

This week's Independent thinker

There's a Pubic Information Officer who works for the National Park Service between Pennsylvania and New Jersey, and we'd never heard of her. Until last week.

River Road leads to the Delaware Water Gap, which is full of cold-blooded squash spotted salamanders, tree frogs and spring peepers that



have been in the forest all winter. This spring's early warm temperatures have stirred their urge to get together, meaning roads are full of croakers wanting to find a best pal.

Kathleen Sandt did something people in the Ozarks probably think about doing. She shut down an entire road (again) so the night creatures wouldn't get killed. That qualifies as a random act of kindness.

So if you're going to the Poconos in the middle of the night any time soon, the road is closed and the feeling is higher than a tree full of frogs.

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We certainly have talent – The Auditorium had a full house on Sunday afternoon for the We've Got Talent concert. Attendees got to enjoy excellent adult and youth performers who are active in the NW Arkansas music community. Pictured is the Arkansas Philharmonic Youth Chamber Orchestra after playing *Eine Kleine Nachtmusik* composed by W.A. Mozart. The We've Got Talent concert is a fundraiser by The Carroll County Music Group to help provide scholarship assistance for young musicians to further their music education. *Photo By Jeremial Alvarabo*

Legislative hearing on local control of fluoridation next week

BECKY GILLETTE

Sen. Bryan King (R–Green Forest) said Senate Bill 299 that would allow decisions about fluoridation of public water supplies to be determined locally will come up before the Arkansas Senate City County Local Committee at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 14.

The bill filed by King is titled: "An Act To Amend the Law Concerning Water Districts; To Allow Voters to Elect 'For' and 'Against' Water Fluoridation." The bill has to pass out of committee to be considered by the entire Senate. If it passes the Senate, it is expected to have a good chance in the House, which approved a bill allowing local control of fluoridation two years ago.

Residents of Eureka Springs resisted fluoridation for more than 30 years, with the city twice voting to ban it from the municipal water supply. Fluoridation at Carroll Boone Water District, which supplies Eureka Springs, Berryville and Harrison, began in July 2015 as a result of a mandate by the legislature that all public water systems with more than 5,000 customers fluoridate drinking water.

Jeannie Burlsworth, chair of Secure Arkansas, said fluoridation opponents lobbied on this issue in Little

Rock Monday. Those included Andy Anderson, chair of the Ozarks Mountain Regional Water Authority, one of two districts in the state that have refused to fluoridate. Both are being sued by the state. Ozark Mountain Public Regional Water Authority serves parts of Boone, Newton, Searcy and Marion counties.

Anderson said their board voted unanimously against fluoridation and contends it doesn't fall under the mandate because it's a wholesale supplier of water that has just 18 customers, all with fewer than 5,000 users. Anderson said several customers have said if fluoride is added to the water, they won't pay the bill or will go to well water. "Everyone here is opposed to it," he said.

"Many communities around the state of Arkansas have voted fluoridation down more than once," Burlsworth said. "This is a matter of local control. Water consumers have the right to decide whether they want fluoridation or not. There is a lot of recent research that calls into the question the wisdom of adding fluoridation chemicals to our drinking water."

Missouri allows local control of fluoridation.

Burlsworth said a number of communities in Missouri

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Veterans' support from A Cup of Love Ministry

A Cup of Love Ministry, 4032 E. Van Buren will hosts a Veterans' Support Group on Tuesdays from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

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have opted out because of problems with fluoridation chemicals corroding water pipes.

"If these chemicals corrode water pipes, do we really want to drink them?" she asked.

Natalie Mannering, a member of Carroll-Boone Citizens for Safe Drinking Water, said fluoridation in Arkansas is a particularly inflammatory topic because the natural springs that flow so generously in this state have been famous for generations due to their purity and healing properties.

"In the past, the tourist industry, which is very important in the Natural State, was in large part due to the reputation of our water, and in some measure still is," Mannering said. "Adding toxins to our water is not only injurious to the tourist industry, but is also, of course, very injurious to Arkansans who have to drink and bathe in the water every day. Especially the elderly and young children."

Mannering said there is a large

Community Center HAPPENINGS

On Saturday, March 11 at 2 p.m. join the ZUMBA fundraiser for the Community Center at the sight of the new Community Center. Cost to enter is \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door. Visit on Facebook or go to eurekaspringscommunitycenter.org.

population of Hispanics in Arkansas, and statistics show they are even more vulnerable to fluoridation toxicity than other segments of the population.

"Arkansans, like all Americans, are suffering from soaring rates of cancer and thyroid disease to name just two, both being linked to exposure to toxins typically found in fluoridated water - mercury, arsenic and aluminum," Mannering said. "The fact that Arkansas is not a wealthy state makes the economic burden of health care and loss of productivity even greater."

Mannering said anyone interested in

carpooling to the meeting in Little Rock Tuesday could call (479) 253-1275.

Supporters of fluoridation insist it is a safe, inexpensive way to help protect children from cavities, which is particularly important for low-income children without access to dental care. Opponents point to studies indicating fluoride causes brain damage leading to lower IQs in children, dental fluorosis, and is linked to thyroid and other health problems.

Sen. Alan Clark, who is chair of the committee, has said he is in favor of local control.

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Bible studies at A Cup of Love Ministry

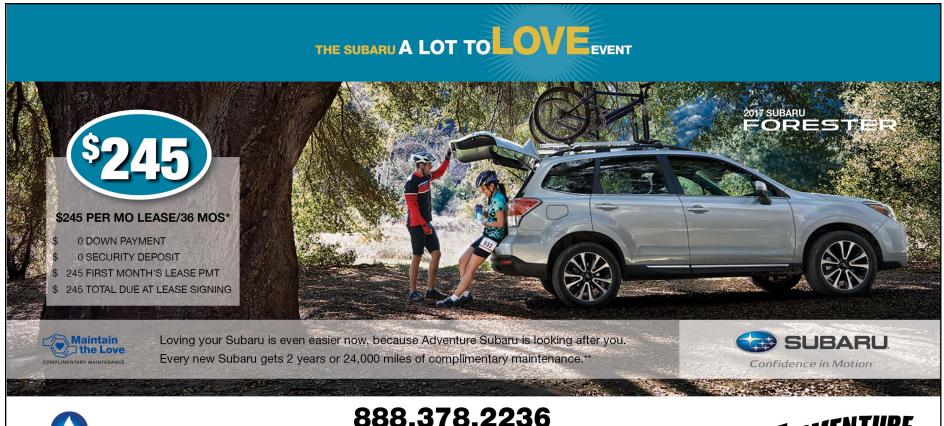
A Cup of Love Ministry will have Charlie Burks presenting the Journey to Wholeness on Mondays at 6 p.m. A Cup of Love Ministry is located at 4032 E. Van Buren. Call (479) 363-4529 for more information.

Democratic Party meeting postponed

The Democratic Party of Carroll County meeting that was scheduled for March 10 at the Berryville Community Center has been postponed while the State Committee reviews events from the Feb. 25 meeting. For questions or future meeting alerts contact Jillian Guthrie at jgdolphin@ cox.net or call at (479) 244-5181.

Sunday at EUUF

Rabbi Rob Lennick will return to Eureka Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 17 Elk Street on March 12 at 11 a.m. Childcare is provided and there is extra parking at Ermilio's Restaurant, 26 White Street.





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Planning dispels a wild rumor

NICKY BOYETTE

A surprisingly large group of citizens showed up for the Feb. 28 Planning Commission meeting, and six of them used the Public Comments forum to express concerns over what they understood was the city's decision to impose territorial jurisdiction over areas outside the city limits. The well-prepared speakers said exercising territorial jurisdiction is the first step toward annexation, and how could the city consider expanding when it has difficulty maintaining its current responsibilities.? All six presented practical and legal

After the sixth speaker finished, commissioner Woodie Acord stated, "I don't know where this came from other than a few comments by [commissioner] Jimmy Morris. That was all that was said about this, and I want to apologize to all you fine folks who have come here, taking your time to do this, and, believe me, this was never the intention of the Planning Commission.'

Morris added, "I'm the one who made the comments, and I'm sitting here in the dark wondering what this is about." He said he had in the past referred to zoning issues the commission would consider as it develops the Master Plan for the city.

"I think somebody riled up somebody," Morris commented, and stated Planning has no intention of imposing territorial jurisdiction as the speakers had contended. His concerns were about, for example, preventing a skeet shooting range from going in next to a church. He only wanted to protect the boundaries of the city, but not by annexing.

Chair Melissa Greene thanked the crowd for having such interest and apologized for the misunderstanding, and the crowd went home.

Now what?

The first item on the agenda was an application for a Conditional Use Permit for a sixth unit of tourist lodging at 12 Lookout Circle. This item and an accompanying application for a CUP for a wedding establishment at the same address had been debated at length and eventually deferred at the Jan. 10 meeting. Commissioners conducted a workshop on issues related to the two applications, however, when Greene brought it up, no one was present to represent the application.

Commissioner Doug Breitling moved to table the application until the next meeting, and commissioner Susan Harman commented Planning needed to know what the applicants intended to do. Greene's opinion was that the applicants would have to reapply which they could not do until the moratorium on new CUPs is lifted at the end of June

Breitling said that was not the intention of his motion, and Morris proclaimed, "It is a dead issue. They're not here."

