



**Backin' our kids** – Pack the Limo and Back our Kids (backpacks stuffed with weekend food for kids) events at the Pied Piper and Cat House Lounge on Nov. 21 brought tons of food for Flint Street Food Bank and more than \$7,000 from lots of happy folks who enjoyed a great buffet and periodic raffle drawings. From left: Tom O'Connell, Lilly Martin, Jericho Naumann, Fatima Treuer and brother, Latigo, Al Hooks, Wayne Franks and Ian Getzendaner were duly excited as food began pouring in despite the rainy evening. More on p. 16.

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## Airport gets worldwide acknowledgement and a slashed budget

NICKY BOYETTE

Carroll County Airport has been acknowledged by *Departures* magazine in an article titled, "High Design Airport Terminals." Ten airports from around the globe were selected, and CCA stands alongside terminals in Dubai, Marrakesh, Wellington, Mumbai, Denver, San Diego, Los Angeles, San Jose and Montevideo.

"You can't pay for that kind of public relations," airport manager Sheila Evans said. She said she has received calls from pilots who saw the article, and expects first-time visitors to fly to Carroll County as a result of the recognition.

One of the architects was quoted in the article as saying, "The new terminal is a parked artifact whose wing-like form is meant to be intriguing and mysterious from the sky."

### 2014 proposed budget

In contrast to the enthusiasm generated by the magazine article, news of the proposed budget being submitted to the Quorum Court piqued a different sentiment altogether. Commissioner Lonnie Clark said

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### This Week's INDEPENDENT Thinker

In 2006, Sampat Pal Devi of Northern India got fed up with how women were treated in her country and started the Gulabi Gang. The mother of five took it into her own average hands to put a stop to a patriarchal culture of domestic violence, child labor and marriage, and female illiteracy.

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The women even invaded an electric company that turned power off until sufficient bribes were accumulated. Guess what? The power was turned back on and officials said they were sure sorry and it wouldn't happen again.



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# Run, turkey, run!



## Council votes down Land Bank ordinance

NICKY BOYETTE

A proposed ordinance for creating a Land Bank failed to pass its second reading at the city council table Monday night. City attorney Tim Weaver said for the concept to be brought up again, the next ordinance would need to be substantially different.

The ordinance came to council from the Parks Commission to create a way for the city to sell land it owns, but does not want or need, in order to get land it does want. No one seemed to disagree with the intended goal, but the devil was in the details.

Alderman Terry McClung thought an early section of the proposed document limited what kinds of properties could be considered for sale by the city, a not insurmountable hurdle. His biggest objection was with another section that differentiated between properties within the 320 acres of land deeded to the city and land within city limits but not part of the 320 acres.

Weaver pointed out another ordinance requires the city to charge a per lot fee for land vacated within the 320 acres, so McClung's objection would require a separate ordinance to amend the previous one. McClung had no problem getting all City Code related to his point in sync.

"I'm very strong on this," he commented, indicating property owners in the city should be treated the same

regardless of which side of the 320-acre demarcation line they inhabit. He stated all properties are maintained the same by the city, and all property owners must abide by the same process to get a property vacated.

"Just because the city has a right doesn't make it right to treat city property differently," he said.

"We've owned it since the 19<sup>th</sup> century, so we have a right to sell it," alderman David Mitchell commented.

Weaver cautioned council about disposing of city-owned land for less than fair market value. He and

McClung went back and forth with technical points, but McClung held firm that the process is the same for everyone and properties are maintained or not maintained the same by the city, so ordinances should treat all property owners equally.

Vote was 3-3, McClung and aldermen Dee Purkeypile and Mickey Schneider voting No. Mayor Morris Pate commented the ordinance needed some work so he would not cast a vote, and the ordinance failed.

## Let the season begin! Silver Tea Dec. 5

Other than Santa's post-Thanksgiving visit to Basin Park, most locals consider the traditional Silver Tea at the Crescent Hotel to be the opening of the holiday social season. No matter how busy you've been, you're invited to take a break and catch the holiday spirit at the 47<sup>th</sup> Silver Tea on Thursday, Dec. 5, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. in the historic Crystal Dining room.

Hosted by the women of St. James' Episcopal

Church, the elegant event has raised thousands of dollars for non-profits serving, and important to, our community. This year's fundraiser will help secure playground equipment for Clear Spring School, an accredited independent school providing hands-on, hearts-engaged education to Carroll County students for 40 years.

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## Water committee recommends PWA

NICKY BOYETTE

Justice of the Peace Ron Flake, Chair of the Public Water Committee of the Carroll County Quorum Court, said at the Nov. 20 meeting the committee is ready to recommend the county stay out of setting up a county-run rural water system. The committee's work to this point indicates the best way to get water to rural areas that need it is to advise interested parties how to set up their own Public Water Authority.

The committee, comprised of Flake and JPs Don McNeely and John Reeve, has learned that a countywide system is far more complicated and burdensome than assisting a group of 200 or more households concentrated in a rural area in setting up their own PWA.

Stan Schultz of Schultz Surveying and Engineering, whose business is creating rural water and sewer systems, said he would provide guidance upfront knowing his payback would not come until the PWA

is established and construction begins. Schultz had recommended a financial advisor for finding grants and loans to fund a project.

"But first, someone needs to come forward," Flake stated. He suggested an area like Grandview as an example of a place to start. "There are quite a few places spread out, plus those in the old town, and everyone uses well water." If people organized themselves and took care of the paperwork, they could set up the PWA, elect a board and then contract with the City of Berryville to hook up to its water system, he said.

Alan Barta, an observer, said he lives just east of Berryville and residents out his way are concerned about their wells, and their region could also be a place to start. Flake suggested Barta first check with the City of Berryville to see what its plans are for expanding its system. Discussion then roamed around the county identifying

several areas that could benefit from a PWA.

The simplest way for a rural authority to get its water would be to hook up to the system in one of the cities. Another strategy, though more involved, would be to get a line directly from the Carroll-Boone Water District transmission line that runs from Beaver Lake all the way to Harrison. A third method would be for a PWA to drill its own well. The engineer could assist in determining the best strategy.

Flake reiterated that the project would be financed with grants and loans, and rates for the customers would be determined by the loan amounts. He stated the cost for a customer might be no more than \$45 per month.

Steve Campbell asked Flake if the population in an area declines, would the county be responsible for a possible default? Flake replied the county would have nothing to do with the process unless it set up a county system, which he discourages.

Lisa Price-Backs, another interested observer in attendance, pointed out a PWA

would need a place for a storage tank. Flake thought if an area wanted its own water system, finding a place for a tank ought not be a problem.

"The interest will identify the area," Flake said, and once an area sets up its own water system, the system could spread from one pocket of density to another.

Barta asked where interested citizens could find the information they need to proceed, and Flake said the Extension Office in Berryville would be the best place since they already have contacts throughout the county and have staff to maintain the information.

Sentiment was committee meetings like this one would be important for continuing the momentum and a useful setting for interested parties to gather and share information. Flake suggested the committee present its recommendation to the Quorum Court before setting up another meeting.

The public will learn of future meeting dates through the media.

## Free Thanksgiving Dinner at ECHO

Come enjoy a community Thanksgiving Dinner at the ECHO Clinic on Thanksgiving Day from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. There is no charge and everyone is welcome. Flint Street Fellowship food pantry and lunchroom is sponsoring the delicious dinner with all the trimmings,

beverages and lots of desserts.

Helpers are needed for prep cooking, serving or cleaning up. Phone (479) 253-4945 to volunteer or for more information. The ECHO clinic dining room is located at 4004 E. Van Buren next to the ECHO thrift store (US 62E and Rockhouse Road).

## Community Thanksgiving potluck

A Thanksgiving Day Community Potluck Dinner is being held at Unitarian Church building, 17 Elk Street, Thursday, Nov. 28. Doors open at 1 p.m., dinner is

served at 2. Please bring a dish to share and your place setting. For details or to volunteer to help, call Carolyn Oakleaf (479) 253 2582.

## Black (and furry) all weekend

Don't stop with Black Friday's deals. Keep some happy black going all year by adopting a pet during November's Back in Black adoption promotion at the Good Shepherd Animal Shelter on Black Friday weekend.

From Friday, Nov. 29 through Sunday, Dec. 1, the adoption fee for any black/mostly black shelter animal is only

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## Call for Collectors

The Shiloh Museum of Ozark History in Springdale is looking for collectors to display items from their collections during the museum's annual "Cabin Fever Reliever" open house, Saturday, Jan. 11, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. For more information, phone the museum at (479) 750-8165, or email [shiloh@springdalear.gov](mailto:shiloh@springdalear.gov).

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## Quorum court faced with tight 2014 budget

NICKY BOYETTE

At its Nov. 22 meeting, the Carroll County Quorum Court considered the proposed 2014 budget for county operations, and projections were somewhere between conservative and decidedly grim.

Lonnie Clark, finance director for the City of Eureka Springs and a member of the Airport Commission, spoke up because the bare bones budget for the airport was being cut again. He stated, "I'm a little confused about things as they stand regarding economic development."

He had attended two of the budget committee meetings, and was first told revenues for the county were declining, so budgets had to be cut. Then county treasurer Cindy Collins told him revenues were not declining but were insufficient to meet budget requests. Then he heard there might be a surplus, yet everyone's budget would be cut.

"So I don't know where we are," Clark said.

Then he asked, "What is the quorum court doing about economic development? Do you have a plan? A committee? Has the

judge been requested to appoint one?"

Although he was representing the Airport Commission, he said he wondered what the court was doing to benefit farmers in the county. He said he knows people who could help with economic development, but they have not been asked.

Clark claimed the Carroll County Airport is the only county entity addressing economic development, and the commission talks about it at every meeting. "It is first and foremost on our minds." He said Justice of the Peace Ron Flake had told him the county does not realize much from the airport – only Eureka Springs benefits because of the visitors who fly in. However, Eureka Springs brings in 800,000 – 900,000 visitors annually, which benefits the entire county. In addition, the airport was crucial to the decision by executives of Labarge to develop a facility in Berryville. "That has meant 33 years of jobs for the county because of the airport," Clark said.

Flake told the court the budget committee had spent 50 hours developing the 2014 budget, and they went over it line by line.



911 Mapping Coordinator, Candy Bawcom addresses the Quorum Court.

He said they insisted there must be some carryover at the end of 2014 so bills could be paid before tax money begins to come in, and the carryover is projected to be less than in the past.

"There is no happy money in here in case you need it," he said. "We did what we could for the airport, but we have a limited amount to give the airport."

He commented the committee was worried about possible layoffs and did not want any, yet decided to defund the mapping office at the end of 2013 and shift the duties over to the assessor's office.

JP John Howerton, a member of the budget committee, was concerned about the repercussions of closing the mapping office, and said he knew County Judge Sam Barr did not like the decision, so he invited discussion.

JP Gaylon Riggs noticed there were line items in other departments being increased yet the committee was recommending defunding the entire mapping office. He said those involved had a right to present their side to the court.

Candy Bawcom, Carroll County's 911 mapping coordinator, said her office, comprised of her and one other person, is the life-line to 911. "We show where each residence is so EMS can get to a site quickly, and the system must be checked constantly." Whenever a cell tower is upgraded or new information is uploaded, her office must adjust so 911 dispatchers know which responders to alert.

"It is more technical than you ever dreamed of," she observed.

She stated Jo Ann Harris, county tax assessor, would not be able to take this on without some training.

Riggs pointed out the information dispatchers see on their monitors is accurate because of the work of the mapping office.

Flake still said duties of that office could be handled by other people.

Riggs replied, "Lots of positions in government can be handled by someone else," and did not agree with defunding the mapping office.

When asked if the sheriff's office could handle some of the duties, Sheriff Bob Grudek replied, "That is not our function. It belongs to 911 coordination."

Flake then commented, "The question is can Jo Ann's office handle it?"

Harris answered that other county assessor's offices have taken it over, so she thinks she can do it with enough training.

JP Jack Deaton said, "My biggest concern is making sure. If someone else can handle it, I'm all for it, but it must be done correctly."

"If you defund it, you're going to leave 911 coordination in limbo with no funding," Barr said. "Lives might be jeopardized. Candy does a lot for our people." He said the issue is also about people, not just money.

Howerton said, "I agree completely."

Riggs stated firmly the position was vital to the county. Howerton observed he was really concerned and said the county must find more money.

Deaton then suggested a slow transition. Since Bawcom had said she would be

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## Movie night moves to high school

Eureka Springs High school has purchased a license to screen feature films for the public in its comfortable new theater. Starting with some of the all-time classic movies, the school wants input from students and audiences for future showings.

According to parent and supporter Michael Boardman, his idea was to utilize the new venue at the school, provide a way for students and the public to see good movies at a very reasonable price and use movie night to raise money to support the drama club as well as other student organizations.

The only catch is, the license has a quirk that doesn't allow the school to publicly state the name of the movie, so clues will be provided. For instance; the first movie, scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 5, is based on a John Steinbeck novel featuring a sometimes-hotheaded Tom

Joad. The second movie, scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 21, features a sled named Rosebud and a media mogul.

Stumped? Spoiler alert: skip to the next paragraph and don't read the rest of this line if you'd rather not know how to find out the easy way, (stop here) but you can always call the high school office (253-8875) and get the name of the movie.

Some movies are based on books which may be required reading in various schools, and certain ESHS teachers may offer extra credit for a report on the movie. Some of the well-known films have a serious social comment if not an outright impact. "They're movies we think kids should see," Boardman said.

Once the school recoups the cost of the license, funds from admission and concessions will be used to purchase necessary equipment for the drama club

and for other school projects.

Admission is slated to run \$2 per person, \$1 for students. Popcorn and water will be for sale to start up the concession fundraiser, which may be expanded.

Doors open at 6 p.m. and the movie begins promptly at 7. *There will be no admittance allowed once the movie has started.* "Once the movie has started people will not be able to come in late because we really want the quality of the experience to be the best we can provide," Boardman said.

Movie nights will start with some classics but the school is open for suggestions about future movies and the times they are offered. Anyone with fundraising ideas for concessions or suggestions for movies should speak with principal Kathryn Lavender at the high school.

