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This week's Independent thinkers



At Eureka Springs' first ever anti-Semitism event on April 23 (Holocaust Remembrance Day), Jewish marchers and their supporters gathered at Basin Park behind a *Joy in Diversity and Love* banner made by Kate Wicker and carried by Rabbi Robert Lennick and Candace Dambrose.

People of many faiths gathered to proclaim they expect and deserve an end to racism. It's nice that people remember those who went before them, it's wonderful that others offer support, it's splendid that signs and water and speeches and photographs are part of it, but wouldn't it be special if there were no need for any of us to have to march against anything? Think about how much time that would free up to live our lives.

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Just a carvin' in the rain – Twenty-one chainsaw carvers from several states entered the 13th annual Carving in the Ozarks on Friday and Saturday. Friday's event was shut down early due to heavy thunderstorms, but lasted through the intermittent mist on Saturday with an auction being held at 5 p.m. The event raised at least \$3,000 for the Eureka Springs Volunteer Fire Department. PHOTO BY JAY VRECEK

Water district votes to adjust water pH

NICKY BOYETTE

The Carroll-Boone Water Board learned about Optimum Corrosion Control (OCC) at its April 20 meeting when consultant and engineer Brad Hammond of McGoodwin, Williams and Yates (MWY) explained how slowly adjusting the pH of the water would benefit CBWD customers by reducing solubility of lead and copper in pipes.

Hammond said the plan would over about a year adjust the pH to 8.2 – 8.6, whereas now it's about 7.5. He suggested lime slurry as the adjusting agent, and showed a sketch of what equipment and space the plant would need and where it would fit in most effectively. He estimated the construction cost to be \$250,000 plus engineering fees, contingencies and add-ons, making the estimated total \$330,000. The OCC project would incur an annual operating cost of about \$55,000, which Hammond translated to about two cents per thousand gallons.

Hammond mentioned the Memorandum of Understanding with the cities [Eureka Springs, Berryville, Green Forest and Harrison] states that water from CBWD does not contribute to scaling or corrosion in pipes. Following OCC protocol would better address this part of the agreement, and adjusting the pH is a recognized corrosion control method.

A result to watch for is a potential increase in total trihalomethanes, which are natural compounds that form when chlorine and other disinfectants react with naturally occurring matter in water. Hammond said, "There should be negligible feed down the line."

He told commissioners he had already spoken to representatives of each city and there was "a general concurrence on the proposed approach."

Hammond said if the board approved the project at that meeting, MWY could have the bids for the July 20 CBWD meeting and commissioners could choose a contractor. He projected construction could begin by August 17 and finish in February 2018.

"You can tell customers we've done everything you can for OCC," Hammond stated. He added it would be expensive and impractical for each city take on this project individually. Harrison had already proposed an adjustment to its water supply, but this strategy for the entire transmission line means Harrison can now wait and see.

"If it will help the cities, then we oughta do it," chair James Yates said.

The board voted to approve a motion moving the project forward as long as the cities agree. They approved

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Yodel Ay Ee Oooo. Or is it O ho lay dee odl-oo?

another motion to authorize Yates to execute the engineering contract contingent upon review by attorney Dan Bowers.

Keels Creek stabilization

Hammond announced bids had been opened for the Keels Creek stabilization project, and Kesser International that did similar work downstream five years ago, was low bidder. Cost of the reclamation will be \$340,000 for which MWY had procured a 75-25 matching grant.

Chris Hall, also an engineer for MWY, commented that for some reason, an arch-shaped section of the creek bank near the transmission line started eroding. Something upstream changed the flow of water around that bend, and the result was that a large mass of soil near the transmission line washed away. The opposite side of the creek is a rock wall. At this point, the arc has grown to 600 ft. long and 85 ft. at the widest.

The plan is for the contractor to add riprap and soil to fill in back to the pre-erosion creek bank and install a series of large rocks to be used as Bendway Weirs, a strategy to control direction and speed of flow down the creek.

Hall said the project could be completed in 30 days or less, and the grant amount could even go up if more of the bank washes away. Commissioners approved the motion

to accept the grant.

Hammond also announced the Phase 1 of the Parallel Line Project is “substantially complete.” They are waiting for grass to grow before considering the job finished.

Original cost estimate of Phase 1 was \$17.1 million, which included purchase of a generator which did not occur. Hammond estimated the final cost will be \$15,095,000.

Manager’s report

Plant manager Barry Connell commented he had slowly over time lowered the dosage of the coagulant in the water. The product is still quality water, and he has seen no drawbacks. There is less sludge, less effect on the clarifier, generally less maintenance, and cost-savings. Connell will continue to monitor.

Connell also reported mouse damage to a capacitor of a transfer switch in one of the generators caused arcing clouds of smoke and expensive repairs. Total replacement cost for damaged equipment will be around \$25,000.

“That’s why we keep the vegetation down around the buildings,” Connell said.

He came across the damage while performing a spring preventive maintenance inspection.

Next meeting will be Thursday, July 20, at 10 a.m., at the Freeman-Raney Water Treatment Plant on Beaver Lake.

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Council ratifies sewer rate increase

NICKY BOYETTE

Eureka Springs city council approved all three readings and an emergency clause of Ordinance 2255 which will increase sewer rates by 21 percent and add an Infrastructure and Improvements (I&I) fee to all utility bills. The new rates will be reflected on the June 1 billing cycle.

Mayor Butch Berry again explained the purpose of the increase is to meet the bond covenant, which stipulates the city should recoup 123 percent of operational costs of water and sewer systems. He said at a public hearing in March the city faced a shortfall of the cost of sewer operations of \$166,804 in 2016. Section 3 of Ord. 2255 states, “It is the Council’s intent to retire both sets of outstanding bonds in a quick and legal manner including, if possible, the use of the funds made available by the retirement of the first bonds now due by December 1, 2020 to increase payment and calling of the second set of bonds now due to be satisfied by December 1, 2027.”

Ordinance 2255 sets the monthly I&I charge at \$5 for customers who use up to 2000 gallons, or any portion thereof at \$5. For the next 8000 gallons, I&I will be \$10, and for 10,000 gallons or more, I&I will be \$50. Water rates will not change.

Finance Director Lonnie Clark stated the city would track expenses related to the revenue from the increase to make sure it’s used as the ordinance stipulates. He speculated that at some point the city would be able to start paying back the general fund.

Alderman Peg Adamson commented she was sorry the city had to increase sewer rates but understood the need. She also wanted to council to consider at some point reevaluating the rate structure in light what some citizens have said.

Berry pointed out many other municipalities have similar rate structures, and being a seasonal town depending on tourists makes a difference in managing the rates.

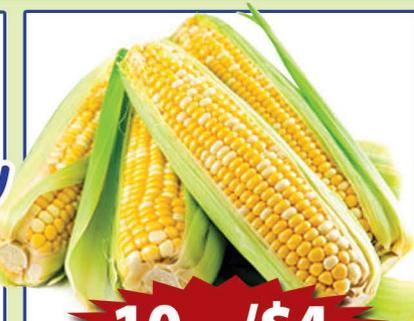
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No Smoking ordinance flames out

NICKY BOYETTE

Aldermen considered a proposed ordinance Monday night, which City Attorney Tim Weaver said he assembled from four other ordinances, which would have banned smoking in all parks. Opinions were divided on whether all of Lake Leatherwood City Park would be included in the ban.

Opinions also differed on “Smoking Permitted Areas” and an appropriate signage strategy, but eventually that paragraph was deleted from the ordinance along with the paragraph “City Owned Sporting Arenas.”

Alderman Peg Adamson said there was nothing in the ordinance about marijuana, and alderman Terry McClung picked up her point, noting that smoking medical marijuana around other people can be as offensive as smoking tobacco. The group tossed around ways of slightly amending the ordinance so it would cover smoking marijuana in the park as well, but alderman Bob Thomas pointed out council had been working on eliminating tobacco

in parks because it is a health hazard, “and now we’re throwing marijuana in there?”

McClung answered, “I don’t like any kind of smoking.”

Weaver stated the ordinance was tailored toward banning tobacco, and marijuana is not in any of the justifications. Alderman David Mitchell wondered if it were worthwhile to table discussion and let Weaver include marijuana in the ordinance, and Weaver said it could be done. However, Weaver suggested they pass this ordinance with only tobacco, and address marijuana is they ever have a problem.

Aldermen agreed to amend the proposed ordinance one more time. The definition of “Smoking” reads: “For the purpose of this Ordinance, ‘smoking’ means inhaling, exhaling, or carrying any lighted tobacco product.” In an attempt to include medical marijuana in the ban, aldermen suggested deleting the word “tobacco” from the definition. Thomas asked, since the ordinance would read that the definition of

smoking included if carrying any lighted product, carrying a lighted candle in Basin Park would now be illegal. Weaver replied, “Maybe.”

Mitchell moved to approve the first reading of Ord. 2256 and alderman Kristi

Kendrick seconded. Vote on the motion, however, was 4-2 against, McClung, Schneider, Thomas and Adamson voting No, so the ordinance failed.

Schneider moved to set up another workshop, but there was no second.

Projections a yo-yo; expenses clarified

NICKY BOYETTE

Mayor Butch Berry told aldermen in a budget workshop before the regular Monday council meeting that while the city has been holding expenses down, revenue during the winter months was down compared to the same period in 2016. He pointed out, however, current numbers are better than the same period in 2015, which turned out to be a banner year. Overall, Berry stated revenue for January and February was about ten percent under projections.

Alderman Terry McClung said he would not get excited until the city is still lagging in June or July.

When aldermen asked why some line items, such as revenue from occupational licenses and ambulance services, seemed askew, City Finance Director Lonnie Clark explained the nuances of city budgeting. Berry gave a for instance, explaining that cost estimates for projects at the water treatment plant increased dramatically when engineers got involved.

Berry said he still intends to see if the city can build a water testing lab and chemical storage site at the facility, as both would be cost-saving investments. He asked Public Works Director Dwayne Allen to see if the project could be done with fewer engineering fees.

