



## Makin' St. Paddy proud

– Draven and Anastasia Cummings capture the essence of Irish during the St. Patrick's Parade downtown on March 15. The cuties are the son and daughter of ESH art teacher, Jessica Cummings. See more parade pics inside and on the Eureka Springs Independent page on Facebook.

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BECKY GILLETTE

## SWEPCO hires lobbyists, PR firm to kill Missouri legislation stopping Route 109

BECKY GILLETTE

American Electric Power (AEP)/Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) has hired lobbyists and a public relations firm to derail legislation filed in Missouri to stop Route 109 that would traverse 25.5 miles of two southwest Missouri counties for a proposed high voltage transmission line.

PR consultant Julie Rautio of Capital Results has been working to counter opposition to the route that would go through Missouri without delivering power to the state. She has been meeting with legislators and members of the press.

Capital Results was hired to convince legislators the power line is necessary even though SWEPCO has no customers in Missouri and no electricity from the 345-kilovolt transmission line would be delivered to Missouri.

“Electrical grids don’t recognize state lines,” Rautio said in a phone interview. “If you read Brian Johnson’s testimony, the grid is reinforced in Missouri. If you have read that testimony, it benefits fourteen counties in Missouri in addition to twelve counties in Arkansas and two in Oklahoma.” Johnson is project manager for AEP’s Transmission Engineering & Project Services in Tulsa, Okla.

“Julie’s firm is working with us as we begin to make contacts and provide information about the transmission project,” said SWEPCO spokesman Peter Main. “The transmission system in this region serves

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## This Week’s INDEPENDENT Thinkers

Wilmar International – ever heard of it? How about palm oil? It’s a vegetable oil. Wilmar controls 45 percent of the world palm oil market.

Thirty square miles of Indonesian and Malaysian rainforests are being ravaged each day so corporations can produce cheap cooking oil to put in chewing gum, Kit Kats, cornflakes, milk, soap, pizza, etc.

After stripping the forest for furniture, remaining trees are cut with chainsaws and land replanted with palm trees. The only things that suffer are hardwoods (lungs of the earth), 190 species of mammals, 270 species of fish, 15,000 species of plants – and us.

Wilmar, after years of public pressure, has decided to stop plundering forests and only buy palm oil from legal, sustainable sources.

Good. Very good.



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**Spring is when you feel like whistling, even with a shoe full of slush.**



## Group obstinate about gun walk

NICKY BOYETTE

“We don’t want Eureka Springs to become Dodge City,” Nancy Fuller told the Eureka Springs City Council at a special meeting March 13 called to continue the discussion of a response to the proposed Open Carry walk planned for Saturday, March 29, in Eureka Springs.

Council began discussion at the March 10 meeting because they had learned proponents of the Open Carry law intend to gather near Basin Park and walk through town, get some shopping done and eat in restaurants with their holstered sidearms in full view in an effort to educate the public about their cause.

Citizen Nancy Hill told council she was distrustful of the intent behind the gathering. “I love the peace of this place. If it becomes a bullying, mean place, I wouldn’t stay,” Hill said.

Fuller also commented that she is a hunter and not against guns, but shopkeepers and waitresses are not trained to handle these kinds of situations.

Council turned the microphone over to Police Chief Earl Hyatt, who stated, “This is no surprise to us. We’ve seen the Attorney General’s opinion, and we’re prepared for what is going to happen.”

Hyatt told council there is much confusion surrounding interpretations of Act 746. He said some readers focus on one part of the law that lists restrictions imposed when taking a handgun on a journey in Arkansas. However, Hyatt said, “We are dealing with something else.”

He said Senator Nate Bell, one of the authors of Act 746, stated intent of the bill was to make it legal to pack a handgun in Arkansas. His act lists the limitations on where a person can carry a handgun while on a journey, such as from the vehicle to a sport shooting event and other examples. However, according to Hyatt, Act 746 also added wording that makes it legal to carry the holstered weapon, subject to the restrictions, in other public places, such as down a sidewalk or into a place of business as long as the business does not post

signs disallowing handguns.

Hyatt said as long as the person with the holstered handgun does not seek “to unlawfully employ” the weapon, there is nothing he or his officers can do. Police would have to prove criminal intent to make an arrest as long as other restrictions are upheld.

Alderman James DeVito insisted there are those who would disagree with Hyatt’s interpretation of the Attorney General’s opinion. He was concerned that a small insertion into the law seemed to cancel restrictions elsewhere in the law, and prosecutors are being tentative about pursuing action. He acknowledged all this puts local police in the unenviable position of patrolling the Act 746 advocates.

Hyatt stated clearly, “I am not an advocate of Open Carry, but the law got passed.” He said until the law is changed, his officers have no choice but to monitor and be available.

Hyatt said he had spoken with those involved with the event, and he planned

to talk with them again before March 29. If the group applies for a permit for a demonstration, the city can impose time and place restrictions of their event. “Otherwise, if they gather and walk around town, there is nothing we can do unless they violate a law,” he said.

“Then our only choice is to shut the town down to them,” alderman Joyce Zeller commented almost in disbelief.

“It is the personal choice of store owners,” Hyatt replied. He said ESPD had already printed **NO GUNS ALLOWED** signs merchants can place in their store windows. DeVito said he had some as well.

Zeller continued, “Then we must get word out to all the merchants.” She was concerned word would get out that Eureka Springs was okay with visitors walking around carrying weapons openly.

Hyatt said ESPD would have a presence downtown during the event.

Zeller clarified that the issue for her was not an anti-gun sentiment. Eureka

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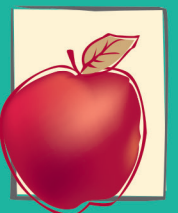
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## CAPC continues to tweak funding requirements

NICKY BOYETTE

Chair Charles Ragsdell commented at the March 12 City Advertising and Promotion Commission meeting regarding a proposed scoresheet for deciding which funding requests get approval, “We should continue refining it; get the right questions on there and let folks know how we will rate their requests.”

“And we can feel confident in how we decide,” added commissioner Damon Henke, who created the scoresheet the commission is considering.

Ragsdell pointed out their funding support guidelines are a work in progress and the CAPC will continue to adapt, but the point is to invest wisely.

Discussion of funding support at this meeting began when Jean Elderwind, speaking for the Carroll-Madison Library systems, asked for \$6100 in support of the Books in Bloom literary festival in May. Elderwind said 15 authors from around the country are scheduled to attend.

Commissioner Terry McClung pointed out the CAPC is not allowed to fund some of the items in her request. “We can help with advertising but not airplane tickets,” he said, but asked, “Can you redirect your requests so we can consider them?”

Commissioners decided there was so little time left before the event, they needed a decision at that meeting. Commissioner James DeVito called Books in Bloom “a good event that brings people to town and enhances the reputation of Eureka Springs.”

Ragsdell calculated the most CAPC would be allowed to fund in Elderwind’s

request would be \$1945. The commission voted unanimously to fund that amount for Books in Bloom.

Ragsdell then suggested Maloney use the proposed scoresheet to “back fund” some of the applications from last year as a learning exercise. “We might find more questions than we have thought of already,” he said.

DeVito suggested a six-month lead time between a request for funding and the event.

Executive Director Mike Maloney noted Bentonville has three deadlines for three funding cycles, and Fayetteville has two.

Suggestions, questions and strategies began to circulate around the table, so Ragsdell advised they put this topic on their next workshop agenda.

### Director’s report

• Maloney said Eureka Springs was well-represented at the recent Governor’s Conference on Tourism in Rogers. According to Maloney, Christopher Crane, Arkansas Film Commissioner, “was all about Eureka Springs” because of recent efforts to figure out how to encourage producers to make movies here.

• Maloney reported the recent Folk Alliance event in Kansas City had been an opportunity to connect folk music producers with Eureka Springs. Ragsdell said there were “performers in room after room after room,” as many as 1000 performances in a five-day period, plus presentations.

Ragsdell predicted, “Eureka Springs will probably see one of the strongest festivals ever this year.”

• Maloney showed a new television ad about Eureka Springs developed by RightMind, airing throughout Northwest Arkansas as well as Springfield, Tulsa, Little Rock and Oklahoma City.

• Eureka Springs will be featured in a full-page ad in *Good Housekeeping*, *Redbook* and *Woman’s Day* magazines in mid-May through June.

• Second Saturday performances will begin in April, and the list of performers includes the Cate Brothers in August.

• Maloney said the uptick in web traffic indicates folks are making travel plans. He also noted that 35 percent of the 28,595 visits in the last month were from mobile devices already in Eureka Springs.

Next workshop will be Wednesday, March 6, at 4 p.m. at the CAPC office. Next regular meeting will be Wednesday, April 9, at 6 p.m.

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## 'Preferred network' not such a good deal for member drugstores

BECKY GILLETTE

A recent story, "Local pharmacies given bitter pill," detailed concerns from the owners of two drugstores in Eureka Springs who were not included in a preferred network used by Medicare Part D SilverScripts.

Pharmacies in the preferred network can fill medications for patients with a much lower co-pay than pharmacies that are not part of the network. Non-preferred pharmacies can still fill prescriptions, but it costs the consumer a higher co-pay.

The story reported that people in the Eureka Springs area who have SilverScripts and want to get prescriptions from a preferred pharmacy, would have to travel to Walmart or Economy Drug in Berryville in order to get prescriptions at a reduced co-pay.

Danny Smith, pharmacist at Smith Drug Company, said he felt like this was a back door deal struck with the McKesson wholesale drug company.

Some people thought they could

no longer get prescriptions filled at the Eureka Springs drugstores. That is not true. Only customers who subscribe to SilverScripts are affected. SilverScripts customers can still get their drugs at Eureka Springs drugstores, but must come up with a higher co-pay. SilverScripts customers can also have drugs mailed to them.

Guy Lessenberry and the other pharmacists at Economy Drug in Berryville started getting questions about Economy Drug getting kickbacks for being part of the SilverScripts preferred network.

"I have customers now asking me if we utilize the same business practices as Walmart, and we do not," Gabe Roy, pharmacist at Economy Drug, said. "We very much use a different business model from Walmart and do not share the same views as the big box chain stores. We do not want to be associated with all the negative things said that reflected Walmart."

Roy explained that Economy Drug does not make more money being in this preferred network, and receives no kickbacks.

"We didn't even ask to be in a preferred network," he said. "We think preferred networks in general are bad for the American public, and they typically only benefit big box stores. American people should be free to go where they want and get the same co-pay. These networks are out there, and we realize they are unfair. But if we don't affiliate with any networks, we won't have any business."

Economy Drug uses a third party negotiator called Good Neighbors Pharmacy Providers (GNPP) that negotiates with insurance companies on behalf of their members, which are all independent pharmacies.

"GNPP helps us negotiate with insurance companies," Roy said. "We were fortunate to be with GNPP. We didn't even know we were going to be in the SilverScripts preferred network and others were going to be left out. GNPP happens to be an extension of our wholesaler. Without a third party negotiator like GNPP, independent stores couldn't compete at all with Walmart and other big box chains."

Economy Drug was recently left out of another closed-door preferred network deal involving Walmart and Harps. Economy Drug is now no longer a preferred network pharmacy for the insurance program for Tyson's, which is the largest private employer in the county.

"Economy is a victim of preferred

networks just as the case with Beth and Danny," Roy said, referring to the owners of the two drugstores in Eureka Springs. "With these preferred networks, we lose as much business as we get. Tyson went behind closed doors and made a deal with Walmart and Harps in Green Forest. I'm not preferred anymore. Customer's co-pays may be higher here than at Walmart and Harps."

"We stand to lose some Tyson customers because of this. I have a Tyson plant in my backyard, and my customers will be penalized for coming to me instead of going to Walmart or Harps. Economy Drug feels like preferred networks should be done away with completely. The general public should be able to go to any drugstore in the country and pay the same price. I mean that from the bottom of my heart. It is not fair to the person who is paying their premiums. All preferred networks should be done away with. They do not really save money like they claim, as was discussed by Mark Riley, president of the National Community Pharmacists Association"

Roy said the reason preferred networks have come about in the past three to five years is because big box drugstores know their service can't compete with most independent pharmacies.