## 10 area science teachers receive grants

Ten local middle school science teachers were selected recently to receive grants through Arkansas Community Foundation's (ACF) Science Initiative

### Dec. 6 at Flora Roja

10 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., "Come to The Kitchen Table, an Art space for Heart, Hope, and Healing" with Budhi Whitebear, board certified art therapist. Beginning at 10 is an art group for people suffering from chronic pain. From 11:30 – 1:30 and 4 – 5:30, an open studio for people who want to create art in response to a health issue. At 2 p.m., a Women's Problem Solving Group. Offered on a sliding scale fee. For more information or questions please contact Budhi (479) 790-0400

6:30 – 8:30 p.m., "Imagine, Active Hope: Holding On To Positive Expectations As We Heal Our Planet" with Budhi Whitebear. Learn the practice of Active Hope and what it means to the healing of our world. Empower yourself with image making as you engage with the challenges of the planetary crisis we are facing. Give yourself a little space to breathe as you share creative space with folks who share your same concern for the Earth. \$10 suggested donation includes all materials. For more information please contact Budhi (479) 790-0400.

Classes will be held at Flora Roja, 119 Wall St. (479) 253-4968.

for Middle Schools (SIMS) program. SIMS aims to spark students' interest in science by providing materials for hands-on instruction that brings scientific and mathematical principles to life.

Proposals from public school teachers served by the Carroll County Community Foundation in Alpena, Green Forest, Berryville and Eureka Springs were reviewed and ACF was able to fund all applications.

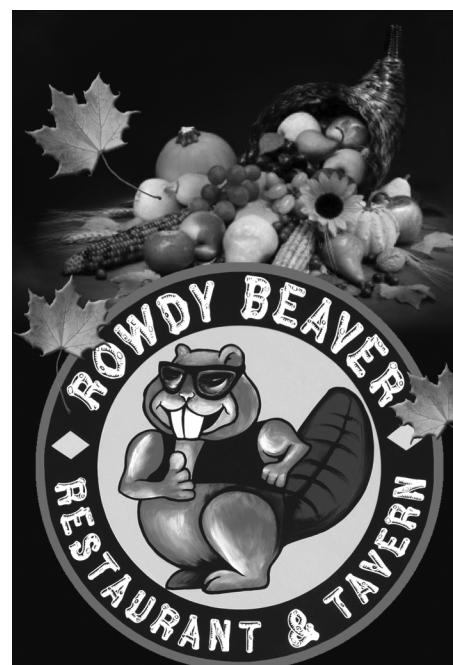
Middle school teacher Roger Rose of Alpena received two grants for his earth science classes; Berryville students in Jesse Parker and Russell Borland's classes will be doing cow eye dissections; and Berryville teacher Ashley Casey's students will perform pig heart dissection.

Eureka Springs teacher William Griffin will receive microscopes and other lab items for various projects; Eureka Springs teacher Sarah Wesley's students will learn how Newton's Laws of motion relate to roller coasters; Eureka Springs teacher, Fred Hopkins, will teach about force and motion; Green Forest teacher Jackie Stoppel received funds for the sound wave lab; and Green Forest teacher Sarah Underdown's class will also dissect pig hearts.

Annual funding for this program is made possible by an endowed gift to the Community Foundation from the Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation. Teachers may apply for SIMS grants beginning in May of each year. Visit [arcf.org](http://arcf.org) for more information.

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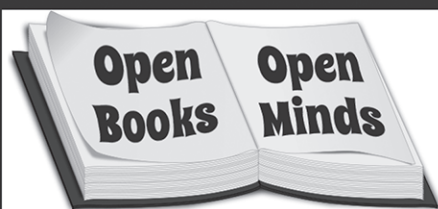
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# INDEPENDENTNews

## Council could dust off Aud Commission ordinance

NICKY BOYETTE

Alderman James DeVito reminded council Monday night that the previous council authorized formation of a committee to research the best way to handle management of the Auditorium, and the unanimous opinion was for council to establish a commission, but the previous council did not act on the recommendation. DeVito said an ordinance for forming the commission has already been written.

He suggested this council revisit the idea of an Auditorium Commission, and moved to have Weaver bring back the previous ordinance for their consideration.

Alderman Joyce Zeller insisted whatever ordinance they consider should specifically delineate which responsibilities the commission would handle and which ones the City Advertising and Promotion Commission, currently managing the Auditorium, would retain.

Alderman David Mitchell agreed with Zeller, but said all council wants now is for Weaver to dust off the old ordinance.

DeVito pointed out there are established guidelines in State Code for establishing an Auditorium Commission whereas the dedicated and well-intentioned committee operates more informally.

Alderman Dee Purkeypile wondered if the proposed commission would be somehow attached to the CAPC.

McClung, who along with DeVito also sits on the CAPC, observed that the CAPC does not want additional responsibilities and would like to pass the torch back to the City at some point. Its true mission, he said, was to bring visitors to Eureka Springs, not manage a city auditorium.

Weaver said he had just seen the previous ordinance in his files, and it could be a logical first step.

Council voted for Weaver to send them his ordinance regarding an Auditorium Commission.

## Enchanting snow village adds weekday hours

The Snow Train Village display, a delightful landscape of small town America at the Carnegie Library Annex, 192A Spring Street, has added additional hours into December. Now open Friday evenings from 5 – 7 p.m., Saturdays from 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. and Sundays from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., the exhibit will also be open Monday through Thursday evenings from 5 – 7 p.m. Dec. 16 – 20.

The exhibit will continue Dec. 21 with Saturday/Sunday hours until the last exhibit on Monday, Dec. 23, from 5 – 7 p.m. It's the perfect night and place to embark on your family drive through town to see all the Christmas lights.

This enchanting exhibit consists of 300-plus buildings and includes three town squares depicting businesses of the era as well as residences, vehicles and three Lionel 0 scale trains, a Lionel 0 scale trolley, and many other accessories, trees and surprises.

Admission is \$5 adults and \$2 children at the door. This amazing collection is shown through the generosity of Larry

and Cathy Handley, and is a fundraiser for the Eureka Springs Historical Museum. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Carnegie Library. For further information see the events page at [www.eurekaspringshistoricalmuseum.org](http://www.eurekaspringshistoricalmuseum.org).

## Get help with affordable health care Dec. 11

Interested in affordable insurance through the Arkansas Healthcare Marketplace? Carroll County In-Person-Assister Guides, Collette Crawford and Charlisa Cato will host an Enrollment Event Wednesday, Dec. 11, from 3 – 6 p.m. at the Eureka Springs Carnegie Library.

Bring your questions and receive help applying. Free and open to the community. For further information call Charlisa Cato (479) 325-0943 or Collette Crawford (501) 529-0174.

### A strong Foundation –

The Huntsville Public Library recently hosted the Quarterly Meeting of Directors of the Carroll and Madison Public Library Foundation to hear reports from Madison County librarians and discuss preparations for the Fall fundraising letter campaign. Seated, from left: Cindy George, Alison Taylor-Brown, Jane Hackley, Joe Luker, Woody Barlow and June Waddill.

Standing, from left: Alvin Lievsay, Maria Smith, Kevin Hatfield, Bill Horrell, Jean Elderwind, Lin Wellford, Kathy McCormick, Jennifer Hudspeth, Vicki Rokeby and Debbie Holt. Not present: Bill Brown, Byron Russ and Suzanne Villines. The Mission of the Carroll and Madison Library System is to build strong communities by promoting the joy of reading, the love of knowledge and excitement of discovery through materials, personal services, programs and equipment equally accessible to all.





## Happy as a pig in slop

BECKY GILLETTE

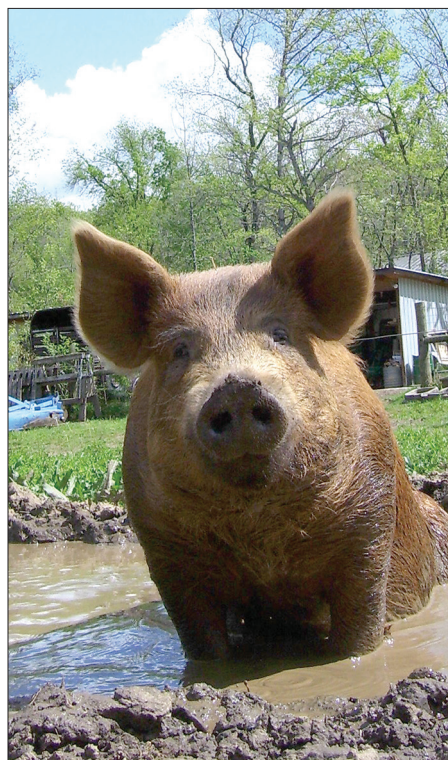
What's a bacon lover to do when there is increasing evidence that hogs are confined indoors and crowded together, with a high rate of mortality, then fed antibiotics along with genetically modified grains?

Rose Canold with Mason Creek Farm offers an option at the local Eureka Springs Farmers' Market. Hogs she raises are given names, nurtured, fed healthy food, and given a happy pig's life wallowing in the pasture before they end up on the table.

"Pigs are really interesting," said Canold, who has a wildlife management degree from Arkansas State in Jonesboro. "They are very smart. I think they see the world the same way we do. They are much smarter than a dog. You have to train a dog. You can talk to pigs, tell them what you want them to do and they will do it. Well, except for the really stubborn ones. I love them. The sows are great. They get individual pastures close to the house to farrow in. We love having the babies run around. At four weeks old, the babies start getting into trouble, and it is just hilarious."

Canold and her husband, Glenn Woelk, met in Colorado when they were raising, training and showing horses. That is where they got their first pig. Now they have no horses, but six generations of hogs that have been carefully selected for their temperament, small ears, good eyesight and taste.

"We are in the process of trademarking our hogs, which are three quarters Tamworth and one quarter Berkshire," said Canold, who currently has 64 fat hogs. "Tamworth is known as the bacon hog because the bacon is 50-50 fat and meat. It has no natural marbling, which is an



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advantage. They are also large framed, so they take longer to finish out. Berkshire are smaller framed, are naturally marbled, tend towards fat and have small litters."

They originally started with a Hampshire hog, but found her babies difficult to manage, aggressive and very stubborn. Canold said Hampshire hogs are better in confinement situations because they will compete for food. But the hog variety they have developed is easy to work with, which makes them ideal for pasture.

"Our pigs are out on pasture all their lives," Canold said. "We have about twenty acres of land and lease another forty acres southeast of Fayetteville. It is all cross-fenced into pig pasture. The nice thing

about pigs in this area is they can utilize the forage. Pigs are foragers, not grazers. Pigs don't have teeth or a stomach suited to grazing. They chew grass, but don't digest it. They forage for acorns, other nuts and berries. Pigs also root to get grubs, and eat a lot of tap-rooted things like thistles and comfrey, which is great."

The pigs are rotated so all the animals are on fresh pasture every month. They are fed whole grains such as cracked corn, wheat and soybeans. They are not fed byproducts such as grains left over after distilling alcohol. They also receive natural minerals and a probiotic that helps them digest fiber. Some people feed pigs fishmeal, a high protein source, but that is not allowed under Animal Welfare Approved products.

"We use no animal byproducts," Canold said.

Mason Creek Farms is Animal Welfare Approved, meaning that the farm meets strict standards for taking care of the animals and slaughtering them. They trailer the hogs six hours to an Animal Welfare Approved plant, Alewel's Country Meat, in Warrensburg, Mo., for processing.

"It is not complicated, but there are certain things that have to be done to care for the hog," Canold said. "They have to be left to rest overnight after travel, and be given shelter and water. When they are killed, a pig has to be killed differently than a ruminant. The pigs go into a squeeze shoot and receive an electrical shock. They are killed instantaneously, so there is no suffering."

Canold said while there is now also an Animal Welfare Approved facility in Van Buren, they will continue to go to Alewel's,

**HAPPY HOGS** continued on page 31

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## Kaissa's kids and the Game of Kings

C. D. WHITE

Kaissa was the name of the first Russian computer to win a World Computer Chess Championship. No doubt the computer was named after the goddess of chess, Caissa, the subject of a poem in which Venus's brother, Euphron created the game of chess as a gift to Mars in order to win Caissa's favor. Still today, chess players often invoke her name when they have good luck, saying, "Cassia was with me."

But there are three local kids who rely more on skills than luck. The Eureka Springs Middle School Chess Team recently put some expert moves on knights, queens, bishops, pawns and rooks to place 4<sup>th</sup> overall in a chess tournament organized by the Chess Association for Arkansas Schools held in Searcy on Nov. 16.

A 7<sup>th</sup> grader, Colton Jecker, and two 8<sup>th</sup> grade students, Gabi and Sara Bloch, under the supervision of coach James Wainscott, sat down with 70

other students from around the state and acquitted themselves quite nicely.

Wainscott was invited to the Eureka Springs Public School by Gifted-Talented coordinator Jessica Langley. He juggles his work and other schedules to be with the team for practices, driving from Holiday Island or Cassville at various times. When chess tournaments take place, he accompanies the team at his own expense.

In addition to also being tutored by the girls' father and former chess coach, Kaja Bloch, the ES Middle School team sometimes practices with the Fayetteville Chess Team, which gives them the opportunity to take classes from Fayetteville Chess Team president, Les Kline, a highly rated chess player with excellent youth tutoring skills. Another person giving classes in Fayetteville is Chess Master and two-time Arkansas State Champion, Bill Orton. The Eureka Springs team takes these opportunities quite seriously.

Last year Colton Jecker won 3<sup>rd</sup> place in a regional chess tournament in Harrison. The same year, twins Sara and Gabi Bloch placed in the Arkansas Junior High Tournament – Sara 10<sup>th</sup> and Gabi 19<sup>th</sup> – hosted by Izard Consolidated Schools

Last spring the whole team attended the Arkansas Open Chess Tournament and competed with players from Colorado, Illinois, Oklahoma, Tennessee and Arkansas. This United States Chess Federation-rated tournament had a special prize for the best players in the "first time rated" group. Because Sara, Gabi and Colton finished on top with the same points, they had to share first place.

This month the team played in the

state chess tournament organized by the Chess Association for Arkansas Schools, first donning their yellow team T-shirts donated by Arvest Bank in Eureka Springs. After five long games Sara, Colton and Gabi were named as "best playing team."

