



## CBWD not testing fluoridation chemicals for contaminants

*Expert says failure to test makes it a 'crap shoot'*

BECKY GILLETTE

Fluoridation started July 15 at the Carroll-Boone Water District plant on Beaver Lake without onsite testing of chemicals as required by the American Water Work Association. Arkansas law states, "All unit processes, equipment, chemicals and appurtenances shall be in accordance with the latest edition of the applicable AWWA standards." Cathy Klein, CPA and CBWD office manager, answered in response to an email from the *Independent* asking if the water district tested the sodium silicofluoride prior to putting it in the water, "We are not aware of this requirement by AWWA. Would you please send me a copy of what you are referring to so I can review it?"

The *Independent* sent the AWWA standard saying fluoridation chemicals be sampled at the point of destination to CBWD. Klein said the district is not sampling at the plant, and is instead relying on the manufacturer's representation that the fluoride product used will be ANSI/NSF Standard 60 certified.

"The Carroll-Boone Water District will adhere to the Arkansas Department of Health Rules and Regulations regarding fluoride," Klein responded in the email. "Any fluoride product used will be ANSI/NSF Standard 60 certified per the Arkansas Health Department Rules and Regulations."

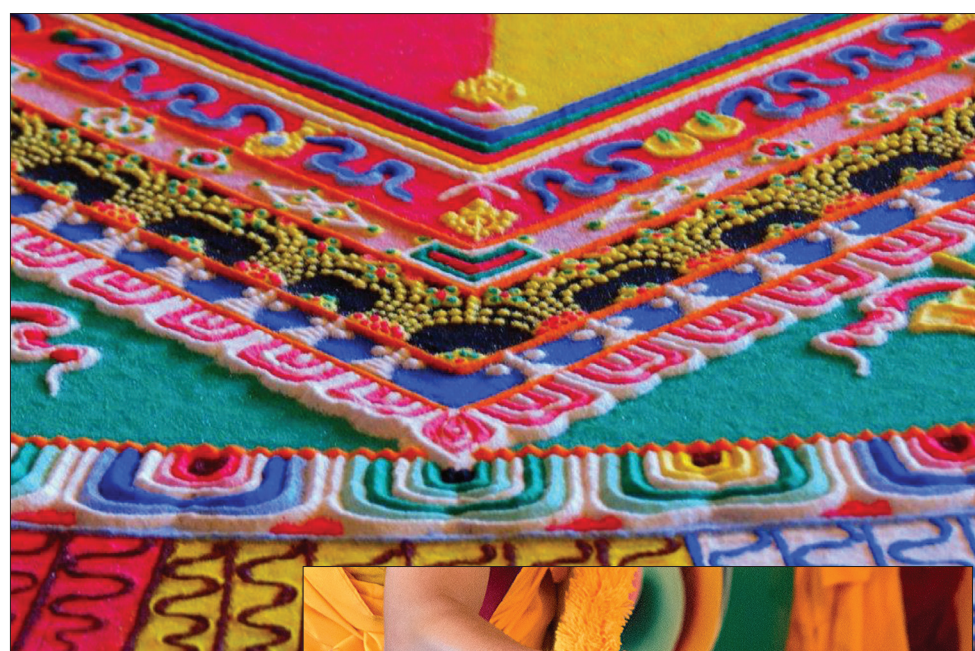
One of the country's top experts on the issue of contaminants in fluoridation product, Dr. Phyllis Mullenix, said failure to test could mean the district gives people water that contains harmful substances.

"This material comes from overseas because it is not manufactured in the U.S. anymore," said Mullenix, who authored a recent article in the *International Journal*

*"It is strange this mandate came in at a time when so many other locations are backing off fluoridation. You seem to be going backwards."*

— DR. PHYLLIS MULLENIX

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**Temporal art** – The Mystical Arts Monks of Tibet spent three days creating this incredibly intricate Mandala representing the universe, and swept it all away during the closing ceremony on July 16 as some 200-plus residents packed the Basin Hotel Ballroom. Traditionally, the event illustrates the impermanent nature of all created things. Yet the non-temporals, like healing and love, continue to be passed on, symbolized by the gathered sands being deposited in a stream of living water to be spread into the world. Small packets of the sand were also given to those in attendance.

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### This Week's INDEPENDENT Thinkers

Jacqueline Suskin exchanges on-demand poetry, written on a manual typewriter, for a donation. She knows trees are not a commercial crop.

Jacqueline was hired by Neal Ewald, vice-president of a 5<sup>th</sup> generation timber harvesting company that clear cuts and sprays herbicides every day, to write a poem specifically for him to recite as he spread his late wife's ashes in the ocean.

The poet and the timber baron talked. They swam. They walked through the forest. He taught her to shoot a gun and start a chainsaw. She helped him create a permaculture homestead. And she introduced him to a longtime tree squatter.

Within a year, the poet made money, the baron understood the depth of life, the forest became a land trust and the tree hugger learned to relax and listen.

All said they focused on the word Yes.

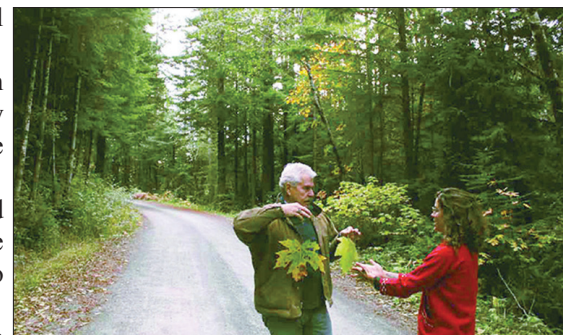


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of Occupational and Environmental Health that contaminant levels of lead, arsenic, barium and aluminum in fluoride additives can vary widely from batch to batch, which jeopardizes any safe use of fluoridation chemicals. "If the water operators do not test each bag or lot that comes in, then they are just accepting someone's word. They are blindly fluoridating. There is every opportunity that they can get the concentration wrong in terms of contaminants such as lead. That is a problem because they can inadvertently exceed the EPA allowance for lead or arsenic by not knowing the content of lead and arsenic in the additives. I would think water operators must test every batch that comes in to meet their ethical obligation to provide people with safe drinking water."

Mullenix said in a telephone interview it is known that Northern Arkansas has significant lead in water from sources such as erosion.

"If they don't know how much lead is in the water naturally, they are just adding lead from fluoride additives on top of what is there from natural sources," she said. "It is a crap shoot, really, with water operators having no idea what they are putting in the water. To give up and accept a little stamp on the side of the product saying it is NSF certified is giving up all control. Basically, you are relying on

a foreign source. Can you trust it? Don't you want to know what is in the chemicals you are putting in people's drinking water?"

The chemicals CBWD uses are imported from a Prayon facility in Belgium. An email to Prayon asking the country of origin for the fluoridation chemicals was not returned.

"Most of the fluoridation salts do originate in China, which is notorious for providing us with contaminated products of all kinds," Mullenix said. "Before you put something in the drinking water from China or some other place you know hands out contaminated products, wouldn't you like to know what is in it?"

When Mullenix did the study of fluoridation chemicals, she traced it back to Singapore. She said U.S. manufacturers quit making the product because manufacturing was so hazardous for workers.

"Now they get the chemicals from someplace like China that doesn't care about the health of workers," Mullenix said. "Also, NSF standards say a customer can request information from manufacturers, but my understanding is that these manufacturers won't respond."

Another contaminant of great concern because of its potential impact on dementia is aluminum. Mullenix said the fluoridation chemicals from China she tested were shockingly high in aluminum.

"It was in the thousands of parts per million," she said. "That is what you would find in electroplating sludge. If water operators don't even know how much aluminum is in it, how do they know they aren't exceeding the limits set for it? It is just not good practice to dump in any chemical when you don't know the content of each and every batch."

Mullenix headed the toxicology department at the Forsthye Research Institute for 12 years. On its website, Forsthye describes itself as "the world's leading independent research organization dedicated to improving oral health."

Mullenix said it is strange that Arkansas is just now proceeding with a fluoride mandate when the most comprehensive recent research said studies fail to support the effectiveness of water fluoridation. A recent report by the Cochrane group found that 97 percent of the earlier studies that showed a benefit to water fluoridation reducing cavities were at a high risk for bias.

"The Cochrane report came out of a study funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to look at whether the studies that found a benefit of reducing tooth decay were reliable," Mullenix said. "The Cochrane study said the scientific literature does not support that fluoridation has a benefit in preventing tooth decay. The point

is you have a fluoride mandate in Arkansas at the same time current literature is telling you it doesn't work. Even the American Dental Association has admitted that effect of fluoride, if it does have an effect, is topical. So why are you drinking this stuff that includes lead and other contaminants that we know potentially cause harm to humans? It really makes no sense. We shouldn't be putting any chemicals in the water that could cause harm to the public."

Mullenix said after doing her research, she and her family decided against drinking fluoridated water, and instead use bottled water they had tested for fluoride content. She has sympathies for people in Arkansas who now have the expense of either filtering the water or purchasing bottled water.

"As far as I am concerned, what you are losing there is confidence in the drinking water," Mullenix said. "It becomes a personal responsibility and that is a very expensive one, I can tell you. Basically it is hurting a lot of people who can't afford to go out and buy bottled water or purchase a reverse osmosis system and keep it maintained. That kind of diligence is passed on to the consumer and individual instead of relying on the expertise of your water operators. It is strange this mandate came in at a time when so many other locations are backing off fluoridation. You seem to be going backwards."



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## Fluoridation chemical misidentified in lab reports for CBWD

BECKY GILLETTE

Earlier this year, the Carroll-Boone Water District (CBWD) tested a sample of the type of fluoridation chemicals to be purchased from Prayon, a company based in Belgium. When the *Independent* requested a copy of the testing of the sodium silicofluoride, it found that the lab reports said the product was sodium fluoride.

