

Once Phelps discovered his talent for swimming, he could sit patiently for as long as it took while waiting for his chance to compete.

Gilmore said, “If something keeps them focused, then we’ll try it. Sometimes kids just need to stand up.” Or, in Phelps’ case, swim.

Hyatt mentioned iPads, computers and other electronic gadgets are useful tools for getting students with ADHD to pay attention.

Medications might help

ADHD lasts a lifetime, and medications help as many as 80 percent of those who choose to use them. Curiously enough, psychostimulants help hyperactive children to focus. Common prescriptions are Ritalin, Dexedrine, Concerta and Adderall.

Christopher Knight portrayed “energetic, quirky” Peter Brady on “The Brady Bunch.” What he and the rest of us did not know at the time was his high energy came from ADHD. He had difficulty learning his lines as well as reading and writing. He could not finish college. Knight was over 40 before his condition was diagnosed, and he remarked, “Getting medication was like getting glasses for poor eyesight.”

Earl Hyatt also commented medication has made a world of difference for his son Preston. School is manageable and enjoyable.

There are side effects to some medications such as insomnia and feeling irritable in the morning. Parents are encouraged to stay in touch with the family physician to make sure the medication is appropriate.

Some experts insist medications are overprescribed, however. *The*

Telegraph reported American children are far more likely to receive prescriptions than their European counterparts because Europeans tend to take the more wholistic approach to the symptoms of ADHD. They look first for environmental concerns, family discord or other health issues. Medicine becomes the last resort.

And there is a flourishing black market for some of the drugs such as Adderall and Dexedrine.

Successful people

who have learned to cope

David Neeleman, ADHD sufferer, always had trouble reading yet he went on to found JetBlue Airways, Morris Air and Azul Brazilian Airlines. He stated, “With the disorder comes creativity and the ability to think outside the box.”

Will Smith said he was “a B student who should have been making A’s” and he has always had trouble reading, so he found books on tape.

Paul Orfalea was diagnosed with both ADHD and dyslexia as a child. He flunked second grade. He was a terrible speller. One teacher later encouraged him to go into carpet-laying. When he got disconsolate, his family stood by him because they could see he was a bright and curious child. He persevered and went on to turn a 10x10 room with a copy machine into the Kinko’s empire.

Orfalea could not focus on details or organize small tasks but he instinctively saw the bigger picture and he learned how to evaluate people because he needed them to write his letters and operate the machines in his office.

Orfalea said he thinks medications are useful for some who have his condition, but “before giving drugs to our kids, we need to better understand what the drugs are trying to erase.” He wondered how many innovators and inventors are out there whose talents and skills have not been recognized or encouraged.

He said, “The child who can’t play by the same rules needs to know there’s so much more to life than what goes down on a report card. I had supportive parents and that made all the difference. I could easily have fallen through the cracks.”

INDEPENDENTClassifieds

The INDEPENDENT Classifieds cost \$8 for 20 words, each additional word is 25¢.

DEADLINE – Tuesday at noon

To place a classified, email classifieds@esindependent.com or call 479.253.6101

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FLORA ROJA COMMUNITY ACUPUNCTURE-providing affordable healthcare for the whole community. Sliding scale fee. \$15-\$35 per treatment, with an additional \$15 paperwork fee the first visit only. You decide what you can afford to pay! Francesca Garcia Giri, L.Ac. (479) 253-4968, 199 Wall Street

PROFESSIONAL MENTAL HEALTH at its best: **Simplicity Counseling**, meeting needs of your friends and neighbors in this community in a relaxed, respectful atmosphere since 2010. Depression, Anxiety, Trauma, Grief, Eating, Adjustment & Relationships – perhaps “It’s Your Time” (479) 244-5181

COME TO YOUR FARMERS’ MARKET THIS THURSDAY The Eureka Springs WINTER Farmers’ Market is still in full swing. We have returning and new vendors coming to our market each week. The market hours are still Thursday 9 a.m. till Noon, until our summer market opens on April 25. Same place-Pine Mountain Village Parking Lot. Free coffee and tea in the heated, sheltered “Gathering Place.” You can expect to find: many GREENS, Collard, Kale, Turnip, Bok Choi, Arugula, Parsley, Spinach and Lettuce. Scallions, Mushrooms, Apples, Carrots, Turnips and Radishes. Home Made baked goods, Breads, Pies, Pie Slices, Sweet Loaves, Muffins, Fruit Bars, Gluten Free items, Candies and Jams. Fresh Beef items, Pecans, Honey and homemade soaps. Glen the pork guy comes every other week. See ya there.