Individually, Sara Bloch won 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Colton Jecker 6<sup>th</sup> and Gabi Bloch 7<sup>th</sup> among the 70 best Arkansas players in Junior High division 1-7A schools.

The community can be proud of Coach Wainscott, the team's teachers, sponsor Arvest Bank and especially the Middle School chess team for a fantastic representation in a brainy but tough game that doesn't require protective pads or helmets.

**Checkmates** – The Eureka Springs Middle School Chess team competed Nov. 16 in the Arkansas State 1A-7A Chess Tournament. Teammates Sara Bloch, Gabriela Bloch and Colton Jecker traveled with their coach James Wainscott to compete against 67 other 7 – 9<sup>th</sup> graders. Sara Bloch won four games and tied one, to finish in an impressive 2<sup>nd</sup> place, followed by Colton Jecker in 6<sup>th</sup> and Gabriela Bloch in 7<sup>th</sup> place. Colton and Gabriela each won four matches and lost one. The teammates scored collectively to place Eureka Springs Middle School 4<sup>th</sup> overall in 1A-7A schools!



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## Chamber committee researching new use for old high school

NICKY BOYETTE

Mike Bishop, executive director of the Eureka Springs Chamber of Commerce, announced at the Nov. 21 Eureka Springs School Board meeting the Chamber has created an *ad hoc* committee of interested citizens to figure out what to do with the old high school property. Bishop said Diane Murphy will chair the committee comprised of individuals most of whom have already been meeting to discuss this for months.

Murphy said her group is at a "very preliminary stage," still canvassing business leaders for ideas. Regardless of what happens down the road, the very next step would be to get an up-to-date appraisal of the property as the last one was done in 2007.

Superintendent David Kellogg said an appraisal would cost between \$1500-2000, and recommended they move forward.

The board acknowledged Kellogg can authorize the appraisal and agreed with his decision.

### From the schools

High School Principal Kathy Lavender spoke for the other principals, who were ill. She said the elementary school will be getting some new playground equipment and elementary school parents formed an association for themselves. The middle

school has a new science lab, and students experienced life outside the classroom at Lake Leatherwood City Park and Turpentine Creek.

Lavender said a group of high school science students under the supervision of Katy Turnbaugh have created a micro fodder project intended to figure out a way to feed cattle during droughts. The high school also received a \$4,995 grant for the physics and chemistry programs.

Lavender also presented most of the members of the state champion cross country team, which included nine boys and five girls. Nathan Andress was Number 1 in the state and Jake McClung was Number 3. "Our trophy case is filling up," she said regarding all the accolades the team received. She added, "Not only are they good athletes, they have good GPAs."

### Other business

- The board voted to give the certified and classified staff a one-time \$750 bonus.

- The board voted to accept the resignations of Rebecca McKinney and Warren Utsler and hire Chris Holt, paraprofessional, and substitute teachers Taralyn McKinney, Tammy Bryant, Larry Patterson, Timothy Grat and Lisa Baker.

Next meeting will be Thursday, Dec. 19, at 5:30 p.m.

## Business licenses for multi-family dwellings passes first reading

NICKY BOYETTE

Council considered a proposed ordinance from the Planning Commission Nov. 25 that would require owners of multi-family dwellings to get a Certificate of Occupancy upon transfer of ownership. Alderman David Mitchell observed not much is presently required of owners of multi-family dwellings, whereas Bed & Breakfast owners must apply for a Conditional Use Permit. He said the proposed ordinance was an attempt to establish a minimal standard applied equally to B&Bs and multi-family dwellings.

Commissioner Ed Leswig of Planning said in the R-1 zone, multi-family dwellings are a conditional use just like B&Bs, yet there is a gap in the process. "What is good for B&Bs is good for multi-family dwellings," he said.

Leswig was careful not to put

the city in a position of violating constitutional rights against unlawful search and seizure. Therefore his suggestion was to require a new owner of a multi-family dwelling to get a business license, which means the owner must procure a Certificate of Occupancy, a process which invites the Building Inspector and Fire Marshal into the dwelling.

Weaver acknowledged there were some issues with wording in the proposed ordinance, but said they were easily fixable. DeVito moved to make the changes Weaver had suggested. Alderman Terry McClung voiced concerns about what might be zoning issues in permitted activities according to City Code, and Leswig and Weaver attempted to explain away his concerns.

Vote to approve the first reading of this ordinance was 5-1, McClung voting No.

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**A Wildflowers Thanksgiving** – At left, Vickie Poulson, Director of Jeremiah House, along with Pam Trevorton and Sheldon Scott volunteered to distribute Thanksgiving fixins' to more than 120 families in Carroll County. With plans being made to repeat at Christmas, donations are much appreciated, and can be made at Wildflowers Thrift Store and Church, 6789 US 62E. (479) 253-5108.



## Experience the Light begins Nov. 29

Enjoy a family tradition Friday and Saturday evenings from 6 – 8:30 p.m. now through Dec. 21 on the grounds of the Great Passion Play.

*Experience the Light* is a drive-through light display and more. There will be sing-along Christmas music

in the Great Hall with friends and neighbors and a cup of hot chocolate, a Live Nativity with actors and animals in the Smith Chapel and much more to celebrate the season.

Admission is by donation for this lovely Christmas experience.

## Forget Christmas parade parking – ride the trolley!

A can or two of food will get you to and from the parade with no parking hassle and no extra charge. The Eureka Springs Transit System and City of Eureka Springs will provide transportation to and from the Christmas Parade on Dec. 6 beginning at 4 p.m. until just before 6 p.m., and for about an hour after the parade.

Pickup points are Planer Hill Park & Ride, the Transit & Welcome Center, the old high school, Pine Mountain Village parking lot and trolley stops between those

lots and the Downtown Depot.

Fare will be one non-perishable food item each way per person or two food items for a round trip per person. (Or \$2 dollars per boarding per person without a food item.) Anyone wishing to donate food early can exchange it for tickets at the Transit and Welcome Center, 137 W. Van Buren, Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

All food items donated will be divided between Flint Street and Wildflowers food banks.



**Gobblers thinking of their own dinner** – Wild turkeys forage on a hillside near US 62 on the western side of Carroll County last Sunday. These birds likely won't be the Thanksgiving dinner centerpiece.

PHOTO BY DAVID FRANK DEMPSEY

## Cheer the beard(s)

### It's one hairy weekend in Eureka Springs

The weather's not forecasted to be bitterly cold this weekend, and even if it was, these guys could handle it! The bold and bearded will invade Eureka Springs this weekend to compete in several contests and win prizes. If you think your beard is worth a buck (or up to a thousand of them in prize value), you still have time if you hurry – go to [goboeureka.com](http://goboeureka.com) and enter today or show up at the registration on Nov. 29!

If you're not sporting a beard but want to join in all the fun, be sure to pick up a GOBO Bingo Card at registration for a chance to win prizes. GOBO is a fundraiser for the Arkansas Prostate Cancer Foundation. Contest judging locations are as follows, so come and cheer your favorite beard:

#### Friday, Nov. 29

**4–7 p.m., Auditorium Parking Lot:** Arkansas Prostate Cancer Foundation Information Booth/Contest Registration – Get your GOBO Bingo Card and visit all the events

**6 p.m., Basin Park:** Grandpa/Elder Beard Contest concurrent with Santa in the Park (kids get to judge!)

**8 p.m., Chelsea's Corner Café:** Swearing in of Judges

**9 p.m., Chelsea's Corner Café:** Opening night concert with Mountain Sprout

#### Saturday, Nov. 30

**9 a.m. – 7 p.m., Auditorium Parking**

**Lot; 7 p.m. – close, Pied Piper:** APCF info/registration booth

**11 a.m., Rowdy Beaver Den:** No-Shave November: Most growth and Partial beard, natural

**12 p.m., New Delhi Café:** Full Beard Freestyle, Best Fake Beard

**1 p.m., Chelsea's Corner Café:** Full Beard Natural

**2 p.m., Spring Street:** Beard Parade, staging begins at Chelsea's at 1:45 p.m.

**2:45 p.m., Pied Piper:** Group picture

**3 p.m. – close, Pied Piper:** Mother's Beer & Beard Garden

**4 p.m., Voulez-Vous:** Mustache: Groomed, natural mustache; Styled mustache, freestyle

**5 p.m., Jack's Place:** Best sideburns; partial beard, freestyle

**6 p.m., New Delhi Café:** Full Beard, natural with styled mustache

**7 p.m., Lucky Seven @ Basin Park Hotel:** Most bearded workplace, Most bearded campus, Band of Beards

**9 p.m., The Cat House:** Grizzly Adams Contest (Best overall hairy guy)

#### Sunday, Dec. 1

**12–3 p.m. Chelsea's Corner Café:** APCF Information Booth/Contest Registration

**1 p.m., Chelsea's Corner Café:** Announcement of Winners

**2 p.m., Chelsea's Corner Cafe:** Beard Church with Brian Martin



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## Hartman vacation request reaches council table

NICKY BOYETTE

Attorney Jim Crouch has represented the application for a vacation request for portions of McCune and Hartman Sts. before Parks and Planning with marginal success so far, and presented the case again to council Monday night. His client, Jim McEvoy, has applied for portions of the platted but undeveloped streets near his home at the end of Amity Street to be vacated. Parks agreed with vacating a section of McCune almost within arm's distance of McEvoy's home but denied his other requests. Parks did not reach a decision.

Crouch told council Parks had denied the request of his client because they wanted to build a trail through one of the requested areas. "As far as I know, there is no Master Trail Plan," he said. He also commented it would be unsafe, impractical and too expensive to build a trail in that location. If the goal was to gain access to the alleged Moony Spring, which he said he had searched but had not found, there must be an easier access than through Hartman Street.

Alderman Terry McClung pointed out there had been objections from neighbors along the southern part of Hartman but he had not seen any response from neighbors along the northern boundary.

Crouch replied, "They were notified, and failure to object is acquiescence," and noted council can grant a vacation regardless of the objections from neighbors.

Alderman Dee Purkeypile said that might be the case, but it would apropos to try to contact them, and McClung said he would not vote either way until he goes to see the property in question.

Bruce Levine, director of Parks, explained their strategy with the urban trail system is to offer hikers a loop, and Hartman would fit into the design for a trail. Closing the southern part of Hartman also would deny access to the rear of the properties of KJ Zumwalt and her neighbors, Sally and LeRoy Gorrell. Levine also said any future development of access to Moony Spring would be more limited if Hartman were closed.

McEvoy said when he bought his property, he had been told there would never be traffic there, but he often deals with lost tourists and vehicles blocking his only exit off the property.

DeVito said there could easily be signs posted alerting motorists to his private property. He moved to table the discussion until the next council meeting, and the other aldermen agreed.

### All the rest

- Damon Henke was approved to sit on the CAPC.

- Mayor Morris Pate announced the downtown fire station would get its roof repaired next month. "You can see daylight through this one," Pate said.

- Council unanimously approved the application for Joe Gunnels Group Tours.

- There will be a workshop on increasing parking rates in city-owned parking spaces at 5 p.m., December 9, prior to the next council meeting.

- Council amended Ordinance #2191

to exempt the Carnegie Library from certain restrictions related to showing movies. Second reading of the amended ordinance was approved.

- Council approved the first reading of an ordinance which would vacate a portion of Palo Pinto Street.

- Aldermen postponed discussion of a request to vacate a portion of Nut Street because Weaver could not verify the property description in the application was accurate.

- Diane Wilkerson explained that a resolution before council was a continuance of an agreement already in place for the Arts Council to use the Art Wall and the North Main parking lot for the display of work by local artists. The resolution passed unanimously.

- Mitchell said the Noise Committee met and made impressive progress in its initial discussions. Other meeting times will be announced.

The next city council meeting will be Monday, Dec. 9, at 6 p.m.

## HDC approves shed

NICKY BOYETTE

All seven members of the Historic District Commission gathered Nov. 20 to consider one item, Al Hooks wanting to build a storage shed. Chair Dee Bright pointed out that since it was a new construction, Hooks could install a lap panel steel roof, and that was the extent of the discussion. They approved his application.

There were no Consent Agenda

items. Bright then presented these two Administrative Approvals:

- 246 N Main – repair stairs, path, retaining wall
- 238 Spring St – re-roof, new color

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

Next meeting will be Wednesday, Dec. 4, at 6 p.m.

## Blood drive Dec. 2 earns gift card points

The Community Blood Center of the Ozarks (CBCO) is asking help to make sure there is an adequate blood supply over the holidays. Donors to CBCO provide the blood for patients at 38 area hospitals. On average, a transfusion takes place every five minutes; and it takes around 250 donations each day to meet the area's blood needs.

You can help by giving on Monday, Dec. 2 at the Inn of the Ozarks from 1 – 6 p.m. Each donation will be awarded LifePoints as a part of CBCO's donor rewards program. LifePoints may be redeemed online for a variety of gift cards, or points may be assigned to other causes or charities.

To be eligible to give blood, you must weigh at least 110 pounds, be in good health and present a valid photo ID. For more information about LifePoints donor rewards and sharing your good health with others, visit [www.cbco.org](http://www.cbco.org).

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## HI homeowner offended by mailing

Editor,

On Thursday, 11-21-13, residents of Holiday Island were assaulted by a mailing sent to their homes. This mailing was totally misleading and brought to light just how low some people will sink to. Its lies and innuendos totally besmirched a candidate running for the Board of Commissioners.

I had never thought that politics would turn this dirty and hasty in this beautiful and neighborly community. The personal attack against Bruce Larson was not signed, and mailed anonymously by a cowardly malcontent. Bruce has not conspired to eliminate the ex-developer. He was on the Board of Commissioners when Tom Dees was asked to resume his developer activities (after NRPI pulled out). Tom requested and was given a contract based on the previous contract he had enacted years before.

This mailing appears to be an extension on the baseless personal attacks on the commissioners launched against the commissioners who volunteer to work hard to make Holiday Island the wonderful place it is. This

mailing, as with other attacks, is using false statements, rumors and outright lies to destroy a good person's reputation. These attacks, with no constructive suggestions or offer to help, obviously are designed to affect the outcome of the current election.

I hope the voters of Holiday Island react to this and send the message by your votes, we will not allow our little piece of heaven to be destroyed by this approach.

**Pete Putnam**

## "Open" letter to Holiday Island voters

Editor,

Well, aren't you the brave one?