One July 16, CBWD Office Manager Cathy Klein, after being asked about the issue, contacted the testing laboratory. The laboratory responded that it was a mistake and the analysis should have said sodium silicofluoride. Sodium fluoride is the chemical that was preferred by CBWD operators, who unanimously opposed adding fluoridation chemicals to the water, but said they preferred sodium fluoride if forced to fluoridate because it has fewer contaminants.

Local fluoridation opponent Bill King raised the issue of the lab error at a meeting of the CBWB this past week.

"I was flabbergasted that no one seemed concerned that the chemical analysis was for sodium fluoride (NaF) when in fact they are putting 'technical grade' disodium hexafluorosilicate (Na<sub>2</sub>SiF<sub>6</sub>) in our water supply," King said. "I was also concerned at what to a non-chemist appears to be a significant amount of a lead isotope in the chemical analysis. There is no acceptable level of lead additive, according to the EPA. And

still no one will tell us where this stuff comes from."

King also questioned if CBWD has a hazardous waste disposal program. His reading of the label on the packaging is that the packaging needs to be treated as hazardous waste.

The lab error is not reassuring to Dr. Phyllis Mullenix, a top authority on contaminants in fluoridation chemicals, as the two chemicals are supposed to be handled differently.

"Everyone has to be very clear about what they are putting in your drinking water," she said. "Even if the chemicals are properly identified, they are a hazard to the water operator who has to handle them. If water operators are asked to do anything more than just make water drinkable, you are asking a water operator to become a pharmacist and provide a drug. That is not a water operator's job. He is just supposed to provide safe drinking water. I don't think most water operators would be comfortable getting into the business of being a pharmacist and basically delivering drugs through drinking water, especially when the effect of fluoride at this particularly time is so questionable.

"How do we know that the maximum use level listed on the product received at CBWD was correct and for the right chemical? Not only are maximum use levels different for NaF and Na<sub>2</sub>SiF<sub>6</sub>, the two salts have different toxicity ratings.

Others problems associated with the NSF standards were pointed out in an article by CBWD water operator Rene Fonseca published a couple of years ago. NSF repeatedly represents on its web site and in the NSF 60 document entitled "NSF 60 Drinking Water Treatment Chemicals – Health Effects" that for fluoridation products to receive the NSF/ANSI Standard 60 mark of approval, they must be subjected to toxicological studies, toxicity studies, assays, and testing of many types," Fonseca wrote. However, letters from CBWD to manufacturers requesting information about those types of studies resulted in no responses. Manufacturers also did not respond to the CBWD requests for an assurance of the safety or effectiveness for the product.

Fonseca said it is not acceptable that manufacturers fail to disclose information required under NSF/ANSI standard 60.

## Buddhist study group at Heart of Many Ways

The Eureka Springs Buddhist Study Group will gather for 30 minutes of meditation followed by reading and discussion of *Atisha's Lamp for the Path* on July 23 at 4 p.m. at the Heart of Many Ways in the Christian Science Church at 68 Mountain Street. Everyone welcome.

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### Mary Gott appointed

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## Fluoridation has begun

NICKY BOYETTE

Consulting engineer Brad Hammond of McGoodwin, Williams & Yates (MWY) told the Carroll-Boone Water Board July 16 that the fluoride feed stations at the Freeman-Raney Water Treatment Plant on the shores of Beaver Lake became operational the previous day. All that remains for MWY is to negotiate final payout with the construction company.

Bill King, a Carroll County citizen, spoke to the board at the end of the meeting about their adding a fluoride product to the water for Eureka Springs, and maintained the chemical analysis of the additive has not been accurately reported. He added that under state law, a water treatment plant is to improve water quality. He claimed CBWD is degrading the community's water.

King also stated it is unlawful to influence water plant operators, and the board in its decision-making is influencing the operators. He said if something cannot be done to stop the fluoridation, he would circulate a petition calling for

a referendum to pull Eureka Springs out of CBWD.

Dr. Luis Contreras cautioned the board the pipes in Eureka Springs are very old, and some have lead fittings. He stated it is possible the chemicals CBWD adds to the water could leach lead out of the pipes. "It's not difficult to brush teeth," he said. "You can help teeth in another way." He pointed out CBWD is treating a huge amount of water for a small percentage of its use.

### Digging a hole

Chris Hall, also an engineer with MWY, reported they are almost ready to bore a tunnel under the Kings River as part of their parallel transmission line project. He predicted the weather should be drier now, so conditions will be better for drilling.

The plan would be to drill a tight tunnel at least five feet below the river and pull a 60-in. pipe through the hole. Inside the 60-in. encasement pipe would be a 42-in. pipe that will secure itself in the center the larger pipe.

Hall said the technique is called

directional boring, and how deep they need to go will depend on depth of the gravel. That depth will also determine the angle of approach for the tunnel.

Hall also told the board by mid-August they will be finished repositioning 3300 ft. of their transmission line near Green Forest to accommodate the US 62 widening project.

### Redundancy

Hammond presented a proposal preparing to add a 400-horsepower pump, a generator and appurtenances which could be installed during slower winter months. Having a redundant pump is required by the Master Plan. The board approved his proposed contract subject to review by attorney Dan Bowers. Cost of the project will run over \$900,000.

### Demand charge

The board approved the recommendation of finance director Cathy Klein to increase the demand charge from 35¢ to 57¢ per thousand gallons. She explained the contract with the cities that buy water from CBWD states, "Any City that

chooses to utilize its own water treatment facilities to provide any portion of its customers' water needs hereby agrees to pay a 'demand charge' to the District."

Klein stated capital improvements at CBWD were funded by issuance of bonds guaranteed by contractual agreement with the cities, and the cities must uphold a certain level of fiscal responsibility if CBWD is to maintain compliance with bond requirements.

Klein also mentioned CBWD gets a bill from the US Army Corps of Engineers for withdrawing water from Beaver Lake, and the demand charge, if ever implemented, would help maintain compliance with this contract as well.


No city presently produces its own water.

### Millions of gallons per day

General Manager Barry Connell told the board their average daily transmission in 2014 was 7.699 million gallons per day.

Next meeting will be Thursday, Oct. 15, at 10 a.m., at the Freeman-Raney Water Treatment Plant.

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## Quorum Court

*Let's be clear, whose employee is it?*

NICKY BOYETTE

Commissioner Chase Tresler of the Carroll County Airport Commission told the Quorum Court at its Monday meeting the good news about CCA—that 46 planes had landed since the last report, bringing at least 58 visitors to Carroll County; 22 planes had fueled here and courtesy cars had gone out 12 times. CCA also has a newly donated vehicle in its courtesy car fleet. There is a pilot giving lessons on Mondays and Tuesdays, and there is a new business in a hangar that sells equipment to pilots and details planes.

Tresler's other news is the airport still does not have a manager.

Justice of the Peace Lamont Richie told Tresler the county will have given the commission \$82,000 by the end of the year, so the commission does have enough money to hire a manager.

"We need to resolve this," JP Larry Swofford said, stating that the court intended for part of the \$82,000 in the 2015 CCA budget to be used to hire a manager, but it appeared to him the airport commission wanted the county to hire the

manager. "It's not going to happen. That's my recommendation."

JP John Reeve reminded the court they had asked deputy prosecutor Devon Goodman to look into the establishing ordinance for the commission to see who would have authority over the manager of the county airport, but Goodman was on vacation.

Richie was still not satisfied the commission did not have enough money to hire someone. "I don't know what the holdup is," he remarked.

JP Jack Deaton told Tresler the court was not holding him accountable for all past incivilities between the court and the previous airport commission, and acknowledged Tresler for trying to "clean up the mess." However, he stated if the county hires the employee then the judge supervises the employee, not the commission. He challenged the commission to be clear about what they want.

JP Chuck Olson agreed. "The money is there, but the sticking point is whose

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## CCA flying high

NICKY BOYETTE

There was plenty of good news at the July 17 Carroll County Airport (CCA) Commission meeting. To begin with, consulting engineer Dan Clinton announced Congress has grant money available and he has an application ready for commissioners to sign. He is seeking funds to pay for rehabbing the runway.

The plan is to mill off an inch of the surface, then add 2.5 inches plus introduce a slight grade from the middle outward to facilitate rainwater runoff. Clinton's design also adds edge drains to collect and direct the runoff away from the runway.

Clinton expects the project to take possibly three weeks, which he acknowledged is an inconvenience, "but there's only so much asphalt you can lay in a day," he commented. He said he hopes the project will be completed before the end of September.

### Hangar action

Chair Morris Pate announced he has commitments for seven of the eight new hangars. In one of them, commissioner and pilot Chase Tresler now operates Ozark Aviation, a business that offers pilot supplies and airplane detailing services.

In addition, pilot Harvey Cleveland from Kansas City now gives flight lessons on Mondays and Tuesdays

at CCA, and a restaurateur from Missouri paid \$400 for the mock Sopwith Camel that had been left behind in a hangar.

### New ride

Pate also told the commission the Eureka Springs Police Department donated a 2004 Crown Victoria to CCA for use as a courtesy car. He said he is getting it detailed so it can take its place in the fleet of courtesy vehicles. He recommended they decommission another vehicle, which among numerous complaints is never holding a charge, and commissioners agreed with him.

### Other items

- Commissioner Sandy Martin presented copies of a draft business plan for CCA, plus a proposed new brochure.

- Pate said a fuse in the gas pump credit card reader malfunctioned earlier in the week. Clinton told commissioners he could get a 90-10 grant if they gave him specifics about the new fuel system apparatus they need.

- Justice of the Peace Chuck Olson had told Pate the Carroll County Quorum Court is still discussing whether it would put some county money toward hiring an airport manager.

- Pate was told repair of the washed out road toward

the south of the airport property "has been thrown back in our laps" even though it is a county road, "so I will take care of it." The project will involve diverting runoff through a culvert under the roadway so the road does not wash away.

