

HDC reminded of early days

NICKY BOYETTE

Kimberley Clark addressed the Historic District Commission at its Dec. 2 meeting, and reminded commissioners of the days when HDC was first created. She suggested it might be a good idea to revisit the first days as a way to educate residents why local history is important.

Clark also mentioned HDC needs to deal with affordable housing issues in the Historic District. She encouraged more consideration of people with special needs.

Commissioner Melissa Greene invited Clark to speak to the Planning Commission at one of its January meetings.

In other business, commissioners approved construction of a new shed at 298 N. Main.

There was only one item on the Consent Agenda, and commissioners approved it.

- 2106 E. Van Buren – revise existing sign

Chair Dee Bright presented Administrative Approvals, which are applications for repair or work involving no changes in materials or color, but which include changes in roofing color.

- 8 Harvey – re-roof
- 100 Emporia – re-roof, new color
- 331C W. Van Buren – re-roof

Next meeting will be Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 6 p.m.



Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree – The annual Chamber of Commerce Christmas parade was a hit with everyone – and wonderfully long. Watch for Santa ... lots of Santas, in fact ... in Basin Park this weekend, and see the Christmas schedule inside for more holiday fun.

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This Week's INDEPENDENT Thinker

Small steps by individuals can move buses. Something like that.

In Cluj-Napoca, Romania, activist Victor Miron asked the mayor, Emil Boc, to not charge passengers on city transit if they read books while on board.

"I believe it's better to promote reading by rewarding those who read instead of criticizing the ones who don't," Miron said.

Miron and his friends also created a campaign for discounts at various businesses when people show a book on their Facebook profile picture, and another where those who carried a book with them got free admission at the local botanical garden.

It isn't a whole lot, but it's a step toward literacy that creates a buzz to be swept up in a community effort to be more aware, more quiet, and more in tune with words that don't diminish vision or cause headaches.



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New Chamber COO a good fit for Eureka

The Greater Eureka Springs Chamber of Commerce recently announced experienced Chamber of Commerce professional, Tammy Thurow, had been chosen to fill the position of President/Chief Operating Officer (COO) as of January 4.

After conducting a careful search for just the right fit, the Chamber board gave Thurow the nod from a field of close to 100 applicants, and will introduce her to the community at the Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Dec. 15.

Thurow's qualifications are well suited to our unique economy and encompass a wealth of knowledge and professional experience. She has served as Vice President of Membership and Development for the Bentonville/Bella Vista Chamber of Commerce for the past 12 years and is also a member of the Northwest Arkansas Tourism Association.

This puts her in good stead to enhance Eureka Springs's position in that market.

"Because I have been so involved

in the Northwest Arkansas community I can use those strong connections and relationships to include Eureka at the table and in regionalism," Thurow told the *Independent*. "After all, that's what everyone is striving for in the Northwest Arkansas area... to be regional."

Asked what she thought was Eureka's most important asset, Thurow replied, "Small businesses and the community."

How to best serve them appears to head her agenda.

"The first thing on my list is getting to know our members and find out why they are a member," she said, "then I will go to non-members and past members and will find out why they are not members. From there we will evaluate the needs versus the benefits, services and programs and how we can better serve the community. I look forward to building relationships and sharing how the Chamber can help them



TAMMY THUROW

grow through regionalism and tourism.

"Membership is the primary function of a chamber of commerce. Chambers are a trade organization based on membership. Therefore, it's our job as a chamber to provide value, education and services for our members and business partners. After all, small businesses are the heart of Eureka Springs and we need to continue to listen and help them grow."

The incoming COO first saw the position in a chamber publication that lists open chamber jobs in the U.S. "I felt very drawn to this community and just knew it was a good place for me," she said. "Once I heard from the board about interviewing it all happened pretty fast."

Thurow had some knowledge of the Eureka Springs Chamber from sitting on the NWA Tourism Association Board

with Eureka Chamber board members, and has long been a fan of the town. She will continue to sit on the NATA board representing Eureka Springs.

"It's a small community and so friendly. It seems like a happy place and I like happy. I get newsletters from Eureka about everything that is going on. So this is silly but, every time I see the *Christmas in Eureka* commercial, I get excited because I am going to be a part of this great community and all the wonderful things that are going on. I know there will be some challenges, and every community has them. I just encourage everyone to work together toward a common goal.

"I look forward to working closely with our partners and members as we focus on our core competencies of creating a strong sustainable local economy. We will accomplish this through promoting the community, providing networking opportunities, representing the interests of business, and promoting best business

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Invisible frequencies have measurable health effects

BECKY GILLETTE

Sometimes just having a doctor who listens to you instead of deciding your illness is “all in your head” is a good medicine for patients. Local residents who have electromagnetic hypersensitivity (EHS) have found that listening ear in physician Dr. John M. House at Eureka Springs Family Medical Clinic.

“When people ask me if electromagnetic frequencies are dangerous, I tell them, ‘Stick your head in a microwave and see what happens’,” House said. “A microwave uses EMFs to cook food. In that case, the EMFs are of an intensity that will cook food. We use microwave frequencies all the time in the regular world, but usually they are far enough away that they don’t bother you.”

House explains that EMFs are generated any time energy moves through space. So the light bulb over your head is emitting EMFs. So is the computer in front of you, and so is your cell phone. The amount of EMFs generated is related to the speed and intensity of the emissions, and your proximity to the source.

“The sun emits EMFs,” House said. “I’m a redhead. If I go out, I will get sunburn. Someone with dark skin can stay out for hours. Some people may be sensitive to normal EMFs as opposed to those who aren’t. People susceptible to EMFs have neurological complications like headaches and other things people complain about.”

Some people have suggested that since EMFs are so common, and most people don’t have any obvious reaction to them, people who complain of EHS are just imagining it. But a study conducted at Louisiana State University showed the study group sensitive to EMFs in a measurable way.

“The World Health Organization has just added EHS to its valid diagnosis list,” House said. “It is something starting to come to the forefront of awareness of the medical community. So often we are behind the curve on these things. It is starting to get more recognized.”

There have been numerous studies regarding impacts on people from power lines and cell phones. House said it comes down to proximity, strength and exposure time. A person walking around with a cell phone glued to his or her ear for ten hours a day will suffer a greater impact than someone

who uses cell phone only occasionally.

“In some ways, it is so ubiquitous that people don’t think about it anymore. What has changed mostly over the last decade is the amount of the EMF out there is so much greater. Anytime you are in public now, you can’t evade extraneous electronic emissions. That is why, I think, we are starting to see more of an increase in people suffering from this condition.”

The farther you get from a source, the less problem it’s going to cause. If you’re sensitive to your cell phone or other equipment, House recommends putting it in another room. Some people even construct a Faraday cage, a metal cage that blocks the EMF.

“You can get in there and be like in a cocoon,” House said. “I live in the country, and don’t have Wi-Fi at my house. I don’t know I’m sensitive, but I feel I might as well get rid of as much of it as I can. We humans are famous for doing things and not really

considering the consequences. We will worry about that later.”

House said the symptoms reported by patients include generalized pain, a pain people can’t find a source for. Some get pains in their abdomen if they keep the cell phone in their pocket. There can be non-specific symptoms like tingling or a crawling feeling on the skin.

There is suspicion that EMFs could also cause insomnia.

“A lot of the insomnia we see today is caused by artificial light, light in the bedroom from the streetlight, television, clock, etc.,” House said. “Light is electromagnetic waves. We know that light has a lot to do with our sleep patterns. Whether or not EMFs are causing insomnia, it is conceivable. A typical American bedroom has a TV, a phone and an electronic clock next to bed. All these different things are surrounding us right now and nobody knows for sure what effects that is having.”



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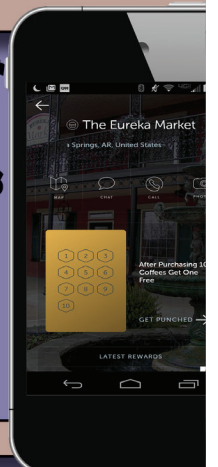


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Is your cell phone making you sick?

BECKY GILLETTE

Many people don't think twice about all the cell towers and WiFi that abound in modern society. If anything, they are just happy it is so convenient to keep in constant touch and have instant access to the Internet and all those incredible apps on their smart phone.

But for Dee Leach, who has electro-magnetic hypersensitivity (EHS), all those wireless communications play havoc with her health. For Leach, it feels like she is being shocked with a Taser when she comes into contact with someone's cell phone or a WiFi signal. She can even tell you with her back turned if someone has an old style cell phone in their pocket or the iPhones that are five times more powerful than regular cell phones.

"I get zapped everywhere I go," Leach said. "I can't even go somewhere like the grocery store or the library because everyone has a cell phone and there are numerous wireless signals all around us. I once was driving to Springfield and had to turn around and go back home because there were too

many cell towers."

The symptoms described by Leach include headaches, dizziness, rashes, confusion, difficulty concentrating, numbness, depression, anxiety, irritability and memory problems. She can't concentrate enough to drive if she is around a cell phone. She says she has only been able to survive since developing this condition a year and a half ago because her husband has been able to provide support so she can stay at home in an environment largely free from artificial electromagnetic frequencies (EMFs).

"When this started, it was just so many unexplained feelings of sickness that I couldn't understand," Leach said. "Then I realized it was the cell phone. For six months, I thought I was going to die. I felt so sick, so dizzy and confused. I am sharing my story so many people will put down their cell phone once in a while and not get sick like me."

What has happened to Leach isn't common, but she also isn't alone. She has been holding local support group meetings for others in the area who are similarly affected. At one such meeting, one participant said

his primary complaint is being around cell phones causes a ringing in his ears. Others reported brain fog or difficulty concentrating.

EHS is being observed across the world, not just in the U.S. Recently the World Health Organization (WHO) added EHS to its medical diagnosis list.