Breitling modified his motion to table until the commission gets more information, but Morris insisted it was a dead issue, although the applicants could reapply.

Harman pointed out the applicants might be sitting on the side of the road with a flat tire. She also inquired if adequate notice was given of the meeting and if the applicants knew they had to attend. Acord also wanted to make sure proper notice was given.

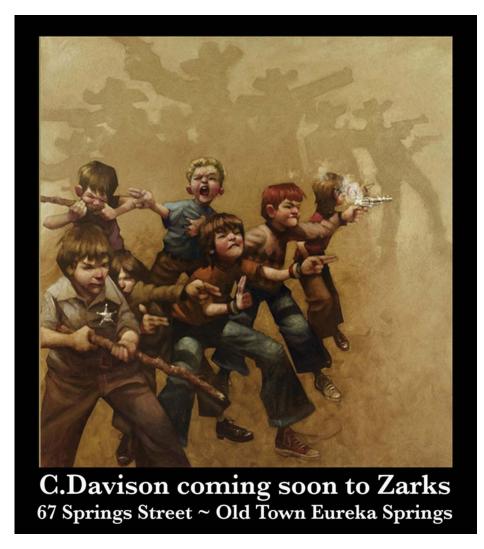
Eventually Morris moved to dismiss the application since no one was present, unless there were a compelling reason for their absence. Otherwise the application dies on the table. Vote to approve his motion was 6-0.

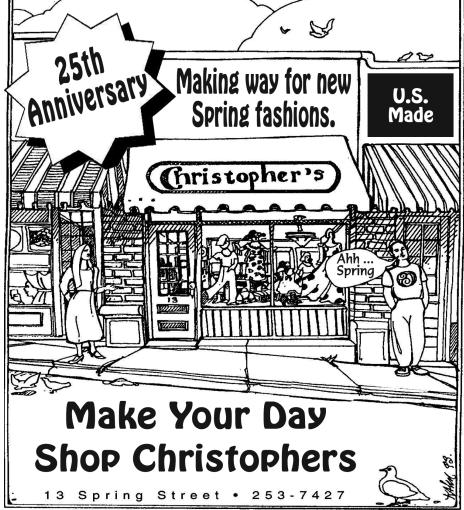
Next meeting will be Tuesday, March 14, at 6 p.m.

Yards of art look smart

The Eureka Springs Gallery Association is sponsoring a Yard Art Contest during this year's May Festival of the Arts. Art will be displayed in the Historic District. Deadline for entries is April 1 and art is to be installed by May 1.

For more information and entry forms contact Fran Carlin at carlin.fran@gmail.com or (479) 244-5981.





Complaints or suggestions?

NICKY BOYETTE

Planning commissioner Susan Harman reiterated her contention that Planning needs a complaint process because commissioners have been on the spot to make decisions without adequate information. At the Feb. 28 meeting, she said complaints would come to city hall and City Economic Development Director Glenna Booth could prioritize them and determine

what action should follow.

Commissioner Woodie Acord stated all complaints should be treated the same and someone should follow up on every one. Commissioner James Morris again promoted his concept of an anonymous form which requests that a situation be investigated. He said this would not be a formal complaint. If the situation warranted, then a formal complaint could be filed.

Acord responded there should be only one form, and it should have a name on it. "I'm not in favor of innuendo," he observed. "A person who doesn't want to get involved can call one of us."

Commissioner Ann Sallee agreed with Harman it would make their jobs easier if there were a paper trail regarding complaints. She said she would incorporate their suggestions onto the proposed complaint form.

Making cash of your clutter

The springs Yards & Yards of Yard Sales will be on Friday, April 28 and Saturday, April 29 from 7 a.m. – 3 p.m. Now is the time to clean up your clutter and you can make the most of your efforts by signing up and getting your name on the official YYYS map that is distributed throughout the town on the weekend.

Stop at the Eureka Springs Chamber of Commerce at Pine Mountain Village and pay \$15 to mark your spot on the map and get your YYYS permit sign. The signup deadline to ensure your space on the map is noon on Wednesday, April 19. For more information call (479) 253-8737 or email Jessica@eurekaspringschamber.



Auxiliary Luncheon at end of March

The Holiday Island Fire Department Auxiliary will hold their luncheon and business meeting at noon on Tuesday, March 28 at the Clubhouse Ballroom in Holiday Island. Doors open for 11:30 a.m. for social visiting and noon for lunch. The cost is \$8 and \$12 for dues. Reservations must be made by Friday, March 24. Call Drenda Higdon at (479) 363-8125.

Dine Arounds are back!

The Eureka Springs Community Center Dine Arounds are back beginning on March 15 at Forest Hill Restaurant from 5 – 9 p.m. Dine Arounds are fundraisers for the ES Community Center and will occur on the third Wednesday of each month through December. Visit on Facebook and at eurekaspringscommunitycenter.org.

On dispensaries NICKY BOYETTE Planning Commissioners continued to

Unclear Code

Planning Commissioners continued to work on refining definitions in City Code at the Feb. 28 meeting, which they have noticed were ambiguous of otherwise in need to attention. Topics of interest included CUP revocation, tourist lodging five-unit limit, wedding establishments, event venues and temporary open-air enterprises, and zones for marijuana dispensary or growing facility.

Concerns that surfaced were how to control the number of people at a site and the number of people staying in a tourist lodging.

Commissioner Susan Harman did research on zones for a medical marijuana dispensary or a growing facility, and argued that it would be in their best interest to get homework in order to be ahead of the curve. Commissioner Woodie Acord said there were many unknowns regarding the future of medical marijuana in Arkansas, and their research might be for naught. He suggested they wait until city council asks them to pursue this issue. Commissioners agreed to drop it from their homework list but concurred they would continue working on the other definitions.

Indivisible meeting March 13

Eureka Springs Indivisible will meet at Sparky's on Monday, March 13 at 6 p.m. For more information about the group go to Indivisible Eureka Springs Share Community on Facebook.



There are no wheelchair accessible public restrooms in downtown Eureka Springs.

Paid announcement

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HDC approves Healing Garden at hospital

NICKY BOYETTE

At its March 1 meeting, the Historic District Commission approved a plan by Eureka Springs Hospital staff to create a Healing Garden in an unused area on the north side of the building. Melita Stubblefield represented the application, and explained the plan is to construct a deck that will cover a set of difficult steps and an inclined walkway. The deck will overlook a fountain to be refurbished and made usable, raised beds that will be planted with flowers, and a picnic table where patients can sit with friends and even their pets.

The application was unanimously approved.

These applications were also approved:

- 60 Mountain new paint colors; replace upper front deck railing and flooring
- 298 N. Main revise previously approved application: different door; different window placement; change wall line angle; new deck, change railings

These items on the Consent Agenda were also approved:

- 1 Center new paint colors; relocate sign
- 8 Washington –repave driveways, same material, widen one
- 101 N. Main pave part of parking lot
- 1 Center move signs
- 24 White add trim color

The Consent Agenda items are Level I applications that the City Preservation Officer believes to be in accordance with the Design Guidelines.

Chair Virgil Fowler presented these Administrative Approvals, applications for repair and work involving no changes in materials or color but include changes in roofing color:

- 29 Elk repaint
- 3 Kimberling Alley repair damaged storage room
- 23 Hale re-roof
- 75 Lookout repaint
- 12 ½ S Main repaint existing sign
- 14 Elk replace rotten rear deck

Fowler mentioned these proposed changes in the commission's guidelines and procedures:

• Demolition of any original feature of a historic building must be avoided unless there is a public health and safety hazard as certified by the building official;



• Demolition of a building within the historic district should not occur unless public safety requires removal of the structure, economic hardship of not getting a reasonable return on or

having reasonable use of the building, and if no other alternatives are deemed

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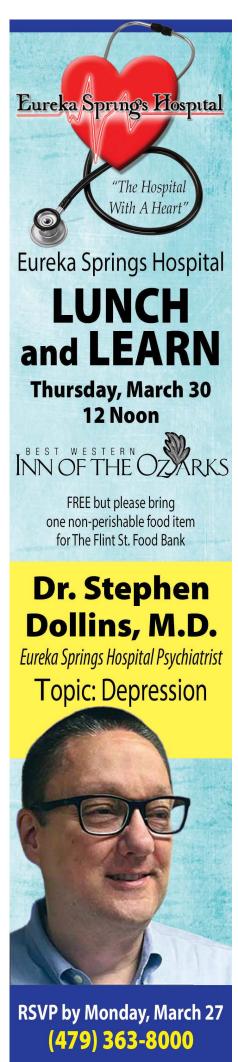
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Parks aflutter for 2017 season

NICKY BOYETTE

Tasks for Parks employees are filled with variety, including uncovering rock walls at Basin and Harmon Parks and, with assistance of volunteers from CC Riders, expanding the trail system at Black Bass Lake. Executive Director Justin Huss commented at the March 2 meeting his staff has uncovered new trail areas near Black Bass Lake, which will make that a standalone destination.

He also told commissioners that new signage makes the old signs look even older, so more signage is in order.

Cabins and campsites at Lake Leatherwood City Park are being prepared for the tourist season, and there are now almost 50 parking spots at LLCP. Huss reported that the new reservation system at LLCP is in place and employees are learning

He then made special mention of the "generous donation" by A&M Roofing of a new roof for the marina. Denny Alexander and crew put in bracing and facia boards and generally "tightened things up." Huss then added that there would be trail closures at times because one hog trap is on the ground and another will arrive soon.

