



Aud commission back on the table

NICKY BOYETTE

The Auditorium got the attention of the City Advertising and Promotion Commission (CAPC) at its workshop Wednesday afternoon where Chair Charles Ragsdell said he measured the space behind the Auditorium where he wants to see a loading zone. He claimed there was more space available there on First Street than for a loading zone already properly marked on Center Street.

Ragsdell told commissioners it appeared the city is giving more consideration to a private business than to the Auditorium. He was chagrined a performer parked by the loading dock a short time during Blues Weekend got a ticket, which Ragsdell paid.

Executive Director Mike Maloney said Police Chief Thomas Achord commented tickets issued to those working at the Auditorium should go to him and he would take care of them.

Ragsdell remarked, "We've been told for eight years it wouldn't be a problem and it still is." He said he was not sure he would stage the Blues Festival at the same venue again because of limited parking and lack of a proper loading zone for performers.

Commissioner Terry McClung told Ragsdell if he wanted to take his concern to city council, then he should bring up the subject at the next meeting so commissioners can vote on it.

Ragsdell also passed around copies of the Auditorium management contract and suggested they spend a workshop looking at it in preparation for negotiating the next one with

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Sorry, no drawbridge – As she approached Little Golden Gate Bridge at Beaver on July 23, photographer Jay Vrecenak heard shouts and happened to see this boat trying to make it under the bridge. Unfortunately, the recent rains made the job a little worrisome for its passengers. Did they make it? Find out on p. 13.

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This Week's INDEPENDENT Thinkers

When something is wrong, the proper solution might not be our first action. But a response is a beginning.

Honeybees have been diminishing worldwide, and as Einstein said, "If the bee disappeared off the surface of the globe, then man would have only four years of life left. No more bees, no more pollination, no more plants, no more animals, no more man."

Whether bee colonies are collapsing because of miticides, insecticides, pesticides, loss of their own varied food sources, or vibrations from cell towers is unknown, but 100,000 German beekeepers have called for a ban on genetically modified cultivation.

It's difficult to insist that exhaust from planting chemically treated crops is killing bees when industry claims their chemicals are biodegradable and non-threatening. But Harvard researchers managed to prove that bees simply can't energetically gather their own food and pollinate crops and trees after being sprayed. But the German beekeepers believe it.



GRAPHIC FROM WASBA.ORG

She was tall in the saddle until her blisters popped.

Budging the city budget

NICKY BOYETTE

Eureka Springs City Council convened a workshop for a mid-year budget review an hour before the July 27 council meeting. Mayor Butch Berry told aldermen the purpose was to check city budget numbers to gauge where departments are halfway through the year.

Alderman Terry McClung noticed expenses for some items such as “professional services” far exceeded a number representing halfway through the budget year. He also commented a line for the city’s computer system was on track to reach 180 percent of budget.

Finance Director Lonnie Clark responded the city had unexpected engineering fees earlier during the parking lot project and the computer expenses will be far less the rest of the year. Another line item that appeared out of proportion was the Worker’s Compensation expense that is paid in full for the year in January.

McClung then asked if a department head comes to city hall to explain

when expenses exceed budget or when anomalies occur.

“They should,” Berry replied, and added he should stay on top of it. He said he has not heard from any department heads about extravagant unexpected expenses, but will check.

McClung pointed out one line in the Fire Department budget is at 160 percent of the annual budget already, and Berry explained there were unexpected maintenance expenses to equipment.

McClung was okay with maintenance, “but it’s the process,” he stated. “Don’t they come to you? Do they get monthly updates on where they are in the budget?” he asked Berry.

Berry replied the department heads might be looking at the bottom line of the budget and not each particular line. Alderman Bob Thomas also questioned the process whereby a department could overspend on a line item without checking with the finance director.

McClung continued with a series of questions about which lines in the budget represented reserve accounts, where the interest-bearing accounts were, and which lines paid for what.

Alderman David Mitchell was dismayed the city has not put anything into its reserves for several years. “It doesn’t seem like a good business decision,” he said. “It concerns me we are not taking care of business. I’m just hoping we become very diligent at looking at expenses for the rest of the year.”

“I’d be surprised if we have reserves this year,” Clark replied, saying expenses are only part of the equation and the city should also look at increasing income.

Berry agreed with Mitchell’s point about watching expenses, and said they have reduced overtime expenses so far this year, and Public Works maintains it will complete the task of replacing all faulty water meters by the end of the year, which will bring more revenue to city hall.

At the end of the workshop, Transit director Ken Smith told council he planned to purchase another tram for a total cost of \$164,000. He said trams have been “a major profit center,” and he expects to cover the monthly \$2900 payment through generated income.

Council did not set a date for the next budget workshop.

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Parks gets crackin'; puts moratorium on island campsite

NICKY BOYETTE

Donna Woods, Parks Dept. interim director, distributed binders replete with policies, budget information, materials related to agenda items and Parks-related documents at the July 21 meeting.

But before she took the commission on a tour of the binder, she gave kudos to the Parks staff during the "rewarding and demanding transition" for taking responsibility for the huge task of managing the parks and spring gardens and for doing more than their paychecks compensate them for.

She said on her first day she could not gain access to the computer and a shelf fell on her head. She said her focus early on has been "lots of administrative duties related to the transition." One task she accomplished was interviewing and hiring a new maintenance man, Vince Peschka, who has 30 years' experience in construction.

Woods said she also instituted weekly staff meetings that she said have been productive. She asked staff to write down the tasks they perform every day so she can create job descriptions for all positions.

Regarding the ongoing projects funded by grants, Woods said the project to refurbish the Harmon Park office is complete. However, the project to extend the Harmon Park Trail was not completed but Woods was able to get an extension until Nov. 30 to finish the work.

The pavilion project at Lake Leatherwood City Park (LLCP) will go out to bid in mid-August and it is to be completed by June 30, 2016.

Lake Leatherwood concerns

Woods also said she would institute a monthly review of the finances at Lake Leatherwood. The commission has stated the goal is for LLCP to be self-sustaining, but her check of the figures indicates LLCP income is at a tepid 48 percent of the goal. "Cottage occupancy is down this year, and we need to figure out why," she told commissioners.

Woods also has been told buttresses and the face of the Lake Leatherwood dam are failing, but gave no further details.

She told the commission the island campsite called Bird Island has not worked out as planned. Though there is a campsite on the island and a dock to tie up to, no one rented it until July 4. Woods said geese squawked and terrorized the campers all night, which should not surprise anyone because Parks has baited the island with corn for years in an effort to draw the geese away from the beach, so the geese claim the space.

A second problem is the dock for the island does not stay upright in all kinds of weather. Another issue is the loss of the boat to the parks inventory while campers have it.

And then there is the abundance of copperheads.

Woods announced she put a temporary moratorium on renting the island campsite.

In other goose-related news, Woods announced there

is no longer a beach at LLCP. The area has been seeded with grass seed. Woods said Parks has been trying to relocate the geese away from the beach for 15 years, and she does not have enough staff to clean up after them. Commissioner Jay Fitzsimmons said he would research using dogs as a goose aversion strategy.

Other items

- Woods announced she had stopped issuing permits to rent Basin Park until the commission has a workshop discussion to define more clearly what rights are conveyed to a permit holder.

- Chair Bill Featherstone said that David Renko is going to step back next year and let someone else run the Fat Tire Festival bike race after 17 years of directing it.

- Commissioners voted to allow promoters of the XTERRA race to sell alcohol at its event in LLCP on July 25-26. The commission will get 20 percent of sales.

- Woods asked the commission to certify the second quarter financials, and Fitzsimmons commented commissioners do not have enough information to certify the financials, but they could approve them as presented. Commissioners then voted unanimously to approve the financials as presented.

- Woods gave a thorough tour of the mid-year budget, and commissioners approved it with minor adjustments.

- The commission affirmed its commitment to policies of the State and the city of Eureka Springs regarding no smoking in the workplace, including vehicles used by Parks staff.

- Interested citizen Pat Matsukis told the commission she had come to the meeting with a list of issues but it seemed Parks was working on some of her concerns. Nevertheless she chided Featherstone for letting problems slide by, and suggested if Parks rotated its chair, more administrative issues could be identified or prevented.

- Woods mentioned Lujan had conducted a two-hour walking tour of the spring gardens at the request of the City Advertising and Promotion Commission. Lujan is willing to continue the tours in spring and autumn as a fundraiser for the Parks Department, and the commission endorsed Lujan's tours.

Next workshop will be Tuesday, August 4, at 6 p.m., at the Harmon Park office. Next regular meeting will be Tuesday, August 18, at 6 p.m.

Meet Eureka Springs Schools' new superintendent

The community is invited to meet new Eureka Springs Public Schools Superintendent, Bryan Pruitt Thursday, July 30 from 3 – 5 p.m. in the High School cafeteria.

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Council suggests solution to Planning denial

NICKY BOYETTE

Beth Martin Smith appeared before the Eureka Springs City Council Monday to represent her application for the property at 4 Armstrong to be rezoned from R-1 to C-1. She wanted to restore the property to its former glory as a premier tourist lodging. The Planning Commission had already unanimously denied her application at the June 23 meeting, and Smith was appealing that decision.