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CAPC advertising surging

NICKY BOYETTE

City Advertising and Promotion Commission Executive Director Mike Maloney gave an enthusiastic report from the marketing arm of the city at Monday's city council meeting. He said there has been a concerted effort at the CAPC to get the attention of millennials through social media, and data indicates they're responding. Maloney said he is maintaining his outreach to traditional target groups, and regardless of the age group, 80 percent online viewers are female.

The CAPC has extended its reach to cities in the 8-12-hour drive area by putting Facebook ads in Omaha, Houston and Chicago. He was pleased with the response, and in April the focus has been Cincinnati, Atlanta and Nashville. One factor considered is cities with non-stop flights to XNA.

Maloney said he is expecting 400 cars to participate in a revamped Antique Automobile Show Sept. 8-9. The event will be staged at the Great Passion Play facility, and 50 percent of the proceeds will go to the ECHO Clinic.

He blew the trumpet on new Events Coordinator Andy Green, who "has been a busy guy." Green has established a roster for the Basin Park Music Series for the year, and will bring an emerging country star to town this year. Maloney said there would be one other surprise he could not yet divulge.

"We want to see the auditorium being used," Maloney said. "We want to see shows like we've seen in the past," and said he expects a stellar lineup in 2018.

The May Festival of the Arts will



be a major marketing effort as TV ads will be aired in Dallas, Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Shreveport, Little Rock, Fort Smith, Springfield/Branson, Joplin, Kansas City, St. Louis and Northwest Arkansas.

Maloney said Eureka Springs received more than \$20,000 in free publicity through an editorial written about the recent US Army Jazz Band at

the Auditorium, adding that it was an outstanding performance. The CAPC uses Cision, a media monitoring service that evaluates the value of Eureka Springs being mentioned in media outlets everywhere.

Maloney said he would be ready in June to report on Vision 2022, a five-year plan that would keep the CAPC on track to accomplish its goals.

Community Center HAPPENINGS

Dine Arouns occurring on the 3rd Wednesday monthly through December with a portion of the proceeds goes to support the Community Center. On April 28 - 29 there will be a New Moon Yard Sale, Eastgate Plaza and the Farmers' Market is open Tuesday and Thursday at the ES Community Center.

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Parks to decide between trail and sidewalk

NICKY BOYETTE

When the Parks Commission met April 18, chair Bill Featherstone told commissioners they had a choice: A Transportation Alternative Program grant from the Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism for a pathway from Harmon Park to Clear Spring School had become impractical because of requirements, so Parks asked if the grant could be redirected.

Two options for an alternative way to spend \$63,724 would be to contribute toward building a sidewalk from Planer Hill to the Community Center or toward the one-third mile fitness trail around the perimeter of the Center property. The state responded it would be okay with either project or both.

Diane Murphy, president of the Community Center Foundation board, said both projects are necessary but she urged commissioners to choose the fitness trail. She commented the Foundation already has \$40,000 dedicated toward this trail. Featherstone estimated the trail would cost \$50 per running foot just for the concrete,

or as much as \$80,000. There would still be the cost of engineering and adding fitness components. He added that parts of the planned trail route are already paved.

Parks Director Justin Huss said any funds they put toward the sidewalk would be making up the difference between what the city has and the final cost. However, no one has a final figure on what the sidewalk would cost. It might turn out the city needs only \$5000 to finish it, for example, but no one knows has this information yet. Featherstone pointed out the fitness trail would be built only after the total cost was in hand and a sidewalk could be built in sections.

Commissioner Steven Foster said if Parks were going to see one project through to completion, he would support the fitness trail, as he considered sidewalks out of Parks' bailiwick.

Commissioner Ruth Hager claimed they simply don't have enough information. She also said the fitness trail would be mostly for locals. The sidewalk is good for the city, but it is not the same as something for locals.

Featherstone suggested they table the decision until the May 16 meeting and hope they have what they need by then. Vote was unanimous to table.

Leatherwood geared up

Huss said they are finalizing most of the work at the campground. Sites should be completed soon depending on the weather. The bait shop has been stocked with fishing supplies and consumables, and t-shirts are selling well. Two camping cabins are available and a third is nearing completion.

Huss said he has seen several license plates from Minnesota, Michigan and Wisconsin.

Dairy Spring needs attention

John Tarasuk of the Springs Committee told commissioners a forgotten spring was uncovered at Harmon Park a few years ago, but was subsequently covered up again. He said their committee uncovered the old cistern, and he would like to find funding to build a better stone structure and restore the spring.

He also mentioned the gazebo at Harmon Park could use some paint.

New website

Foster said he has been working with administrative assistant Dove Bolerjack on developing a new Parks website. Foster said he presently is "changing the old as best I can." The plan is for an entirely new one, and Featherstone put out an appeal to the public for someone to build a new website for Parks. Interested parties should call the Parks office at (479) 253-2866 and let Huss know.

Other items

- Huss told commissioners that since Parks received another vehicle, he recommended beginning May 1 they redirect his vehicle stipend to a line item yet to be determined. He also asked for an increase in his phone stipend from \$50 to \$80 per month because of increased use of digital devices. The commission voted to approve both items.

- Featherstone announced that Bolerjack would take notes at commission meetings and prepare the minutes.

Next workshop will be Tuesday, May 9, at 6 p.m., at Harmon Park, and next meeting will be Tuesday, May 23, at 6 p.m.

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Leatherwood tax projects

NICKY BOYETTE

Parks Director Justin Huss told commissioners last week the one-eighth cent tax for supporting the Lake Leatherwood City Park Master Plan amounts to 12 cents on every \$100. He said he's developing his pitch to voters so they understand the dollars and sense of what Parks will do with the tax proceeds.

Huss intends to set up meetings to explain the importance of the tax for Parks, but the situation requires more. He said Parks needs a "friends group" to help spread the message by

phone calls or word of mouth, and it's important to make the public aware of big projects waiting at LLCP.

Board chair Bill Featherstone mentioned dredging the lake, repairing the bathhouse and septic system, and building a pavilion as projects waiting to happen, so having the steady income would allow Parks to meet the match for a large grant to pay for these undertakings.

Commissioner Fergie Stewart said likely support groups would include soccer fans, cyclists, hikers and locals who love to sit by the lake.

Huss said they need a committee and Foster said it should meet weekly. Featherstone suggested an organizational meeting Tuesday, April 25, at 6 p.m., at Harmon Park.

"Invite your friends," Huss said.

Doughboy spruced up

NICKY BOYETTE

Dee Bright, chair of the Eureka Springs Preservation Society, told Parks commissioners last week that restoration work on the Doughboy War Memorial sculpture in Basin Park would be wrapping up soon. The project is funded by a Heritage Month grant from the Department of Arkansas Heritage, with matching funds from ESPS.

She said the project, being done by Norton Art, Inc., included using a non-toxic biodegradable cleaning agent on the statue, which was then covered with a drape to let the cleaning agent seep in. Missing pieces will be fabricated and attached, and then it will get a preservation treatment.

ESPS will host an evening event on May 15 and conservators from Norton Arts will explain what they did. On May 24, there will be a rededication in Basin Park with dignitaries and photo opportunities followed by an Open House at the Historic Museum.

Park art needs definition

NICKY BOYETTE

Parks Director Justin Huss said April 18 that he has had some problems with vendors in Basin Park this year, and is trying to stay within the ordinance as he addresses the issue. Huss said the intent was for there to be art sold in the park, but he said sometimes it looks more like

a crafts fair.

He said he wants to change the dynamic back to the presentation of art. He also mentioned the vendors are supposed to keep records and pay taxes. Huss will work with the mayor's office and ESPD to keep the situation flexible but fair to the intent of the ordinance, which in his view is art, not a flea market.

Commissioner Steven Foster said if there were a formal process for determining what was appropriate, then the pressure would be off Huss.

"I'd love it," Huss replied. "We can make our own policy."

Foster recommended Huss work with the Arts Council to develop some criteria to help and Parks would implement the policy.

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Discussing the New Testament at Metafizzies

The May 1 meeting of the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society will feature Dr. Stephen Foster continuing his discussion on the metaphysical interpretation of the New Testament. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

Talk turns tense at WCCAD

NICKY BOYETTE

On April 18 the Western Carroll County Ambulance District held its first regular meeting since April 3 when commissioners voted to award the ambulance service contract to Eureka Springs Fire Department Emergency Medical Services. Some discontent from that meeting flared again at this one.

As soon as the ESFD performance report came up on the agenda, chair Sam Ward questioned the arithmetic and intent of Eureka Springs Fire Chief Nick Samac. Ward said to Samac, "I talked to you about it last time, not being able to add four numbers. It's the same thing this time. It's

obvious these aren't being proofed. It's obvious to me nobody cares."

Samac corrected Ward on where data in the reports came from. Ward expressed further issues with how data was entered in the reports until Samac responded, "I don't need to be chastised."

"Yes, you do. Yes, you do," Ward answered. "For ten months we haven't had an accurate report."

Ward pointed out problems with Samac's spreadsheet, Samac replied, "If you see anything like that, bring it to my attention before we get here." He encouraged moving beyond the confrontation and trying to cooperate.

"All we want to do is provide you with what you want," Samac stated.

Commissioner Marie Lee said she would be concerned if the chiefs complained they were not getting the service they need, and she has not heard that. As far as Samac's reports, Lee said they are easier to read than before, and the commission gets information it needs.

Ward held to his view that Eureka Springs does not abide by a stipulation in the contract to have two ambulances available at all times for the western district. Conversation followed about various multi-ambulance incidents and how ESFD had third and fourth ambulances standing by. As far as response times, Samac pointed out there are many situations which are not emergencies in which he advises the driver to slow down.

Ward said using an average response time for the month as the performance gauge is lowering the standard. He posed the possibility ESFD could put an ambulance in Holiday Island, and asked if the commission should ignore

response times to Mundell Road and beyond because they will be more than 15 minutes. He also suggested a possible penalty of \$20,000 every month ESFD does not meet performance standards.

Commissioners did agree to meet for a work session on the contract Wednesday, May 3, at 1 p.m., at the Cornerstone Bank in Holiday Island.

Diners can eat on a school bus

NICKY BOYETTE

Joe Joy, owner of Pepe Tacos restaurant, bought a retired Eureka Springs school bus and had it painted in Mexican folk art style. Joy intends to re-purpose the sprightly-colored bus as extra seating for diners, parked beside his restaurant. Joy said the motor has been removed, and the bus will be perched with tires one inch above a concrete slab.