IVAN OF THE OZARKS-ART BREAD, ORGANIC-SOURDOUGH 100% Rye & Whole Wheat. Bagels, Bialys, English Muffins. At the Eureka Springs Farmers’ Market, Thursday morning. Bread.LovEureka.Com

To place a classified, email classifieds@esindependent.com

ANTIQUES

WONDERLAND ANTIQUES buys/sells antiques, primitives, unique vintage items. Open 10-5. Closed Tuesday & Wednesday. Hwy 62 east of Eureka 3 miles. (479) 253-6900

HELP WANTED

FULL TIME FLEX HOURS SALESPERSON for fun job in greatest store in town. Please apply in person at Crazy Bone, 37 Spring Street

HIRING TEENAGER FOR PART TIME WORK, Saturday and Sunday. Salary + Commission. Must be outgoing and reliable. Apply at Tinmaker & Glitz, 45 ½ Spring Street, downstairs. (580) 399-5887

HOUSEKEEPER NEEDED IMMEDIATELY. 40+ hours monthly, \$10/hr. Call (479) 253-5966 for interview appointment.

Parts Unknown,
Eureka Spring’s
destination for a
broad assortment of
fine men’s and
women’s fashions
and accessories, is
hiring Store Manager
and Part-Time Sales
Professionals.
If you are a service
driven, energetic,
fashion enthusiast,
we’d like to meet
with you.

Please email your resume to Santafe@partsunknown.com,
or fax to
(505) 983-9360.

CONSTRUCTION BIDS

NOW ACCEPTING BIDS FOR HOUSE FIRE RENOVATION in Eureka. Demolition, attic rebuild, roofing, insulation, HVAC, fireplace rebuild, drywall, misc. carpentry. Must be appropriately licensed and bonded. (479) 253-4257

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

HISTORIC BEAVER TOWN GENERAL STORE – INN – DEPOT/WORKSHOP is for rent. 5BR/5BA inn, furnished. 1BR/1BA apartment. Waterfront lifestyle. \$2000/mo, first and last. Call (479) 981-6816

PETS

PET SITTING, HOUSE SITTING. Holiday Island, Eureka Springs and surrounding areas. 25+ years experience. Reliable, references, insured. Call Lynn (479) 363-6676 or Emily (918) 409-6393

RENTAL PROPERTIES

HOMES FOR RENT

STUDIO APARTMENT, CREEK SIDE ON NORTH MAIN. Off street parking, all utilities but electric paid. \$450 plus deposit. (479) 981-9811

3BR/2BA DUPLEX, Holiday Island. Newly remodeled, wood laminate & tile floors, W/D hook-ups. \$650/mo, 1 year lease. Call (47) 253-9564

CAFÉ OR RETAIL BUSINESS W/ DECK overlooking creek on North Main. Beautiful location! All utilities paid but electric. (479) 981-9811.

ONE BEDROOM, ONE BATH APARTMENT Recently remodeled, W/D, one off-street parking. 5 min. walk downtown. Water/Trash paid. \$500/mo. First, last & deposit. (479) 253-1608

HOMES FOR RENT

APARTMENT FOR RENT: One 2-Bedroom. Downtown Eureka Springs. Call (479) 244-5100

1 BEDROOM AND STUDIO APARTMENT in Eureka Springs. Deposit and references. (479) 981-3449

HOLIDAY ISLAND VILLAS & TOWNHOUSES near lake and marina. From \$375/mo. (479) 253-4385

RENTAL PROPERTIES

HOMES FOR RENT

WAR EAGLE RIVERFRONT HOME FOR SALE



5 Acres Hobbs State Park
Perfect Property for Hiking, Fishing, Hunting
and for All Nature Lovers!
Located 20 mins. from Rogers, 30 mins. from
Eureka Springs.
PRICE DRASTICALLY REDUCED!
Contact VWTRCLR@AOL.COM/(479)531-8651

SERVICE DIRECTORY

HEALTH SERVICES

MASSAGE LICENSURE TRAINING – Evening Program begins June 3, 2013. Absolute application deadline is May 17, 2013. For a free application and catalog call (479) 363-6673 or visit our online catalog at www.mwarmassageschool.com. 100% board pass rate and the lowest tuition in NW Arkansas! Be licensed by January 2014 and start earning a great living in a career you love.