"We pride ourselves on our service," Roy said. "If the playing field was level, Walmart would struggle to keep their volume. If the price is the same for everyone no matter where you go, people will go where they get better

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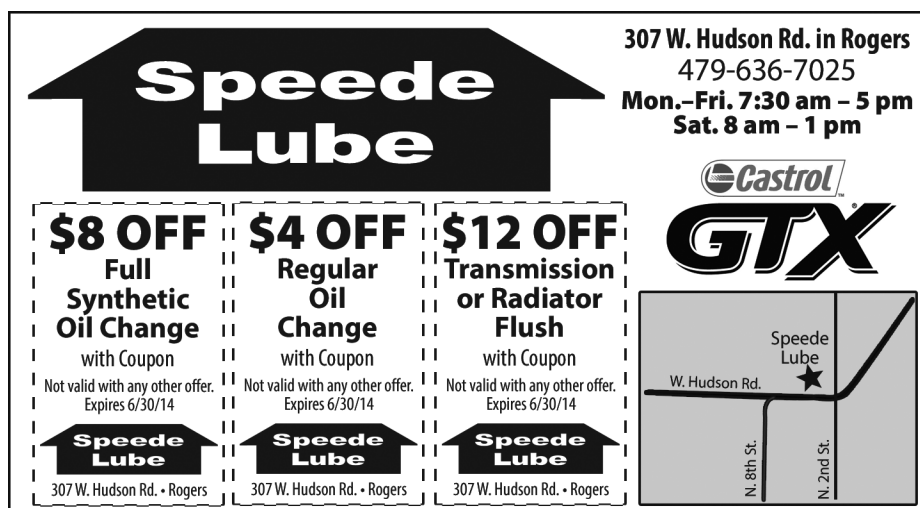
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## Hospital Commission gets explanation for change in ambulance service

NICKY BOYETTE

Eureka Springs Fire Chief Rhys Williams was put on the spot to explain to the Hospital Commission a recent letter from Mayor Morris Pate to Eureka Springs Hospital stating that Eureka Springs Fire and Emergency Medical Services would no longer provide non-emergency transports for patients after May 1.

At the March 17 Hospital Commission meeting, Commissioner Pam Crockett told Williams and Mayor Morris Pate she would change her vote regarding the purchase of a new ambulance for ESFD if patient transports were canceled.

Williams clarified that ESFD's first responsibility is to provide emergency services to citizens of the county, and the only thing he is looking to change is

eliminating Basic Life Support transfers, which means non-emergency.

The number of calls so far this year has increased from 248 to 303 compared to the same time in 2013. Williams said he keeps at least four people on duty at the station all the time. If two of them leave to perform a non-emergency transfer, it puts a strain on available resources, so Williams said he tries to call in off-duty emergency medical technicians to perform patient transfers.

Pate told commissioners EMS would be considered negligent if two EMTs were not on board the ambulance.

Williams said more than once he has run short of on-duty EMTs. "It would simplify things if another service did the transfers, and we kept our EMTs on hand for emergencies," he said. He also

pointed out there are other companies in the area which only perform transfers. It would be as simple as ESH calling the transfer service instead of ESFD. A recent transfer of a burn victim to Little Rock took two EMTs away for nine hours.

Williams pointed out these events seriously affect his overtime budget.

Williams said response teams in the area set up "backflow agreements" so they can help each other when one station is short of personnel. He said ESFD EMS has helped Mercy Hospital in Berryville probably 15 times already this year, and Mercy has backed up ESFD maybe three times in recent memory because Mercy is not equipped to handle all the county throws at them.

Pate said Williams had done his homework before he made the

recommendation to stop non-emergency transfers. Pate said Williams had already changed collection agencies in an attempt to collect more from patients who had no insurance and were not paying for their transfers.

The commission seemed satisfied with Williams' explanation. He also provided an update on the ambulance the commission is buying for ESFD. His representative has already been to the factory in Houston and worked with the makers to design the ambulance. He said it would be ready around the end of summer.

The commission also voted to purchase two new gurneys that elevate with the push of a button to help with patient assistance.

Next meeting will be Monday, April 21, at 1 p.m., at Echo Clinic.

## Traffic controller jailed, fired

Kouakou Yao, known as Angelo the downtown traffic cop, has been fired from the Eureka Springs Police Dept., according to Chief Earl Hyatt. Yao, a 12 yr. civilian employee of ESPD, was arrested early Sunday morning after allegedly breaking into the home occupied by his estranged wife, Jennifer Clay, and their children.

Yao is accused of breaking a back door of the home, putting a friend and an adult relative of Ms. Clay into headlocks and slamming them into sheetrock, causing it to break, and

pushing Ms. Clay down.

Yao is charged with Assault on Family or Household member, 3<sup>rd</sup> degree; Public intoxication; Criminal mischief, 1<sup>st</sup> degree; 3<sup>rd</sup> degree Battery times two; Endangering the Welfare of a Minor, 3<sup>rd</sup> degree; and Terroristic threatening times three. Yao was released after posting a \$2500 bond, according to a Carroll County Sheriff's Office spokesperson.

"We cannot tolerate domestic violence under any circumstances," Hyatt said.

## Pancake breakfast supports firefighters

A pancake breakfast to benefit the Grassy Knob Volunteer Fire Department will be held on Saturday, March 22, 8 – 11:00 a.m. at the GKVFD Community Center, 12037 Hwy. 187. Start your day with a hearty breakfast and enjoy pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee for a good cause. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. For further information contact Sally McVey, (479) 253-9528.

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# INDEPENDENTNews

## Envisioning a bike and pedestrian friendly Eureka Springs

BECKY GILLETTE

Right now Eureka Springs is not a very pedestrian or bike friendly town. Steep, narrow, twisting streets can make it challenging to ride a bicycle, and sidewalks are missing in key areas of town. But in the past five years, the city has added miles of great off road trails at Lake Leatherwood, Black Bass Lake and in town.

Denton West, a Eureka Springs resident since he moved here in 1994 to recover from an ironworking injury, has played a big part in building those trails. His interest started back when his son, Cory West, who now races with the American Motorcycle Association (AMA), was in the sixth grade. West worked with his son and his class building the Beacham Trail around Lake Leatherwood.

"Cory and I have been helping build trails in the parks and on private property and on green space property ever since," said West, who owns Adventure Mountain Outfitters at 151 Spring St., a business that provides bicycle sales and kayak rentals. "The thing I'm trying to make happen is an in-town trail system so people can walk or ride their bicycle instead of having to drive or ride the bus. We want sidewalks up on the highway, we want to share the road signs, and bike lanes on the highways and on Planer Hill. We want to make bicycling and walking a safe thing to do here."

West also is advocating safe routes to school for the kids. If you visit the Eureka Springs schools, you are likely to not find a single bicycle at the schools.

"And that is not right," West said.



"There is a huge childhood obesity problem in the U.S., along with obesity in the general population. It is because no one walks or rides a bicycle anymore. All our schools are concentrated in one area off Greenwood Hollow, and there is no safe way to walk or ride a bicycle to school. You either have to be taken to school by your parents or ride the bus."

The lack of safe pedestrian and bike paths near the school isn't just bad for the health of the students, on school days there are major problems with traffic congestion.

West is one of the original members of the Trails Committee, which works under the Eureka Springs Parks and Recreation Commission. Progress is being made. There is a Eureka Springs in-town trail system Facebook page, and the committee is getting close to having a master plan for trails complete.

West believes Eureka Springs can enhance property values, tourism and health by concentrating on building its trail system.

"There is such an abundance of green space here in Eureka Springs in the form of old plotted roadways and streets, and plotted parks and reservations," he said. "There are six or eight huge reservations in this town that no one really knows about. Every one of these springs in town has a bunch of property around it that is a reservation. These reservations are for public use, but often there is no access. These old plotted streets and alleyways that are green space, people are scooting their yard back, building fences around property that isn't really theirs, and calling it their own. If we continue to allow this to happen, we as citizen of Eureka Springs are

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## Lawsuit filed to stop 260-ft. cell tower in Busch

BECKY GILLETTE

Frank Owen Kendrick, Kristi Bradt Kendrick and Mary Pat Boian, all Busch property owners, last week filed a lawsuit seeking an injunction opposing building of a 260 ft. lattice-type cell tower with lighting on top in historic Busch. The complaint is against AT&T Mobility and Beaver Lake Storage, (BLS) LLC, owned by Fred and Margaret Bartell, who have leased property to AT&T for the project.

The complaint filed by attorney Kristi Kendrick alleges that AT&T's application overlooked the old Busch Post Office and Store when making the claim that no historic assets would be impacted.

"AT&T Mobility consultants denied the existence of, and the historic nature of, the post office," Kendrick said. "This is something anyone driving by can see. It is right across the highway from the proposed cell tower site. The consultant, Flat Earth Archeology, relied on a short citation on the Internet about the book *Busch AR 72620*, which has the post office and store on its cover, and pictures of the post office throughout the book. They went online and read a blurb instead of buying the book. If they had bought it, they would have seen the building has been there since 1904. They were trying to do the least amount of historic research."

Kendrick said the Department of Arkansas Heritage is studying the Busch Post Office and Store's historical nature.

While AT&T's application states the company has FAA approval for the tower, the approval was for an airstrip five miles away, not for the Ozark Sky Ranch airstrip located less than a thousand feet from the cell tower site. That airstrip is where Community First Bank President King Gladden died while landing in 2005, and where Air Evac and other emergency helicopters frequently land to transport accident victims and those with immediate medical concerns.

"The FAA has no jurisdiction over privately-owned, privately-



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used airstrips," Kristi Kendrick said. "Therefore, FAA approval does not mean that the tower will not be a hazard to air navigation."

"The Ozark Sky Ranch and airstrip has been in that location since 1946," the complaint states. "The proposed cell tower and the lighting on the storage buildings on the BLS property will confuse pilots and thereby be an aviation hazard and constitute a private and public nuisance."

Other key portions of the complaint include:

- The proposed cell tower will be clearly seen from the Kendrick property, the Boian property, the airstrip, the Busch Post Office and Store, the many residences in and surrounding the community of Busch and Inspiration Point, the historic Inspiration Point Castle, and Blue Spring Road, which leads to Blue Spring, a stop on the Trail of Tears forced relocation in 1838.

- The proposed cell tower will cause visual pollution, noise pollution, light pollution, electromagnetic pollution and be out of character with the cultural, residential, rural, historical and scenic character of Busch. It will be far taller than any nearby structures.

- The proposed cell tower will constitute a private and public nuisance in that it will cause a loss of property values to not only neighboring properties, but to those properties from where the tower is visible. It would additionally endanger wildlife,

including but not limited to eagles that nest in the area.

- Other wireless service providers adequately serve the community.

- The cell tower constitutes a hazard to people who could be

injured or killed, and property could be destroyed, in the event the tower collapses or the antennae or other equipment fall from the tower.

The complaint asks for a permanent injunction prohibiting construction of the tower and lighting of the storage facilities on the BLS property continuously through the night.

The Kendricks live across the US62 and up the mountain from the proposed cell tower site. Since the cell tower is in a valley, they would be level with the top of the cell tower looking out from their residence. The first they heard of the project was a legal notice in the *Carroll County News* that mentioned Busch, but had only the latitude and longitude of the site.

"They probably did all they needed to do to meet the legal requirements for notifying the public, but I get the impression they wanted

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## Art bread gets healthy response from customers

NICKY BOYETTE

“Art bread” is how Ivan Thompson, aka Ivan of the Ozarks, describes his line-up of baked goods. Ivan vends his baked items and barbecue rubs at the Eureka Springs Farmers’ Market on Thursdays, and has unleashed a new gluten-free product on the world – Artful Dodgers, which he said look like crumpets but are wheat-free, fat-free, sugar-free, chemical and preservative-free, yeast-free, milk-free and egg-free, “but they are not free,” he said, “they are three for five dollars.”

Thompson started making bread because his mother, Pam Jones, did, and encouraged him. He baked bread for his family when he got married, but, being in New York, his goal became making great pizzas.

Along the way, he was introduced to inspiring books about bread making, and said he learned from experience, “If you make your own bread, your worst loaf will taste better than what they have at the supermarket.”

His family moved to Pennsylvania, and Thompson continued making pizzas, but found local tastes were drawn more toward bland than the exotic dough he experimented with.

After years of learning about bread making, Thompson took on the challenge of developing his own barbecue rub. “Pennsylvania is a barbecue desert,” he commented. He said his goal was to create a great rub for barbecued ribs, and years of experimenting led to a formula he called Red Rub.

When he moved to Eureka Springs he sold Red Rub and another called Eureka Moment at the farmer’s market. He got

reports customers were using them not only for barbecue but on beans, eggs, potatoes and even popcorn. However, he noticed even loyal customers did not buy often.

So his thought was to create something people will buy every week, and tried breads. He has developed a loyal following that appreciates his variety, but said his greatest compliment is that the other bread maker at the farmers’ market is a regular customer of his pumpernickel rye.

Thompson said he was asked along the way about gluten-free bread, but never tried seriously to make it because “gluten makes better bread.”

Over thousands of years, farmers have chosen grains with high gluten because of the texture it lends to breads. Nevertheless, he continued to try gluten-free recipes, and also took up the challenge of avoiding eggs, milk and wheat flour, “crossing off all objections.”