"As societies industrialize and the technological revolution continues, there has been an unprecedented increase in the number and diversity of EMF sources," WHO said. "These sources include video display units associated with computers, mobile phones and their base stations. While these devices have made our life richer, safer and easier, they have been accompanied by concerns about possible health risks due to their EMF emissions.

"For some time a number of individuals have reported a variety of health problems that they relate to exposure to EMF. While some individuals report mild symptoms and react by avoiding the fields as best they can, others are so severely affected that they cease work and change their entire lifestyle. This

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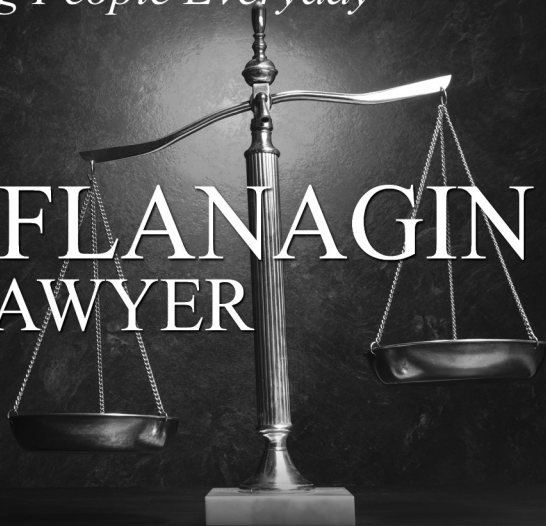
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Feds upholds ratepayers' rights to challenge transmission rates

BECKY GILLETTE

Martha Peine, who was active in opposing the American Electric Power/Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) Shipe Road to Kings River high voltage transmission line through the Ozarks, has remained active looking at transmission charges to ratepayers she suspects were not legitimate.

Peine formally challenged the charges, which were in part passed through and recouped by AEP/SWEPCO on monthly bills of Carroll County Electric Cooperative customers. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission recently ruled in Peine's favor that ratepayers like her do have standing to review and challenge transmission rates at FERC.

"Given FERC's reconfirmation of ratepayer standing to review and challenge transmission formula rates, I remain committed to pursuing refunds of expenses I believe were improperly passed through to ratepayers on their monthly electric bills," Peine said.

Doug Stowe, a director of Save the Ozarks, said in this case, Peine performed the laborious and thankless task of sifting through SWEPCO's accounting claims

and discovered a number of cases in which SWEPCO was charging ratepayers for things they should not.

"Without citizen activism, utility companies have been able to game the system, knowing they will more than likely get away with it," Stowe said. "SWEPCO fought her on this and made it difficult for her to proceed."

Noting that Peine's formal challenges address inputs to transmission rate formulas, FERC staff argued that these challenges are within the commission's exclusive jurisdiction. They found their analysis was consistent with federalism because Peine's claims relate to transmission, over which FERC has exclusive jurisdiction – and not to local distribution, which falls within the purview of the state.

STO Director Pat Costner said the ruling has implications for other utilities, as well.

"Every person in the U.S. who buys electricity from an investor-owned utility company is indebted to Martha Peine for her hard work and dogged persistence. In Arkansas, this includes the customers of SWEPCO, Entergy, Oklahoma Gas & Electric, and Empire District Electric."



The Singing Scotties (pictured above) and Eureka Springs Middle School Onstage were presented with certificates for their participation in Eureka Springs's Veteran's Day parade by Walker-Wilson Post 9 of the American Legion. The parade was attended by students in 2nd through 8th grades. The combined choirs of 3rd through 6th graders, directed by Mrs. Donesa Mann, sang in the program at the end of the parade for the first time. See the *Independent Art* section for their Christmas schedule!

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Can Socialism improve society?

Editor,

Do you have hope that the world's governments are finally going to deal in a reasonable way with the problems of our changing climate? Sorry, it's not going to happen. Why? Because every government in the so-called developed world and most of the other "developing" countries have been purchased by and are under control of the world's dominant economic system (corporate capitalism). So, what's that got to do with climate change? Well, corporate capitalism is not equipped to deal with *any* social problem local or worldwide.

Capitalism has one function only, to create profit. Nothing else plays any role, no matter what crap the corporate controlled media feeds us. Maintaining this monstrous capital economic pyramid scheme requires constant, never-ending growth. Of course, growth means increasing destruction of natural resources and increased energy use, plain and simple. We live in a finite, not infinite world, and if you spend a minute thinking about it you can see that we cannot keep increasing our mining of industrial ingredients and farm soil minerals and nutrients while population increases geometrically, without reaching total consumption of everything in the not so distant future. Where do the waste products of the corporate consumption of our natural world go? Into our air and water with accompanying destruction of natural organisms (forests, rivers, microbes, animals, etc.) that work together to maintain a stable natural ecology.

I will not vote for Bernie Sanders simply because he is now a registered Democrat. Remember Bill, our most powerful local Democrat who not only pushed through the most job-destroying legislation of the 20th century (NAFTA), both for US workers but also the Mexican, but also sponsored destruction of the powerful and productive law (the Glass-Steagall Act of 1933) that protected us from the predation of Big Banks. The Glass-Steagall law kept the Banksters from using our private savings to gamble with in their developing financial thievery schemes. Under direction of the Central Bankers at the time, Clinton said, "Whatever you want, boys," and so we were set up for the eventual financial meltdown which we the people paid the Banksters back for to the tune of TRILLIONS in direct gifts and guaranteed loans. I wonder if Hillary agreed with her husband about these attacks on the people at that time.

No, I'm no Democrat. Eight years of our current Bozos

would cure anyone of that. Forget climate change, we need system change. Bernie Sanders is the only person who now offers hope for this. He may be our last chance for actual, no b.s. change.

Rand Cullen

Gold stars from Silver Tea

Editor,

On behalf of St. James' Episcopal Church women we thank the *Independent* newspaper and the community for outstanding support of this year's successful 49th Silver Tea benefitting the Flint St. "Back Our Kids" program.

A very special thank you to Elise Roenigk for her generosity in letting us use the beautiful Crescent Hotel Crystal dining room for our annual Silver Tea. We also thank the wonderful students from Clear Spring School who graciously bussed the tables, and the delightful 3rd & 4th graders from Eureka Springs Schools, directed by Donessa Mann, who greeted the guests with song as they entered the Tea. Thank you all for making a difference in our community!

Marty Johnson & Janee Crotts

Ignore bullies

Editor,

First and foremost, "the Donald" is a bully. If you are with me or against me on this statement, but wonder how Trump has been so successful in his campaign, think about the bullies of your childhood.

Why did she or he succeed over others on the playground, the classroom at your school or even in your neighborhood? First off, the bully gets a cadre of frightened kids that need the bully's protection. Then the bully finds some rather dim but tough buddies who will do his or her dirty work. For their rewards, they get to hang around "the Boss" and bask in some of the limelight. He or she succeeds because they sit in the background, make the plans and take credit when they win. When they lose, the bullies blame everyone else and slink off into the sunset.

If our media keeps giving Trump the attention he craves, he will succeed in becoming one of our nominees for President. If the media ignores him and his gang of losers, he will fade away.

Isn't that what we have all learned about bullies? They hate being ignored.

Enid B. Swartz



WEEK'S TopTweets

@BlindChow: "I'm sorry, sir, cash or credit card only." The rain sadly puts its check away. 21st century technology has not been kind to him.

@shawnrries: At this point, camels should know better than to put straw anywhere near their backs.

@samalmightysam: Sometimes when I say "I'm OK," I just want someone to tell me: "I know you're not, here, have a million dollars."

@thebenbrooks: I took everything with a grain of salt and now I have hypertension.

@juliussharpe: Just want to thank my mailman for delivering my recycling directly to my house.

@joeschmitt: Twitter has lost 90% of my tweets. Great! Now I've got nothing to show for the last two years. Nothing.

@gneicco: My Twitter account would benefit from a breathalyzer-activated password.

@bergified: The guy who named the umbrella meant to call it a brella but he hesitated.

@3M075: I'm returning your promises, they're all broken.

@Thee1_4U: Everybody is complaining about their significant other and I'm over here trying to keep mine charged above 10%.

@KalvinMacLeod: I accidentally took an extra step when I reached the top of the stairs and now I'm in a marching band.

@Contwixt: I think War and Religion need to go to couples' therapy.

Creating a better future

U.S. astronaut Kjell Lindgren, speaking from the International Space Station, sent a powerful message to the United Nations Framework Conference on Climate Change (UNFCCC): “Whether you’re a government, a business, a university or an individual, you can make a difference.”

A legally binding agreement was reached on December 5 by all nations to reduce greenhouse emissions. Christiana Figueres, UNFCCC Executive Secretary, said, “The driving force is a shared goal to benefit the economies of every country.” Reports say the UNFCCC agreement addresses deforestation, food security, poverty and many other issues, with actions focused on what developed countries can do to reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 2050. Details will be worked out by the end of the week. The agreement is a testimony to the highest qualities of the human race: courage, compassion, hope and faith. Laudato Si is the benchmark for the 2015 agreement.

Here are two of the highlights:

The Himalayan kingdom of Bhutan made the world’s most far-reaching climate promise to the Paris climate summit. Almost three-quarters of the mountainous nation is covered in forests. Bhutan pledged to reforest its land even further. Last summer it set a world record for the most trees planted in one hour – nearly 50,000.

With songs and poems full of hope and wisdom, the peoples at greatest peril joined the summit. “We Indigenous Peoples come to Paris after having engaged in an unprecedented process of consultation in our regions in the Arctic, North America, Asia, Pacific, Latin America and the Caribbean, Russia and Eastern Europe and Africa, where we shared our perspectives, witnessed our suffering due to climate change, and reiterated our resolve to contribute with our traditional knowledge and livelihoods to adapt to and mitigate climate change to the benefit of all humankind. Our call comes from our lands, mountains, forests, rangelands and seas that suffer droughts, floods, melting of glaciers and thawing of permafrost and loss of sea ice. Climatic aggression threatens Indigenous Peoples’ individual and collective human rights and life ways.”

