



## BB&BBQ brings rumbles, grumbles and big business

BECKY GILLETTE

The roar from thousands of motorcyclists visiting Eureka Springs for the Bikes, Blues & Barbeque (BB&B) motorcycle rally in Fayetteville last weekend had some residents wearing earplugs or leaving town for the weekend. But city officials and hotel owners report it was a great weekend for sales.

"I think it went good as far as attendance goes," said Mayor Morris Pate, who has been dubbed the Motorcycle Mayor by some for his love of motorcycle riding and work to attract motorcyclists to visit Eureka Springs. "We do get complaints about the noise. We always do. But just a few."

There used to be large "Please Ride Quietly" signs at the entrance to the city in places like North Main St. Those signs also included the city's population. Pate said those signs were taken down because the population was no longer accurate, and he thought the "Please Ride Quietly" signs were rude. So he had the signs taken down and the highway department replaced them with a sign showing the town's current population, 2,073.

"I know some people didn't like it, but that is

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**Going green** – And greenhouse going. From left, Austin Crawford, Liam Dillingham, Nick Walker, Jonatan Vaquera and Austin Young, a muscle team from Mr. Morrell's Building Trades class, simply picked up the greenhouse from the old high school and loaded it onto a truck for transportation to the concrete pad waiting for it at the new high school. That's some heavy-duty recycling!

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### This Week's INDEPENDENT Thinker

Union High football coach Matt Labrum suspended his entire squad last weekend for cyber-bullying.

The Roosevelt, Utah, coach found out that students were bullying a fellow student on a chat website that allows anonymous user names, so he didn't know which players were guilty.

Nevertheless, he demanded the whole team turn in their jerseys and gear.

Labrum then said they might get their team back by signing a contract stipulating they would attend character development sessions, study hall, and perform two days of community service.

"This was not a good direction our young men were going in," he said. "This team will be more accountable for themselves and the buddy next to them," he said.



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## INDEPENDENTNews

### Council to rework intimate theater ordinance

NICKY BOYETTE

City government in Eureka Springs continues to reassess its laws in reaction to the Gavioli Chapel at 80 Mountain becoming the venue for the Intrigue Theater. The Planning Commission had prepared an ordinance with a new definition for a conditional use called intimate theater that seemed to cover the situation. City council considered Planning's work at the Monday meeting.

Alderman David Mitchell asked city attorney Tim Weaver what would be the effect on Intrigue Theater if council passed the proposed ordinance? Would they have to reapply for a Conditional Use Permit?

Weaver said he was not convinced Intrigue Theater was legal, and the proposed ordinance would not change the situation. He said a different Building Inspector or Police Chief could interpret city laws differently and cite them.

"There is play in the words, and we'd have problems in court," Weaver said, adding that Planning could tighten the language or the city could take action and see what would happen in court.

Mitchell said because of the ambiguous nature of the current law, he understood why Police Chief Earl Hyatt was not "charging at windmills" on this.

Alderman Mickey Schneider asked Weaver, "Why classify it as a conditional use?"

Weaver answered that Planning wanted to consider the possible impact on the neighborhood of an enterprise classified as intimate theater before it moved in.

Beverly Blankenship, Chair of Planning, said, "The reason is to protect the neighborhoods. We'd rather see if there is a need and see what neighbors say."

Schneider said she felt it was discriminatory to ask an intimate theater business to get a CUP.

Alderman Terry McClung responded, "This is all about cleaning up things. Whether they are right or wrong, we're trying to make sure they operate according to the law. I'm not throwing stones at anybody, but I want it clean and clear cut."

Mitchell suggested they adopt the ordinance and grandfather in Intrigue Theater.

McClung said he would prefer taking out the CUP requirement in the proposed ordinance and making intimate theater a permitted use in the C-3 zone.

Council eventually voted to approve McClung's suggestion. Weaver will rework the ordinance and bring it back for their consideration.

Council also voted to approve the second reading of an ordinance removing 80 Mountain from the list of buildings in R-1 used for religious purposes.

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## Grassy Knob seeks deputy, water storage pump

NICKY BOYETTE

A nearly full courtroom watched two different residents of the Grassy Knob area ask the Carroll County Quorum Court for help on two different issues at the Sept. 20 meeting.

Bob McVeigh, Grassy Knob fire chief, brought to the court's attention the lack of services from the sheriff's department in the southwest part of the county. McVeigh said there have been a rash of break-ins around the area and vehicles racing on Mundell Road.

He said, "We need a deputy out there. What are you going to do to make sure county services are fair and equitable for all?" he asked.

When asked for a response, Sheriff Bob Grudek replied he did not have the resources to have a deputy patrolling Grassy Knob and Inspiration Point, and most of the activity getting his attention has been in the eastern part of the county.

### Water for Grassy Knob

Anna Marie Lee represented a different need for Grassy Knob. She asked the court to support a resolution authorizing County Judge Sam Barr to apply for a General Improvement Fund fire protection grant to fund installing a 10,000-gallon water storage pump at the Grassy Knob Fire Department. The grant is funded through the Arkansas Dep. of Rural Services.

Lee told the court there are 750 landowners in Grassy Knob, and for 35 years their fire department had been able to hook up to Carroll-Boone Water District lines to get water. However, in June of this year, CBWD voted to put locks on all its pumps. For GKFD to access those lines, someone must first call the treatment plant to get someone to unlock the hydrant. This obviously would make their fire response times longer.

The solution would be to have a 10,000-gallon pumping station with drive-up access and fittings compatible with equipment in nearby districts. Deadline for the grant application is Oct. 13, so Lee needed action from the court at that meeting.

Dave Teigen, an insurance agent, spoke up for the plight of the residents in the Grassy Knob area. He pointed out the impact on insurance premiums for the residents could be dramatic if changes to fire protection changed the protection class rating for their homes. Some might be unable to get insurance.

Justice of the Peace Ron Flake quickly finalized Lee's resolution and read the amended version. Vote to approve it was unanimous.

JP John Reeve said the Grassy Knob situation again pointed out the need for a rural water system throughout the county.

### Land Plan

George Phillips, Chair of the Carroll County Land Plan Committee, told the court there needs to be a file set up in the county clerk's office for correspondence related to the Land Plan.

Flake went so far as to say the county needs a Land Plan administrator. "The quorum court passed the Land Plan but did nothing else. We must actively pursue our Land Plan in order for the government to acknowledge our plan," he said.

He explained the idea of a Land Plan was provided for in federal law. If citizens announce a plan for their land, the feds would be required to consult with the locals through the judge according to the Plan before doing anything.

"Having an active Land Plan brings us level with the snail darter," Phillips said.

He also told the court it should look for new people to bring onto the Land Plan committee.

### Business

- The court unanimously approved a resolution in support of a grant application to the Federal Aviation Administration for funds to initiate the perimeter fence project at the Carroll County Airport.

- Other funds received by two insurance payments, a \$500 grant and proceeds from a fundraiser were nestled

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# INDEPENDENTNews

## Licenses for multi-family dwellings loom

NICKY BOYETTE

Two citizens spoke up during the Public Comments on Monday night's city council forum on further restricting multi-family dwellings. Bob Howell said he owns two multi-unit apartments, and "it is hard enough trying to be a landlord without the city trying to help me." He said he had a problem with the prospect of city inspections. He asks tenants to follow all his requirements and then he leaves them alone, and does not want more regulation.

Bill King said he sees the discussion of requiring licenses for multi-family dwellings as "the latest salvo in ongoing harassment from city officials." He said he has been operating four dwellings for years without any trouble. "I don't know why you're doing this to working people. I think you should leave us alone. We're providing affordable housing."

Commissioner Ed Leswig of

Planning told council B&Bs must acquire a Certificate of Occupancy and a license, and Planning thought the same should apply for multi-family dwellings.

Alderman David Mitchell said this proposed ordinance would provide for inspections to make sure the buildings are safe. He thought the changes would not be a burden to landlords and "it would behoove us not to just brush this off."

Alderman Dee Purkeypile pointed out some buildings to be inspected

are very old, and the outcome of an inspection might be expensive for landlords even if inspections are a good idea.

Leswig maintained the city needs to protect its citizens. He said inspections would be required upon transfer of ownership.

Mitchell moved to refer the proposed ordinance to Weaver for finishing touches, and the vote to approve the motion was 5-1, McClung voting No.

## 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Mad Hatter Ball tix on sale

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## Take a hike! Planning meeting Sept. 30

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There will be a scheduling session Monday, Sept. 30, 9 a.m., including breakfast and a Walk the Hawk at the home of Connie Stielow, 289 Holiday Island Dr. People new to the club or who are in the Ramblers hiking club are welcome. Please call (479) 981-

2686 if you plan to be there. Please let Connie know if you want to be a leader but are unable to attend the breakfast.

The first hike/walk will begin Oct. 7 at 10 a.m. at Darlene and Rick Boeshart's home at Beaver town, followed by a brat roast and pot luck. BYOB, a dish to pass, chairs and \$3 toward food and paper products. Call or email Darlene by Oct. 1, (479) 244-5669, or email [boeshart@earthlink.net](mailto:boeshart@earthlink.net) if you plan to attend. If you need to follow someone to the Boeshart home, meet by 9:45 a.m. at 289 Holiday Island Drive.

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## Airport requests letter of support

NICKY BOYETTE

The Arkansas Airport Operators Association held its annual convention in Eureka Springs Sept. 15-17, and Sheila Evans, manager of the Carroll County Airport, said there were representatives of the State Aeronautics Board and the Federal Aviation Administration as well. Approximately 200 people attended, and she said this is the one time each year where local operators can have face time with state and federal aeronautics administrators.

Evans said only 12 planes flew in for the event because of inclement weather, but others told her they would have flown in otherwise. Nevertheless, she said, "Some came early and stayed late." Attendees said they "relished their experiences in Carroll County" outside of the conference.

### Therefore, be it resolved

Commissioner Lonnie Clark presented commissioners copies of a resolution for the Eureka Springs city council to consider Monday evening. The resolution declared council "will give the Carroll County Airport Commission all available support and encouragement to assist their efforts in an Runway Extension." Clark suggested the commission should get similar resolutions from Berryville and Green Forest.

Evans said resolutions and letters of support make a difference when it is time to decide which airport gets grant money.

"Get the support of your local government and it means the world when you go before the FAA for a



Airport commission Chair Dave Teigen points to what a runway extended to 4000 ft. at the Carroll County Airport would look like, and explains what it would mean for additional revenue.

grant," Evans said.

Chair Dave Teigen stated, "Four thousand feet would be a whole new ballgame."

Clark added that if they had a 4000 ft. runway and county water at the airport, they could have Forest Service aircraft based there. If there were ever a major disaster in the area, the airport would be an important hub for disaster relief.

He also claimed the magic number of 4000 feet would open the door for economic development in the area. He knows of businesses looking to relocate to rural areas if they could only fly their executives in and out easily.

Clark said Dan Clinton, engineer on the hangar project, crafted the resolution, and it was unanimously approved by ES city council on Sept. 23.

### Fences

Teigen explained their fencing project will begin near existing buildings on both sides of the runway, and this phase of the project will be paid for by federal dollars. Eventually state grants will pay for fencing for the rest of the perimeter of the airport.

### Also . . .

Evans announced the airport received a grant of \$55,000 from the Arkansas Aeronautics Commission for paving an access road on the south side of the runway.

She also told the commission that the Carroll County Flying Club is one of only three in the state, along with Ft. Smith and Texarkana.

Next meeting will be Oct. 17, at 12 p.m.



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## Street closings in hands of the mayor

NICKY BOYETTE

In response to the recent disagreements and turmoil regarding an idea of holding a street fair or art event of some kind on Spring Street, thereby inhibiting traffic at the very least, city council had asked city attorney Tim Weaver to clarify for them what City Code said regarding who has the authority to close a city street.

Weaver reported the only relevant passages he found in his research regarding closing a city street were related to special events, and the mayor, after consulting with department heads and maybe health officials, could make that decision. If the request were denied, council would then consider his denial.

He clarified that this interpretation meant those who oppose a street closing would have no appeal,

and added that laws in other towns read the same.

Alderman Mickey Schneider right away spoke up for those who oppose the idea of closing Spring Street. She said it would be like “cutting off the whole freaking town,” but alderman Terry McClung said he did not see it like that, that it put the pressure on the mayor to hear from both sides. He said the process is not clandestine; there is no sneak attack.

## Planning says No to dairy cow in Dairy Hollow

NICKY BOYETTE

Beverly Blankenship, Chair of the Planning Commission, said she wandered at length through the green pastures of City Code but found no references that would allow a family to bring their cow with them to their new property on Dairy Hollow Road.

“It looks like the right place for a cow,” Blankenship said. The property already has a well-used barn. However, the property is in the middle of the R-2 zone and the Code does not allow cows

in that zone.

Blankenship said she could find no evidence that any recent owners had owned hooved animals. Commissioner Pat Lujan had said the new owners told him a previous owner had owned cows there. He commented, “It was previous, but way, way previous.”

Blankenship also found a 1979 reference to a “conditional use variance” which no longer exists. She noticed some of the documentation was missing for parts of the Code, and remarked, “It would be good to know what is missing, but still it would not be legal to have a cow there.”

She said it would be spot-zoning to allow a variance for a property in the middle of a zone.

The family had already paid the

\$100 fee to apply for a Conditional Use Permit, and the commission agreed the money should be refunded.

“We made a mistake. Give them their money back,” commissioner Ed Leswig stated.

### Home occupations

“City Code tells a person how to get other permits and what the guidelines are,” Blankenship said. “There is none of that for Home Occupations.” City Code requires a Home Occupation permit, but one does not exist.

Blankenship said she would research further. Commissioner James Morris said, “Trying to make things identifiable is a good idea, but is there a problem? If it doesn’t impact the neighborhood, it’s none of our business.”

“But what if someone wanted to be

a massage therapist in the house next to you?” Blankenship asked.

“We shouldn’t be telling people what they can do in their homes. We should drop it,” commissioner Pat Lujan asserted.

“So how do we clean up the Code?” commissioner Steve Beacham asked.

Conjecture abounded and nuances ran amok until Leswig suggested the simple change of “a Home Occupation permit *may* be required.”

Everyone looked at each other and nodded. Vote was unanimous.

“That should take care of it,” he said.

Commissioners also voted to send along to council a list of zoning definitions.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, October 8, at 6 p.m.

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C.D. WHITE

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fact newsman Steve Grant is a familiar face to many here – and not just from the small screen.

On Tuesday, Oct. 1, the full KY3 news crew will be in town broadcasting from the Queen Anne Mansion at 5 and 6 p.m. The public is invited to begin

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## Open House at Gingerbread Oct. 1

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## A home for fine art *New gallery invites art appreciation*

C. D. WHITE

A visit to the Eureka Fine Art Gallery at 63 N. Main is like walking into someone's museum-decorated, comfortable living room. The muted décor invites the eye to the art and invites the browser to sit and contemplate in a relaxed atmosphere. There's no rush. Sooner or later, a piece will inevitably make itself known above the others. Plan on taking it home, because you've been adopted by a work of art.

The gallery is the newest addition to the vibrantly growing businesses along N. Main, adding even more color to the rainbow of interesting things to see and do in addition to The Art Colony, Déjà vu, Mountain Eclectic, Garden Bistro, Main Stage (which will soon be renovating), Eureka Art, Fran Carlin's Mosaic Studio and the shops at the new Emporium.

Eight of Eureka Springs' finest artists have worked together to design, decorate and open this new artist-run gallery showing their work and the work of eight artist associates – and they're all still speaking to each other.

The artists – Drew Gentle, Diana Harvey, Ernie Kilman, Larry Mansker, Charles Pearce, Barbara Robinson, Denise Ryan and John Robert Willer – are friends and fellow artists who have shown work together in various galleries and special exhibitions.

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**Welcome** – The new Eureka Fine Art Gallery opened just in time for the Sept. 14 Gallery Stroll.

At right, John Willer helps Denise Ryan with a suggestion for hanging her art a few days before the opening.