He tried buckwheat, but it is not a familiar flavor. Flaxseed is easy to use but earthy, he said. “You’d be surprised what gluten-free people will tolerate.”

“It had to be something even I would like,” he commented, and thinks he has finally hit on a formula that works.

Thompson is a reservoir of useful science about grains and baking processes. He described his quest 18 years ago to make his own sourdough starter, a process that was a two-week chemistry project requiring his intervention every four hours. As a consequence, he warned, “You don’t want to lose your starter.” He said he has stored spare starters at his mother’s



home and the home of a friend.

He’s also learned to get different results from varying the number of “rises” he gives the dough. Another trick is to let the dough sit in the refrigerator. “It ferments and it tastes better,” he said. He lets dough sit for as long as a week in a refrigerator, and the technique produces a good pizza dough.

Besides Artful Dodgers, Thompson also sells pumpernickel rye, German Sunshine rye, different sourdoughs and rustic Italian. He bakes multi-grain bagels (a high gluten item), bialys (onion-flavored Polish cousins to a bagel), baps (Scottish cousins to a bagel), cinnamon raisin English muffins and spelt crumpets.

Every week, Thompson said he tries “something completely different, an experiment.” Recently he used spinach and farmer’s cheese to make Cheesy Green bread which “customers were fighting over.” He bakes his wares in the kitchen of the Piedmont House thanks to the generosity of owners Pat and Jay Fitzsimmons.

He said he would have another product to unveil to the world sometime this summer that he described only as “an Asian mystery sauce.”

His products are available at bbqrub.us. Thompson also wrote a book titled *A Summer of Recipes from Eureka Springs, Arkansas*.

## Fly tying workshop March 23

Nationally known fly fishing expert, Sallyann Brown, will lead a fly tying workshop at the Hobbs State Park – Conservation Area visitor center Sunday, March 23, from 12 – 4 p.m. This straightforward workshop will teach the basic techniques for tying all types of flies.

Subjects covered include how to tie knots, apply weights and hackle, how to spin deer hair, tie on dubbing, tails, wings, eyes and legs. Learning appropriate proportions in building

your own fly and what to do with all the fingers in your hands are two of the more useful things in this beginner’s class.

Tie your own fly to take home or decorate your favorite fishing hat. All equipment will be provided. The workshop will be held at the visitor center located on Hwy. 12, just east of the Hwy. 12/War Eagle Road intersection.

Minimum age is 12. Cost is \$35 per person plus tax. Class size limited to 15. Reservations and pre-payment required. Phone (479) 789-5000 to register.

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## Zombie Invasion March 29 (You've been warned)

The Eureka Springs Zombie Invasion invites humans of all ages to sign up now and get chased by zombies at the second annual game of Zombie Tag at Lake Leatherwood on Saturday, March 29. Onsite registration begins at 11 a.m. and the game starts promptly at noon. It's a unique and exciting opportunity for families to exercise and have fun together in a simulated game of apocalyptic survival.

After a dash, jump, crawl and zigzag through the Basic Training Obstacle Course, a brand new feature sponsored by Local Flavor Café, participants will be sent on various "survival missions" throughout the park, making use of Leatherwood's unique features and extensive trail system.

In addition to a prize for the last human standing, prizes will be awarded to humans and zombies who earn the most points during missions. Players can also earn bonus points for exceptional acts of bravery, sportsmanship and teamwork.

Zombie Tag is a no-contact event, and no weapons are allowed this year, so please leave Nerf guns and marshmallow shooters at home. Humans can still throw marshmallows at Zombies to stun them, however. Zombies can only grab Life Tags from humans, and no other physical contact is allowed. As a precaution, organizers recommend all players bring eye protection (safety glasses or goggles).



Zombie Tag is a benefit for the Flint Street Food Bank. Each player who brings two cans of food will receive an Extra Life tag to be used in the game (limit one per person). Players who pre-register online at the \$7 admission price will receive a free

Zombie Hunting Permit. Admission on Game Day will be \$10 per person.

To register online, visit [www.eurekaspringszombietag.com](http://www.eurekaspringszombietag.com), and see the Eureka Zombie Tag page on Facebook for more information and updates.

## It's spring – go fly a kite!

Here's a chance to fly high. Turpentine Creek Wildlife Refuge (TCWR) hosts its 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Kite Festival March 22. "Art With an Altitude," sponsored by KaleidoKites of Eureka Springs, is a free family fun day of contests and activities for parents and children. There will be vendors on site and a performance by popular local band, Brick Fields.

KaleidoKites' experts will be available to assist children with kite making and flying techniques. (Donations to the refuge are requested for kite making assistance.) KaleidoKites will also donate a Japanese Rokkaku

fighting kite and a lion kite for a raffle to benefit TCWR.

The Kite Festival is one of the refuge's more popular events. You can bring your own kite or buy one at the refuge. Admission is free for kite flying, and regular admission prices apply to tour the refuge wildlife. Proceeds finance rescue and ongoing care for more than 120 tigers, lions, cougars and other animals.

For additional information, contact KaleidoKites at (479) 253-6596, (888) 836-6251 or email [kaleidokites@hotmail.com](mailto:kaleidokites@hotmail.com). For more about TCWR, visit [www.turpentinecreek.org](http://www.turpentinecreek.org) or call (479) 253-5841.



**Congratulations, Quizbowlers!** – Eureka Springs Senior High Quizbowl team took First Place in the Regional Competition held in Eureka Springs Saturday, March 8. They advanced to compete for the State championship Saturday, April 12. Pictured back row, from left, are Mara Adams, Coach Ms. Stainer, Matthew Sharp, Tamar Tidwell, Simon Larson and Tony Balzumati. Front row, from left, are Marcello Gros, Team Captain Grace Windle, Manon Gros and Sammie Miller.

## Last call to sign up for health insurance

The deadline for signing up for affordable health insurance through the Healthcare Marketplace is March 31. There's still time to find out if you qualify for premium assistance.

Licensed Guide, Charlisa Cato, will be at the Carnegie Library (annex A) Saturday, March 22, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. and Saturday, March 29, (in annex B) from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

If you've gotten stuck in the process, need to pick your plan, or just have questions please drop by. Please call for a list of items to bring if you plan to apply. If you're unable to attend but need assistance, please call (479) 325-0943.

This Arkansas Guide Organization and Arkansas Health Connector event is free and open to the public.

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## Town should welcome all

Editor,

I am confused why with the recent announcement of a group of people planning to visit our town there are many people in opposition of this group from being tourists of our town. The people, not “gun nuts” who want to come to our town and be comfortable enough to carry a firearm on their side while they spend their money in our town are not any different than any other group of people who want to visit our town and enjoy everything our town has to offer. This is no difference than any other of our celebrated events.

While a condition applies that some do not agree with, the people who want to spend their money here want the same thing that anyone else in this town wants, to walk around town and be who they are and not be judged, criticized, or labeled in a derogatory manner. One thing everyone seems to forget is it is 100 percent legal to

walk around with a rifle or shotgun (I will practice this right the 29<sup>th</sup>) yet no one has rallied around to come up with emergency ordinances banning this act from our town.

Also, we celebrate once a year the exact thing people are trying to stop from happening, when the ES bank was being robbed; it was “gun toting” citizens who were able to stop the robbery from being completed and potentially innocent bystanders falling victim to the act the criminals were committing.

**Chad Olson**

## Town should not welcome all

Editor,

The Attorney General of Arkansas has said that the new law does not endorse open carry in Arkansas. I contacted the AG’s office with regards to the scheduled demonstration here and requested what action his office might take – due to the obvious conflict in legal opinion of what is legal in this regard I suggested they should

make some arrests so as to have a few test prosecutions. That is the way the legal systems works. The Attorney General’s office wrote back and indicated this was essentially out of their jurisdiction, and that the Carroll County Prosecutor’s office would be the entity to act.

Carroll County Prosecutors office – no website I can find, so I called them and was told there is a city attorney and the local police would have charge on what to do regarding this, then I was put on hold. Still on hold as it were. I have read everything with interest regarding what our local officials will do – as of this writing apparently nothing but “wait for a gun to go off.” While I can image several courses of action that could be taken by the mayor, city council, or the Chief of Police, so far no news of a plan of action has emerged in the local media.

It is up to us – local business and residents opposed to this dystopian vision of turning our town into a wild west

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## WEEK’S Top Tweets

**@juluissarpe** --- I wish people were like Internet videos and you could tap them lightly to see a clock of how much longer they’re going to be talking.

**@\_NinJar** --- G: Grandma (completely safe to watch with Grandma); PG: Partial Grandma (slightly awkward); PG13: 13 or more cusses (very awkward); R: NO Grandmas

**@Tierno158** --- I invented a game where people get so stoned they can barely walk & chase each other around the yard. It’s called...wait for it: Hash Tag.

**@SidewaysTrav** --- Every tweet ever tweeted begins with an implied “None of y’all asked my opinion, but...”

**@MollyManglewood** --- Maybe instead of fighting a war on terror and a war on drugs we could just trick the terror and drugs into fighting each other?

**@lamEnidColeslaw** --- probably not a good sign when someone refers to themselves as a “muggle” in their dating profile

**@Zen\_Moments** --- You are not only responsible for what you say, but also for what you do not say. ~ Martin Luther

**@dailyedge** --- An earthquake has woken every Twitter user in LA at 6:30 a.m. Look what LAPD had to tweet: @911LAPD --- Please do not call 911 to report the earthquake. We are well aware of it. Lines need to be kept open for emergencies.

**@Breznican** --- Ironically, Fred Phelps’ [Westboro Baptist Church] legacy may be that he helped the gay rights cause by illustrating just how stupid and ugly that bigotry could be.

**@ANCALERS** --- 3D mural in Makati school expresses hope that missing Malaysia Airlines plane will be found soon.





## Challenge to Carroll-Boone Water District

Directors of the local water treatment facility maintain they have no choice but to comply with Bill 359 mandating statewide fluoridation of municipal water. The national picture suggests otherwise.

Adespotic, out-of-control administration in Washington, D.C., is meeting with resistance from every side. Citizens all across this country are rebelling in every way possible. We see states rejecting gun confiscation, intrusions of NSA, government healthcare, zero enforcement of immigration law. Arkansans are irate, demanding their counties say “No” when Congress legislates crime rather than law. Local officials can no longer roll-over-and-play-dead. Public servants have an inherent obligation to uphold constitutional law and the welfare of their constituents. Surely, if local officials were ordered to walk into a gas chamber they would recognize the idiocy of blind compliance.

Worldwide, there’s a backlash *against* fluoride. All of Europe has banned it. Fluoridation of water has been outlawed in cities across the U.S., Canada, Australia and New Zealand. Is the *Natural State* to become the *National Joke*?

Fluoride is the deadly agent in rat and roach poison. It’s the killer in sarin nerve gas. Fluoride eats through concrete. It’s almost as poisonous as arsenic, more lethal than lead. The Environmental Protection Agency is clear on the subject: the only acceptable amount of fluoride in the human body is *none*.

Why? Fluoride is toxic waste – an industrial by-product so hazardous there’s no way to dispose of it. EPA forbids flushing it out to sea or dumping it locally. The idea of hiding this sludge in community water is a chilling testament to human depravity. By dispensing it incrementally in a vast water system, plutocrats make sure no particular corporation can be prosecuted for pollution.

Fluoridation of community water is so immoral we demand answers from CBWD on the following points:

*Cui bono?* Who’s profiting from this? Certainly not the innocent folk of Carroll and Boone counties. This thing is a hoax. Has Arkansas been bought by lobbyists? Who’s getting the beef? Somebody’s doing the payoff shuffle.

Have consumers been told this mandate was promoted and funded by a dental trade association and a Rockefeller think tank? How could you ask for a more obvious

conflict of interest when Rockefellers are among the world’s chief polluters and dentists will make a killing off Bills 42 and 43, not to mention treatment of fluoridosis resulting from Bill 359?

Do citizens know that Delta Dental Association does not accept responsibility for its representations? California case *Tolhurst v. Johnson & Johnson* dismisses Delta Dental from liability for its omissions of material fact, and claims of safety for a product. Reason: Delta Dental is a trade association with no duty of care to the general public.

Have consumers been apprised that this “funded mandate” is not funded at all? That these dubious “grants” cover only installation and start-up expenses? Ongoing operational costs will be passed to the public with higher rates, and taxes not publicly approved.

As a guideline in this nefarious business Arkansas has adopted an industry-established standard, ANSI/NSF Standard 60, another non-governmental body with no responsibility to water operators, health agencies or consumers. Nor does ANSI/NSF have any delegated duties for enforcement of its recommendations. In other words, oversight has been given to a purely gratuitous entity free to juggle appearances, include or omit details as it pleases.