Alderman Mickey Schneider asked Planning commissioner Melissa Greene to appear before council

to explain Planning's decision, and Greene said it was because City Code allows many types of businesses in the C-1 zone which Planning commissioners thought would be inappropriate in that neighborhood, such as restaurants, small entertainment venues or retail stores. Greene said the commission had no problem with Smith applying for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to have a Bed & Breakfast on the property.

Smith explained the property is a Eureka Springs treasure going back to 1883, and she wanted to refurbish

it so it could pay for itself. During the discussion, she bypassed rezoning the property and instead asked if council could facilitate the process for getting a CUP.

Alderman Terry McClung replied CUPs were out of council's bailiwick, but Greene told Smith if she applied for a CUP tomorrow, Planning could consider her application at the second meeting in August. Smith said that plan would work for her.

Council unanimously agreed since there was nothing for them to do, they would take no action.

Ramsey Announces for District Judge

Madison County District Judge Dale Ramsey is running to serve in a new district judge position that covers all of Carroll and Madison Counties. Currently, three part-time judges, including Ramsey, preside over the three District Courts in Berryville, Eureka Springs, and Huntsville, as well as the City Court in Green Forest.

The Courts and their staffs are not changing. However, beginning in 2017 a single full-time judge will travel between

all four Courts.

In Arkansas, District Courts handle traffic offenses, misdemeanors such as DWIs and shoplifting, and small claims cases where the amount in dispute is less than \$5,000. However, the small claims amount will increase to \$25,000 in 2017.

District Court judges also often handle first appearances for criminal defendants and issue search warrants. If elected, Ramsey said he would not have an office in any particular Court, but

would travel between the four Courts on a regular basis.

"If elected, I plan to be in each of the four Courts at least two or three times a week," Ramsey said in a press release.

Ramsey, who serves on the Arkansas District Judges Domestic Violence Advisory Committee, also pledges to be a part of the solution to domestic violence in our communities by continuing to work to implement "Laura's Law." That law requires law enforcement



RAMSEY

officers to complete a checklist in domestic violence cases to help victims assess their level of danger, and to provide victims with information about seeking help.

Ramsey, 58, is a graduate of the University of Arkansas and has been a lawyer for 25 years. He and his wife, Therese, live in Witter, have two grown children and one grandchild.

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Fluoride is in. Here's how to get some out.

BECKY GILLETTE

Fluoridation began July 15 at the Carroll Boone Water District leaving people who want to avoid fluoride and its contaminants that can include lead, barium, arsenic and aluminum facing the cost of purchasing bottled water or filters to make the drinking water safe to drink.

The least expensive things to do might also be the most time consuming. That is getting drinking water from a friend with a well. But depending on family size, that can be a lot of jugs of water to fill and

carry. And some people might not have the time or transportation to get water from wells.

Another option is purchasing bottled water in the grocery store. But bottled water is not well regulated and some studies have shown bottled water contains more contaminants than tap water. The Natural Resources Defense Council's testing found about 25 percent of 1,000 bottles of water tested contained chemical contaminants at levels above the health-protective limits of California, other

states, and the bottled water industry code.

Then there is the issue of waste associated with purchasing bottled water. According to *National Geographic Kids*, Americans use 29 billion water bottles a year requiring the use of 17 million barrels of crude oil – enough oil to keep a million cars going for 12 months.

"Imagine a water bottle filled a quarter of the way up with oil," *National Geographic Kids* said the article, "Why tap water is better than bottled water." "That's about how much oil was needed to produce the bottle."

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Wellman said the Berkey has a proven history, providing high quality and effectiveness of the gravity filtration process that has stood the test of time.

"This gravity filtration system is in use worldwide," Wellman said. "Compared to other options, the Berkey System is the

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Escape artists – Donkeys Felix, Tilly and Radar, along with a mini horse named Winter, busted out of Faryl Kaye's paddock at Lake Lucerne Resort & Ranch and took a Saturday morning stroll. Faryl's unsuccessful search and subsequent phone call to the police revealed officers had been wrangling them since 4 a.m., and they were now up on Hwy. 23 near Brighton Ridge. Folks who helped in the round up included Rich Payne of P&P Plumbing, ESPD Officers David Morrell and Billy Floyd, Rob from Johnson's Automotive, Scott the neighbor and others to whom Faryl is ever grateful. "Donkeys aren't dogs – you can't just call them," she said. *PHOTO SUBMITTED*



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INDEPENDENTNews

Tram purchase approved, peddling ordinance on the go

NICKY BOYETTE

Mayor Butch Berry told council Transit director Ken Smith plans to purchase a new tram at an estimated cost of \$164,000. Smith plans to pay for the monthly note out of income from the trams, which are very popular since tour buses are no longer allowed to clamber through the historic loop. Berry reported ridership in July was up 24 percent over last year with an average of 44 riders per day.

Alderman James DeVito commented years ago council had made a "very effective decision when it decided to use trams."

Council voted unanimously for city attorney Tim Weaver to draw up a resolution approving Smith's purchase of a tram.

Peddler ordinance settled

Ordinance 2227, which was written to clarify language in the Code regarding peddlers, appeared on the agenda for its third reading. DeVito moved to suspend the rules and put it on its third reading by title only, and alderman Terry McClung seconded. Alderman Mickey Schneider again asked what the big rush was to act on the ordinance.

The ordinance limits a mobile operation in front of a business to extensions of the business inside, connected to the primary business license. Accommodating a food truck is a matter that will require further consideration, including

possibility of a food truck zone.

The vote to even have the third reading was tied 3-3, Schneider and aldermen Bob Thomas and Joyce Zeller voting No. Berry voted Yes, so the motion passed 4-3. Vote to approve the third reading was the same.

Other items

• Laura Coker again spoke to council about her efforts to develop a "right of conscience" case in the matter of fluoridation of the water supply. Among her prepared comments was her opinion the State legislature is "selectively medicating the public" and bypassing the courts and health regulators in doing so. She said the legislature's actions make operators at the water plant complicit in doing something they do not want to do. She maintained restaurants become complicit by serving the water, and schools must operate contrary to parental consent. She claimed fluoridation goes against modern science and religious principles.

• Berry made a plea to the public for volunteers to sit on the Cemetery Commission. He told council the commission barely has a quorum of four now, but if he gets several interested applicants, he would return to council and ask to have the commission membership increased from five to seven.

Next meeting will be Monday, August 10, at 6 p.m.

Buddhist Study Group

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 30 at 4 p.m. at the Heart of Many Ways in the Christian Science Church at 68 Mountain Street. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Sunday at EUUF

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

On August 2, Kate Neary-Pounds will speak on Planned Parenthood in Arkansas, share updates about health services, education, outreach and public affairs.

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

August 3 Metafizzies meeting

The August 3 meeting of the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society will feature videos of the contemporary spiritual teacher Mooji. 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.



Hot stuff – Carroll Electric Cooperative Corporation recently donated \$200 to Eureka Springs Fire & EMS for the purchase of two Hot Sticks. The wand-like devices are used to detect "hot" power lines and to determine if electricity is running from generators, solar panels or unmarked mystery wires, which comes in handy when firefighters are exposed to naked, partially melted wiring. Above, CECC Safety Coordinator Greg Motzko (L) and Firefighter James Cowan with one of the two Hot Sticks purchased with Carroll Electric's assistance. *PHOTO SUBMITTED*

Isn't it nice we're
having weather?



BECKY GILLETTE

To get an idea what's in store for the weather, many in Eureka Springs have found local amateur weather forecaster Arthur Lau-Sed's postings on Facebook to be more reliable than other forecasts such as www.weatherunderground.com.

"I've watched the weather since I was a kid," said Lau-Sed, co-owner of Common Sense Technologies. "From the earliest time I can remember, I was interested in weather. My dad was interested in weather, I may have picked it up from him. I took some college courses in meteorology and gave consideration to doing it professionally."

Lau-Sed honed his skills by

studying information readily available on the Internet and talking to experts. He participates in different online chat rooms where weather professionals hang out, and indulges his own natural curiosity.

To predict, he looks at computer models, radar, other forecasters' opinions, and studies larger trends. His intuition plays a role, and he sometimes has a bit of a different take about what is going on. "And I think that's okay, because people know it's my opinion, not the official forecast," he said.

Yet he wants people to know this is something he does for fun – it isn't his full-time job. And weather can vary

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HI hospital should be on the drawing board

Editor,

I note that a couple of people are upset that the hospital commission and the City Council are unable to compel the Allegiance Company to begin to move towards building the proposed replacement hospital. Since Allegiance has a contract though 2017, there is little leverage.

It is probably pointless to suggest that the opportunity of free land and sewer access by the developer at Holiday Island was allowed to pass without comment. This would have eliminated the need of burdening taxpayers with repaying a bond issue and the cost of connection fees to the new sewer line. If this could still be considered, the situation might be altered.