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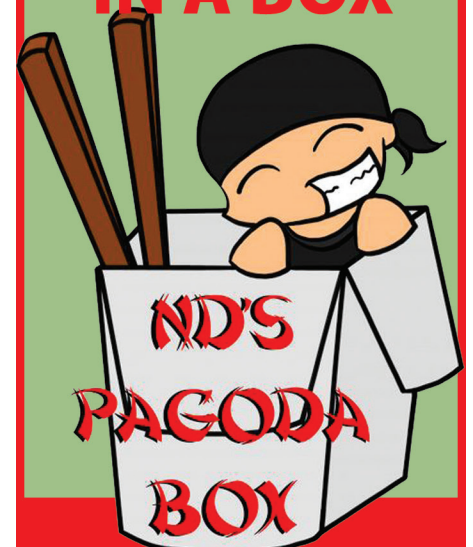
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## Running for love

Paula Fargo Butler's well-loved older brother, Greg Fargo, passed away after a car accident on Hwy. 23S in 2011, leaving behind a wife and daughter. This year, Paula is honoring her brother with a 5K race, two mile walk and one mile fun run: The Fargo Run, taking place Saturday, Oct. 26.



Greg and Paula

Paula, a 1990 Eureka Springs High School graduate, had set records (which she still holds) running cross-country and track but quit running after high school. She picked up the sport again at age 35 and eventually ran a half-marathon in 2010, a feat her brother was "very proud and amazed" that she finished. She had no idea then how her running would become a spiritual connection between them.

"In July 2011, my brother Greg was killed in a car accident at age 41. His sudden death was overwhelming for me," Paula said. "I found my peace in God and in running. While running, I was able to talk to God and to Greg as well. I dedicated a half marathon to him and knew he was with me every step of the way."

On her Facebook page, Paula, now living in Topeka, Kan., explained how the Fargo Run idea came to be:

"When I turned 41, I knew I needed to honor him again. For a while I'd been thinking of hosting a race in Eureka. Only then did I realize that the time was now.

"I know my brother and I know he wasn't a runner but I do know he liked to have fun. So gradually all of the pieces fell together for my idea. I had this all planned in my head for almost two months before I told anyone except God and Greg.

"And now here it is one month away and I am so very excited about all of the positive responses, donations, and commitments I see so many familiar faces making. I've seen people post on the account about getting in shape for the event. That it is getting them off of the couch.

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## Council considers commercial-residential debacle

NICKY BOYETTE

Alderman James DeVito observed at the Sept. 22 city council meeting that council is setting goals, and commissions are creating Master Plans, but he wants a more unified view. He said discussions have not focused on commercial zones enough.

He said when the city allows too many commercial properties in residential zones, both residential and commercial properties begin to take a hit. Fewer houses are available for families and buildings in commercial

zones get neglected.

DeVito stated a well-thought out plan would put an emphasis on reclaiming commercial properties. He suggested setting a cap on how many CUPs the city allows in the R-1 zone and setting up a joint workshop with Planning.

Alderman Mickey Schneider commented it was unfair to look at only one residential zone, and she did not want to restrict what people can do with their properties, but alderman Terry McClung saw things differently.

He said there already is an ordinance in place restricting further tourist lodgings in R-1, and the number of new Bed & Breakfasts has dwindled significantly. He said, "With the 200-foot rule, it is getting harder and harder to do it." He said natural attrition has taken care of the problem.

DeVito respectfully disagreed, predicting that more and more people will be moving to northwest Arkansas, and Eureka Springs is becoming one of those "who knew?" places people gravitate toward. He said the workshop with Planning would give the community an opportunity to see what city government has in mind.

"We can wait and try to catch up, or we can be proactive," he said.

His motion to set a joint workshop with Planning was approved unanimously.



### What do zombies

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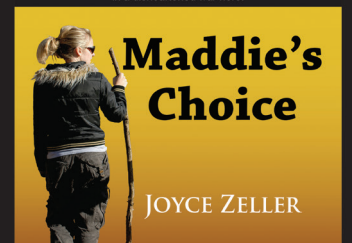
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## School board still pursuing withheld funds

NICKY BOYETTE

The Eureka Springs School Board convened Sept. 19 for a final time with the current board, and before the handful of people attending could settle into their seats, the board had conducted its business and was ready for executive session.

The business at hand was approvals of the minority teacher and administrator recruitment plan; an agreement with radio station KESA; and a special education statement of assurances. They also approved the 2012-2014 budget that Supt. David Kellogg said was "conservative just to be safe." He said there were funds in the budget for refurbishing the grounds around the schools.

The board also agreed to retain services of attorney Eugene Sayers to continue pursuing almost \$224,000 still being withheld by the State. The contract stipulates if Eureka Springs loses the case, the attorney would charge a reduced fee.

### Principals' reports

"We have launched into the school year," Cindy Holt, principal of the middle school, stated. Her school is implementing the Common Core curriculum for the first time, and Holt said, "There is an elevated rigor in reading and writing assignments, and there was a bit of an outcry at first."

The goal of the Common Core State Standards Initiative is to "provide a consistent, clear understanding of what students are expected to learn so teachers and parents know what they need to do to help them," according to their website.

Clare Lesieur, principal of the elementary school, said, "We are up to our elbows in ACSIP," the Arkansas Comprehensive School Improvement Plan her staff is working on.

Lesieur said the funding for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century after-school program now imposes a bigger academic focus, and they are trying to make sure everyone who attends has access to a computer. More than one

hundred K-6 students are signed up for the program, and at least 80 per day attend.

Elementary school teachers have trainings upcoming on Common Core because "we're trying to stay ahead of the curve," Lesieur commented. She also observed, "I am shooting for October first as the date things calm down."

### Staff changes

After executive session, the board announced it had accepted the resignation of Priscilla Smith, deaf interpreter, and hired Melody Elliot and Alix Ritter as substitutes.

Next meeting will be Thursday, Oct. 17, at 5:30 p.m.



**Students get artsy for animals** – This year's 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Student Art Show at Iris at the Basin Park featured projects from art students at Eureka Springs and Berryville High Schools. Proceeds from sale of the students' art were donated to Turpentine Creek Wildlife Refuge. From left, Jessica Cummings, Eureka Springs art teacher; Iris Feutz; Tanya Smith; and Sara Russell, Berryville art teacher, gathered as a check for \$1000 was presented to a pleased and grateful Smith at Turpentine Creek Sept. 17. Willie, in the cage behind them, kept a close eye on the proceedings. Iris at the Basin gives art students the opportunity to show and sell original work each year, benefiting both the students and a local non-profit.

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## Dog park dreams live on

NICKY BOYETTE

For a year now, Eurekans have banned together in pursuit of a recreational and social space for an underserved group: all those dogs in town.

Rachel and Ryan Brix moved to town last year and noticed right away that Eureka Springs needed a dog park. "We have no yards and there were no places for dogs to exercise," Rachel said. She took on the organizer role in the quest for creating a dog park in town.

She said the two hardest parts of creating a dog park are usually getting approval from the city and getting the land, but those two were fairly well in place in Eureka Springs. The dog park idea had simmered and surfaced before, but had quieted recently. Brix said she had little trouble finding a coterie of supporters.

As for a space for the dogs to run, the Parks Department had agreed previously there could be space for a dog park in Harmon Park.

Brix had her support from the city and a location. "So we needed a group to get it done," she said, and she put out the call for people to meet.

Jan Grinnell was an early supporter, and she said, "The public was responsive and supportive from the outset. People not only came to meetings but participated in fundraisers."

"We have more dogs than people here, so it seemed like a good idea," Carol Martin, another early supporter, commented.

Brix said a group of 12 regulars with a few other interested supporters in tow have put on 10 fundraisers in the past year collecting \$12,500. Part of the total came through a pledge drive and some has come from the sale of bricks for the Memorial Garden at the proposed site.

Two examples of community support are that the Historic District Commission approved chain link fencing for the dog park, and Community First Bank matched the first \$2000 raised.

Brix said in the spring they applied for a \$15,000 grant from the Arkansas Rural Development Service but were



denied. She was encouraged by the fact the same people who turned down her application also asked her to reapply and offered advice on how to improve the application.

Results of this grant will be announced in October, and Brix said nothing could happen at the site until they hear about that.

Once the committee gets the grant money, it will be fence time at Harmon Park. The dog park will cover the entire stretch of the lower part of Harmon Park along Grand from Fuller St. to Polk St. Brix envisions a big dog area on the higher elevation and a little dog park below. Her plan all along has been to continually fundraise and also gather a volunteer base for when it's time to erect the fence and maintain the park. The Parks Commission made it clear from the beginning the Dog Park Committee would have full responsibility for keeping the dog area clean and unlittered.

Grinnell said fencing could be erected in two weeks if everyone's schedules lined up right.

Next for the committee is another fundraiser Oct. 19 noon until 8 p.m. in Basin Park. They will be selling all sorts of dog paraphernalia like homemade leashes, harnesses, collars and treats. There is also a raffle with nifty prizes.

Grinnell said they will be having another fundraiser at Sparky's early next year. She said the recent fundraiser at Eureka Live was tremendous. The committee made \$1500 in three hours.

Brix also mentioned that Eureka Springs was chosen as the dog-friendliest city in the Southeast by *Dog Fancy* magazine, a distinction that garnered attention for the city all over the country.

For information about the Dog Park Committee, look up eurekaspringsdog-park on facebook or call Rachel Brix at (479) 244-9151.

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## It's never the color; it's the color next to the color

Editor,

I invite you to go past the historic gazebo on Spring Street and admire the new colors; Mardi Gras Purple and Calliope Green, which I assume must have been approved by the HDC for repainting this historic landmark. Careful, if you go by in the daytime you might want to wear a pair of sunglasses if you plan on staring at its day-glo colors too long!

I can just see a future meeting of the HDC when some new homeowner appears and asks for approval of Shamrock Green shutters, surrounded by Crimson Red trim and accented with Schoolbus Yellow.

"Oh No!" say the members of the HDC, recoiling in horror. "We are here to preserve the distinctive character of Eureka Springs and only colors which

were used during a certain historic period are allowed! You should have consulted our HDC guidelines that say 'Avoid loud, garish or harsh colors and bright hues.' We cannot possibly approve such garish colors in Eureka Springs!"

Without saying a word the newcomer reaches into a briefcase and takes out a picture of the Mardi Gras gazebo! Without any further discussion the board says, "Ok, Ok! Just go ahead and do whatever you want to!"

I feel especially sorry for the owners of that beautiful home on the corner just past the gazebo. They spent many months and countless dollars refurbishing that fine old structure and then showed exquisite taste in choosing its muted, "historic" colors! It is a classic landmark now that any passerby can enjoy!

Having the Mardi Gras gazebo next door is like moving into your dream home and having the next door neighbor invite

the local teenagers to spray paint a junk car and then parking it in the driveway between your two homes!

*Garret Thorne*

## Quiet little town?

Editor,

First, let me say, I am not a biker and haven't even ridden on a bike.

That said, I am offended and upset at a full page ad in the paper telling bikers "to behave themselves."

The ad was very non-welcoming and off putting. I believe Eureka Springs is a tourist town that welcomes diversity as well as Passion Play audience... and not a "quiet little town" as the ad stated, that welcomes the rumbling roadsters like Ferraris and muscle cars.

I believe we all benefit from the bikers presence because their tax dollars go to aid our community in many ways including advertising for tourists.

**MAIL** continued on page 21



## WEEK'S Top Tweets

**@TheWriteStuff2u** --- I'll believe corporations are people when Texas executes one.

**@Playing\_Dad** --- People in Detroit call Grand Theft Auto V "Tuesday."

**@plank\_sinatra** --- What idiot called it "Fox News" and not "white whine?"

**@wesjohnson8** --- When you are arguing with an idiot, make sure the other person isn't doing the same thing.

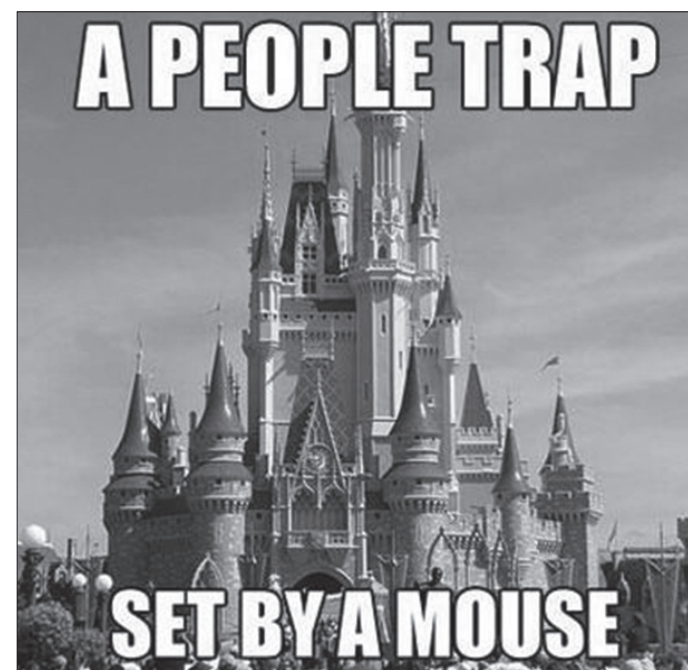
**@Zen\_Moments** --- In a time of universal deceit — telling the truth is a revolutionary act. ~ George Orwell

**@thesulk** --- Smile. Your enemies hate it.

**@PeaceInTruth1** --- New idea for Mythbusters: find an honest politician.

**@\_dhollings** --- I bet for Halloween, someone is going to dress up as either Miley Cyrus, or her foam finger. Frankly, I don't know which is worse.

**@wickedblondeone** --- Trying to come to term with the fact that I may have an earning disability.



**@BestProHumor** --- Disneyland irony

## Here's the plan...

Lanny Nickel's testimony in the Arkansas Public Service Commission hearing August 29 in Little Rock, told that Southwest Power Pool wants a huge Extra High Voltage (EHV) 345kV system to surround Northwest Arkansas, and just as reported months ago by members of Save the Ozarks, the Shippe Road to Kings River power line is part of that with additional parts to come up for APSC approval later. According to Nickel, SPP wants a robust system for "reliability." The extra transmission capacity for them is just an unstated bonus that will give huge profits. They prefer not to talk about that.

In response to Save the Ozarks expert witness Dr. Hyde Merrill's testimony, Nickel confirmed that the rationale proposed in the Notice to Construct issued by Southwest Power Pool is no longer a concern that would justify the project. But still SWEPCO and SPP have come up with additional reasons for the project, despite their old reason no longer holding water.

Nickel and SPP attorney Kaplan showed those reasons on a big map, illustrated in airbrushed red colors (very professionally done and so convincing to the Judge that she asked to keep it). That map showed areas of concern along the route east toward Harrison on the Entergy side of the seam between suppliers. Melinda Montgomery of Entergy, testifying earlier for SWEPCO, insisted there were and are no reliability concerns or problems on the Entergy side of the seam, but in all fairness, she did acknowledge that having such a robust line in the neighborhood would provide extra reliability that was not really necessary. If the hearing in Little Rock was indeed an evidentiary proceeding, and not simply a dog and pony show for the kids, someone will have to examine the conflicting evidence offered by SWEPCO.

If the Notice to Construct is the basis of the application and the reason is no longer valid, the application is false or in error and should be dismissed. If AEP/SWEPCO has new reasons, then let them apply again. And give us better warning next time instead of making a sneak attack.

When SWEPCO's own witnesses dispute part of the new grounds presented by AEP/SWEPCO and Southwest Power Pool, and much of the information necessary to even evaluate the truth of Nickel's testimony is kept from Save the Ozarks by SWEPCO's and SPP's refusals to respond to data requests, all parties, including the commission are kept in the dark. As long as we are purposefully kept in the dark, we have every reason in the world to distrust whatever conclusion the judge and commission arrive at that is not full and complete dismissal of the application.

Can folks see why all of us have been kept off balance by the process through which AEP/SWEPCO is attempting to claim eminent domain and destroy our properties, and damage the environment upon which the success of our tourist economy depends?