Does CBWD understand it is liable for misrepresentations or omissions of fact? Have citizens of Carroll/Boone Water District been informed that lawsuits are pending against CBWD if you persist in instrumenting a program which is clearly lawless in every detail? While you may proceed with your shady project it is the citizens of these counties who will have to pay legal costs for your dereliction.

The function of CBWD is purification of water. Have you disclosed to the public that you are actually *adding* poisons to your product? That these poisons will be corrosive to skin, eyes and mucous membranes? That these poisons are agents that hinder brain/mind development and reduce IQ? Fluoride accumulates in the pineal gland and scrambles natural rhythms of the body. It shortens lifespan, promotes various cancers and is associated with diabetes, kidney disease, arthritis and Alzheimer’s.

Tell us, Board of CBWD – elected bureaucrats that you are – if you have *not* made these disclosures, what exactly are you directing?

–Thomas Ryals



## The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

Let’s focus on State Representative Bob Ballinger this week. Bob is a resolute opponent of the Affordable Care Act – the Private Option here in Arkansas – and voted against it five times during the most recent Legislative Fandango. Bob is, as we know, is *for* liberty and state sovereignty and *against* anything that comes out of Washington, that vile and evil place that sends Arkansas \$1.41 for every \$1.00 Arkansas sends it.

There is plenty wrong with the Affordable Care Act – all of which could have been, and will eventually be solved, by adopting a single payer system. In the meantime, Bob is incensed that the President didn’t come to town to get advice and counsel from the very good people at ECHO Clinic. “Surely the people of Arkansas will be better served if the providers who already help the poor give their input,” Bob thunders.

Well, Bob, you’re right. The ACA folks missed the ECHO Clinic. But they did seek and get “advice and counsel” from faith-based healthcare funders and providers such as the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Church of the Brethren, the Mennonite Healthcare Fellowship, the General Synod of the United Church of Christ, the Unitarian Universalist Association, the United Methodist Church, the General Assembly Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), the Arkansas Interfaith Alliance, the California Council of Churches, Missouri Interfaith IMPACT, the North Carolina Council of Churches, the Wisconsin Council of Churches... and roughly 100+ other amicus brief filers supporting the Affordable Care Act, including a broad range of Catholic organizations of direct service providers such as the Sisters of Charity, the Sisters of Mercy, the Sisters of the Precious Blood, the... well you get it: a boatload of Sisters.

Bob, we know you’re a stand up “for and against stuff” kind of guy. We know you’re for Jesus, Liberty, and Guns in Church. We know you’re all for poor people getting charity health care. But Bub, Arkansas is just about the worst place in the United States to be if you’re both poor and sick. We’re flat out at the bottom of the barrel. Why in the world are you for the status quo?



## A little help from our friends:

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  - **Coffee Break Al-Anon Family Group Women** – Tuesdays, 9:45 a.m., Faith Christian Family Church, Hwy. 23S. (479) 363-9495.
  - **First United Methodist Church offers free Sunday suppers** 5:30 – 7 p.m. Hwy. 23S. Night Church at 6 with short message and music. (479) 253-8987
  - **St. James' Episcopal Church hosts community Sunday Night Suppers from 5 – 6:30 p.m.** at St. James' Church, 28 Prospect, until March. The suppers are for the community, especially those who are out of work, and are provided at no charge by area restaurants and others. (479) 253-8610.
  - **GRIEF SHARE** 13-week grief recovery program begins Oct. 13. Sundays 2 – 4 p.m. HI Community Church Fellowship Hall library (188 Stateline Drive). Join at any time. \$15 workbook fee required. For details phone (479) 253-8925, or e-mail lardellen@gmail.com.
  - **Celebrate Recovery** – All are welcome at Soul Purpose Ministries, 801 S. Springfield, Green Forest, at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, for a potluck meal followed by 12-step Christ-centered meetings for those suffering from addiction, habit, hang-up or hurt.
- Meetings at Coffee Pot Club behind Land O' Nod Inn**  
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  - **Narcotics Anonymous** – Fridays, 5:30 p.m. (903) 278-5568
  - **Al-Anon Family Group (AFG)** – Sundays, 11:30 a.m., Mondays and Tuesdays 7 p.m.
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Al-Anon, Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.  
All other meetings: See [www.nwarkaa.org](http://www.nwarkaa.org)

# INDEPENDENT Constables On Patrol

## March 10

9:33 a.m. – Concerned passerby reported an individual seemingly hanging out behind a place a business. Constable on patrol discovered the individual was just looking around while waiting for his laundry to be done.

11 a.m. – Another concerned passerby noticed a person slumped over in a parked vehicle. Constable went to the scene, but the vehicle was gone.

2:37 p.m. – Animal Control picked up and impounded two dogs running loose near the eastern city limits.

## MARCH 11

9:51 a.m. – Constable went to the high school to take a criminal mischief report.

11:34 a.m. – Motorist backed into another vehicle on a street near downtown.

1:17 p.m. – Constables arrested a person on outstanding warrants out of Carroll County and Heber Springs for bad checks.

## MARCH 12

12:18 a.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for speeding and no driving license, third offense.

12:29 p.m. – Observer saw a person carrying a rifle in a valley behind a neighborhood. Constable who responded did not see anyone, but a male who lived nearby said he had been in the vicinity with his BB gun.

4:28 p.m. – Constable responded to help a semi driver get unstuck on the Historic Loop near the hospital.

10:17 p.m. – Person at a motel saw a possibly intoxicated underage male who said he ran away from home. Constable picked up the youth and brought him to the station to await his parents' arrival.

10:20 p.m. – Someone apparently stole a minibike from a house on US 62.

## MARCH 13

12:55 p.m. – Manager of a business filed a report on a bad check.

5:12 p.m. – Witness reported a possibly intoxicated driver who had picked up a child at the elementary school. Constable encountered the vehicle, but the driver was driving okay.

## MARCH 14

5:43 p.m. – Constable responded to a vehicle parked in a Handicapped spot.

10:15 p.m. – Central dispatch reported a driver on US 62 trying to pass a school bus on its way into town from the west. Constable made contact with the vehicle, and the driver said he was

headed to his motel where he planned to stay until morning.

11 p.m. – Constable made a traffic stop of a minibike with no lights resulting in the arrest of the driver as well as the recovery of a stolen minibike.

11:49 p.m. – Constable looked for a vehicle downtown which reportedly had a dog locked inside. Constable did not encounter the vehicle.

## MARCH 15

2:50 a.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for DWI, possession of a controlled substance and driving left of center.

2:58 a.m. – Person was witnessed apparently prowling in an RV park. He left on a motorcycle, and the constable on patrol encountered him at a gas station. The alleged prowler said he had been parking a limousine at the RV park.

8 a.m. – Constable attempted a welfare check but was unable to make contact with the subject.

1:25 p.m. – High school asked for a constable to stand by in case an altercation broke out. Constable responded and reported there was no altercation.

2:12 p.m. – Bystander saw a man almost fall off of a roof trying to catch beads. He climbed off the roof after a constable responded.

3:43 p.m. – Constable asked for the music in Basin Park to be turned down.  
5:45 p.m. – Witness thought it was suspicious that an individual was carrying a backpack with arrows sticking out and putting mud on his face. Constable responded to the vicinity but never saw the individual.

6:35 p.m. – Motorist reported the vehicle up ahead had almost run off the road several times. Constable never saw any reckless driving.

7:14 p.m. – Witness saw a vehicle hit a utility pole in the middle of town, then drive away headed south. Authorities were notified.

9:23 p.m. – Central dispatch reported a 911 hangup call at a tourist lodging. Constable went to the scene, and everything appeared okay.

9:51 p.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for DWI and failure to yield.

10:55 p.m. – Wife told ESPD her husband was throwing things and yelling. Constables arrived and convinced the male to find another motel for the night.

## MARCH 16

12:18 a.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for DWI.

12:45 a.m. – Employee at an establishment downtown told ESPD an individual who was banned from their premises had shown up, and he was asked to leave. As he departed, he turned the electricity off and knocked over a sign. Constable took a report.

2:25 a.m. – Guest at an inn reported another guest had passed out at the hot tub area for awhile. He eventually returned to his room. Constable tried but was unable to locate the individual.  
11:15 a.m. – Constable, ESFD and the gas company responded to a report of a gas leak in the west part of town.

11:19 a.m. – ESFD asked for a constable to take a report of a pedestrian who has slipped and hit his head on a fire truck which had stopped in traffic. Turns out no treatment was necessary for the fall victim.

2:10 p.m. – Constable went to the scene of a tree down across a roadway. He also discovered bamboo bent over obstructing a street, and the owner said he would take care of the bamboo.

2:40 p.m. – Person in a parking lot appeared to be either intoxicated or mentally unstable. Constable and EMS arrived, and the person was transported to ESH for a possible diabetic emergency.

5:54 p.m. – ESH asked for constable assistance with a patient who could not calm down.

## Sunday at UUF

On March 23 Emma Yingling of Arkansas for Compassionate Care will address the push for legalization of medical marijuana in Arkansas and how concerned residents can participate in this process.

All are welcome at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 17 Elk Street, Sundays at 11 a.m. for a program followed by refreshments. Childcare is provided. Extra parking at Ermilio's Restaurant, 26 White Street.



# INDEPENDENT Art & Entertainment

## Cats in the Mirror series author featured at Poetluck

Meg Welch Dendler will read from her first book and talk about self-publishing at Poetluck this Thursday night, March 20, 6:30 p.m. at the Writers' Colony at Dairy Hollow.

Meg is an award-winning author and a former teacher with a Master's Degree in Early Childhood Education. In 2010, she set her sights on publishing several books she had been working on for years, leaving her career as a freelance writer of more than 100 articles for publication.

Meg authored the *Cats in the Mirror* series, both of the published books in the series having been honored with Silver Mom's Choice Awards. The first, *Why Kimba Saved The World*, won a Bronze Moonbeam Children's



Book Award for Best First Book. Book three, *Miss Fatty Cat's Revenge*, is scheduled for release in September 2014 along with an adult book, *At the Corner of Magnetic and Main*.

Meg and her family (including four rescue cats and her dog Max) live on what they call Serenity Mountain just outside Eureka Springs.

The evening begins with a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. Local writers are invited to read from their work for up to four minutes after Meg's presentation. Poetluck takes place every third Thursday at The Writers' Colony at Dairy Hollow, 515 Spring Street. Everyone is welcome, so bring a dish to share and settle in for a great evening.

## The music of renewal

Get into the rhythm of spring with the Spring Equinox Concert and dance event Friday, March 21, at the auditorium. This new event celebrates the beginning of spring with original compositions for acoustic instruments and voices as well as new choreography and the introduction of musical instruments built especially for the performance.

Renewal will also be "hands on" as growers from local plant nurseries and farms have donated seedlings and spring bedding plants which will be available for a nominal donation at the event. Doors will open at 6:30 for the sale. Because all money raised at the door and from the plant sale will be donated to Arco Iris Earth Care Project, you can take home your own living symbol of spring

and also "pay forward" the renewal! ([www.earthcare.wordpress.com](http://www.earthcare.wordpress.com).)

There will also be a drawing for Your Wellness Journey – a package of activities, sessions and services from Eureka Springs Partners In Wellness at 7 p.m. A ticket for the drawing is included with your admission. You must be present to win.

To see more about the concert, instrument makers and those involved with bringing this unique evening to you, see [www.mywellnessfestival.com](http://www.mywellnessfestival.com), click on Schedule, then on Main Events.

Admission is \$5 for adults and \$2 for youth at the door. For more information or to purchase VIP Sponsorship tickets contact [fiddlinfred51@gmail.com](mailto:fiddlinfred51@gmail.com).

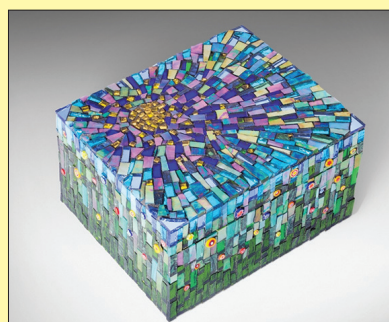
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Register for the workshops below or any of the other exciting creative learning opportunities at ESSA this season by calling (479) 253-5384 or visit online at [www.ESSA-art.org](http://www.ESSA-art.org).

**March 24 – 26: Pastels** with Cynthia Kresse from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. at ESSA. Learn how to transcend the ordinary with Cynthia's unique techniques. See more at [www.cynthiakresse.com](http://www.cynthiakresse.com).

**March 26, 27: Figurative Mosaic Design** with Fran Carlin from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. at Fran Carlin Mosaic Studio, 4 Kingshighway. Take your glass mosaics to an exciting new level.