Mail an open letter to voters at Holiday Island pulling two candidates — Graves and Larson — through all sorts of undocumented accusations, salt and pepper it up with mention of the golf pro and a deceased commissioner who cannot defend herself, and serve it up in the mail as gospel. But take the coward's route, don't sign it.

Having conducted many political campaigns for both Democrat and Republican candidates for local and state

offices, as well as school and library millage and city bond issue elections over my 40-plus years in marketing, I have never seen such a backroom smear effort. It's a black eye for elections at Holiday Island.

My last campaign was over ten years ago, so Arkansas election laws may have changed. If not, the writer's letter would be required to carry a disclaimer. It would be the standard — who or what committee paid for the piece, the name of the chairman or individual responsible, and a mailing address.

A suggestion to the voters of Holiday Island: The "open letter" writer states he/she favors "better leadership" for Holiday Island. If that's the case, he/she should have the guts to sign any campaign material generated. Better leadership is a noble cause; unsigned letters should be promptly placed in the trash.

I hope the voters of Holiday Island will put a stop to this sort of sorry campaigning with their vote in the commissioners' election.

**Jim Williams**

## Fair and balanced

Editor,

Last week's letter, Looking at the

**MAIL** continued on page 28



## WEEK'S TopTweets

**Moanhamed** --- Oh and just FYI... the bags under my eyes are Louis Vuitton

**@Zen\_Moments** --- To be independent of public opinion is the first formal condition of achieving anything great. ~ G.W.F. Hegel

**@TheTweetOfGod** --- Capitalism is controlled by an invisible hand that gives most people the invisible finger.

**@Swishergirl24** --- "Be cool, be cool, be cool" ~ me before I'm about to not be cool.

**@ElizaBayne** --- "Selfie" has won Oxford Dictionary's Word of the Year. The losing word — "Humanity"

**@eurekadowntown** --- "Eureka Springs is like a living Christmas Card!" Overheard by a guest walking down Main Street! We agree!

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**@Joey\_Anderson** --- Thank god pets can't talk, they know so much.

**Coy0teUgly** --- So I am guessing you would call chicken testicles fowl balls.

**@llovelamp1979** --- I was late to work because I was having car trouble. And by car trouble I mean I was sleeping and not driving the car.

**@StarlitCreation** --- Shop small businesses — and not just during the holidays.



## Eat, drink and be wary

**H**ard to understand why we now have a two-month holiday season rather than three separate and significant holidays – Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year’s. It’s like lumping Cinco de Mayo, Memorial Day and the 4<sup>th</sup> of July into one gargantuan clambake.

Thanksgiving is the kickoff holiday, the least stressful, and the holiday that focuses on friends and food rather than the economic inefficiency of exchanging gifts and cards with everyone from relatives you hardly know, to the mail carrier you don’t know, to the anonymous underprivileged child you don’t know, either, but care about.

Thanksgiving is different. It is generally the day with better weather. The day when whatever atrocities we have inflicted on each other for the past 400 years are forgotten. It’s a day all nationalities and religions and persuasions that live in America can get together and eat. Nursing homes have special meals. Churches have special meals. Shelters have special meals. Jails have special meals. Airports even give it a go.

The notable thing is, Thanksgiving is not commercial. We don’t exchange choo-choo trains and boxes of cigars and yoga sessions. We simply get together to laugh and eat.

Thanksgiving is changing. The day after is now called Black Friday, a name lassoed by retailers to indicate being in the black, or profitable. Black Friday is the day that kicks off the official Christmas present buying season, and big stores in big cities open as early as pumpkin-pie-thirty Thanksgiving night to get the Christmas retail season rocking.

Which means people who work in those stores will have to be at work and ready to roll on Thanksgiving evening, instead of tossing and groaning in bed, “I can’t believe I ate the whole thing,” like they used to.

Retailers spend 11 months a year paying bills, advertising, enlarging, hiring and re-arranging, but the month of December is theirs, all profit, it’s the money they get to use to inspire them to open their doors again next year. Or go to Caye Caulker for a month. Sales are up more than 25 percent in December, according to an IBM study of 500 retailers, no matter what those retailers are selling.

And we will buy and ship, spend time on icy sidewalks to see what store has authentic Ozark crafts that are inexpensive, durable and certain to provide glee to a grandniece in Bethesda.

Yes, we had it all figured out, you know, how extensive shopping is kind of tacky but there’s no sense in ringing *that* doorbell because we would be going up against retail giants and American tradition. And then we read about that happy outlaw, Pope Francis, who said this morning, “How can it be that it is not a news item when an elderly homeless person dies of exposure, but it is news when the stock market loses two points?”

Good question.

Despair not. There are really cool liturgies and gatherings happening if you are one of those more attracted to considering joy to the world rather than the price of a sweatshop shirt. In Denver there’s a congregation called House for All Sinners and Saints. They combine Lutherans, agnostics, reformed, evangelicals and plenty of those who believe the only true saints play for New Orleans. They admit to being unclear on what attendees have in common other than being part of a community that prefers to be imperfect and curious rather than obedient and spiritually bankrupt.

Yay!

In the meantime, the holidays and all their lights, weather, credit cards, Christmas cards and traffic jams and confusion are upon us. Hold on tight. Give thanks for all those who are just like us and all those who wouldn’t mind defriending us, because once New Year’s is over, there are only 332 days until Thanksgiving.

– MPB

### Black Friday Blues



## The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

**I** am watching, with bemused fascination, the television series *Breaking Bad*. Briefly, a high school chemistry teacher, Walter White, is diagnosed with lung cancer. He is going to die, sooner rather than later. His 40 year-old wife is pregnant; their teenaged son has cerebral palsy, and: they are up to their eyeballs in debt.

Walter’s solution for securing his family’s future is to become a methamphetamine dealer. He is very good at the manufacturing side of the business, but not so good at the culture of the business. And then, he becomes very good at it. Here, cultural competence means that he lies, cheats, steals and kills without regret or reflection.

We are supposed to empathize with Walter White. After all, he is dying, the risks he takes are entirely for his family and, oh boy, the people he kills really deserve to die. In his own eyes, and perhaps in ours, Walter is gallant in a geeky sort of way, a bit of a genius, all his goals laudable. Still, as much as we commiserate with him, one thing is clear: he will do *anything* for money.

The fundamental and creative intention of *Breaking Bad* is to make us ask ourselves what we would do if we were in Walter’s shoes. The artistic challenge is to make us believe that a mild mannered, middleclass twit like Walter White could jettison the moral and ethical values of a lifetime to become, overnight, a violent drug lord.

This intention, and challenge, seem like a bit of a stretch, don’t they? Yet, for Alexis de Tocqueville, the possibilities certainly exist. In *Democracy In America* (1835), he wrote, “As one digs deeper into the national character of the Americans, one sees that they have sought the value of everything in this world only in the answer to this single question: how much money will it bring in?”

Frankly, it is a tricky thing to look at politics today, or business, or popular culture, and definitively conclude that de Tocqueville was far off the mark. Perhaps we have met Walter White, and he is us.



# INDEPENDENT Constables On Patrol

## NOVEMBER 18

7:54 a.m. – Constable escorted a funeral.  
10:20 a.m. – One neighbor said the other one was harassing him about his dog. Constable recorded the facts.

12:36 p.m. – A recent visitor to Eureka Springs told ESPD that a fraudulent charge on her credit card of more than \$2000 occurred while she was visiting. Constable filed a report.

2:46 p.m. – Constables responded to the arrival of B.B. King's bus and directed traffic.

6:40 p.m. – A pickup with no tail lights was reportedly all over Hwy. 23 and then the driver turned eastbound onto US 62. Constable searched for it all the way to the city limits, but to no avail.

8:15 p.m. – ESPD was warned that a confrontation was about to become physical. One of the parties had already left before a constable arrived.

8:53 p.m. – Concerned passerby noticed a sign in a window with the word "Help" that looked like it had been written in blood. Constable discovered it was a Halloween decoration.

10:28 p.m. – Shop owner hit the wrong button triggering an alarm. He assured the constable who responded everything was okay.

## NOVEMBER 19

2:16 a.m. – Dog near downtown was loose and barking. Constable went to the scene but did not find any dogs loose or barking. He left a note for Animal Control to follow up.

8:20 a.m. – Constable assisted with traffic control while B.B. King's bus got out of the courthouse parking lot.

12:54 p.m. – One neighbor accused another one of stealing, and the accused staunchly maintained his innocence. A constable spoke with both of them.

1:25 p.m. – This neighbor said that neighbor's dog continually trespasses and threatens humans and other dogs. The constable said there would be extra patrols and Animal Control will follow up.

2:08 p.m. – Innkeeper was suspicious of a vehicle in the parking lot. Vehicle was gone before a constable got there.

2:52 p.m. – A renter told ESPD he had been locked out of his hotel room by the owner without any eviction process. Constable spoke with all concerned and informed the owner he would need to go through the proper procedures.

9:11 p.m. – Constable tried to catch a noisy free-ranging dog but was unsuccessful. Animal Control will follow up.

9:20 p.m. – Constable responded to the site of a burglar alarm going off to find everything secure.

## NOVEMBER 20

8:19 p.m. – Constable on patrol took a report about an incident in which someone stole the wallet of a bar patron and fled eastbound on US 62.

## NOVEMBER 21

12:19 a.m. – Constables assisted motel staff in removing certain persons from a property.

9:31 a.m. – Resident spoke with a constable regarding a letter she received which was written in crayon and to which a rubber bat was attached. She thought it might have come from a neighbor.

1:38 p.m. – Someone took a cell phone

and wallet from a vehicle in a parking lot. The complainant said she was tracking the phone with an installed app. Constable took the information.

4:50 p.m. – Resident complained again about a neighbor's barking dog. Constable spoke with the owner of the dogs.

10:48 p.m. – Resident who had been out of town reported vandalism when he found a storm door window shattered and glass scattered all around. Constable who responded figured out the wind had blown the door into a wall.

## NOVEMBER 22

2:03 a.m. – Passerby thought she might have smelled gas near a business on Main Street. ESFD responded and did not smell gas anywhere in the area.

3:03 p.m. – A resident who lives out of city limits told ESPD people had been going through her residence in her absence. The call was forwarded to the sheriff's department.

9:52 p.m. – Person at an inn observed two possibly intoxicated persons in the parking lot loading into a vehicle. Constable responded.

9:54 a.m. – Passerby noticed a door to an address on Spring Street had been open all day. Constables responded, and the door was closed.

## NOVEMBER 23

3:05 a.m. – Central dispatch transferred a call from a male outside his motel room. He claimed he had been assaulted by a female and then locked out of his room by her. Constable went to the scene but did not encounter either of them.

9:38 a.m. – Constable responded to an address to help a lady get her medication bottle open.

## NOVEMBER 24

2:23 a.m. – Guest at a motel reported a domestic dispute occurring in the room next door. Sounded to her like a male and female were fighting and throwing things around. The constable heard from the female next door it had been a verbal dispute only. The male had left for the evening.

7:06 a.m. – ESFD reported an unresponsive female in another motel room. Constable arrived to take a report. The female was transported to ESH where she was still unresponsive.

8:46 a.m. – Constable took a theft report at a restaurant.

9:36 a.m. – Driver reported the driver ahead of him behaving recklessly as they drove toward Eureka Springs from the south. Constables did not encounter the reckless vehicle.

1:44 p.m. – Someone vandalized a guest cottage and left behind illegal substances.

5:06 p.m. – Motel staff needed help removing a person from the premises and constables responded.

11:30 p.m. – Resident in the northwest part of town reported a black and gray striped cat on her porch.

## NOVEMBER 25

12:27 a.m. – Resident of a mobile home park was walking his dog when he saw a teenaged male dressed in black carrying a backpack walk out from between two trailers and then head toward the edge of the trailer park. Responding constable did not encounter him.

## NOTES from the HOLLOW by Steve Weems

In 1929, when the Eureka Springs City Auditorium had its grand opening, my grandfather McKinley Weems was there, but not to see John Philip Sousa or hear the famous Sousa Band. No, young Mac was down in the basement at the pie supper.

Jack McCall, my other grandfather, had his farm on Kings River and always ate the same thing for breakfast: two fried eggs, bacon and toast. Unless, of course, there was pie available, then he had some of that, too. If he only wanted a small piece he'd say, "Cut me a sliver." If he was especially hungry, he'd say, "Cut me a slab."

Lola Weems is a master pie maker,

with both taste and crust perfect. Betty McCall also made good pies, but she went more for quantity. When the masses descended on holidays, she'd have an epic pie buffet set up on the giant chest freezer. Some of my uncles would race through meals to be the first to the coconut cream pie. So, if accused of liking pie, I can claim the defense that I come by it honestly.

As an aside, one of the most ingenious feats of culinary engineering I am aware of is the Bedfordshire clangier. It is an English pie with the main course of meat and vegetables in one end, and a dessert of fruit or jam in the other. You start at the

beginning and work your way through the meal.

With Thanksgiving set to spring upon us, I am thankful for many things, one of which is pie, but also for the emails, letters and phone calls I've received with stories, comments and bear sightings. They are much appreciated.

And if you know who has the best pie in town, let me know. I'm serious, I really want to know. Send it to [steve@steveweems.com](mailto:steve@steveweems.com) or P.O. Box 43, Eureka Springs, 72632.

I hated to hear of the passing of Richard Kelley, a larger than life character of my childhood. Just recently someone



told me that if I wanted to hear stories about Eureka Springs to talk to Richard as he had the best ones. I don't doubt it.





My mother knew I was different – different from my four brothers and from the neighborhood boys constantly outside playing road hockey. I was content at an early age to be shut in the house drawing “dancing flowers” and more comfortable hanging with the neighborhood girls playing Barbie. My mother reluctantly gave in and bought me a doll, not quite a Barbie, but a doll I could dress up and make “adorable little hats” for. This was something we

needn’t tell dad. It would just be our little secret.

It was my protective, loving and well-meaning mother’s not-so-subtle way of instilling that sometimes we need to hide what’s different.

The Heartland Men’s Chorus returned to the AUD Saturday night performing its acclaimed musical documentary “When I Knew,” based on chorale members’ personal stories on when they first realized they were attracted to the same sex and the coming out process. The multi-media presentation, combining video, photomontage, spoken word and choral music, was both funny and touching.