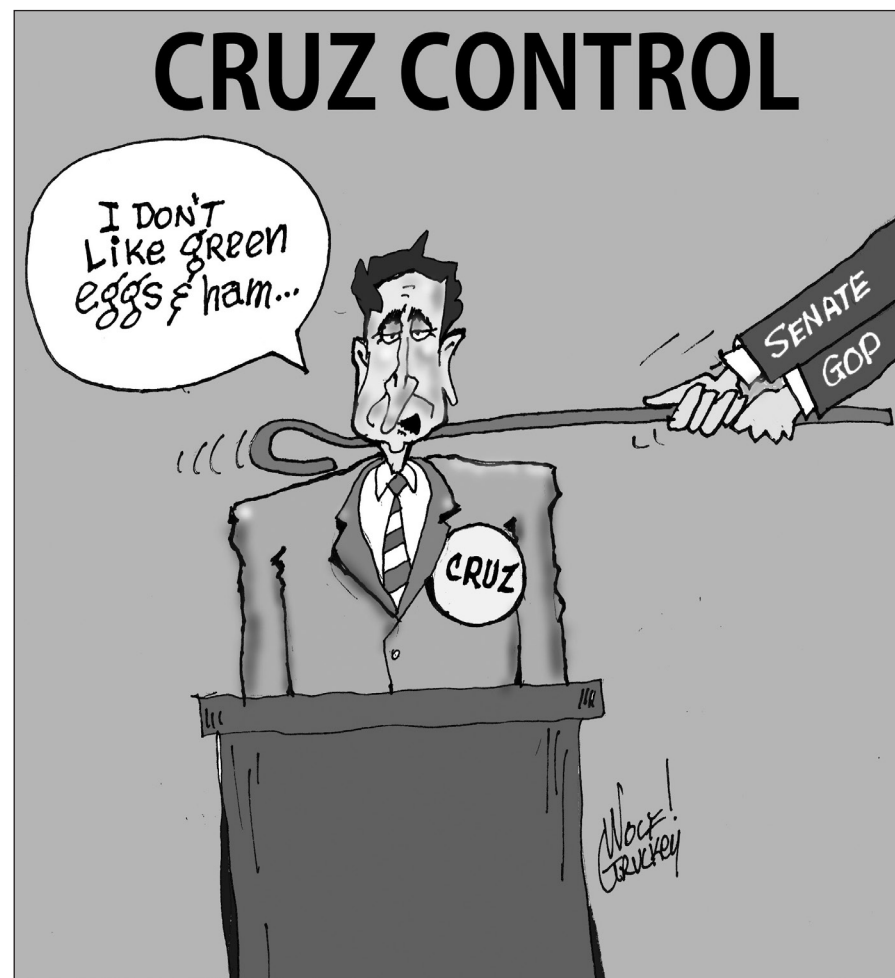
AEP/SWEPCO and the Southwest Power Pool came at us with very big plans to build a huge transmission system hauling wholesale power throughout Northwest Arkansas, and beyond, claiming it was for our own reliability... our own good. They do this by putting forward one small step at a time, hoping we don't notice the full ugly effect, a process the US Army Corps of Engineers calls "piecemealing."

If we don't fight the Shippe Road to Kings River power line proposal, there will be more and more of these ugly projects all across North Arkansas and up through Missouri. Distributed power generation promises to save us from the ugly grid.

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Doug Stowe



## The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

My kid spoke admiringly of the writer Mandy Stadtmiller during a catch up call last week. Stadtmiller, a deputy editor and blogger at *xojane.com* is a funny and apparently savvy commentator on all things Female, Young and Restless. I say "apparently" because I am Male, Old and Settled, and a card carrying member of the group that Dr. Hunter Thompson referred to as *A Generation of Swine*. So: I am not a trustworthy judge of her savvy, but she is funny and makes me laugh.

What is remarkable about Stadtmiller's blogs – and all the writers at *xojane* – is how remarkably well they avoid any political, historical, or shared context with Baby Boomers (1946 -1964), or even Gen Xers (1965-1983). The writers of these blogs live in a self-imposed state of generational exile.

When I mention this to my daughter, or to the few other Millennials (1984-2004) I know, I hear in return what sounds like an astonishing reversal of roles: the young condemn the old for being frivolous, mannerless, grasping and noisy. They have judged Boomer institutions and culture to be pathetic, but so profoundly entrenched that change is possible only with the passing of time; they are patiently waiting for us to die.

It is certainly uncomfortable being The Young Person's Burden, yet there is a bit of reckoning to do. We have given them a system of higher education so expensive that it impoverishes while rewarding its few graduates with the lowest earnings since 1977. They see a Democratic Party tepidly promoting a creaky late-capitalist liberal humanism that is hardly more tolerable than the Republican Party's tinfoil hat economics, bald-faced lying and moral bankruptcy. During their life span, millionaires have become multi-millionaires while 21 percent of them are unemployed, and an equal number are underemployed.

It would be easier to ignore Stadtmiller, and Dr. Thompson's self-report, if it were not for the inconvenient truth that we are the generation that puts guns into the hands of the people who teach our children. There is no surer sign that we, along with the Millennials, have given up on ourselves.

# INDEPENDENT Constables On Patrol

## SEPTEMBER 16

9:28 a.m. – An ex-husband told ESPD the ex-wife had placed a bag for their daughter in his vehicle in violation of a protection order. Constable took the report.

10:29 a.m. – Constable on patrol took a report regarding possible vandalism at the old high school.

11:02 a.m. – Animal Control helped a resident get an armadillo out of a pipe.

1:41 p.m. – Witness reported a driver passing on a double yellow line. Constable caught up with the driver who denied he had been driving recklessly.

1:57 p.m. – Request was made for a constable to conduct a welfare check on an individual, and he found her at work doing fine.

6:48 p.m. – A dog in a backyard was barking enough to annoy neighbors, and the owner was not at home.

## SEPTEMBER 17

8:25 a.m. – Semi driver took a trip up a tricky street, but the constable who went to assist never saw it.

9:50 a.m. – Two dogs ran free as the breeze on the grounds of the elementary school. A constable captured them for safekeeping, and their owner later picked them up at the station.

12:03 p.m. – Ex-employer told ESPD an ex-employee was calling the store repeatedly disputing her final compensation. Constable advised the ex-employee not to call the store again but instead talk to those who actually handled the payroll.

1:20 p.m. – Wallet was discovered near city Hall. Constable retrieved it and notified the owner to come get it.

2:31 p.m. – Caller reported a disabled vehicle in the eastbound lane of US 62 west of town. Responding constable did not find a disabled vehicle.

6:44 p.m. – Individual thought the music from a bar was unnecessarily loud. Constable responded.

## SEPTEMBER 18

12:38 a.m. – Person at a bar in town reported hearing people screaming nearby. Constable went to the scene but heard no screaming.

3:22 a.m. – Passerby thought it was unusual for a vehicle to be parked in front of the grocery store at the early hour. Constable who responded discovered the meat manager was already at work.

10:24 a.m. – There was a minor traffic accident downtown.

11:20 a.m. – Driver claimed her vehicle had been hit on a country road by the vehicle she was following. Both vehicles stopped on North Main, and the constable determined the suspect vehicle was actually not the vehicle that had hit her car. Driver who had been hit waited for a State Trooper to file a report.

12:06 p.m. – There was a motorcycle versus vehicle accident on US 62 with minor injuries. No transport by EMS.

1:03 p.m. – This time it was a white vehicle that ran into a delivery truck, and it appeared there were injuries but again EMS did not transport anyone.

1:27 p.m. – Girlfriend came to the station to report domestic violence by her boyfriend. Constables arrested the boyfriend for third degree domestic battery.

2:20 p.m. – Resident just north of downtown reported a neighbor's dog charged at her and it was not the first time. She claimed the neighbor lets the dogs run free. No one was at home at the time, and Animal Control will try again later to speak with the owner.

2:58 p.m. – In another neighborhood, Animal Control captured a dog jauntily cavorting about and returned it to its owner.

6:41 p.m. – Person told ESPD something smelled deceased along a street near downtown. Responding constable determined several kittens relieving themselves in a garage might be the source of the odor.

8:55 p.m. – Person living near a bar again called to complain about the noise level. He said he cannot even hear his telephone ring. Constable again asked the establishment to keep the music down.

## SEPTEMBER 19

12:06 a.m. – Driver of a vehicle suspiciously parked behind a business already closed for the night told the constable he was just resting his eyes for a few minutes.

3:37 a.m. – Constable responded to a request to assist Green Forest Police by checking on a victim at ESH.

11:38 a.m. – Postal inspector told ESPD a construction crew was blocking passage of a mail delivery truck and refusing to move. Constable went to the scene, but the construction crew had already moved out of the area.

11:44 a.m. – Motorcyclist laid his bike down but there was little damage to the bike and no injury to the rider.

12:19 p.m. – EMS encountered an accident involving multiple motorcycles on US 62 toward the western edge of town. Riders were transported to hospitals.

1:19 p.m. – Constable went to the middle school and arrested a minor for possession of tobacco. The juvenile's mother picked him up at the station, and charges were transferred to juvenile intake.

1:38 p.m. – Person attempting to deliver a meal to an elderly woman did not get a response when he knocked on her door, and he asked for a welfare check. Constable arrived at the scene just as the elderly person drove up. She was okay.

2:15 p.m. – Complainant filed harassment charges against his ex-wife.

3:38 p.m. – A motorcycle versus motorcycle accident on US 62 caused a heated dispute. Constable arrived, and things calmed down. One person went to ESH with minor injuries.

6:11 p.m. – Constable checked on a dog left in a parked van with windows down a bit, and it was okay.

7:17 p.m. – Lady with her leaf blower elicited a noise complaint.

10:58 p.m. – Convenience store employee asked for assistance in getting a customer to leave the premises. Constable arrived and the person left.

11:05 p.m. – Someone stole a motorcycle while the owner was in a bar.

## SEPTEMBER 20

3:02 a.m. – Central dispatch alerted ESPD to a call from a motel in which the wife said the husband had taken possibly too much of his medication and had driven away. While she was on the phone, the husband returned and told her if she had called the police he was going to hurt her. She called again saying the husband was looking for his gun so he could kill himself. Constable arrived just after the couple had started arguing about his wanting to leave. The constable determined the husband showed no signs of being suicidal.

9:16 a.m. – Caller reported she had made an order during a fundraiser and her check had been cashed but her purchase had never been delivered.

11:30 a.m. – There was a complaint that motorcycles would block traffic to allow a crowd of cycles to leave a parking lot. Constables set out to mitigate problems as best they could.

11:35 a.m. – The caller said this time the noise from the bar was so loud, servers could not hear to take orders. Constable in

the parking lot said he was able to have a normal conversation on the phone with no problem.

12:19 p.m. – Constable did not encounter the large dog running loose near US 62 in a neighborhood toward the eastern outskirts of town.

12:43 p.m. – Witness reported several motorcycles passing on double yellow lines heading west on US 62. Information was passed along to county and state authorities.

1:41 p.m. – Person told ESPD there was a suspicious motorcycle parked where it did not belong. It turned out to be the motorcycle stolen the previous night. The owner was apprised of where to retrieve his property.

3:12 p.m. – Innkeeper reported a customer who did not want to pay. Constable would head that direction after traffic duty.

3:34 p.m. – For a moment it appeared two motorcycles had been stolen. While the constable was en route to the scene, he learned the bikes had been found.

4:05 p.m. – Resident near the cemetery thought he heard gunshots. Two constables also heard the shots, and they sounded like target practice outside city limits.

8:19 p.m. – Three motorcycles were making too much noise downtown according to a bystander.

11:42 p.m. – Motel proprietor told ESPD her maintenance person had just argued with his girlfriend and then left the premises. She said he was intoxicated. Constables found his van in the parking lot of another motel and kept an eye out for him.

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2:13 a.m. – Convenience store clerk reported a very intoxicated couple on a motorcycle leaving the property but then turning into a motel parking lot nearby. Constable responded.

2:19 a.m. – A large gathering in a motel parking lot apparently got loud enough to bother folks nearby, so constables talked with the parties and they agreed to turn down the music and go inside.

2:23 a.m. – The same convenience store clerk passed along of a report that a woman was passed out in her vehicle in the parking lot of a bar, and her engine was running. Constables went to the scene and arrested her for DWI #2, possession of two controlled substances and possession of drug paraphernalia.

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## Bluegrass, budgeting and burned out bulbs

NICKY BOYETTE

Joe McClung, promoter of this year's Bluegrass Festival, offered a retrospective of the event and offered his vision of what could happen next year at Wednesday afternoon's City Advertising and Promotion Commission (CAPC) workshop.

"It was a great family event," McClung said. He said the hard-core traditional bluegrass fans are beginning to spread the word about the Eureka Springs event now. His "scouts" are already looking to fill next year's lineup. He has two new family acts he would like to add next summer, and he wants to feature entertainment at more venues around town.

He also might need a little more money from the CAPC budget.

McClung mentioned he knows somebody who knows somebody, and it is possible he could attract Alan Jackson, a star country entertainer who recently released a bluegrass album, to be the feature for next year's event. It is all tentative, but the draw for Jackson according to McClung would be "On our historic stage, we've had Willie Nelson, Ray Charles, other notables, but we haven't had you."

McClung said he wanted to keep ticket prices affordable and the commission gave McClung the go-ahead to investigate further, but Chair Charles Ragsdell kept emphasizing ticket prices are a reflection of what the talent expects as payment.

Everyone agreed earlier promotion of the festival would help. McClung added he thought they could have sold at least a hundred more tickets for Saturday night if tickets had been easier to purchase.

"Some of our crowd won't buy tickets online. They would, though, walk down to a ticket site and purchase them on the day of the event," he said. Finance director Rick Bright told him they already are addressing that.

McClung chose as a tentative date for next year's Bluegrass Festival the weekend before the Volkswagen Weekend in August. There will be more details released as they are available.

### Lighting up downtown

Jackie Wolven, director of the Eureka Springs Downtown Network, Jack Moyer, representing the Crescent Hotel and Basin

Park Hotel, and Bruce Levine, director of the Parks Department, all appealed to CAPC to augment its spending on downtown during the Christmas season.

Levine told the commission he somehow had been put in charge of decorating downtown for Christmas, and he expected he might need as much as \$5500 more just to replace worn-out lights.

Finance director Rick Bright said CAPC has only \$4000 budgeted for everything related to Christmas.

Moyer said, "There's a void if City Hall and the Transit building aren't lit up." He said CAPC funds would be better spent on lighting up downtown during December than advertising to bring people to town.

Wolven added Eureka Springs is listed on the Arkansas Trail of Lights, so the town needs to really light it up for the visitors.

Commissioner Terry McClung said he would get it on the City Council agenda to see what the city could do.

Wolven said the downtown is worthy of CAPC promotion as an attraction. She said the Downtown Network wants to keep visitors downtown as long as possible so they will spend more. "We want to create experiences to keep them there," she said.

Wolven pointed out events she is planning to promote next year, such as events in Basin Park after parades, Fun After 5, Drumming in the Park, spring break activities and events during the week. She thinks Spring Break in Eureka Springs could grow into a large family-style event people from four states could attend year after year.

Moyer followed that he is passionate about creating a vibrant, unique and relevant downtown, and he insisted visitors come to Eureka Springs because the downtown is a shopping destination.

Ragsdell responded that the CAPC cares about the downtown merchants and shopping as an attraction even though merchants do not collect CAPC taxes. He said, "Merchants are stakeholders."

Commissioner Terry McClung added, "Downtown merchants need to do their part to attract visitors. Many do zero advertising on their own."

Ragsdell countered dire observations

he has heard about a sagging economy by pointing out city sales tax revenue has set records this year in four out of eight months.

"All indicators are we are going up," he said. "Are we on the right path? I think so. Are we making large mistakes? I think not. We just need to improve on what we do."

Ragsdell's question concerning keeping visitors downtown was how to convince merchants to stay open later. Moyer dismissed that question and advocated for more events, even daily activities.