At home, recent developments have raised high concerns for the future of Arkansas. Last month, China changed the One-Child-Policy to allow two children per couple, increasing the demand for baby diapers. China has few forests left and expects to have over four million new babies per year. Disposable diapers are made with fluff, an absorbent cellulose material made from trees. In round numbers, one baby needs 10 diapers per day, for a couple of years. Where will 14.6 billion additional diapers per year come from?

According to Matthew Pelkki, a forestry professor at the Monticello University of Arkansas, Southern Arkansas has at least seven million tons of “surplus timber growth” every year. “In the last 10 years, the surplus has built up to 75 million tons of available timber,” Pelkki said. While the rest of the world opposes deforestation, and poor nations like Bhutan are planting trees, selling our forests is beyond comprehension. The highest and best use of our forests to leave them untouched, as sources of oxygen, stores of rainwater, and the only known way to capture and store carbon dioxide.

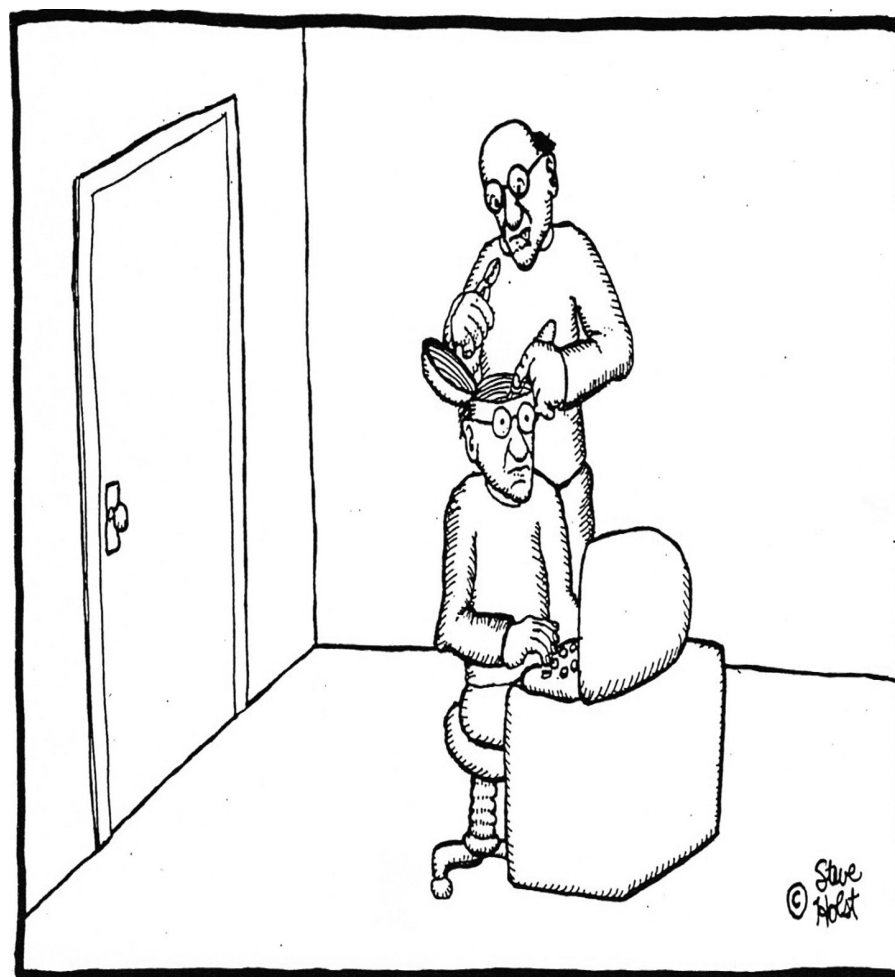
Arkansas’s promising future is to become the most desirable state in the nation with abundant forests, clean water and air, local food, and public health. Many of us choosing to move from large cities appreciate the beauty and uniqueness of the Natural State.

For a few jobs, Gov. Hutchinson signed a letter of intent with Shandong Sun Paper last month, to build a 700,000 tons per year Fluff Pulp mill somewhere in Arkansas. The mill would need to harvest 70,000 acres of forests per year. To get the deal, China will get a generous incentive package using SuperProject bonds issued for the failed Lockheed Martin Camden plant, tax credits, and even a five percent payroll incentive.

How is this a good deal for Arkansas? We get a few jobs, water and air pollution, and all the tree stumps. No one wants to live near a pulp mill; the stench of rotten eggs is an unforgettable experience.

How can we ignore the climate emergency?

Dr. Luis Contreras



The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

There is a mad rush now among right wing lawmakers – it is impossible to call their raveling populist Creep Show conservatism – to lay the causes of gun violence at the feet of mental illness, rather than at something else, like the availability of assault weapons. It remains to be seen if they’ll put (our) money where their mouths are, and sponsor and fund greater access to mental health services.

They certainly ought to do it because they’ll be directly serving fellow-travelers: religious fundamentalists, and flag-waving Southern Heritage and 2nd Amendment “scholars” who also seem to believe that corporations are people and that money is free speech. After all, it isn’t Libtards, the Politically Correct, Atheists, or the effete eschewers of *FOX News* who are out blowing holes into the hearts and heads of defenseless Americans.

If we scratch around a bit we can find examples of radical and violent left-wing organizations and individuals. The Symbionese Liberation Army, the Black Panthers, and the Weather Underground, here in the US, and the Baader-Meinhof Gang and the Irish Republican Army, in Europe, come to mind. But with the exception of the IRA, these extremist groups had a short life, and were dealt with as criminal, rather than terrorist, organizations. Local law enforcement was able to put them out of business, and local cops are handling the bulk of shooters, mostly right wingers, today.

If it isn’t bad enough that we all got conned into a “war on terror” and transferred billions of tax dollars into the pockets of Halliburton and other defense contractors – instead of putting that money into local law enforcement and real, home based Homeland security – now we get to watch politicians cry, “mental illness!” every time some wing nut watches Ann Coulter, or listens to talk radio and decides to take his AK-15 for a ride.

In the meantime, can we ask our various pastors, priests, imams, rabbis, elders, *inter-alia*, to tell their congregations not to shoot and kill people? I know that some of them think that the world is going to pop pretty quick, but how about if we let God do the sorting at the end? It’s His job.

A little help from our friends:

- **Community Suppers at St. James:** St. James' Episcopal Church, 28 Prospect, will hold Sunday community suppers, from 5 – 6 p.m., through March 20. Supper will be provided by local restaurants. The suppers are free and all are welcome.
- **Carroll County Domestic Violence Hotline:** 1-844-247-3223 (844-24PEACE) is available 24/7. The Purple Flower Domestic Violence Resource and Support Center of Carroll County is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. on North Springfield St. in Berryville. (479) 981-1676.
- **24-hour NWA Crisis Line for Women** – NWA Women's Shelter serving Carroll County – "Empowering families to live free of violence." (800) 775-9011 www.nwaws.org
- **Cup of Love free soup lunches** – Cup of Love provides soup lunches at Flint Street Fellowship Mondays and Wednesdays from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. and at First Baptist (Penn) Church on Fridays, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. (479) 363-4529
- **Flint Street Fellowship food pantry, lunch, free clothing** – Pantry open 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Free lunch Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Free clothes/shoes closet, books and household items. (479) 253-9491 or 253-4945. Leave donations in barrel at entrance if facility is closed.
- **Wildflowers one-dollar, furniture barn/thrift store** US 62E across from Hill County Hardware. One-dollar store in the yellow building every Friday from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Thrift store, furniture bank in big blue barn behind the chapel open Wednesdays – Saturdays from 10:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Donation drop offs Thursday – Saturday between 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Healing and delivery outreach in chapel Saturdays at 7:30 p.m.
- **Shamatha and Tonglen meditations Monday** – A meditation group will meet every Monday at 6:30 p.m. to focus on Shamatha, learning how to focus to achieve peace of mind, and Tonglen, a practice of love and compassion on all beings. The meetings will alternate these two practices so that one is the focus on each Monday with coffee and tea afterward. Call Alece at (479) 244-6842 or Gary at (479) 244-6840.
- **Celebrate Recovery** – Soul Purpose Ministries, 801 S. Springfield, Green Forest, 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday. Potluck followed by 12-step Christ-centered meetings for those suffering from addiction, habit, hang-up or hurt.
- **Coffee Break Al-Anon Family Group Women** – Tuesdays, 9:45 a.m., Faith Christian Family Church, Hwy. 23S, (479) 363- 9495.
- **No high school diploma?** Free GED classes in the Carnegie Library Annex every Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 9 a.m. - noon with study and tutoring for the GED test. Open to ages 18 and up. GED classes also in Berryville at Carroll County Center. Some open to ages 16 and 17 per educational requirements. For info: Nancy Wood (479) 981-0482, Carnegie Library (479) 253-8754, Carroll County Center (870) 423-4455). Offered by North Arkansas College with Carnegie Library support.
- **Grief Share**, a Bible-based, 13-week program for those who have lost a loved one, is held Sundays from 2 – 4 p.m. at Faith Bible Church, Suite C, 3 Parkcliff Drive, Holiday Island. Share in an informal, confidential setting with others experiencing similar circumstances. Call (479) 253-8925 or email lardellen@gmail.com. Meetings at Coffee Pot Club:
- **Alateen** – Sundays, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m. Email alateen1st@gmx.com or phone (479) 981-9977 • **Overeaters Anonymous** – Thursdays, 10:30 a.m. Barbara (479) 244-0371 • **Narcotics Anonymous** – Fridays, 5:30 p.m. (903) 278-5568 • **Al-Anon Family Group (AFG)** – Sundays, 11:30 a.m., Mondays and Tuesdays 7 p.m. • **Eureka Springs Coffee Pot AA Groups** Monday – Saturday 12:30 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m.; Sunday – Thursday, Saturday, 5:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday, 8 p.m. (479) 253-7956 • **Al-Anon** Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. All other meetings: See www.nwarkaa.org

INDEPENDENTNews

Channels disappearing from your COX lineup?