A live narrated story of a member who discovers at age nine that he was attracted to the prince in *Sleeping Beauty*, rather than the title character, was followed by a tongue and cheek, but surprisingly moving and tender, rendition of Disney’s classic, “Someday My Prince Will Come” – sung in

four part harmony by nearly a hundred gay men.

The title song, “When I Knew,” was a moving ballad written specifically for the show. Interspersed with pre-recorded voices of solidarity, it received the first of several standing ovations. And there was hardly a dry eye in the house after “All This Joy,” a memorial to the disproportionate number of gay teenage boys lost to suicide – their pictures projected on the large backdrop screen, then collectively added to make a patchwork photo-collage reminiscent of the AIDS quilt.

There was no mistaking this was a “gay” “men’s” chorus: “gay” with the flamboyant queen stereotypes adding much needed comic relief; and “men,” that there was not a single reference to our lesbian sisters.

Maybe it was my mother’s childhood message that kept me closeted to my family long after I was out to everyone else. When I finally confessed the hidden truth to my mum, I had to assure her that buying that doll or letting me, at age nine, dress as Elizabeth Taylor in *Cleopatra* for Halloween did not make me gay; that like Lady Gaga’s anthem, which ended the OARS benefit on a high note – I was “Born This Way.”



## INDEPENDENTArt



### Handbell Choir rings in the season Dec. 7

The award-winning College of the Ozarks Handbell Choir will ring in the season with an exciting performance of traditional and popular Christmas music at the Holiday Island Community Church, 188 Stateline Drive, Saturday, Dec. 7 at 7 p.m. The concert is free and open to the public.

The College of the Ozarks Handbell Choir has performed for presidents, prime ministers and other world-renowned figures, winning numerous awards over several years and more than once placing first in state and

national competitions. The choir, led by Director Marilyn Droke, consists of 15 ringers with five octaves of hand bells plus extra bass bells and six octaves of hand chimes.

Don’t miss this delightful evening presented as part of the Woodward Memorial Concert Series sponsored by the Holiday Island Community Church. The concert is free and there will be an opportunity to support the choir with a good will offering. For more information contact Jim Swiggart (479) 253-8369.

### Buxtehude Christmas Cantata Dec. 8

*Christians Praise Him*, the cantata to be sung on Dec. 8 at the 10 a.m. morning service at the First United Methodist Church on Hwy. 23S, is a somewhat obscure work by Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707).

Buxtehude is reputed to be the most famous organist in Germany prior to Bach. In fact, the junior Bach walked 200 miles from Arnstadt to Lubeck to study under Buxtehude. Some musicologists say without Buxtehude, Bach would not have been Bach.

The cantata was originally written for the popular Advent Abendmusic (evening music) because music in the morning service was forbidden. Buxtehude, with great imagination, was able to turn simplicity into warm and fervent works of art.

Accompanying the cantata are the Fred Mayer String Trio, Tatanya Hetzer on continuo and Beth Withey singing solos. Music from Handel’s *Messiah* will be heard in the Prelude, Offertory and Postlude. All are welcome.

### ESSA Art Show is finally here

The Inn of the Ozarks Convention Center is the place to see it all Saturday, Nov. 30, from 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Don’t forget to cast your vote for the People’s Choice Award for best exhibiting artist. Your ticket also gives you the chance to win one of three fantastic prizes in ESSA’s big giveaway: a \$295 Gift Certificate for a fabulous five-day workshop at ESSA in 2014 or one of two \$40 gift certificates at the Thai House Restaurant!

Saturday at 4 p.m. art judging and People’s Choice voting ends. From 5 – 6 p.m. awards for People’s Choice, Best of Show, and Best Booth will be announced and drawings for ESSA’s big giveaway will be held.

Plus there’s some original, fantastic art for you to take home and gift-wrap for the special people on your Christmas list. (And don’t forget yourself.) For more information call ESSA (479)-253-5384 or see [www.essa-art.org](http://www.essa-art.org) online.



# INDEPENDENTHIGH (Falutin') SOCIETY Page



**Two cuties** – Phyllis Poe cuddles her cute companion on the runway while modeling this smart outfit for the live auction. The convention center at the Inn of the Ozarks was packed to the jambs with the runway show, some 19 tables full of great silent auction items, a buffet room, a puppy kisses booth, a boutique and lots of adorable pets up for adoption. A really good time was had by all.

PHOTO BY JOY FLAKE



**Thinkin' pink** – Dapper in a pink fedora, Zeek Taylor struts his stuff and whatever he has hidden in that pink doggie purse as emcee Dave Teigen keeps the bid jumping for Zeek's entire natty outfit. (Tim Gunn would love it.) Between runway bids and the silent auction, more than \$11,000 was raised for the Good Shepherd Humane Shelter.

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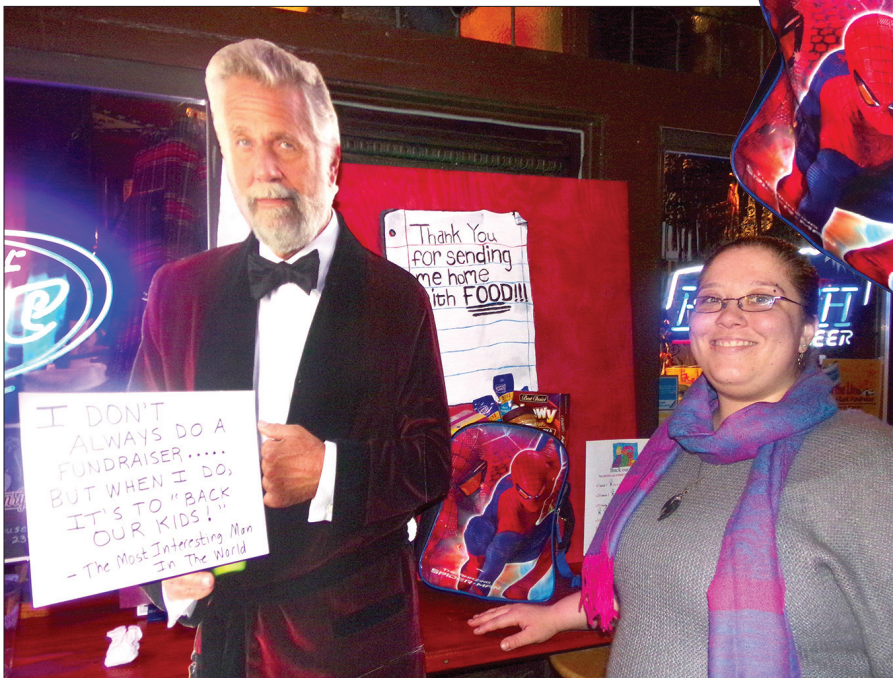
**Packin' the packs** – Dave Wieggers, regular volunteer at Flint Street Food Bank, checks over just one of the deliveries of food collected at Back Our Kids on Nov. 21. Food products will be stuffed into backpacks going home with school kids who can use a little extra over the weekends. The program is run in conjunction with Eureka Springs Schools.

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**Mmmouth watering** – Shaman Hill, left, samples a mouthful while Keith Weitzman looks on and Tom O'Connell continues slicing and dicing one of dozens of flavorful briskets that went on the grill around noon. Tom says he and others showed up at 9 a.m. to prepare for the Fill the Limo event at Pied Piper.

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**Guest of honor** – The Most Interesting Man in the World and his date, Kirsten Torgerson, showed up at the Cat House to support Back the Kids food for backpacks during the annual Fill the Limo food drive for Flint Street Food bank. What's most interesting about TMIMITW is that Kirsten can always recycle him.

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**Dog's life** – Linda Caldwell couldn't resist trying out this cushy plush dog bed during the Doggie Style Show's silent auction. She'll have to fight Mickey Schneider for it, though. Mickey won the bid and the bed.

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**Dear Santa** – Elyssa Goldsmith brought her pup, Chloe, to visit Santa at the Pupography Booth during the annual Doggie Style Show. Chloe can't keep her eyes off Santa as she tells him what she wants for Christmas by telepathy. Santa looks like he might be getting the message.

PHOTO BY CD WHITE







**Man the OARS!** – From left, Anna Hull, President, OARS Board of Directors; Becky Cooper; Carole Sturgis, OARS executive director; and Rick Fisher, executive director of Heartland Men's Chorus, Kansas City, Mo., share the celebration as Cooper receives a raffle prize of \$1,000 plus 22 \$25 gift certificates to local businesses.



**Heart land** – The Heartland Men's Chorus doffed their more formal attire for some fun during a fundraising concert for OARS before an appreciative audience. The group sang everything from Christmas carols to original songs and classics – with lots of heart.

PHOTO BY GWEN ETHEREDG



**Basket o' pies** – Cap'n Tony (Gallardo) showed up at the Pied Piper with a basket full of scrummy pies from the Squid and Whale for the buffet enjoyed by donors at the Back Our Kids and Fill the Limo event.

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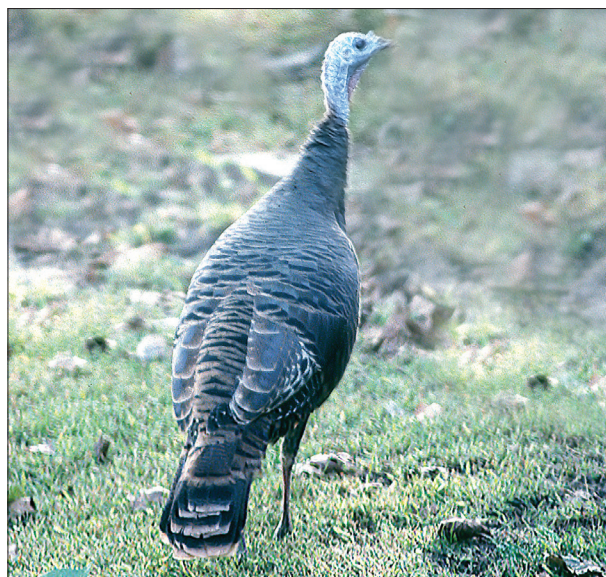
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## Grateful for Thanksgiving roots

**A**s I travel the world I've often experienced an empty feeling of no known ancestral roots. When in the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan in September working for the garden founded by HRH



Princess Basma Bint Ali, it was amazing to learn that her direct ancestral line dates to the second great grandfather of Islam's Prophet. The country was infused with deep history – Roman ruins were the new structures built atop foundations of older civilizations.

A Chinese colleague in Beijing, Yue Chongxi, had ancestors who served as pharmacists for emperors back to the early Ming Dynasty. His life is fused with his family history.

A friend's camping spot in the mountains of Montenegro comes through his family from an ancestor who built a home on that spot 500 years ago. To all of them, 500 years of history is current affairs. My roots felt shallow.

For the first time, this Thanksgiving I have a sense of genetic roots. Last year after my wife Donna's mother died, her grief therapy became family genealogy, which extended to my family tree, since we share a 9th great-grandmother. On my father's side, my roots connect to Robert Forester, who arrived in England with William the Conqueror in the 11th century.

Until the early 1700s, for seven hundred years my

ancestors served as governors of Bamburgh Castle on the Northumberland Coast. And yes, there's an app for Bamburgh Castle. May history record that I am the first of my family line to be grateful for apps!

In my one trip to the UK, most of my time was spent in Devon. My first ancestor to emigrate to America, Reginald Foster, came from Devon to Ipswich, Essex County, Massachusetts in 1638, 17 years too late for the first Thanksgiving. A few generations later in 1776, my 8th great-grandfather left Essex County to muster during the Revolution to protect the Pemaquid Peninsula on the Maine coast.

My ancestors lived there until the 1920s when my great-grandfather left to settle in Portland, Maine. On my father's side, both his father and mother's ancestors arrived near Salem in Essex County, Massachusetts before 1650.

Now I can feel genetic memories connecting me to the era of the first Thanksgiving. I am grateful to have roots.

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the quorum court intends to reduce their budget yet again. The proposed budget includes a cut in the manager's salary and reductions in funds for supplies of every kind. The budget lists \$50 for gasoline for the entire year for the courtesy vehicles they loan to visitors who fly in.

"Did they say why they wanted to close this airport?" asked commissioner Lester Ward.

Clark said Justice of the Peace Ron Flake had told him Eureka Springs was the only place that benefited from the airport. Clark, however, pointed out executives from Tyson fly in regularly to visit their Berryville and Green Forest facilities. Labarge (now known as Ducommun LaBarge) of Berryville also generates traffic at the airport. "Is Berryville not a part of Carroll County?" Clark asked.

Budget committee members at first had told Clark revenues for the county were declining, then that revenues were stable but budget requests had increased, and budgets in all departments were being cut. "It deeply concerns me the Quorum Court would want to cripple the site of access to economic development for the county," he said.

Clark also pointed out that throughout history it has been locations with access to effective transportation that

have been successful. He said he attends meetings in Eureka Springs as the city's finance director, and whenever economic development is discussed the entire county is included in the discussion. He said the Quorum Court does not have a committee for economic development.

He read from an article in the November issue of *City and Town* magazine which stated, "The economic impact of commercial service airports [in Arkansas] is approximately \$2 billion a year, and general aviation airports contribute nearly 5,400 jobs, \$133.4 million in annual payroll and \$494.5 million in annual economic activity."

"This airport could deliver millions of dollars of economic development to the entire county if it were allowed to," Chair Dave Teigen observed.

Commissioner Ron Rupe commented, "It amazes me we're treated the way we're treated. It's like they don't want to talk to us."

After the meeting a commissioner commented anonymously, "If we sound a bit bitter, it is because we are."

Commissioners and supporters of the airport plan to attend the Quorum Court meeting.

In a related situation, Evans said the county is considering imposing a tax on the leaseholders of the hangars. She said,

"This is not us, but we're going to get a black eye."

### Loose lease enforcement no more

Commissioners also grappled with the situation of Tri-State Airmotive being out of compliance with the terms of its lease because the lease payment is long overdue. Tri-State operates as a fixed-based operator, which means it is a commercial business granted the right to rent hangar space. When the situation was discussed at the October meeting, Larkin Floyd of Tri-State maintained he had copies of commission meeting minutes from some time in the past in which the commission said it would provide him notices of payments due, and he had not received a notice. No one on the commission remembers such an agreement.