Dr. John Dolce

Who do we blame?

Editor,

Well, we're all drinking poison now and paying for the privilege to boot. Who's to blame for this travesty? Our past congress for sure since they rushed this through before we could rally to stop it, and the current congress for not repealing it. Don't re-elect any congress critter who doesn't work to remove this toxic waste from our water.

Lynn Moudin from the Health Department and our James DeVito were pushing this crap years ago. Let's sue them or least shun them.

Bryan King claims he didn't vote for it but how do we know this is the truth since no one has published the names of the guilty parties? Our newspapers haven't bothered to research and expose the traitors who did this vile act even though it

looks like these congress jerks took bribes to vote the way they did.

It may take years to get this poison removed from our waters and longer for it to dissipate from our water table. Until then we can unhook from the Carroll Boone water district by having our water meters removed and collecting rain water or hauling water. We can filter water but you will still get dosed when you shower. Now that the principle our drugging us without our permission has been established what will they put in our water next? New York has suggested putting lithium in their water, are we next?

One last caution... did you know fluoride is radioactive? And cumulative. It doesn't leave your body and it tends to collect in your bones.

Stop the POISONING!

Mike Sutton

Moratorium on fluoride?

Editor,

When are people going to wake up and realize that it is our health we are talking about by ingesting the fluoride? More and more facts are being uncovered about the dangers of ingesting the fluoride that was just recently put into our water supply, yet not one member of the Carroll Boone Water Board is willing to stand up against the abuse that this fluoride and accompanying toxins create to our bodies. Not one member.

We could say No to the fluoride, we could say we want the law rescinded, but that did not happen. The latest reports show that fluoride is not even the main issue. There is lead and arsenic and other toxins that we are being forcibly made to ingest unless we pay a lot of money for filters and

do not drink any water outside of our home.

I went out to a local restaurant today for lunch and asked if fluoride filters were in place. No one seemed to know or care. I really thought people were more knowledgeable about the dangers of what is being put into our water supply, yet apparently I am wrong.

Please call the governor's office and ask for a moratorium on this law making us ingest fluoride, (501) 682-2345.

Jasmine Stanley

Our eyes are up here, not on your phone

Editor,

People often joke and speculate about the zombie apocalypse. What should be obvious is that we are living the zombie apocalypse in our present day society.

Speculation of our future predicts that our children and grandchildren simply will simply not grow up the way the way we did and all will become zombies at some point. Can it be prevented? Yes. You can protect yourself but it relies on your mentality, willingness to self-help, and self control.

I remember when people would sit down with family at dinnertime and talk. It was more meaningful and memorable that typing on a device. I remember when people would look up, make eye contact and converse with who was in front of them.

Do we have to make our children zombies? What happens when we take the device away? Symptoms usually involve anger, withdrawal, confusion, emotional distress and trauma for the sake of dependency on "smart phones." Don't let [phones] eat your brains! Use it when you should, then turn it off, while you still have half a brain left!

Dee Leach



WEEK'S TopTweets

@helytimes: At the end of obituaries in the newspaper they should give the person a score out of 100.

@alispagnola: 'Let stand in microwave for 2 minutes.' Hah. Yeah, like I make microwave dinners because I'm patient.

@Funnyoneliners: I'll call it a smartphone the day I scream "Where's my phone?" and it yells "Down here! In the couch cushions!"

@meganamram: You would not believe how many times Leonardo Da Vinci had to paint the Mona Lisa before he got one where she wasn't blinking

@apelad: Not all that glitters is gold. Take, for instance, glitter.

@EmilyFlake: Just had a moment where I wanted to scroll down to read the comments looking at my bank balance online.

@donni: I'm sick of pretending. I'm ready to tend!

@joaomathews_: It would be really convenient if Christmas decorations grew on trees.

@GuyEndoreKaiser: Ha! Major typo on page 28 of the new iTunes agreement. Anyone else catch that?

@Spinchange: She wanted to be friends with benefits, but I said no because she didn't offer dental.

@saraashlynn: My house has really let itself go.

INDEPENDENT Guestatorial

Butler Hollow gets a Do-Over

Forest Service meeting July 23 in Cassville

The Butler Hollow Project is dead. A new project with four alternatives will be announced in about two weeks, and everyone is invited to participate in the 30-day comment period. Dealing with climate change and improving forest resilience is the new framework, in line with the 2015 USDA Climate Smart program. Offering a do-over is a step in the right direction.

Butler Hollow residents and neighbors oppose commercial logging, prescribed fires, cedar removal and herbicides on 18,000-acres of the Mark Twain National Forest.

District Ranger Joe Koloski used climate change to explain need for the project. Previously, restoring the forest to pre-European conditions was the goal of the project. Native Americans had a high respect for nature and the forest; fire was limited and incidental. Forest Service budgets, commercial logging and wild turkey hunting seasons had not been invented. When questions were asked about the forest conditions, the goal changed to *improve the health* of the forest.

Why would deforestation and prescribed fires used to create glades make the forest resilient? The Forest Plan guidelines date back to 2000. Fifteen years ago, climate change was not a top priority.

The no-action alternative remains on the table. Severe droughts and floods make this the desired option. Butler Hollow residents say the Forest Service has not done much in recent years, and would be happy to let them do what they can with no additional funds. Nature has been taking care of the forest for centuries!

A new limited action alternative is to finish the abandoned Chute Ridge and Pine Hollow Burn glade projects on 3,600-acres. Compared to 18,000-acres this seems like a better option, but requires prescribed fires for decades and deforestation on 3,600-acres. The Forest Service was hoping for a round of applause but instead got loud complaints.

Not all was fun and games

Steve Best, mark Twain National Forest deputy supervisor, said the Forest Service has to meet the needs of the timber industry. Best showed little empathy with residents and “the critters” who may or not survive fires or wildfires from the project. Best said people with respiratory illnesses would be notified ahead of time to take necessary measures. Heavy wood-smoke particles can’t be avoided staying indoors. This did not go well at the meeting. God’s creation and Pope Francis’s mandate to care for our common home and each other, demands responsible actions.

The geographical scope of the project remains Butler Hollow, Mo. Butler Creek flash floods in Arkansas, and Table Rock Lake water contamination, are collateral damage. Questions at the meeting regarding Arkansas, greenhouse gases and air quality concerns were ignored. Table Rock Lake is managed by the Little Rock US Army Corps of Engineers, but the Forest Service only cares what happens in the forest.

New thinking on forest management

According to a study released last week on Antarctica and Greenland meltdown by Dr. James Hansen and top climate experts, rising sea levels up to 10 feet by 2065, are likely, unless carbon dioxide is reduced with Carbon Fee and Dividend (CF&D) legislation. New York, London, Shanghai and other coastal cities would become uninhabitable. To get an idea of what meltdown looks like, take an ice cube tray from the freezer and dump the cubes on your dining table. Make observations every hour until the ice melts; once the ice starts melting there is nothing you can do.

The solution to catastrophic meltdown is known. The Citizens’ Climate Lobby has been asking for CF&D legislation for years: polluters pay a fee and every household else gets a check to cover higher cost of energy.

Our remaining forests are the best source of oxygen and carbon capture and storage. One live tree is worth over 100 times one dead tree; a single tree produces enough oxygen to sustain ten people. Why not pay the Forest Service to preserve the forests, and keep commercial loggers out of the woods?

Dr. Luis Contreras



The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

The philosopher Mel Brooks defined tragedy and comedy like this: “Tragedy is when I cut my finger. Comedy is when you fall into an open sewer and die.” That’s a funny and succinct definition that is also ironically truthful. The Germans have an economical word for it, *schadenfreude*, that state of mind and heart where one feels joy at the pain of another. Brooks and the Germans have approximately summarized the personality disorder sadism, the malevolent mirror image of that other personality disorder, masochism.

I admit to taking some pleasure in Donald Trump’s presidential campaign. Trump surely sees his campaign as just another line of business, but the embarrassment he is causing – or should cause – the Republican establishment is amusing. That he leads in the polls is hilarious: the party’s base really is asylum ready, and plausible characters for the political novel, *Fifty Shades of Trump*.

I know I should be giving the Democrats some hell, but when you have a drunken rhesus monkey peeing off your porch, it’s hard to focus on the rich old lady trying to parallel park in front of the house. You know she means well, she’s sober as a judge, and if she ever figures out whether to turn the wheel to the right, or to the left, she might actually get the dang thing in the slot.

Fox News will hold the first Republican Candidates’ debate in two weeks, on August 6. Here’s a spoiler alert: on foreign policy matters we’ll learn that they’re against whatever the black guy in the White House is for, and they’re all for getting tougher in the Middle East. If asked how we’ll pay for 15 more years of fighting on the Shores of Tripoli, they’ll promise to kick that slut Tootsie off the federal dole. That takes care of domestic matters as well.

Am I experiencing *schadenfreude*? I don’t think so. Trump is certainly good for a giggle, but we’re all teetering on the banks of an open sewer, and everyone’s fingers are bleeding. There isn’t any joy in that, and no joy in politics. It used to be fun. Now it’s just an exercise in masochism.