There's a reason for that. From now through Dec. 15 they'll keep fading away until Cox no longer has analog channels of any cable networks on its lineup.

A letter from Curt Stamp, Field Vice President of Government Affairs for Cox Communications Central Region to its franchising authorities states that customers will need digital equipment [the mini box] from Cox for each television in order to receive all these channels in their digital format.

Connect that mini box - before it deactivates!

Most customers have received notices and have gotten their (free for a year) mini boxes to hook up. What Cox doesn't spell out is that if you don't get around to connecting them right away the boxes, which have serial numbers coded to your cable address, will deactivate and you'll have to order new ones. So if you've hung onto the boxes for a while, don't bother calling the numbers or going to the website (except to replace the box) if they don't work, because they can no longer be activated. And, in the time it takes to get new ones, you may have even less to watch.

The final countdown

The letter also specifies, "On Jan. 12, Cox Communications will start encrypting broadcast and other channel signals on the Cox TV Starter package. If customers have a Cox set-top box, mini box (digital transport adapter or DTA), or a retail device with a Cox CableCARD connected to each of their TVs, they will be unaffected by this change. However, if a customer is currently receiving Cox TV Starter on any TV without equipment supplied by Cox, they will lose the ability to

view any channels on that TV.

"Affected customers on both dates should contact Cox Communications by visiting www.cox.com/goalldigital or calling (844) 239-2224 to arrange for the equipment they need to continue receiving services. In such cases, customers are entitled to receive equipment at no additional charge or service fee for a limited period of time. The number and type of devices they are entitled to receive and for how long will vary depending on their situation.

"If a customer is a Cox TV Starter customer and receives the service on TVs without Cox Communications supplied equipment, they are entitled to up to two devices for two years (five years if Medicaid-qualified). If they subscribe to a higher level of service and receive Cox TV Starter on a secondary TV without Cox Communications-supplied equipment, they are entitled to one device for one year. To qualify customers must request the equipment between Dec. 13, 2015 and May 11, 2016 and satisfy all other eligibility requirements."

30 minutes of meditation followed by reading/discussion

The Eureka Springs Buddhist Study Group will gather for 30 minutes of meditation followed by reading and discussion on Thursday, Dec. 10 at 4 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

INDEPENDENTConstablesOnPatrol

NOVEMBER 30

1:02 p.m. – Gentleman on Main Street claimed he had been threatened. Constable spoke with him, and witnesses, and determined he had not been threatened.

DECEMBER 1

12:52 p.m. – Constable assisted Berryville PD by delivering a message to an individual.

1:47 p.m. – Domestic disturbance at a residence near downtown prompted a visit from constables. One individual was arrested.

3:04 p.m. – Constable was given a pickup order, so he picked up the person and delivered him to CCSO.

4:56 p.m. – Constable arrested a pedestrian for public intoxication.

DECEMBER 3

2:09 p.m. – Residential burglary alarms were triggered at a house on US 62. Constables found the house secure, and they figured dogs inside probably set off the alarm.

3:14 p.m. – Constables investigated a garage in the north part of town. Someone had broken through a side door and items were missing.

4:24 p.m. – Constables responded to an assault.

Incident occurred outside city limits but constables stood by until deputies arrived.

DECEMBER 5

12:37 p.m. – Dog owner told ESPD another person had her dog and would not return it. Constable took the report, and the animal was eventually returned.

11:34 p.m. – An intoxicated woman was being disorderly in a restaurant. Constables arrested her for public intoxication.

DECEMBER 6

11:32 a.m. – Dog sneaked through a hole in a fence and was cavorting in a parking lot. Animal control responded.

5:33 p.m. – A mother claimed someone took clothing, money and jewelry from her daughter. Constables searched the area but did not see anyone suspicious.

5:52 p.m. – Animal control issued a warning to owner of dogs which reportedly bark all evening every night. Citation would be issued for a subsequent visit.

8:41 p.m. – Immediately upon departure of the animal control officer, the dog owner also left and her dogs commenced their serenade. Constable returned to the scene and issued a citation.

EARLY DAYS at Eureka Springs[©] – by Nellie Alice Mills, 1949

Early Days at Eureka Springs Arkansas 1880-1892, a memoir of Nellie Alice Mills whose family moved here in two covered wagons from Oswego, Kansas, was written in 1949, relying on memory. In her second book, *Other Days at Eureka Springs*, written in 1950, she went through old records she had kept. The family home was built on the west side of Leatherwood, “about a hundred yards beyond the mouth of Magnetic Hollow, opposite Cold Spring, which supplied us, and all our neighbors, with water.”

Part One – Pioneering, cont.

There were trees all around us in those early days. Our father chopped down some for firewood. How many know the delight of finding a springy seat on the bushy top of a newly fallen tree, gaining a secure footing on solid branches, the bouncing up and down like a rubber ball?

Some tents were erected near us. One just south of our house had a wooden floor and at least four rooms. The family kept a hired girl named Becky. I thought Becky was as old as my mother. Perhaps she was. There was a little girl in the family with whom we played. But soon the tent and its occupants were gone.

Behind this big tent was a small one occupied by a young couple with a baby. That tent was soon gone, too. Houses were being built, some of the crude shacks, hastily erected and soon torn, or fallen down.

But on the site of that four-roomed tent a substantial house was put up. It was fairly commodious for the time and place; there were two rooms with a lean-to kitchen in the rear, and before long an ell on the south side that was narrow, but the length of the two main rooms. That house was seldom vacant, but for a short time we children had a playhouse in the kitchen, for we always played in any unoccupied house. But how many families moved into and

out of that place in the twelve years we lived next door! I remember the Nicelys because Mrs. Nicely gave valentines to my sisters and me. There were the Don J. Newton Perrys; the Len Spanglers; William Newton and his bride; the Stillions, with their children, Clarence and Lulie; there were others, but when we came away, Mrs. Mary Rippetoe and her family were living there.

On the next lot to the south stood the house where, for several years, the Roberts family lived; there were two sons, Billy and Fred. Next to that building was the store, constructed in the usual manner, with a battlement in front, and with living quarters above. That was where we had our first Christmas tree. It was the oldest building in the block and gone before we came away.

Behind that store building, a bench, or narrow strip of comparatively level ground, begins at a low bluff and runs north for a few hundred feet. Houses were built along this bench; the first was what we called the Reading house. Next to that was the Henson house (Mr. Henson was the blacksmith); some distance along was a house that I have reason to remember the laying of the foundation; next to it was Ed Turley's place. After the Readings were gone, Mrs. Rippetoe and her family lived in that first house.

North of our front wall, really encroaching on the street, was a row of houses. Just in front of the corner of our lot was a two story house, the only one in the row that was above one story. At one time the Calvins lived there. One of the Calvin girls married Henry Hudson, whose father had a store just below the St. Charles. A family named Keelen occupied one of those houses. Mrs. Keelen was badly crippled by rheumatism; her hands were drawn out of shape. There were two boys, Bill and Jordon.

Our front wall was of roughly piled stones; there was a wooden fence on the other three sides. That row of houses north were deserted and torn down; next to our lot an old English war veteran, Major Tullock, built a queer collection of rambling huts. He had served in India; perhaps got his idea of comfort from structures he had known there. Before he moved to that location he had lived in a big log house on a bluff across the creek from his new home. He never did any work, so far as we knew. My father thought he must have a pension from England. Pa was very much interested in Major Tullock's conversation; he had many tales to tell of his experiences in India.

Many houses disappeared by magic just as the tents had done. I never knew



what became of them, but they were gone.

Our father had a large stable on the left bank of the branch; in it were stabled our mules during the days when freight was carried to Eureka Springs in wagons. It stood there for some time after the railroad came, and furnished shelter for our cows, and made a fine playhouse for children.

When James Rippetoe brought his family to town, they lived in a little house above and beyond the Reading house. There was a little shed off between two big rocks to shelter Tinker. Mollie Rippetoe, the oldest child, was a very intimate friend of our sister Ettie. After a few years Mollie was married to Will Butler, of the Butler family I have mentioned. All of that branch of the Rippetoe family left Eureka Springs after Mollie's marriage.

NOTES from the HOLLOW by Steve Weems

I don't have many prized possessions, but one I do have is an old wooden chair with a hinged back, a kind of antique recliner. I like the chair, but part of what makes it special is that it once belonged to Dr. Pearl Tatman. You've probably heard of Dr. Pearl or seen her house at 265 Spring Street.

She first came to town as Dr. Pearl Hale in the late 1800s. She was born in New Hampshire and is said to initially have had a difficult time being accepted as a female doctor, but stuck with it and established a flourishing medical practice. She became known for her compassion and hard work. She took

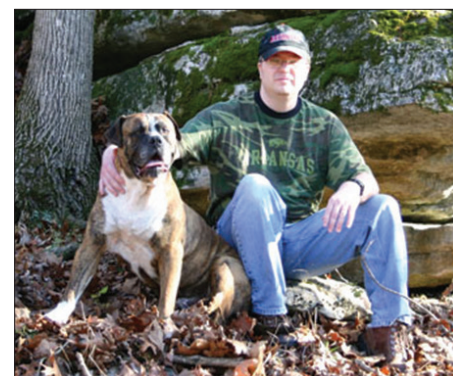
many maternity cases and brought a whole generation of Eurekans into this world.

Not long after her arrival, an Iowa-born pharmacist named Albert Evans Tatman came to Eureka Springs. They fell in love and married. She encouraged him to pursue his dream of also becoming a physician: Albert attended the Georgia College of Eclectic Medicine and Surgery in Atlanta. The Tatmans adopted a daughter named Daisy, who later married Clyde Perkins. Albert died of heart disease in 1925 and after his death, Dr. Pearl began buying land on Onyx Cave Road until she had

a farm of several hundred acres.