Evans said since the October meeting she had searched written documents going back 15 years and had found no mention of such an agreement. Commissioners considered a range of options, but they agreed it was time to act. They also agreed it was not the fault of Tri-State's tenants, and regardless of what happens it should be business as usual for them.

The commission had given Floyd, whose lease was up before the October meeting, until this meeting to produce substantiation of his claims. They also

made sure Floyd's attorney had a copy of the lease, but neither Floyd nor his attorney had come forward.

Commissioners agreed to allow Tri-State to operate until ten days after the attorney for the commission hands over an up-to-date lease to Tri-State's attorney. If there is no resolution at that point, the airport would assume the agreements with the renters.

"We've already bent over backward," Clark said.

### Master Pilot

Evans announced that in October the Federal Aviation Administration awarded Carroll County resident Al Iller the Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award. The FAA certificate stated Iller was selected "in appreciation for your dedicated service, technical expertise, professionalism, and many outstanding contributions that further the cause of aviation safety."

Evans said Iller had been a helicopter pilot in the Vietnam War and a flight instructor at CCA. A representative of the FAA will come to Carroll County in December to officially present him with an acknowledgment.

"It's just because I've lived so long," Iller said.

Next meeting will be Thursday, Dec. 19, at 12 p.m.



*Sycamore*, by Constance Wagner and published in 1950 by Alfred A. Knopf, is the story of a sophisticated New York girl who marries a boy from Arkansas. The Wagners and their four children lived in Eureka Springs while the novel was written.

In addition to four novels, Constance Wagner wrote numerous articles and stories published in *The New Yorker*, *Atlantic Monthly* and *Collier's*.

At his heels trotted the red-brown bird dog, Grampus. Roger Knowles was reminded, as he opened the garage doors, that Grampus was really Walter's dog and that was why he'd been given the run of the house, while the hounds were kept in the pen enclosed by chicken wire, at the foot of the garden.

With the dog beside him, he backed the car and turned down the long curve of graveled driveway. A wide yellow ribbon of daffodils lay on either side, and he drove between them slowly, finding a voluptuous pleasure in the sight of them. They would have been nice to paint, he thought – supposing he had been an artist rather than a happily middle-aged lumberman, and banker, and mayor of Sycamore.

Funny, though, how you saw things as pictures always: the massed daffodils in lush and shiny oils, standing above the thin spears of the leaves. And he thought how, the very first time he had ever walked up this long curve, the daffodils had been in bloom, and he had stared at them, comparing them in his boy's mind with the crowded exuberance of his mother's small, white-fenced garden beside the cottage on Beetree Lane.

The wide green lawn under high oaks and maples had seemed to him boundless and wonderful, but he had felt only mistrust and dismay for the great red brick house

with its wooden cupolas and sharp towers and the forbidding, cold, white portico. He remembered how he had hung back, conscious all at once of his bare feet, and how he would surely have turned and run for home, where all was small and familiar, only that the little girl had held very firmly to his hand.

She had worn pigtails – he remembered that, and the hooded, bright glitter of her eyes – but, oddly, he could not now recall anything else about her. There was no first impression of Agnes in his mind. It seemed as if she had always been present, but surely the eight-year-old child who had dragged him, reluctant, to visit her house (which even now people called “the Perry place,” though the last Perry had vanished when Agnes's brother was killed) could have borne little resemblance to a placid, gray-haired woman pouring coffee behind a breakfast tray. Perhaps, in those careless days, he had never really apprehended her. Else why would he have retained nothing of her but those pigtails and the bright eyes peering with such intent awareness, and feel only the compelling, inexorable pull of her hand toward the house? Perhaps – and he smiled at the fugitive notion – perhaps, if Agnes had not held on so tight, that day, things would have fallen out very differently for us both. And not so well. Surely not half so well.

That Tuesday, when Billy Gordon came for tea as he always did, Jane's mother was beautifully seated in front of her huge, square window overlooking Town Park, sewing tucks into her daughter's wedding gown with microscopic stitches. “You must forgive me,” she said. Her smile flickered toward the doorway where he stood. “It's sort of ritual, you know. After all, Jane is all I have.”

She appreciated the effect of herself, dressed in blue, against the wide window, her hair shining softly in the afternoon light, and the ivory-tinted satin spilling across her lap. Billy Gordon would be noticing, too, that the bowl of delphiniums on the table repeated the color note of her eyes exactly. He could be depended upon to catch accurately the impression one wished to create, to reflect one's mood like a particularly good mirror. She liked mirrors. She liked Billy Gordon.

Perhaps if Jane had been a boy, she would have been rather like Billy, Mrs. Telemon thought – and how much *closer* she'd have felt to a son! There was something disarmingly fresh and unspoiled about Billy. Although he was twenty-eight, his skin had the bloom of a boy's. So many young curates had that virginal look. When he walked in the procession, with the jeweled cross going before him, and his face lifted, inspired, she seemed always to hear faintly the music of

*Parsifal* behind the strong downbeat of *The Son of God Goes Forth to War*.

He had such a habit of blushing slightly whenever marriage was mentioned, and he blushed now as he sat down discreetly, not too far away. She had never been able to determine whether this timidity about matrimony was due to a natural purity or to the fact that he intended, sooner or later, to ask her to marry him. Oh, I *do* hope he won't, she thought, though she could not resist visualizing the scene with a certain pleasure.

“Jane,” he was saying, blushing, “Jane will be a great loss to you. A lovely girl. Very forthright.”

“Almost to a fault,” Mrs. Telemon's smile appeared gently. “You know, Billy, I sometimes think I have never understood Jane very well. Isn't that a dreadful thing to say about one's only child? But Jane and I are so *different*.”

“Oh, entirely different!” Billy cried with conviction. “Oh, I admire Jane tremendously,” he added quickly. “But no one would take her for your daughter, Mrs. Telemon – Grace. It's not only that you couldn't be – well, old enough to have... no, it's not just that. But I feel that Jane – if I may be frank? – perhaps lacks that fineness, that delicacy that I – that we all admire in you.” He wound up the speech abruptly, furiously embarrassed.

## PASSAGE

### Richard G. Kelley, July 14, 1937 – Nov. 23, 2013

Richard G. Kelley of Eureka Springs departed this life Nov. 23 in Fayetteville at age 76. Being delivered by Dr. Pearl Tatman, he was born July 14, 1937, in Eureka Springs to R. Grant Kelley and Cleo (Allen) Kelley.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Wendell Kelley and Rex Kelley, one sister Patricia Kelley Allen, and infant daughter, Julianna. Richard was also preceded in death by his first wife Barbara Weems. Richard and Barbara were united in marriage February 6, 1959, until her death in 1982.

On April 13, 1993 Richard was united in marriage to Kay (Plouch) Gay, whom he leaves behind. Richard also leaves behind one brother, Don Kelley of Springdale, Ark.; two sons, Michael Kelley of Austin, Texas; Jeff Gay (wife Carrie) of Eureka Springs; three daughters, Sheree Russell of Green Forest, Ark.; Tessa Perkins (husband Bryant) of Gulf Breeze, Fla.; Tina Mitchener (husband Randy) of Russellville, Ark.; seven grandchildren, two great grandchildren, brother-in-law

Dean Allen of Amarillo, Texas; sister-in-law, Shirley Smith of Exeter, Mo.; several nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of cherished friends.

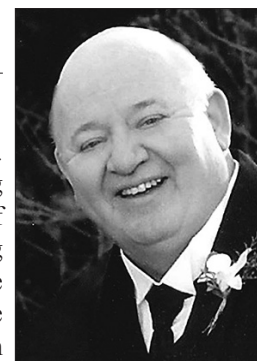
Richard graduated from Eureka Springs High School in 1955. His 42-year banking career began in 1950 at Union National Bank in Little Rock. He then moved to Tulsa, Okla., to work for Republic Bank. In 1976 he returned home to his beloved Eureka Springs working 15 years at the Bank of Eureka Springs as Senior Vice President. He concluded his banking career in 2002 at FNB of Berryville.

Richard served four terms as alderman on E.S. City Council, 1979-1986. He was a director on the Chamber of Commerce Financial Board, Chairman for Red Cross blood drives, member of Kiwanis, and served the public in many other capacities. During his time as an alderman, Richard and Charles Fargo traveled to California to purchase Eureka Springs first trolleys.

In his spare time, Richard loved fishing and meeting

for coffee with his buddies. Richard enjoyed reminiscing about the good old days of his hometown and his passing creates a missing link to the past of Eureka Springs. His love of the history of the town, with knowledge of major milestones, was extraordinary. He shared his knowledge and humor with all of us and he will be fondly remembered and greatly missed every day.

There will be no visitation. A memorial service will be 10 a.m. at the Faith Christian Family Church in Eureka Springs on Saturday, Nov. 30. Service arrangements were made with Nelson Funeral Service. Memorial donations may be made to the Eureka Springs Cemetery Fund, c/o “Friends of the Cemetery” at any Community First Bank branch. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.nelsonfuneral.com](http://www.nelsonfuneral.com).



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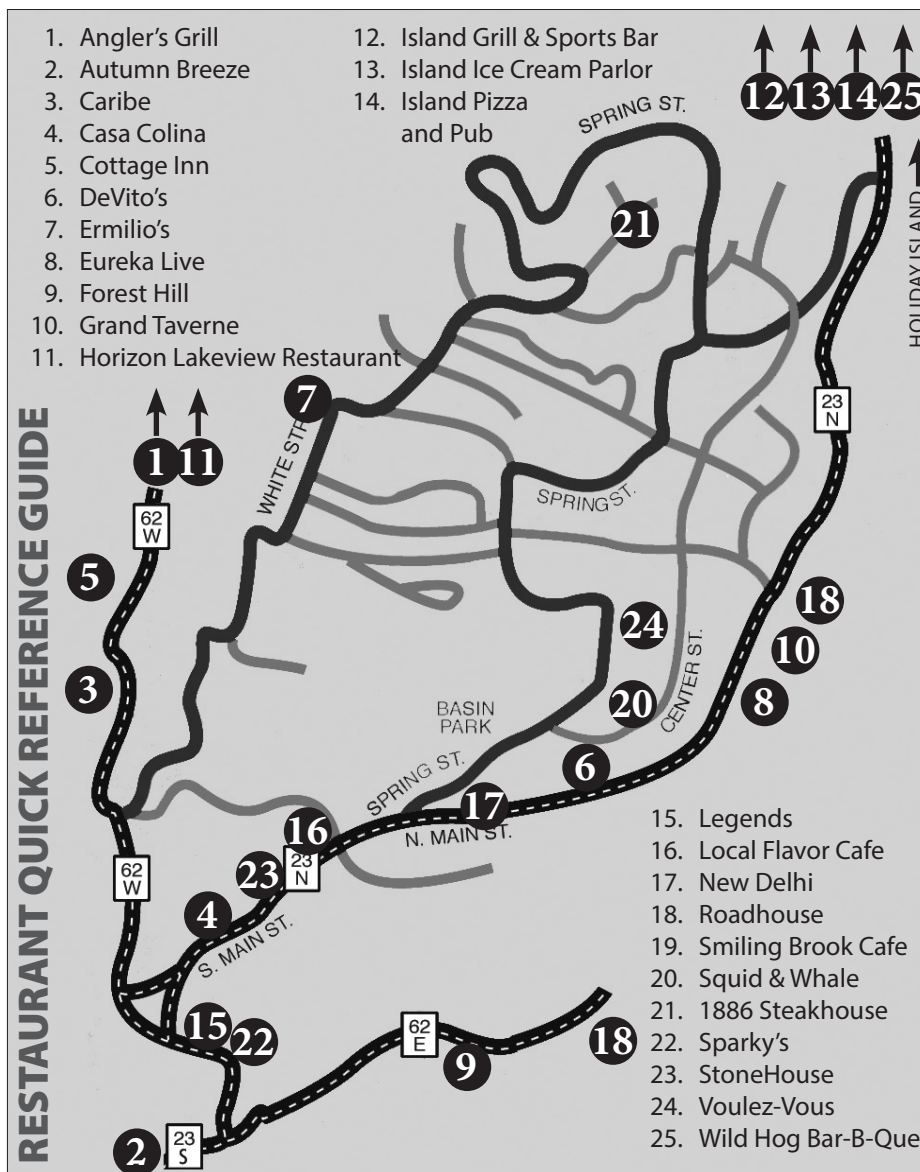
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For more information or to donate, visit [www.goeastyoungdog.org](http://www.goeastyoungdog.org) or contact [bill@goeastyoungdog.org](mailto:bill@goeastyoungdog.org). Tax deductible donations may also be mailed to Go East Young Dog, 1233 Bunch Springs Rd., Berryville, AR 72616

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

*“My long-term relationships always start out great but inevitably I'm faced with a partner who is either batsh\*t crazy or basically a loser. It's become a pattern. What's wrong with me?”*

Who hasn't had a friend who time and again ends up with the demeaning-alcoholic-no-job-loser or the daily-crisis-needed-nutcase? We love these friends, but tolerating their lack of insight becomes frustrating when the train wreck ahead is clear, yet they continue plugging along in oblivion, complaining about the same relationship issues you've listened to through their past three relationships. If you can't relate because you don't have a friend like this then please check yourself, it might be you.

Well, don't start (or continue) beating yourself up now.

Consider this: It is not what is *wrong* with you, it is what *happened* to you. The events transpiring in your life now did not come about in some vacuum or parallel universe. When you find yourself repeatedly engaging in irrational

patterns, it's a strong indication you're not responding to the here and now. Instead, you are reacting to the there and then. It's called *Unfinished Business* which does not allow for thoughtful, creative responses to the here and now. Our major life decisions, including those we choose to bring into our lives, are shaped by the unfinished business we carry into adulthood.

Consider the significant people and events that shaped your life as a child. Was your childhood chaotic or unpredictable? Were caretakers critical, absent or emotionally unavailable? Looking directly at your life with courage, you will find that repeated patterns troubling you today make perfect sense given the life lessons of your past.

Repeating hurtful patterns may seem absurd but it is inherently human. We are drawn to the familiar and we do what we know. In essence, we recreate past ineffective relationship dynamics in order to revisit unconsolidated childhood events in disguised form (the present), in an attempt to master, complete or integrate

that which was irreconcilable in childhood.