The Historic District Commission unanimously approved the project at its April 19 meeting.

Commissioners also approved these four other applications:

- 159 N. Main – add parking pad off existing driveway
- 42 Vaughn – new garage
- 2 Hillside – add story to existing garage
- 115 Wall – extend existing picket fence

These items on the Consent

Agenda were approved:

- 81 Spring – new sign
- 38 Spring – relocate existing sign
- 75 Mountain – new paint colors
- 44 Spring – new sign
- 159 N. Main – new sign
- 16 White – new paint color for railing
- 18 Eureka – replace concrete/tile steps with limestone
- 155 W. Van Buren – new sign

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 two Administrative Approvals, applications for repair or work involving no changes in materials or color, but which include changes in roofing color: 37 Council – repair front porch decking; 10 Mountain – re-roof to match existing.

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Need for sustained pressure

Editor,

The deflections and distractions from the Trump administration are coming at such a fast and furious pace, it is hard to keep up with them all. Beneath the distraction of war is the Russian collusion/treason of the president, which deflects from Trump's constant lies.

This in turn distracts from the GOP's legislative work to impoverish and destroy the middle and lower classes which in turn deflects from the theft of public and individual money which in turn distracts from the efforts of this administration to finally destroy our planet. The problems are so immense that it overwhelms me.

What can we each do? This is the question I ask myself. Do things like not using straws, separating trash, signing petitions, giving to charities or calling our representatives make a difference? It's hard to say in the face of rising sea levels, air pollution, the (still) leaking radioactive waste into the ocean, coal slurries that destroy rivers and valleys, the wanton slaughter of wildlife coupled with the new laws, military actions and executive orders that will hasten the end of life as we know it.

The Women's March showed the concern we have but without sustained pressure, nothing changes. But who can protest for weeks on end? We are all so tied to our own lives that any time away is fraught with the fraying of the seams. But we must do something if we want a future for ourselves and our children.

Good Luck to Us All.

Sheri Hanson

God and guns

Editor,

Two thirds of the God Head have always been together. God sends Christ to Earth for our salvation. Christ states, "I must go back so the Holy Spirit can come." We are not left unattended.

As I departed the reasonable safety of Carroll County last year to visit friends in California and our sons and grandkids in Oregon, I asked the Holy Spirit to go before me into the dangers of the Left Coast.

In my left pants pocket was a Ruger .380 and one like it under the seat, a .22 derringer in a glasses case in my shirt pocket

and a shotgun in the trunk.

If while refueling the Chrysler in Bakersfield, someone(s) tried to carjack my bride and the car, the individual expletives attempting the kidnap would have been arrested, prosecuted, tried and sentenced in six seconds – by me.

Do I know it's against the law to carry a loaded gun in California? Yes! I live by a higher law. The law of survival and that of the natural law of a male to protect the female mate of 53 years.

At 76, fists are not the weapon of choice in a fight, but the Holy Spirit and a strong trigger finger.

Latest message of wisdom: H.S. says go straight to Oregon this year and skip California.

Richard Waxenfelter
Berryville

Being #8 on a whole list isn't bad

Editor,

Since our presidential election was stolen, I have cried me a river, just like our weather in Eureka recently; so I got a therapist to help me. My pineal gland is awash with grief (Rene Descartes believed the "pineal to be the principal seat of the soul.")

She suggested I write, every day, about something I am grateful for.

1. Living in Eureka with green all around me, trees, gardens, flowers and water
2. A reasonable city council
3. The absolutely wonderful and beautiful farmers' market
4. Creative artists and musicians who make life lighter and sweet
5. Progressive political people who will not tolerate Fascism
6. Lesbians, gay men and trans folk who have lived happy lives despite hatred and abuse
7. Intelligent church people who do not discriminate against anybody
8. The *Independent*
9. Humans who care for animals
10. Beauty wherever it is found
11. Good and kind people who help one another.
12. Having a good friend and life partner who makes through the changes with me.

Thank you.

T.A. Laughlin



WEEK'S TopTweets

@3sunzzz: Why does everyone keep telling me to grow a pear?

@celebritychez: How long are you supposed to wait before you unpause the TV after your wife tells you she wants a divorce?

@saltedmacadamia: R.I.P. boiling water, you will be mist.

@armeasures: Boss: Why aren't these documents attached? Me: Sorry, I couldn't find my... [forgot word

stapler] desk crocodile.

@sannevman: Hey, maybe the dark matter in the universe is actually all the money owed to freelancers.

@simonholland: It's fine to eat one "test" grape in the produce section, but you take one bite of a rotisserie chicken and it's all, "sir you need to leave."

@9Gag: If you succeed at failing, do you fail or succeed?

@CamusOverEasy: The Bluetooth in your ear tells me you are expecting an important call. At Walmart. At 8 a.m. On Sunday. In the snack food aisle. Ma'am.

@davidshughes: You're mad at me about what happened earlier aren't you? Arresting officer: Little bit.

@mapcaplaughs30: I bet when the toaster came out everyone was happy they didn't have to throw their bread at lightning anymore.

@MichaelEarhart: Girl: I only date guys who can ice skate and make puns. Me: Figures.

Oil or water?

If you spill a cup of coffee, or take your dog for a walk, no one gets too excited. Leaks and spills are words used to describe common events. Crude oil pipeline leaks go undetected by pressure sensors and remote control centers. Massive toxic spills near rivers and water are deadly.

What is more important than water?

Stephen Lee, Diamond Pipeline's project manager, in his rebuttal testimony before the Public Service Commission failed to answer the most important question of the hearing. He said, "That answer may depend on who you ask when selecting a pipeline route. Mr. Lester might very well say, nothing, but Native American tribes may respond that burial grounds and sacred artifacts are more important than a supplemental water source." Lee danced around the question and showed complete ignorance. John Lester, Clarksville County Water General Manager, is responsible for a 16 million gallon per day water treatment facility and a 2.5 mgd wastewater treatment facility. Lester knows water. Diamond doesn't understand why Clarksville is concerned with crude oil massive spills.

Tap water quality

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has strict regulations that limit amounts of contaminants in the water provided by public water systems, to assure tap water is safe to drink. The EPA protects public health, but is at high risk.

Oil pipelines are deadly

Oil spills are chemical warfare, a common occurrence with pipelines. At 200,000 barrels per day, Diamond spills would be massive, leaking 350,000 gallons per hour. Last Friday, Plains All-American had another spill in Loyal, Okla. The Buffalo Pipeline spilled 20,000 gallons of oil on farmland and Cooper Creek, which feeds into the Cimarron River. Cleaning crews wearing yellow suits showed up with plastic bags, buckets, and pigs. Pigs are absorbent temporary floating barriers used to contain oil spills on water, long "socks" filled with fluff – like disposable diapers. PAA crews attempted to clean spills by hand, but the oil spilled on the field is absorbed by the soil. Cleanup crews and yellow suits are just for show. Where do the 20,000 gallons of oil go?

How much water should you drink per day?

Doctors recommend eight eight-ounce glasses of clean water per day. Don't wait to feel thirsty. Coffee, sodas, and other drinks don't count – these liquids are diuretics, increasing the need for water. People run on water. Small amounts of dehydration negatively affect your mood, attention, memory, and motor coordination. Before enduring rising sea levels, Arkansans will face the threat of hot weather, heat stress, and a lack of clean water.

What is in the water?

People near Norman, Okla., know not to drink tap water, they drink bottled water. Chromium 6 is carcinogenic and high concentrations are related to wastewater fracking. Imagine the expense of cooking and bathing with bottled water. The negative impact on wildlife and pets is unacceptable.

Lead is a potent neurotoxin. Children absorb as much as 90 percent more lead into their bodies than adults.

Lead can cause severe health impacts – including anemia, kidney disease, abnormal brain function and even death.

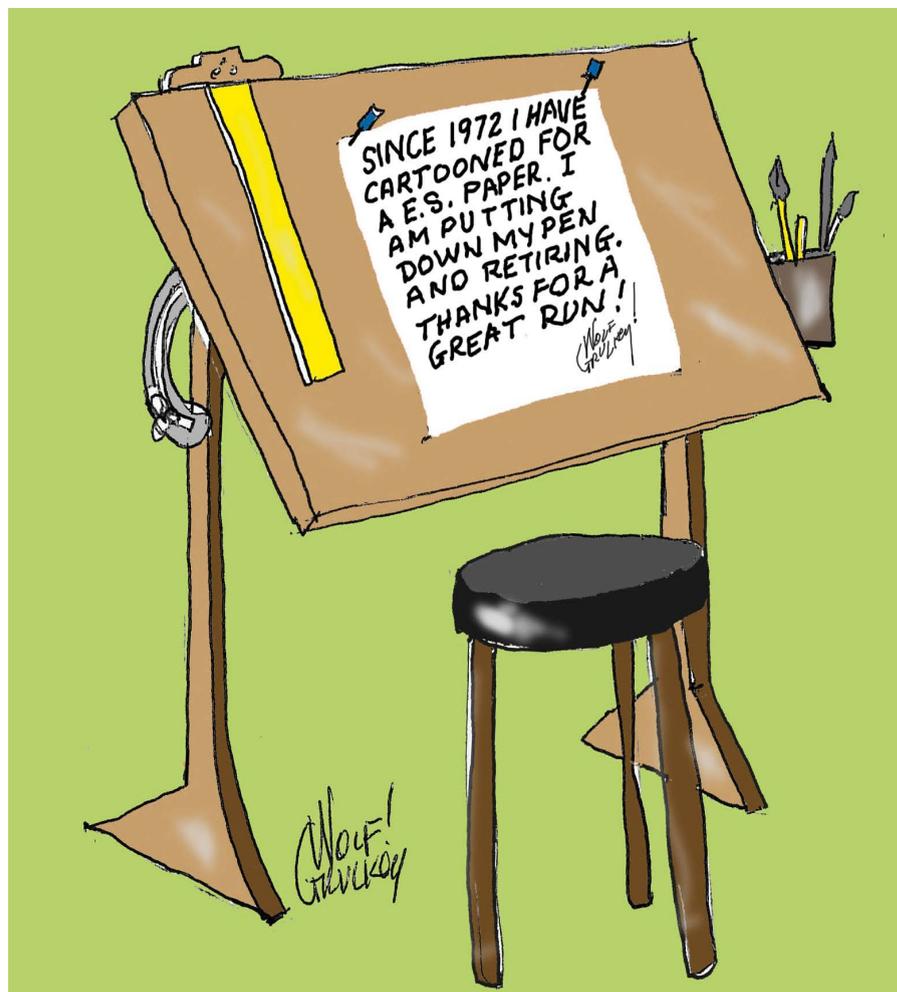
Taking water out of the water-cycle

Forests store and filter rainwater flowing slowly to streams and rivers. The water you drink today has been around from Day One, and as long as we have healthy forests, the cycle of water is maintained.