By the 1940 census, Pearl Tatman was in her late 60s, living on her farm and working 20 hours per week as a medical doctor. She had fallen and broken a hip and had trouble getting around without a cane. The census report also listed two others of her household, her “unadopted daughter” Laura O'Connor and farmhand Tillman Wolfenbarger. Dr. Pearl died in April of 1944 and left \$100 and her property inside the city limits of Eureka Springs to Daisy Perkins. Everything else was left to Laura O'Connor.

To be honest, I first became interested



in Dr. Pearl because on January 2, 1921, she was in a house at the top of Magnetic Hollow with her medicine bag delivering my grandfather, McKinley Weems, but I was soon impressed with the legacy left by this strong woman. And I have her chair.

This week's Holiday Happenings *Pick up a Fun Guide for details!*

Daily through Dec. 11

Holiday Fun, Crescent Hotel. Activities at 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and music at lunch and dinner. For schedule see www.christmasatthecrescent.com.

Dec. 11

Night of a Thousand Santas, 7 – 10 p.m. Kris Kringles of all stripes compete in Reindeer Games (beginning 5 p.m.) at participating local pubs. A \$10 wristband admits Santas to all participating venues. Upload Bad Santa Selfies all night onto Instagram for prizes. Rules, details at www.EurekaSpringsChristmas.com.

Sounds Like Christmas, 7 p.m., Holiday Island Clubhouse Ballroom. The Holiday Island Singers concert. Tickets \$10, students free. (479) 295-5586

7D-B4: The Fans Awaken, City Auditorium, 6 – 8 p.m. (all ages) and 8:30 – 11 p.m. (18-plus) 7D-B4 stands for “7 Days Before” (the release of *The Force Awakens* on Dec. 18). *Star Wars*-themed Cosplay and Dance Party. Tickets \$10 at www.theFansAwaken.com, \$15 at the door. See details on the website.

Dec. 12

Santa in the Park, Basin Park, 1 – 3 p.m. Reindeer Games and popular kids' entertainers, mömandpöp. Kids and cameras are the order of the day.

Christmas Caroling, Downtown 2 – 4 p.m. Join our holiday singers and spread holiday cheer throughout Downtown Eureka Springs.

Stroll the Springs Tour 5 – 8 p.m. Meet at Sweet Spring for a guided, illuminated holiday stroll to Grotto Spring with a motorized return trip. Tickets available at www.eukekaspringschristmas.com.

Illuminate the Hills Sundown. Luminarias light up Basin Spring Park and Spring Street, for free self-guided stroll.

Ozarks Chorale Christmas Concert & Community Hallelujah Chorus, City auditorium, 7:30 p.m. Sing the Hallelujah Chorus with The Ozarks Chorale during the concert finale. Tickets at the door, \$10.

Dec. 13

Sounds Like Christmas, 2:30 p.m., Holiday Island Clubhouse Ballroom. The Holiday Island Singers present traditional carols, popular holiday songs and brand new Christmas novelty songs. Tickets \$10, students free. (479) 295-5586



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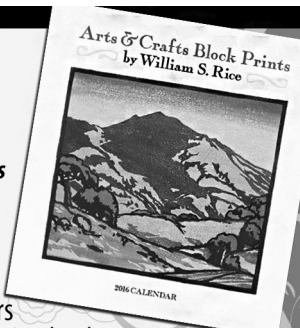
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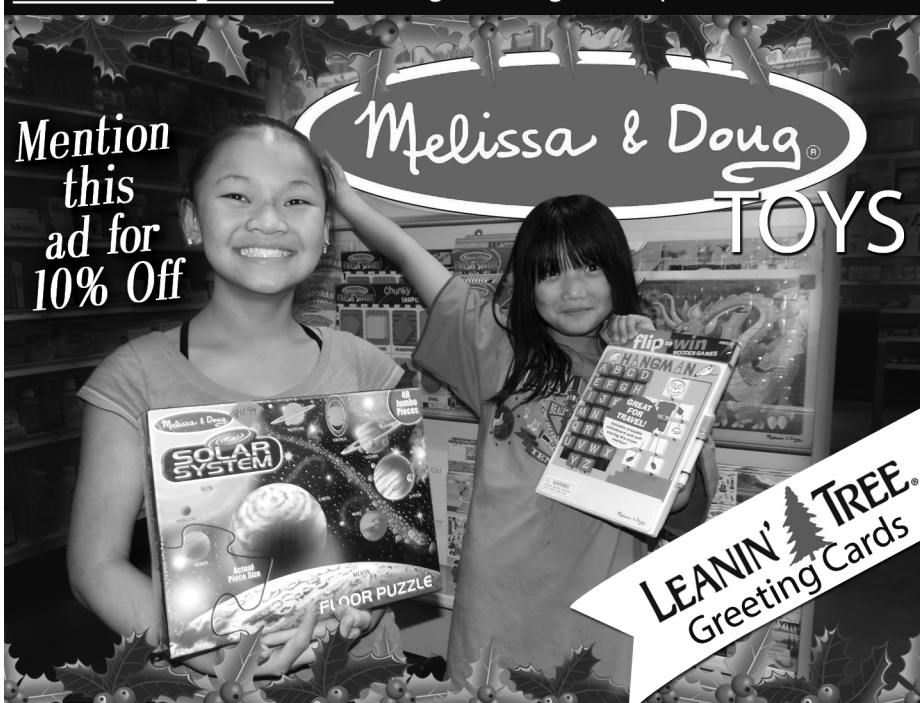
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What the truck!

Have you been keeping up with the news articles about a proposed food truck business in our town? I was dismayed to read that one City Council member actually stated that the only opposition to the proposal seems to come from the restaurants.

In my view every citizen who lives or works in this community should be concerned. Our council should be applauded on its decision to ask for a Planning Commission review to weigh the pros and cons associated with a prospective food truck.

Here are some of the ABCs (Accommodations, Benefits and Compatibilities) the commission and council might consider in making their assessment. BTW, I would be pleased to hear real world answers to these concerns from food truck proponents.

Accommodations:

In the big city, where food trucks ply their way past multi-story office buildings, workers come out of these structures, buy their food, and take it back to their workplaces to eat. This allows the workers to eat sitting down.

Imagine how this would work in Eureka's Historic District (and elsewhere)!

There are a few places in the Eureka's public domain that offer seating, primarily Basin Spring Park. Will [customers] expect existing restaurants to provide them free seating when they are not ordering? Or will they choose to eat standing up, carrying their meals?

How about waste disposal? Will the city add more trash barrels up and down the Historic District to accommodate the food truck? Sit-down restaurants clean up waste and pay the city for trash pickup. Who will pay for extra trash pickup from the food truck?

What about that trip to the loo? Eureka has limited public restrooms and even these are expensive for the city to provide adequate water, stock with soap and paper supplies, and clean. Maybe food truck customers will choose to use restrooms provided for patrons at each existing sit-down restaurant and at grocery markets and service stations?

Where will the food truck park? Will it have a permanent location or be mobile? Along the highway most adjacent land is privately owned. In the Historic District, parking space already is at a premium and traffic congestion can be a major problem on our narrow Victorian era streets. It is hard to imagine anywhere the mobile food truck could locate without taking up valuable parking space or loading areas and without blocking access to an existing shop or restaurant.

Benefits:

As in most resort locations, restaurants offer a significant employment base for our citizens. Hardly anyone I know does not work in a restaurant or have a family member or close friend working in some aspect of food service. I would not want to sacrifice one existing job because of the impact of a food truck operation.

One of the big surprises to me was the newspaper report that the prospective food truck operator states he is invested in Eureka Springs because he grew up here and his children attend school here. I appreciate that, but I also appreciate that our public schools receive significant funding from real estate taxes on commercial properties, a tax paid by existing restaurant owners, either directly as building owners or as part of their rent. This is a tax that would not be contributed to by a mobile food truck.

Compatibilities:

We are a city that prides itself on preserving its Victorian ambience, particularly in the Historic District. Maintenance and upkeep on an historic building costs a good deal more than working with new construction.

I imagine some will say that I am anti-competitive. Nothing is further from the truth. I champion competition and think we should always welcome responsible new businesses (restaurants or others) to our town. I also think competition works best when the playing field is level. Seems to me this is not the case with a food truck; it shifts to the taxpayers the burden of too many customer accommodations that other food establishments consider simply a cost of doing business. At the same time, the mobile food station escapes responsibility for real estate tax revenues and necessary permanent structural maintenance costs paid by all others in Eureka Springs food service.

Gail Pierce Larimer



Book signing at Eureka Springs Historical Museum

June Westphal and Kate Cooper will be at the Eureka Springs Historical Museum on Friday, Dec. 11 from noon – 3 p.m. signing copies of their books. Books include *A Fame Not Easily Forgotten*;

Eureka Springs: A Postcard History and many more. If you are a member of the museum you receive a 10% discount on all purchases.

It's beginning to sound a lot like Christmas

Join the Holiday Island Singers on Friday, Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. or Sunday, Dec. 13 at 2:30 p.m. for a dash of traditional holiday carols at the Holiday Island Club House Ballroom. Tickets are \$10 for adults, students under 16 free. Tickets are available at the Golf Shop, from any singer or at the door. For more information call Mary at (479) 295-5586.

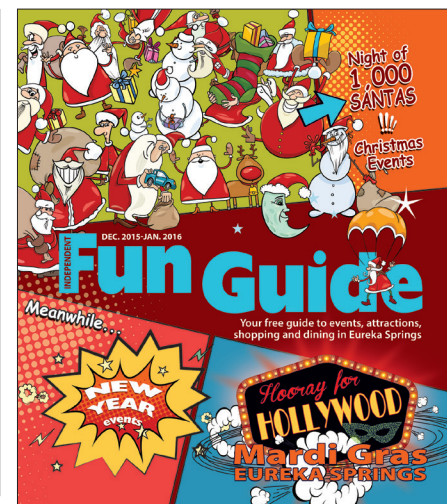
Out with the old, in with the new

Best Western Inn of the Ozarks will host the second annual Eureka Springs Historical Museum's Garage Sale in the Convention Center on Saturday, Jan. 23 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. If you are in need of cleaning your garage or closets, 8' X 10' booths are available for rent for \$30. Tables are also available for an additional \$5 per table. Set up is Jan. 22 from 5 – 8 p.m. and Jan. 23 from 7 – 9 a.m. Admission will be \$3 per person.