- The project of removing trees at each end of the runway began, but wet weather stalled progress. "As soon as we can get a truck down there, it is taken care of," Pate remarked.

- Pate said CCA bought a new tractor for high weed cutting. The mower was also repaired and has returned to active service.

Next meeting will be Friday, August 21, at 12 p.m., at CCA.

## Public invited to discuss Butler Hollow project

Mark Twain National Forest invites the public to a meeting Thursday, July 23, at 7 p.m. in the Family Life Center, 200 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Cassville, Mo., to further discuss proposals for the Butler Hollow restoration project. Everyone is welcome. Call (417) 683-4428 x131 with any questions.

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Special guests at El Shaddai Chapel

On July 23 and 24, Pastor Derek Kuhn from Illinois will be the special guest speaker at El Shaddai Chapel, 4501 Quail Court in Harrison, at 7 p.m. Prophetess Bev Eugeno of Branson will minister at the regular 2:30 p.m. El Shaddai Chapel meeting on Saturday, July 25.

For more information about the meetings call Jim or Charlene Phillips at (479) 981-6388, (870) 365-0004 or go to their website [www.ElShaddaiMinistries.net](http://www.ElShaddaiMinistries.net).

Monday Metafizzies meeting

The July 27 meeting of the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society will feature a group discussion on spiritual topics. The meeting will be at 7 p.m. at the Heart of Many Ways in the Christian Science Church at 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

Ordinance 2223 modified

NICKY BOYETTE

Eureka Springs City Council convened a special meeting July 17 to slightly amend Ordinance 2223. Council had asked city attorney Tim Weaver to remove three instances of the phrase “socio-economic background” from the list of protected classes to fend off a perceived conflict with State Act 137, which becomes law Thursday, July 23.

Weaver also inserted language regarding “21-years or older” to prevent 19-year olds from claiming age discrimination because 21-year olds can buy alcohol and they cannot.

Alderman Mickey Schneider insisted on adding language making it clearer that visitors are protected by Ordinance 2223, also. Alderman Terry McClung stated the ordinance already covered everyone and needed no further changes. Schneider’s view won out, and during a brief recess, Weaver changed “live or work” to “live, work or visit” in the purpose of the ordinance.



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Vote on the amendment was 5-1, McClung voting No, but the vote to approve all three readings and to invoke the emergency clause was 6-0.

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## Out in the weeds

BECKY GILLETTE

This is a “Eureka” story. During a recent trip out West, I had an assignment to check out Colorado’s legalized cannabis industry.

I hadn’t done any research prior to leaving about where to do my pot shop stop. There are dozens of cannabis stores in the Denver metro area alone, which has a population of about three million. I ended up at Chronic Therapy in Wheat Ridge where the “small world” theory played out when it turned out one of the employees was a 2011 graduate of Eureka Springs High School, Amanda Mazili, whose mother, Christine Mazili, operates Guest Houses International on US 62 in Eureka.

After I returned from my trip, I did a phone interview with Amanda. Is this a dream job?

“There are so many rewards,” Mazili said, a native of Colorado who moved to Arkansas when she was 15. “I have a strong passion for marijuana, both recreational and medicinal. There is just the beauty of the plant. It is the most beautiful flower I have ever seen. Then there is the fact that it really is good medicine for many different problems.”

With Chronic Therapy located in a suburban area, Mazili sees more of an older crowd. Many come for relief from pain and/or insomnia.

“We carry a lot of topicals, extra strength pain cream, which is extremely helpful for those who don’t use cannabis recreationally,” Mazili said. “I have a lot of customers who are trying to find an alternative to painkillers. I highly support that because prescription painkillers are addictive and can have bad side effects.”

Cannabis is also popular for mood disorders such as anxiety and depression, and doesn’t have the bad side effects and addiction problems associated with prescription psychotropic drugs.

A lot of the problems predicted with recreational cannabis have proven to be unfounded. For example, Mazili says use of marijuana by teenagers in the state has actually decreased, along with the black market for cannabis. The crime rate is down. Accidental overdose deaths from elders on painkillers has declined 30 percent in states with medicinal cannabis. Misuse of prescription painkillers in Colorado is down.

Amanda Mazili



“Prescription painkillers are used recreationally, and that is a problem in Eureka Springs,” she said. “It is natural for people to want to get high, and cannabis is much better.”

Residents can choose to apply for a medicinal marijuana card, which allows purchases at rates less than recreational cannabis. But Mazili said some people who are using it medicinally don’t apply for a card because they don’t want to be listed in the system.

To make a recreational purchase in Colorado, you must be over 21 years of age and show a valid government-issued ID. But relax... no names are turned in to Big Brother.

Many cannabis tourists act like kids in a candy store.

“It is surreal for them, kind of like a dream,” she said. “Some are nervous, and can’t believe it is real. They are worried about what they can and can’t say.”

There are so many different strains of cannabis in many different forms useful for various health problems that having knowledgeable sales staff is critical. Mazili has primarily learned on the job.

“We learn so much as we work here,” she said. “My knowledge has expanded tremendously. If someone has a question that I don’t know the answer to, I look it up. We also display a lot of posters throughout the shops to educate customers.”

Mazili can inform at length about the different chemical constituents of cannabis, and which are effective for various health

conditions. She finds it rewarding to see so many people helped by a natural medicine that is still a crime to use in much of the country.

“Colorado has made an example of recreational marijuana,” she said. “We are very regulated. Residents are limited to purchasing one ounce and out-of-staters have a seven-gram limit. And if you are a resident, you don’t have to purchase it. You can grow up to six plants for recreational use.”

Mazili ended up moving to Colorado after she was arrested and spent 16 hours in jail in Washington County because she was found with 15 cannabis-infused gummy bears. She had kept the original packaging from Colorado. That incident cost her \$6,000 in legal fees.

“That really sucked,” she said. “It is ridiculous. They get a lot of money from people who get in trouble with marijuana. And it is amazing how much money the state would save from putting people in jail if they stopped busting everyone.”

There are some downsides. A few are irresponsible and eat too many edibles, or smoke in public, which is not allowed. Mazili also said some dispensaries care more about money than anything else, and sell products that are of poor quality and/or laden with chemical pesticides. She likes that Chronic Therapy only sells organic products and that it is a “mom and pop” shop.

There are complaints about how much growth and traffic congestion have increased since the \$800-million-a-year cannabis industry was created.

“Oh, yes, it is ridiculous how much the Denver area has grown,” she said. “It is kind of annoying. I get it why people come here for marijuana, but there is a lot more to Colorado, such as the Rocky Mountains.”

It would be hard to find a job that is more rewarding.

“I love cannabis, so to be surrounded by it all day long is great,” Mazili said. “We definitely have a lot of work to do. It is not easy being a pot shop. You have to be very particular on inventory and record keeping. And the business is all on a cash basis; we can’t take checks or credit cards. So keeping up with the cash is time consuming.”

And one other perk? The employee discount, of course.



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# INDEPENDENTNews

## HDC requires windows be repaired, not replaced

**NICKY BOYETTE**

The Historic District Commission stood by guidelines at the July 15 meeting and insisted several windows dating back to possibly the 1920s be repaired, not replaced. Commissioners did allow a window in the rear of the building to be repositioned and replaced.

Contractor Chris Bradley, who spoke for the application at 35 Mountain, stated the windows in question were mismatched, not symmetrically placed and falling apart, and he wanted to rearrange them and replace them with windows the guidelines allow.

Commissioner Doug Breitling read from the Historic District Guidelines that “windows should be repaired, not replaced.” He said two windows mentioned in the application were original to the 1892 house and two others were added within the next 30 years.

“I’ve seen much worse repaired,” he commented. “The greenest window is the

one that exists today.”

Breitling did agree a window in the middle of the rear side of the structure could be moved 18 inches as requested and replaced, so he made the motion for only the one window to be replaced and moved and for the others to be repaired.

Owner Paul Minze told commissioners he was disappointed with not being able to rearrange the windows in front. He has been pouring his money into something that now “will look crappy.”

“It will look original,” Breitling replied.

Vote to approve Breitling’s motion was unanimous.

Commissioners also approved these applications:

- 2 Howell – new fence
- 10 Vine – rear addition; gazebo on deck
- 298 N. Main – replace retaining wall; replace parking pad

Commissioners unanimously approved the Consent Agenda, which are applications

the City Preservation Officer believes to be in accordance with the design guidelines.

- 38 Mountain – extend existing handrail
- 7 Kingshighway – new sign
- 12 Spring – replace sign

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

- 66 Center – replace rotten deck stair rails
- 8 Summit – re-roof
- 45 Benton – re-roof
- 5 Owen – replace concrete driveway
- 10 Pine – re-roof
- 28 Prospect – re-roof
- 34 Prospect – re-roof
- 40 Mountain – re-roof
- 2 Hively – re-roof

Next meeting will be Wednesday, August 5, at 6 p.m., preceded by a workshop at 4 p.m.

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## A case against neutering

Editor,

In this case, the Carroll-Boone Water Board. Too bad they lost the balls to fight fluoride.

**V. Damon**

## Your move

Editor,

I watch with dismay as the Hospital Commission dutifully waits, city coun-

cil restlessly waits, the whole town sits and waits for Allegiance, an out-of-state company, to decide the fate of our hospital. City council moved proactively to position itself to be able to accommodate another bond to pay for extending the sewer line in case Allegiance makes the move, but so far, council is still waiting. Hospital administration does its job well but has no answers or influence. Eureka Springs waits.

Are there alternatives? Is the health care field flexible and dynamic enough

to allow a new model for healthcare that suits our town and pays for itself? Can there be an acute care clinic? What does the town and the area need? There are different opinions and they matter, but the question stands.

Here is what I think most of us will agree on – the wait is uncomfortable. It might be the standstill is part of the process, but our partner is not participating. Maybe we need a new one?