Fracking is an unethical way to use millions of gallons of fresh water. Unlike conventional oil fields, fracking wells in shale plays have a short life and more wells are required. Fracking is a low-tech, brute-force technology. To keep oil flowing, frackers are increasing the amount of frac sand and fracking water.

Along with crude oil, millions of gallons of underground water are extracted by fracking. Wastewater is the total amount of water coming out of the wellhead. Toxic wastewater is then injected into storage wells, causing earthquakes in Cushing, Oklahoma.

Dr. Luis Contreras



The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

I've been thinking about taking a trip to Portugal. I've always been fascinated by how often spies and counterspies and riddle-ridden con-girls seem to meet there to swap secrets and stuff wads of euros into their pants pockets. If I go, I'll sit in a coffee shop and try and pick them out of the crowd. And you can get an okay hotel room in Lisbon for 24 bucks a night, 28 bucks with breakfast.

The Portuguese are friendly folks, too. When I was a kid we lived along the Nechaco River in British Columbia for a time. A lot of Portuguese immigrated there to work in the salmon canneries along the river. Among them was a girl named Evelina, who had eyes as bright as Jupiter in an April sky. We became inseparable 5th graders.

When I was a traveling man I spent quite a lot of time in Rhode Island, the state where most Portuguese Americans live. They came and worked fish out of the Atlantic; now they own small shops and cafés, and they cap tires. I always enjoyed how much we laughed when we got together, and that they're serious Catholics who wouldn't listen to banjo music if you wrote them a \$100 check on the spot.

The main obstacle to our going to Portugal right now is the risk of embarrassment. Everyone I know who travels internationally reports being constantly asked, "Trump? What were you thinking? Have you lost your minds?" A pal asked a Paris waiter if they had any *tarte au flan* left. "Flan! Of course we have flan!" the waiter replied. "But are you crazy? Have you gone nuts? No flan for you!"

A lot of the world has had it with us. International travel to the US is down 25% since last year – we're losing billions of tourism dollars – and no one a quarter mile off our shores buys the idea of American Exceptionalism anymore, no matter how many MOABs we drop. We carpet bombed SE Asia for years – then Iraq and Afghanistan – and it didn't and hasn't made a dime's worth of difference.

What America First really means is America alone.

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. Friday – Food Pantry 10 a.m. – 2 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 Country Hardware. One-dollar store in the yellow building open Tuesday – Saturday from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Thrift store, furniture bank in big blue barn behind chapel open Friday and Saturday from 10:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Donation drop offs by the blue barn only.
- **Recorded Teachings and Meditation Monday** – Recorded Rinpoche 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 Christ-centered meetings for those suffering from addiction, habit, hang-up or hurt.
- **Grief Share** – A Bible-based, 13-week program for 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.
- **Echo Thrift Stores and Clinic** – The Clinic is open 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month for appointments open 1 – 4 p.m. Open every Tuesday/Thursday to assess needs and to make appointments. Free services are offered to those without insurance or if insurance does not cover them. The Thrift Store is open Monday-Saturday from 9 – 5 p.m. Clinic number: (479) 253-5547. Thrift Store number: (479) 253-5888.

INDEPENDENT ConstablesOnPatrol

APRIL 14

3:36 p.m. – Central dispatch called in a domestic circumstance. Constables responded and arrested one participant.
4:30 p.m. – There was an accident in a motel parking lot.
7:52 p.m. – Witness reported seeing a female stretched out in a downtown parking lot. A male maneuvered her into the back seat of a vehicle and drove away. Constables watched for the vehicle but did not see it.
10:12 p.m. – Individual in the north part of town reported seeing a bonfire not far away. ESFD responded, but the fire had already been extinguished.

10:17 p.m. – Concerned observer reported an inebriated female stumbling down Main Street. She told the constable on patrol she was on her way to get a ride with her friend.

APRIL 15

1 a.m. – Central dispatch reported a 911 hangup call from an area east of downtown. Constables patrolled the area but saw nothing unusual.

3:15 a.m. – Individual flagged down a passing constable to report a nearby disturbance. Constable spoke with the disturbers and took a report.

9:07 a.m. – Alarm sounded at a business in the east part of town. Constable found a door open but no one inside.

11:28 a.m. – Innkeeper asked for assistance because a guest did not want to leave the property. Constable arrived. Then the guest left.

2:16 p.m. – Visitor in town told ESPD she suspected someone at the motel where she had stayed stole from her. Constable wrote it all down.

5:40 p.m. – ESH staff asked for a constable for a dog bite report.

6:11 p.m. – Constable arrested an individual on an outstanding arrest.

9:42 p.m. – Witness downtown reported a group of four intoxicated males, one of whom was urinating in the street. Constable found them and arrested one for public intoxication.

10:54 p.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for DWI and of a passenger for possession of a controlled substance and drug paraphernalia.

11:31 p.m. – Innkeeper asked for a constable to make sure her inn was secure. Constable complied.

APRIL 16

8:22 a.m. – Traffic congestion caused by motorists going up where they ought not prompted a constable to put up more cones at the bottom of the hill. That stopped it.

1:22 p.m. – Resident above downtown reported a van with an occupant had been parked in front of a residence all night. Constable arrived to find no one in the vehicle, which was parked legally, but ESPD provided more patrols in the area.

1:52 p.m. – Missouri State Police asked for assistance delivering an emergency message. Constable complied.

8:25 p.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for driving on a suspended license, careless driving, failure to pay registration and on a bench warrant out of CCSO.

APRIL 17

12:03 a.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for speeding and DWI.

12:36 a.m. – Constable and EMS responded to an individual with depression and mental issues.

9:22 a.m. – Because of a 911 call for a welfare check, the constable responded and arrested one person for third degree domestic battery.

11:04 a.m. – Three 911 calls came from an address in the western part of town, but constable found no one at home.

12:12 p.m. – Individual reported there was a raccoon trapped on her rear deck. Constable arrived to find a squirrel, which he released.

5:29 p.m. – Traffic stop downtown resulted in the arrest of the driver for driving on a suspended license, no seat belt and on an outstanding warrant out of ESPD for failure to pay.

10:15 p.m. – Another traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for DWI and disregarding a stop sign.

APRIL 18

11:03 a.m. – Alarm company alerted ESPD to an alarm at a bank. Bank official assured the constable everything was secure.

2:25 p.m. – Constable checked on a vehicle that appeared to be abandoned in a downtown parking lot.

8:32 p.m. – CCSO requested a constable respond to an address and advise the resident of a no contact order.

8:45 p.m. – Constable went to an establishment to hear about alleged harassment.

9:34 p.m. – ESPD got word a reportedly reckless driver was at a gas station, but the vehicle was gone before a constable arrived.

APRIL 19

12:38 a.m. – Witness reported hearing a confrontation at an apartment house, but there were no arguments anywhere when the constable arrived.

7:57 a.m. – Central dispatch transferred the

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T-shirt evangelism on the backs of millions

BECKY GILLETTE

Vic Kennett, founder and CEO of Kerusso, is quite likely the person who invented the term “t-shirt evangelism.” Quite certainly he has perfected the business of selling t-shirts that contain Christian evangelistic messages, as Kerusso is the largest business of its type in the U.S., with sales in more than 50 foreign countries, as well.

Kerusso is the business-started-in-a-garage success story. Kennett started Kerusso 30 years ago in his Eureka Springs home with a \$1,000 family loan. He took out an ad in *Campus Life* magazine and filled orders on the side while still working as a full-time carpenter. Today Kerusso is the largest Christian apparel company in the nation, employing 135 people at a 100,000-sq.-ft. facility in Berryville. Kerusso has sold more than 25 million t-shirts.

Kennett said the mission of Kerusso, a Greek word meaning “to herald divine truth,” is to proclaim the good news to the world through products about Jesus.

According to *Impressions* magazine, a t-shirt message might be read as many as 3,000 times during its lifetime. Kennett said t-shirt evangelism has the potential to preach the gospel to millions of people who need to hear the message of salvation.

“Even if each shirt is seen just 100 times, that means we have preached the gospel 2.5 billion times around the world,” Kennett said. “We genuinely believe what we are saying and want to make a difference in the world. We believe a t-shirt can impart a thought or message without so much as a conversation. But then t-shirts of all kinds, whether they are from Kerusso or Nike, can also start conversations.”

The t-shirts are often lighthearted, such as a children’s t-shirt with a bear on it that says, Jesus Loves Me “Beary” Much. Usually the t-shirts contain a pun or a clever turn of phrase. The idea is to bring a smile to the face of the person who sees it. And as Kennett said, “You catch more flies with honey than vinegar.”

Kerusso has grown and thrived at a time when many apparel manufacturers have been forced by market factors to leave the U.S. for cheaper labor overseas. But most Kerusso shirts are still screen printed at the factory’s ten-acre campus in Berryville. In addition to those jobs of the actual printing the shirts, they also have employees for warehousing, distribution, shipping, sales, customer service and accounting. There are also artists on staff.

“So, it is a whole host of great people who all work together to get the job done,” Kennett said.

One important element of success is catering to different tastes. There are shirts that might appeal to a man who rides a Harley Davidson, or someone with a military background, while other designs may be feminine. They recently launched a new line of women’s fashion boutique t-shirts. And their active apparel, moisture wicking polyester t-shirts, is also gaining in popularity.