Call Kindra at (479) 253-9768 Ext. 602 or email kindra@innoftheozarks.com for information or to reserve space.

Seems it's time for another adventure

The Motor Coach leaves from the Holiday Island Recreation Center on April 2 – April 10 to Savannah. There is lodging, 14 meals and a planned tour for \$723 per person/double occupancy. A deposit of \$75 per person will secure you a seat on this wonderful adventure. Call Janice at (479) 253-9890 or (479) 244-7669 for more information or visit www.GroupTrips.com/HolidayIslandTravelClub.



Fun Guides are here! Inside, there's a complete schedule of Christmas events, contests and concerts as well as a list of New Year's Eve events large and small. Then we leap into 2016 with more fun – including the first Mardi Gras events. Need some Fun Guides for your business? Call (479) 253-6101. (And you can read it online at www.independentfunguide.com)

7D-B4: The Fans Awaken – and *will* party

7D-B4 stands for 7 Days Before the Dec. 18 official release of the new *Star Wars* movie, *The Force Awakens*. And it's when fans will celebrate with an exciting, unofficial *Star Wars*-themed Cosplay Dance Party and Variety Show downstairs in the city auditorium.

Join *Star Wars* fans from around the Ozarks for an off-world evening of intergalactic sights and sounds featuring interstellar mixes and medleys by DJ Testube, a Droid Builders Competition, a very special Twi'lek performance and Droid Dance-off by the Melonlight Dance Team, costume contests, a simulated

light saber duel by martial arts experts, unique photo ops, themed vendors, concessions and more.

So grab your light sabers, dust off the droid, dress as your favorite character and head for some as fans gather in the downstairs level of the auditorium on Friday, Dec. 11.

There will be two event times; an all-ages party from 6 – 8 p.m. and an 18-plus party beginning at 8:30 (extended dance time and alcoholic beverage sales). The 18-plus music program and costumes may contain more mature themes; however, both parties will feature entertainment, contests and activities.



Go to www.THEFANSAWAKEN.COM for the Droid Builders' Competition and Costume Cosplay Competition rules, and to get advance tickets (\$10, plus tax). Tickets at the door will be \$15 per person.

Benefit dance at Main Stage

Main Stage Creative Community Center will be having a benefit dance on Dec. 18 from 8 – 11 p.m. at their facility at 67 N. Main St. The dance is a benefit for Main Stage and will feature the well known local DJ, Sean Hearn of *Music in Motion*. There is a cover charge of \$10 at the door and beer and wine will be available for purchase during the dance.

Call for Mardi Gras Floats

After the Christmas parade rolls, can Fat Tuesday be far behind? Not this time. An early Easter in 2016 means plans are already underway for the Mardi Gras season. A call for floats, bands, costumed groups and walking individuals has been announced by the Krewe of Krazo for two "Hooray for Hollywood" themed parades.

The fifth annual Night Parade will roll Saturday, Jan. 30 at 6 p.m. (Participating floats and walking groups should be lighted.) The annual day parade rolls Saturday, Feb. 6, at 2 p.m. Come on out and "be in that numbah!"

Pass a good time and let the good times roll. For parade applications and info contact TonyPopovac@yahoo.com or (225) 405-9673. See schedule in the December-January *Fun Guide* and for updates check the new site: www.EurekaSpringsMardiGras.org.



Rankine and Russell at Eureka Fine Art

Local artist and photographer John Rankine has officially become a new member of the Eureka Fine Art Gallery co-op and will be the gallery's featured artist during December's Eureka Springs Second Saturday Gallery Stroll, debuting eight new photographs from his *On My Morning Walk* series. The photographs, all shot with the iPhone 6, were taken every day over a one-year period and posted daily to Facebook. The hundred of photographs of nature are Instagram fragments of the landscape that collectively make up the giant whole we call the Ozarks.

Ceramic artist Terry Russell will be the featured artist for the month and show a variety of new works, including his ongoing series of Raku fired masks, along with raku and stoneware fired vases and mugs.

Opening reception is Saturday, Dec. 12 from 6 – 9 p.m. and all are invited. The Eureka Fine Art Gallery is located at 2 Pine St., across the street from the Eureka Springs post office.



Adorable concerts anticipate a Merry Christmas

The Singing Scotties and the Eureka Springs Middle School Onstage choirs will be bringing holiday cheer all around town with daytime performances at Brighton Ridge, Green Acre Lodge and Peachtree Village. They will perform for the public Dec. 11 and 12 at 6:30 p.m. before the high school production of *Annie, JR.*

The Singing Scotties also have a slot in the elementary school-wide Christmas program Dec. 17 at The AUD at 7 p.m. The program will feature pre-school through fourth grades in seasonal favorites and the mini-musical, *Jingle Bell Jukebox*.

Don't miss this traditional "standing room only" performance at The AUD. Admission and parking free! For more information call (870) 480-6464.



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Forces of Light & Dark & the New Group of World Servers

Wednesday, December 9, Pluto opposes Sirius (13 Capricorn/Cancer joining the US Sun, 12 Cancer). Sirius is the star of karma, freedom, Initiation. Pluto is the planet of transformation and purification. In our present world the Forces of Darkness are attacking (and eliminating) humanity's Four Freedoms. Defined by President FD Roosevelt, the Four Freedoms are, 1) Freedom of Speech 2) of Worship 3) from

Want, 4) from Fear. The Dark Forces, through constantly created terrorizing events and cultivating a culture of fear, threaten humanity's wellbeing.

The New Group of World Servers (NGWS) is called to counteract this attack through daily meditation, prayer, visualizations and reciting the Soul & Great Invocations. The situation in our world is now in a state of emergency. The Sirius/Pluto opposition affects all of humanity,

specifically the United States – whose task is to ***“lead humanity towards the Light.”*** Thus the first Initiation —birthing a new spiritual reality of Life into the world.

Friday, December 11 is the Sagittarius (seeing the goal) new moon. During new moon festivals we “strengthen the endeavors of the NGWS.” Strength to support the Forces of Light in their battle against the Forces of Darkness.

Saturday is the Feast of Our Lady of

Guadalupe – mother of the Americas. We invoke the Mother to help us recognize the higher values coming into our world. Understanding the need for change, we stand with the wise engineering of these changes. We call forth control by the Soul to direct humanity, world leaders and all nations. This is our journey and our work together under the Sagittarius Light. May we all step forward. “Doing our part.”

ARIES: If traveling, careful this month. Are you pondering upon new professional ideas? Do you feel pressured to elevate your endeavors? Do you seek a religious or spiritual reality yet not knowing what to choose? As you work in the world Saturn is bringing discipline and structure to all plans, agendas & goals. Be kinder and patient with others.

TAURUS: You seek resources for generations to come so everyone can feel safe and secure. Your studies help build the new culture and civilization. You do an important work. In the meantime, resources are hiding in rooms, closets, drawers, storage units and garages. Let everything be wide open into the fresh air. So you can see what you truly have. A wealth of resources.

GEMINI: Are relationships, one in particular, on your mind? Are resources held in common communicated about and being used practically and with care? Your money needs a practical reference point – a goal for its use, investments in land, building for the future. Money and relationships work together. Both are basic archetypes, needing harmony. Harmony emerges only after chaos and conflict. Recognize this.

CANCER: In your daily life, you seek to find new goals, meet those goals and discover others. However, it's possible you can't see clearly what your goals are. Goals influence our future. To discover the right goals, think on how your life is. Are you happy? Have you created separations? Are you alone? Connect relationships with your goals. Something seeks to be transformed in your life.

LEO: Your energy's high as you gallop toward far-reaching goals. Your creativity is taking on a new structure and focus. You might feel at first a restraint especially if disharmony occurs with others. Choose revolution as an art form. Take camera, art supplies, bow and arrow, a horse and several dog companions along. There's something you've wished to do for a long time. You return to where your heart truly resides.

VIRGO: Have you plans and goals for your home during this season? Are you seeking to change the structure of home and daily life? Are you spending time and energy on

things for the self? Let yourself, as valuable rest is in your heart. There's longing for new self-identity. Concentrated on the season's festivities by making your home cheerful and welcoming, filled with lights, colors and nature. Do things differently this year. Joy impels you onward.

LIBRA: What is the foundation and source of your many beliefs? A deep transformative change penetrates your heart/mind and many beliefs begin to have no validity. Disconcerting at first, you're actually being led to truths you were previously incapable of understanding. As beliefs break down, a greater capacity to (give/receive) love emerges. You will then understand the e.e.cummings's poem, ***“be of love (a little) more careful than of anything.”***

SCORPIO: It's time to ponder upon then clarify goals concerning money and resources in order to make your future safe and practical. You don't want to be wounded by not preparing adequately. It's good to concentrate on building adequate resources for the times to come. These resources are not only for you. Others will join you for you have the stamina to face great challenges. And protect humanity.

SAGITTARIUS: ***“I see the goal, I reach the goal, and then I see another.”*** Keynote words significant to all Sag people. Concentrating on

them allows a new self-identity to emerge. Seeking truth, you also seek justice and joy. It's most important to acknowledge you travel from goal to goal. Goals change. What are they now? What would you like them to be? Look for swans, altars, harps, eagles, serpents while maintaining silence.

CAPRICORN: You stand in both inner and outer realities, in the world yet not of it, personal while also public. You accomplish much work each day, from morning till night. At day's end you hope sleep brings refreshment and balance. For sleep, drops of nutmeg oil are good. Create rituals at home reflecting the sacred season. Create rhythms of prayer with family. These connect you with the heavens and the earth. You hear the symphony of the spheres.