Regarding finances, Huss mentioned there were a few rentals at LLCP during the winter, but at this time one year ago the park was not even open. "Parks will continue to build on that, and I fully expect to see a record year," he said.

He did mention that the past month had been "very trying" because gardener Tom Beckendorf had a heart attack while on the job at Crescent Spring. Working with Beckendorf was Shannon Lively, trained in CPR, who performed life-saving measures and called 911. Huss said this was an example of why all Parks staff take CPR classes annually.

Being down a staff member meant shifting duties among the rest of the staff. As a consequence, Huss stated regarding Parks' responsibilities, "We're gonna do it right, just not right now."

State of the Springs

Jim Helwig gave the State of the Springs report, contending that for the city to begin removing contamination from springs, it must improve the sewer system. He lamented the fact that citizens voted down a tax for improving infrastructure last year, and said his committee intends to continue monitoring the springs and educating the public regarding importance of fixing the city's antiquated water and sewer systems.

Helwig highlighted examples of low impact development, in particular, strategies for slowing down storm water runoff to reduce flooding and contamination of springs, such as rain barrels and rain gardens.

Other items

· Commissioners voted to maintain the same slate of officers for 2017: chair -Bill Featherstone; vice-chair – Ruth Hager; secretary - Fergie Stewart; treasurer - Jay Fitzsimmons

- · Huss was authorized to work with artists to ensure large mobiles planned for Basin Park during the May Festival of the Arts will be safe and appropriately located.
- Commissioners voted in concurrence with Huss' suggestion that \$2000 of a tax issue line item be diverted to the special events line item and \$1500 from the same source go toward travel, conferences and education of staff. Huss said they would still have \$7500 in reserve to file for an election to continue the 1/8-cent tax for projects in the LLCP Master Plan.

Next workshop will be Tuesday, March 14, at 6 p.m., at Harmon Park, and the next regular meeting is Tuesday, March 28, at 6

Please don't pick the flowers. Or smoke.

NICKY BOYETTE

Commissioner Steven Foster encouraged Parks' commissioners to develop interpretive signage at Lake Leatherwood City Park to educate the public regarding park rules. He recounted seeing someone finishing a hike carrying a bunch of indigenous delphiniums she had picked along the way. The flowers began to wilt by the time she got to her vehicle, so she tossed them on the ground.

Foster said there are plants in LLCP found hardly anywhere else in Arkansas. He also pointed out there are invasive flora species, even in the lake, which they must plan for.

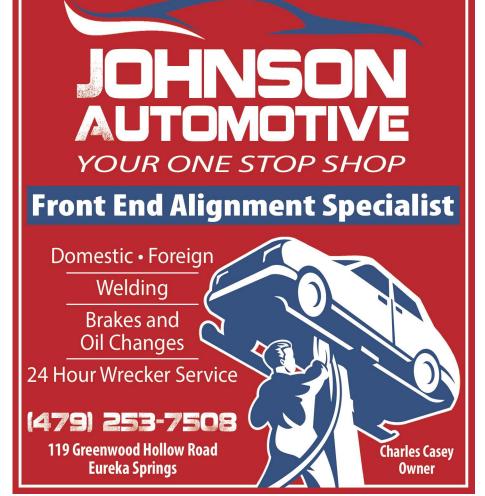
Chair Bill Featherstone said they had

asked for more visitors, and now they must deal with the consequences. Commissioners agreed to push forward educating the public to "take only photos, leave only footprints."

Featherstone mentioned city council would be holding a workshop regarding ordinances that would ban smoking in city parks, and encouraged anyone with an opinion to speak up. He cited an article in the Feb. 23 Northwest Arkansas edition of the Democrat-Gazette about the City of Ft. Smith voting to ban smoking in its city parks, one of 1400 cities that have banned tobacco products in city parks. He said eliminating smoking from city parks would mean less litter and promote a healthier lifestyle.

Spreading the gospel

J.B. Hixson, PhD and president of Not by Works will be speaking at Faith Bible Church, Suite C, Parkcliff Drive in Holiday Island on Sunday, March 12 at 9:30 a.m. Not by Works Ministries is a Christian non-profit organization that focuses on evangelism, evangelism training, missions and discipleship. All are invited.



INDEPENDENTART

Stop and smell the flowers

Thirty local artists were invited to participate in the new group exhibit at Brews titled Flower Power. The show will run from March 16 - April 30 with an opening reception on Thursday, March 16 from 5 - 9 p.m. All are welcome.

Syncopation – Watermedia – 36" x 24"



INDEPENDENTNews

Movement to amend U.S. Constitution

BECKY GILLETTE

Jim Frederick, aka Gem, has long been involved in advocating for equal rights and social justice. After a U.S. president was elected who campaigned on a theme of hatred for immigrants and Muslims, Gem was very disheartened.

"After the election, this felt like very dark times," Gem said. "I was really struggling how to respond. I have been thrilled by the marches and demonstrations against the new administration. There have been huge turnouts for marches and protests. That and the large volume of people showing up at town hall meetings have really given me hope again. Early in the session when Republicans tried to get rid of the independent Office of Congressional Ethics, the media reported the huge volumes of phone calls objecting."

Gem and his husband, Brian Manire, decided after the election to up their game. They decided to write at least one handwritten letter per week to elected officials in addition to multiple emails and phone calls. And there has been satisfaction in seeing some efforts they called about, like eliminating the Office of Congressional ethics, bear fruit.

But Gem feels there is a need to do more than just respond to each political issue as it comes up. Instead of rushing around putting out fires, isn't it time to address who is starting those fires?

That is the idea behind the Move to Amend movement (www.movetoamend. org) that proposes a 28th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

"This new grassroots movement is proposing an amendment to the Constitution that clearly states that corporations do not have the same Constitutional rights as people, and money is not free speech,"

Frederick said. "These issues are at the heart of many other problems, movements and issues, whether the environment, healthcare, income disparities or immigrant rights. I found their approach to be extremely hopeful."

Gem recently made a presentation at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in Eureka Springs where he showed the film, Legalizing Democracy, and presented information from a congregational study action committee titled, "The Corruption of Our Democracy." Legalizing Democracy, a video available free on the Internet or at the Eureka Springs Carnegie Public Library, presents a summary of how U.S. Supreme Court rulings through the decades have led to unlimited campaign spending by wealthy special interests that have corrupted democracy leading to decisions that benefit the most wealthy people in the country while failing to provide for basic needs as livable wages and access to healthcare.

"One of the most empowering things the Legalizing Democracy video said is that if it weren't for special interests, we would all have healthcare in this country like every other industrialized country in the world," Gem said. "Our environment would be protected instead of continually challenged by corporations that want to put their profit ahead of the interests of the health of people. I think of this analogy that many corporations are like cancers and don't care if they kill the host."

Gem said the proposed amendment goes to the heart of the problem defining corporations as having the same rights of people and allowing corporations to spend unlimited amounts to influence elections under the guise of this being "free speech."

"No matter what the issue is, this is the root of the problem," Gem said. "So if you are working on workers' right, healthcare access, protecting the environment, social justice, income inequality or other issues, you need to take some time to go to the root of the problem and address the corruption of our government by money interests."

He suggests people watch the video. If you agree with it, go to the MovetoAmend. org website where you can sign a petition. Share it with others, and contact your members of Congress asking them to sponsor this bill. Work to have organizations you are involved with pass a resolution to amend the Constitution. Support and join this grassroots organization.

Gem said he knows it is an uphill battle because so few Republicans support the amendment.

"But this gave me hope that we will get at the heart of the problems with the corruption of our democracy," he said. "The title, Legalizing Democracy, is provocative from the standpoint that it first might come as a shock to people to think we don't already have legal democracy. These are times for radical actions, not to overthrow the government but to reform the system completely. We the people can do this. We have done it before, and we can do it again."

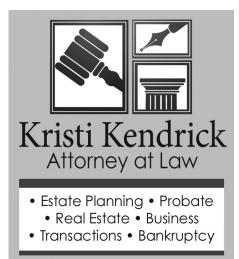
Move to Amend's Proposed 28th Amendment to the Constitution

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Metafizzies promote chanting, mantras

Rebekah Clark will lead the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society meeting in a session of Divine Singing and Sound Meditation on Monday, March 13. No vocal experience is necessary and chants and mantras from multiple traditions will be used. The gathering will begin at 7 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

Meditation and reading at Heart of Many Ways

The Eureka Springs Buddhist Study Group will gather for 30 minutes of meditation followed by reading and discussion on Thursday, March 9 at 4 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

Annual Opera Guild membership meeting March 12

The Eureka Springs Opera Guild invites the public to attend its annual membership meeting at 3 p.m. on March 12 in the Conservatory at the Crescent Hotel. The Guild supports Opera in the Ozarks at Inspiration Point through various activities that are part of the Opera's operation.

The annual meeting will include a brief meeting, reports from standing committee chairs and provide opportunities for members to sign-up for the various tasks. Emeritus General Director, Jim Swiggart, will provide a review of the season's three operas, Marriage of Figaro, Susannah, and Carmen and the meeting will conclude with a short vocal performance.

Guild membership is \$15 and forms will be available for those interested in joining. Refreshments will be served and the public is invited to attend. For more information contact Pamela M. Jones at (479) 253-7296.