A little help from our friends:

• **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.

• **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 for more information.

• **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 10 a.m. – 2 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.

• **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.

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

INDEPENDENT ConstablesOnPatrol

JULY 20

9:45 a.m. – Constable filed a report for theft/use of credit card number.

12:12 p.m. – Concerned observer reported a case of possible child abuse that the constable determined was unfounded.

5:01 p.m. – Motorist told ESPD she had followed a vehicle on its way toward Eureka Springs which twice had almost run off the road. It appeared the driver was texting or at least looking down. Constables waited for but did not encounter the vehicle.

JULY 21

10:23 a.m. – Bank staff reported receiving counterfeit bills from a restaurant.

12:30 p.m. – Onlooker saw an unauthorized individual throw trash into a dumpster. Constable on patrol spoke with the dumper and learned the person had mistakenly used the wrong dumpster.

12:47 p.m. – Downtown merchant reported finding a customer’s wallet which he held onto till day’s end in case the person returned.

11:05 p.m. – Central dispatch reported a very slow erratic driver headed toward town from the south, but constables never saw it.

JULY 22

9:33 a.m. – Another report of an erratic driver that constables watched for but did not see.

9:57 a.m. – Track coach told ESPD one of his runners had not returned from a run through the Historic Loop. Another runner later found out she had gone home.

10:08 a.m. – Alarm sounded at a business on Main Street. Constable and keyholder checked the building and found it secure.

7:44 p.m. – There was a 911 hangup call apparently from Lake Leatherwood City Park, but constables did not find anyone in distress.

JULY 23

2:25 a.m. – ESFD reported a possibly suspicious individual walking along US 62 carrying bags. Constables did not see this person.

11:13 a.m. – Merchant on US 62 claimed a vehicle had run into the front of the building breaking glass, damaging the wall and destroying merchandise. The offending driver drove away eastbound undetected.

1:36 p.m. – Observer was concerned that a young male walking along US 62 might not be safe. Constable checked the area.

2:08 p.m. – Motorist said the vehicle parked in front of hers had rolled back into her car. When she backed up, the vehicle continued to roll. Constable looked for the owner of the rolling vehicle.

2:32 p.m. – Constable arrested an individual on a warrant from Benton County for failure to appear on possession of drug paraphernalia.

3:13 p.m. – Vehicle was towed from a loading zone after several citations for illegal parking.

10:42 p.m. – Constable responded to a domestic disturbance. The combatants decided to separate for the night and not press charges.

JULY 24

10:33 a.m. – Resident told ESPD that Public Works was on the scene to repair a water leak but there was a vehicle parked in the way. Constable tried to locate the owner.

9:07 p.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for driving on a suspended license.

9:35 p.m. – As the result of a call from Central Dispatch, a constable initiated a traffic stop and arrested the driver for driving on a license suspended because of a DWI.

JULY 25

3:59 a.m. – Motorist headed to town from the south reported seeing four donkeys on the road. Constable on patrol went to the scene and rounded up two miniature donkeys and two miniature horses that he herded off the roadway.

7:25 a.m. – Another report of the donkeys and horses on the roadway. Constable was able to speak with the owner and the animals were captured.

12:01 p.m. – Constable went to ESH to take a report on a possible assault.

4:37 p.m. – Constable issued a parking citation in a neighborhood.

5:54 p.m. – Constable told a mother having trouble controlling her 15-year old daughter what services were available to help her.

8:33 p.m. – Individual claimed someone stole a part from a tractor.

11:19 p.m. – Vehicle ceased to operate while on Main Street. Tow truck responded.

JULY 26

7:45 a.m. – Passerby reported a large dog on a road in the western part of town was growling at everybody. Constable on the scene never saw it.

7:05 p.m. – Motorist reported following a reckless, unreliable driver on the way from Berryville. Constables did not encounter the suspect vehicle.

10:49 p.m. – Another report of a reckless vehicle headed toward town, this time from the north. Again constables watched for but did not see the vehicle.

JULY 27

3:31 a.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for driving on a suspended license.

Hi Hiking Club plans season

The Holiday Island Hiking Club will have an organizational meeting at the Island Pizza and Pub (formerly Gerald’s) at 11 a.m. Monday, August 3.

Please RSVP dandtkees@cox.net if you plan to attend so the restaurant can have a heads up. Lunch will be Dutch Treat. Please come and bring ideas for the fall hiking schedule.

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*.

She noticed, crossing the park, Fenton's half-sister, Frankie Belle. She was pushing a flimsy stroller, the baby's head rolling from side to side in a foolish way, and Frankie's distended stomach seemed to roll, too, as she pursued her listless course beneath the sycamores. At the same time, Mrs. Walter Knowles, in a similarly pregnant condition, got out of a car on the other side of the square, and, waddling slightly, entered the newspaper office... Now aren't *they* a sorry looking pair? she thought. Bulging like a couple of old broodsows! Glad I got that doctor in K.C. to fix it so *I* wouldn't ever. Fent would hate it. Hates people out of shape. Well, he's right. Just look at her. Wonder how Walter likes his bargain now. Looks like a frozen fish, nasty-nice, afraid of it. I'll bet he's sick of her, remembers how it was with me. Love: he was always talking about love. Talk, talk, talk. And reading about – hollow men, wasn't it? Prickly pears. My God, how'd I stand it? Fent don't talk, he just takes it. I always knew things would work out right for me. Just like that gypsy told me at the fair. Stars around you, she said...

Mrs. Williams came in to have her hair touched up at the roots, puffing a little from the climb. "Wish you'd get a place on the ground floor," she said plaintively. "Seen the paper, Clytie?" Clytie said she had. "I'm kind of glad,"



CONSTANCE
WAGNER

said Mrs. Williams, settling herself in the shampoo chair, "to see those Knowleses getting pushed out at last. They never seemed to appreciate what I've done for Sycamore. Nor what Prentiss Jaffray's done, either. Now this town will begin to go places. New ideas, men with vision –" Clytie sprayed her head with hot water and began digging in shampoo lotion with strong, vindictive fingers. "My

God, girl, you trying to *scalp* me? ... Want to make out the water's unsafe, now, when everybody *knows*– Really cooked their goose, don't you –?"

"Guess *so*," said Clytie cheerfully, kneading Mrs. Williams's scalp. "It was the dark brown, wasn't it?"

When she had got Mrs. Williams snugly placed under the drier, with an ash tray and movie magazines within reach, she glanced at the clock on the telephone desk and decided to run over to Corley's for doughnuts and coffee. With her coat thrown over her white apron, she hurried across the park, dealing out a curt "Hello" to Frankie Belle, who was sitting lumpishly on a bench with the baby bawling at her feet in its stroller – Clytie thus advertising the fact that, while they might be kinfolks of a remote sort, there was no hobnobbing between them. On the other side of the square, she glanced curiously through the window of the *Democrat* office, caught a glimpse of Mrs. Walter Knowles inside.

(You'd think she could afford a fur coat. Going around in that old tweed thing all winter!) Next door, the office of Cletis Jones's loan company was broadly exposed through a large, square window, and Prentiss Jaffray could be seen sitting behind the handsome walnut desk from which he operated the Hills of Home Realty Company. Clytie caught Jaffray's eye, waved a blithe hand, and passed on. She had observed his startled, almost stricken look – a look that was almost immediately absorbed into the correctly casual smile of greeting. And, as she had expected, he was out the door and at her heels before she had gone half a dozen steps.

"In a big hurry, aren't you?" He sounded out of breath.

She paused to let him come up beside her. "Just sneaked out for a cup of coffee. Where's Fent?" – seeing in the door of the furniture store, beyond Corley's, the familiar white card: **CLOSED. BACK SOON.**

"Gone round to the printer's. Clete, too. Wait till you see what I – what we – Broadides scattered all over town: **START FALSE RUMOR OF UNSAFE WATER.** That kind of angle, you know. Things are really breaking our way!" He turned toward her a face of such naïve exultation that she felt like laughing. In his excitement, he took her arm, then abruptly and awkwardly let it go. "I could use a cup of coffee myself," he said with sudden reticence. "That is, if – you don't mind?"

"It's a free country," said Clytie, and let him see her profile.

In Corley's, they found places at the counter, removed from other late-morning customers, and Mona Jo served up thick coffee, and doughnuts on a plate. Jaffray could scarcely contain himself. "You saw the paper?" She nodded, gazing unblinkingly at him, and he fidgeted under the impact of her eyes. "It's really in the bag now," he said in a nervous undertone. "You know how these folks feel about their springs. Wonderful break, this thing coming up right now. We're going to play it up for all it's worth," he added portentously.

"You putting in the P.A. system up at the Hillcrest?"

"Fellow's up there now, rigging it up." He beamed – like a kid with a Christmas pretty, she thought. "Be able to hear it all over town – a giant voice from the mountaintop. Pretty thrilling, isn't it?"

"Thrilling, yes." She tasted the coffee: bad, as usual.