AQUARIUS: Our outer reality is connected with our inner reality. What occurs in our outer life is based on what we believe, envision, have intentions for and our focus. Humanity, which you represent, is to bring forth the new culture and civilization, the new world order, and learn the Aquarian Laws & Principles under which the new culture will emerge. Your present life is a template of this. Be grateful for even the difficulties. They hold secrets. You will lead the Way.

PISCES: Each day and night, through dreams and visions, new revelations appear. Revelations are gifts from the future. On our earth revelations often emerge from suffering, from grief and feelings of despair. You understand this line of poetry from Dante's *Divine Comedy* ***“In the middle of the journey of my life, I came to a dark wood and found myself and my way lost.”*** That journey is coming to a fork in the road. Two paths are seen.

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Open your heart many ways

The Heart of Many Ways Open House will be on Saturday, Dec. 12 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. There will be music by Brenda Bowen Cox, Rebekah Clark, Don Matt and the Silvermore Trio in the upstairs Sanctuary, and raffles, art sales, silent auctions and light refreshments in the basement Reading Room. The event is a fundraiser to complete the transition of this historic building at 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

Sunday at EUUF

Al Larson introduces the discussion of whether the 100-trillion microbes that occupy a human body qualifies as the Seventh Unitarian Universalist Principle: *The interdependent web of all existence* on Dec. 13 at 11 a.m. at the Eureka Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 17 Elk Street.

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Opal Agafia and the Sweet Nothings warm hearts At Chelsea's Thursday; Ozarks Chorale at AUD Saturday

Opal Agafia is a new Eureka transplant who is warming our collective hearts with each lovely show she plays. She sings with a sweet, hearty voice and the Sweet Nothings are exceptional as accompanists, filling a room with sonorous sound. They play Chelsea's Thursday night and almost every weekend somewhere about town. The AUD is hosting the Ozarks Chorale Christmas Concert on Saturday night for traditional holiday music and revelry.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10

BREWS – *Stand Up! Open Mic*, 21 and under, 4:30 p.m.

CHELSEA'S – *Opal Agafia and the Sweet Nothings*, Americana, 9 p.m.

EUREKA LIVE! – *Green Screen Karaoke*, 9 p.m.

GRAND TAVERNE – *Jerry Yester*, Grand Piano Dinner Music, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.

LEGENDS SALOON – *Some Other Band*, Rock, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Randall Shreve*, Rock, 8 p.m.

CHELSEA'S – *Camptown Ladies and Lou Shields*, Americana, 9 p.m.

EUREKA LIVE! – *DJ and Dancing*,

9 p.m.

GRAND TAVERNE – *Arkansas Red*, Amplified Acoustic Guitar Dinner Music, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.

LEGENDS SALOON – *DJ and Karaoke with Kara*, 8 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER – *Terri and Brett*, Rock, 7 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Karaoke with DJ Goose*, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12

AUD – *Ozarks Chorale Christmas Concert*, 7:30 p.m.

BREWS – *Melissa Carper and Rebecca Patek*, Americana, 7 – 10 p.m.

CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Septembers End*, Folk, 8 p.m.

CHELSEA'S – *Matt Smith and Ocie Fisher*, R and B, 9 p.m.

EUREKA LIVE! – *DJ & Dancing*, 9 p.m.

GRAND TAVERNE – *Jerry Yester*, Grand Piano Dinner Music, 6:30- 9:30 p.m.

LEGENDS SALOON – *Some Other Band*, Rock, 9 p.m.

NEW DELHI – *Medicine Man Show*, Rock, 6 – 10 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER – *Terri and the Executives*, Rock, 7 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Terri and Brett*, Rock, 12 – 4 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13

BREWS – *Cards Against Humanity / Yak and Yarn*, 3 – 8 p.m.

CHELSEA'S – *Brian Martin*, Singer/ Songwriter, 6 – 9 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14

AQUARIUS TAQUERIA – *Buffalo Gals*, Americana, 6 p.m.

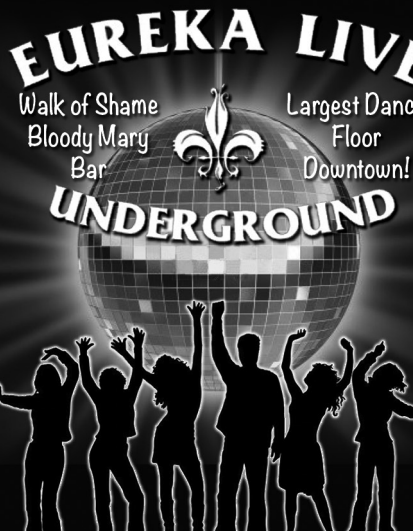
BREWS – *Board Games*, 6 p.m.

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

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The sticky subject of mistletoe

Druid ancestors of the British Islands and Ireland revered European Mistletoe (*Viscum album*), which is common throughout much of northern Europe. The Druids viewed mistletoe, which grew on oaks to be the most sacred, imbued with special spiritual significance.

A Druid priest, cloaked in a white robe, sought out mistletoe that grew on oaks, then harvested it with a golden sickle.

At an annual ceremony, two white bulls were sacrificed beneath an oak tree, with prayers and song offered to the Druid gods. The Celtic word for this parasitic

evergreen shrub is *gwid*, which simply meant “the shrub.” This story told in numerous versions for nearly 2,000 years comes to us from not from British literary tradition but from the first century Roman author of *Naturalis Historia*, Pliny the Elder (23-79 AD), a work he completed in the year 77. Pliny dismisses the tradition: “Such are the religious feelings which we find entertained towards trifling objects among nearly all nations.”

Mistletoe or mistletoe is from an Anglo-Saxon word, signifying “birdlime shrub.” Both the white berries and the inner bark of mistletoe contain a sticky substance. The genus name *Viscum* honors this gluey glue, and our word “viscous” is derived from the same word root. Birdlime is extracted from the fruit and bark and famously (or infamously) stuck on tree branches to attract and capture songbirds, a regional culinary delight. The practice is outlawed in the European Union but still persists in the Valencia region of Spain, and is used to capture the song thrush, considered a local delicacy.



In Scandinavian tradition mistletoe was a hung over doorways as a talisman. If an enemy entered beneath the mistletoe they would be friends as long as they were in the house welcomed with an embrace or a kiss under the mistletoe. After the spread of Christianity, whatever the ancient origin, this custom was added to Christmas festivities. It was largely forgotten in the early modern era until resurrected in 1820 by Washington Irving in the *The Sketch Book of Geoffrey Crayon, Gent.* “The mistletoe is still hung up in farm-houses and kitchens at Christmas, and the young men have the privilege of kissing the girls under it, plucking each time a berry from the bush. When the berries are all plucked the privilege ceases.”

These are just a few among many tales of the ancient traditions surrounding the mistletoe myth.



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practices in our unique area,” Thurow said.

“Having been a chamber professional for twelve years, [Eureka Springs] was the next step in my career path. I’m just lucky that it’s a place that I love and visit often. I look forward to meeting everyone and building some lasting relationships.”

Incoming board chairman, Kent Butler, commented that the board was “impressed with Tammy’s unique skill set to balance visitor services, special events and traditional chamber tasks such as networking and education.

In addition to her solid experience, Thurow has one other important qualification for a chamber president: she loves to laugh. A native of Nashville, Tenn., Thurow has two grown children, Sydney and Josh, and currently lives in Bella Vista with her husband, Tom. She says her family loves to laugh as well. “We always play games when we get together, and just find the fun in life.”

Will she be involved in Chamber events like the upcoming Chocolate Lovers’ Festival?

“Yes, and I love chocolate! I love to bake desserts, but it’s just my husband and me and I would be the one to eat it all. Hobbies – I am a golfer, and I like to fish while kayaking. I practice yoga – especially after I eat all the baked goods and chocolate; and of course I’m a Razorback fan because I have two that graduated from the U of A.”



Tammy Thurow with daughter

Turpentine Creek Wildlife Refuge closing days

Turpentine Creek Wildlife Refuge will be closed on Christmas Day and will not open until 10 a.m. on New Year’s Day.

HI Hikers take the Roaring River Fire Tower Trail

Join the Holiday Island Hikers, Monday, Dec. 14 on a difficult, 3.75-mile hike on the Roaring River Fire Tower Trail. Group will meet at 9 a.m. at the Holiday Island Rec. Center and lunch will be at the El Mariachi Restaurant in Cassville. For more information call Dan Kees at (660) 287-2082 or email dandtkees@cox.net

Dec. 14 Metafizzies meeting

The Dec. 14 meeting of the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society will feature videos on the Desert Fathers of early Christianity. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

Banquet to recognize outstanding members of the community

The Greater Eureka Springs Chamber of Commerce awards banquet is Tuesday, Dec. 15 at the Inn of the Ozarks Convention Center at 6 p.m. The 2016 Work Plan will be outlined and there will be an introduction to the Board of Directors and a presentation from the Eureka Springs Community Center Foundation.

Award recipients for being outstanding members of the community include KJ Zumalt of Caribé Restaurant, Molly Pinkley and the Reed family of Thorncrown Chapel.

Tickets are \$35 and include a night of dining and entertainment from Intrigue Theater. Call (479) 253-8737 to purchase tickets.

DEPARTURES



Martin D. Edmondson March 20, 1944 – Dec. 3, 2015

Martin D. Edmondson of Eureka Springs, Ark., was born March 20, 1944 in San Antonio, Texas, a son of Henry David and Mable Susan (Wallace) Edmondson. He departed this life Thursday, Dec. 3, 2015 in his home at Holiday Island, at age 71.

Martin worked as the U.S.A. Olympic Shooting Coach. He was a two time Olympian, 1976 and 1980, and coached the U.S.A. team in the 1988, 1992, 1996 and 2000 Olympics. He was a life member of U.S.A. Shooting and the N.R.A.