The discussion was on the verge of ranging into even more expansive territories when Ragsdell called the discussion to a halt so the commission could look at its budget.

### Budget news both good and bad

Bright told commissioners that through Tuesday, CAPC collections are up by \$7000 over budgeted income, and some collectors have not paid this month's taxes yet. Ragsdell added the CAPC is down less than one percent from last year's banner year. He looked at city tax revenue over the years and noticed a healthy trend developing. He projected the CAPC might get \$50,000 over its expected income this year.

Bright also mentioned areas of the budget needing serious attention. There are always unexpected events which impact a budget, and this budget season he said commissioners will need to adjust their numbers for internet marketing, website maintenance, public relations and group travel expenses. Also, they need to figure out how to create some reserves.

The theme coloring all comments was financial accountability. "A budget is a budget, and you have to follow it," McClung stated. Ragsdell agreed that it was time to "make surgical changes," but he also pointed out the commission was staying true to its mission of advertising the city, and it was spending twice what was spent on advertising before two years ago, and he said merchants are seeing the benefits.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, Oct. 9, at 6 p.m.

## A little help from our friends:

- **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: 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) 253-8987

- **GRIEF SHARE** grief recovery program, Sundays, 2 – 4 p.m., HI Community Church Fellowship Hall library (188 Stateline Drive) until Nov. 10. Join at any time. \$15 workbook fee required. For details phone (479) 253-8925, or e-mail lardellen@gmail.com.

### 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

Grab a spoon and slurp down a taste of cultural cuisine ladled from the gene pool in which we've all been swimming. Maybe you'll be able to pick your name out in the alphabet noodles or maybe you'll just pick out the chunks of meat and attempt to feed the vegetables to the dog. In any case, we'll try to give you something socially relevant to chew on every week.

## The new 40 and youth-obsessed culture

They say 60 is the new 40. People are looking and acting younger than ever, and certainly younger than their parents and grandparents did at the same age. Although Americans are said to be a "youth-obsessed" culture, in some parts of the country this may have more to do with wanting to be healthier than with just wanting to look younger. At least that seems to be true around here.

In places like California and more metropolitan parts of the country, where appearance tops the list of desirables,

folks who've passed the big five-oh may be overly concerned with looking forty, but most of us here in the Ozarks seem to be more concerned with the back forty than trying to get back to forty.

In faster-paced environments removed from daily interaction with nature and its relentless changes through time, values hinge and judgments are often made on what can be discerned quickly, i.e., looks and clothing.

According to a recent *Huffington Post* story, "Fifty-six percent of women and 34 percent of men who responded to

a recent survey said they were worried about the physical effects of aging. Forty-two percent of women admitted they'd undergo plastic surgery or resort to anti-aging injections to keep signs of aging at bay, while only 18 percent of men considered it an option."

Plastic surgeons are doing a whopping business with elective cosmetic surgery, but not around here. For those of us who slow down where social roots can grow and flourish without imposed high-performance expectations, the aging process seems to be less of a

threat to our appearance. Most of us have watched each other age over the years, but those faces remain dear. Perhaps a rural environment and being at the mercy of nature has something to do with accepting things beyond our control and making the best face of the one we have already.

In Eureka Springs we have a lot of young folks who will eventually become young-looking older folks. And it won't be because of plastic surgeons; it'll be because they learned how to be healthy and happy. And 70 will be the new 40.

## INDEPENDENTArt

### Exquisite beading on display at open house Sept. 30

If you have images of stringing beads when you read the words "Beading Workshop," banish that thought. In a first-ever colloquium and workshop Sept. 26 – 29 at the Inn of the Ozarks, nationally and internationally recognized artists and designers in the craft of hand-woven, beaded jewelry are demonstrating how the experts do it.

These artists create designs that must be licensed for reproduction, often incorporating precious metals and other costly materials such as Swarovski crystals. "There's only a handful of events like this in the country bringing together such a well known and respected group of artist/instructors," said organizer Jeannine Rainone.

The public will be able to view their work, buy beads and purchase items from teachers or the conference vendor, Ozark Bead Company, at an open house Sunday, Sept. 30, from 12:30 – 2 p.m. in the Inn of the Ozarks Conference Center.

### Mock Apple Pie featured at book signing

The Book Nook in the Pine Mountain Village Shopping Center on US 62 will host a book signing with author Joyce Zeller for her new romance, *Maddie's Choice*, from 4 – 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5.

The first 30 guests will have a chance to sample Mock Apple Pie, a dessert served at the barbecue potluck dinner in *Maddie's Choice*. The recipe, a creation of Ritz Crackers and lemon-flavored syrup, dates back to 1934 and doesn't contain apples. This is its 79<sup>th</sup> anniversary as an American icon of home cooking.

*Maddie's Choice* is set on a cattle ranch in Arkansas near the small town of Peachville – Pop. 500, resembling Hindsville. It's a modern story about a New York romance author with writer's block who finds her muse in a disheartened cowboy, a war hero.

## ESH music program Oct. 3

Here's your chance to enjoy the 6 – 12th grade Eureka Springs School music program in the comfortable new auditorium at the high school. The concert will include popular music performed by the 6<sup>th</sup> grade, the 7/8<sup>th</sup> grade and high school bands and the high school choir. Curtain goes up at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3. Admission is free and the public is invited. Please enter through the cafeteria door as attendees to the volleyball game will be entering through the main doors.



**Hypertufa fans** – From right, instructor Kandy Jones, Carol White, Carolyn Williams, Judy Carpenter and Jill Leighter enjoyed the three-day hypertufa class at ESSA this past weekend. Kandy will be back next year teaching mosaics and hypertufa. Inset shows a dog sculpture by one of the students. Hypertufa is an anthropic rock made from various aggregates bonded together using Portland cement, and is a popular medium for making garden pieces.

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# NOTES from the HOLLOW

by Steve Weems

I was recently reminded of my father's story of when he worked at Onyx Cave as a kid in the early 1950s. He was a tour guide and had a group of people deep into the cave when the lights went out. He left them in absolute darkness while he ran up the path behind the glow of his official tour guide flashlight to see what the problem was. The generator had stopped and he had to get it running again before returning to the huddled mass of bewildered tourists.

What reminded me of my father's small adventure was finding the story of the discovery of Onyx Cave in an old email from Lee Mathis-Fancher. Her great-

grandfather, Will Robbins, found Onyx Cave on his property while searching for lost treasure left by Spaniards of long ago. After using dynamite to blast away rock in his search he found a cave in the hillside. He wasn't as happy with a cave as gold and jewels, but he was able to charge admission for people to explore his cave. It is said to be the oldest show cave in the state of Arkansas.

In the 1920s, my grandfather, Jack McCall, would ride by horseback with friends over to Onyx Cave to look around. He said they knew it was time to get out when there wasn't enough oxygen for their pine knot torches to

burn properly.

Years later, Grandpa would drive cattle over the mountain to pasture he rented near Onyx Cave. Along the way was a hole in the ground that if you dropped a rock in it there would be a splash. He said it was rumored Jesse James had put a raft down there so he could float to a shelf of rock where his gold was hidden.

Worried a cow might fall in the hole, Grandpa built a heavy wooden platform and covered it up. He planned to take me up there and show me that hole in the ground, but time got away from us and it's too late now.



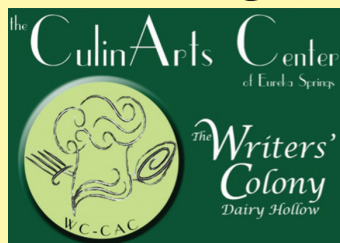
If you have a comment or story, write to me at [steve@steveweems.com](mailto:steve@steveweems.com) or P.O. Box 43, Eureka Springs, AR 72632.

## INDEPENDENTArt

### The art of cooking (with flair)

The new CulinArts Center of Eureka Springs at the Writers' Colony at Dairy Hollow, 515 Spring, presents the first in a series of weekend workshops Oct. 4 and 5 with Margie Roelands, owner of Raimondo Winery and Simply Sicilian. Roelands will share her special flair for using various flavor-infused olive oils and balsamic vinegars and wines in dishes prepared from foods locally grown and organic from Sycamore Bend Farms.

The CulinArts weekend workshops will be a total submersion into the culture and traditions of the food and region featured. Nationally known chefs and popular Arkansas culinary experts will



conduct classes which may include presentations by and/or trips to the Farmers' Market, tips on kitchenology and artistic instruction on plating and presentation.

Plans are to also offer half- or one-day workshops on cooking and kitchen arts subjects like knife skills, gluten-free baking and vegan cooking for complete beginners.

For costs and to sign up for the Oct. 4 – 5 Margie Roelands workshop call (479) 253-7444 or email [director@writerscolony.org](mailto:director@writerscolony.org). For future courses at the CulinArts Center, keep updated online at [www.writerscolony.org](http://www.writerscolony.org) or Facebook pages, "Writers Colony" and "Writers Colony at Dairy Hollow."

### Lights, camera ... hey, that means you

The Eureka Springs Winter Film Fest (ESWFF) is waiting for your humorous, dramatic or artsy live actor film or animation of 5 to 30 minutes to show at the upcoming film festival at the auditorium, Jan. 23 – 25.

ESWFF is now screening independent films that inspire, enlighten and entertain in drama, comedy, documentary, art film and animation categories. Now's the time to get that great idea shot, edited, perfected and onto a disc and submitted by Dec. 31.

DVD format, NTSC, 16:9 or 4:3; acceptable ratings, G, PG, PG13, R or NC17 and fee of \$25 with entry form. Films must have been shot and produced in 2013.

For entry form and more information, follow the instructions at [www.eurekaspringswinterfilmfest.com](http://www.eurekaspringswinterfilmfest.com).

All films will be juried and notification of selection will be on or before January 10, 2014.

Questions? Phone Teresa DeVito (479) 363-8185.

### "Blues Challenge" Oct. 2

The Ozark Blues Society of Northwest Arkansas will host its Annual Blues Challenge at George's Majestic Lounge on Dickson Street in Fayetteville Oct. 2 from 6 – 11:30 p.m. Come hear an evening of blues and guess which great acts the judges will pick.

Acts will perform 20-minute sets in a randomly chosen order, which will be announced just prior to the start of the

competition. There will be two winners announced on night of the competition – one band and one solo/duo act which will then be eligible to compete at the four-day 2014 International Blues Challenge on Beale Street in Memphis Jan. 22 – 25, 2014.

For details about the Blues Challenge see [www.ozarkbluessociety.org](http://www.ozarkbluessociety.org).



### Author takes lessons in faith from her terrier

Kerusso Christian Outlet is hosting a book signing for Carolyn Biossat of Eureka Springs on Saturday, Oct. 5. Biossat has been a first grade teacher in the Eureka Springs public school system for many years, only recently retiring to spend more time writing and enjoying God's creation.

*The Annie Devotional, Learning Faith from a Tiny Terrier* is about relationship with God, enjoying His creation and living one's faith. Meet Carolyn Oct. 5 at Kerusso, 105 Passion Play Road, between 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

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## Two vacations considered by council

NICKY BOYETTE

Richard Grinnell brought his request for a vacation for a portion of Palo Pinto Street back to city council. At the Sept. 22 meeting he said he had begun this process two years ago, but a family situation interrupted the process.

He said two buildings have been sitting partly on Palo Pinto Street for 80 years, and one of them now belongs to him. The problem is he cannot get a clear title to his property because of the platted, but never developed street. He produced a list of signatures of adjoining property owners who approve of his request.

There were questions about the long delay since the original request, plus only one current alderman was seated when the request first appeared in 2011. Alderman Terry McClung

suggested they postpone discussion for two weeks so they can have an opportunity to look at the property.

Butch Eichor's request for a vacation of a portion of Nut Street finally made it its way to the council table. He said his property surrounds three sides of the plat called Nut Street and the other end abuts the Cold Spring Reservation, which is city property.

Bruce Levine, director of the Parks Department, told council part of the vacation process is to send notices to all affected neighbors, and Eichor had no one to send letters to except himself.

Sentiment favored Eichor's request, but Weaver pointed out council first needed to remove the property from the jurisdiction of Parks. Then it can approve Eichor's request. Each act would need its own ordinance, and the first one must be in place before

council can act on the second.

Council voted to authorize Weaver to move forward drafting the ordinance.

### Final items

- Parks Director Bruce Levine passed around copies of a proposed Land Bank ordinance with a couple of changes, one of which was composition of the Land Bank committee. He proposed a committee of seven that would include three at-large citizens. City attorney Tim Weaver pointed out Levine's ordinance would put citizens not approved by council in a position of influence over spending city funds. Levine responded, "Back to the drawing board." Council moved for Levine to work with Weaver to redraft the ordinance and bring it back.

- Planning Chair Beverly Blankenship will consult with Weaver

on refinement of language regarding limitations on businesses in the C-3 zone and bring an ordinance back to council. The changes are clarifications related to hours of operation and animals.

- Council approved a resolution in support of a General Improvement Fund grant for \$150,000 toward the construction of a new bathhouse/shower house at Lake Leatherwood City Park. Levine said the existing bathhouse had been constructing by the Civilian Conservation Corps in the 1930s and it no longer functions as it was intended. Their plan is to erect the new one beside it and repurpose the existing building as an education center. Council unanimously approved the resolution.

Next meeting will be Monday, October 14, at 6 p.m.



## TheNATUREofEUREKA by Steven Foster

### Wonders of a bucket list

When considering the "new" seven wonders of the world (created by the New Seven Wonders Foundation) as a popularity poll, I find it astonishing that the only single remaining of the original Hellenic Seven Wonders of the World, the Great Pyramid of Giza (honorable mention) didn't make the cut, while an Art Deco concrete statue in Brazil did. I have visited three of the seven "winners" including the Great Wall of China, Machu Picchu, and most recently, the ancient Nabataean Arab capital of Petra in Jordan.

Seven wonders (whether new or old) only begin to scratch the surface of what to see on Planet Earth. The first list of seven was created by Greek scholars, Herodotus (484-425 BCE) and Callimachus of Cyrene (305-240 BCE). Their "seven wonders" was inspired by the number seven in Greek traditional symbolizing plenty and perfection and the known celestial bodies of the time. The Giza pyramids are all that remain.

If you really want to pad your bucket list, the best one stop shopping is UNESCO's World Heritage Sites list that includes 981 properties/locations of cultural and natural heritage of value to all of humanity. The list

includes 759 cultural, 193 wonders of nature sites and 29 mixed (cultural and natural) locations. That means to cross off that entire bucket list, I need several winning grand prize lottery tickets. I've only been to 39 World Heritage sites (fewer than 4 percent).

Like Machu Picchu, which I've visited four times, Petra cannot be seen in a single day. Situated between the Red Sea and the Dead Sea (which surprisingly is not included on the World Heritage list), Petra has been inhabited since prehistoric times by Arabs, Greeks and Romans, among others. It has been a stopping point for nomadic Bedouins since it was abandoned by Crusaders who built a fort there in the 12<sup>th</sup> century.

The famous, Khazneh el Faroun (Treasury of the Pharaoh), a façade more than 150 feet tall, carved out of the rose-red sandstone contains no Nabataean architectural elements, but reflects Alexandrian and Hellenistic design traditions. A place of extraordinary human and natural beauty, put Petra on your bucket list. I will be happy to be your guide.



*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.

The ravages of typhoid had left its mark on Elba. He was still not able to stand up very long at a time or work very far. I was helping him as much as I could by doing the bookwork for him, making the trips between Beaver and Elk Ranch and doing as much of the legwork as possible. The kids were with Mama. Nothing could have pleased any of them more.