Somebody put a nickel in the juke box. Under the magnified wave of sound that billowed from its multi-colored radiance, Jaffray was saying:

"One thing's for sure. Even if Sayre doesn't get elected as commissioner, I'll see that he gets a good break once *I'm* elected. He's to manage the Hillcrest anyway – but I'm not one to forget my friends. He's been mighty helpful, working underneath the way he's done – knowing the angles, the people, all the ins and outs. I owe a lot to Fenton Sayre."

NOTES from the HOLLOW by Steve Weems

I'm old enough to remember some things about Eureka Springs that have changed over the years. I remember ice cream from Dairy Queen and hamburgers from Tastee Freeze. I remember Eureka driving to Fayetteville or Rogers just for the novelty of eating at a McDonald's.

I'm old enough to remember when the Eureka Springs schools weren't air conditioned and the frustration of trying to keep my school papers from being ruined by the sweat running off my arm and dripping from my face. I can remember turning in papers that were soggy and limp and barely legible from the sweat and the running blue ink.

I'm old enough to remember high-powered deer rifles hanging in the back glass of pickup trucks in the Eureka Springs High School parking lot. I'm not old enough to remember this: a Eureka Springs student was going hunting after school with a friend, so he carried his rifle on the school bus in the morning. The gun was put in the homeroom teacher's closet for safe keeping during class. After school, the boy picked up his rifle and rode the bus home with his friend. That sequence of events would certainly not be allowed today.

I lived on Spring Street from birth until the age of six months before moving

to California, so I missed out on some Eureka Springs childhood rituals of the time. My wife, Diane, remembers bill paying day each month as a special occasion. She'd ride with her mother downtown to pay the utility bills. They'd always walk across Spring Street to Eureka Drug where Diane's grandmother, Norma O'Connor, worked. Norma would give Diane a chocolate mint and a monkey made out of a brown pipe cleaner. Sometimes Diane was allowed a treat from the Bingaman bakery. Other times, they'd browse at the Hallmark Shop.

I'm old enough to remember from the early 1980s when there were four country



music shows in town, each operating out of their own giant building. Of course, that doesn't sound too impressive when my grandfather, McKinley Weems, can recall being at the dedication of the auditorium in 1929.



Painting instructor Denise Ryan and her non-student art connoisseur.



Ronna Martfeld (L) and Amy Johnson, both from Rogers, show off their cutting boards with teacher Steve Palmer in the Joy of Woodworking workshop.

ESSA Studio Walk – Every Thursday at 4 p.m. the community is invited to come see the work being produced during the week's classes with various instructors at Eureka Springs School of the Arts. Here's some of the fun from last week.

PHOTOS BY JAY VRECENAK



Matt Conover's family – Laura and Hugh – came over from Berryville to see the paintings he's working on in Denise Ryan's Acrylic Painting class.



Pamela Bohling of St. Louis, Mo., did lots of work in Denise Ryan's class.



Edwige Denyszyn (L) with her student Marcia Molthan of Ft. Smith enjoying the Ocean Necklace and Bracelet class.



Made it! – This boat barely squeaked under the bridge at Beaver July 23, due to recent rains raising the lake water level. Talk about risky business ... at least they didn't lose their heads on the low clearance.

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Makin' music – Ivan of the Ozarks rocked his CD Release Party on the deck at Anglers July 21. Ivan, left, takes a break while Gordon Norrell plays old time music accompanied by Jim White on backpack tuba and Jerry Landrum's baritone trumpet.

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Good tune – Ambur Rockell, Eureka's country western sensation, at Ivan's CD Release Party. The CD, *Loose Mike 1* features Ambur among 10 local artists, some who played and sang at the party. Get your CD at the Farmers' Market or call Ivan (479) 244-7112.

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Telling her story – Marsha Havens, right, deep in concentration along with attendees from out of town at the storytelling workshop with instructor Elaine Blanchard at the Writers' Colony last weekend. "What a grand weekend we had," Marsha said. PHOTO SUBMITTED



Conservation conundrum

Conservation conundrums seem to keep passing across my desk this week. One left me attempting to discover logic. You won't see a saw palmetto (*Serenoa repens*) plant in Arkansas, but if you go wherever dietary supplements are sold, you will see saw palmetto berry extract products. It's

used for the treatment of benign prostatic hyperplasia, widely recommended by urologists in Germany, France and Italy where it is registered for therapeutic use. In the United States, no health claim is allowed. BPH, a benign enlargement of the prostate, manifests symptoms such as more frequent

urination, and affects over half of men over 60 years of age.

The entire world's supply of saw palmetto berries is wild-harvested in Florida and southern Georgia. If you've been to Florida, you've seen saw palmetto. It is the most predominant plant species in the state. The plant management literature is on how to eradicate it.

Considered an important food source of pre-colonial native groups, the oily fruits are a good calorie source. They have a distinctive flavor, which was famously described as likened "to rotten cheese steeped in tobacco juice," in the most famous late 17th-century "captivity tract." The book, known as Dickenson's Journal and published in 1699, is entitled: "God's Protecting Providence Man's Surest Help and Defence in the times of the greatest difficulty and most Imminent danger Evidenced in the Remarkable Deliverance of divers Persons, from the devouring Waves of the Sea, amongst which they Suffered Shipwreck. And also from the more cruelly devouring jaws of the



inhumane Canibals of Florida. Faithfully related by one of the persons concerned therein, Jonathan Dickenson."

The 2015 saw palmetto conservation conundrum is that in 2012 the Florida Wildlife Commission declared the Florida subspecies of black bear as endangered. In 2015 the same entity declared it was time hunt those endangered black bears. As a presumed appeasement of conservation groups, the commission recently announced that it wouldn't issue permits for harvest of saw palmetto berries on state lands this year. Saw palmetto berries are a favorite food of black bears. Apparently they need to fatten them up before this fall's Florida black bear shooting bonanza. I hope the bear meat doesn't taste like rotten cheese steeped in tobacco juice, but maybe it will be a new cure for prostate problems.



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ultimate in water purification and is very affordable. Berkey systems are capable of purifying treated and untreated raw water from such sources as remote lakes, streams, stagnant ponds, etc. It is perfect for everyday use and a must in hostile environments where electricity, water pressure and/or treated water may not be available." Wellman can be reached at (479) 244-0818.

Another local company that has water filters for sale is Achord's Home Center. Achord's team leader Dan Halverson took the initiative to offer the Avanti Zero Waste filter because he felt it was something people in the community need.

"I went into it trying to keep an objective viewpoint on it, and educated myself about what filter we could get into the store," Halverson said. "I wanted to provide the community the option to filter fluoride out if they want to. Some folks think it is not that big of a deal, but for most of us, it is a big deal."

Halverson said his research indicated that reverse osmosis is the best way to remove all the contaminants in drinking water, but the downside is that it also takes out all the minerals.

"It is just a bummer we have to deal with this," he said. "Evidently the Carroll-Boone Water District was strong armed by

the state to require fluoridation. It wasn't broke before. Why are we trying to fix it?"

Halverson said an advantage of the Avanti tabletop filter is that it plugs into the wall and allows you to choose hot or cold water.

"The hot water button is a nice feature," he said. "All the insides are stainless steel. I have had a lot of interest. I've been trying to spread the word. We are trying to explore every avenue of getting the word out there."

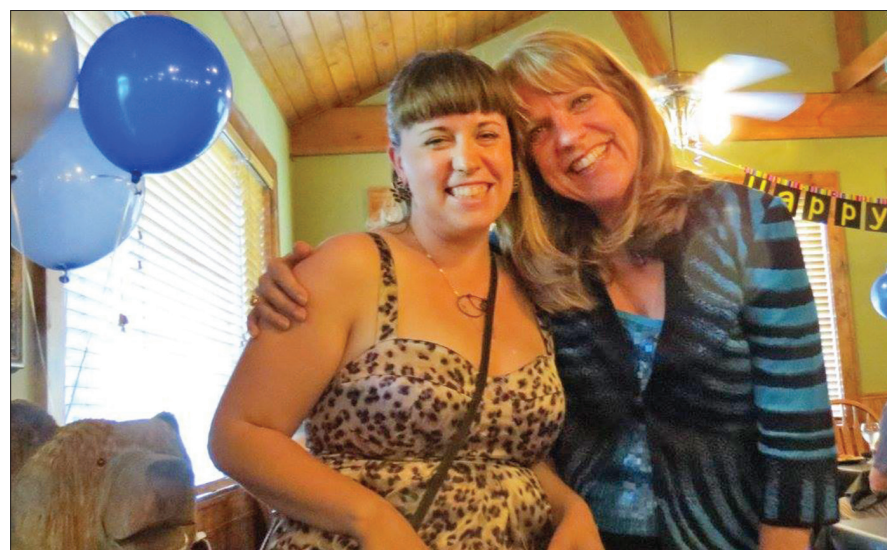
One disadvantage of tabletop filters is that you do have to plan ahead. The top element needs to be filled several hours before the drinking water is needed. A good plan can be to fill it each evening before going to bed. As with all filters, the elements need to be replaced regularly based on how many gallons of water are purified.