Rick Tocquigny, CEO of Colorado-based Artbeat Media, www.gracefully-yours.com, has done business with Kerusso for 20 years. He said the success of Kerusso starts



VIC KENNETT



Vic and crew with donations for Hurricane Ike relief

and ends with their being centered on the right core values.

“Vic Kennett’s core values are God first, family, creativity, integrity and hiring the people who walk the talk of core values every day,” Tocquigny said. “If you hire people with deep faith who also have a belief in creative ideas and always doing something different, it comes

through in the thirty year success of the company.”

He said the company consistently thinks outside of the box.

“There is a believer’s market and a seeker’s market,” Tocquigny said. “Instead of only going after the people who sit in the pews every Sunday, they are also going after the people who are out there on the fringe, the seekers. Kerusso is chasing down the consumer. In that sense, I would describe Kerusso as a disruptive company.”

There is a Kerusso outlet store on Passion Play Road and US 62, and some locals might think that’s all there is to Kerusso, but that’s just one retail outlet. By far most of their sales are wholesale. And the company continues to grow its online retail sales.

“The retail industry is changing,” Kennett said. “Serving brick-and-mortar retailers is still the bread and butter of our business, but we’re committed to innovation and meeting customers’ needs regardless of where they are.”

Kennett is proud of being one of the larger private employers in Berryville.

“We are doing our part to keep small town America alive,” he said. “We are thankful for our team, for the community of Berryville and Carroll County, for the cities and the county have supported us over the years. It is a great place to have a business.”

The motto at Kerusso is: One Team, One Mission.

“It is our keystone principle of how we work together as a team,” Kennett said. “We are one team and it doesn’t matter if you are in shipping or accounting, you do your job to fulfill that mission statement. We have been very pleased with how our team has grabbed hold of that. Sometimes the larger a company gets, more siloed a department becomes. One team, one mission has really gotten everyone in the company thinking along the same lines.”

In addition to t-shirts, Kerusso sells Christian themed hats, hoodies, jewelry and gifts. For more information, see www.kerusso.com.



Kerusso production members, Jeff Wendt, Sheryl Sanders and Dayren Ramirez



First selection of Kerusso tees

McDonough takes helm at ESSA

BECKY GILLETTE

Peggy Kjelgaard, the outgoing executive director of the Eureka Springs School of the Arts, says new E.D. Kelly McDonough has the perfect blend of non-profit experience and management skills that make her a natural fit for presiding over the school.

“She is exactly what ESSA needs to continue on its progressive journey forward,” Kjelgaard said. “I feel joy and relief knowing ESSA is in such good hands.”

McDonough used to visit several times a year before moving to Eureka Springs at the end of 2015.

“I love the natural beauty of Northwest Arkansas, and I particularly appreciate the spirit of Eureka,” McDonough said. “There is just something about Eureka – anyone who has been here for a while, or even visited, knows about the unique pull the area has for so many, and has heard many amazing ‘how I came to Eureka’ stories from those who have felt that pull. I am the same. After visiting, I just knew it was the perfect place for me... and I was preceded by my parents and mother-in-law, who felt the same ineffable desire to be here. It’s wonderful to have our family together here, and to be part of such a unique community.”

McDonough said Eureka Springs is art, and ESSA is a physical manifestation of the dedication and creativity of so many who have been part of the artistic community in this region, and beyond.

“Building on the legacy of Elsie and Louis Freund who started the first art school in Eureka Springs in the 1940s, ESSA was founded by committed, widely respected artists and patrons within the community who felt they had both an obligation and an opportunity to provide art education,” she said. “ESSA started as a school without walls; a few committed artists taught art classes in their studios. Today, nearly seventy classes a year are offered across all mediums for all ages and skill sets at the ESSA campus. Leading artists and instructors from across the nation come to teach at ESSA and student enrollment continues to grow. Campus offerings



Kelly McDonough

have grown from four weeks of intensive workshops to an entire season of three-, four- and five-day workshops extending from March through October.”

McDonough said ESSA has made Eureka Springs a destination for practitioners in all fields of art and craft to network, improve skills, and retreat to the peaceful 55-acre ESSA campus to foster artistic and creative growth. In the last couple of years, about a quarter of their students have been from outside of the Northwest Arkansas area, which is an economic plus for lodging and food sales. McDonough said the number of students outside of the

region continues to increase as ESSA grows in reputation as a premier art school.

McDonough isn’t an artist herself, and rather describes herself as an art admirer. She has worked collaboratively in her volunteer life, and in prior professional positions with art collectives and art organizations, to develop and deliver pop-up art shows and public performances.

“I have always been an art enthusiast and have found ways to participate in artistic endeavors as often as possible, as a supporter and collaborator,” she said. “Eureka is uniquely suited to host an artistic community, in a way I have not seen before, because of the combination of a vibrant creative life, with a low cost of living, and its appeal as a tourism destination. It is truly a treasure, and I am thrilled to be part of the creative community working to preserve the vitality of arts in this area.”

McDonough hopes to build on the legacy of Kjelgaard, who is retiring after 10 years as executive director, and many staff members and donors who have turned ESSA into such a treasure.

“We are currently putting the finishing touches on a new wood studio, where they plan to provide a larger than ever slate of woodworking classes for all levels of skill,” she said. “ESSA has a number of strategic growth plans in the works which will improve student access to our courses, increase awareness of ESSA across the region and nationally, and further establish Eureka Springs and ESSA as premier destinations for artists and enthusiasts alike.”

ESSA Board President Elise Roenigk said they are confident that ESSA will continue to be a tremendous success under McDonough’s leadership.

“We are grateful that ESSA’s new executive director comes to us with a diverse background of management at a large non-profit and extensive volunteer experience in the arts,” Roenigk said.

For more information, visit www.essa-art.org.

Type O Negative blood in short supply

The Community Blood Center of the Ozarks will hold a blood drive at the Berryville High School, 215 Ferguson Street on Tuesday, May 2 from 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. and another at the Green Forest High School, 800 Phillips Avenue on Wednesday, May 3 from 9 a.m. – 3 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 meaningful 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 sharing your good health with others or on the LifePoints donor rewards program may be found at www.cbco.org or call toll-free (800) 280-5337.

Tae Kwon Do classes offered

A Cup of Love Ministry, 4032 E. Van Buren is offering Tae Kwon Do classes on Tuesday and Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Call (479) 363-5429 for information.

Purple Flower partnering with NWA Women’s Shelter

The Purple Flower Domestic Violence Resource and Support Center announces partnership with NWA Women’s Shelter beginning on May 1 to provide advocacy services through their (844)-24PEACE crisis hotline.

The bilingual hotline is available to anyone at any time of day or night in Carroll County. Northwest Arkansas Women’s Shelter provides emergency intervention and a wide range of assistance due to domestic violence or sexual assault. For more information visit www.nwaws.org.

The Purple Flower provides advocacy services at their office Tuesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. by walk-in appointment, crisis intervention, court advocacy, and referrals to community partners and education to the public. For more information visit www.thepurpleflower.org or call (479) 981-1676.

Airport scouting for revenue

NICKY BOYETTE

Pilot Harper Goodwin rents hangar space at the Carroll County Airport, and remarked at the April 21 Airport Commission meeting, "I'm thrilled with how things are going here." He noted the mutual cooperative connection between CCA and the Trigger Gap grass recreational runway 3.2 miles to the south, and added the monthly fly-ins have been very important for getting pilots talking about CCA.

"If you have an airplane, you're looking for some place to fly to," Goodwin said.

Commissioner Morris Pate followed Goodwin's comments by noting the commission has not done as much as it could have to get word out about CCA. He insisted they need a more organized marketing strategy for reaching outside the local area.

Goodwin pointed out there are pilots from Texas at the monthly fly-ins and commissioners agreed that was a positive indicator, but they tossed around other ways to advertise within a limited budget. Pate suggested they pursue meetings or conferences at the airport, and give participants a bag of goodies provided by Eureka Springs and Berryville Chambers of Commerce. Commissioners mentioned pens, flashlights and baseball caps as low-cost giveaways.

Airport Manager Michael Pfeifer reminded

commissioners, "It takes money and we don't have it."

Commissioner Dave Teigen said he has raised funds by offering plane rides to folks who then donated to a worthy cause. He said he would be willing to offer rides to promote CCA and encouraged other pilots to do the same.

Pate emphasized marketing and revenue generation needs to be a priority for the commission. He said the amount they receive from the county will continue to dwindle, but the airport will still need to operate and pay bills and look to the future. "What else can we do?" Pate asked. He exhorted commissioners to be creative. He said the airport needs more hangars, which would be a revenue generator, "but we'd have to go in debt over our eyeballs to meet the grant match."

Commissioners agreed to address marketing during the budget discussion.

Budget discussion

"So what are you suggesting regarding paying down our two debts?" commissioner Sandy Martin asked Pfeifer. He responded the commission could reduce monthly payments on two debts to \$250 each from \$500 each every month, thereby freeing up \$6000 in the budget over the year. Commissioners fidgeted with budgeting protocol for a moment until Martin asked Pfeifer what he needed the money for besides furniture. He mentioned

marketing.

Martin said the extra money would allow Pfeifer to get furniture for the lobby. Eventually commissioners agreed to reduce the monthly debt payments to \$250 each and add \$3000 to the furniture line, making \$5500, and the other \$3000 to the marketing/advertising line bumping it to \$3100.

One more thing

• After an executive session, chair Chase Tressler stated the commission took note of a delinquent tenant and established a payment schedule.

Next meeting will be Friday, May 19, at 12 p.m.

Find hidden treasures this weekend

The spring's 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 distributed throughout the town on the weekend.

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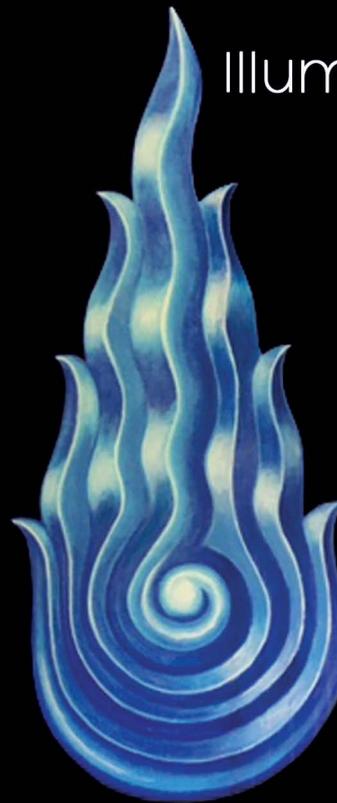
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Five plays in three nights

The Holiday Island Theater Guild will be presenting their spring performance of *Selected Shorts* on May 4 – 6. An ensemble of 15 actors will perform 5 plays in one night at the Holiday Island Clubhouse Ballroom.