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Apology demanded

Editor,

I am asking for an apology to me and all the rest of the citizens of Eureka Springs for the unpatriotic cartoon on page 9 of this week's paper. The insinuations of the cartoon could not be more un-American!!!!!

David Sallee

[Eds. Note: See Editorial p. 9]

Tin pot dictator

Editor,

We had 1000s of hours of investigation over Benghazi. We learned from those hearings that one of the causes of that tragedy was the Republican refusal to add security funding to the State Department. But, who has heard of Yakla?

Trump casually gave the green light for his first covert anti-terrorism operation in Yakla, Yemen over dinner. It was presented to him as something President Obama had refused on the grounds that it was too sketchy an operation. Of course, Trump bit that hook and the very next afternoon (5 p.m. Washington DC time) the Situation Room was packed with generals and advisors. Trump was not in the room; but instead was tweeting about an upcoming television appearance. Someone later deleted that tweet... perhaps they thought it was too gauche?

Chief Petty Officer William "Ryan" Owens was killed during that operation along with dozens of women and children. Their capture target was nowhere to be found and later he mocked the US on social media. Along with all the needless deaths, a \$75 million aircraft was lost.

Now Donald Trump blames the military, "They lost him." This man is not a President. He is a Tin Pot Dictator unwilling to take responsibility for his actions but claims credit for the work of

Are you AWOKE yet America? Sheri Hanson

Max Elbo remembered

Talented artist and dear friend, how much you will be missed! Oh, the first wave of us hippies in Eureka! Your art will be enjoyed so much up there. Restful sleep, dear friend. Love, respect, and peace...

Elaine Burks



WEEK'STopTweets

@jergal: A wise man once said... nothing, he only listened.

@jokeymcjokey: If your name is Ella and you haven't opened a seafood

restaurant called Salmonella's, what are you doing with your life? @mompsychologist: Family stickers on cars are the parent version of prison tattoos.

@Dutch 50: I'm at the age where I can't simply pick something up, I need to first knock it over and then pick it up. **@cruisinsnoosin:** Sometimes I shock myself with how smart I am and other times I try to start the microwave with my debit card PIN.

@Norsebysw: Somewhere on this windy pasture under this moon there's a barbed wire fence I left more of myself on than I realized.

@PFitzpa: My husband & I have a secret signal we use when it's time to leave a party. I pull an air horn out of my purse and blast it.

@cjwerleman: Can someone help me spell misogynistic? A man preferably.

@liv_thatsme: Well, I was in a huge hurry until you started driving 1 inch from my bumper. Now I've got all the time in the

@celebritychez: Went to Costco for paper towels and bought the Cleveland Browns and a helicopter.

@sondradeeme: I put my shoes on like everyone else. I beckon for my footman, Chauncey, and he does it straightaway. Your guy probably has a different name.

INDEPENDENTE ditorial

On our masthead, an unfurled American flag

e're all for printing opinions as long as they're not libelous. We're enchanted by producing a newspaper every week. We're blissed when people read what we have to say, whether they like us or accuse us. So...

We received an email last Friday that the reader agreed we could print as a letter to the editor if we apologized for a Wolftoon on March 1 that the reader found offensive. The cartoon showed Donald Trump trying to sell a lemon (oil leak, missing wheel, smoky exhaust) as a finely tuned car. The car was portrayed as Trump's cabinet.

You know, sometimes the pain of deciding which words and pictures we want in our newspaper is exquisite. Newspapers harness public debate, contribute to broad culture, mirror the community. They can kick and they can trip.

Newspapers were a huge political influence during the fracas, no, the war, to gain independence from England. In this country's earliest years of becoming a republic, those years working up to the American Revolution, newspapers sounded the siren for patriots. Patriots were the ones who were going up against the Mother England and insisting on a healthy, fair government. They were called uppity, delusional and misinformed, and they won our freedom.

Now, hundreds of years later, we're fighting that same battle. We have a president who said during his campaign, "This country is going to hell!" but refuses to release his income tax returns and said he doesn't pay taxes because he's smart.

Come on. How can he refuse to help support the country he's leading?

Being imperfect (whatever that is) ourselves, we explored our thinking.

We seem to define ourselves as rich or poor. Old or young. Interesting or dull. Liberal or conservative. Vegetarian or meat eater. Atheist or theist. And then we fight what we're not. So every crazy thing we identify as, polarizes us.

Americans who read, listen, and talk among themselves know we have a man in the White House who perceives anger and deception as normal. He's a man who has never paid his own way and still doesn't.

Yet there are millions of voters who

preferred him to the status quo. Voters were tired of crappy water coming out of taps, tired of wages not keeping pace with prices, tired of prison sentences for non-violent crimes, tired of Oklahoma earthquakes caused by fracking for oil, tired of the one percent. Voters weren't inspired, they were tired. And they ached to be heard.

Voters apparently thought this president would change their lives, and he has. But all we're doing is rearranging the same old furniture and stubbing our toes doing it.

We became, because of your letter, aware that Donald Trump is a reflection of us, or maybe our shadow. We realized that as long as we think of him as a master, we are slaves.

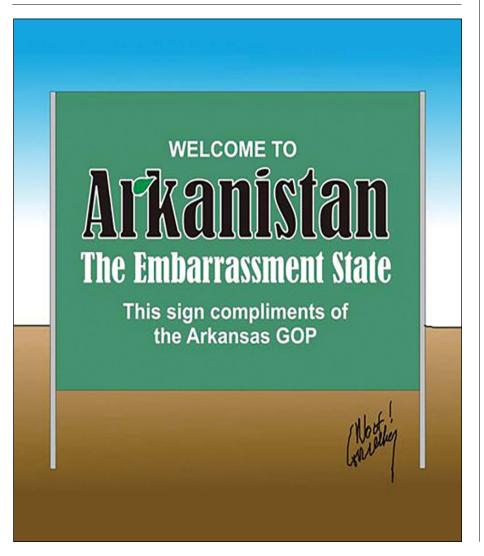
So we were left with what feels like a duty to point out snarkiness in those who upset us, including the president. We also understand the futility of that, as it only riles us even more. What's the alternative? Leave him alone to thrust his wobbly temperament on the whole world?

We're at a crossroads here. Being naïve, angry or a supplicant is just so, oh, easy. We do occasionally believe that Trump is good for us. He knows the dark side of business and human relations. Maybe he will expose the fraud of politics and humanity in general, so we can get rid of borders instead of building walls. Maybe he's teaching us by waking

No, we won't apologize for a cartoon Wolf Grulkey drew. Wolf is a veteran, a pilot, a political junkie, a father, an artist, a taxpayer, a fair and true man who loves his country as much as any patriot. He appreciates his brain.

However, we invite you, sir, to come to our office for a cup of coffee. It takes honing both sides of a blade to get it sharp enough to be useful, and your letter reminded us that civility is the first step. For that, we owe you.

Mary Pat Boian



Pursuit Of

HAPPINESS

ust when we thought the Carroll County Democrats would accept a hand up and out of 1996, we learn that Party regulars are feeling picked on, and called on Big Shots down in Little Rock to set the fruits and fruitcakes west of the Kings River on the straight and narrow. It looks like the election of Charles Templeton as Party Chair will be overturned because members followed democratic rather than Democrat rules.

East of river Power Brokers have got one thing right: government in Eureka Springs frequently looks like Act IV of Macbeth: business and real estate investors meet three witches and get sent to see Hecate at Planning and Zoning. But they are wrong about everything else.

West of river Democrats are out of step with most Arkansans, but they are in step with mainstream Democrats nationally, and with the majority of Americans everywhere. They know that real Democrats publicly support human rights, environmental protections, unrestricted health care for women, and for the constitutional rights of LBGTQ citizens. They don't ignore district and state elections and call it pragmatism; they refuse to slide down the bell curve of culture, morality, and decency into that disgrace called our state legislature. They'll show up a fight for decency and morality and they'll put up fighting candidates.

East of river claims that they successfully elect Democrats to local and county offices are factitious. Candidates win because they do their jobs. Tim McKinney is elected and re-elected mayor of Berryville because he is, and is recognized as, one of the best small-city mayors in Arkansas. Mayor Butch Berry was elected and will be re-elected because he is an active listener and a graceful man. With the exception of County Judge, party affiliation and party support are merely incidental.

And everyone should stop believing the childish fiction that there are no mainstream Democrats east of the Kings River. These Democrats go unrecognized because of west of river xenophobia and arrogance... the same afflictions suffered by Party Pros east of the river. It won't matter who the next Party Chair is unless that Chair is a real Democrat who represents all Democrats.