**March 27, 28: White Oak Basket Weaving** with Billy Owens from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. at ESSA. Attend one or both days – take home a basket from each. See more at [www.owensoakbaskets.com](http://www.owensoakbaskets.com)



## Bob Livingston personally invites you to Caribé fundraiser for Writers' Colony

Join American legend, singer-songwriter, bass player, and founding member of The Lost Gonzo Band, Bob Livingston, at Caribé Cantina March 29 at 5 p.m. for an intimate concert.

In fact, he's invited you himself:

"Howdy friends, Bob Livingston here. I'm writing a book! I've been given a two-week residency at the prestigious Dairy Hollow Writers' Colony March 23 - April 5. I'm doing a show in Eureka to benefit Dairy Hollow and we need a crowd. Please share this and bring your peeps! Hope to see you there."

Livingston was key in instigating the cosmic cowboy, progressive country and outlaw country music movements that distinguished the Austin, Texas, music scene. In addition to the March 29 fundraising concert, he'll be available at the Colony to talk about the process of writing songs and memoirs on Sunday, March 30, from 2 – 4:30 p.m.

Show tickets are \$15 in advance (\$20 at the door). Email [director@writerscolony.org](mailto:director@writerscolony.org) or phone (479) 253-7444. The Sunday workshop is \$35 and limited to 20. Tickets for both are \$45. For more about Livingston, check out [www.BobLivingstonMusic.com](http://www.BobLivingstonMusic.com).







**Bingo!** – Jack Moyer and Kayla Kesterson officiate the Big Bingo contest during the Eureka Springs Downtown Network's Company Picnic. The business community turned out for a potluck, fun, raffles and a silent auction and learned about ESDN's plans for the 2014 tourist season.

**Bucking the odds** – with a great cocktail! Dakota Buck from Voulez-Vous won the bartender's contest at the ESDN Company Picnic at the Basin Park Hotel March 13. Here he explains the concoction to a happy taster. Voulez-Vous Lounge, The Cathouse Lounge/Pied Piper Pub and Chelsea's Corner Cafe & Bar's amazing bartenders competed in the Jack Daniel's Tennessee Honey Bartender Contest.

**Balanced healing** – Faith Pettit Shah and Budhi Whitebear visit Julian Guthrie's (far right) Healers in Balance booth at the My Wellness Festival opener March 15 in the Crescent Hotel Conservatory.

**Black Light bonus** – Jacqueline Wolven, ESDN director, receives a big check for \$1,000 from Leslie Meeker and Kelly Breslau of Voulez-Vous. Money was raised for ESDN at the Black Light Ball fundraiser held during Eureka Gras.



**Sugar Blues** – Maureen Alexander and Carrie Marry sing about the sugar blues at the My Wellness Festival at the Crescent Hotel. The festival runs through March 22 with a host of classes, workshops and events. See p. 21 and visit [www.mywellnessfestival.com](http://www.mywellnessfestival.com) for complete details.





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#### Back on a job –

You'll spot familiar face back in town – at least when there's no camera in front of it. Richard and Pam Quick have returned from the exciting travels posted in photographs on Facebook, and Richard is once again chronicling life in Eureka Springs.



#### Jerry-rigging –

Jerry Landrum, left, and Jerry Jones strut their musical skills and a couple of messages for the large crowd lining the parade route.



#### Sparky –

If those are balloons, that must be Sparky. Mark Wetzel's alter ego never fails to please the eye with an explosion of color at every parade.

**2 kazoos 4 U –** Emily Remington and Shannon Elizabeth Rollins march to their own music during the St. Patrick's Day Parade downtown on March 15.



**Over a barrel –** Leprechaun Latigo Treuer was rolling out the barrel in grand style when an admirer broke out of the crowd and gave him a big kiss. He claims he has no idea who the woman is. Maybe she just had a thing for red beards.



multiple counties and states. The reliability issues identified in the Southwest Power Pool studies include northern Arkansas and southern Missouri. By addressing those issues, the project benefits both Arkansas and Missouri.”

On March 17, Save the Ozarks (STO), a coalition of landowners, business owners and citizens affected by the proposed power lines, filed a petition for a full rehearing that challenges need for the project. This was in response to SWEPCO filing a petition for a limited rehearing asking the Arkansas Public Service Commission to overturn the APSC judge’s selection of Route 109.

There was a Missouri House hearing recently on two anti-SWEPCO bills filed by Rep. Scott Fitzpatrick and Rep. Bill Lant. Fitzpatrick said the company’s hiring of lobbyists has had an impact, but he was hopeful one of the bills introduced would make its way into law.

One bill would remove jurisdiction for the project from the Missouri Public Service Commission (MoPSC) and place it with the Missouri Legislature. A second bill is similar to one filed in the Missouri Senate by Sen. David Sater, and would prevent SWEPCO from using eminent domain to take property for the project. SWEPCO would have to negotiate with property owners in order to obtain right of ways, and property

owners could refuse to sell.

Fitzpatrick said there isn’t much of an appetite on the utility committee for the legislation that would remove the authority from the MoPSC. “I would say there was a fair amount of dissent and concern among committee members,” he said.

Fitzpatrick said it was likely that only one of the bills would advance, and that it would probably be the eminent domain bill. “My bill was heard first, so Sen. Sater’s staff now has time to do research on the questions and concerns that came up so they will be better prepared to answer the questions in their hearing,” he said.

Lant agreed it was likely that only one bill would advance. “Eminent domain would be the preferred bill,” Lant said.

If the legislation is passed by the House, it would be sent to the senate for approval. Even if it isn’t passed by the House, if it is passed by the Senate, that version of the bill would be sent to the House for a vote.

“Whether it is forwarded from the House or Senate, at this point I couldn’t outguess them,” Lant said, adding that they have met with the MoPSC to express concerns, but so far SWEPCO

hasn’t filed anything with the MoPSC. However, he was forwarded a letter recently from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR) asking SWEPCO for studies of the possible line as much as two years ago.

“This is not something that has just popped up overnight,” Lant said. “DNR listed the concerns that have to be dealt with before the building is completed.”

Lant said he had met with the SWEPCO’s PR consultant Rautio who told him she wanted to dispel rumors about the proposed line and give a realistic idea of what it would entail.

“My visit was very brief, more a form of introduction,” Lant said.

“She asked me if there was anywhere in particular she should go. I said, ‘Sure, go talk to the property owners. They are the ones with something to say.’”

Fitzpatrick said he had been visited by Gamble & and Schlemeier governmental consultants, who have been hired by SWEPCO to lobby against the Missouri legislation. “They are good guys, but they have been hired to kill a bill, and we are on opposite sides of it,” Fitzpatrick said.

He said his constituents don’t like

*“... this will be a disaster economy with no upside and total destruction of property.”*

– Power line opponent  
Ilene Powell

the idea of an administrative law judge in Little Rock making a decision to impact property owners in Missouri in order to spare people in more populated areas in Arkansas from the negative impacts of the proposed transmission line.

SWEPCO has also been trying to woo Missouri into approving the line by telling officials that the project could boost property taxes in the two Missouri counties by \$2.5 million annually because of improvements, and could involve \$47 million in construction for the two counties.

Power line opponent Ilene Powell’s response is that SWEPCO testified they needed to bring in out-of-state talent for construction because the skilled labor necessary wasn’t to be found here.

“Positive economic impact would be minimal at best,” Powell said. “The most businesses might see is for temporary lodging and food. I saw this after Katrina in New Orleans. Out-of-town companies came in to do the reconstruction, then took the money and ran. While ours was a disaster economy that improved property, this will be a disaster economy with no upside and total destruction of property.”

Powell said she would like to know where SWEPCO got their numbers on property taxes. With property being devalued on and around a route, those assessments and taxes would be lowered, meaning there could be no net increase in property tax collections.

going to lose our green space, our heritage. We are going to lose what makes Eureka Springs the jewel that it is.”

West wants Eureka to have a trail system like other eclectic towns such as Taos, N.M., Carmel, Calif., and Boulder, Colo. He envisions a trail system where people can walk and ride their bicycle all over town.

“It will help tremendously with gridlock downtown during the season,” West said. “Now you have to wait and wait and wait. If there was a trail system, you could walk from every bed and breakfast and every motel using the trail system and go anywhere in town. That would be a tremendous help in reducing our carbon footprint, and in the health and well being of our citizens and our tourists.”

Studies have shown that people want to live where there is an interconnected

trail system that links the commercial district with residential areas and parks. Property values skyrocket in places with interconnected trail systems. Many new high-end housing developments first build a trail system, and then the houses around it.

“Young people and young families want to live and work in a town with an interconnected trail system,” West said. “It is also very attractive to retirees who are interested in an active lifestyle.”

West said there has been a grant received to put sidewalks on US 62. And there is a lot of money available through all kinds of organization to build trails, sidewalks and safe routes to school that could be matched with in-kind voluntary labor.

“I get bombarded on the Internet with organizations who have grant money available to make cities for better bicycling in urban developments,” he said.

West comes by his interest in bicycles and motorcycles naturally. His grandfather was a Harley Davidson and Schwinn bicycle dealer in Fort Smith. He raced motorcycles back in the 1970s and 1980s, and now cheers on his son, Cory, who at the age of 15 was National Amateur Dirt Track Champion, and a couple years later was named AMA Superbike Rookie of the Year.

“He is currently a paid factory road racer on a factory team in the AMA Pro National Championship,” West said. “He makes a good living at it, and it is something he loves. He stands a real good chance of winning the championship this year. He is one of the top riders in the nation.”

While West still rides motorcycles, more often you will see him riding his bicycle. He leads bike trips around town, and his bicycle advocacy has led him to offer to donate bicycle racks for the

courthouse, post office and anyone else who wants one.

“I have the materials, and was about to get started when I got a problem with double vision in the right eye,” said West has been an ironworker his entire adult life. “They don’t know what caused it. I’ve been knocked out several times. Several concussions. That is what I think caused it. Helmet technology back then isn’t what it is today.”

His eyesight is on the mend, and he is looking forward to his sixth season running the Adventure Mountain Outfitters, where he does Specialized Bicycle sales, along with a full line of Specialized riding gear, parts and equipment. He is a full service bike shop providing service and bike rentals. He also sells and rents kayaks and Odyssey and Tahoe standup paddleboards.

“Bicycling and outdoor eco tourism and outdoor recreation are growing by leaps and bounds,” he said.



*Sycamore*, written by Constance Wagner and published in 1950 by Alfred A. Knopf, is the story of a sophisticated New York girl who marries a boy from Arkansas. The Wagners and their daughter lived in Eureka Springs while the novel was written. In addition to five novels, Constance Wagner wrote numerous articles and stories published in *The New Yorker*, *Atlantic Monthly* and *Collier's*.



CONSTANCE WAGNER

In spite of the graciousness of the April morning, Dory Byrne was in a black mood. She had got up at the usual hour of five, had cooked breakfast for herself and her husband, washed up, and done the chores – but all with a sour taste in her mouth, a taste left over from the night before. Now, as Asa came stamping in from the pasture, she ordered him to remove his dirty old boots before he dast set foot on the freshly scrubbed linoleum of the sitting-room. Mutely subservient, he leaned his gangling body against the screen door of the porch, pulled off the muddy boots, and entered the house in his bare feet. His face, fashioned by nature in a mold of mild, bewildered dullness, looked somewhat bloated, and his eyes were red-rimmed and swollen. Along one sharp cheekbone lay a new cut with a dark bruise around it. He shambled through the front room and across the kitchen to the vine-closed entry beyond it, and Dory could hear him dipping up a gourdful of spring water from the bucket.

“You’d done better,” she called after him harshly,

“did you drink water last night instead o’ that Gaskins liquor. I seen you make a damn fool of yourself plenty o’ times, but that there was the sorriest yit. I was shamed, before all them folks...”

He returned to the room, wiping his mouth on the back of his hand. His overalls were clean, faded from many washings, and neatly patched in a number of places. Dory was a relentless housekeeper, a maker and mender, a scrubber and a scourer, but she was silent and filled with a deep resentment, whatever labor she was about. He, too, had few words, but he fumbled now for words with which to pacify her.

“Why, hit wa’n’t nothin’, Dory” – his voice a high, gentle whine. “Reckon I did have one too many. Wouldn’t got in that argyment with Clem Gaskins – don’t rightly know *whut* it was about —”

“Fine carryin’ on.” She took paper and tobacco from a box which had a picture of buildings on its lid, and the words “World’s Columbian Exposition” in fancy letters (she had got the box at an auction in the Courthouse Square, many years before, and she prized it almost as highly as she did the bright orange pottery dog that sat on the front porch, a gift from her daughter, Clytie, last Christmas). Having rolled a cigarette, she sat down heavily in the rocker across from the black body of the wood-stove, and rocked back and forth with a vindictive air, paying no further heed to her husband.