The plays are titled “Auntiques and the Gunman,” “Auntiques and the Baby,” “Challenge of Bureaucracy,” “Working it Out,” and “Late Date.” Tickets are \$10 and are available at the Cornerstone Bank in Holiday Island and Eureka Springs. The play starts at 7 p.m. each night.

National Day of Prayer May 4

The 8th annual Carroll County Bible Reading Marathon will be held at noon on May 4 on the steps of the Church in the Grove on the Great Passion Play grounds in observance of the 65th National Day of Prayer.

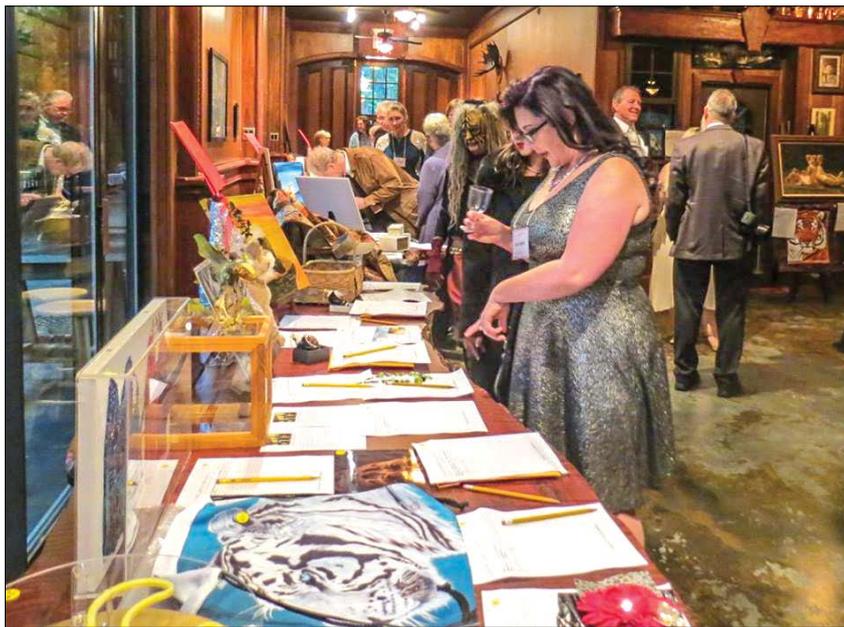
People are asked to bring their picnic lunch and dress in the style of the 1800s. The marathon will begin at 8 a.m. and continue to 8 p.m. each day through May 11. The event will start with a flag rising by the Beaver Lake Veterans who have donated flags for the local group. People are encouraged to come listen to the reading or be a reader by calling Coordinator Bonnie Roediger at (870) 350-0865.

Technician classes offered May 6

The Little Switzerland Amateur Repeater Club will be giving technician classes on May 6 and May 13 at the First Christian Church, 736 Passion Play Road. Classes are free to all and there is a \$15 test fee for all license levels. A bag lunch will be provided. Contact Terry Dean at (870) 250-0385 or terryjdean@cox.net.

Jesus Parade and concert May 26

The Western Carroll County Ministerial Association’s Celebrate Jesus Parade and Concert will take place on May 26 and 27. The concert begins in Basin Park on May 26 from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. and at the same time on May 27. The parade will roll down Spring Street at 2 p.m. on May 27. For information about entering the parade call Laura and Dale Nichols at (479) 253-8925.



Big cats support big cats – A sold out crowd of 120 people attended the 6th annual Cats at the Castle Rogue’s Manor. The fundraiser dinner and silent/live auction went to benefit Turpentine Creek Wildlife Refuge, which rescues exotic cats and other animals and provides them with lifetime refuge. The event raised approximately \$15,000.

PHOTOS BY JAY VRECEK



That’s what makes Paris Patee – Residents at Peachtree got to enjoy a showing of the 1952 movie *April in Paris* in which a series of mistakes leads to a chorus girl traveling to Paris to represent American theater. The movie stars Doris Day and Ray Bolger.

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Arbor Day and Earth Day in one planting – In celebration of Eureka Springs being a Tree City USA for the 35th year, a native fringe tree, “Grancy Gray Beard” was planted in The Native Plant Garden, on First Street next to the Art Wall. Mayor Butch Berry gave the Arbor Day Proclamation and then helped put the tree in its new home with assistance from Kelly Clarke the volunteer coordinator and a member of NWA Master Naturalists.

PHOTO BY JEREMIAH ALVARADO

Wetter weather didn’t stop mushroom festivities – Booths were moved into the Chamber offices and music had to be cancelled, but the rain did not put a damper on the 2nd annual Morel Mushroom Festival. Morels were sold in the parking lot and the hunt continued at its secret location at 1 p.m.

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Dedication ceremony attended by many – Mary Dolce and family, along with fellow Rotarians and local supporters, filled the HISID meeting room for the dedication ceremony for the Dr. John L. Dolce Handicapped Fishing Pier on Friday, April 21. The pier is on the other side of the bridge across from the Holiday Island Marina. Pictured is Ken Mills as he speaks in appreciation of John’s contributions to the community.

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New Moon, Beltane, Mercury Direct

The week begins with the Taurus new moon. At new moon times the New Group of World Servers supports the endeavors of the women and men of Goodwill everywhere. New moon times, having an Aries/Uranus flavor, are “all things new” times. However, with all the retrogrades – Mercury, Jupiter, Saturn & Pluto (Thursday, Pluto stations) – especially Mercury retrograde, we only **consider** (not act upon) plans and ideas, assessing and re-assessing them till Mercury retrograde is over. Mercury remains retrograde till next **Wednesday, May 3**, remaining in its retrograde shadow until May 21. Then we can move forward more easily. Maybe!

Friday, Venus enters Aries and Mercury joins Uranus. It’s a changeable unexpected day. Sunday with Chiron, we are careful not to hurt one another. We practice “**Ahimsa**” (doing no harm). **Monday** is the festival of **Beltane**. An ancient Celtic festival, Beltane

is celebrated on May 1 (May Day). Beltane informs us we are now between Spring equinox & Summer solstice. In the Catholic Church, Mary, Queen of the May, is crowned. When my mother was a young girl she was May Queen. She crowned Mary with May flowers. When I was a young girl, I, too was May Queen. I crowned Mary with May flowers, too.

In earlier times, in 19th century Ireland and Scotland, yellow flowers (primrose, rowan, hawthorn, gorse, hazel, marigold) were gathered, made into bouquets, placed at doorways and windows and offered as spring gifts. Sometimes loose flowers were strewn about dairy floors or made into garlands, placed around cows and milking and butter-making equipment. The yellow flowers evoked the golden fire of the Sun. This festival tells us summer’s almost here!

ARIES: Be careful that you don’t become exhausted from ceaseless work. It’s best to create your own schedule, have your own business, independently working at your own pace and not be disoriented by those with a different pace. Only one twelfth of the population is Aries. Everything you do has your own Aries signature and enthusiasm. Gain the respect of others working with you. Be generous, kind and compassionate. Soul virtues.

TAURUS: Usually you’re placid and quiet, seek comfort, pleasure and fine food. However, another side of you loves risk-taking and speculation. It’s a sense of play for others but, to you, very serious. Often (silently) you’re competitive. You respect the fiercely independent, sports enthusiasts and good talkers. Somehow you always get what you want and everyone admires you. People wonder often about you. You never tell.

GEMINI: Sometimes you feel anger or confusions or protection concerning your early childhood years. Sometimes you realize there are childhood realities you can’t quite remember. You sense present behaviors have roots in childhood. Your instincts tell you beliefs, thoughts and ideas must change. First, every life experience must be accepted and

embraced. Wounds begin to heal when we realize all family, friend and relationship choices and experiences were made by us before birth.

CANCER: You’re learning to speak truthfully. Sometimes what you say hurts others. You’re also learning discrimination – how to communicate with both truth and kindness. This takes many lives for everyone. You want to be direct and clear. But sometimes our communication is tinged with judgment and/or provocation. You can be informative and you can be kind, too. It takes lots of learning. We are all learning this together.

LEO: You ask often how is something made and what are the steps and methods to creating it yourself? You love things practical. But they must also be beautiful, make money, have value, be challenging and keep you independent. This sounds like the type of relationships you seek. It’s good to be slow and steady in all endeavors. Soon the pace will pick up.

Careful to spend money only on things of value. Nothing bearing any resemblance to the past.

VIRGO: Sometimes we react immediately and with force to new situations and events, like firecrackers ready to ignite.

It’s good at these times to take Aconite (homeopath) when nerves seem stressed and over reactive. This is the activity of Mars in Gemini working with Mercury (your ruler). Sometimes you begin things and then can’t complete them. This will pass. Don’t stir up any discontent or trouble anywhere. It returns with a powerful lightning-like force.

LIBRA: Have you felt a bit discouraged, convinced your efforts won’t be seen, heard or understood? You have wanted to cease certain ways of living, acting or being, but this too felt difficult. That time will come. You have not felt your usual sense of self. Often these days you’re overtired. You work well on your own, your values and principles are strong, yet one aspect of your life feels incomplete, not quite right and empty. What is it?

SCORPIO: Certain people in your life actually help you to achieve your many hopes, wishes, goals and dreams. Most of these people are acquaintances, few are close friends. This is how you like it. You choose only a few trustworthy people to support your aims in life. You have the warrior sensibility. Whatever your goals, you achieve them. Often undercover and in the dark of night. For protection. We can learn from you.

SAGITTARIUS: You’re one of the signs that seeks freedom above all, so you can accomplish independent, original work.