Some experts say the tabletop filters will reduce, but not completely eliminate, fluoride and other contaminants. To achieve the greatest reduction in pollutants, a reverse osmosis system can be used. This can be installed under the sink, with a new faucet at the sink added that contains the water that has been filtered through the reverse osmosis system. Reverse osmosis systems can be purchased online for less than as \$200. Reverse osmosis filters also must be replaced according to manufacturer's recommendations.

Turning your trash into treasure in your wallet

The signup deadline for this year's Yards & Yards of Yard sales is Monday, August 3 at noon. Make the most of your efforts through signing up and getting your spot on the official YYYS Map that is distributed throughout the town on the weekend of the sale. Stop by the Visitor Information Center at Pine Mountain Village and pay \$15, mark your spot and get your YYYS permit sign.

For more information call (479) 253-8737 or email holly@eurekaspringschamber.com or Facebook at Yards & Yards of Yard Sales of Eureka Springs. For advertisement and coupon opportunities call (479) 253-8373 or email terri@eurekaspringschamber.com.



Birthday Girl – ESSA Director Peggy Kjeldgaard (R) and Danielle James, ESSA's new Program Coordinator, manage to share a hug at the 60th Birthday bash hubby Roger threw for Peggy at Gaskins' Cabin Steakhouse July 27. A standing-room-only crowd showed up to celebrate.

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Beading in the Ozarks August 13 – 16

Melanie Potter, *Beadwork Magazine's* 2010 Designer of the Year; Jean Campbell, *Beadwork Magazine's* Designer of the Year 2009; and Betty Stephan, holder of several national beading contest awards including Fire Mountain Gems and Bead Dreams – three nationally-renowned instructors of the beading world – have created exclusive projects debuting at the 3rd Annual Beading in the Ozarks Retreat at the Inn of the Ozarks.

During the retreat beaders will recreate the projects and take home a beautiful piece of jewelry created in the fun atmosphere of camaraderie with other bead lovers. A special opening night gala event on Thursday includes a

catered gourmet dinner, wine bar and a live band.

In addition to daytime instruction from three rockin' bead artists, there will be an optional Friday evening class with artist/teacher, Sharon Wagner, using tiny Crystalett buttons. Kelli Burns of The Hole Bead Shop, well known in the beading pantheon, will teach an optional class on Saturday night. As a Starman Trendsetter Designer, Kelli is sent the newest Starman beads to use in designs for publication, and her optional class will feature a fantastic necklace design using the new O beads!

Get more info and sign up today at www.beadingintheozarks.com or contact Jeannine Rainone (469) 450-3723.

Eroica Trio returns One night only! August 29 at 7:30 p.m.

The three women who make up this celebrated ensemble: pianist Erika Nickrenz, violinist Sara Parkins and cellist Sara Sant'Ambrogio electrify the concert stage with their passionate performances and there's nothing like experiencing their infectious stage presence in person.

Sara Sant'Ambrosio charmed audiences here last year and brings the Eroica Trio back for more fun and to introduce the new Eureka Springs Into Music festival planned to debut in 2016 featuring a week of music and educational opportunities in schools and venues all around town.

The Trio shares their music with such verve and fun that Grand Marnier® even created a new cocktail dubbed "The Eroica" which was unveiled for the release of their *Pasión* recording; and Chateau Sainte Michelle, a vineyard in Seattle, also named one of its Gold Medal winning Reislings in honor of the Trio.

It's no wonder, because experiencing the Eroica Trio actually is like enjoying a bubbly glass of the best Champagne. Popping the cork in the Eureka Springs program will be JS Bach's *Chaconne* (one of the greatest masterpieces ever



written) as arranged for the Trio by 80s/90s pop icon, Art of Noise's Ann Dudley, and a rollicking joy ride of Café Music by Paul Schoenfield, plus sultry tangos and more. Curtain goes up at 7:30 p.m. in the city auditorium. Tickets from \$10 - \$45 can be purchased in advance at www.theaud.org or by calling (479) 253-7333.

Beat the August heat at ESSA

August 10-14

Picasso's "Lost Block" Printmaking/Jaimie Froelich

Learn to use Picasso's technique to design and execute several linoleum-cut prints. "Lost Block" printmaking produces vibrant contrast in prints, using the revolutionary, yet simple, method developed by Picasso in 1959.

Jaimie Froelich is presently a full time artist exploring monoprinting and painting. Her art is on display at the Eureka Gallery.

Powder Coating/Janet Alexander

A fun, fast paced workshop suitable for all level. Experiment and create pieces with application and manipulation techniques developed first-hand by artist Janet Alexander and bring away jewelry of your own imagination and creation. Powder Coating gives new life to traditional methods of surface decoration and texturing.

Janet Alexander was recently recognized as one of the "Top 10 artists to watch in Northwest Arkansas." Trained in the arts and in the highly technical field of architectural drafting, Janet mixes the spirits of both intuitive creation with scientific thoughtfulness. www.eurekajenet.com

Vacuum Lamination of Veneered Boxes/Doug Stowe

Make simple boxes and use vacuum lamination techniques and veneers to create beautifully patterned lids. Vacuum lamination provides an interesting way to bring beautiful colors and textures into box making. Use of thin veneers allows for the use of exotic materials in a thrifty manner.

Doug Stowe has been a professional woodworker since 1976, is the author of eight woodworking books and writes regularly for *Fine Woodworking* magazine. www.wisdomofhands.blogspot.com

Register now at www.ess-art.org or phone (479) 253-5384 to reserve your spot! Coming up soon!

August 17-21

Improving on Your Paintings/John Willer

Building/Using Hand Tools for Chasing and Repousse/Kirk Sullens (Aug. 16-22)

August 24-28

Beginning Acrylic Painting/Scott Wren

Calling all quilters

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

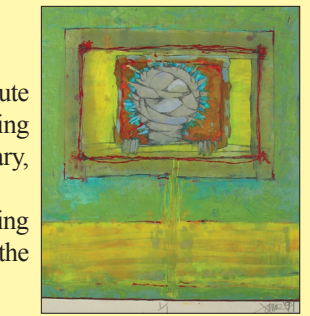
Cash prize Viewer's Choice awards will be given for first (\$50), second (\$35) and third (\$15) place winners in both new and antique quilt categories. Entry forms are available at the museum website, shilohmuseum.org or by calling (479) 750-8165. The Ozark Quilt Fair is sponsored by Arvest Bank.

Examining the human form at Brews

The Figure, a group art show that examines the human form will be on display at Brews through the end of August. Participating artists include Larry Mansker, Julie Kahn Valentine, John Willer, Carol Saari, JD Davis, Mary Smith, Jerri Stevens, Robert Beaufort, Stella Ipswitch, JR Jones, Cynthia Kresse, Sarah Scissors, Mary Springer, Drew Gentle and Dan Morris.

During the artist opening reception there will be special interactive performance performed by *Eve*, the original model and muse for many artists, both past and present.

The opening reception will be held Thursday, July 31 from 5 – 8 p.m. and all are welcome and encouraged to bring a paintbrush.



Leo Sun; Full Moon, Venus Retro in Leo; Saturn Direct

A complex week of planetary movements, challenges, demands, callings. We're in the time of Leo Sun. Leo – fixed fire, gold, the heart, generous, strong, noble, the king/queen, needs appreciation, praise from everyone in order to move forward. During Leo we gain a greater sense of self-identification by recognizing our creativity. It's therefore a perfect time for Venus retrograding in Leo. In Venus retrograde we review and re-assess values. Venus retro in Leo concerns our self as valuable, acknowledging

talents, gifts, abilities and offerings. **Friday**, Venus re-enters Leo (29 degrees, a critical degree] continuing the retrograde to 14 degrees Leo on Sept 6.

Friday (full moon) is also the (8 degrees) Leo solar festival, Festival of the Future. Leo is the heart of the Sun, the heart of all that matters. When attuned to this heart, we have understanding and inclusivity. The heart of the Lion is Mitra (think "Maitreya," the coming World Teacher). Leo prepares humanity to receive Divine Love from subtle sources and later to radiate that love to the

kingdoms. Sirius, Ray 2, where love originates streams through Regulus (heart of Leo), into the heart of Sun (Ray 2) and into all hearts. The heart of Leo is Regulus. Joining Venus, the love underlying all of creation appears.

Saturday is Sun/Neptune (confusion or devotion) with late night **Saturn turning stationary direct**. Ideas, plans and structures held long in abeyance (since March 14) slowly moves forward. (Read more on Leo and the week at www.nightlightnews.org/ & Risa D'Angeles FB page, accessed through my website.)

ARIES: A new and unusual era begins for you, including a new belief in yourself (gradually forming) and a new way of working in the world (also gradual). Careful of health and diet. Be regular with exercise, pure diet, minerals and vitamins. Sometimes fiery (and/or mutable) signs can't maintain a health regimen. However, they're vital to your present tasks, upcoming demands and essential to your longevity.