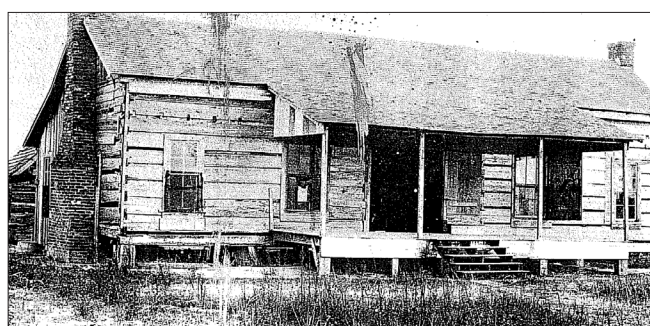
Then Slick showed up again! We were all glad to see him. I, remembering how much help he had been to us during Grandpa's illness, welcomed him and tried to forget all the adverse things I knew about him. Maybe he had changed, I thought to myself.

It was during that time that we had the experience with Harry Bingham. Harry lived down in the hollow below where the Pyles family lived. He was known to be a cruel and unfeeling man. Everybody in the area was afraid of him. He was known to be cruel to his family. Often, mothers would scare their children into better behavior by threatening to "give you to Harry Bingham."

Mama was aware that Harry's big police dogs had maimed and mutilated some of her livestock, but was afraid to say anything about it. Nobody wanted to tangle with Harry Bingham for fear of unwelcome consequences later. Several mysterious fires had occurred in the area following Harry's being displeased with his encounters with some of the neighbors.

It was just after noon one day and Elba was lying on the bed resting when we heard Harry's voice urging his dogs to "sic 'em, kill 'em," at the top of the hill. Two of Mama's yearling heifers came running down the hill with the two huge dogs close at their heels. One of the calves was trying to hold her head high enough that the lunging dog could not reach her throat. The dog was winning the fight.

Elba took a shotgun from the wall, went to the door and shot the dog. Harry, who was waiting for the return of his dog at the top of the hill, took the dog and went on back home. Elba, still weak from his long illness and



terribly upset over having to kill the dog, went to bed.

The next day the deputy shierff showed up with a warrant for Elba, charging him with "disturbing the peace and killing a valuable dog."

Papa and I went into town with him to make bond for his appearance for trial the next week. The entire community was shocked at knowing that Harry would have him arrested for the dog killing. He was not held and allowed to go back home to await trial. We were worried to death. We had no money for a lawyer. In fact, nobody in the family had any money. Our friends were in the same situation.

Slick had been there for the past few days. He said, "Don't worry. I'll plead your case. I am allowed to represent a client in any magistrate court. I'll be glad for a chance at Old Bingham"

The say came for the trial We went into the chambers of the County Justice of the Peace for the hearing.

The charge was read. Bingham swore that Elba had killed his dog which was valuable to him for herding his stock.

He was afraid to admit that he was only a few yards from the scene and encouraging the dogs to make the attack on the heifers. He could not say exactly what had "disturbed" him. He

eventually said that it was his pregnant wife

who had been disturbed. When the wife took the stand, Slick asked her if she had seen the killing of the dog. She admitted she had not. That the dog had been shot more than a half mile from her house.

"Mrs. Bingham, did you hear the shot?"

"No sir," she said.

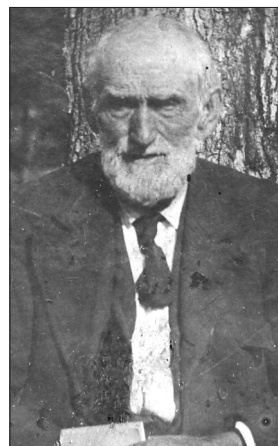
"Well then, will you please tell this jury just what disturbed you?" Slick asked.

"It was when I head the kids crying and running into the house tellin' me that Elba had killed Old Tiger."

"That will be all, Mrs. Bingham. No more questions," he told her in a very professional tone of voice, and added, "The defense rests its case."

After the prosecutor had presented, half-heartedly, the case against his client, it was Slick's turn.

He arose and said, "Gentlemen of the jury, to me the prosecution has no case against the defendant. He has been charged with disturbing the peace and killing a valuable dog. Witnesses have testified that the dog was a worthless and vicious killer. That he was a cur of undetermined origin and of no value to nobody. The



evidence has shown that the plaintiff was not disturbed at all. His wife has told you she was disturbed by her children when they came running into the house. Gentleman of the jury, now I respectfully ask you, have you ever known a mother who had not been disturbed by her own children?"

He paused for a minute, just long enough for the judge and jury to get the point of what he was saying, and then added, "I do respectfully ask you to consider what this man is trying to do to a respected citizen of this community. He has been forced to sit here in this courtroom all day when he really should be at home in bed. I ask you to find him innocent and let him go there."

A titter had gone up in the room when Slick had pointed out that Mrs. Bingham had been disturbed by her children. It had died down again when Elba's recent illness was mentioned.

The jury, without leaving their box, consulted for a few minutes and the foreman said. "We, the jury, find the defendant not guilty as charged."

Harry Bingham slunk out of the room as all spectators rushed up to shake Elba's hand. Many congratulated Slick on his handling of the case and commented that, "if I ever get in trouble, I hope you are around."

On our way home, we again wondered and talked about what strange reason had Slick forsaken the field of law. He had the ability to have been a fine lawyer. He was a wanderer without a change of clothes or a place to call home.

## Take your keys with you ...

Following a spate of five four-wheeler and side-by-side utility vehicle thefts, Carroll County Sheriff's Office reminds residents to keep their vehicles locked and take keys with them. Most stolen vehicles had keys already in the ignition, making it easy for thieves to drive them away. Don't let yours be next!

Only two of the five vehicles have been recovered. Anyone having information on the thefts or the possible location of a stolen ATV is asked to contact the CCSO at (870) 423-2901.



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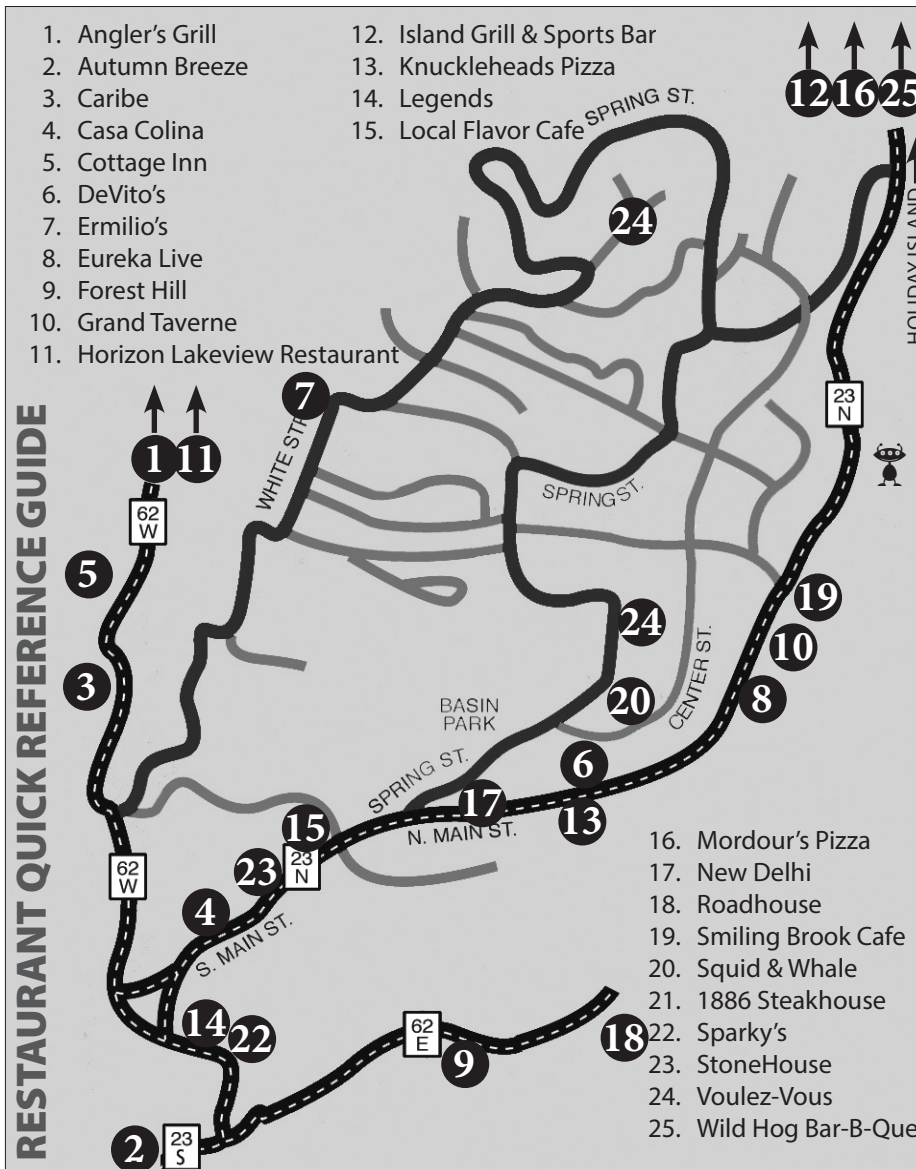


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the way it is,” Pate said. “The signs didn’t make that much difference. If people actually think all the bikers are bad, this can’t be true. You are going to get a certain percentage who aren’t going to play by anyone’s rules. But we’re hoping to deal with them.”

Pate said there are a couple of small blue signs that say “Please ride quietly,” one at the top of Planer Hill and one at the intersection of Spring and Main Sts.

There was a rumor in Eureka Springs this weekend that Eureka was getting more BB&B traffic because Fayetteville was enforcing its noise ordinance. But Sergeant Craig Stout, public information officer of the Fayetteville Police Department, said they wrote only two tickets for violations of the noise ordinance during the rally. “Two out of the thousands we had there is probably a pretty good deal,” Stout said. He said the city does put up “Please Ride Quietly” signs.

Pate said he was very proud of the motorcycle art show in the basement of the Aud held for the first time this weekend. Twelve local and regional artists participated in the fine arts show. Ron Morgan from Oklahoma City was perhaps the most well known, his sculptures being used in the set for the television program *Sons of Anarchy*.

“I bought one of his originals,” Pate said. “I’m the proud owner of a Ron Morgan.”

Mike Maloney, executive director of the City Advertising and Promotion Committee (CAPC), said the lodging

community did really well this past weekend.

“Our restaurants had a banner weekend,” Maloney said. “There were a lot of food and drinks served. That was a very positive thing. We had an individual who did a survey of the downtown businesses, and their responses were very, very positive. I think we had a big

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— Mike Maloney, executive director of the City Advertising and Promotion Committee

weekend. Friday was a little off because of the rain. But overall, the outcome was extremely positive.”

Maloney said it is kind of a mixed bag in a way. A lot of people view too many people in town as negative. “But what do you do with lemons?” Maloney said. “You make lemonade. Some took it as an opportunity to do a lot of business.”

“We get a lot of overflow with people looking for a place to stay,” he said. “We have 2,600 beds, and it makes a good fit for people who maybe couldn’t get lodging in the Fayetteville area.”

Police Chief Earl Hyatt said there were four motorcycle accidents over the weekend that he would say are related to BB&B, and motorcycle accidents tended to be motorcycle against motorcycle. Three injured in motorcycle accidents were transported to Eureka Springs Hospital, but there were no fatalities, and Hyatt said he thought no serious injuries.

“It wasn’t as bad as one might think,” Hyatt said. “We were really ready for it. We had extra officers on duty and ready to man the three big intersections. There were noise complaints, of course. Anytime you bring that many motorcycles into anywhere, you’re going to have

noise associated with it. But officers had been told to curtail it as much as they could. They were making stops on the motorcycles, writing tickets and warnings, and trying to keep the noise down.”

Hyatt said there were no arrests for disturbing the peace or public drunkenness from the bikers — just from locals.

Jack Moyer, vice president and general manager of the Crescent and Basin Park Hotels, said it was a very big weekend for them.

“We had no incidents,” Moyer said. “We were sold out for Thursday, Friday and Saturday. With the minor inconvenience comes a very positive outcome. The reality is BB&B is one weekend of the year, and we can live with it.”

Not everyone is a fan of the BB&B event and other weekends that draw a lot of loud motorcycles to town. Eureka resident Rand Cullen said he found the motorcycle noise so offensive this past weekend that he wore earplugs inside and outside all weekend long.

“The noise is just unbearable,” Cullen said. “It is really one of the main reasons I’m going to sell my house and leave this town.” He said he doesn’t have a problem with those who ride quietly. “In my estimation, to have loud pipes and rack those pipes in a residential area is an aggressive behavior. It is being pissed off at the world. It shows total disregard for everyone else.”

“They are only interested in filling the motels,” Donna Hersey said. “I have no objections to legal motorcycles. I have a great many objections to these pipes that are illegal. They are ruining my property value. It is making it impossible for me to enjoy being outside my house any kind of weekend that is decent. I think our mayor needs to consider the people who live in the town.”

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I only hope most of our two wheel visitors did not see the ad and felt most welcome in Eureka and its beautiful Ozarks environment.

Larry Wagner

## Power companies could bruise Gentry Safari Park

Editor,

The final condemnation hearing is Oct 16. SWEPCO and AEP presidents need to

hear how you feel about this project!

Please call SWEPCO’s President, Venita McCaddon-Allen, at (318) 673-3399. Also here is AEP’s President, Nick Akins’ email: nakins@aep.com.

SWEPCO’s application for the transmission line never made any mention of the safari. No one has ever been to visit the safari — they do not care about the safari animals and they do not care about Arkansas! Please let them know how Arkansas feels about this!

On a happier note, I took my two year-old Aubrey to the safari on Saturday. We pulled up to the front

gate and her first words were “wow” and “woo-hoo!” I will *not* sit back and just watch the transmission lines go up and 1/4 of the park shut down!

I spoke with the owner, Leon — he is deeply grateful to all our efforts and thanks each one of you.

Thank you so much for the effort you have made to protect the safari and its wildlife!

Please like the new Facebook page I have just started to keep you more updated: <https://www.facebook.com/SaveTheGentrySafari4>.

Lacey Ledbetter

# Country music legend Billy Don Burns at Chelsea's

**B**illy Don Burns is a country music legend and Arkansas native. Born in the small Stone County town of Fifty-Six and raised in Mountain View, Burns won a talent show in the Army and decided to go to California and pursue a music career. A talented songwriter who migrated to Nashville, his songs have been recorded by Connie Smith, Mel Tillis, Willie Nelson, Johnny Paycheck and Sammy Kershaw. In 1996, he and co-writer Hank Cochran topped the charts

with "Desperate Men" which knocked Johnny Cash's "Unchained" out of the number one spot. Burns was not happy about unseating his hero, but Cash faxed him a note saying "I'll be happy to move out of #1 spot and let you have it. I been there, done that." Willie Nelson joined him for a song on his 2005 release "Heroes, Friends and Other Troubled Souls."

Burns writes and performs real music about real life. He stated in an interview for *Outlaw Magazine* "It

is not easy being Billy Don Burns, but that is who I am and the only part that I know how to play." He is still touring and hoping to make a difference to lost souls like himself, lyrics from a song on his latest release "Nights when I'm sober: Portrait of a Honky Tonk Singer" sum it up: "always another song to sing, always another gig to play and we wouldn't have it any other way." To hear this legend in person, be at Chelsea's on Saturday, Sept. 28 at 9 p.m.

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- **BALCONY RESTAURANT** *Hogscalders*, 12 p.m. & 6 p.m.
- **BLARNEY STONE** *Mountain Shore*, 9 p.m.
- **CATHOUSE LOUNGE** *Sarah Angela & the Meanies*, 8 p.m. - midnight
- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** *Watts It To Ya*

- **CHELSEA'S** *Whistle Pigs*, 9 p.m.
- **EUREKA LIVE!** DJ & Dancing
- **EUREKA PARADISE** DJ & Dancing *Ladies Night*
- **GRAND TAVERNE** *Arkansas Red Guitar*, 6:30-9:30 p.m.
- **JACK'S PLACE** *Karaoke with DJ Goose*, 9 p.m.
- **LEGENDS SALOON** DJ Karaoke
- **NEW DELHI** *Pete & Nathaniel*, 6:30-10:30 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER** *Smooth Down Under*, 7:30 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER DEN** *Left of Center*, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m.
- **SQUID & WHALE PUB** *R.J. Mischo with Texas Slim*, 9 p.m.
- **THE STONE HOUSE** *Jerry Yester*, 6:30-9:30 p.m.
- **VOULEZ-VOUS** *Big Bad Gina*, 9 p.m.

### SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 28

- **BALCONY RESTAURANT** *James White*, 12 p.m., *Chris Diablo*, 6 p.m.
- **BLARNEY STONE** *Ozark*

*Thunder*, 9 p.m.

- **CATHOUSE LOUNGE** *Brett & Terri*, 8 p.m. - midnight
- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** *Act A Fool*
- **CHELSEA'S** *Billy Don Burns*, 9 p.m.
- **EUREKA LIVE!** DJ & Dancing
- **EUREKA PARADISE** DJ & Dancing
- **FARM TO TABLE FRESH** *Dale Bramhall*, 8 p.m.
- **GRAND TAVERNE** *Jerry Yester Grand Piano Dinner Music*, 6:30-9:30 p.m.
- **JACK'S PLACE** *Sean Clavin & The Dirty Truth*, 9 p.m.
- **LEGENDS SALOON** Live Music, 9 p.m.
- **NEW DELHI CAFE** *Steve Jones*, 12-4 p.m., *Dime Box*, 6:30-10:30 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER** *Matt Reeves*, 7:30 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER DEN** *Jesse Dean*, 1-5 p.m., *Third Degree*, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m.
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#### **SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 29**

- **BALCONY RESTAURANT**  
*Staymore*, 12 p.m., *Jeff Lee*, 5 p.m.
- **BLARNEY STONE** NFL Game  
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- **CHELSEA'S** *Downhill Strugglers*, 7:30 p.m.
- **EUREKA HOUSE CONCERTS**  
*Mary Flower*, 6 p.m.
- **JACK'S PLACE** NFL  
Football with Dylan, 1 p.m.
- **LEGENDS SALOON** Free  
Texas Hold 'Em Tournament with  
*prizes*, 6 p.m.
- **NEW DELHI CAFÉ** *James White Trio*, 1–4 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER DEN**  
*Philbilly*, 12–4 p.m.
- **SQUID & WHALE PUB**  
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#### **MONDAY – SEPTEMBER 30**

- **BLARNEY STONE** Monday  
Night Football
- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL**  
Bike Night with *Terri & Brett*, 7  
p.m., Pool Tournament, 7 p.m.
- **CHELSEA'S** *SpringBilly*, 9  
p.m.
- **SQUID & WHALE PUB**

- Disaster Piece Theater
- **VOULEZ-VOUS** Locals Night

#### **TUESDAY – OCTOBER 1**

- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL**  
Dart Tournament
- **CHELSEA'S** Open Mic
- **LEGENDS SALOON** Pool  
Tournament, 6:30 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER** Hospitality  
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#### **WEDNESDAY – OCTOBER 2**

- **BLARNEY STONE** Open Mic,  
7 p.m.
- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL**  
Beer Pong
- **CHELSEA'S** *Husky Burnett*, 9 p.m.
- **NEW DELHI CAFÉ** Open Jam
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- **SQUID & WHALE PUB** Ladies  
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#### **THURSDAY – OCTOBER 3**

- **BALCONY RESTAURANT**  
*Maureen Alexander*, 5 p.m.
- **BLARNEY STONE** Football
- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** Taco  
& Tequila Night

- **CHELSEA'S** *EmCee Glossy*, 9 p.m.
- **EUREKA PARADISE** Free  
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- **GRAND TAVERNE** *Jerry Yester Grand Piano Dinner Music*, 6:30–  
9:30 p.m.
- **JACK'S PLACE** *Karaoke w/ DJ Goose*, 8 p.m. – midnight
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## How to deal with an unattended death

NICKY BOYETTE

It's a shocking situation you don't expect and hope to never encounter – what to do if you find a dead body. There might be alarming grief and disbelief if it is someone you know and love, and even if it is a stranger lying on a trail, your mind and nerves might race toward panic. What to do?

Eureka Springs Police Chief Earl Hyatt said it's a difficult subject because there are so many possible scenarios, but if a person encounters a deceased body, the best thing to do is leave it alone and call 911. Authorities can then investigate the scene as though it might be a crime scene. Hyatt wants the least possible disturbance of the scene.

But what if it is someone in your home? Jim Capps, Carroll County coroner, said, "Usually if it is an unattended death, people call 911. Either city or county authorities respond. Arkansas law states that only a coroner, deputy coroner, doctor or Hospice Registered Nurse can pronounce a death."

Capps emphasized a person is not to move or transport a deceased body. Call authorities as soon as possible.

He said it is his duty when he arrives at a scene "to determine the manner and cause of death." A coroner does not conduct a criminal investigation, but he or she surveys the scene to gather clues about what might have happened. He asks family members or friends of the deceased about the person's recent health history and habits. He might check the refrigerator or cabinets for insulin or other medications. For a coroner and the other professionals at the scene, it is paramount to find out the cause of a death. A coroner may even issue subpoenas to get necessary medical information relevant to determining the cause and manner of death.

Hyatt emphasized officers at the scene want to have the least impact on the family as possible while still performing a thorough investigation. Always hanging over their heads, Hyatt said, is the uncertainty of which way an investigation will go.

Capps also mentioned that part of his job is to assist the family. If a family has made pre-arrangements, Capps will call the funeral home. Capps said usually a funeral home picks up the body once it has been pronounced. He usually goes to a scene with a deputy, and they wait for the funeral home transport to

arrive. They will assist in the removal of the body if necessary.

If the coroner and not a funeral home transports the body, by law there is no charge to the family. The county absorbs the cost of transportation. The coroner or law enforcement officer makes arrangements with the State Medical Examiner in Little Rock for an autopsy if one is needed. Capps said it takes weeks to get results from autopsies, even longer for toxicology reports, because the reports are so thorough.

Capps said there are four choices for what to do with the body: burying within 24 hours, embalming, cremating or keeping the body refrigerated at a funeral home. Embalming is not required by law except in certain circumstances, and costs associated with these choices vary depending on which funeral home and which options a family chooses.

He gave the example of a person from out of state who dies in a car wreck. "Who knows how long it will take for us to notify next of kin," he said, "so the body would need to be kept refrigerated."

Hyatt said regardless of the circumstances, finding a body can be frightening and emotions might overrule better judgment. Nevertheless, the best advice is to leave everything untouched so the coroner and responding authorities can do their jobs. Capps mentioned families often make their arrangements ahead of time so they do not have to face difficult decisions at a traumatic time.

A family (or whomever takes responsibility for the body) is not bound by law to have the body taken to a funeral home. The family can make private arrangements as long as they abide by Arkansas law. Capps said he understands some folks might want to do things differently, however in that case the body must be buried within 24 hours in the presence of a licensed funeral director. It is also against the law for an unembalmed body to have a public viewing. The family would also be responsible for all related paperwork.

In Arkansas, those making arrangements do not necessarily have to put the body in a casket. Capps said the family must check with the sexton of the cemetery to see what is required in that particular cemetery, but Arkansas law allows for a body to be respectfully and securely wrapped and placed in its final resting place.

## Going green? Burial or cremation considerations

For many years in our country, burial or cremation have been the only choices for what to do with a deceased body. There are economic considerations as well as cultural and religious implications, and recently people have also begun to consider environmental concerns.

Neither burial nor cremation is particularly friendly to the environment. Cremation is usually considered greener than burial, but opinions vary. Caskets consume tons of steel, copper and bronze along with 30 million board feet of hardwood each year in the United States, and cemeteries take up a prodigious amount of property.

There is also the eventual release of formaldehyde from embalming fluid into the soil and the water table. Add to that the cost of maintaining cemeteries.

Cremation, although getting more efficient nowadays, still must create a sustained temperature of 800–1000° Celsius, which is equivalent to 1,472–1,832° Fahrenheit. The process also releases considerable amounts of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere as well as other noxious gases, including mercury from dental fillings.

There are newer methods being developed as green alternatives. Corpse composting requires immersion into liquid nitrogen, which makes the body brittle. It can then be turned into a powder by light vibrations. The remaining powder, which can be purged of mercury and other metals, can be placed in a cornstarch coffin, and all of it will decompose within a year with no impact on the environment.

There is also the process called resomation, in which a body is placed in a chamber then filled with potassium hydroxide, and heat and pressure are applied. This process uses less than 12 percent as much heat as cremation, but is quite expensive.

## Raise a mug – it's Oktoberfest!

Break out the lederhosen and join the Eureka Springs Rotary Club at its first annual Oktoberfest Saturday, Oct. 5, beginning at 11 a.m. Party right downtown on Main Street between the courthouse and auditorium until 5 p.m. Sample the finest local micro-brews, craft and seasonal beers for a mere \$15 admittance to the beer garden. For just \$5 more you can buy a commemorative mug to take from tap to tap.

In addition to the traditional bratwursts and pretzels there will be food from the Cajun Lunch Box, Ice Tea Spot, Candy

Man, Deep South BBQ and Nomad Natural Plate. Enjoy an Oktoberfest feast then dance it off with polka music while the Zibert Band from Arma, Kan., plays from 1 – 4 p.m.

A portion of proceeds from Oktoberfest benefits Operation Food for Hungry Kids, providing nutrition for local children in need. Breweries and distributors represented are Core Brewery and Distilling Company, McBride Distributors and Mother's. A special thanks to Brighton Ridge for helping underwrite Oktoberfest 2013.

## Notes to all over

I skimmed the customer list for B.B. King and noticed something interesting. As expected, the bulk of the purchasers are in Arkansas and Missouri, with the usual smattering from Oklahoma and Texas. More surprising was the distribution beyond our core market. Besides the mentioned four states, we have folks coming from Kansas, Illinois, Georgia, Colorado, Alaska (Wasilla even), and Washington, D.C.

It's quite likely the latter group will be making their first visit to Eureka. Most came to our ticketing site from BB King fan pages. These are folks who travel to see BB wherever he's playing. Coming to Eureka Springs is, to them, incidental. Between them, these folks account for 87 tickets. That's 87 first impressions just waiting to happen. No pressure.

With average ticket prices at \$110, these folks have already anted \$9570 to come play at Eureka's



table. It's unlikely anyone would travel those kinds of distances for a one-nighter, so we add in a couple night's lodging, four or five meals, shopping, a few watering-hole stops and come up with a pretty significant economic impact.

Still, we can only estimate typical average spending. We reverse engineer lodging and restaurant tax collections, weight the results by average menu or room costs versus gross sales, and get within a short

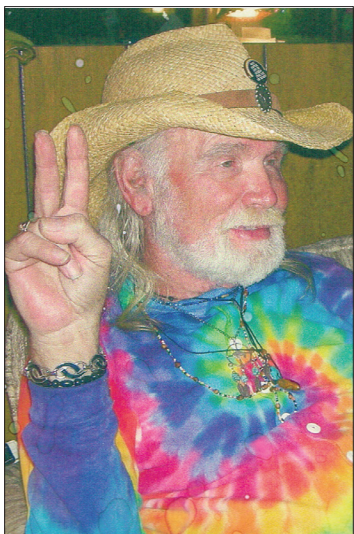
cab ride of the ballpark.

Retail sales are another matter. Barring exit interviews at the city limits before we allow visitors to leave, there's no way to quantify the overall impact from concertgoers. We intuitively *know* that a show at the Aud has a positive economic impact. We just can't say exactly how big. And *that's* the stumbling block in justifying the Aud's existence to those who only look at overhead and ticket income. But I digress.

So anyway, the point is: 87 brand-new visitors are coming to town. If 25 percent of them spread the word and come back again, we're already ahead. The Aud will give them a great show. Can Eureka Springs play nice and show our guests a good time too? Remember – even in November, some might come on bikes.



## PASSAGES



### John Maurice (J.R.) Robie

July 27, 1939 – Sept. 24, 2013

John Maurice (J.R.) Robie was born July 27, 1939 in Belton, Mo., and died Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2013 at his home in Beaver.

Survived by his mother Bernice Robie of Florida, his daughter and son-in-law Shelli and Bryan McClelland, and their two sons, Jensen and Josh, all of Eureka Springs; son, Michael, of Golden, Mo.; sister Jeannine Hemerson and three nephews, all of Florida, and his cat, Boots, of the home.

J.R. was preceded in death by his father and an infant daughter.

J.R.'s family invites friends to gather at noon, Saturday, Sept. 28 at the graveside for a brief memorial followed by a celebration of his life at the Pied Piper Pub.

### Gloria Bohannon, Jan. 23, 1949 – Sept. 23, 2013

Gloria Bohannon, a resident of Eureka Springs, was born January 23, 1949 in Baraboo, Wis., a daughter of William and Dorothy (Soye) Kleinert. She departed this life Sept. 23 in Holiday Island, at age 64.

Gloria worked as a pharmacy tech at Bill's Pharmacy.

She is also survived by two daughters, Michelle Riker and Angie Taylor both of Eureka Springs; one son-in-law, Raymond Holtzinger of Philadelphia, Pa.; one brother, Leon Kleinert of Wis.; one sister-in-law, Emily Fuchs of Wisconsin; two grandchildren, Austin Riker and Samantha Lester; one nephew, Bruce Kleinert; one niece, Rose

Kleinert; and several friends and loved ones.

On March 14, 1966, Gloria was united in marriage with Thomas "T-Bone" Bohannon who preceded her in death. She was also preceded by her parents; one brother and one nephew, Davey Kleinert.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service. Memorial donations may be made to the Gloria Jean Bohannon Memorial Fund, c/o First National Bank of North Arkansas, P.O. Box 367, Berryville, AR 72616. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [nelsonfuneral.com](http://nelsonfuneral.com).

## Wolf Clan Teaching Lodge registrations open

Native American Teacher Bob Nitsch and his wife, Lee, return to Eureka Springs with Sacred Space/Sacred Point of View, another weekend of inspirational workshops Nov. 9 and 10 at Fire Om Earth Retreat Center. The ancient Iroquois traditions they present are vitally relevant and applicable in these changing times, offering powerful insights along with effective tools to connect inwards with Spirit and nature, and help you navigate a clear path forwards.

Bob, son of Grandmother Twylah Hurd Nitsch, was raised in the Seneca Tradition on the Cattaraugus Indian Reservation and follows in the footsteps of his ancestors. Lee's gift as a spiritual teacher, counselor and creative artist makes her a great facilitator for personal growth and healing.

Sacred Space/ Sacred Point of View is the basis for living a balanced, healthy, whole life; the place to begin to understand how to support beneficial growth for the wellbeing of All Our Relations.

Drumming Evening is Friday, Nov. 8, 7 – 10 p.m. Discover the wonderful world of indigenous rhythm around the Council Fire. Bring your own drum, rattle or any percussion instrument and enjoy the welcoming atmosphere.

Workshop hours are 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. each day. For costs (early bird discounts by Oct. 10), directions and details, register online at [www.fireomearth.com](http://www.fireomearth.com), or phone (479) 363-9402.

## Kelsey to speak at HI men's breakfast

Area men are invited to attend the Holiday Island Community Church Men's Fellowship Breakfast Oct. 7 at 8 a.m. in the Church Fellowship Hall (188 Stateline Drive). Dick Kelsey, director of the Great Passion Play, will speak at 9 a.m. For more information, contact Duane Kriesel (479) 244-6422.



**High wire mire** – Berryville Parks Director Joe Scott listens to Save the Ozarks Director, Pat Costner, at a Berryville Rotary meeting last week. Costner spoke about utility companies SWEPCO and Entergy running extra-high voltage transmission lines, 345kV and 500kV, to and from the proposed Kings River station. Landowners in the paths of these lines would be forced to give rights-of-way across their property.

PHOTO BY DAVID FRANK DEMPSEY



**Ribbon cutting** – The Emporium Shoppes and Déjà Vu held a joint ribbon cutting Sept. 26 as owner Ken Ketelson manned the scissors with Déjà Vu manager Janet Chupp at his side while a gathering of staff, employees, customers and Chamber members raised a cheer. Guests were treated to some delicious food and libations from Fresh, the Emporium's restaurant. INSET: Ken's "tied up in his work" but Janet may not be ready to let go of him just yet.