PAIN, STIFFNESS, FATIGUE: Symptoms of Lymphatic Congestion which leads to DIS-EASE. For affordable lymphatic decongestion therapy call Alexa Pittenger, MMT (479) 253-9208. Eureka!! Massage Therapy, 147 W Van Buren

INDEPENDENTClassifieds

SERVICE DIRECTORY

HEALTH SERVICES

LEAP INTO SPRING WITH a Laughing Hands Massage foot treatment and one hour massage. Great way to treat your tired feet. Laughing Hands always a great location for couples massage. Also, great deals on Lomi Lomi massage. Call (479) 244-5954 for appointment.

MAINTENANCE/ LANDSCAPE/ HOME SERVICES

CHIMNEY WORKS Complete chimney services: sweeps, repairs, relining and installation. Call Bob Messer (479) 253-2284

TREE WORKS Skilled tree care: trimming, deadwooding and removals. Conscientious, professional arborist and sawmill. Bob Messer (479) 253-2284

MAINTENANCE/ LANDSCAPE/ HOME SERVICES

FANNING'S TREE SERVICE Bucket truck with 65 ft. reach. Professional trimming, stump grinding, topping, removal, chipper. Free estimates. Licensed. Insured. (870) 423-6780, (870) 423-8305

LICENSED ELECTRICIAN – (479) 253-5351 • Security lights • Motion detector lights • Add a plug • Ceiling fans • Hot tubs • Ponds • Landscaping • Generators

CLEAN-UPS All types of clean-ups. We will haul off and dispose of anything. Including tear-downs, furniture restoration and painting. (870) 423-5674



YARD SALE

List your treasures here.
20 words for \$8
classifieds@
esindependent.com



Saying it with flowers – Jack E. Dawson's Behind the Legend subtly depicts the birth, life, crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus in the petals of a blooming dogwood. The resurrection image can be seen in the top petal of the flower on the right. Dawson's art will be on display in the Sacred Arts Center at The Great Passion Play during the May Fine Arts Festival. Dawson will also be in Eureka Springs at the center in April on a date to be announced.

PHOTO BY DAVID FRANK DEMPSEY



House Concerts go out with a cheer – Small Potatoes drew a big audience April 7 for the final Eureka House Concert of the season.

PHOTO BY RICHARD QUICK

MAIL continued from page 12
John Wiley; Squid and Whale, Joyce Carlson.

We look forward to our community suppers on Sunday evenings beginning in November.
Keith (Snuffy) Ketchum,
Whit Brittain, Ben Helmer



Putt, putt, putt all the way home – CD White won a family day pass for putt putt golf at Pig Trail Kart N Golf Thursday.

PHOTO SUBMITTED

INDEPENDENTDirectory



YOU SELL MORE GUMBALLS IF YOU ADVERTISE.

To place your ad in the
ES Independent
Contact
Bev Taylor – 479.790.3276
or Mary Flood – 479.981.3556

FREE REMOVAL!
junk cars/trucks

**No title?
No problem!**

Call today for pickup tomorrow! 479-372-2768



CROSSWORDSolution

H	U	B	B	U	B			T	A	R	O	T
A	R	O	U	S	E			O	R	I	O	L
B	A	S	S	E	T			L	U	M	B	E
I	N	K		D	H	O	L	E		B	A	R
T	I	E	S		I	D	A		K	E	T	O
	A	T	T	U	N	E		R	A	R	E	R
			A	R	K		E	O	N			
A	L	I	G	N		P	U	D	D	L	E	
V	I	D	E		H	A	D		Y	U	R	T
A	G	E		M	O	S	E		N	O	R	
L	A	A	G	E	R			M	A	L	A	D
O	T	T	A	W	A			O	R	A	T	E
N	E	E	D	S				N	E	W	E	S



AL HOOKS - SELLS EUREKA...