He was also a member of the Masonic Lodge #612 in San Saba, Texas, and an avid hunter and fisherman. Martin proudly served his country in the United States Army (MSGT Retired) during the Vietnam War.

On August 29, 2015, Martin was united in marriage with Rosemary (Miller) Edmondson who survives him of the home. He is also survived by two sons, Martin

David Edmondson and wife, Kimberly, of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Richard Edmondson and wife, Krischele, of Jacksonville, Fla.; one daughter, Jeanette and husband, Blaine Tyson, serving in the Foreign Service abroad; one step-son, Clayton Sears and wife, Lisa, of Huntington Boulevard, Calif.; nine grandchildren; one step-grandchild; one brother, Lou Edmondson and wife, Jane, of St. Petersburg, Fla.; two sisters, Ollie Jo Edmondson of Leander, Texas, and Henrietta and husband, Robin Ray, of El Dorado, Ark.; his mother, Mable Susan Wallace of San Saba, Texas; and a host of other family, friends, and loved ones.

Martin was preceded in death by his father, Henry David Edmondson and his first wife, Helga (Paul) Edmondson.

Memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 10, at Nelson's Chapel of the Springs in Eureka Springs. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service. Memorial donations may be made in lieu of flowers to Martin Edmondson, c/o Cornerstone Bank, 1 Parkwood Drive, Holiday Island, Arkansas 72631. Online condolences may be sent to the family at nelsonfuneral.com. © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2015

Dorothy Pearl Goodman August 4, 1930 – Dec. 5, 2015

Dorothy Pearl Goodman of Holiday Island, Ark., was born August 4, 1930 in Leechburg, Pa., a daughter of Mervin and Alice (Fennel) Reed. She departed this life Saturday, Dec. 5, 2015 in Bentonville at age 85.

Dorothy worked as a secretary for Goodyear Tire Company for many years and she enjoyed origami.

She is survived by two sons, Ralph Goodman and wife, Tonya, of Beaver, Ark., and Russell Goodman and wife, Paullette, of Louisville, Ohio; two brothers, Richard Reed of Union Town, Ohio,

and William Reed of Ohio; nine grandchildren; and a host of other family, friends, and loved ones.

Dorothy was united in marriage with Samuel Goodman who preceded her in death. She was also preceded by her parents and one son, Dale Goodman.

Memorial service will be held at a later date. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service. Online condolences may be sent to the family at nelsonfuneral.com. © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2015



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reputed sensitivity to EMF has been generally termed electromagnetic hypersensitivity or EHS."

Dr. Andrew Weil, a popular health and wellness author, said EMF pollution may be the most significant form of pollution human activity has produced this century, all the more dangerous because it is invisible and insensible.

Leach said it was affirming for her to see WHO confirm the people who suffer from exposure to EHS aren't just imagining the problems.

"I am a chronic case, but other people have the same issues," she said. "But sometimes they don't ever make the connection between wireless communications and their symptoms."

Wireless devices are exploding in popularity, and new applications for wireless devices are being developed all the time. The use of wireless medical technology, including wireless sensors, for example, is expected to be so widespread in allowing patients to do monitoring and diagnosis that it will become "the Gutenberg moment in medicine," changing medicine in the dramatic ways that the invention of the Gutenberg printing press revolutionized literacy.

It is estimated that smart device sales in

the U.S. will top 27 million by the end of this year, and quadruple to 127 million units for 2017.

Leach is particularly concerned about the impact of all these EMFs on children. Some kids are being handed cell phones now when they can barely walk. There are concerns about the impact of EMFs on immature brains.

"In Europe children aren't allowed to use cell phones until the body is more developed," Leach said. "There was a recent episode on the *Today* show and on Dr. Oz about the effects on kids. I have read a lot of research that says that it can cause Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder in kids, and that is practically an epidemic now. The brains of kids are not formed so they are two to three times more likely to absorb the radiation than adults. The kids aren't strong enough to fight it off like an adult can."

Leach said it concerns her that private companies are spending billions of dollars on the on the next generation iPad or iPhone, but very little is being spent to study the effects of these devices or even how to provide shielding to help people who have EHS.

"There is very little research on something that is changing the whole world," she said. "Personally, I have no doubt that it is an environmental toxin."

Find the meaning of the season

There will be an Advent Retreat sponsored by St. James Episcopal Church on Saturday, Dec. 12. The event will be led by Reverend Anne Carriere. This retreat will explore questions about images of God, the pre and post-Easter Jesus.

The retreat will be held at the House of Blessings Center on MORE Mountain, Onyx Cave Rd., starting at 9:30 a.m. and concluding around 2:30 p.m. The session, including lunch, is open to all. One must register by calling (479) 253-8610 by Dec. 8.

Retirement Reception for Jack and Connie Deaton

The Holiday Island Fire Department and Auxiliary will host a retirement reception to honor Jack and Connie Deaton on Thursday, Dec. 17 from 5 – 8 p.m. at the Holiday Island Clubhouse Ballroom. Drop by and celebrate the Deaton's longtime service and commitment to the community.

Eureka Springs Methodist Choir presents Christmas Cantata

Soprano soloist Maura Caldwell will sing "Magnificat," by John Rutter, on Sunday, Dec. 20 at the 10 a.m. service at the United Methodist Church on Hwy. 23 S. Accompanying will be a string quartet, two flutes, piano and organ. All are welcome.

Community Christmas dinner at ECHO

A community Christmas dinner will be held at the ECHO dining room on Christmas Day from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. The dinner is sponsored by Flint Street Fellowship, all are welcome and there is no charge. ECHO is located at Hwy. 62 and Rockhouse Road. Call (479) 253-4945 for more information or if you would like to volunteer to help.



Mike Specht was staying a week here at Table Rock Landing and couldn't stand just lookin' at the water every day, so I took him upriver on Beaver Lake to chase some stripers. Water temp was down to 55°, so we were marking bait and big fish down about 18 ft. in 40 ft. of water. We took the weights off and he got his limit fishing from noon to 5 p.m. south of Hwy. 12 bridge out of Rogers close to Horseshoe Bend. The third fish was the biggest, but released because he had all the fish he wanted to haul back home with the first two.

Stripers are being caught good from Prairie Creek to Hickory Creek with the mudline running just south of Horseshoe Bend. Got a buddy and his dad who were out yesterday in a tight corner bluff dragging shad, and caught 15 stripers all 18 – 30 pounds. They sent me a good pic of the six they kept. They also caught their fish in the afternoon.

I will share their pic next week, and a

little more about them. They are hardcore fishermen from Springfield who do very well in the cooler water of winter.

I am wide open this week so taking my girl to maybe camp over on two of these nice 60° days and 40°+ nights. Go for getting some meat in the boat and coming back with a load of fresh shad.

Here at Holiday Island walleye are being caught from Beaver on up north into Missouri. Also crappie in the deeper trees near the bluffs, and bass scattered deeper, too. So fish deeper here and a little shallow when the sun's on the water. Going south up the river look for rainbow trout from Beaver to the dam. Power bait and worms always work for me to get some in a skillet.

Nice weather for some good fishing now, or just getting out and seeing what's going on out at Lake Leatherwood. 'Til next week, enjoy life in the Ozarks.

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1. O.T. book

5. Change color

8. Magazine created by Henry Luce in 1923

12. Cruising on waves

13. Fish eggs

14. Twelfth month of Jewish calendar

15. Severe punishment at sea

17. 90-degree turns in architecture

18. Short literary compositions

19. Figure of speech that explicitly compares

21. Tardy

23. Pieces in a board game

24. Somewhat biting or sharp

27. Take as one's own

30. Poetic "before"

31. Cupcake topping

33. Anger

34. Bracket supporting part of a cornice (*Arch.*)

36. Wagon for carrying ammunition

38. Small shelter

39. Variety of color

40. Rubbishy

43. Different, as solutions

47. Carry on excessively

48. Capital of South Australia

50. Beginning of virtually all fairy tales

51. Narc, squealer

52. Affectedly dainty or quaint

53. Grandstand level

54. Mother sheep

55. Back end

7. Aquatic shockers

8. Abounded with

9. Location of East St. Louis and Cairo

10. Think over

11. "Surrender or ___!"

16. Plant with bell-shaped flowers

20. Relating to an adult insect

22. Pronouncement by a sovereign authority

24. Red or Black

25. Receptacle for remains

26. To happen or happen to

28. NFL player

29. Numeric system base

32. Innocence

35. Expulsion or ejection

37. Wide valley (*Scot.*)

40. Half running pace

41. Wife of a rajah

42. Easily manageable

44. Hawaiian honeycreeper

45. Idyllic garden

46. Certificate of ownership

49. Simpleton or fool (*Arch.*)
- DOWN
1. Immoral or dissolute person

2. Works with

3. _____ off, makes angry or disgusted

4. Monetary unit of Saudi Arabia

5. Radical or extreme

6. Second person, singular or plural

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF CARROLL COUNTY, ARKANSAS
WESTERN DISTRICT
PROBATE DIVISION**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
THEODORE E. SPILGER, DECEASED
CASE NO. 08WPR 201557 WD**

NOTICE

Last known address of decedent:
2 Fairway Dr., Holiday Island, AR 72631

Date of Death: October 23, 2015

An instrument dated April 27, 2011 was on November 24, 2015 admitted to probate as the Last Will of the above named decedent, and the undersigned has been appointed executor thereunder. A contest of the probate of the Will can be effected only by filing a petition within the time provided by law.

All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them, duly verified, to the undersigned within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in the estate.

This notice first published the 9th day of December, 2015.

Kurt M. Spilger
1079 Mead Rd.
Bellbrook, OH 45305

Kristine B. Kendrick, Attorney at Law
105A W Van Buren,
Eureka Springs, AR 72632
Attorney for the Estate

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Still on the Hill celebrates *True Faith, True Light: The Devotional Art of Ed Stilley*



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