A little help from our friends:

- Good Shepherd Humane Society monthly board meetings are held the 4th Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m. at LeStick Nouveau Restaurant, 63 Spring St. All are welcome.
- Carroll County Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-844-247-3223 (844-24PEACE) is available 24/7. The Purple Flower Domestic Violence Resource and Support Center is open Tuesdays and Thursday from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. at 109 W. Church Ave. in Berryville. (479) 981-1676.
- 24-hour NWA Crisis Line for Women NWA Women's Shelter serving Carroll County - "Empowering families to live free of violence." (800) 775-9011 www.nwaws.org
- A Cup of Love Ministry Feeding the hungry. Located at 4032 E. Van Buren, Hwy. 62. Serving soup Monday – Friday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Sunday service – 10:30 a.m. - noon potluck following. Wednesday - Bible Study 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Caring for our community, spirit, soul and body. (479) 363-4529.
- Flint Street Fellowship food pantry, lunch, free clothing Pantry open 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Free lunch Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. -12:30 p.m. Free clothes/shoes closet, books and household items. (479) 253-9491 or 253-4945. Leave donations in barrel at entrance if facility is closed.
- Wildflowers one-dollar, furniture barn/thrift store US 62E across from Hill County Hardware. One-dollar store in the yellow building every Friday from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Thrift store, furniture bank in big blue barn behind the chapel open Wednesdays - Saturdays from 10:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Donation drop offs Thursday – Saturday between 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Healing and delivery outreach in chapel Saturdays at 7:30 p.m.
- Recorded Teachings and Meditation Monday Recorded Rinpocne teachings at 5:30 p.m. on Mondays followed by meditation at 6 p.m. Call Alece at (479) 244-6841 or Gary at (479) 2444-6840.
- Celebrate Recovery Soul Purpose Ministries, 801 S. Springfield, Green Forest, 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday. Potluck followed by 12-step Christcentered meetings for those suffering from addiction, habit, hang-up or hurt.
- Grief Share A Bible-based, 13-week program fro those who have lost a loved one will begin on Sunday, Feb. 12 from 2 – 4 p.m. at Faith Bible Church, Suite C, 3 Parkcliff Drive, Holiday Island. Share with others experiencing similar circumstances in an informal, confidential setting. Call (479) 253-8925 or email lardellen@gmail.com. You may join at anytime.
- Overeaters Anonymous Thursdays, 10:30 a.m. Barbara (479) 244-0371 Narcotics Anonymous - Fridays, 5:30 p.m. (903) 278-5568. Meetings held at Eureka Springs Coffee Pot Group behind Land O' Nod Victorian Inn.
- Coffee Break Al-Anon Family Group Women Tuesdays, 9:45 a.m., Faith Christian Family Church, Hwy. 23S, (479) 981-1686. • Al-Anon Family Group (AFG) - Sundays, 11:30 a.m., Mondays and Tuesdays 7 p.m. • Eureka Springs Coffee Pot AA Groups Monday - Saturday 12:30 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m.; Sunday – Thursday, Saturday, 5:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday, 8 p.m. (479) 253-7956 • Al-Anon Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. Meetings held at Eureka Springs Coffee Pot Group behind Land O' Nod Victorian Inn. All other meetings: See www.nwarkaa.org
- St. Vincent De Paul Thrift Store First Tuesdays provide assistance with medical help, utilities, clothing, emergency shelter, shoes, etc. Annual charity Christmas Gift & Food Program. Mon-Sat 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. 1844 Hwy. 62W Berryville.
- St. James' Community Suppers Held Sunday from 5 6:30 p.m. Meals provided by local restaurants and are free to all. St. James' Episcopal Church is located at 86 Prospect Avenue on the historic loop and meals are served in the undercroft.
- Support Group for those with Parkinson's and their caregivers, first Wednesday of each month, ECHO Community Room at 10 a.m. For questions email Sally at sarahg@arkansas.net or call (479) 9810-1587. Next meeting Dec. 7.

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ConstablesOnPatrol

FEBRUARY 27

a theft.

11:55 a.m. - Constables searched for but did not encounter people reportedly camping at Van Pelt ball field.

7:45 p.m. – Downstairs neighbor reported hearing noises upstairs while the tenant was supposed to be away. Constable found the upstairs apartment to be secure with no signs of forced entry.

8:56 p.m. - Staff at a downtown restaurant was having issues with an inebriated customer over the bill and feared she might leave without paying. Constables spoke with the customer who paid her bill and went on her way.

FEBRUARY 28

2:32 p.m. – There was an accident on Planer Hill.

March 1

5:21 a.m. - Public Works was notified of a tree down on Planer Hill.

9:14 a.m. – Constable on patrol assisted a motorist.

10:36 a.m. - Constable picked up a stray dog alongside US 62 heading east. 10:46 a.m. - Items in the yard of a vacant residence caught the attention of a constable.

March 2

location of reportedly barking dogs.

7:46 a.m. – There was a report of theft. 9:35 a.m. - Word came in about a downed power line downtown. Constable checked.

1:48 p.m. - Constable went to a residence because the burglar alarm had been tripped.

8:33 p.m. - Business owner called in two individuals fitting the descriptions of breaking-and-entering suspects. Constables spoke with the individuals and forwarded the information to detectives for follow-up.

9 p.m. - Clerk at a tourist lodging reported a possibly inebriated driver headed westbound on US 62 through town. Constable encountered the vehicle but saw no reason to initiate a traffic stop.

March 3

10:11 a.m. – Constable on patrol spoke with a resident about his neighbor putting notes on his vehicle about his dogs. 10:43 a.m. – Resident reported a theft.

1:46 p.m. – There was a private property accident.

March 4

10:51 a.m. - Staff at a motel reported 1:53 a.m. - Two females in a bar had an altercation. One of them walked away, and the other filed a report.

> 2:08 a.m. - Individual was arrested for public intoxication.

> 2:39 p.m. - Central dispatch alerted ESPD to a 911-hangup call originating near Lake Leatherwood City Park. Constable searched the area but found no one. Groundskeeper also did not witness anyone making the call.

> 6:23 p.m. – As a result of a traffic stop, the driver was arrested for driving on a suspended license and on warrants out of Bentonville.

> 7:33 p.m. – Individual was arrested on an outstanding ESPD warrant.

> 8:01 p.m. - Intoxicated individual causing a disturbance at a restaurant left the scene. Constables watched for her car but never encountered it.

> 8:11 p.m. – Person called ESPD to say he had been dropped off at a church south of town and had no place to stay. Constable encouraged him to keep

> 9:11 p.m. - Vehicle headed toward town from the north allegedly crossed the center line several times. Constable did not make contact with the vehicle.

10:38 p.m. – Parked vehicle blocked 7:33 a.m. - Constable surveilled the a street above downtown. Tow truck solved the problem.

> 10:59 p.m. – Two motorcycles collided on Main Street. Constable and EMS responded. Two people were injured.

> 11:17 p.m. - Inebriated patron would not leave a bar. Constables were working a traffic accident at the time, and before they got to the bar, the bartender found the intoxicated patron a ride to her room.

March 5

10:17 a.m. – Guest at a tourist lodging left without paying.

6:10 p.m. – Concerned witness reported a young male beating a dog in a restaurant parking lot. Constable never encountered the suspect.

March 6

3:02 a.m. – CCSO asked for assistance watching for the vehicle of a missing person. Constables complied, but the individual later returned to his

5:09 a.m. - Large tree fell across a street. Constable was able to clear one lane of traffic, and Public Works was summoned to the scene.

Are we eating too much meat?

BECKY GILLETTE

It isn't just people who support animal rights who advocate people eat less meat or stop eating meat altogether. Environmentalists say one of the most important things someone can do to help the environment is to eat less meat. For example, it takes an estimated 1,800 gallons of water to produce one pound of beef.

Protein provides the formation and maintenance of tissues, supports the immune system, and is involved in the formation of hemoglobin, enzymes and in the production of energy. Meat is a good source of protein, but how much meat do people need? None at all, some experts

"Vegetables have significant amounts of protein," Dana West, a registered dietician, said. "If you are wanting to reduce your consumption of animal products, including meat, you can easily get all the protein you need with a variety of legumes, vegetables and whole grains. One hundred grams of flesh food contains 12-27 grams of protein, while 100 grams of legumes contains 23-36 grams. Even fruit contains some protein although a small amount; per serving fruit contains an average of 0.5 grams of protein."

West said it is more common for Americans to get too much protein rather than not enough.

"I think the message we need to bring home to Americans is protein is widely available and the average American consumes more than double the amount of protein needed," she said.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Americans are deficient in Vitamins A, D and folic acid, while protein deficiency in healthy adults is less common.

According to the National Institute of Health, the average adult needs 0.75 grams of protein per kg of body weight. That basically averages out to about 50 grams a day or 10 percent of calories consumed.

"But to put that in usable terms, if you are eating enough calories from a variety of healthful foods, than you are most likely getting enough protein because protein is widely available in a lot of foods not just meat, fish or poultry," she said.

March is National Nutrition Month Put Your Best Fork Forward

BECKY GILLETTE

With an epidemic of obesity in the U.S. leading to higher rates of cardiovascular disease, diabetes and other illnesses, "Put Your Best Fork Forward" is the theme of National Nutrition Month, said dietitian Dana West, who practices at the Abundant Health Wellness Center in Eureka Springs.

"The idea of the theme is that we can start making better food choices one fork full at a time," she said. "Whether eating at home or dining out, we can keep our health goals in mind."

That starts with eating breakfast daily.

"Eating breakfast will help kick start your day," West said. "It increases metabolism throughout the day. We want to keep the metabolism high. If you skip breakfast, the body goes into fast mode. It is more interested in storage than burning calories. That only defeats any weight loss effort. People who eat breakfast make better food choices and consume fewer calories throughout the day. They are less likely to snack on high energy foods."

At home, eating a variety of foods within all food groups can reduce the risk of preventable, chronic lifestyle diseases. West recommends increasing your intake of whole grains, legumes (beans, peas and lentils), vegetables and fruit.