Asa, with a flash of perception, glanced sidewise at her and said: “Seems like they mighta asked you to play yer fiddle last night, when they got to dancin’.”

Anger brightened Mrs. Byrne’s black eyes. “They could see I brung it with me,” she said, looking toward the ancient violin-case on top of the melodeon. “Nary a word about would I fiddle fer ‘em! And Clem Gaskins – screekin’ away on them strings like an old tomcat, fit to split yer ears. Why, I could play Devil’s Dream better’n that ‘fore I was

ten years old!”

“That’s whut I done told him,” Asa chimed in, triumphant and full of guile. “Danged if that ain’t how the ruckus all started.”

Dory pierced him with a skeptical eye. “Yo’re lyin’,” she said, but she was somewhat mollified, and they both sat silent for a while, ears cocked for the sound of the mailman’s Ford. Both thought (what neither ever said) that, with Clytie gone, life had become a flat, flavorless dish. To each of them, the late-morning mail had become the high point of every day – a pinnacle of hope toward which they climbed, from dawn till eleven. If, miraculously, it brought a letter from Clytie, they could spend the rest of the day, and of several days following, picking it apart, word by word – Dory obliged to read it aloud, at intervals, till Asa’s slow mind had absorbed every sentence, and till Dory herself knew it all by heart and had extracted the essential truth that lay buried inside the written words, so round and neat and deceptive on the cheap ruled paper.

“There he comes,” she said, and made for the door.

Asa followed her onto the front porch where the orange dog squatted in a small forest of begonias growing from coffee tins. He watched her purposeful progress down the walk, heard her pass the time of day with Joe Tillotson before he pulled away with his Ford, saw her flip down the flag on the mailbox and reach into its tin mouth, and he knew then that there was no letter. He knew by the slump of her shoulders, and by something slowed-down, defeated, in the whole rhythm of her, as she latched the gate and started back up the path. Even so, he sang out as he always did:

“Got a letter?” They both understood what he meant, since there was never a letter from anyone but Clytie, and, if there had been, it would not have mattered.

## NOTES from the HOLLOW by Steve Weems

The mean dirt roads of the little hollow we live in may not be ruled by a proper street gang, but the air is. For many years, the sky over the hollow was the domain of a pair of hawks, regal and proud, but a coup by the crows has changed all that.

The rebellion was not immediate, but incremental. First, I saw a few brave crows challenging the hawks in flight, but as time passed, more and more of the crows joined in. Then a neighbor told me they witnessed the crows tormenting a downed hawk. Later, in the woods, I listened from a distance to the pitiful sounds of the remaining hawk as crows surrounded

it and finished it off. The “meep, meep, meep” of the once powerful bird of prey became weaker and weaker. A group of crows is called a murder, and perhaps for good reason. Nature is not all happiness and party balloons.

My nephew, Brandon, and I once stood high up on the ridge overlooking the Kings River Valley with his remote control game call. Brandon was very hands-on when it came to the natural world and, though less than half my age, he taught me much more than I taught him. He set up his electronic gizmo and we retreated a distance. He had the little machine make the sounds of an injured crow. I

thought this process would be hit and miss, but, no, Brandon guaranteed that there would be a response. He had no doubt.

Within a couple of minutes, about 15 crows arrived looking for their injured comrade. A lookout was posted and the others called out and searched in vain. Then a big hawk swooped in and watched the proceedings from a distance in the top of a tall oak down the ridge. And then other smaller birds congregated, much like humans do when they have a chance to look at the aftermath of an automobile accident or house fire. It was one of the most amazing things



I’ve ever witnessed.

All this reminds me that I keep meaning to check and see if the Carnegie Library has a DVD copy of Alfred Hitchcock’s *The Birds*.



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## My pal, my buddy, my Mom

**M**y mother (96) died last week, 10:30 a.m., Thursday, March 13, 2014. For the past nine months I never left her. I am in her home. Surrounding me everywhere are her creative (she was Leo Sun) efforts to make a beautiful home and gardens. Everything around me is my mother. However, wherever I look, her precious body is no longer here. I am devastated, in grief, in bereavement and anguish. During these last nine months all activities, each breath I took, was for my mother.

I realize in my grief that all my life I have been seeking my mother. The nine months (nine tests, gestation to birth) were very difficult. Mother's

illness demanded skills I did not possess. Often at a loss as moment-by-moment emergencies ceaselessly occurred, I stood by helpless unable to help. She would cry out "Help me, help me!" I would ask, "How can I help, Mother?" She would say, "I don't know. Find me in your heart. Love me." Now with her gone I do not know why I should go on. I feel bereft of life, purpose and desire. I look for her everywhere. Everywhere is empty. She is not here. My mother thought I was her mother and her beloved grandmother. She would sing a song over and over – "My Mom." Here are the words. "My mom, I love her. That sweet somebody, thinks I'm

somebody. My pal, my buddy, my mom. Anything I do she's my inspiration. Anytime I'm blue she's my consolation. As years come on her I gaze upon her. She's my Madonna. My mom." (Batson, et al.) I turn to the Esoteric Wisdom for help. "Regarding those who have passed into the light, follow them with your love. They are still the same people, minus the outer limiting shroud of body. Serve them, but seek not that they should serve your need of them. Go to them, but seek not to bring them back to you." (Esoteric Healing) I am trying. Not succeeding. My mother is with her mother now. Her pal, her buddy, her Madonna. Her mom.

**ARIES:** In quiet contemplation attempt to define what no longer serves a purpose in your life and what you can improve upon. Ponder upon these with serious intent. Use visualizing skills to bring forth all that's new in your world. Which then would become new for everyone else. You're to initiate new realities. They always begin in the mind. To be productive you must have solitude. Allow it to permeate your life. For now.

**TAURUS:** You're very intelligent and observant about events in the world. You initiate new thought, discussions that awaken hearts and minds to realities unspoken and unobserved. Your information has impact. Many turn to you for advice. At times you're restless, yet need more sleep. Taurus is the illumined mind, intrinsically understanding the wisdom of the Buddha. Prepare for Wesak.

**GEMINI:** You wonder about your work in the world and how your communication is received. More and more your thoughts, plans and ideas influence others. It's time to consider what your opinion of the world is at this time, and what professional level you would like to assume. Many tasks will be required, much thinking and more and more responsibilities. You will accomplish much. Then you must rest.

**CANCER:** Visions, thoughts and ideals occupy your mind these days.

You're in a cycle of expansion, gaining knowledge, learning more, impatient with mundane chatter.

Enter into deeper communications, philosophical and later, psychological. You see the big picture. As small details of life fade away you find yourself forgetting things. Create a daily reminder journal, jotting each day's events down. It becomes a creative journal. Plan your garden. Plant hollyhocks.

**LEO:** To earn your living with satisfaction it must have fun and playful aspects. You take pride in your work always seeking to do your best. To be the best you must feel a harmonious rhythm, you must feel independently creative, you must be recognized and you must experience joy. Is all of this occurring within your chosen profession? Does your work ease your heart?

**VIRGO:** Your mind is often a rich environment where ideas are shaped into ideals, which you attempt to cultivate and disseminate. It's important to be aware of the seasons, planning through each seasons so you can, on outer levels, see that you

are reaping and sowing, planting and gathering. Your self-awareness grows along with your seedlings.

**LIBRA:** So many gifts you possess – tact and diplomacy, refinement in social skills, compromise and cooperation. All of these lead to Right Action and Right Relations, qualities needed in the Aquarian Age. You might want to consider expanding your Libra gifts in the coming months, adding the skills of mediation, bargaining, teamwork and reconciliation. Then study design.

**SCORPIO:** You need some pleasure, recreation, freedom and affection. You work hard for your money but there comes a time when the work and money details must be set aside and a different determined focus must come forth – comfort, things pleasurable, beauty and the creative. These are paramount. You're very charming and magnetic. They need to be released a bit more into the world.

**SAGITTARIUS:** Be sure to incorporate appreciation and support to all and everyone you encounter. These strengthen and reward you with vision. They give meaning to other

people's lives. This is a formula that provides the charisma and security you seek. This last line is most important to ponder. You're always the teacher, shaping others' beliefs and attitudes. There is gratitude for you everywhere. **CAPRICORN:** As your life develops you find yourself working consciously within discipline and order. Without structure, limitation and rules, life for all of us becomes dissipated. There's no tension to work through and one can become lost. You're aware that to be mature and ultimately successful, discipline leads to freedom. Provide kind and loving discipline to others.

**AQUARIUS:** It's important to consider what has value for you. And to see yourself as valuable. Being aware of the value of self means being aware of yourself as useful, of service, important in the your world. Recognizing self as valuable creates self-esteem. This doesn't come from others. Appreciation of your skills brings them forth. Name your skills.

**PISCES:** It's known that Pisces is otherworldly, dreamy, magical and unusual. Often how they exist in the world is a question. For many Pisces it's as if they have taken spiritual vows. The abundance they understand is of the spirit. As the months unfold, resources become more and more available. You will use them wisely. Remain in the garden.



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Coming to us from Austin is an Americana/Roots band that set itself apart from the crowd. Horse Opera, named for the '30s and '40s serial cowboy westerns, was formed in 2006 by Jimmy Deveney. *Sounds of the Desert* was released in 2010 to good reviews.

Deveney revealed a new line-up for the band

in 2012 which includes Chris "Howdy" Darrell on vocals and acoustic guitar/mandolin, Rick "Hogbranch" Watson on upright bass and vocals and Heather Rae Johnson on vocals and fiddle. Deveney himself is on lead vocals, electric guitar and banjo. This new line-up released a self-titled CD in 2013, adding harmony as a major component

to the already successful sound.

A honky-tonk band whose classic country sound is enhanced with rockabilly undertones, Horse Opera is known for packing the dance floor. There are two chances to see them this weekend: Chelsea's on Sat., March 22 at 9 p.m. and New Delhi Café on Sun., March 23 from noon to 4 p.m.

### THURSDAY – MARCH 20

- **CHELSEA'S** *Bloody Ol' Mule One Man Band*, 9 p.m.
- **GRAND TAVERNE** *Jerry Yester Grand Piano Dinner Music*, 6:30–9:30 p.m.
- **LEGENDS SALOON** DJ Karaoke
- **SQUID & WHALE** Open Mic and Pie Social *Homemade Pies and Homegrown Music*

### FRIDAY – MARCH 21

- **BLARNEY STONE** *Mountain Shore*, 7 p.m.
- **CATHOUSE LOUNGE** *Wink Burcham*, 8 p.m. – midnight
- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** Jukebox, Beer Pong Challenge

- **CHELSEA'S** *Cutty Rye*, 9 p.m.
- **EUREKA LIVE!** *Dancing with DJ D. Underground*, 9 p.m.
- **GRAND TAVERNE** *Arkansas Red* Guitar, 6:30–9:30 p.m.
- **JACK'S PLACE** *Karaoke with DJ Goose*, 9 p.m.
- **LEGENDS SALOON** DJ Karaoke with *DJ Pharaoh*, 9 p.m.
- **NEW DELHI** *Strange Deranger*, 6–10 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER** *Karaoke with Jerry*, 7 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER DEN** *Blew Reed & the Flatheads*, 9 p.m.
- **SQUID & WHALE** *Carter Sampson*, 9 p.m.
- **THE STONE HOUSE** *Jerry Yester*, 6:30–9:30 p.m.
- **VOUEZ-VOUS** *JD & The*

*Mudhounds*, 9 p.m.

### SATURDAY – MARCH 22

- **BALCONY RESTAURANT** *Jeff Lee*, 12 p.m., *Chris Diablo*, 6 p.m.
- **BLARNEY STONE** *Strange Deranger*
- **CATHOUSE LOUNGE** *Wink Burcham*, 8 p.m. – midnight
- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** *Stonebreakers*
- **CHELSEA'S** *Horse Opera*, 9 p.m.
- **EUREKA LIVE!** *Dancing with DJ D. Underground*, 9 p.m.
- **GRAND TAVERNE** *Jerry Yester Grand Piano Dinner Music*, 6:30–9:30 p.m.
- **JACK'S PLACE** *Karaoke with DJ Goose*, 9 p.m.
- **LEGENDS SALOON** *221 Band*, 9 p.m.
- **NEW DELHI** *Handmade Moments*, 6–10 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER** *Another Fine Mess*, 7 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER DEN** *DJ Goose*, 12–4 p.m., *Ride Shy*, 9 p.m.
- **SQUID & WHALE** *Josh Jennings Band, Americana-Folk-Bluegrass*, 9 p.m.
- **VOUEZ-VOUS** *JD & The Mudhounds*, 9 p.m.