However, one can only gain victory over the past by processing and specifically grieving the past. This is step one. Step two, hold the awareness of your old ineffective patterns front and center in your brain as you pursue future relationships. Step three, have a checklist of red flags. You know what they are, you just ignored them in the past. When you see them now, don't minimize or justify – Run! The fulfilling relationship you crave in the present cannot be attained if you remain shackled to the insanity of your past. Be free!

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





## Fire & Flood steam up the Cathouse Lounge

A new folk trio debuted in Eureka Springs in July and is heating up the Cathouse Lounge this weekend. Fire & Flood is Joe Sundell, Will Eubanks and Drew Walls. Sundell on the banjo is a founding member of Sad Daddy, the roots music trio that includes Melissa Carper and Brian Martin. Eubanks on bass and Walls on guitar are both members of Damn Arkansan, an indie/alt-country band from Fayetteville.

Obscuring the edges of all forms of


American music by combining bluegrass, Dixieland, country and jazz, Fire & Flood comes up with a sound that represents the essence of live music. The concept originated after a weekend of friends playing together for the sheer joy of it. If you missed them in July, don't make that mistake again.

They will be at the Pied Piper/Cathouse Lounge on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 29 & 30 from 8 p.m. till midnight.

Another member of Sad Daddy, Brian Martin, will be playing at Chelsea's on Sunday at 2 p.m. for "Beard Church" the wrap-up show for the Great Ozarkan

Beard Off festival. There are contests and events all weekend at various venues, see schedule on page 10. The Pied Piper will have a Mother's Beard and Beer Garden set up on Saturday, Mother's Brewing Company is a sponsor of the GOBO weekend.

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- **GRAND TAVERNE** *Jerry Yester Grand Piano Dinner Music*, 2-5 p.m.
- **JACK'S PLACE** *Karaoke w/DJ Goose*, 8 p.m. – midnight
- **LEGENDS SALOON** DJ Karaoke
- **SQUID & WHALE PUB** *Closed-Happy Thanksgiving*
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- **CATHOUSE LOUNGE** *Fire & Flood*, 8 p.m. – midnight
- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** *Terri & Brett*
- **CHELSEA'S** *Mountain Sprout*, 9 p.m.
- **EUREKA LIVE!** DJ & Dancing, 9 p.m.
- **EUREKA PARADISE** *Ladies Night, Latin Fridays*, DJ & Dancing to Latin hits
- **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** *Craig Kinsey & the Sideshow Tramps*, 1–5 p.m., *Spare Parts*, 6:30–10:30 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER** *Scott Shipley Band*, 7:30 p.m. Contest with prizes – Most Hair Above the Waist, Hairiest Legs for the Ladies, real or fake
- **ROWDY BEAVER DEN** *Left of Center*, 9 p.m. – 1 a.m.
- **THE STONE HOUSE** *Jerry Yester*, 6:30–9:30 p.m.
- **SQUID & WHALE PUB** "Local Kine" Local Talent Showcase, 9 p.m.
- **VOULEZ-VOUS** *Lola Van Ella Burlesque*, 8:30 p.m.

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- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** *Terri & the Executives*
- **CHELSEA'S** *Earl & Them*, 9 p.m.
- **EUREKA LIVE!** DJ & Dancing, 9 p.m.
- **EUREKA PARADISE** *Fossils of Ancient Robots*, 9 p.m.
- **GRAND TAVERNE** *Jerry Yester Grand Piano Dinner Music*, 6:30–9:30 p.m.
- **JACK'S PLACE** *Karaoke with DJ Goose*, 9 p.m.
- **LEGENDS SALOON** DJ Karaoke
- **NEW DELHI CAFÉ** *Sweetwater Gypsies*, 1–5 p.m., *Spare Parts*, 6:30–10:30 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER** *Tightrope*, 7:30 p.m. Contest with prizes!
- **ROWDY BEAVER DEN** *Ride Shy*, 12–4 p.m., *and* 9 p.m. – 1 a.m.
- **SMILING BROOK CAFÉ** *Becky Jean & the Candy Man*, 5–7 p.m. – BYOB
- **SQUID & WHALE PUB** *Dayton Waters Intense 12-string guitar*, 9 p.m.
- **VOULEZ-VOUS** *Lola Van Ella Burlesque*, 8:30 p.m.

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- **CHELSEA'S** *GOBO Party with Brian Martin*, 2 p.m.
- **JACK'S PLACE** NFL Football with Dylan, 1 p.m.
- **LEGENDS SALOON** Free Texas Hold 'Em Tournament *with prizes*, 6 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER** Free Pool Sundays
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### MONDAY – DECEMBER 2

- **BLARNEY STONE** Monday Night Football – Challenge the spread for free wings!
- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** Pool Tournament, 7 p.m., NFL Specials
- **CHELSEA'S** *Spring Billy*, 9 p.m.
- **NEW DELHI CAFÉ** Monday Night Football – gametime food/drink specials

### TUESDAY – DECEMBER 3

- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** Game challenge night



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- **CHELSEA'S** Open Mic
  - **LEGENDS SALOON** Pool Tournament, 6:30 p.m.
  - **ROWDY BEAVER** Hospitality Night
- ### WEDNESDAY – DECEMBER 4
- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** Ladies Night – Drink specials, free jukebox

- **NEW DELHI CAFÉ** Open Jam
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- **ROWDY BEAVER** Wine Wednesday
- **SQUID & WHALE PUB** *Sweetwater Gypsies* – Pie Social & Ladies Night

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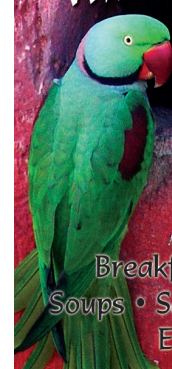
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## Living thankfully – for each new morning with its light

**T**hanksgiving is Thursday (it's Hanukkah, 8-day Jewish Festival of Lights). Mercury in Scorpio trines Jupiter in Cancer – a cosmic message (Mercury) of thankfulness (Jupiter). Let us begin a ritual of Living Thankfully in the coming days & weeks. Let us remember to perform actions today (tomorrow, etc.) that we will be thank-full for in the future.

Let us be thankful for...

– The difficulties in our lives, including difficult

people. They help us learn patience, a virtue. The virtues are needed at the time of our death to carry us from the darkness into the Light.

– Knowing all is perfect in our world.

– That love underlies all happenings.

– Realizing it's thankful people who are happy (not the other way around).

– Knowing there's something good in every day, we stay thankful.

– For the people (animals, plants, events in our lives).

They belong to us, choosing us this lifetime.

Beginning on Thanksgiving, let us list what we're grateful for. Then we continue the list. What we're thankful for increases in our lives. Together, let us give thanks *"For each new morning with its light, For rest and shelter of the night, For health and food, For love and friends, For everything Thy goodness sends."* (Emerson). I'm grateful to and for my readers.

Risa

**ARIES:** You're grateful for family, however they manifested in your life, no matter what they taught you. Over the months you find that a home and land are vitally important. You seek to belong, roots, a foundation that supports your needs, and a community calling you to serve. At home you find the need for more space, more room, more balance. For contentment.

**TAURUS:** You're grateful for your education and ability to communicate. You will see yourself increasing your already brilliant mind. As you learn you communicate to others, they learn, too. They are grateful. You understand the most complex realities and explain them in plain simple language. Deep down there's joy in teaching and sharing knowledge. For so long you didn't think you could.

**GEMINI:** You're grateful for the tangible things in your life, for your enthusiasm and your gift of feeling worthy, spontaneous, smart and talented. You're most grateful for your charm. An even greater sense of self-worth will reveal itself and this attracts abundance in surprising ways. New talents appear. You develop them with an eye to future earning power. Splurge a bit for a moment or two.

**CANCER:** You're grateful for your health, which is improving, getting better day-by-day. You're grateful for the increasing vitality and for being able to face health challenges with preparation, knowledge and poise. Even when challenges persist you feel joy and gratitude in your home life, with those who love and care for you, and for a

sense of stability and balance increasing daily. Something new is coming to your home.

**LEO:** Something educational is offered, a new learning that increases your skills and sense of self as important, loved and valuable. It's good to

be out and about in the neighborhood, like

Mr. Rogers would be. He was always grateful. You have the ability to express yourself with more joy and enthusiasm and to understand more things outside yourself. This allows you to have more ease when socializing. Less dramatic and more creative.

The golden crown is always on your head.

**VIRGO:** Are you remembering someone from the past, a lover perhaps, a close friend, an intimate? Is there something occurring in the present reminding you of long ago? For which you're grateful? Something, someone previous helped create your value system. You have remained within this system. It's time now to expand beyond it. It is not your system. It is another's. You have within you your very own sense of livingness, talents, earning power. These increase in the coming months. You're grateful.

**LIBRA:** Life feels more balanced. For this balance, the key to Libra's life, you're grateful. This balance releases pent up energies allowing you to be

more physical, more determined and decisive. You consider events in your life in terms of fairness. Know you're the fairest of them all. You're grateful to feel optimism, joy at times, and cheerfulness. A generosity begins.

You realize giving creates freedom. You're grateful.

So you give more.

**SCORPIO:**

Everything is behind the scenes, more so than usual. You retreat once more into a state of privacy. You're grateful for this opportunity. While there you realize how protected and insulated

you are, how this allows you to

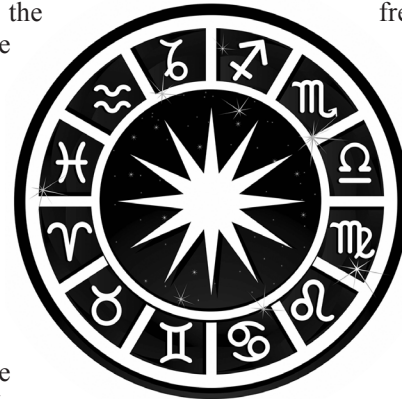
develop more compassion which wipes away fears, betrayals and sadnesses, guilt at times, and loss. These are Scorpio feelings. Dreams are prevalent. And visions. Love, too. Are you loving someone quietly and privately?

**SAGITTARIUS:** You're thankful for all experiences in your life – good, bad, indifferent. Sometimes you're bursting and satiated with those experiences. They stop you in your tracks. You realize you must begin to assess, eliminate, take control of the reins. You realize you're both rider and the steed you're riding as well. You're grateful for the myriad goals presented. You see those goals, reach those goals, then see more. You're a point of Light, deep, focused, one-pointed. You're the rider on the horse. A Knight of the Roundtable.

**CAPRICORN:** You're grateful for the shoes you wear. They take you up to the mountaintop to see the rising Sun. At times you're the scapegoat, then unicorn. All that you do fertilizes the minds of others on the path. Sometimes you're in the wilderness. You like the wilderness. The mysteries reside there. You're able to work in the earth and on the mountaintop. For this you're grateful. These words are metaphors, meaning you're sure-footed, emotionally balanced, a lover of life. You understand these things.

**AQUARIUS:** You're the Light that shines on Earth, across the Sea. You shine for others when they cannot see. You purify the fields till the dark is gone. Know this. Then your light shines brighter. You love to serve and be all things to humanity. You're grateful when you serve. It brings your essence forth. Your love can often be impersonal. This means it has its own strength. It's pure and potent because it comes from Jupiter, the heart of Aquarius.

**PISCES:** You are one of the artists of the zodiac. Imaginative thoughts, filled with dreams and visions, creativity is the special gift of Pisces. However, some are not aware of this yet. Circumstances will be such that a certain detachment, renunciation and a turning away (the Law of Repulse, a Law of the Soul) will occur. Eventually, for these you are grateful, leading you to a greater state of liberation and freedom. You need rest and fun and a bit of romance. Visualize these each day. Magic happens.



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# DROPPING A Line

by Robert Johnson

**J**ake Sharp with a nice 22-lb. striper caught last week on Beaver Lake before this cold front came in. We have been waiting on the water temp to get below 58°, and I believe we are there now.

Stripers are hitting top now with most bait and gulls hanging around the Prairie Creek area. This will be their holding area for most of the winter because it is the last of the deep water before going up river. Put in at Prairie Creek or Hwy. 12 bridge. Look in Prairie, Avoca, Goose Creeks, around the Islands and Beaver Shores just south of the bridge. Beaver Shores is a nice long flat on your right.

Look for gulls feeding, too, which is something we do not have in the warmer months because our bait goes deep. This is the time of year for multiple hookups if you get into a big school hitting the top. Buying brood shiners will work well in cooler months as the fish are hitting smaller bait. We're dragging 6-inch shad and 4-inch shiners with no weight to 1/2 oz. weights on 9 rods. Can you imagine the

excitement coming through a school with a guy up front throwing a big redbfin and hooking up, then as going for the net the bait rods start going down? We had seven go down one December with three of us on boat. Got five in. Total weight over 120 lbs. That's a memory.

If you want to fish for the few that stay on this end, I suggest putting in at the dam and looking in the creek mouths and at the flats from the dam to Point 5. Keep your eyes open for the birds here, too.

Here at Holiday Island the water is colder, close to 48°. Crappie and walleye like it cool, as do stripers. For crappie, look in the creek arms in sunken brush and treetops 8 – 12 ft. deep. The walleye like the flats from Holiday Island to Cow's Creek up past Beavertown 12 – 20 ft. deep. We've even caught trout trolling these waters in the cooler months, along with spotted bass.

Well, that's it for now. If you get a sunny day go fishing, you might be surprised. Be prepared because fish fight harder in cold water. Be safe and dress warm.



**MAIL** continued from page 12

other side of the flag doesn't mean the back, by Trella Laughlin, unlike Fox News, was refreshingly fair and balanced. God bless the USA.

*Chris Flanagan*

## Guns not for everybody

Editor,

In response to "A Novice Buys A Shotgun" 11/20/13, I think the article was written to be positive about firearm ownership but I would like to point out a few things.

First off, there is not a government registration card when buying a firearm. There is a federal background check. No one asks you, "How many rounds do you expect to fire in the next year?" I'll also have to argue the statement, "It is a fact guns in a home more often kill or injure a family member than an intruder." Please provide who did this study, was it a non-biased group or an anti firearm group? Statistics vary depending on who did the study. Firearm education such as the NRA Eddie Eagle Program is the best method to keep children safe when there are firearms in the home.