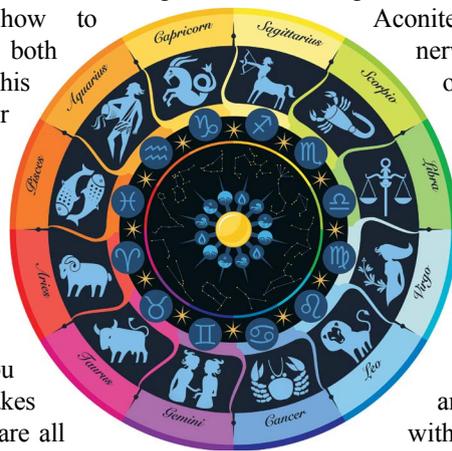
The stars have endowed you with courage to pursue your own endeavors, choices and decisions allowing you autonomy. Ambition carries you to the heights and to the depths and always to the “razor’s edge.” When you add charm, care of others, a bit of music and good food to the mix, you’re without limit.

CAPRICORN: You love different ideas, constant learning, challenges and humor. You don’t like self-righteousness in others, especially when others don’t understand your character. You’re playful yet serious, energetic within limits. You like to laugh, have a quirky sense of humor. Right now, you’re pondering upon and seeking new endeavors, new path in life and a new identity. It’s in a garden with mulberry, lilac, lime and fig trees. Chickens all around. And a greenhouse.

AQUARIUS: When you know deeply what you want to pursue, the opportunity finally appears. Sometimes you feel no one loves you, or there’s no relationship ahead. You are uncomfortable with anything or anyone that projects illusions. You discover and uncover things. You live in the future, in a place not yet realized by most of humanity. You can be lonely. There are others, magical like you. Call to them.

PISCES: Cooperation, kindness and forethought are the qualities needed while relating to those close to you. Often it’s best to work one-on-one. Compromise isn’t easy unless there’s deep respect for one another. You’re learning how to lead, counsel and be a leader. A difficult task. Let others think they are your heroes and heroines. This is the way diplomats work. Diplomacy, compromise, negotiations are art forms. You’re the artist.

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Alderman Terry McClung moved to assign the ordinance a number and put it on its first reading. Alderman Mickey Schneider remarked, "The sooner the better; it's going to happen anyway," and City Attorney Tim Weaver said the revenue would mean sewer operation would pay for itself and the city would not need to borrow from reserves.

Vote to put the ordinance on its first reading and vote to approve were both 6-0, and the same for the second reading. The vote to put it on its third reading was 5-1, Adamson voting No, but the vote

to approve the third reading was 6-0. Vote to read and approve the emergency clause was 5-1, Adamson voting No.

Accessibility still a handicap
LauraJo Smole told council it had been 90 days since she addressed them regarding the lack of accommodations for persons with disabilities to have access to city meetings. She said the city holds its meetings in inhospitable locations and there is supposed to be a designated person responsible for grievances procedures, but she has not been able to find out who that is. She also has not been able to find a self-evaluation report the city is supposed to

prepare regarding compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Smole said she has seen no action regarding her previous address to council and no reasons stated for continued noncompliance. She requested a letter explaining the reasons for no progress. She also asked the city to set up a task force on improving access for persons with disabilities.

Settlement

Council passed Resolution 709, which authorized Berry to finalize settlement of Morris vs. City of Eureka Springs by the "transfer of funds in the amount of \$45,000 to the plaintiff and

plaintiff's attorneys for full and final settlement of all claims." Former fire fighter James Morris had sued the city for "unlawful deprivation of rights and privileges."

Public comment

Lee Lujan told council, "The Music Park looks like hell. It's a disgrace." He said no one maintains the park on North Main, the Music Garden there is a failure and the stage has been used maybe twice. He suggested the entire space would serve the city better as a parking lot for as many as 25 additional spaces.

Next meeting will be Monday, May 8, at 6 p.m.

Blue Skies Book Study June 6

The next Blue Skies Book Study will take place on Tuesday, June 6 from 5 – 6:30 p.m. at St. James Episcopal Church. The selection for discussion is “Gospel Memories – The Future Can Rewrite Our Past” by Jake Owensby.

Told as a series of wonderful short stories, the book illustrates how one can view their past with a different and positive perspective. Copies of the book are available through Amazon, and at least one copy will be available at the Carnegie Library. Dr. Dennis Campbell will lead the discussion in the Undercroft at 28 Prospect. All are welcome.

Holiday Island Art Guild meeting May 2

The monthly meeting of the Holiday Island Art Guild will be on Tuesday, May 2 at 10 a.m. in Room A of the Holiday Island Clubhouse. Guest speaker will be Jim Walden who will speak on “The Art of Stained Glass Making.”

Jim is a member of the Holiday Island Art Guild and is currently studying oil painting with Denise Ryan. The meeting is open to the public and all are welcome to attend.



New gallery graces the streets of Eureka – The Eureka Springs Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting and reception for Cynthia Ré Robbins' new gallery, Art 4 Spirit. Her gallery is located at 125 Spring, just around the corner from the former Post Office.

PHOTO BY JAY VRECEK

DEPARTURES

Sheila Arlene Harlan Feb. 8, 1941 – April 24, 2017

Sheila Arlene Harlan, 76, passed away on April 24, 2017 at Washington Regional Medical Center in Fayetteville, Ark. She was born Feb. 8, 1941 in Eureka Springs, Ark., to the late Howard and Oneida Bell (Lake) Higgins. She was the wife of the late Ronald “Ronnie” Harlan who preceded her in death in April 2010.

Sheila was a lifelong resident of the area, living most of her years in Rogers. She met Ronnie at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church near Avoca, Ark., where they were married in 1958.

Her favorite pastimes were flower gardening and bass fishing. Sheila was also a great cook, an avid reader, and a fan of classic movies, especially Westerns.

She was a devout Christian who served within the Southern Baptist church community for many years. Because of her gifted soprano voice, she was oftentimes asked to lead the church song service or

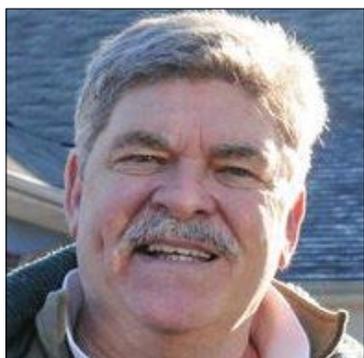
direct Vacation Bible School music programs.

Survivors include her son Anthony “Tony” Harlan and daughter, Rhonda Mills, both of Ponca, Ark.; grandson Braden Townsley of Rogers, Ark.; brother Gerald Higgins and his wife, Norma, of Garfield, Ark.; brother Dennis and wife, Suzy, of Springdale, Ark.; and five nephews.

A graveside service will be on Friday, April 28, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. in Rogers City Cemetery, where friends of Sheila and her family are invited to join in honoring her memory.

Because Sheila’s greatest passion was fishing and spending time on the river or lake, memorial donations can be made in her honor to the Buffalo River Foundation and its watershed protection effort at www.buffaloriverfoundation.org.

Online condolences may be made at www.rollinsfuneral.com.



Thomas Franklin “Dub” Simmons July 26, 1943 – April 24, 2017

Thomas Franklin “Dub” Simmons, of Berryville, Ark., was born July 26, 1943, Texarkana, Texas, son of Thomas and Irma (Longino) Simmons. He departed this life Monday, April 24, 2017 in Rogers, Arkansas at age 73.

He is survived by his partner of

30 years, Chris Andrews of Berryville, Ark.; his sister, Sue Towell and husband, Leonard, of Benton, Ark.; nephew, Chip Blendon and wife, Tammy, of Sherwood, Ark.; great-niece, Allie Blendon of Knoxville, Tenn.; other relatives, friends and loved ones. He is preceded in death by

his parents.

Memorial service will be announced at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. Online condolences may be sent to the family at nelsonfuneral.com. © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2017



April's bustin' out all over – The Farmers' Market is settled in at the Community Center lot next to a healthy carpet of grass, just a skip from the *Independent* office. Carrots, kale, collards, turnips, look at all those vegetables we can identify. But did we get the names of the three women? No. But wait! Look at the food truck! Great enchiladas. The market is open Tuesday and Thursday from 8 to 1 from now until Thanksgiving.

PHOTO BY BECKY GILLETTE

Buddhist Study Group gathers

The Eureka Springs Buddhist Study Group will gather for 30 minutes of meditation followed by reading and discussion on Thursday, April 27 at 4 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain. All are welcome.

Americana with Eureka House Concerts

On Sunday, April 30, Eureka House Concerts presents Americana singer-songwriter Kevin Welch, part of the Texas and Oklahoma music scene for over 40 years as well as charting five singles on the Billboard Hot Country Songs charts. The concert will feature Kevin's daughter Savannah Welch of The Trishas.

The concert will be at 27 Elk Street. Doors open at 5 p.m. with music at 6 p.m. For more information go to eurekahouseconcerts.com or call (479) 244-0123.

Five & Dime Spring show first Sunday of May

Five & Dime Drama Collective presents *Dance of Deceit* by local playwright Tom Gorsuch, on Sunday, May 7 at 2 p.m. at the Auditorium. The multimedia production directed by Larry Horn will feature live music performed by Pearl Brick, overhead projections of photos by John Rankine, and a cast of local actors. Tickets and more information can be found at FiveAndDimeDramaCollective.org.

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

I occasionally experience erectile dysfunction. Viagra works but I'm only 45 and don't want to depend on medicine. What else can I do to prevent this problem or at least keep it from getting worse?

Great question. Especially since 75% of men who experience the Failure-To-Launch phenomenon are too embarrassed to ask. ED is not uncommon, affecting approximately 40% of men under 40 and increasing to 70% of men in their 70s. Yet the idea that ED is a normal part of the aging process is just that, an idea. It's a myth, don't accept it.

The extent to which your physical health deteriorates equals the extent to which your sexual health will deteriorate. Instead of blaming it on aging, take a good look at your lifestyle choices, particularly about fitness and nutrition.

Not this again, you say. Like it or

not, our culture is in the midst of a true health crisis. And yes, all erections are at risk.

Obesity and over dependence on pharmaceuticals is killing us and our sex lives, too. Millions benefit from medications that treat life-long illnesses like Diabetes Type 1, asthma, depression and various hormone disorders. Each of these illnesses is infinitely more successfully managed when paired with a healthy nutrition and fitness plan.