TAURUS: In so many ways you're becoming the fish (Pisces) of the zodiac. Some may find this disheartening. However, it's very special having Pisces

characteristics. Yes, it's difficult to see clearly, understand the world and to walk. Yes, you see other worlds and know only the moment is real. However, Pisces (and your) job description is the world savior. You understand differently.

GEMINI: The message each week focuses on the same information – that due to your participation in groups, both you and they increase in knowledge and in love. It's good to begin discriminating which groups are part of the New Group of World Servers and who are the people of Goodwill. Here is a clue. The NGWS and people of Goodwill create no separations. They are the world observers. They call to you.

CANCER: So many things are culminating for you, long held hopes and wishes are coming true and these will bring forth new opportunities, and a deeper love to give and receive. You often act alone, rarely asking for help. Where you find yourself now was achieved with assistance from others. Now new realities appear, new goals, hopes, wishes and dreams. And healing. Someone left. Someone appears.

LEO: In the next year your horizons will expand. You have travel fever and wanderlust, which means your life, is about to open up, your mind ready, willing and able to accept new realities. The next year should be a philosophical adventure. During the Venus retrograde you prepare for new relationships with new values. You remember wounds that dissolved relationships. You experience sadness. Then forgiveness. Happy birthday.

VIRGO: The keywords now for you – change, power, death, rebirth, reorientation, inheritance, wills, finances, shared resources. Some or all will come for a visit

at one time or another. All change can bring chaos, mayhem and disorder. Try not to misapply, misuse or abuse any of them or, like a serpent protecting itself, the bite is poisonous. You understand. Accept all that occurs as part of your life narrative. So interesting!

LIBRA: Good things will occur in the next year. Money and resources increase. These create new responsibilities. Sometimes, with money, we don't know what to do with it. It's important to share resources, to offer tithes to those in need. Does family need help? Begin there first. We

are given resources to assist each other. In the Venus retrograde (Venus is your personal planet) review dreams, wishes, hopes, fears, values and resources. What is given is returned ten-fold. Give forgiveness, too.

SCORPIO: In all things, especially food, diet, health and exercise there must be constancy and a rhythm created. Make sure food and drink placed in your body is pure. If not, over time health begins to fail. You have the ability to not let this occur. It's good to examine if your daily life choices are serving you. Are you helping others? Have the courage to change some life perceptions. The teacher nears.

SAGITTARIUS: You will have days in which everything's in a state of release, transformation, change, and then days of harmony, ease and blended realities. This tension will create the attention needed to create new things (artistic) and to express yourself differently. If a parent, you'll enhance and improve everything about and for your children (nieces, nephews, etc.). In between these high endeavors you realize the need for fun, beauty, love and pleasure. And something appearing

soon in the future.

CAPRICORN: At times being the parent or head of household or business will feel so vast you'll want to run away. Running is a good thing (for exercise, to win a race), but usually one must return home again. Everyone needs you. We know if you hear the words "needs you" again, you'll explode! You're restless for new realities, more psychological, physical and emotional room. What you also need is support from someone who truly believes in you. Where's your mommy?

AQUARIUS: You're busy learning new information (or seeking it out). It could be travel's happening soon. Over time the where will appear. Have you been or are you in contact with brothers and sisters, relatives, family? Whether relations with them are good or not, be more in touch. Don't expect anything in return. You need to encounter many things new. How do you learn best? Where would you like to be?

PISCES: You're on the very edge of things, waiting for new realities, learning to value yourself and asking how to use money appropriately. You want to begin something, or to end something. Most important is how you feel about yourself, which, in the past year, has been up and down. A change must occur, a resource, a save haven, a refuge. In Permaculture (observes living systems), "the most diversity exists at the edges... where change happens naturally." Remain at the edge.



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THURSDAY, JULY 30

BASIN PARK BALCONY – *Catherine Reed*, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – *The Camptown Ladies*, Americana, 9:30 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 – *DJ Karaoke with Kara*, 7 – 10 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 31

BASIN PARK BALCONY – *Hawgscalders*, Folk, 12 and 6 p.m.
CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Chris Harp*, Singer/Songwriter, 8 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – *Opal Agafia*, Folk, 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 – *Dusty Pearls*, Americana, 6 – 10 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER – *221 Band*, Rock, 8 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Austin Cobb Trio*, Rock, 9 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

BASIN PARK – *Drumming in the Park*, 6 p.m.
BASIN PARK BALCONY – *James White*, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m.
BREWS – *Melissa Carper and Rebecca Patek*, Americana, 7 – 10 p.m.
CATHOUSE LOUNGE – *Opal Agafia and the Sweet Nothings*, Folk, 8 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – *The Homewreckers*, Blues, 8 p.m.



Dusty Pearls plays New Delhi, Friday, July 31 from 6-10 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.
LE STICK – *Pete "Rock" Maiella*, Singer/Songwriter, 8 p.m.
NEW DELHI – *Pete and Dave*, Folk, 6 – 10 p.m.
PINE MOUNTAIN AMP – *Brick Fields and the Chosen Ones*, Folk, 12 – 3 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER – *North of Forty*, Rock, 8 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – *Blackwater Acoustic*, Rock, 9 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

BASIN PARK BALCONY – *Michael*

Dimitri, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m.,
Pearl Brick, 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, 1 – 5 p.m.

MONDAY, AUGUST 3

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4

CHELSEA'S – *Open Mic*

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

BREWS – *Open Mic Human Experience*, 7 – 10 p.m.
LEGENDS SALOON – *DJ Karaoke with Lita*, 8 p.m.

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



I'm really struggling to get over my divorce. I never saw it coming. I've had some rough patches in life but once I got married I put everything I had into it for 10 years. I treated her like a queen but was never appreciated. It was all about her. My needs were irrelevant. Why is this so painful when it wasn't even a fulfilling relationship for me?

Apparently wives leaving husbands abruptly and with no warning signs to speak of, is quite a phenomenon. Who knew? But what's trending in marriage today really isn't the issue. The real issue is why in God's good name did you stay for so long?

Well, that could be one answer, God.

For better or worse, spiritual commitment holds many victims far beyond their relationships' natural expiration date.

Then there's the devil. The one you know. No matter how bad it feels there is comfort in the familiar and predictable. It's not rational. It's Fear. The irrational fear of being alone traps many. Staying in an unhappy relationship will keep you from being alone but it most assuredly won't keep you from being dismally lonely.

Perhaps it was the children, the stuff or time invested that kept you in – well past overdue. Perhaps you were in love with the fantasy of your relationship as opposed to the reality of it. Maybe you have an uncanny ability to distort the

future and it was simply the potential you saw that kept you imprisoned in relationship hell.

Truth is, we stay in bad relationships because they serve a purpose. Yes, you got something out of it. I hear the protest, "but I gave everything and got nothing." Not true, you're human and we are by nature self-serving.

You mentioned rough spots in your life previous to marriage. Maybe being a good man in your marriage allowed you to atone for previous failures. Did it feel good to finally be doing right and admired for it? While your wife's admiration was null, there were surely others who witnessed your valiant efforts to please her.

Grieve, then let go. Be confident in your capacity to love. Never again work relentlessly to "qualify" for another's love. It doesn't work. Expect to be loved exactly as you are and you will be.

Questions? Email leslie@esindependent.com. Leslie Meeker, M.A., L.P.C., is a psychotherapist who has specialized in relational and sex therapy, sexual compulsivity and sexual trauma for the past 16 years, after receiving extensive training in human sexuality at the Masters and Johnson Institute in St. Louis, Mo.

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the city.

Ragsdell repeated his opinion the Auditorium would have a better chance at being self-sustaining if it were run by an Auditorium Commission. He pointed out the facility was financed for more than 30 years by a city sales tax which was eventually diverted to infrastructure concerns. He stated it is not set up now to bring enough visitors to town to ever be a moneymaker.

McClung replied, "We don't have much choice. We do the best we can and it will never make enough money."

Technical director Ron Sumner commented, "The nightly show market is dropping."

"But concert business is strong," McClung replied. He suggested having a series of \$10 shows with local talent and draw smaller crowds but keeping the facility active.

Former Mayor Beau Satori told commissioners the CAPC was created to run the Auditorium, and he is seeing a current attitude to get away from it. He encouraged them to see the Auditorium as an opportunity, and suggested they stage rock shows in the downstairs space, for example, and have dancing every month.

McClung said the problem has always been committing to pay the talent and hoping the audience will come. The advantage of a commission is it would be a group focused just on making the Auditorium a success that, as he sees it, is not the job of an advertising and promotion commission.

Maloney said maybe the time has come to try again to establish an Aud commission, which will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, August 12, at 6 p.m.

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greatly even within the city limits of Eureka Springs, let alone the wider area.

"I want people to know they shouldn't rely solely on my posts, especially during critical weather situations," he said. "The National Weather Service (NWS) is on duty 24/7, and they have resources and expertise to issue timely emergency-related information."

Lau-Sed lives on Holiday Island and has a weather station that gathers information about temperature, wind speed and direction, and the amount of rainfall. His station's data is available on Weather Underground.