One of the biggest contributors to being overweight is sugar consumption. The average American consumes 156 pounds of sugar per year. It is important to avoid sugar, particularly concentrated forms of sugar in

"Some people think diet drinks are a better option, but they are not," West said. "Diet drinks interfere with metabolism. So both regular and diet sodas are increasing our rate of obesity, which is increasing our rate of chronic disease across the spectrum."

When eating out, look for healthful options at restaurants, which is much easier today. You can ask for steamed or roasted instead of fried foods, and for high calorie dressings, sauces and cheese on the side so you are in control of how much is added to the meal. "Most restaurant meals are over 1,300 calories," she said. For some women, that is as much as you need in a day."

Watch the fat consumption, too. West said we do need fats, but whole fats are preferable.

"Olives, coconuts and avocadoes

are all great foods," West said. "But any part of a food is not going to be nearly as effective as the total sum. Breaking food into individual parts is not as healthy. Olives have everything for proper digestion. When it is just the oil, that is only part. That doesn't mean you can't eat the oils. Just focus more on eating the whole foods."

Don't fall into the marketing trap of thinking you need high calorie dairy products every day in order to get your calcium and Vitamin D. West said kale, broccoli and spinach are high in calcium, as are legumes and tofu.

Most people who are successful at losing weight and keeping it off weigh themselves daily. West said it is good to know quickly whether diet changes have worked out or not. If you wait a week, it may not be readily apparent what was to blame for gaining weight.

"If you eat excess calories, it shows up on the scale pretty quickly," West said. "By weighing yourself, you just have a daily reminder that you need to make changes. If you are not losing weight, eat more high fiber foods - fruits, vegetables, cooked whole grains, and legumes with a lot of water that increase feeling of being full longer."

While it is important to get balanced nutrition, a healthy lifestyle is much more than just choosing the food. Studies indicate that 60 minutes of exercise daily is ideal for combating a sedentary lifestyle. West said that can be broken up into six ten-minute segments, or three 20-minute segments. Start slow and work up to longer periods of

After 40, the body's metabolism starts dropping. If people are not exercising, they are not maintaining their muscular structure and will lose one to two percent of muscle mass after the age of 40.

"The more muscle we lose, the lower the metabolism rate," West said. "That is why we see weight gain coming on after people turn 40."

"Most kids love to be involved in the cooking process," West said. "Kids are more likely to eat something they have helped prepare. Give them age-appropriate tasks. Teach them how to choose food and how to cook healthily. Eating the colors of the rainbow has been a popular concept, making our plates colorful."

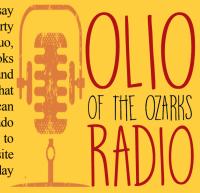
The majority of West's clients have diabetes, obesity, hypertension, high cholesterol levels, and cardiovascular drama. All these diseases can be reversed with proper diet and lifestyle modifications.

"Chronic disease doesn't have to control our lives," West said. "We can take charge of our health and we can reverse chronic lifestyle diseases. What we are finding is that people need a continued support system through a dietician, family and friends. Research indicates that people need to have consultations at least 16 times over a year's time in order to reach their goals."

West offers individual consultations, as well as classes and support group meetings. For more information, see the website www. danawestrd.com or call (479) 325-9749.

Pille, Crow, & Alvarado on the Carroll County Democrats part 2, + "Four Legs Good, Two Legs Bad!"

Richard Pille, Kent Crow, and Jeremiah Alvarado take a further look at the Carroll County Democrats. What more can they say about it? Plenty, it turns out. Hot Shots from Party Headquarters are rushing up to save the Status Ouo. demands are made for change—as long as it looks like 1996—and party newbies gaze into a thousand yard stare. But look on the bright side! Crow says that life will go on, and Truth, Justice and the American Way shall prevail. Pille is not so sure, and Alvarado takes the 5th. Folks, thanks for tuning in! Tune in to Olio Radio of the Ozarks on Itunes or on our website eureka.news. Shows come out every Wednesday around noon.



••li•• (ō-lē-ō), n., 1. a dish of many ingredients. 2. hodgepodge. 3. a medley or potpourri.



From Nemesis to Narcissus

h, the beauty of jonquils, daffodils, and narcissus, all of which in various forms grace the edge of Eureka Springs sidewalks for this week, that previous, and perhaps the one to follow. Daffodils and their many variations are members of the genus Narcissus, of which there are 25 species scattered from Europe to North Africa and western Asia. We all are familiar, at least by sight, to the vast diversity of garden varieties, natural hybrids, and rich colors of what once considered harbingers of spring, now seem to indicate the final throes of winter.

The beauty of daffodils extends from visual splendor to words with meaning. Narcissus is derived from a Greek name. A spurned lover prayed to the goddess Nemesis to punish the heartless amour, the famous mythological Narkissos, who had fallen in love with himself after seeing his own reflection in a pool of water. Nemesis transformed the self-absorbed Narkissos into the flower we call Narcissus (Latin form of the Greek Narkissos).

Of course the same story presents us with the word root of the nouns narcissist and narcissism, as well as the adjective narcissistic. The words have become all-toofamiliar in today's political parlance as a derisive trumpcard to refer to vane, self-aggrandized, toxic politicians. In nature's twist of irony, current affairs vicariously reflect the dangerous alkaloids found in the poisonous



genus Narcissus.

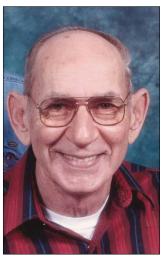
Daffodils are often of a uniformly-rich yellow color, while some bastardized hybrids devolved from inbreeding to an orange hue. Here we shall not treat of the bastard narcissus as first described in 1629 by John Parkinson in his famous treatise on garden flowers (Paradisi in Sole Paradisus Terrestris ("Pleasant Garden in the Park in the Sun"), a play on words he hoped would not become his nemesis.

With their penchant to propagate, breed and select the best flower bulbs among lilies and tulips, then distribute them at high profit to the rest of the civilized world, the Dutch bulb trade began in earnest in the early 1600s. We enjoy the beauty and color of that penchant for profit today.

All daffodils are in the genus Narcissus. Therefore, all narcissus are daffodils, and vice versa. Jonquils should properly refer to those Narcissus hybrids, which are usually strongly-scented, yellow and have rounded (not pointy) leaves. With over 25,000 registered names for hybrid daffodils, attempting to sort out which is which could become your nemesis.

DEPARTURES

Rex Etchison August 30, 1933 – March 4, 2017



Rex Etchison, of Blue Eye, Mo., was born August 30, 1933 in Omaha, Ark., son of Arl and Ella Chloe (Williams) Etchison. He departed this life Saturday, March 4, 2017 in Springfield, Mo., at age 83.

Rex was an avid outdoorsman who liked to fox and coon hunt. He was very loving to all his family.

On July 8, 1960 Rex was united in marriage with Lottie Fae (Gloyd) Etchison who survives him of their home. He is also survived by his daughter, Brenda Kay Matlock and fiancé, Gary Doving of Green Forest, Ark.; son, Jay Rex and wife, Lisa, of Oak Grove, Ark.; four grandchildren, Melissa Kay Headrick and husband, Clay, of Berryville; Wes Sooter of Oak Grove; Eric Allen Etchison and Cody Rex Etchison of Oak Grove; one great-granddaughter, Olivia Rae Headrick of Berryville, and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers and one sister.

Funeral service was Wednesday, March 8, 2017 at the Nelson's Green Forest Chapel in Green Forest with Pastor Mark Bryant officiating. Interment followed the service at the Blue Eye Cemetery, Blue Eye, Mo., under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service. Inc.

Memorial donations may be made to the Blue Eye Cemetery, c/oRoger Butler, 8808 State Hwy 13, Lampe, MO 65681. Online condolences may be sent to the family at nelsonfuneral.com. © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2017

Stairway to Paradise

Inspired by the beauty that each day tends to give we set out on a journey to find how best to live.

We walk by faith and not by sight as step-by-step we climb upon this stairway, upward, toward Heaven's paradise.

The steps are sometimes difficult but each day made complete by treasured moments that we share and a promised place of peace.

Finally our steps ascend beyond the veil of life destiny unfolds in glory in Heaven's paradise.

In loving memory of Stella Hunt, born August 17, 1921 in Carroll County, Ark., entered into rest Feb. 27, 2017 in Skiatook, Okla., at 95 years, six months, ten days.

Graveside services were March 1, 2017 at Eureka Springs City Cemetery, Eureka Springs, Ark., with Jerry Stumpff officiating. Arrangements by Peters-Stumpff Funeral Home, Skiatook, Okla.



Condor see me now? Steve Hoddy, who has been featured on Letterman, Leno and *Good Morning* America, was in Busch last weekend, just passing through. Hoddy decided when he was 12 he couldn't work in an office, so he started collecting rescue birds. For 35 years he's been driving around the country teaching K-16 students about birds of prey. His falcon, Renegade, has been his sidekick for 23 years. The birds ride in cages in the covered bed of Hoddy's Ford 1-ton and love to listen to the blues. He has pigeons, a Harris hawk, great-horned owl, black and turkey vultures, falcon and this Andean condor. Go to earthquest.org for more info. PHOTO BY ERIC STUDER, RETREAT AT SKY RIDGE

Playing around – Justin Huss, director of the Eureka Springs Parks and Recreation Commission extols the virtues of the new playground at Lake Leatherwood City Park, which officially opened last Saturday. PHOTO BY STEVEN FOSTER



New location, same great business – Jim Fain & Jim Preslan celebrated their move to 99 Spring St. with an 11 a.m. reception and ribbon cutting which drew customers and friends to wish the two Jims well in their new expanded location. Pictured (l.-r.) Jim Preslan, Jim Fain, Robin Lumly and Mary Nell Doss Billings. PHOTOS BY JAY VRECENAK

Personal safety preparedness meetings set for Holiday Island

Learn about personal safety and preparedness on March 24 and April 21 at 2 p.m. at the Holiday Island Firehouse No. 1, 251 Holiday Island Drive, to help inform individuals and local communities about disaster and emergency preparedness.