### SUNDAY – MARCH 23

- **BALCONY RESTAURANT** *James White*, 12 p.m.
- **CHASERS** *Shuffleboard Tournament*, 4 p.m.
- **LEGENDS SALOON** Free Texas Hold 'Em Tournament *with prizes*, 6 p.m.
- **NEW DELHI** *Horse Opera*, 12–4 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER** Sunday Specials
- **ROWDY BEAVER DEN** *Ride Shy*, 12–4 p.m.

### MONDAY – MARCH 24

- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** Poker & Pool night – Pool Tournament, 7 p.m.,
- **CHELSEA'S** *Spring Billy*, 7:30 p.m.

### TUESDAY – MARCH 25

- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** Challenge Night
- **CHELSEA'S** Open Mic
- **LEGENDS SALOON** Pool Tournament, 6:30 p.m.
- **ROWDY BEAVER** Hospitality Night

### WEDNESDAY – MARCH 26

- **CHASERS BAR & GRILL** Ladies Night – Drink specials, free jukebox

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**Horse Opera** – The twang and toe-tapping sounds of Horse Opera can be heard at Chelsea's on Saturday at 9 p.m. and at New Delhi Café on Sunday at noon. This honky-tonk band from Austin will get you dancin'.

- **CHELSEA'S** *Slaughter Daughters*, 9 p.m.
- **NEW DELHI CAFÉ** Open Jam
- **PIED PIPER CATHOUSE LOUNGE** Wheat Wednesday *Draft Beer Specials*
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## Wellness Festival continues

The first-ever My Wellness Festival began on March 15 and continues at various venues in town through March 22. Classes, lectures and all events focus on promoting a healthy lifestyle and practical daily living solutions for improved personal and community wellness.

Remaining events include classes, lectures and discussions on many topics centering around food, mental health and healing; Tai Chi and Zumba sessions; a Seed Swap; an outdoor Spring Equinox Celebration; a walk at Sycamore Bend Farm and more. There will also be a special wellness package created by Eureka Springs Partners in Wellness to be given away at the Spring Equinox Concert on March 21 at the auditorium.

The festival is a must for anyone interested in health, wellness and community. Visit [www.mywellnessfestival.com](http://www.mywellnessfestival.com) for an extensive schedule and event locations.

## Meet the Master opens March 22

The season opening of the unique presentation, *Meet The Master*, is Saturday, March 22, 1 p.m. at the Silver Wings Chapel located in Aviation Cadet World on Onyx Cave Rd. The production lasts about an hour and features Beth Severe as featured vocalist.

This is a unique holographic

presentation of Jesus, one on one, that has never been done anywhere else in the world. Your understanding of God's word will be greatly enhanced. A love offering will be taken to benefit Aviation Cadet World. There's plenty of free parking but seating is limited, so call (479) 253-5008 for reservations.

Everyone is welcome.

## Spring potluck March 23

Friends of the Historic Holiday Island Barn invite the community to a Spring Potluck at 2 p.m. March 23. Doors will open at 1:30 p.m. and there is no charge, although donations to the Barn improvement fund will be accepted.

Please bring a dish to share! Salad, vegetable, main dish or dessert are welcome. BYOB optional. Iced tea and water provided. There will be a short business meeting to elect officers and solicit program ideas, and an update on Barn improvements and proposed Radio Theatre (without radio) will be discussed. For more info: (479) 253-4939 or email [marydoL5@aol.com](mailto:marydoL5@aol.com).

## A groundbreaking groundbreaking

*Digging in at the Eureka Springs Bark Park*

Help celebrate the official groundbreaking for the first and only Dog Park in Carroll County on Monday, March 24 at 1 p.m. in Harmon Park. The Chamber of Commerce will be on hand with the golden shovel and volunteers may install a bit of the fencing that was recently delivered.

All are invited – especially dog lovers, dog owners and their (leashed) dogs!

### Learn more about the park

A Dog Park Awareness Seminar will be held Thursday, March 27, 6:30 p.m. in the Carnegie Library annex. Come learn what to expect from the new park, get filled in on rules and regulations and have all your questions answered.

Handouts, maps and pictures will be available and refreshments will be served. For more information, see Eureka Springs Dog Park on Facebook.

## Don't miss The Cinnamon Valley Open House March 26

New owner, Julie Martin, and the Greater Eureka Springs Chamber of Commerce invite the community to a Ribbon Cutting and Open House at The Cinnamon Valley Luxury Log Cabins, 3134 E. Van Buren, (next to Ozark Mountain Hoe-Down) on Wednesday, March 26, from 5 – 7 p.m. (Ribbon cutting at 5:30.)

The Cinnamon Valley is open for business and Julie will have several luxury cabins open for touring. Come out and welcome Julie to Eureka Springs! For directions or more information, phone (479) 253-8737 or (479) 244-5942 – and visit [www.thecinnamonvalley.com](http://www.thecinnamonvalley.com) to see what's new.



It's a bit of a challenge in the here and now of Monday morning, March 17, to look out the window at five inches of snow and contemplate writing about the spring equinox. I always perceived that days got longer after daylight savings time kicked in sometime after the first day of spring, but someone with

a political agenda thought it was a good idea to roll back daylight savings time to the beginning of March! Whatever vestiges of primeval recognition of the changes of season deep in the recesses of my genetic code have been destroyed by mere political expediency. Who lobbies for that?



This week we mark the first day of spring, which fortunately is not an arbitrary political decision. It actually has a scientific basis, and for many cultures throughout history, spiritual significance. Thursday, March 20 at 11:56 a.m. central daylight savings time, we celebrate (most without noticing more than it's lunchtime) the spring equinox or vernal equinox – the point in the earth's annual elliptical path around the sun in which day and night are equal in length. This year, more than most, it gives us hope that the winter of 2013-14 will transform into a lovely Ozark spring.

In the re-write of history that has come from ingrained Christian upbringings, we probably view ancient structures like the Mayan ruins of Central American and Mexico, the Aztec pyramids, the Great Pyramids of Giza, the religious structures of Machu Picchu, among others, as the platforms of heathen blasphemy and human sacrifice. Lest we forget our own European heritage (those among us who are of European descent) just 381 years

ago, Galileo was placed under house arrest for supporting the "theory" that the earth revolves around the sun.

The Great Pyramid will cast no shadow at noon on the spring equinox. At the Mayan ruins of Tikal in Guatemala, the sun will precisely move up the center of the steps of the Temple of the Grand Jaguar, sitting exactly over the monument's crown at noon.

Most, if not all, of the ancient megalith structures surviving today were designed by architects along alignments of astrological events. Most of those ancient cultures venerated the sun. If we are one day remembered as an ancient culture, we may be called the culture that disregarded the sun. Think about it. Global warming or global cooling – it doesn't matter – upset the chemical balance of the atmosphere. No matter what you believe, dream that the sun be not the devil.



## Help needed for pet adoption Saturdays

The Good Shepherd Humane Society has been accepted as a Petco adoption partner and will be allowed to bring adoptable animals to Petco in Fayetteville on the last Saturday of every month as well as any Sunday of choice. Volunteers are needed to transport 5 to 10 cats

and/or dogs to the Fayetteville Petco store on adoption days and spend the afternoon while they work their cuteness and vie for forever homes.

Although volunteers are needed to take this on as a regular monthly project, one-time volunteers are

certainly welcome, too. Adoption Saturdays are great exposure for the Good Shepherd and offer a deeper pool of potential adopting families. If you can help, please call Janice at the shelter (479) 253-9188 or e-mail her at [goodshepherd10@yahoo.com](mailto:goodshepherd10@yahoo.com).

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Tombstone can post signs that read: "Carrying a handgun is prohibited" visible from 10 ft. away – that would be lettering of at least one in. tall and should be posted on all entrance doors. Deny these gun totin' tourists access to bread, water and shelter.

Ivan Thompson

### Responsibility can allay tragedy

Editor,

Last week, I'm sure everyone saw the explosion and fires of conjoined buildings in Harlem due to antique gas mains. Construction engineers said cities all over America have the same problems as NYC, overly old infrastructure, and if our local governments don't take responsibility for

permanent repairs, there will be more of these tragedies.

Well, "we got trouble right here in Eureka Springs." We have many businesses in connecting buildings downtown. Some of those structures are falling down, such as the building south of the New Orleans Hotel. We have had two catastrophic fires in our town's history; we don't need an explosion.

Almost every month we hear about broken water mains, and sewer pipes or faulty water hydrants. Then we hear that the same mains and pipes spring leaks somewhere else. Patch-up jobs just don't solve the problem. Our city's tort immunity clause is a slap in the face.

We need our government and our landlords to take equal responsibility for the safety of our citizens.

Enid B. Swartz

### Movies seek audience

Editor,

I guess I should not be surprised that audiences at our "Movie Night at the High School" have not been as big as anticipated.

The auditorium at the new high school is a terrific place and just the right size for the activity. Each movie we feature can be watched by anyone. Where else can you see a good movie for \$2 in this town? We may have set the price too low but it's not about the money; it's about the experience. It benefits the drama department. We give our students encouragement to pursue artistic aspirations, and this is one way to do it.

We have only had three movies so

far, the first was *The Grapes of Wrath*. The second was *Citizen Kane*. For the third we switched it up a little and tried to appeal to the middle school and elementary school and featured the movie *Holes*. Our license does not allow us to advertise the name of the movie we are going to show. That is the nature of the type license we needed and could afford. You can always call the high school office and find out the name of the movie if you cannot figure out the hints we give in newspaper announcements.

We have been featuring classic cartoons before each movie and some pretty good music for 30 minutes prior to the movie. Our next movie is going to be *O Brother, Where Art Thou?* based loosely on Homer's *Odyssey*. I can tell you that because this letter is not an advertisement but more of an appeal.

Michael Boardman



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

*My boyfriend and I started dating six months ago, shortly after his divorce. It's been hot and heavy from the start. But sometimes I still wonder if I'm just his rebound. How can I tell?*

For your sake, I'm glad you're asking. "Follow your instincts" comes to mind immediately. The fact that you're wondering is one flaming red flag.

A rebound relationship mediates the feelings of rejection and failure caused by the termination of a long-term relationship. It commences very shortly after the break-up. It is both a distraction from internal pain and a filler for the void in one's heart and the gaps in one's schedule.

You are likely his rebound if any of the following ring true:

#1: He talks about his ex, compares you to his ex, takes you places he took his ex and tells you about it.

Ugh . . . not a turn-on!

#2: If friends or family are shocked that he's already dating, especially if they verbally express concern for *you*, take note.

#3: You spend more time listening to his emotional process of loss than having Fun *outside* of the bedroom. His focus on the details of his loss or continued conflict with his ex leaves no room for him to focus on *you*!

#4: If after a rowdy romp in the bedroom he reminds you that he is not ready for a committed relationship – Run! He says this so that when he breaks your heart he can walk away with something close to a clear conscience. Basically, he feels bad but not bad enough to stop XXX-ing you.

#5: He says, "You're the only person I can really talk to about this." If you are comforting and counseling him so he can become healthy enough

for a committed relationship – STOP! Yes, your efforts will probably be effective and just as soon as he gets his groove back he will definitely Rock It – with someone else!

Be your own hero. It's simple: "Let's hold off until you have a better idea of what you want." If these relationship blips are just about bad timing, he will come back – most likely after his next rebound has effectively counseled him even further. Love, sweat and always tears.

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



## DEPARTURES

### Raedeane Sluss May 31, 1946 – March 1, 2014

Raedeane Sluss, formerly of Holiday Island, was born May 31, 1946 in Sterling, Kan., to Ray and Berniece (Pryor) James. Upon her father's death, she was loved by her stepfather, J.C. Price, of Raymond, Kan. Raedeane passed away March 1 in Pratt, Kan., at age 67. She retired to Holiday Island for 10 years before moving back to Pratt two years ago.



Kan., and Chandler, Okla., and graduated from high school in Alden, Kan., before attending Butler Community College in El Dorado, Kan.

She was united in marriage to James Russell Sluss of El Dorado on March 28, 1966.

Raedeane worked as a bookkeeper at Provo Auto Parts and Home Lumber and Supply in El Dorado.

She served as Clerk of the Board of Education at Flinthills Schools, and

operated Raedeane's Jewelry and Gifts in El Dorado. She worked at Nelson's Leather in Eureka Springs, and at Central Kansas Credit Union in Pratt.

Raedeane was an avid quilter and each quilt told its own story; her quilts were her own work of art. She could cook the most scrumptious food, gifts to those who received it. Her smile and sense of humor were infectious and she never knew a stranger. She loved to watch football and basketball, especially OU and KU.