In Arkansas you do not have to determine an intruder's intentions for breaking into your home, e.g., to steal your TV. Bottom line is if you feel your life is in danger then you are authorized to use deadly force. Don't buy a firearm for home defense if you are not prepared to take someone's life.

If you hesitate in a deadly situation then you become a victim.

I completely agree that a novice needs to find a tutor to teach them about firearms. A novice should practice until they are proficient with their weapon. Firearms, and the responsibility of owning them, is not for everyone. If you are uncomfortable around them then you should not buy one for home defense.

*Keith Youngblood*

## Oh, those big feet

Editor,

There is an unofficial slogan for Eureka Springs, which is known by locals as "the town where the misfits fit."

Well, here's what I have to say about that. We are all misfits. It's just lucky that some of us found a place in Arkansas that said, "Come on in."

Thanksgiving is upon us and now is the time to be thankful, forgive, and start anew.

With that in mind, I would like to mention the new businesses in town, and wish them success in the coming year. We have lost a few shops, but not as many as in recent years, so as a community, let's get out and support the new eateries, etc.

And, if a business owner has offended, give them another chance to repair their misstep, because we have all stumbled over our big feet from time to time.

*Enid B. Swartz*

## HMC a big hit

Editor,

We shout out a huge thank you to all those who attended the Heartland Men's Chorus Concert at The Auditorium Saturday evening to benefit Ozarks AIDS Resources & Services. It was a remarkable success, and we know everyone there had a wonderful time and heard a superb concert.

Congratulations to Becky Halper who won the raffle of \$1,000 plus twenty-two \$25 gift certificates to some of our local businesses. Thanks to those businesses, and all the other businesses and individuals who support OARS, who donated hard-earned dollars (donations received by Dec. 15 will be matched dollar-for-dollar), the OARS volunteers who helped at the concert, and to Sarai and Ron who had all the details at The Aud humming along. We could not have done it without all of you.

Special thanks to the members of the Heartland Men's Chorus, executive director Rick Fisher, artistic director Dr. Joseph Nadeau, and concert manager Oliver Schwab. The chorus is so generous in their support of OARS and the work we do – they pay their own transportation, lodging at the Inn of the Ozarks, and almost all their meals. They do not charge OARS a fee for the concert.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, and the many people serviced by Ozarks AIDS Resources & Services, we express our sincere gratitude to everyone involved with our fundraiser on Saturday evening.

*Carole Sturgis*

## And thank you, Sue Glave

Editor,

Thank you, people of Eureka Springs, for making our Vet Weekend and Parade a success, and special thanks to the Vets at American Legion Post 9 and Commander Jack Baker for all their hard work.

Tracey Lovett for setting up and serving the food, Margie McGehee for collecting food donations from area merchants. KJ and Caribé, Pine Mountain Village and Mike Bishop, the Pied Piper, Jack's Place, and Bruce Levine for giving us places to hold events.

To Lezlie Foley for her hard work on the VetArt Show, and Jay Vrecenak for her dedication and hard work on the silent auction. Thanks Amanda Breyer-Dotson for the kids carnival! And to the ladies who helped line the parade up and kept me from going insane – Deborah Haven, Tammy Baker and Mickey Schneider.

Thanks also to Katherine Zeller and Amy Jane Ward from Cafe Amore, and Andy at ND's Pagoda Box for donating dinners to our contest winners. Special thanks to Michelle McDonald for dressing our special characters!

We will be back next year, bigger and better than ever.

Most of all, I would like to thank all the Vets! Without you we would not have the freedom to do this!

*Sue Glave*



Dear Ma,

If this well meaning but ill conceived idea of decorating town with American flags on every utility poll reaches fruition, I have an idea for how those opposed to Eureka Springs appearing as an ultra-nationalist enclave can effectively protest, while showing patriotism.

Everyone who believes our flag is dishonored when used as a decorative object could show proper respect whenever they see a flag-enhanced utility pole by stopping their vehicle, getting out, placing hand over heart and reciting the Pledge before driving off. Done on a continuous basis, these salutes would bring traffic to a standstill, frustrate drivers and police, and hopefully cause the concept to be reconsidered.

Ma, I get creeped-out driving the flag-lined highway through Siloam Springs and amuse myself counting through Pea Ridge's flag, candy cane, flag, Santa stocking, flag, candy cane, flag... display. Would hate to have that same creepy feeling in my hometown.

**I Pledge**

Dear Pledge,

Ma enjoys clever and original civil disobedience ideas. You would certainly garner attention, though you'd also garner obstructing traffic tickets. But that's what civil disobedience is all about.

Happily, the idea is already being reconsidered and the mayor is now proposing the display only for holidays – though which holidays, how long they will remain up, who

will be responsible for raising and lowering, how much all that labor will cost, and who will pay for it remain questions unanswered.

In any event, Ma believes city code prevents flags (considered signs by code) from being hung on utility poles. Short of city council action waiving this flag-waving prohibition, Ma believes even temporary displays would violate local law.

**Ma**

Dear Ma,

Letters to the editor are my favorite part of a newspaper, a forum where ideas are exchanged and voiced. But often, instead of a forum, the column is filled with interminable thank you letters. Seems like a waste of ink and pages, and a lazy way to fulfill thank you obligations. People should be personally thanked via letters, a call or personal email. There's no need to publicly exalt do-gooders, and being acknowledged in print should never be a reason for giving.

**Thankful on Thanksgiving**

Dear Thankful,

Ma agrees that thanks should be given personally, and letters to the editor pages are inappropriate for giving thanks. Perhaps editors could create small giving thanks sections, with thank-yous limited to 20 or 30 words.

Ma's hint to writing thanks – conserve word by omitting that redundant phrase: "I would like to take this opportunity to..."

**Ma**

## QUORUM COURT continued from page 4

retiring in a year, why not move the duties over to the assessor's office over a period of time? "I don't want to see it dumped."

JP Lamont Richie was concerned this move might mean dipping into reserves, which he deemed "unacceptable."

Harris pointed out her office gets funding from the state for collecting tax money. She could absorb Bawcom's position as a temporary full-time position and most of the costs would not be a burden to the general budget.

Deputy prosecutor Devon Goodman said she did not see any legal obstructions to Harris's plan.

Not everyone was convinced the hand-off would be a cinch or even successful, but JP John Reeve moved to pass the proposed budget as long as the court followed up on Harris' suggestion.

Vote on Reeve's motion was 8–1, Riggs voting No.

## Other matters

- The court approved the second reading of an ordinance increasing the number of commissioners on the Western Carroll County Ambulance District from three to five.

- The first readings of two ordinances approved annually also met with approval. One was the ordinance levying county, municipal and school tax millage for 2013. The other was the 1 mill voluntary contribution millage in support of the Berryville Cemetery.

- Also, monies received from the Army Corps of Engineers to pay for deputies for extra patrol of Beaver Dam were moved to the appropriate line item, as were funds received from Arkansas State Police also funding extra patrols by deputies.

- In addition, the court approved the appropriate allocation of a general improvement fund grant to pay for diving equipment.

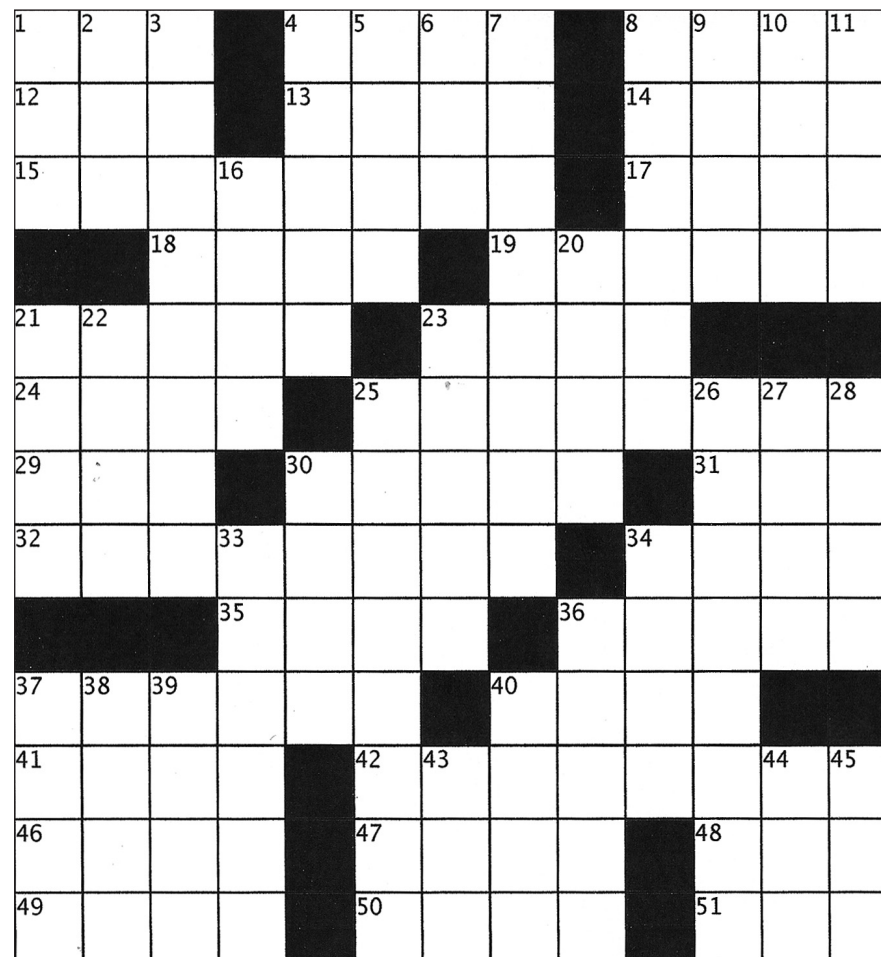
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# INDEPENDENT Crossword

by Wayne Levering

Solution on page 31



## ACROSS

- Decay
- Look over
- Bloke
- Oscillate
- Motion picture (*Brit.*)
- Speed competition
- Pungent
- Long winged sea eagle
- Gaseous
- Norwegian sea monster
- Steep slope
- Gambling machine
- Taxicab
- Tranquil
- To get with difficulty
- Shed
- Raw metal
- Devote
- Foreshadow
- Light browns
- Embryo

- Commercial food equipment manufacturer
- Exam type
- Ancient Greek coin
- Tree surgeon
- Scope opening?
- In a while
- Choice word
- Harmony
- Earned reward (*Archaic*)
- Gal's pal

## DOWN

- Scandinavian hand-woven rug
- Stick in the water
- Like Janus
- Rapscallion
- Kind of slicker
- American black cuckoo
- Jewelry item
- Build
- Listen
- Pimples
- Round end of hammer
- Gloom
- Be way cool
- Shack
- Kind of walk
- Stadium chairs
- Ghost
- Trivial and irritating
- Language of Pakistan
- Dregs
- Deface
- Type of type
- Boo-Boo, Pooh or Yogi
- Palm branch
- Beer essential
- Mind
- Kind of loser
- Dual-reed woodwind
- Fish eggs
- French coin
- Attempt



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On Wednesday, Dec. 4, **DIANNA SNOW EAGLE HENRY** will have an opening to share her new **Wisdom Cards** with all of us in Eureka Springs. There are 89 hand drawn cards in the newly created **Wisdom Deck**, and they will be available for purchase for individual use as well as for Christmas gifts. There will be a potluck dinner with items made with corn. Dianna will be at Flora Roja Community Accupuncture Center at 119 Wall Street, downstairs, from 6:30–8:30. Please come and join us there. Please contact Jasmine Stanley at (479) 253-7729 or Dianna at (479) 253-5621 for further information or questions.

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Community Sunday suppers  
resume Dec. 1

St. James' Episcopal Church will host community Sunday Night Suppers beginning Sunday, Dec. 1, from 5 - 6:30 p.m. at St. James' Church, 28 Prospect. The suppers for the community are provided at no charge, and are especially offered to those who are out of work.  
Area restaurants are again providing food for many of the suppers,

including: Chelsea's Pizza, 1886 Steakhouse at The Crescent Hotel, Ermilio's, Grand Taverne, Myrtie Mae's, Local Flavor, New Delhi, Pizza Hut, Rowdy Beaver and Squid & Whale. Donations also include food from Hart's Grocery and coffee from Fresh BeanZ.  
The suppers will continue through the end of March.

HAPPY HOGS continued from page 7  
where they have developed five Mason Creek Farm sausage labels.  
"Alewel's Country Meat does an excellent smoked product," she said. "They win a lot of awards. We are satisfied with the job they do."

Mason Creek Farm started out as a 50-member Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) vegetable farm. In 2008, they got pigs and started selling half hogs to their CSA members. Two springs ago they had a flash flood triggered by heavy rain combined with logging and herbicide use upstream that wiped out the hoop greenhouses where they were growing vegetables. The pigs floated away in the flood, but came back home afterwards. See, they are smart.

This is the second year for Mason Creek Farm to sell at the Eureka Springs Farmers' Market. The first year they came every Thursday, but found it worked out better for them to come every other week.  
"That has worked out for us," Canold said. "Twice as many people come half as often."  
There has been a lot of controversy recently about a 6,500-head hog factory

in the Buffalo River Watershed. Those hogs are crowded indoors, and never get to furrow in the mud, or feel the sunlight on their backs.  
"There is no comparison to our operation, really," Canold said. "We feel like we give our pigs the absolute best life we can. At times when I am having a stressful day, I think their life is better than mine. They are able to run around and express themselves. They are fed and watered twice a day. They are kept in family units. They live a good life. I feel really good about what we do."  
A local family that has a grass-fed beef operation tried to buy Mason Creek Farm recently, but the deal didn't work out.  
"The ranch manager was a cow guy and couldn't get his mind around how pigs are different than cattle," Canold said. "We didn't feel they could continue on and take it forward. We have a couple of products we are ready to take out on a national level. We are looking for someone with deeper pockets to be better able to finance that."  
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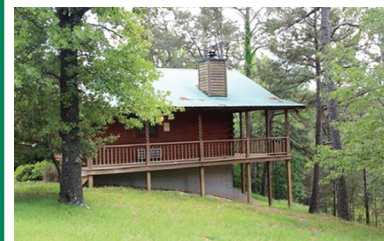


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