The first meeting will be situational awareness to maintain safety and preparedness and on April 21, the meeting will focus on earthquake awareness, preparedness and response. The meetings are open to all. For more information contact Higdon at (479) 363-8125.





ESOTERICAstrology as news for week March 8-14 by Risa

Venus Retrograde in Aries

enus is retrograde in Aries. Retrogrades are times of re-evaluation and review. Venus represents our possessions, values, relationships (lovers, partners, intimate friends). Aries is all things new. When planets retrograde the past reappears often for completion. During retrogrades decisions are to be delayed, plans set aside for reflection, contemplation and assessment. We follow the same rules for Mercury retrogrades

when Venus retrogrades. We pay more attention to our money, resources, finances and relationships. Know that in Venus retrograde times, the values of things are not known. Therefore, it is especially important to not purchase anything of value during this time.

Venus, retrograde until April 15, returns to 27 degrees Pisces (sign of "saving the world"). This 40 days & 40 nights of retrograde Venus follows the us through tax time and through Lent, culminating (stationary direct) on Holy Saturday in the early morning and Easter (Resurrection) Sunday morning. The simultaneity of Lent and Venus retrograde is purposeful. Venus rules the Aquarian Age. Venus is Earth's elder sister. Our God came from Venus. There is an awakening happening within humanity. We ponder these things during the Venus retrograde. Venus brings forth the "appearance of expanded awareness and consciousness to all of humanity – the aware that of group responsibility to 'save our world."

ARIES: There is a focus upon the self. This self-focus is an important and needed developmental stage. One must know the self, one's needs, behaviors, abilities, gifts, etc. before we can know others. There will be a looking inward to assess how you present yourself to the world. You might redefine yourself, create a new image, change your appearance, seek the Soul's essence of yourself. And see that you are valuable as

TAURUS: Spiritual values, religion, things behind the scenes, veiled and hidden, come into internal view. Venus will penetrate into these depths, find secret desires and aspirations and gradually unfold them, like a lotus, to your inner heart. The

world may seem quite nebulous for you for about six weeks. This is good. You're not to be looking outward. You're to be looking inward, discovering yourself as a resource for the world to come.

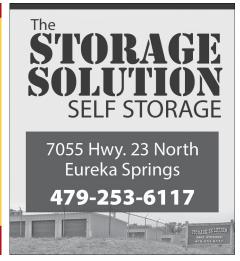
GEMINI: You ponder upon friends (old, new, present ones), groups, hopes, wishes, dreams. You assess who your friends really are, the quality of your social life and what groups you are part of, asking yourself who belongs to you, who doesn't. Things surface from the past in order to complete themselves. Do it with love. You must select like-minded people now creating the new world. You don't want to be left behind.

CANCER: There's a need to be thorough and responsible in all things you accomplish in the world. You ponder upon your life's purpose, reconsider your career, and think upon the past when you were in a place of power and recognition. You think about your parents – the gifts they offered. And all the people in the past who helped you climb the ladder. Now you help others.

LEO: There's a reconsideration of things in your life. Your ideas on justice, travel, the past and people you believed in and trusted. You think on those you neglected or didn't treat well. We learn through retrogrades. Remembering helps us become sensitive and compassionate. Sometimes there's a crisis of awareness where we make life changes and remedy all situations where perhaps we fell short. We didn't know then. But now

VIRGO: Finances and resources are to be evaluated. Shared money, loans, gifts,





stocks, insurance, inheritances, too. Consider past uses for money and resources. Do you want to change how you use money and resources now? Are there resources not tended to? Now is the time to care for them. Interest in things psychological, sexual, mysterious and occult may be renewed. Is there something that needs research?

LIBRA: You may feel the need to restore a magical presence to all relationships and interactions, especially intimate ones. You can do this with a whisper, a smile, a touch, small gift, or with your presence. Allow no doubt to come between you and your intimate "other." Instead, review and then renew the past, asking each other how

to deepen the commitment. For those unattached, do not make long-term commitments. So much changes after Venus retro is over.

> SCORPIO: There's a review of all the relationships you've been in, encountered, hoped for and remained in for too long. All relationships and your desires (fulfilled and unfulfilled) were important developmental stages. In reviewing past relationships, we can complete them with good wishes, goodwill, forgiveness (self and others) and gratitude. Every relationship teaches us something. Every relationship is valued and valuable. Every relationship heals us.

> SAGITTARIUS: There may be creative plans, projects and ideas that fell by the wayside in past years. Perhaps they were put aside for the future, perhaps considered not valuable, important or worth it. Now is the time to review and renew what was set aside and bring them to the forefront. There needs to be some sort of

romance brought forth, too. And a bit more fun. What is in the past can

inspire a greater beauty and creativity to emerge.

CAPRICORN: Are there childhood events being remembered? Perhaps a home of grandparent from long ago. Were there plans for your present home put on hold? It's good now to study research home design plans, your personal creative design work (art) and garden designs for the areas around the home. There may be thoughts about mother and/or father. And childhood situations affecting present relationships. A family member may need special loving care.

AQUARIUS: We communicate according to Mercury in our charts. And how we experienced communication in early family life. Proceed slowly with all communications. Attempt to observe if others are understanding you. Ask them. It's a good time to be in touch with siblings, relatives, friends. It's also good to fix things - bikes, boats, cars. Make no major purchases at this time. Focus on your creativity. And loving more.

PISCES: It is important to consider, in detail, what you value in your life – physical, emotional, mental, material, spiritual. Create a Values Journal during the six weeks of this Venus retrograde. Write down all things of value to you and explain why. This includes people in your life and material objects that surround you. When something is of value we cherish it. When it is not of value, it's best to give it away. During this retro time, create a practical monetary budget. Save money for a rainy day. Tithe generously.

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Protecting the Kings River Watershed

The Kings River Watershed Partnership (KRWP) invites members and the public to attend their annual general meeting at 6 p.m. n Tuesday, March 21 at the Berryville Community Center. A speaker from the Arkansas Heritage Commission will talk about recent work improving access to Kings River Falls and work on Sweden Creek.

KRWP is a non-profit, volunteer group of citizens from Carroll and Madison counties focused on preserving the water quality of the Kings River. New memberships and renewals are encouraged. Refreshments will be served. Visit www.kingsriverwatershed.org for more information.

Five week scripture series

The Public is invited to the newest Ray Vander Laan scripture series, The Mission of Jesus, at the Holiday Island Community Church during Lent. All sessions will be held on Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the bottom level of the Fellowship Hall through April 4.

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Constitutional Rightsl

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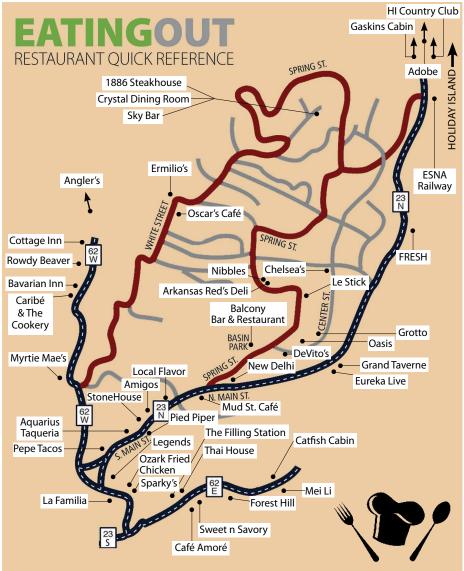


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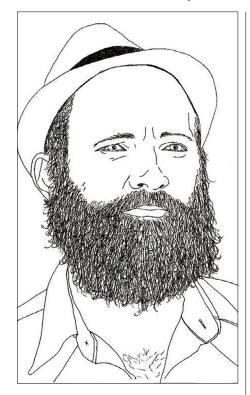








Frisco Cemetery Band slays Cathouse Friday, Brian Martin Band at Chelsea's Saturday



Brian Martin and Friends, featuring Dan Redmond and Mike Hopper, play Chelsea's Sat., March 11.

he Cathouse Lounge hosts a new group, Frisco Cemetery Band, from Fayetteville on Friday. Look for alternative hits, funk, and some rock classics. Saturday at Chelsea's Brian Martin is joined by Dan Redmond and Mike Hopper for a bearded power trio. From varied musical backgrounds, these guys will surprise us all with their eclecticism.