She leaves her husband of 47 years, James; daughters, Melody Haines and

husband, Vince, of El Dorado, and Mindy Wiltshire and husband, Jason, of Pratt; her sister Janice Swiggart and husband, Jim, of Holiday Island, Ark.; her sweethearts, Laura, Spencer, Samuel, Wesley, Benjamin, William, Adam, Jonathan and Katherine; nephew, James Swiggart and wife, Sue, of New Jersey; nieces, Cynthia Bodnar and husband, Mike, of Norman, Okla., Lori Woelfel and husband, Steve, and Kerri Swiggart all of Houston, Texas; cousins Sonya Nixon and Mary Maloney and husband, Mike, all of El Dorado; and David Beckner of Bay St. Louis, Miss.

### Cynthia A. Van Horn March 6, 2014

Cynthia A. Van Horn, 60, of the magical village of Eureka Springs, Arkansas, completed the great, mystical adventure of her life and departed the physical world on March 6, 2014 from brain cancer. She was ushered in her transition by a circle of love that included her husband of 28 years, Stephen C. Van Horn, and wonderful, caring family, friends and hospice caregivers who selflessly provided love and comfort during her struggle.

Cindy was born in Mobile, Ala., to Rip and Glo Askew, and moved with her family to Houston, where she grew up, when she was three years old. She was somewhat of a tomboy and loved the sun and water. She spent much of her time hanging out with her older brother, Jimmy, and his friends at the beach.

She was an irreverent and fun-loving young woman. She met her husband while both worked at Sound

Warehouse in Oklahoma City. She transferred with the company back to the Houston branch, and after a long-distance romance, they were married in 1986. They honeymooned in France and both developed a wanderlust and desire to see and experience as much of their world as they could. They began their life together on a small farm in Luther, Okla., and their journey led to Dallas, Texas; Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; Melbourne, Australia; Englewood, Colo., and finally to Eureka Springs. They also shared adventures in Mexico, Jamaica, Guatemala, Egypt, Bali, Tasmania, New Zealand, Fiji, Tahiti, and rather extensively explored the wonders of the western United States.

In addition to a love of travel, Cindy was a passionate gardener and fantastic cook. She became proficient at several handicrafts including sewing, stained glass, and

her most recent passion of creating unique and whimsical pottery pieces that were displayed and sold in a shop in Eureka Springs. She loved animals and always treated her dogs and cats as her "kids." Cindy never took life too seriously and was known for her smile and laughter.

She is survived by her husband, Stephen C. Van Horn of Eureka Springs; her father, James P. (Rip) Askew, and stepmother, Nancy Askew, and her brother, Jimmy Askew, all of Houston, Texas; and her stepbrother, Jerry Sanderford and his family; and Matthew and Elizabeth Sanderford and Jim Fannon of The Colony, Texas, who had become an integral part of her life in recent years.

Friends are invited to attend an informal and casual celebration of Cindy's life at Fire Om Earth Retreat Center at 872 Mill Hollow Rd on Sunday, March 23, from 2-5 p.m.



# DEPARTURES

## Rev. Donald E. Batsel July 9, 1939 – March 7, 2014

Rev. Donald E. Batsel, a resident of Eureka Springs, was born July 9, 1939, in Hammond, Ind., a son of Edward Gordon, Sr., and Martha Helen (Smith) Batsel. He departed this life Friday, March 7, in Fayetteville, at age 74.

Reverend Donald was the staff minister at the First Assembly of God Church in Eureka Springs. He graduated with a bachelor's degree from Purdue University in 1969 and was also a graduate from the Berean University in Springfield, Mo., in 2002. He retired from Ford Motor Company and was an engineer manager.

On September 12, 1964, Reverend Donald was united in marriage with Barbara (Bernard) Batsel who survives him of the home. He is also survived by two sons, Scott Batsel and wife, Patti, of Lowell, Ind., and Douglas Batsel and wife, Lina, of Grand Island, Fla.; two daughters, Melissa and husband, Michael Smith, of Kearney, Mo., and Denice and husband, Duane Grenat, of Port St. Lucia, Fla.; mother, Martha Smith of Eureka Springs, Ark.; one brother, Edward Gordon, Jr. of Hammond, Ind.; one sister, Andran and husband, Jim Callahan, of

Hammond, Ind.; 22 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; and a host of other family and friends.

Reverend Donald was preceded in death by his father.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service. Memorial donations may be made to the ECHO Clinic, 4004 East Van Buren, Eureka Springs, Arkansas 72632. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [nelsonfuneral.com](http://nelsonfuneral.com).



## Herman Pinkley Nov. 22, 1923 – March 12, 2014

Herman Pinkley, a resident of Berryville, Arkansas, was born November 22, 1923 in Eureka Springs, Carroll County, Arkansas, a son of Harvey and Ida (Fanning) Pinkley. He departed this life peacefully Wednesday, March 12, in Springfield, Mo., at age 90.

Herman attended the Moore Free Will Baptist Church. He was a member of the Gideon's and proudly

served his country in the United States Navy during World War II.

On November 21, 1943, Herman was united in marriage with Hellen Mabel (Smith) Pinkley who survives him of the home. He is also survived by two sons, Lyle Pinkley of Eureka Springs, and Ralph Allen Pinkley of Fayetteville, Ark.; three grandchildren, Jesse Fox Swift of Fayetteville, Ark., Ethan Pinkley and Elizabeth "Abby"

Pinkley both of Berryville, Ark.; several nieces and nephews; and a host of other family and friends.

Herman was preceded in death by his parents and one son, Brian Pinkley; four brothers; two sisters; and one infant brother.

Visitation will be from 5 – 8 p.m., Friday, March 21, at the Charles M. Nelson Memorial Chapel in Berryville. Funeral service will be

10 a.m., Saturday, March 22, at the Charles M. Nelson Memorial Chapel with Dr. Doug Harris officiating. Interment will follow the service in the Moore Cemetery under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service. Memorial donations may be made to the Gideon's International, P.O. Box 362, Berryville, Arkansas 72616. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [nelsonfuneral.com](http://nelsonfuneral.com).

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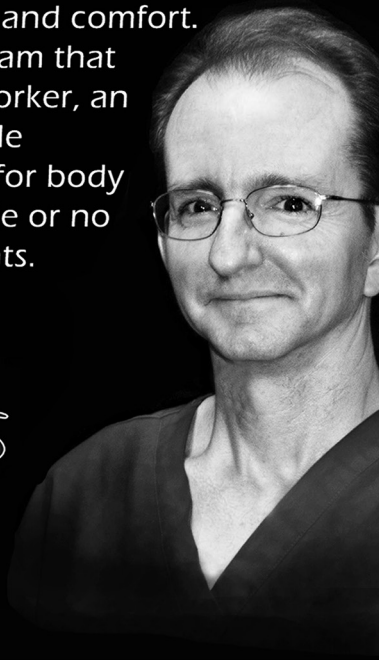
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Here is a picture of Craig Kelly and a school buddy, both from Kansas City, who came down Saturday to try to get some stripers on Beaver. Believe the moon was so bright they might of fed through the night. Days with a full moon are not the greatest times to fish.

Three boats fishing with us at Point 12 out of Springdale and up the White and War Eagle arms all had a bad day. We got into some whites and Craig caught this hard fighting hybrid. One of the boats did pull in 20 stripers between 12 and 20 lbs. the day before using brood shiners, which are doing better than shad now since they are hitting smaller bait.

Water temp is warming up close to the 50s and fish are moving up on the flats with the sun. The 20 were caught on

the flats in 8 to 20 ft. water. When not on the flats they are holding at 18 and 28 ft. deep in 30 to 60 ft. water. If this rain and snow trashes out the river too bad with mud, they will move back towards Prairie Creek area until the river clears. Believe by the time April gets here the bite will be on good.

Here at Holiday Island it is still a little slow except for walleye being caught between the Island and up river to Houseman. White bass should also be good and crappie will also come up into shallower brush by the time April comes around. Come on Spring!

Well, I will go for now. I do have two more trips on Beaver this week. Hopefully will have a good pic for you all next week. Stay warm and enjoy the sun when you can.

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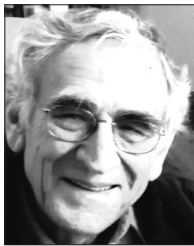
to slip it through,” Kristi Kendrick said. “The notice was published in the holiday season in the middle of all the bad weather. At one time, AT&T had a public meeting planned, but that was cancelled because of the weather. The meeting hasn’t been rescheduled. Then I saw an article about it in the paper about a pending application before the Federal Communication Commission (FCC). So I started objecting to it before the FCC proceedings.

“Eventually, the FCC approved it. I filed a petition for reconsideration to the FCC, and have not yet heard back about that. The FCC proceedings are not over as yet, but they did indicate that after AT&T got all clearances from Native American tribes, they could start building even before the FCC

proceedings are complete. I felt like I had to do something before they started building it because then it would be harder to get them to remove it.

“Why would they put a cell tower in the lowest spot in the area? That is why it has to be so tall. Apparently at one time they considered putting it behind the old Busch Hardware Store, but that property was not available. There is already an existing cell tower on top of Busch Mountain, which is not that far away. It seems if they needed to put a cell tower in, there are any number of better locations they could have chosen. This is right there on the Trail of Tears.”

AT&T Public Affairs  
Communications Consultant Bill Paschall said AT&T has no comment on pending litigation.



INDEPENDENT  
Crossword

by Bill Westerman

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- ACROSS
1. Melody

5. Shelter

8. Concern

12. Middle East

country

13. Picnic pest

14. Soothing additive

15. Prepare text

16. Neighbor of Mex.

17. Repast

18. Decision

20. Initiates

21. Sesame seed paste

24. Head covering

27. Four qts.

28. Spend money

31. Large volume

32. Travel by air

33. Fizzy drink

34. Not me

35. Twosome

36. Chesty

37. Having no angle

(Geom.)

39. Young pigeon

43. Free
47. Young salmon

48. “Arkansas \_\_\_\_”

50. British nobleman

51. “Living on the

\_\_\_\_”

52. Ovum

53. Greek goddess of

strife

54. Ceases living

55. Pedal digit

56. Valley
- DOWN
1. Layer

2. Pakistani language

3. Metal fastener

4. Qualify

5. Guffaw

6. Typographic

measures

7. Airport info.

8. Tent city

9. Sheltered side

10. Chestnut colored

horse
11. Electric fishes

19. Short snooze

20. Artist’s paint

22. Eskimo dwelling

23. Negative vote

24. Pig’s digs

25. Dove sound

26. Asian river \_\_\_\_

Darya

28. Viral disease

29. Fuss

30. Thanksgiving

tuber

32. Stale air

33. Accomplish

35. Small amount

36. Container

38. Gentle push

39. Drove fast

40. Muslim judge

41. Impel to action

42. Greek god of war

44. Swiss river

45. Broad smile

46. Other

48. Soak flax

49. Self



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Springs wants to advertise itself as a safe place, and this event “is counter to the message we are sending out,” she said.

Alderman Purkepile summed up council’s position as he saw it by stating, “There is nothing productive council can do. We can’t effectively pass anything that would prevent this event. The group is looking for a reaction, so let them do it, get it out of their systems, and they’ll go home.”

Hyatt stated, “We can get through this peacefully.” Numerous visitors have come to town in the past openly carrying, he said, and, “They came, there were no incidents, they left – no one even noticed.”

He sees posting signs in store windows as a way business owners can control the situation in their stores or restaurants. It would also be illegal for the Act 427 activists to open carry through Basin Park, on a trolley, into the courthouse or even in the parking lot next to the court-

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service. People are paying in taxes and Medicare is supported by federal tax dollars, but this program is telling you where you can go to get your prescription filled. It is particularly unfair when it is a government-run program. And it isn’t saving any money.

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house, Hyatt said, though the part of the law prohibiting Open Carry in restaurants that serve liquor was stricken. He credited the Act 427 activists with being well-versed on their rights and limitations.

Alderman Mickey Schneider stated the group wants to use Eureka Springs as a testing ground, see if they get a rise out of anyone, and get good public relations for their cause. Eureka Springs has had many groups pass through, she observed, and “we have always just ignored them.”

“We welcome everyone,” she added and advised against picking and choosing. “All we need to do is ignore them,” she added with emphasis.

DeVito still reminded council that many citizens feel threatened by this event. “These are not your average gun owners,” he commented. “I’ll do everything I can to keep them out.”

Council acknowledged Hyatt’s advice had carried the day, and they adjourned.

“We are all suffering because Medicare has allowed this to happen. Everyone needs to call or write their congressman and ask them to level the playing field so we can take care of our customers. The public should be able to go wherever they choose and pay the same amount.”



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