**Nora Bass**  
**Beaver Lake**



## WEEK'S TopTweets

**@CroweJam:** Tossed and turned all night. I gotta stop moisturizing with salad dressing.

**@rolldiggity:** I know people say, “Don’t bring a knife to a gun fight,” but if there’s

an unsliced cake at this fight, we’re all going to look like idiots.

**@senderblock23:** My extra sensitive toothpaste doesn’t like it when I use other toothpastes.

**@ericshadow:** GOOD NEWS... If you make minimum wage you don’t have to pay income tax or eat.

**@shariv67:** Republicans seek to re-brand poverty as a lifestyle choice.

**@TheTweetOfGod:** “It was Adam and Eve, not Adam and Steve!” Whatever. The point is, it was two people with contemporary American names.

**@NickSchug:** “This is where we separate the men from the boys.” – Craig, JC Penny manager, organizing the layout of the store.

**@kattcalls:** Damn! I’m still writing Slovakia on my Czechs!

**@TheJamieLee:** My phone died doing what it loves: dying.

**@citizenkawala:** How do you restore your body back to “factory settings?” Is it kale? It’s kale, isn’t it? Please don’t say kale.



# INDEPENDENT Editorial

## Take another hit of fresh air – while you can

Colorado, that glorious state separated from us only by those midwestern ovens, Kansas and Oklahoma, voted a year or so ago to allow medicinal and recreational use of marijuana. Since then, tourists have flocked to Colorado to buy, smoke and eat the simple plant that has been revered for thousands of years as good for human health.

But last Wednesday, the Colorado Board of Health decided that those with post-traumatic stress disorder, a medical condition that is the result of being in war, or seriously traumatized and unable to cope with a tragic incident, do not qualify for the medicine that relieves the pain of living.

Once again, the strong arm of local government acts like ogres whose comprehension of life is to scream, “No!” to adults who have as many health issues as there are adults.

This is as morally bankrupt as our own state legislature that didn’t hesitate to medicate citizens by adding fluoride and its accompanying toxins, aluminum, arsenic, lead, etc., to our water while still not allowing citizens to medicate themselves by smoking a plant they can grow in their backyard.

We’re all told to follow the money to explain everything, but that’s hard to do when it’s not our money. Finding where tax dollars are spent is relatively easy, but finding where corporate money is born and dies can be serpentine.

The embarrassment (rage) is with our legislature, not our population. The embarrassment is with those who insist it’s okay to work for a fracking company, a hospital, a national forest, an airline, a newspaper, a political candidate or any other entity that spends money to hurt and deceive the masses because they want more money. Doesn’t mean all legislators are evil, it just means we accept both the Colorado Board of Health that prevents seriously ill people with mental hurdles from feeling better, and the Arkansas legislature that determined our votes don’t count and neither does our health, or we move. Love the sinner, hate the sin?

So we water our plants with contaminated water that we voted twice to prevent. Twice. We put poisoned water in our aquariums so our fish can learn to adapt to swimming in chemical soup or die. We offer babies and old people a drink of tap water out of kindness when we should really be double-dog daring them to drink it. The proven corrosion of our bodies is not nearly as important as profits, right? Babies might not thrive, but they’ll adjust. Old people are going to die anyway, so what’s the big deal? No cavities?

How many times have we heard, “I know it’s wrong to work for people who harm (mislead, manipulate, cheat) others, but I can’t give up the paycheck.” The wrong isn’t working for the paycheck, the wrong is in justifying what we’ll do for it.

Our water operators are the crucial voice of reason we have regarding quality of water. The Carroll-Boone Water District board already proved that a law, a bad law, is more important than the health of ratepayers and tourists. When threatened with a \$500 a day fine for not being complicit with legislators who have decided they are qualified to medicate us against our wishes, the board nearly fainted.

It’s an interesting conundrum we find ourselves in where we will take a verbal stand but not a significant one. Of course there isn’t a one of us who can truly give up a paycheck in favor of spirit or morality or because it’s the right thing to do. Water operators at Carroll-Boone have been adamant and consistent that they are opposed to fluoridation, yet they must either quit and force the district to hire new operators with no experience, to say nothing of losing their sole income, or put on hazmat suits to deliver chemicals none of us wants.

So? What’ll we do?

Some have said we could drill a huge town well and pull out of the water district. Others want to uncap the three wells that used to provide the water in town. But that would leave Berryville, Green Forest, Harrison and tourists hanging out to dry. What affects any of us affects all of us.

Paying tribute to the finest possibility might work, but until the Colorado Board of Health and the Arkansas Legislature realize their responsibility is not merely to cover minimum payments on their overextended credit cards, we’ll just drink beer.

*Mary Pat Boian*

## SEMPER FIDELIS



## The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

I have been in New Orleans for a while enjoying the food, the company, and some mild entertainment derived by all the jabber about the Confederate battle flag. The South will, apparently, rise again, once it figures out what “south” means beyond its place as a compass point, and what “rising” might look like.

Central to all this figuring is the phrase, “preserving our Southern heritage.” What that heritage might mean is never clearly articulated, but it involves heated descriptions of crime rates in Chicago, how the public was misled by doctored photos of Trayvon Martin, racism in Massachusetts, Africans selling Africans to slave traders, and Martin Luther King’s serial adulteries. If I’ve got it right, “preserving our Southern heritage” mostly means “shut up, you sodding hypocritical Liberals.”

These points are taken, and let’s agree that we are all naked in the public square. As Harper Lee said recently – talking about Monroeville, Alabama, particularly, but the whole country generally – “it’s the same damn small town and the same damn provincial people.” But does that excuse us from rigorously engaging our duty to say as clearly as possible what we believe and why we believe it?

The quandary of such duty is that being good and active citizens of a democratic society –while resisting the vulgarization of culture that democracy insistently produces – is hard work, work that Confederate flag wavers refuse to do. Their “Southern heritage” hubbub seems like a case of cognitive dissonance: they’re uncomfortable hearing anything contradicting a story they’ve built their lives around, and must either change their worldview, or reject change entirely.

Rejection speaks in several voices. There’s the “so’s your old man” rejection (so well-played here), the Leslie Gore “you don’t own me” rejection, the Paul V “no facts please!” rejection (of an offer to look at the moons of Jupiter through Galileo’s telescope), and then there’s the conclusively self-defeating, but scary “I’m gonna bust you up” rejection.

The irony is that there are many real, rather than symbolic, aspects of Southern heritage that are worth supporting and preserving. Yet, the stuff we hear from these birds supports heritage the way a rope supports a hanged man.



# INDEPENDENT Constables On Patrol

## JULY 13

11:33 a.m. – Recent visitor to Eureka Springs reported her medications had been stolen while she was here.

## JULY 14

4:19 a.m. – Visitor in a motel room told ESPD he did not feel safe. He told the responding constable he thought someone had put a hit out on him. Constable searched the area but found no one suspicious nearby.  
5:32 a.m. – Alarm company reported an interior burglary alarm downtown. Constable checked the building and found doors and windows secure.

11:10 a.m. – A mother reported her son's motorcycle had been taken from his residence.

6:52 p.m. – An individual who had been banned from an uptown establishment came back again anyway. Constable arrested him for criminal trespass.

## JULY 15

5:05 a.m. – Alarm at the same address was triggered again, and again the constable checked the vicinity and found it secure.

9:28 a.m. – Resident claimed there had been suspicious activity on the wireless network and a constable took a report.

10 a.m. – ESPD detective assisted Barry County authorities with a theft report.

10:10 a.m. – Individual reported a private property accident that happened over the previous weekend.

10:45 a.m. – A loose dog frolicked around an apartment complex until the constable picked it up and took it to the kennel. Its owner later reclaimed it after paying the impound fee.

12:29 p.m. – One sister asked for a welfare check on another sister. Constable complied. The second sister said she would call the concerned one.

1:53 p.m. – Innkeeper asked for constable to check a room recently vacated by a guest who had not turned in the room key. Constable checked the room.

5:27 p.m. – Concerned witness reported a disoriented female leaving a business on US 62. She was gone before EMS arrived, and constables did not encounter her vehicle.

5:32 p.m. – A vehicle being driven erratically on its way to town behaved nicely in city limits according to the constable who followed it.

## JULY 16

12:28 a.m. – There was a one-vehicle rollover accident on South Main. EMS and constables responded.

10:15 a.m. – A vehicle in a parking lot sustained damage during the night.

11:50 a.m. – Change machine in a downtown

parking lot malfunctioned, and the constable on patrol returned it to service.

12:54 p.m. – Gentleman claimed his ex-girlfriend had called him at work even though he has an active protection order against her. Constable spoke with him about it.

1 p.m. – ESPD got a report of a vehicle parked in a loading zone since early morning.

1:34 p.m. – A motorcyclist had an accident on US 62 at the western edge of town. He had already left the scene by the time constables arrived. Constable found him at his motel room, and he refused transport to ESH for an ankle injury.

3:45 p.m. – A mother asked for advice regarding the father not bringing the kids to her for visitation.

4:55 p.m. – Female told ESPD about a suspicious male who came to her workplace. Constable told her to call again if he comes back.

11:14 p.m. – Concerned observer reported a possibly intoxicated driver leaving an establishment near downtown. Constables never encountered the vehicle.

## JULY 17

5:11 a.m. – A deer was hit in front of a tourist lodging and was still alive. Constable responded.

7:12 a.m. – Tow truck driver suspected a motorcycle he had towed might be stolen. Constable checked, and it was not listed as stolen.

9:15 a.m. – City worker reported three chickens were crossing the road where employees park. Animal Control was egged on to capture them.

9:15 a.m. – Caller told ESPD someone had dumped a mattress and other trash on a road just off US 62, but the constable who went to check did not see any trash.