FOR INFORMATION ON ANY HOME IN EUREKA, CALL 877.279.0001

HOOKED ON EUREKA - Al, Cheryl and Paul



1800's shotgun-style farmhouse nestled on private wooded acreage offers end of road privacy and endless possibilities. Double parlor, front and back covered porches, upper balcony, garden space and old barn. Hidden gem waiting to be uncovered. **\$149,900.**

AL HOOKS 479.363.6419
alhookseureka.com - alhooks@me.com



Great home on one of Eureka's unique streets. Views of downtown from deck & backyard. Approx. 1,724 sq. ft. 2 bed/2 bath, 2 car garage with additional parking pad. PLUS additional 1 bed/1 bath & workshop, both with separate entrances. Fireplace, Jacuzzi bath, eat in kitchen and lots of storage. This is a MUST SEE! **\$153,000.**

AL HOOKS 479.363.6419
alhookseureka.com - alhooks@me.com



Enjoy living in this light & bright gingerbread Victorian that boasts 2 bedrooms, 2 bath with off street parking! 2 Levels, hardwood floors, utility room & porch. Beautifully landscaped. Enjoy the quiet atmosphere while being right in town! **\$159,900.**

AL HOOKS 479.363.6419
alhookseureka.com - alhooks@me.com



Totally Renovated Victorian boasts over 2400 sq. ft. of living space w/formal area, studio, bedrooms both up & down. Great rear & front porches all nestled in a fabulous downtown location. OFF STREET PARKING. Awesome backyard with raised beds, storage building & great views. Fenced side yard, under porch storage. Attention to detail & quality throughout! A MUST SEE! **\$219,900.**

AL HOOKS 479.363.6419
alhookseureka.com - alhooks@me.com



Just minutes to Beaver Lake & close to town. 2 Levels 3 bedroom /2 bath, huge family room & bonus room. Radiant heated floors on 3 zones. Great privacy on 11.71 acres. Large yard with fenced garden area & fenced backyard. Driveway + parking area large enough for boat or RV. **\$210,000.**

PAUL FAULK 479.981.0668
eurekasprings-realty.com - pbfault@cox.net

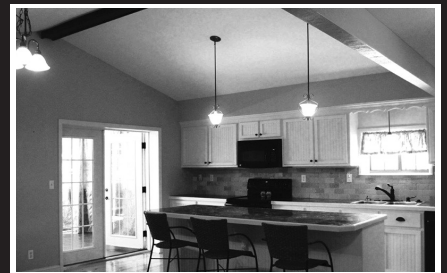
Prime location on Spring St across from Harding Spring & next door to landmark Palace Hotel. Perfect combination of retail space, living quarters or rental income. All levels have private entrances, decks, & green space vistas. Currently operating as successful day spa & retail gallery. Loads of amenities, prime condition. **\$350,000.**

AL HOOKS 479.363.6419
alhookseureka.com
alhooks@me.com



Look no further....great home w/split floor plan to ensure privacy. Large decks, formal dining room with cedar logs cut from property, 2 massive stone fireplaces, skylights allow tons of natural light. Inviting family room has fireplace & built ins Large barn for workshop, storage, studio, you name it...all this & more on 3+ acres, Great location just north of Holiday Island off paved highway. **\$137,000.**

AL HOOKS 479.363.6419
alhookseureka.com
alhooks@me.com



IMAGINE THE POSSIBILITIES ~ Beautiful antique white pine floors gleam throughout the spacious living quarters of this 4bed/2.5 bath home, oversize rooms, double archways, vaulted ceilings, sunrooms, back deck, New Orleans Style balcony overlooks. Approx. 8000 sq. ft. lower level that can be WHATEVER YOU DESIRE!!! **\$437,000.**

CHERYL COLBERT 479.981.6249
eurekaspringsrealtor.com - cjceureka@yahoo.com



One of Eureka's best business locations, offering a rare opportunity of living quarters and business. The building offers all the charm of Eureka. Successfully being run as a unique retail shop, but has endless possibilities. Call Al for a private viewing and details. **\$272,000.**

AL HOOKS 479.363.6419
alhookseureka.com - alhooks@me.com

HOOKSREALTY.COM

43 PROSPECT AVENUE • EUREKA SPRINGS

877.279.0001 • 479.363-6290

All information deemed reliable but not guaranteed



GORGEOUS Custom 4 bed 3.5 bath home features solid granite, marble, tile, brazilian cherry floors, beech wood cabinets, coffered & tray ceilings, crown molding, stone & marble 2 fireplaces, wetbar, tons of storage, whole house generator & more. LAKEVIEWS FOR MILES!!! **\$499,000.**

CHERYL COLBERT 479.981.6249
eurekaspringsrealtor.com - cjceureka@yahoo.com