THURSDAY, MARCH 9

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – George Brothers, Rock, 6 - 8 p.m. EUREKA LIVE! - Green Screen Karaoke, 9 p.m. GRAND TAVERNE - Jerry Yester, Grand Piano Dinner Music, 6:30 p.m. **LEGENDS SALOON** – *Another* Turn, Rock, 9 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 10

BREWS - Eureka Music Revival, Americana, 7 - 10 p.m. CATHOUSE LOUNGE - Frisco Cemetery Band, Rock, 8 p.m. CHELSEA'S - Liberty Bell Rhythm Band, Rock, 9 p.m. EUREKA LIVE! - DJ and Dancing,

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

LEGENDS SALOON - DJ and



Karaoke with Stan, 8 p.m. **ROWDY BEAVER - 2 Dog 2** Karaoke, 7 p.m. **ROWDY BEAVER DEN - Mark** Shields Band, Rock, 8 p.m. THE STONE HOUSE – Jerry Yester, Artist's Choices, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 11

BALCONY RESTAURANT – Jeff Lee, Folk, 12 p.m., Michael Dimitri, Singer/Songwriter, 6 p.m.

BREWS - Route 358, Americana, 7 -

CATHOUSE LOUNGE - Blew Reed and the Flatheads, Rock, 8 p.m. CHELSEA'S - Brian Martin Band, Americana, 9 p.m.

EUREKA LIVE! - DJ and Dancing, 9 p.m.

GRAND TAVERNE – Jerry Yester, Grand Piano Dinner Music, 6:30 p.m. **LEGENDS SALOON – Headley** Lamar, Ridge Rock, 9 p.m. LE STICK - Pete Maiella, Singer/ Songwriter, 7 - 9 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER - Dr. Nola and the Soul Shakers, Rock, 7 p.m. **ROWDY BEAVER DEN - Jesse Dean,** Singer/Songwriter, 12 – 4 p.m., Jesse Dean Band, Rock, 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 12

BREWS - You Knew Me When, Americana, 2-5 p.m., *Trivia*, 7 p.m. **BALCONY RESTAURANT – Steve** Jones, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m., Pearl Brick, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m. EUREKA LIVE -Green Screen Karaoke, 7 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 13

CHELSEA'S - Sprungbilly, Bluegrass, 8:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 14

CATHOUSE LOUNGE - Los Roscoes, Blues, 5 p.m. CHELSEA'S - Open Mic, 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15

CATHOUSE LOUNGE - Jimmy Wayne Garrett, Singer/Songwriter, 6 -

LEGENDS SALOON - Some Other Band, Rock, 9 p.m.

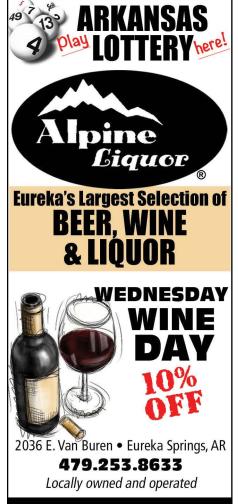
ROWDY BEAVER DEN - Shawbee *Karaoke*, 6 - 10 p.m.

Shuttle available to Clear Spring Fling Auction

Clear Spring School will have a shuttle service available from the Planer Hill Park starting at 5:30 p.m. the day of the Clear Spring Fling Auction on Saturday, March 11.

The Clear Spring Fling Auction will kick off at 6 p.m. in Event Eureka, 39 Spring Street. The Show and Tellers will entertain with their home-swung jazz and Jane Tucker of Cateraid and other chefs will provide hor d'ouevres.

Many of the auction items are from local and national artists and also include luxury items and services. Tickets are \$30 for each person or 2 for \$50 and include one glass of wine. A cash bar will be provided by Event Eureka. Tickets are available in advance or at the door. For more information about the Clear Spring Fling Auction visit www. clearspringschool.org/auction or by calling the school at (479) 253-7888.





DROPPINGA Line by Robert Johnson





his here's my sister's boy, Travis Cox from Alba, Mo. Did not know I've been chasing these stripers so many years until I found this pic of him 15 years back, the last time we fished together. Looks like the boy outfished the man.

We went up river and just did an afternoon thing at Point 12 out of Hickory Creek where another guide I work with limited out two days this week. Stripers in the morning running shad, and shiners freelining with no weight under planer boards and balloons in two to six feet of water. He said had to pull his trolling motor up to keep out of the mud.

From now 'till May we usually get good bites mornings and afternoons when the water's cool like this. Have a guy up front casting a big Zara Spook or chugged on top to get them in the boat pretty fast.

Water temp was running 55°. Writing this on Monday, so if this rain comes in before this report is out then it's really on for fish that want some current to lay those eggs in.

Here at Holiday Island about the same water temp, with walleye still being the fish all seem to be chasing. I've heard reports of them still being caught off the flats between here and Beaver, but now also up near Houseman Access as they move on their run upriver. They're being caught on jigs and minnows, and trolling deep diving crank baits close to the bottom.

White bass are also moving in looking for room to lay their eggs, too. I think with this water warming as fast as it is, March might be the best month for the spawn on all our warm water fish. Bass are already being caught chasing bait all the way to the boat. We're throwing crankbaits on the flats and when not throwing, using Alabama rigs and jigs off the bluff side.

Crappie have also moved in closer to the shoreline and are being caught in 8 -12 ft. of water, 6 – 8 feet deep on jigs and minnows on both lakes.

If you're wanting some trout and fishing the tailwaters from the bank, what always worked for me year 'round is just put a worm on the shank of a hook with a little orange chartreuse power bait on the tip or a piece of marshmallow. They will hit all three and all three will lift bait off the bottom.

Well, that's it for this week. We have a walleye trip here at the Island on Friday and a striper trip on Beaver Lake Sunday, so should gave something good for you next week.

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Appropriateness for demolition must be accompanied by a plan for the site, preferably drawn by an architect or an engineer;

- Demolition of pre-1955 ancillary structures might be approved if substantially deteriorated:
 - · Penalties for violation of these

guidelines include fines that continue to accrue until the structure is faithfully restored, and there will be a five-year prohibition for another COA for that property unless the structure is restored and approved by HDC.

Commissioners will vote on these changes at the next meeting, Wednesday, March 15, at 6 p.m.

INDEPENDENTCrossword

by Mike Boian with extensive help from his wife, Ann

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ACROSS

- Pamper or coddle
- 7. Lasagna herb
- 12. Type of duty
- 13. Comfort in sorrow
- Start investigating a case again
- 15. Common breakfast item
- 16. Aged
- Very wealthy or influential person
- 19. MD's verbal order
- 20. Detailed records
- 22. Adult males
- 23. Hindu melodic formula
- 24. Took care of
- 26. Ship of the desert
- 27. Assistance
- 28. 42's pal
- 29. Make straight
- 32. Piped instruments
- 35. Droops
- Exist 36.
- 37. Cassette has one
- 39. Criticize severely, as a play

- Intestinal issue
- 42. "The Squad"
- 43. Ultra self confidence
- Seeing each other 45.
- 47. Assuredly, archaic
- 48. is the New
- Black 49. Lock of hair
- 50. Blended

DOWN

- 1. Channing
- 2. Dwarf leopard 3. Food heavy with carbs
- 4. With it
- Half of all numbers
- Corrected designation
- 7. Unsuccessful product
- Pub quaff
- Arab greeting meaning "peace"
- The big chill 10.

- Deadly
- Anon, archaic
 - Where flowers thrive
- Minor obstacles 21.
- Capital of Morocco
- Persistent loud 25. sound
- 26. Gear tooth
- Fundamental human desire
- 29. Point of view or interpretation
- Encampment formed by circling the wagons
- 31. Pay no attention
- Mythical monster 32.
- 33. Assigning identities
- Dish scrubber 34.
- Donations to the poor or needy
- 38. Barely beat out
- Takes advantage of
- Not seen very often Neuter possessive
- pronoun
- Old sailor 46.

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Passion Play registration March 12

Cast and crew registration for the 2017 season of The Great Passion Play on Sunday, March 12 at the grounds of The Great Passion Play. The 2017 season runs May 5 – Oct. 28 for 85 performances. Men, women, and children five years of age and older are needed for this year's cast. Those interested in being a member of the cast may apply between 2 - 3:30 p.m.

Delving into the history of the area

The Holiday Island Rotary will view photos and hear a program presented by Tom Koob about the history about the Holiday Island and Beaver area on Friday, March 10. Koob has written articles for the Kansas City Star, Bassmaster magazine and Ozark Hills and Hollows and has also authored three non-fiction books on the history of the Table Rock Lake area. The meeting will be held at the Holiday Island Elks Club at 8:30 a.m.

Showing your Irish

Join for the 24th Eureka Springs Saint Patrick's Day Parade. There is still time to sign up for the parade and the deadline is on March 18. Wear your green and join in, the parade lines up at 1 p.m. at the library and starts at 2 p.m. For more information go to www.StPadd.Ureeka.org or to join up call (479) 244-0123 or email nlpaddock@ gmail.com.

Kings River Clean-up soon

Kings River Watershed Partnership will host a river clean-up on the Madison County portion of the river on Saturday, April 21. Participants will need to be at Marble Access just off Hwy. 412 west of Marble at 8 a.m.

The plan is to clean approximately 6 river miles from Marble Access to a private take-out. Dress for the weather and pack a lunch. Shuttles will be provided but you will need to bring your own canoe or kayak.

The Kings River Watershed Partnership is a non-profit, voluntary group of citizen stakeholders dedicated to preserving the water quality and beauty of the Kings River. For more information contact Ray Warren at (870) 654-4134 or email rayandkarenwarren@gmail.com.



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