10:46 a.m. – Hotel staff asked for a welfare check on a person staying with them. She had previously fallen in the parking lot and had refused to allow EMS to be called. Constable spoke with her and she was okay.

12:21 p.m. – Concerned neighbor reported hearing of suspicious activity on a vacant property toward the north part of town. There were signs of mountain bike activity, and the owner did not want anyone on the property. Constables put the location on extra patrol.

12:27 p.m. – Constables watched for a male holding a child while driving a scooter. They did not encounter him.

12:36 p.m. – Vehicle owner said his parked car had been hit while he was getting ice cream. A witness got the license number of the offending vehicle, and a constable

attempted to track down the culprit.

2:42 p.m. – There was a two-vehicle accident on US 62 with minor injuries.

7:30 p.m. – A possibly intoxicated driver left a parking lot before a constable got there.

11:16 p.m. – Passerby reported two vehicles blocking a driveway. Constable checked with the resident, who did not have a problem with the vehicles.

## JULY 18

12:11 a.m. – Motorist complained of a van on North Main going very slowly and then stopping in the roadway. Constable never saw the vehicle.

1:16 a.m. – Wife told a constable her husband had tried to strangle her. Constable spoke with the husband, and the couple decided to go separate ways for the night.

2:42 a.m. – Several reports came in about possible fireworks going off near downtown. Constable did not find a likely source for the noise.

6:21 a.m. – Individual reported someone had left a motorcycle in his driveway. Tow truck hauled it away.

7:20 a.m. – Constable responded to the scene of a badly injured fawn. Public Works also had to respond.

10:37 a.m. – Motorist accidentally hit another vehicle while trying to park on Main Street.

4:49 p.m. – Constables spoke with a male passed out near a stairway downtown. He told them he was on his way to a friend's house.

5:11 p.m. – Merchant reported property had just been taken from his business.

6:49 p.m. – Constable went to check on the sound of gunfire coming from a road in the western part of town.

10:26 p.m. – Individual claimed her friend punched her in the face. Constable arrested the friend for third degree battery.

10:50 p.m. – Constable responded to a report of an overturned motorcycle on Main Street, but did not encounter it.

10:51 p.m. – A dispute spilled over from one establishment to another, and an individual was transported to ESH. He wanted his friend arrested for assault. Constables filed a report.

11:05 p.m. – Constable checked on an alarm at a business and found the building secure.

## JULY 19

1:32 a.m. – As a result of a warning from Central Dispatch, constable waited for a reportedly reckless driver pulling a horse trailer. He encountered the vehicle and arrested the driver for DWI, driving left of center and no driver's license.

10:35 a.m. – Constable attempted to make a welfare check but did not make contact with the person.

12:48 p.m. – Witness said there was a person sleeping against a trash can in Basin Park, but he was not there when the constable got there.

1:47 p.m. – ESH reported a disorderly person on site, and the constable arrested the individual for public intoxication.

3:35 p.m. – Constable went to assist a motorist whose travel trailer had come unhitched. The vehicle was already gone from the site.

5:03 p.m. – Resident wanted her sister, who was waiting outside in a taxi, to leave or else there would be trouble. Constable spoke with the taxi driver who wanted to file a report of theft of services by the sister.

9:43 p.m. – Another report of fireworks in town and the constable was not able to find the source.

11:17 p.m. – A male laying in the road by the graveyard told the responding constable he was headed east and out of town.

## JULY 20

1:31 a.m. – Resident called ESPD because there was someone sleeping on his porch. Constable arrested the sleeper for criminal trespass, possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

## Code yellow alert for multiple blood types

The Community Blood Center of the Ozarks (CBCO) has issued a code yellow alert for A positive, A negative and O negative blood types. Donors can give on July 27 at the Inn of the Ozarks in Eureka Springs from 1 – 6 p.m.

Each donation will be awarded LifePoints as a part of CBCO's donor rewards program. LifePoints may be redeemed online for variety of gift cards or points may be assigned to other meaningful causes or charities. The CBCO is celebrating their 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary by offering a commemorative t-shirt to anyone who participates in a CBCO blood drive through the end of July.

To be eligible to give blood you must weigh at least 110 pounds, be in good health and present a valid photo ID. For more information about sharing your good health with others or the LifePoints donor reward program go to [www.cbco.org](http://www.cbco.org) or call toll-free (800) 280-5337.



*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*.

“They say,” – Clytie ran a comb deftly through the light curls – “that Miz Skelton wouldn’t let Mr. Knowles do anything about locating him, bringing him back.”

Tracy laughed scornfully. “D’you blame her? Best thing that ever happened to poor Willy May. He was – like the rest of them, only more so.”

Clytie lifted a curl, twisted it reflectively round her finger, let it spring back. “He used to pinch me,” she said. “When I was a kid in high school. He always used to pinch me.”

“Men!” Tracy studied in the glass the downward curve of her mouth, touched it with a carmine pencil. Then,



CONSTANCE  
WAGNER

with the sudden embarrassment of strangers at the scene of an accident, who have dropped momentarily into too close intimacy, she reached for her handbag, tossed a dollar bill on the table, and gave her coiffure one or two little jabs and pats, looking as if she were dissatisfied with it, but supposed it was the best one had any right to expect, under the circumstances. “Next week at the same time,” she said

remotely, and swept out.

“Yes, ma’am,” said Clytie.

Alone, she took up her favorite post in one of the front windows. From here, while her hands were busy with the never-ended task of touching up her manicure with file and lacquer, she could

see the heart of Sycamore, and watch what human bloodstreams flowed into and away from it. She saw Joada Dycus get out of a car at the curb and walk toward her father’s store, a stiff straw hat with daisies set at an exact horizontal, her body moving with prim precision inside a blue serge jacket and skirt, as if she dreaded to divulge her sex by so much as a curve or a rounded gesture. And Clytie saw the detestable child whose weapon of words had been too sharp for her (“Lookie that Clytie Byrne – Who’s she think *she* is?”), and remembered how once she had twisted Joada’s arm and made her holler, but hadn’t ever tried it again, because somehow even Joada’s tears could not heal the wounds dealt by Joada’s tongue. “From here,” she told the window, “I could spit on her. On that hat with the daisies...”

Her glance moved to the park, laid bare, the trees unleafed, though a large dogwood on the far side was white with bloom. The soldier stood stiffly at his endless vigil behind Miracle Spring, and, on a near-by bench, scarcely less faithful, Ray Braithwaite and several of his cronies were passing a newspaper from hand to hand, heads wagging, chins flapping, fists exploding in futile firecracker gestures of rage. Why did they stick their toothless jaws forward like that – yap, yap, yap? Old fools, she thought. But even they had their weight. She counted them: six, seven, eight votes.

Another car pulled in beside the Dycus one, and she knew it for Doctor Totten’s, and saw the doctor climb out with his heavy air of preoccupation, his coat baggy in the back and humped over his shoulders, the old grey fedora curling away from his face. As if they had been on the lookout for him, the loungers at the spring turned truculently, as a unit, to stare, and Ray Braithwaite’s mouth gaped wide, shouting something unintelligible across the park and the breadth of pavement. The doctor barely glanced in their direction, shook his head

like a bear beset by gnats, and turned in at the office stairs, carrying the well-known and disreputable black bag. Old, Clytie thought. Everything and everybody’s old. I’ll bet he was carrying that same bag the night he came to get me birthed. Paid him in eggs and potatoes. How many?

She watched Mrs. Gladys Williams with a woman she could not identify, turn in at Blake’s dry-goods store, and she saw the colonel’s aunt hurrying along the far side of the square, walking as always against an imaginary wind, pitching into the stairway that led up to Doctor Glover’s office. How must it feel to be as old as that? Clytie wondered. No more looks or men or fun – just a bag. *I* will never be like that, never get old. Put gobs of cream and that tissue-builder all over me, keep my hair bright. Fenton pretending not to notice I’m beautiful, pretending I’m just part of his plan, when I wear clothes that show what I’ve got, and Jaffray goggles at me with that wet look around his mouth. But Fent likes it for himself, too. Likes to see me in wonderful clothes. ‘Take that off,’ he says, like I was a kid getting ready for a spanking, and him looking cold as an ice cube. Then acting like he wanted to tear me open. Good that way. Good I found a guy like Fent: just takes it, what he wants. They’ll all know, soon – know it’s Fent that’s boss. Old Blake, yapping about his damn water, believing it, too. But all the other water rats’ll go along with him. Lots of votes... And Bigmouth Clete Jones, good for ballyhoo, like those fellows that stand around yelling outside carnival tents... And Jaffray – *he* don’t know the score. Making speeches about Progress, Development – could split my sides laughing if I dared. Buying me that dress – a hundred and fifty dollars in K.C., pay for it out of the publicity money – for the opening at Hillcrest House! Ah, wait till they see me in *that*: Jaffray, all of them – with my hair brushed way up high, curls on top, and the golden sandals, and that dress the color of blood, cut almost down to my belly-button –

## NOTES from the HOLLOW

by Steve Weems

Jack McCall was born in 1911 in his grandfather’s house east of Eureka Springs. His grandfather was George McCall, a widower and Justice of the Peace for the Kings River Township.

Justices of the Peace in those days had expanded powers. For instance, Jack remembered his grandfather holding court in the parlor. Two fellows might be brought in for fighting and disturbing the peace, and George McCall would ascertain the facts of the altercation and levy a fine as he deemed necessary.

The historic house has been gone for several years now, but what brought it to mind was a book I happened across at the Eureka Springs Carnegie Library titled *Ozark Vernacular Houses: A Study of Rural Homeplaces in the Arkansas Ozarks 1830-1930* by Jean Sizemore. It turns out that the McCall house was a particular type of Ozark house called a “Central Hall Cottage.”