Cardiovascular disease and diabetes are the biggest culprits when it comes to ED. Yet we're steadily couching, eating, drinking and smoking our way right into cardiac arrest and Type 2 Diabetes.

Heed the warning. ED may be the first sign of future cardiac or metabolic disease. Maybe you're just a little overweight, your meals are more about comfort than stealth, your cholesterol's sneaking up and your fitness preference

is high intensity intervals of sports viewing and beer drinking.

Viagra or Cialis? Either can get you there but neither is a forever endeavor. Cleaning up your diet and getting seriously fit can end your erectile woes altogether.

Adopt a diet high in fruits, vegetables, whole grains, nuts and lean meats. Men who increased their intake of flavonoid-rich foods like strawberries, blueberries, wine and citrus products reduced their risk of ED by 21%.

Men who walked 30 minutes per day decreased their risk of ED by 40%. Thirty to 60 minutes of vigorous exercise improved sexual function significantly more. Too busy, you say? Not in the bedroom...

Questions? Email leslie@esindependent.com. Leslie Meeker, M.A., L.P.C., is a psychotherapist who has specialized in relational and sex

therapy, sexual compulsivity and sexual trauma for the past 17 years, after receiving extensive training in human sexuality at the Masters and Johnson Institute in St. Louis, Mo.



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Opal Agafia belts bluesy ballads at Brews Friday, Chucky Waggs shines a light on junkyards at Chelsea's Saturday

Opal Agafia is lead vocalist for the Sweet Nothings, who are all about bluegrass, gospel and homegrown fiddling, accompanied by mandolin, dobro and standup bass. She resonates and reverberates, and she'll put the wag in it at Brews Friday. Chelsea's hosts Chucky Waggs on Saturday night, he's got a particular sound of trains, bones, heartbreak and a growling for whiskey in the morning. Friday at 8, Cathouse, treat yourself to the rocky-frisky-Journey/Raitt sounds of Septembers End.

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

BALCONY RESTAURANT – Maureen Alexander, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.
CATHOUSE LOUNGE – George Brothers, Rock, 6 p.m.
EUREKA LIVE! – Green Screen Karaoke, 9 p.m.
GRAND TAVERNE – Jerry Yester, Grand Piano Dinner Music, 6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

BALCONY RESTAURANT – Pearl

Brick, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m., Michael Dimitri, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.
BREWS – Opal Agafia, Singer/Songwriter, 7 p.m.
CATHOUSE LOUNGE – Septembers End, Rock, 8 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – Bramhall Brothers, Blues, 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.
NEW DELHI – Pete and Dave, Singer/Songwriters, 6 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER – 2 Dog 2 Karaoke, 7 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – Tightrope, Rock, 9 p.m.
THE STONE HOUSE – Jerry Yester, Artist's Choices, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

BALCONY RESTAURANT – Pearl Brick, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m., Steve Jones, Singer/Songwriter, 6 p.m.
BREWS – Eureka Music Revival, Americana, 7 p.m.
CATHOUSE LOUNGE – Jimmy



Chucky Waggs plays Chelsea's Saturday, April 29

Wayne Garrett and Liberty Bell Rhythm Band, Rock, 8 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – Chucky Waggs and Company of Raggs, 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 – Pinetop Renegades, Rock, 9 p.m.
LE STICK – Pete Maiella, Singer/Songwriter, 7 p.m.
NEW DELHI – Pete and Dave, Singer/Songwriters, 6 – 10 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER – Dr. Nola and the

Soul Shakers, Rock/Soul, 7 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – Tightrope, Rock, 1 and 9 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

BALCONY RESTAURANT – Jeff Lee, Folk, 12 and 5 p.m.
EUREKA LIVE! – Green Screen Karaoke, 8 p.m.
NEW DELHI – Melissa Carper, Singer/Songwriter, 12 – 4 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – Mark Shields Duo, Rock, 9 p.m.

MONDAY, MAY 1

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

TUESDAY, MAY 2

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – Jimmy Wayne Garrett, Singer/Songwriter, 6 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – Karaoke with Stan, 8 p.m.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 29 • 8-11 P.M.
Jimmy Wayne Garrett and Liberty Bells

TUESDAYS • 5-7 P.M. *Los Roscoes*

call of a domestic brouhaha, and one person allegedly had a knife. Constables arrived to find it had been a verbal spat only and no report necessary.

10:01 a.m. – Staff at a business on the east end of town reported hearing gunshots in the woods nearby. Constables determined the shots were coming from a particular property just outside city limits.

11:13 a.m. – Public Works employee found the bathrooms on North Main locked. Constable embarked with haste to unlock them.

APRIL 20

10:49 a.m. – Passerby noticed a possibly intoxicated female sitting on a bench along US 62. Constable encouraged her to head home.

12:31 p.m. – Convenience store owner asked a constable to check on a suspicious vehicle in the parking lot before he calls a tow truck. As constable was responding, caller called back to report the vehicle was gone.

APRIL 21

8:07 a.m. – Constable responding to a 911 hangup call discovered a toddler playing with a cell phone.

9:10 a.m. – Merchant downtown noticed a backpack in a suspicious out of the way place. Constable investigated and discovered someone sleeping who, upon awakening, grabbed his things and left.

1:15 p.m. – Highway Department responded to multiple calls regarding flooding on North Main.

10:22 p.m. – Constable responded to a motel to hear about alleged harassment.

APRIL 22

4:06 a.m. – Girlfriend requested a welfare check on her boyfriend who was wandering around a convenience store and might be mentally unstable. Constable spoke with the boyfriend, and EMS transported him to ESH for medical attention.

7:43 a.m. – Constables checked on a residential alarm and found the home secure.

9:23 a.m. – A mother claimed her boyfriend had left the day before with her cell phone and their daughter. Constable spoke with the boyfriend and daughter, who were okay, and returned the phone to the mother.
3:47 p.m. – Report came in of a pickup headed westbound on US 62 from the Berryville area going very fast, and it even passed a deputy. Constables in town watched for but did not encounter the vehicle.

4:13 p.m. – Concerned observer told ESPD she was worried a person leaving an event might not make it home safely. Constable encountered the person and was able to find someone to assist him in getting home.

4:31 p.m. – Large unmonitored dog hounded a parking lot in the western part of town. Animal Control looked around but never saw it.

5:30 p.m. – Just up the road toward town, another large dog roamed freely, and a witness was concerned it might wander into traffic. Animal Control again searched for but did not find it.

10:29 p.m. – Near downtown an intoxicated male broke a window of his own vehicle thereby setting off the car alarm. Constables gave him and his wife a ride to their motel.
10:54 p.m. – Constables went to a tourist lodging because of a welfare concern.

11:16 p.m. – Motel manager told a couple to leave the property but she was not positive they were gone. She asked a constable to drive through the parking lot to make sure. Constable complied and the coast was clear.

11:45 p.m. – Siloam Springs PD received a 911 hangup call from a local residence. A constable went to the address to follow up and found the place vacant.

APRIL 23

12:53 a.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for DWI and driving left of center.

1:52 a.m. – Constables checked on another 911 hangup call.

9:54 a.m. – Vehicle in a parking lot blocked egress for other vehicles. Constable advised the merchant to call a tow truck.

1:54 p.m. – Onlooker told ESPD about a female walking around in a motel parking lot cursing and talking to herself. Constable spoke with her and determined she was not causing any trouble.

3:35 p.m. – A reportedly inebriated female was walking down a street near downtown and smacked a passing car with her purse, yelled at it and threw some rocks as well. Constable did not encounter the rock thrower.

3:39 p.m. – A mother at the park with her children claimed kids in the skate park were smoking pot. Constable scoured the area but did not find anyone smoking in the park.

4:22 p.m. – Downtown bar staff asked a patron to leave after she caused a disturbance. Constables found her at another bar and warned her not to return to the site of the disturbance or face trespassing charges.

7:34 p.m. – Two unattended dogs were hanging around a restaurant parking lot for a while. They went inside twice. Constable on patrol gave them a lift to the kennel.

APRIL 24

4:25 a.m. – Something triggered a motion alarm at a residence, but the responding constable found the area secure.

INDEPENDENT Crossword

by Mike Boian with extensive help from his wife, Ann

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ACROSS

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| 1. Early part of the day | 43. East Indian shrub used for making rope | 9. Ease, make better |
| 5. Technocrat | 44. Historical records | 10. Your mother's brother |
| 9. Recorded sound | 46. Operator | 11. One for a buck? |
| 14. Sign of a sore muscle | 49. Common person on person crime | 12. Atomic particle |
| 15. Customary observance | 52. Exist | 13. Select, choose |
| 16. Famous Dogg | 53. One's native country | 19. Sweat equity |
| 17. Young guinea fowl | 56. Quick little scissors cut | 21. Squeezes (out) |
| 18. Budding adult | 57. Aging brings them, along with pains | 23. Porky's greeting |
| 20. Nosh | 58. General vicinity | 25. Becoming slower (music) |
| 21. Significantly active | 59. American ____ | 26. Intestinal obstruction |
| 22. Pool game | 60. Vee flyers | 27. Sporting sword |
| 24. Pixie | 61. Author of the earliest history of England | 29. Colors long gone |
| 28. Cambodian paper money | 62. Theater award | 30. Misspoke |
| 29. Beat, scourge | | 32. Wither, shrivel |
| 31. Mont Blanc, for one | | 33. Tubular pasta |
| 32. Beats the competition | | 35. Luau dance |
| 33. Democratic Republic of the Congo, formerly | | 36. Treasurer |

DOWN

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| 1. Forces | 43. Creamery treat |
| 2. Huge expanse | 45. Our beginning and end |
| 3. One whose speech is pompous or extravagant | 46. Penalized financially |
| 4. What's left after expenses | 47. Heavenly hunter |
| 5. Unpaved road surface | 48. Answer |
| 6. Sea duck | 50. Talk way too much |
| 7. Town and school near Windsor | 51. Unprotected skin |
| 8. Salmon that has spawned | 53. WWII cigarette |
| | 54. Fighter pilot with five or more victories |
| | 55. Article that specifies |
| | 56. Make a lap |

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SATURDAY, APRIL 29
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SATURDAY, APRIL 29
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