PHOTO BY GWEN ETHEREDGE



**The first Motorcycle Art Show** – Held in the Gem, the lower level of the AUD, the Motorcycle Art Show has been at least two years in planning. Eureka's Marie and Dan Hebert talk with John McBryde of Berryville at his display of metal sculptures made of recycled metal. Dan Hebert, an HDC commissioner and Bikes, Blues & BBQ board member said, "This is great, another way to incorporate Eureka Springs into BB&BBQ would be an antique motorcycle show."

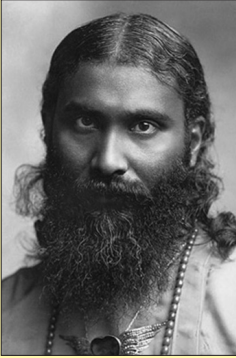


**Eureka Springs Farmers' Market Chili Contest** – Patrice Gros, winner with his Voom Voom chili (Boom Boom in French) poses with customer Shuggie Tucker who says of Gros, "This is the man who brought life back to my community." 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner was Mike Warkentin and Rick Delaney with their Texas Syle Chili and 3<sup>rd</sup> place was Cecil Berry with Chili Bean Rice.

# New meditation course offered

A weekly course in The Nature Meditations of Inayat Khan will be offered at the Christian Science Reading Room (68 West Mountain) Wednesdays from 7 – 8:30 from Oct. 9 until Dec. 18.

Inayat Khan was a Sufi Mystic who travelled to the West from India in 1911 and taught extensively throughout America and Europe while raising his family in France. Trained as a musician and poet, his simple yet profound reflections on nature resonate with all who have a mystical leaning and will be appropriate for everyone regardless of faith or cultural heritage.



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All are welcome. Phone (479) 253-8252 now for details and to reserve a space.

# Scottish Dancing is back

Scottish Dancing's Fall series will be held Tuesday evenings 7 – 8:30 p.m. at the Black Belt Mastery Center, 3022 E. Van Buren (behind the Amish Furniture store), Oct. 1 to Nov. 12 (except Oct. 22). Scottish country dancing is great fun and healthy exercise. First session is free and space is limited, so sign up now by phoning (479) 253-8252.

# Weekend fun & music reminder ...

Don't forget the family fun at EurekaPalooza on Saturday, Sept. 28, at Lake Leatherwood beginning at 11 a.m. and the incredible Mary Flower at Eureka House Concerts Sunday, Sept. 29, at the white church, 17 Elk St! Potluck at 5, music starts at 6 p.m.

## Creating A Waterfall of Beneficence

It's almost Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas, Festival of Ingathering Light celebrations. **Thursday** is possibly one of the kindest, most loving days of the year. Venus in Scorpio trines Jupiter in Cancer. It could also be the most nourishing and most passionate. Let's observe and help create this day for others—offering love, kindness and nourishment in great measure providing a waterfall of happiness (personality feeling) and joy (Soul quality). **Saturday** Venus in Scorpio squares Mars in Leo. Squares are challenges. Leo asks, “Who’s the

leader here?” Scorpio hides behind the scenes doing things quietly. It’s another passionate (Mars/Venus) day of a different kind.

**Sunday** Mercury enters Scorpio. Each sign streams through three different planets. Therefore each sign has three rulers – personality, Soul & Spiritual. Our state of awareness determines which “lights” (influences) we receive. Mercury, a potent ruler, is the Spiritual ruler of Scorpio. Mercury in Scorpio advises us to communicate always with kindness for “communication (words,

thoughts, actions, mind) either creates or destroys, builds up or breaks down.” Mercury in Scorpio is a time of great testing, a vehicle of great power, transforming the lower self to the higher so we begin to communicate the Will-to-Good, which creates goodwill in humanity.

**Tuesday** evening Sun squares Pluto – we’re faced with a difficult challenge. **Wednesday** Saturn trines Chiron. A wound heals after much discipline. It’s autumn now. Persephone calls to us from the underworld. We drink the red juice of pomegranates.

**ARIES:** Notice your thinking has become deep, probing, intense. You realize the unpredictability of life, experiencing paradoxes and betrayals. You’ll seek the truth, uncovering secrets and motives hidden in all interactions. As you look at inner essential realities your mind increases in knowledge and intelligence. Anything superficial is discarded, including manners. You become the detective.

**TAURUS:** You understand diplomacy. Everyone is your friend. People look up to you for your rational, practical and highly intelligent approach to all problems. You teach others that negotiation is best. You never leap to quick conclusions. “No”, your favorite word means need time to ponder upon the right decision. You always consider other people’s views. You never take sides. You’re fair. You build Right Relationships.

**GEMINI:** During the next several weeks to months you become more precise and detailed when communicating. You analyze and then synthesize, sorting out what’s useful, eliminating the impractical. Details become important to you, different than your usual way of being. You want a deeper perspective, more possibilities. You seek to never be critical (again). You ponder upon the Right Use of Will. Imagination begins to rule.

**CANCER:** You’re feeling more confidence as you see each goal attempting to reach each goal each day. You’re more expressive, at times

grandiose which is OK because often you’re under a shell somewhere, hiding from the world, seeking protection. It’s good to tell more stories of your life and to write more. We all need journals to write in – Retrograde, Dream, Food, Cooking, Impressions, Study, Quotes, Gardening journals. What other types of journals would you include?

**LEO:** You seek quality in each situation, every person, all information objects you interact with. You’re absorbing information at a different level – instinctually then intuitively. They are different. The first is our personality. The second is a Soul quality. You want to understand what influences you. Your family has deeply influenced you, coloring your actions and emotions. Do you need to change this?

**VIRGO:** You can be easily distracted these days. It’s important to just touch lightly upon situations and not enter emotionally into the heart of the matter. You need to have fun and to play, gather information, read and have conversations. You’re interested in the origins of words, in ways to negotiate across differences, in puzzles, jokes and plays on words. Who will play with you?

**LIBRA:** You find that you must be practical, anchored in day-to-day living, in common sense. Anything beyond the sensible becomes unrealistic, fanciful

and a folly. Your life is focused upon the need to be efficient and effective with the daily tasks you’re called to accomplish. Every once in a while laugh a bit more. A long time ago, Alan Watts introduced a new meditation to his students – twenty minutes of unrestrained laughter. It purifies. “Creating a waterfall of beneficence.”

**SCORPIO:** There may be some things you need to decide upon quickly. It’s important to visualize first what must be done. Do this over and over. Then one

day you wake up and it’s time to take action. You will act spontaneously. The preparation was accomplished through visualization creating the template that propels the action. This is pioneering work. When everyone understands the brain/mind, life will change. You have begun.

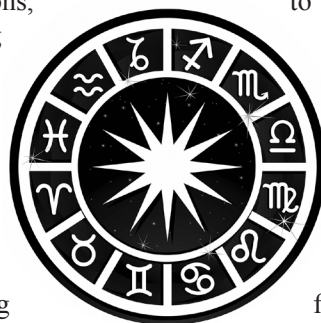
**SAGITTARIUS:** Your life becomes more private. You speak less. Your mind is focused internally, behind a veil that’s questioning the past and seeking identifiable answers. It’s a time of repose, research, contemplation and rest. Each day you eliminate things no longer purposeful. Examining your past, you draw upon previous experiences to inform your creative present/future. Allow your imagination and intuition room to explore.

**CAPRICORN:** Are you thinking again about your professional place

in the world? Observe how your communication is received and how your ideas are already being used to serve the world. Whatever you say now has powerful influence. All the kingdoms listen, especially the plant kingdom devas (spirits). They hear your voice, are summoned to assist you by your authority and knowledge. Those in need of care, information and knowledge may approach you. You are not frivolous in your responses. Sturdy shoes help.

**AQUARIUS:** You continue to have visions, great goals, and ideals. You’re seeking greater perspectives, a broader philosophy of life, the big picture (the forest and not the trees). Nothing in your life is mundane. Everything is potent, filled with the miraculous. You’ve shifted from the depths into the light. You need to be on a mountaintop, with rugged boots, overlooking a valley pristine with possibilities, when you’re cresting the waves, riding from sea to sea (emotions).

**PISCES:** Something has occurred and you seek a fair and balanced solution. However, you’re not heard and thus find yourself in a difficult dilemma. The truths you are aware of are hidden from others. They do not understand these new world values. However, you must carry on, overcoming the difficulty. Pray for rationality and logic. Realize your communication causes people to question their power. This often involves finances. Pray for the answer and a divine intervention.



# DROPPING A Line

by Robert Johnson

Here's Keith Allely from Shenandoah, Iowa, who came down this week to visit our little town and do some shopping with his wife. Somehow he managed to get out of the shopping and out on my boat.

Keith had a good day and caught his limit of stripers, with this 25 lb. fish being the big one of the day. Our water temp on Beaver is down to 78° which is great for the fish. The first mile of our big creek arms – Indian, Little Clifty, Big Clifty and Rambo – along with the edge of the flats on the main channel, great.

Point Markers 1 to 6 are good areas to look. They are on bends in the river channel with flats nearby. They can all produce fish, and as the water cools they will go shallower. We caught fish today at 28 and 40 ft. deep. Forty ft. and heavy weights will be a thing of the past in a couple weeks. Our two

biggest fish were in a creek arm.

Here at Holiday Island our water temp is down to 77°. Watch for bass chasing the shad into the shoreline and on top off the flats and points. These cool mornings will cool the shallows early in the day.

Walleye are on the main channel off the flats in deeper water close to 30 ft. Here to Beaver town can produce. If not a jigger, troll crankbaits that get down from 14 to 20 ft. Any deeper than that and you will probably catch what we call a tree fish.

Crappie are still in the deeper brush with the creek arms doing best for me. Bluegills are near the shoreline off the brush and rocks.

Well, that's it for this week and remember you can enjoy this cool weather better by taking a kid fishing.



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into the budget in their proper places.

- Flake reported on the Public Water Committee meeting earlier in the week. He said the committee learned about tainted wells in the Holiday Island area and answered some hard questions from those in attendance. He said the project would be demand-driven, constructed one phase at a time,

with participants signing on in support of a delivery line before one would be installed. Engineers interested in the project will attend the next committee meeting on Oct. 9 at 2 p.m. at the County Agricultural Extension office.

Next meeting will be Friday, Oct. 25, at 10 p.m. JPs changed the meeting date to the fourth Friday of October because of conflicts on the original date.

## NEW GALLERY continued from page 7

Each is a noted artist in his or her own right; and although their work is very different from one another's they were all of the same mind that it was time to open their own gallery.

"We are familiar with each other's work and feel we are some of Eureka's finest artists. We also feel we are seasoned, professional artists and as a group work well together and offer a variety of styles," said Barbara Robinson.

One factor that led the group to start searching for their own gallery was the simple fact most existing galleries couldn't offer enough wall space for larger pieces, or for a substantial body of one artist's work. Also, not all galleries can offer adequate lighting.

"We wanted more control over every aspect of our professional careers," Robinson explained. "We want to make the decisions on what work we want to show."

Will having their work in a new space be a loss to other galleries? As it turns out, no. "There will be no restrictions on our artists," Robinson explained. "We will be able to show

our work whenever and wherever we feel would be of benefit to our careers. We all have good relationships with our Eureka galleries, and artists that are at these galleries now will continue showing there.

"The other gallery owners have all given us encouragement and support and feel more galleries are a good thing for Eureka. We'd like to contribute to Eureka being an art destination."

In addition to the founding artists, eight associate artists are also represented at the gallery – Lyla Allison, Scott Carroll, Valerie Damon, Cynthia Kresse, Keith Mock, Mary Springer and Richard Quick.

Eureka Fine Art Gallery is open from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. and closed Wednesdays. Call (479) 363-6000 for more information, and see work by the gallery's artists at charlespearce.com, deniseryanart.com, drewgentleart.com, dianaharveyart.com, sites.google.com/site/johnrobertwillerart, asoulfulpainter.com (Barbara Robinson), larrymanksesstudio.com and kingsriveroutfitters.com (Ernie Kilman).

## The Voices are back

The Eureka Springs Historical Museum's 5<sup>th</sup> Annual "Voices from Eureka's Silent City" living history tours at the city cemetery will take place Friday and Saturday evenings Oct. 18, 19, 25 and 26. This year's tour features folks involved in music and events in the 1930s and '40s.

One hour walking tours depart every 20 minutes beginning at 5:30 p.m. with the last at 8:30. Actors in period costumes will share brand new stories of their lives and music in the city during the 1930s and '40s.

Adult tickets are \$10, \$5 for children 12 and under and can be purchased at the museum, 95 S. Main, all Cornerstone Bank locations and at the Eureka Springs Chamber of Commerce in Pine Mountain Village. Free parking available at the former Victoria Inn property on US 62E, with free shuttle service to the nearby cemetery. (There is no parking at the cemetery.)

This event is a fundraiser for the Eureka Springs Historical Museum, a 501c3 non-profit, and is co-sponsored by Cornerstone Bank and Local Flavor Cafe. For further information email Steven Sinclair: director@eurekaspringshistoricalmuseum.org, or phone (479) 253-9417.

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"For me, this is what the race has been about – people gathering together to honor a very good and dear friend."

The Fargo Run will start and end at the former Eureka Springs High School. In a nod to Greg's love of his favorite holiday, Halloween, Paula has made it an optional costumed race with participants urged to wear something comfortable and creative to run in. The course goes from the school to the Crescent Hotel, through downtown, up Benton and back to the high school. The walk will be to the Crescent and back.

Paula is also honoring Greg's memory by making this a benefit run for an ESH Skills USA scholarship. Greg was active in the Vocational Clubs of America program at ESH and went to the state event, winning his division in Cabinetry with a scholarship to a junior college.

The race, set for 9 a.m., will commence with a prayer being said and starting gun being fired by Paula's father, Charles, who will be accompanied by Greg's daughter, Ali. Several other members of Greg's family will also participate in the race.

Registration for the race will be accepted through Oct. 20 at [www.racesonline.com](http://www.racesonline.com) (scroll down and click on The Fargo Run) or in person the night before and morning of the race. Registration fee is \$20 for the 5K and the walk, and the one-mile fun run is free. More information and updates can be found on the Facebook page, "The Fargo Run."

Meanwhile lots of volunteers, sponsors and donations are needed. If you can help, please email Paula at [thefargorun@gmail.com](mailto:thefargorun@gmail.com). It's a good opportunity to honor the love of a sister and family and raise money for a deserving student as well.

# Science teachers – apply for SIMS grants by Oct. 1

Public middle school science teachers (grades 5 – 8) in Alpena, Green Forest, Berryville, and Eureka Springs can go to [arcf.org](http://arcf.org) now through Oct. 1 to apply for \$500 grants through Arkansas Community Foundation's Science Initiative for Middle Schools (SIMS) program.

SIMS encourages hands-on science instruction by providing funding to help teachers purchase materials for classroom projects. Proposed projects must meet the state science curriculum frameworks, and the cost of project materials must not exceed \$500. Up to

300 SIMS grants will be selected from the proposals submitted.

Complete an online profile at [www.DonorsChoose.org/SIMS](http://www.DonorsChoose.org/SIMS), write a description of the project and select the materials needed. DonorsChoose will ship all requested materials directly to the teachers whose proposals are selected by a local committee from the Carroll County Community Foundation.

For more information about the SIMS program, visit [arcf.org](http://arcf.org) or contact your local Foundation office at [carrollcounty@arcf.org](mailto:carrollcounty@arcf.org).

## AskMAopinion

[askma@esindependent.com](mailto:askma@esindependent.com)

Dear Ma,

I'm concerned about the demise of journalism. An informed public is necessary for democracy to work, but mostly we get shallow reports of partisan opinions with few actual facts to back them up. Corporate media, with eyes always on the bottom line, are not reliable sources for news. Infotainment may be entertaining, but people are actually forming opinions and voting based on the garbage they're being fed.