I know very little about architecture, but I fell in love with the McCall house at a young age. It’s interesting how some houses have character and personality, while others do not make an impression. The front of the white frame house had a portico in the center with square wooden



columns. The screen door behind led into the Central Hall or “breezeway.” The front was in perfect balance, each side a mirror of the other. Equal distance from the portico, on either side, were tall narrow windows, and equal distance from the windows were handsome limestone chimneys.

I’m told that the house began as a one-room cabin when the family returned to Arkansas following the Civil War and evolved as the size of the family fluctuated from generation to generation. At one time, the kitchen was outside in a separate building so the cooking could be done away from the house, especially in the oppressive heat of summer. I remember the antique windowpanes were thick and flawed and that the scent of nearly a dozen decades of wood fires greeted visitors. Though the house is gone forever it does continue to live in a small way as the home of Max McCaver in my novel *Murder in the Ozarks*.

## Sunday at EUUF

All are welcome Sunday at 11 a.m. at the Eureka Springs Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 17 Elk St., for a program followed by refreshments.

On July 26 three writers from the Village Writing School, Greg Sherer,

Alice French and Jessie Rex, will present writing as a path to healing, connection and empowerment in their program *The Power of Words*.

Childcare is provided. Extra parking at Ermilio’s, 26 White St.





**Color run** – Getting ready to race in the recent Color Vibe 5K Run for Diabetes in Fayetteville are, from left, Eureka Dalton and Grant Arnold and Sara and Gabi Bloch with the girl's proud mom, Frances (in back). Racers wore colorful costumes and were doused with more powdered colors at the finish.

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**Designing woman** – Rosie Rose shows one of her creations at the Space, proving that our Eureka designers do indeed have style ... *Eureka* style.

PHOTO BY BECKY GILLETTE

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**Studio stroll** – Karen Foster, left, and instructor Eleanor Lux enjoy work by Eleanor's students showcased during the ESSA Studio Stroll July 16. The community is invited every Thursday from 4 – 5:30 p.m. to browse all the creative projects happening during that week, meet teachers and students and enjoy wine and snacks.

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**Expert advice** – Judy-Lee-Carpenter discusses a piece with her teacher, Andrew Kuebeck, in his Enameling: Picture in Picture class before the Studio Stroll at ESSA.

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**Fascinating** – Sandra Templeton, left, and daughter Cat, with one of Stella Ipswiches fascinators.

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**Knit to be tied** – Mackenzie Doss “friends” Mark Wetzel in his Gina Gallina outfit (and hair) at the Eureka Style Show at the Space.

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**Good news?** – Becca Kathryn Martin Brown (R.) of the NWA Dem-Gaz, right, chats with Janet Alexander at her showcase of free-wheeling boho jewelry at The Space.

PHOTO BY JAY VRECENAK



**It's you!** – Did Mark Hughes of Regalia nail it at the Eureka Style Show or what? This dress looks tailor made for Pearl Brick.

PHOTO BY JAY VRECENAK



## Planning OK with a full deck

NICKY BOYETTE

The Planning Commission quickly dispatched with its light agenda July 14 as commissioners unanimously approved construction of a deck at 2055 E. Van Buren, site of the Filling Station restaurant.

Commissioners also discussed impending arrival of the long-awaited updated zoning map of the city. Commissioner Steve Beacham suggested each commissioner receive a copy of the map once it is finalized, and the group agreed.

Commissioner Pat Lujan announced Building Inspector Bobby Ray had responded to their recent discussion of pre-construction reviews by adding items to the checklist specific to mitigating drainage issues. Commissioners agreed to review the updated checklist at the next meeting.

Commissioner Woodie Acord reported the Mayor's

Task Force on Economic Development worked on the concept of an all-inclusive calendar for events in the city which the City Advertising and Promotion Commission would manage.

Beacham said he still had not heard back from city attorney Tim Weaver regarding suggestions from Planning for revising the section of City Code on Home Occupations. He will submit their work one more time, and chair Jim Morris will speak with Mayor Butch Berry about their recommendations.

Morris also mentioned he has not heard anything new from Police Chief Thomas Achord regarding discussion of making certain streets one-way, so the item will remain on the agenda.

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

## Where's the hospital?

NICKY BOYETTE

There was no news from the Hospital Commission at its Monday afternoon meeting regarding movement toward construction of a new hospital in Eureka Springs. In fact, the only business conducted was the decision to be more aggressive in finding the best interest rate for their considerable account. By the end of the year, the commission will be administering \$2,000,000.

Next meeting will be Monday, August 18, at 1 p.m., at ECHO Clinic.

## Sugar free and rockin' out at the Carnegie Library

The rocking duo, Sugar Free All Stars, will be the entertainment for the Eureka Springs Carnegie Public Library's End of Summer Reading Program celebration on Monday, July 27 at 3 p.m. Come for the show and stay to get your reading certificate (have you finished your

goal?) and share some refreshments.

The program is free and intended for children and families with no pre-registration required. For more information contact or visit the library at 194 Spring Street at (479) 253-8754 or [EurekaLibrary.org](http://EurekaLibrary.org).

## Ladies of Faith host Tana Bolin

The Ladies of Faith will meet at the Gazebo, July 28 at 10 a.m. with guest speaker Tana Bolin, singer/song writer and an editor/producer in partnership at Music

City Recording Studio. Come for food, fellowship, door prizes and fun. Cost for brunch is \$10.50. For more information contact Margo Pryor at (870) 480-3161.



**Leah Thompson promoted** – Cornerstone Bank President/CEO, Charles T. Cross, has announced the promotion of Leah Thompson to executive administrative assistant to the president/CEO. Thompson has been with the bank two years and most recently served as branch manager of the Berryville facility. Leah replaces long-time assistant Autumn Hudgins who has been appointed to Assistant Vice President/Loan Officer for the bank's soon to be completed branch in Huntsville.



## Anniversary laps offered at Bark Park

The community is invited to celebrate Eureka Springs Bark Park's first anniversary Saturday, July 25, at 10 a.m. Come lap up the fun as the newly installed human and dog combination drinking fountain is dedicated during a

morning of fun and frolic.

All well-behaved dogs and their humans are welcome! Come and play in the shade at Carroll County's first and only Dog Park at the bottom of Harmon Park.



## 38<sup>th</sup> Ozark Quilt Fair

Entries are being accepted for the 38<sup>th</sup> Ozark Quilt Fair to be held Saturday, Sept. 12 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Shiloh Museum of Ozark History with entry deadline Sept. 9. Quilters and quilt lovers are invited to display new and antique quilts for show and sale on the museum grounds. The entry fee is \$10 per exhibitor.

Cash prize Viewer's Choice awards will be given for first (\$50), second (\$35) and third (\$15) place winners in both new and antique quilt categories. Entry forms are available at the museum website, [shilohmuseum.org](http://shilohmuseum.org) or by calling (479) 750-8165. The Ozark Quilt Fair is sponsored by Arvest Bank.

**Chimps ahoy** – Zeek Taylor was feted at a reception July 18 at Norberta Philbrook Gallery. The gallery opened three years ago, taking its name from one of Zeek's chimpanzee paintings.

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## Open casting call

The Theater Guild of Holiday Island has begun preparations for their fall production in November. Readings for a melodrama, *Virtue is its Own Reward* and for *Double Wide Texas* by Jones, Hope and Wooten are on the agenda for Sunday, August 2 from 3 – 4:30 p.m. and for Monday, August 3 from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. in Room A, lower level of the Holiday Island Clubhouse.

*Virtue is its Own Reward* has a cast of five women and two men; *Double Wide Texas* has roles for six women and three men of all ages. Returning director Elise Buchman will choose the play based on the response to the casting call.

If you are unable to attend either reading but are interested contact Elise Buchman at [elisemariebuchman@gmail.com](mailto:elisemariebuchman@gmail.com) or by phone or text at (347) 852-5389.

## Meet and greet for new Superintendent

The Eureka Springs Public Schools will hold a meet and greet for the new Superintendent, Bryan Pruitt, on Thursday, July 30 from 3 – 5 p.m. in the High School cafeteria. The community is invited to attend.

## Uncommon Heroes signing at Kerusso Christian Outlet

Local author Dianne Higdon will be signing her book *Uncommon Heroes* on August 1 from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Kerusso Christian Outlet on Passion Play Road. *Uncommon Heroes* is a book of inspiring stories of communities uniting around homeowners in desperate situations to help with the upkeep of their homes.

## Middle school registration dates

The Eureka Springs Middle School will hold registration for all new and returning students.

Grades 5 and 6: Monday, August 3

Grade 7: Tuesday, August 4

Grade 8: Wednesday, August 5

All registrations are from 8 a.m. – Noon.

## FAT Tires



The streets were filled with riders young and old during Sunday morning's Fat Tire Festival's Race to the Lake. Funny how all those bikes didn't make any big noises ... hmm.

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## Sun in Leo, Rosy Star, Venus & Uranus Retrograde

Three major celestial events occur this week. **Wednesday**, Sun enters Leo, highlighting the heart center of everyone. Leo is a sign of deep sensitivity (along with Cancer). **Wednesday** is the feast day of St. Mary Magdalene, one of the most misunderstood women in the bible.

**Saturday** (July 25) Venus turns stationary retrograde at 0 Virgo (progressed Regulus, the Law, Hall of Records). Venus retrogrades for 44 days & nights, forming one petal of a 5-pointed rosy star (pentagram) in the sky (5 retrogrades over 8 years = star). Venus retrograde turns values upside down. Our usual sense of beauty, values, the real price of things, relationships

– all turn into a bundle of confusion. We don't seem to know anything. Luxury goods are mispriced, values are jumbled, we wonder who that person is we're in relationship with. We don't know where our money is or where it's gone.

Venus, in daily life, represents values (resources, money, possessions, quality of relationship). Venus retrograde asks, *"What do I value?"* Venus retrograde puts us in touch with what has changed and what is truly of value in our lives. Venus retrogrades from 0 Virgo to 14 degrees Leo (July 25 – Sept. 6). Leo is about the self, our creativity, which is how we come to know and value ourselves. We "know ourselves through what we create."

In Venus (values) retrograde (inner focus) we will ask, *"What are values (not just money & finances)? What are my values? What do I create? How do I value my creations? Do I value myself?"*

**Sunday**, Uranus, planet of all things new, revelatory and revolutionary also retrogrades (from 20 to 16 degrees Aries) till the full moon of Christmas Day. Five months of Uranus retrograde. In July and continuing on through the following months we have many planets retrograding. Things therefore slow down. Everyone's focus becomes subjective, hidden by veils and curtains. A time when inner reserves of strength are available. A time of protection.

**ARIES:** You're learning about the use of vital life force, feelings of altruism (what is this?), the ability to initiate and undertake anything (the risky and questionable). You're learning about your sense of self-worth and being valued, the fact that you're able to shape an idea and anchor it into matter. All of this has to do with your Solar Angel (Soul). Invite others to learn these things, too.

**TAURUS:** You teach us the use of positive thoughts, positive actions that keep us

away from non-positive thinking which obstructs us from moving forward. The fact that you are very principled, ethical and ask others to also have morals and principles needs to be recognized. We are grateful. You have a purity of action and illuminate our Paths with and towards Goodness.

**GEMINI:** A guardian angel hovers over and around your life. Can you see or sense it? Angels take our feelings of separation, our forlornness and turn them into hope, faith and the realization that "love underlies everything." Your angel also guides you to solitude. Which you need at times. Providing a meditative state for visualization to vitalize your life force. You then "see" the Plan.

**CANCER:** It's important to be out and about, away from family, even though family is your entire life. But other groups are valuable to your well-being, too. You are influential, important, nurturing and helpful to many. But you hide away. Your shyness doesn't allow new realities to be integrated. You are tolerant and forgiving. Humanity's progress is your progress.

**LEO:** Your kindness comes forth when you realize that all leaders need to project kindness or they can destroy those who look to them for leadership. You understand this. You excel at everything. Allow this excellence to become mature, to expand, to be ethical. Value others' achievements. Let them surpass you. That is the leader's (teacher's) purpose.

**VIRGO:** Go slowly and you will know where you are going. This is applied to travel as well as study. You always seek

knowledge (Jupiter, the father) that leads to wisdom (Pallas Athena, his daughter).

You enjoy sharing knowledge. Be aware if people are listening or not. Sometimes they are not ready for your depths of information. They will be, someday. Remain inspired in order to move forward.

**LIBRA:** While tending to your ceaseless professional work, you're able to strategize, research and investigate new realities, understanding the root cause and purpose of all situations. Your instincts unravel mysteries and solve things deep and complex. In between you display great charm and grace and continue to stabilize your ever-shifting relationship(s). Know that you are of great value.

**SCORPIO:** You must attempt to cultivate close relationships. Just one or two will do. When you allow this to come forth, happiness follows. You do best in relationships. They are important so your sense of fair play can emerge, your value reflected, your goals reached. We all need help. Though you never ask for help, you need it at times, too. Negotiation and strategy are your gifts.

**SAGITTARIUS:** Your very ethical high standards are apparent. Faith in others and respect for their abilities are how you expect everyone to treat you. Sometimes others do not reflect your ethics or morals. This presents a choice. Always choose the higher path, knowing the consequences of not doing so. Many watch you carefully to learn skill in leadership. Careful with rich foods and overindulgence at this time.

**CAPRICORN:** Many want to be around your generosity, playfulness and warmth. Children especially trust you. Adults and young ones recognize your creativity, abilities to entertain, to rest when needed, to teach, your sense of aesthetics, patience, love with no complications, and helping others learn. Did I miss anything? Think greenhouses, crocuses (for saffron), berries and fruit trees.

**AQUARIUS:** You're guided to have safety and security with work and to develop deep roots in your home. You value loved ones, yet you keep a certain distance so that freedom in all endeavors, with friends and with your work can be accomplished. Careful of things occurring behind the scenes. Careful of criticisms (yours or others). Maintain ethics and truth at all times. Careful driving. Think on what you truly want to do in your life.

**PISCES:** You will move into a stage of order, organizing and planning, new agendas, creating lists, sorting and tending and giving things away. You seek change in all areas of your life, in your ideas, thoughts, teachings, foods, diet, health and where you live. A larger picture of life is forming. You want to offer all that you have. You seek to expand networks, improve communications. The future listens, reaches out to meet you.

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## Hawgscalders invigorate the Balcony, Wink Burcham plays sly jams at Chelsea's

We have enough live music each weekend to keep summer boredom at bay and this weekend is right on track-by-track. The Basin Park Hotel Balcony features local favorites The Hawgscalders each Friday playing two shows, one at noon, the other at cocktail hour. These guys have the Ozarks hill country soul twang coursing through their veins. On Saturday one of my favorite regional artists, Wink Burcham, plays Chelsea's. An accomplished guitarist and songwriter, his proficiency will yield some awesome cuts and fun covers. He's never played Chelsea's and is bound to mark the momentous occasion. Join the fun!

### THURSDAY, JULY 23

**BASIN PARK BALCONY** – *Jeff Lee*,  
Singer/Songwriter, 5 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.

**NEW DELHI** – *Karaoke*, 7 – 10 p.m.

### FRIDAY, JULY 24

**BASIN PARK BALCONY** –  
*Hawgscalders*, Folk, 12 and 6 p.m.

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

**CHELSEA'S** – *Magnolia Brown*,  
Americana, 9:30 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.

**LE STICK** – *Pete "Rock" Maiella*,  
Singer/Songwriter, 8 p.m.

**NEW DELHI** – *Shannon Holt Band*,  
Rock, 6 – 10 p.m.

**ROWDY BEAVER** – *Jason Kinney  
Band*, Rock, 8 p.m.

**ROWDY BEAVER DEN** – *Tightrope*,  
Rock, 9 p.m.

**THE STONEHOUSE** – *Jerry Yester*,  
Artist's Choices

### SATURDAY, JULY 25

**BASIN PARK BALCONY** – *James  
White*, Singer/Songwriter, 12 and 6  
p.m.

**BREWS** – *Chris Harp*, Singer/  
Songwriter, 7 – 10 p.m.



**Wink Burcham  
plays Chelsea's,  
Saturday,  
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at 9:30 p.m.**

**CATHOUSE LOUNGE** – *Nicholas St.  
James*, Singer/Songwriter, 8 p.m.

**CHELSEA'S** – *Wink Burcham*, Singer/  
Songwriter, 9:30 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** – *Jeff Horton  
Band*, Rock, 9 p.m.

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

**PINE MOUNTAIN AMP** – *Sarah  
Lethen*, Rock, 12 – 3 p.m.

**ROWDY BEAVER** – *Rock N Loaded*,  
Rock, 8 p.m.

**ROWDY BEAVER DEN** – *Tightrope*,  
Rock, 1 – 5 p.m., *221 Band*, Rock, 9  
p.m.

### SUNDAY, JULY 26

**BASIN PARK BALCONY** – *Jeff Lee*,  
Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m., *Melissa  
Carper*, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.

**BREWS** – *Cards Against Humanity/  
Board Games*

**EUREKA LIVE** – *DJ, Dancing, and  
Karaoke*, 7- 11 p.m.

**NEW DELHI** – *Whiskey Mendez*,  
Singer/Songwriter, 12 – 4 p.m.

**ROWDY BEAVER DEN** – *Outlaw  
Hippies*, Rock, 1 – 5 p.m.

### MONDAY, JULY 27

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

### TUESDAY, JULY 28

**CHELSEA'S** – *Open Mic*

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

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





**A GREAT time** – Kids attending the ESPD's Summer GREAT Program July 14 – 17 at Lake Leatherwood had a blast swimming, hiking, paddle boating and playing games in the care of program director Sgt. Brian Young, far right, and volunteer Bobby Ray, far left. ESPD sponsors and volunteers from the ESFD and Eureka Schools helped out over the four days.

PHOTO BY FRANCES BLOCH

## Clean out and cash in

It's time to declutter! Sell your stuff at the citywide Yards & Yards of Yard Sales Friday and Saturday, August 7 – 8 from 7 a.m. – 3 p.m. and put some cash in your pocket. Stop by the Chamber of Commerce Visitor Information Center in Pine Mountain Village to get your YYYS permit sign and mark your spot on the map to be distributed throughout town and available online.

Signup is \$15 and *deadline is noon Monday, August 3.* There

are only a few spaces still available in the shaded, grassy area between the Visitor's Center and US 62.

For more info call (479) 253-8737, email [holly@eurekaspringschamber.com](mailto:holly@eurekaspringschamber.com), or find Yards & Yards of Yard Sales of Eureka Springs on Facebook. For advertisement/coupon opportunities email [terri@eurekaspringschamber.com](mailto:terri@eurekaspringschamber.com) or call (479) 253-8737.

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- **Grief Share** is a weekly seminar and support group for people who are grieving the death of someone close to them. Group meets in the library of the Holiday Island Community Church from 2 – 4 p.m. each Sunday. Contact Dale or Laura Nichols (479) 253-8925 or email [lardellen@gmail.com](mailto:lardellen@gmail.com) for more information.
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- **Eureka Springs Meditation Group** All are welcome for meditation and teachings every Tuesday from 6 – 7 p.m. at 17 Elk St. in the UU Church building. Come any Tuesday for 20 minutes of meditation followed by a 10-minute break and teachings from various traditions.
- **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.