**Missing Walter Cronkite**

Dear Miss Walt,

A lot passes for journalism that wouldn't have in the past, and today, with blogs, comments, Facebook, Twitter... everyone's a journalist.

Ma believes Faux Noise (FOX "News") is the media arm of the Republican Party's right wing, and finds it extremely scary it's a primary "news" source for so many voters. MSNBC, while equally noisy, is at least fact-based.

But even actual journalists today – international, national and local – are often just parrots, repeating what they're told without context, history, or even noting when it's contrary to fact. Good investigative reporting exists, but one has to seek it out. Ma suggests Matt Taibbi (brilliant reporter, but too vulgar for a Pulitzer), Frank Rich, Tim Dickinson, Glenn Greenwald, Michael Isikoff, Bill

Moyers and Amy Goodman.

Ma's also reading foreign papers online. They're more objective, less U.S-centric, and give perspective of how our nation is viewed abroad. And, they're still free.

Ma thinks if one is going to pay attention, they should seek out good information. Then again, maybe Timothy Leary had the best idea.

**Ma**

Dear Ma,

What's the deal with gas prices in Eureka Springs? Why does a gallon here cost 30-cents more than in the surrounding area? I used to laugh at people driving long distances to gas up just to save a few cents, using more in gas than they saved, but these days one can show a profit of several bucks per fill-up, depending on gas tank capacity, just by driving across the river. Is Eureka gas somehow special?

**G. Guzzler**

Dear Guzz,

Eureka Exceptionalism, while it certainly exists in the minds of many, is not the cause of the price discrepancy. Ma guesses it's more about being a tourist trap, price fixing and gouging. Locals would be wise to time their fill-ups, whenever possible, to coincide with out-of-town errands until local prices fall into line.

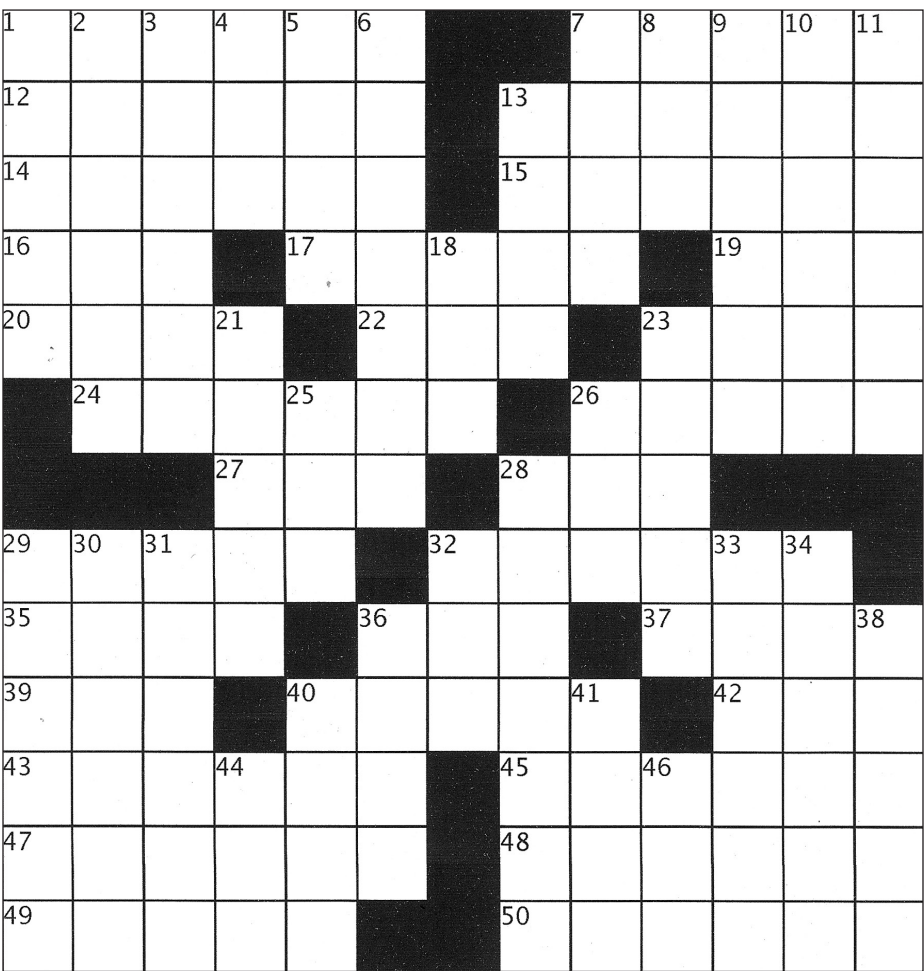
**Ma**



# INDEPENDENT Crossword

by Wayne Levering

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### ACROSS

1. Mess up feathers
7. Preps before exams
12. Implant
13. Modern outlook
14. Sprinkle or spray
15. Stiffened 17th century French lace collar
16. Product of time in the sun
17. Made a mistake
19. It runneth over
20. Not well
22. Vote expressing opposition
23. Confident
24. Music controller
26. Measured medicine
27. Electric fish
28. Extinct New Zealand bird
29. Dozed
32. NCO promoted to Commissioned
35. British sailors

36. River vapor

37. Something easy or fingers' sound
39. Edible South American wood sorrel
40. Clear
42. As late as
43. Helps with cleaning
45. Light, loose, long shirt
47. Metamorphic rock
48. Gum arabic
49. Tall tales
50. Traditional story

### DOWN

1. What the defense does when finished
2. Gets no compensation
3. Home of the Bourbon dynasty
4. In favor of
5. Small partitioned area
6. Forever
7. Covered in
8. Steal

9. Chinese calculator

10. No longer young
11. Gradual downward direction
13. Black and white
18. Beam of sunshine
21. Retains
23. Makes very wet
25. SST, for one
26. Respectful title
28. Paranormal
29. Boring or dull
30. Gap
31. Item to rub out writing
32. Giant bird
33. Tempt
34. Dried grape
36. Certain animal skins
38. Beg
40. Fewer
41. Small freshwater fish
44. One of Dorothy's men
46. Short reading material

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**YOGA WITH JACK.** New class times: Mondays, 6 p.m.; Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m. (No more Thursday a.m. class); Thursdays, 6 p.m. Invigorating Hatha basic instructional yoga with Jack OR Linda. We have fun and get fit! \$8. (870) 480-9148.

**LOOKING FOR A MASSAGE HELPER** for the 2014 Michigan Womyn's Festival. Also looking for womyn to help with a halfway to Michfest party. Call Mary Sue (479) 244-5954

Peaches, tomatoes, shiitake mushrooms, peppers, cucumbers, meat, bread and more at **EUREKA SPRINGS FARMERS' MARKET.** Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 7 a.m. to noon at Pine Mountain Village.

**BREAD – Sourdough Organic Local – IVAN'S ART BREADS – THURSDAY** Eureka Springs Farmers' Market featuring Rustic Italian, German Rye, Bialys and 'Gotcha Focaccia' also at the Saturday White Street Market. Tuesday is Fresh, Hot Pizza Day at 11 a.m., call ahead or take your chances. (479) 244-7112, [bread.loveeureka.com](http://bread.loveeureka.com) or [Ivan@lovEureka.com](mailto:Ivan@lovEureka.com)

## HELP WANTED

**HOLIDAY ISLAND GRILL** is looking for a part-time cook. Apply in person. 1 Country Club Drive. (479) 253-9511. Golf benefits included.

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## YARD SALES

**LARGE YARD SALE SATURDAY MORNING,** Sept. 28 at 34 White Street. Household goods and more. Please come by.

**ESTATE SALE HOLIDAY ISLAND, #4 Quail Run Drive.** Saturday, Sept. 28, 8-4. Antiques, modern furniture, sofas, credenzas, Duncan Phyfe, curios, chaise lounge, rugs, bedroom suits, dining room and more.

## ESTATE/MOVING SALE

## ESTATE AND MOVING SALE

3314 Mundell Rd. • Eureka Springs

**FRI., SAT., & SUN.**

**27<sup>TH</sup>, 28<sup>TH</sup> & 29<sup>TH</sup>**

**9:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.**

### FURNITURE:

Twin bed sets w/mattresses, skirts, spreads, shams; 1 reg. iron antique bedstead w/ mattress; love seat; antique English wardrobe with matching dresser; large cushioned maple chair; small cabinets; coffee table; file cabinets & much more.

### SHOP:

Craftsman 10" contractor's table saw; table belt sander; 7" sander/grinder; reciprocal saw, router, Ryobi miter saw, 18" belt hand sander; 4 1/2" disc sander/grinder; bench grinder; HD steel vise; compressor; clamps--various types and sizes; circular saw; misc. electrical, pipefitting, PVC, air hose supplies; lumber & plywood; various hand tools – all types, elec. heaters, shop vacs; carpenter work bench; radial saw; much more in small tools & supplies.

### GARDEN, YARD & MISC.:

Hoes, rakes, shovels, hoses; wheelbarrows; post hole diggers; axes; log roller; splitting mauls; bush whackers; elec. fence supplies; live stock fence panels & steel posts; Certainteed shingles & cedar shake shingles.

### BOOKS & OTHER:

Large selection – hard & paper back; nice artistic prints; wood toy carvings – collector's quality; camping gear; old doors and mirrors; vinyl records; small antique collector items; games & toys.

## MERCHANDISE FOR SALE

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## REAL ESTATE

## LAND FOR SALE

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## ESTATE/MOVING SALE

## RENTAL PROPERTIES

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**HOLIDAY ISLAND VILLAS & TOWNHOUSES** near lake and marina. Come enjoy the privilege that Holiday Island offers. From \$375/mo. (479) 253-4385

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### SEEKING RENTAL

**WANTED: 2 CABINS/STRUCTURES** or House + Studio. 1 Kitchen, 1 bath acceptable. In town or up to 5 miles out. Will also house-sit. (479) 253-5416

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**Top quilts** – More than 200 quilts were entered in the 36th Ozark Quilt Fair at the Shiloh Museum of Ozark History recently, and visitors picked the top antique and top contemporary quilts. Winners are, back row, from left: Ronna Precure (Whig Rose quilt) Rose O'Connor (Zimmerman patch quilt), and Joan Miller (Out of the Blue quilt). Front row, from left: Ruth Vacin (Nebraska crazy quilt), Reba Clark (Cathedral Windows quilt), and Diane Pennington (Tie Sunburst quilt).

#### CONSTABLES continued from page 14

3:30 a.m. – Constable responded to a report of three apparently very intoxicated individuals walking down the middle of US 62 and jumping out in front of passing vehicles but did not encounter them.

4:09 a.m. – Hotel employee reported a thief on the premises. Some of her things had been stolen and she found a few of the items near the room of a person she deemed suspicious. Constable spoke with everyone involved, and the complainant agreed not to press charges if she got her \$60 back. She got her money back.

4:34 a.m. – Girlfriend told ESPD she and her boyfriend had been arguing and his anger was escalating. Constable responded to the motel room and found the argument had been verbal only.

11:01 a.m. – Bike owner reported someone had backed into his bike. Constable spoke with those involved and they exchanged information.

1:30 p.m. – There was motorcycle accident west of town on US 62 which blocked one lane temporarily.

11:01 p.m. – Staff at a bar reported a belligerent and irate customer who insisted her purse had been stolen. Her boyfriend kept telling her it was in their room, but

she was not buying it and she would not leave. By the time a constable arrived, she had gone back to her room.

#### SEPTEMBER 22

1:34 a.m. – Passerby reported an individual near a bar downtown trying to pick a fight with everybody. Constable looked for but did not find the individual.

2:04 a.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for DWI #2, expired driver's license, no proof of insurance and careless and prohibited driving.

2:24 p.m. – Central dispatch asked ESPD to check a road on the western part of town for a possibly suicidal person walking. Constables encountered no one walking in that area.

4:53 p.m. – Same place had its music too loud again according to the same caller. Constable had the music turned down and the bar doors closed.

5:16 p.m. – Resident thought a vehicle was parked suspiciously down the street, but the responding constable did not find anything suspicious.

7:44 p.m. – Concerned observer thought a driver leaving a parking lot might be intoxicated. Constable made contact with the vehicle and determined the driver was not intoxicated.

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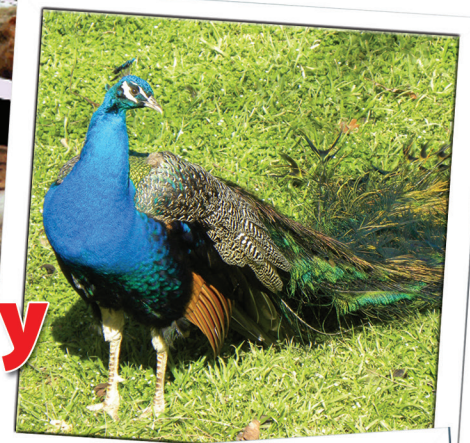
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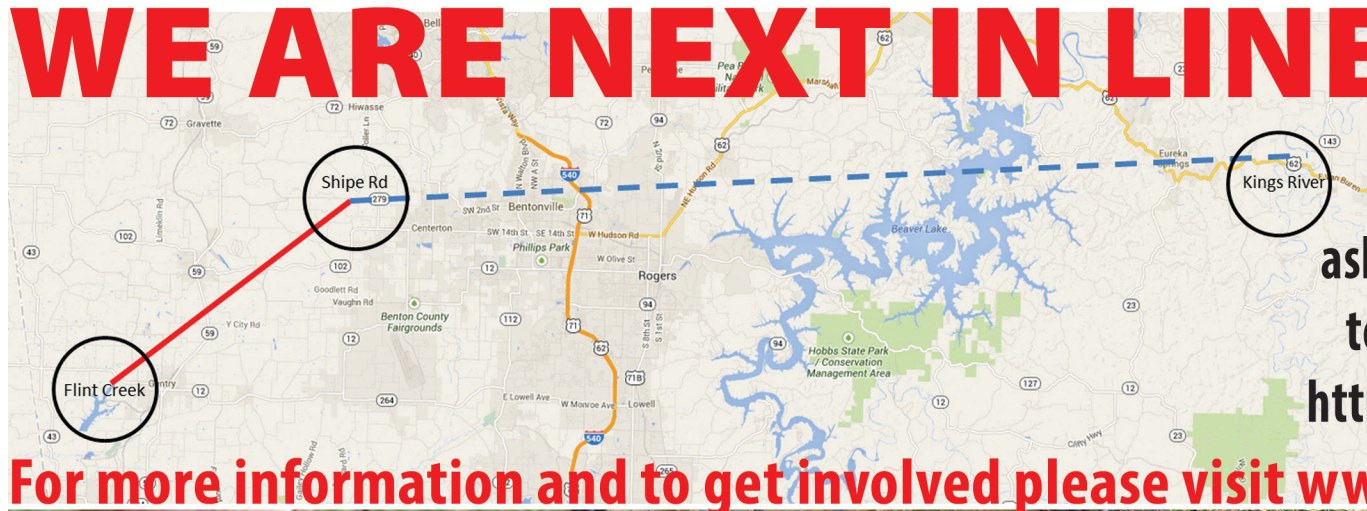
# Stop AEP from unjustly shutting down Gentry Wildlife Safari Park 4

Please join the petition to save the Safari:  
<http://tinyurl.com/Gentry-Safari>

Call or email Venita McCellon-Allen, SWEPCO President  
 (318) 673-3399, VMcCellon-Allen@aep.com  
 and ask her to move the line away from the Safari

Next month, the Gentry community is facing the threat of losing the only attraction that draws hundreds of thousands of visitors every year. The Gentry Wildlife Safari Park 4 is condemned. If traversed by the 345,000 Volt transmission line from Flint Creek to Shipe Rd., the exotic and endangered wildlife will have nowhere to go and will be captured, sedated and moved at high risk.

## WE ARE NEXT IN LINE!



To help stop AEP from destroying the Ozarks please join the petition asking APSC to deny Shipe Rd. to Kings River station in full:  
<http://tinyurl.com/Kings-River>

For more information and to get involved please visit [www.NoPowerLines.org](http://www.NoPowerLines.org)