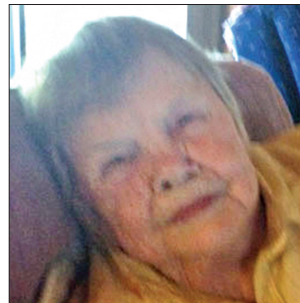
- **Celebrate Recovery** – Soul Purpose Ministries, 801 S. Springfield, Green Forest, 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday. Potluck followed by 12-step Christ-centered meetings for those suffering from addiction, habit, hang-up or hurt.
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- **Eureka Springs Coffee 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](http://www.nwarkaa.org)





**Chess Champ** – Eureka Springs resident Sara Bloch, 15, will represent Arkansas for the second time in a row in her chess division. Her grandma from Czech Republic even came to sponsor her and twin sister, Gabi, this year. Gabi qualified for National Girls and Sara will compete in the GM Arnold Denker Tournament of High School Champions in Phoenix, Ariz. While in Little Rock last week, Sara met with Senator Bryan King, left, and was wished all the best as Arkansas's representative as dad and coach, Karl Kaja Bloch, looked on. *PHOTO SUBMITTED*

# DEPARTURES



## Ruth Ellen Leggett

July 11, 1928 – July 13, 2015

Ruth Ellen Leggett of Eureka Springs, Ark., was born July 11, 1928 in Many, La., a daughter of Walter Edward and Alice Ellen (Rayford) McCrae. She departed this life Monday, July 13 in Eureka Springs at age 87.

She attended the Beaver Lake Baptist Church, and enjoyed gardening and singing.

She was united in marriage with Frank Burt Leggett, who survives her of the home, for 48 years. She is also survived by two daughters, Evelyn Annette and Joe Rhodes of Bossier City, La.; Debra Ann and Mike Mercer of Eureka Springs; one sister, Doris Warren of Shreveport, La.; nine grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren; several other relatives and friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents; first husband, Charles Levie Wilkinson; one sister, Barbara Fay Middleton; and one daughter, Ruth Diane Wilkinson of Eureka Springs.

Funeral service was July 16 at the Nelson's Chapel of the Springs with Pastor Mike Mercer officiating. Cremation followed. Service arrangements were made with Nelson Funeral Service. Memorial donations may be sent to the Beaver lake Baptist Church, 12747 Hwy 187, Eureka Springs, AR 72631. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [nelsonfuneral.com](http://nelsonfuneral.com). © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2015

## Erik Skulason

In loving memory of my husband, Erik Skulason, there will be a celebration of his life on July 23, 2015, from 5 – 7 p.m. at the Ugly Bunny Farm, 761 CR 546, Berryville, Ark., (870) 654-0810 or (479) 244-7386. The service will be at 5:30 p.m.

Memorial donations will be lovingly accepted by Lynn McMurry-Skulason and family at P.O. Box 524, Berryville, AR 72616.

## Sanders supporters gather for web speech

Come watch a live stream broadcast by presidential hopeful, Bernie Sanders, Wednesday, July 29 at Red's Hillbilly Bar-B-Que, 85 S. Main. The United States Senator from Vermont has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination in the 2016 presidential election.

The event begins at 5 p.m. so there's time for supper and a libation. Sanders will broadcast at 6 p.m. to gatherings like this

all across the country discussing what his campaign is all about and how to help. He is up against candidates whose campaigns are backed by banks, corporations and media so the only way to make this campaign successful is to build it from the ground up. Any donations will go directly toward the Sanders campaign.

For more info call Sonny, (479) 253-2853 or 981-3978.

## Ham radio meeting

The Little Switzerland Amateur Radio Club will meet on Saturday, August 8 at 4 p.m. at the Physicians building at Mercy Hospital in Berryville, 211 Carter St. Anyone with an interest in amateur radio is welcome. For additional information go to [lsarc.us](http://lsarc.us) or contact [gmjar@outlook.com](mailto:gmjar@outlook.com).

## FLASHBack



**NICE STRING OF CHANNEL CATFISH** – Bill McClelland and Larry Evans are pictured holding a string of channel cats caught on a trot line using crawdads as bait on a Saturday in September 1964. The catch was made in Beaver Lake about one mile above the dam.

*PHOTO SUBMITTED BY STEVE WEEMS*





Well, we had a good week on Beaver running shad between 28 and 38 ft. deep. Edward Goodebitdelie brought up the family from Bono, Ark., for a weekend in Eureka and a morning of fishing. We got five keeper stripers and an eight lb. catfish that didn't make the picture.

The bait and fish are liking to feed in the main channel close to the bluffs and deep points worked for us. The best bite is early, with some fisherman doing well fishing the night bite now, too. Rattletraps, jigs, spoons and trolling umbrella rigs are also catching a few. Most action is between Rocky Branch and the dam.

Here at Holiday Island the water is going down for a lot better boating. The launch is clear and all the wood has pretty well moved to the shoreline. As for fishing, you have a lot of fish in the trees. Crappie are between 8 and 12 ft. deep in the old standing cedars and sunken brush under Leatherwood bridge near the dock. Just go early or later in the day to avoid the sun, and don't forget the sunscreen.

It was nice reading my article is the

most read, makes me smile. As for who I am, well I've been here for years cooking fish for a lot of you, and for Sheridan's Buffet until he passed, and before that I was the one who had the buffet at Granny's Log Cabin Buffet where Catfish Cabin is now. Was even guiding on the side way back then. You might of even seen me on the side of the road back then with a sign saying Guide Boat Open.

Back before that, I was pretty well raised in Shell Knob and Viola, spending my summers catching perch for my Grandpa for his trotlines on Table Rock. As a wee lad, it was pretty much with my dad in California learning saltwater. That's where the stripers got me.

When I moved to Holiday Island 20 years ago and found we have saltwater fish right here in Beaver, I was hooked. Have not seen the ocean since. Well that's who I am. Fishing is good to me. So get out and enjoy the great Ozarks and hopefully fishing will be good to you too. :-)

Robert Johnson Johnson Guide Service, [www.fishofexcellence.com](http://www.fishofexcellence.com) (479) 253-2258.

by Mike Boian

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1. Change

6. Get underway

10. Chances

14. Narrow, deep canyon

15. Kiln

16. Ramie plant

17. Large bay window

18. Look after

19. Loud report

20. Dry soil that interferes with plant growth

23. Women's soccer champs

24. Greek T

25. Childhood disease

27. Birth state of Dick Powell and Douglas MacArthur

32. Predatory seabird

33. Colorful carp

34. Watchful

36. Brinks

39. Yen

41. Seductive woman

43. Procreate as father

44. Unclad

46. Afterwards

48. Squealer

49. Soft white cheese

51. Cousin of a seahorse

53. Unpleasant fragrance

56. Top card

57. Unit of illumination

58. Gangly

64. Minute quantity

66. Russian mountain

67. Coniferous evergreen forests

68. Sea eagle

69. Breathing organ in fish

70. Ease

71. Extreme anger

72. Broadway SROs

73. West Yorkshire city

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21. Electrical conductors

22. Cause or benefit

26. Soapy bubbles

27. Close to

28. Ecclesiastical tribunal in Rome

29. Modern martial sport

30. Deep blue

31. Grip for standing passengers

35. Abominable Snowman

37. Significant years

38. Third son of Adam

40. German adult male

42. Site of Mt. Everest

45. Old telephone feature

47. Musical performance

50. "Stop it! That's \_\_\_\_\_!"

52. Individual with two X chromosomes

53. More mature wine

54. Indian millet

55. Decorative gateway in Japan

59. NaCl

60. Building additions

61. Ill temper

62. "Zounds!"

63. Rotational periods

65. Bonnet insect

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employee is it.”

Alex Thurocy, a hangar lessee and CCA advocate, explained the possibility of an unattended airport. He said 27 airports in Arkansas operate unattended, and offered suggestions for solving problems such as keys to the courtesy cars, problems with the fuel system, and security.

“It’s doable because it’s being done by 27 airports in Arkansas” he said. He admitted once the airport activity picks up again, the county might need to rethink the strategy and consider having an employee there.

“It’s an asset to the county, but it took a step backward,” Thurocy commented about CCA. He said pilots want the airport to regain the momentum of a couple of years ago.

#### Now that Oak Grove has a police chief...

Oak Grove Police Chief Jason Hunt told the court he now issues tickets and makes arrests in his city limits, but Oak Grove does not have a court, so all cases are handled in Berryville. He said there should be a written agreement between the cities and Judge Sam Barr should sign it, also.

Richie contended the court might not need to be involved with the agreement, and it might even be better if they did not.

Barr was very clear with Hunt that his understanding from the beginning was the quorum court would need to approve this agreement.

After views of legal issues were exchanged, Deaton moved to approve Barr signing the agreement referred to by Hunt. Vote on the motion was unanimous.

#### Other business

The court unanimously approved

a resolution and three appropriation ordinances. The resolution confirmed these appointments:

- Carl Woehl, Shari Bozeman, Herta Nikolai, Brian Lee and Dennis Lykins to the Highland Park Subordinate Service District Commissioners;

- Joseph Jenquine as a Sylvan Shores Subordinate Service District Commissioner.

The first ordinance approved by the court established the position of First Deputy in the Tax Collector’s office.

The next vote approved appropriating \$117,445 to the machinery and equipment line item of the Road Department for the purchase of a new dump truck.

Vote number three was the result of previous discussions regarding impending upgrades to be required by the Federal Communications Commission of most radio equipment and towers within five to seven years. The court voted “to establish a Capital Project Fund” for “expenditures related to Carroll County Central Dispatch (including but not limited to upgrades to radio towers) and the Carroll County Detention Center.” The court voted to put \$100,000 into the fund in equal monthly installments until the end of this year.

#### In other news

- Leadra Martin, representing the County Agricultural Extension Office, said they would be hosting the 2016 Arkansas Master Gardener Conference in Eureka Springs at the Inn of the Ozarks June 1-4, 2016. She expects a \$175,000-250,000 impact to the local economy.

- The court voted to reschedule the August meeting from Monday, August 17, to Monday, August 24 at 5 p.m., at the Berryville courthouse.



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