"Weather Underground has a lot of good displays and easy-to-find historical information you won't get on the NWS," Lau-Sed said. "There are some great bloggers on there, and overall it's a very user-friendly site."

He had this to say about the proliferation of weather apps: "One of the newer issues people need to be aware of is the limitation of smartphone apps that offer local weather predictions. Often these are based off one computer model and are issued verbatim without taking into account local anomalies or human interpretation. Many apps cover the entire U.S., giving away the information for free by subsidizing it with advertisements. They can't afford to zero in nearly as closely as someone like the NWS, which actually does a really good job. The Weather Channel also does a great job. There was a study done of which service was the most accurate, and the Weather Channel and National Weather Service ranked near the top."

"I love Arkansas weather. We have amazingly diverse and interesting weather

in all four seasons. We're subject to the incursions of many climate types, unlike a more stable location like the desert Southwest."

Several times this year there have been unusually heavy rainfalls, such as nearly eight inches of rain the week of July 5. NWS had predicted a potential for three- to five-inch rainfalls, with pockets of up to ten inches.

Lau-Sed attributes this summer's unusual rainfall amounts to the fact that the season has lacked the typical strong high-pressure area that dominates the Southern Plains and Ozarks, warding off cold fronts and moisture incursion from Pacific. Lau-Sed said that this year, presumably because of the strong warming of the eastern Pacific and the El Niño effect, cold fronts have been able to regularly suppress the high pressure area.

"As a result, we're in a battleground between the warm high-pressure area to the south and the incursion of moisture off the Pacific and cooler air from Canada," Lau-Sed explained. "We are at the boundary where there's the heaviest precipitation. Typically, it sets up well to the north of us this time of year. When conditions are really favorable for heavy rains, it isn't going to be distributed evenly. That's what makes forecasting those types of events very difficult. You just have to highlight the potential, and go from there. As I recall, the heaviest rain fell not when expected in the middle of that weather system. Instead, we got heavier amounts in the beginning and end."

One thing that makes long- and short-range predictions difficult is all the holes in data reporting. While

there's more data available than ever in history, there are still large holes over the ocean, which takes up three quarters of the planet.

"That's one of the reasons long-range forecasting is so difficult, because a lot of our weather originates in the Pacific where there's not much reporting," he said.

Interviewed a week before publication of this article, Lau-Sed said the area was about to end up in a similar weather pattern as in early July, but predicted the area wouldn't get a massive amount of rain like before. However, he said we could easily get a couple of inches, which turned out to be close to what fell.

"It appears the long-range pattern is for us to be cooler and wetter than normal for the rest of the summer," he said. "And it's still pretty hot. We aren't going to be wearing sweaters in August, but it looks like one of those summers where we will get rain on a regular basis."

On the subject of climate change, Lau-Sed said there's no doubt the planet is warming up, but doesn't believe it is known whether that's completely caused by humans.

"Do humans contribute to it?" he asked. "Of course. The extent to which we do is hard to know, and unfortunately the discussion on the matter has become entangled in politics. As far as the future goes, that's difficult to predict. It's unlikely, but we could turn and go into a period of planetary cooling as part of a natural cycle. We barely know mechanisms for a summer thunderstorm, let alone planetary processes that evolve over decades. Nonetheless, it behooves us to do what we can to treat the planet better, no matter what."

DEPARTURES

Kenneth Michael McCoy May 26, 1948 – July 15, 2015

Kenneth Michael McCoy, a resident of Berryville, Ark., was born May 26, 1948 in Whittier, Calif., a son of Robert and Virginia (Briano) McCoy. He departed this life Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at age 67.

Ken is survived by his wife, Diane Murphy, his daughters Lisa, Sandi and Amy, his grandchildren Madi, Megan, Mya, Breely and Aubren, his stepsons Rick and Joey, his siblings Laurie Kilgore and Randy, his mother, Virginia, and a host of other family, friends, and loved ones.

Ken served two tours in Vietnam as a Navy Seabee. He was a general contractor and business owner in Eureka Springs.

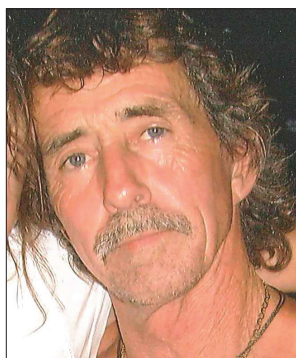
He left us way too soon but he went on his way with adventure in his heart and his hiking poles in his hands.

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Jimmy Ray Howard August 29, 1951 – July 17, 2015

Jimmy Ray Howard, a resident of Berryville, Ark., was born August 29, 1951 in Rudd, Ark. a son of Steve C. and Zella (McKinney) Howard. He departed this life Friday, July 17, 2015 in Fayetteville, Ark., at age 63.



He is survived by son, Cody Ray Howard of Berryville, Ark.; daughter, Missy Keya Howard of Berryville; brother, Jerry and wife, Sue Howard, of several nieces and nephews and host of

Berryville; five sisters, Ima Lou Warren of Berryville; Judy and husband, Glenn Faulkner, of Prairie Grove, Ark.; Loretta and husband, J.R. Littrell, of Hindsville, Ark.; Grace and husband LeRoy Alexander of Berlin, Ark.; two sisters-in-law, Gail Howard and Ruby Howard; one brother-in-law, Eugene Webb; four grandchildren and one great grandchild;

other relatives and friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Debi Dooty; three brothers and three sisters.

Memorial services will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be

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Michael Leroy Gwinup July 9, 1950 – July 24, 2015

Michael Leroy Gwinup of Berryville, Ark., was born July 9, 1950 in Shreveport, La., a son of Arthur Alexander and Virginia May (Woods) Geist. He departed this life Friday, July 24, 2015 in his home in Berryville, at age 65.

Michael worked in the construction industry.

He is survived by ex-wife, Charlene Goforth of Berryville, Ark.; two sons, Lloyd Gwinup and companion, Val Webb, of Berryville, and Christopher Gwinup and wife, Keara, of Springfield, Mo.; one daughter, Ashley Gwinup and companion, Casey Honaker, of Bentonville, Ark.; 11 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; two brothers, Kenneth Geist of Delta, Colo., and David Geist of Hotchkiss, Colo.; one sister, Augusta Geist of Eckert, Colo.; and a host of other family, friends, and loved ones.

Michael was preceded in death by his parents; grandparents; one son, Michael Gwinup; one sister, Dalene Keeland; two grandchildren, Andrew Michael Gwinup Honaker and Alexis Barrera.

A celebration of life dinner will be held at the home of Charlene Goforth, 1108 East College, Berryville, Ark., 72616 at 10 a.m. on Sunday, August 2, 2015. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service. Memorial Donations may be made to First National Bank c/o Keara Gwinup. Online condolences may be sent to the family at nelsonfuneral.com. © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2015

Barbara Jean Jayroe March 7, 1950 – July 25, 2015

Barbara Jean Jayroe of Holiday Island, Ark., was born March 7, 1950 in Harper, Kan., a daughter of James Ellis, Sr., and Joyce Phye. She departed this life Saturday, July 25, 2015 in her home in Holiday Island, at age 65.

Barbara worked as a cook at a hospital in Kansas for many years. She was an avid reader and crocheter.

In August 1991 she was united in marriage with Thomas Jayroe, who survives her of the home. She is also survived by one son, Andy Jayroe of Holiday Island; one daughter, Amanda

and husband, Jesse Agresto, of Eureka Springs, Ark.; one brother, James Ellis of Hutchinson, Kan.; one sister; 10 grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; and a host of friends and loved ones.

Barbara was preceded in death by her parents.

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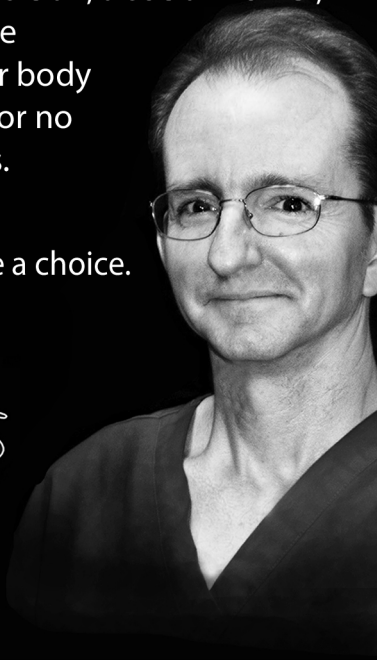
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Eureka Live Underground's Café Mundi in the patio beer garden offers specialty coffees beginning at 9 a.m. and delicious food from 11 a.m. – 10 p.m. (4 p.m. on Sunday). The Walk of Shame Bloody Mary Bar in the patio opens at 9 a.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday – then the fun goes underground at 5 with dancing, drag shows (\$10 cash cover) and DJ Inferno Friday and Saturday from 9 p.m. – 1:30 a.m., and DJ/Karaoke Sunday, 7 – 11 p.m.

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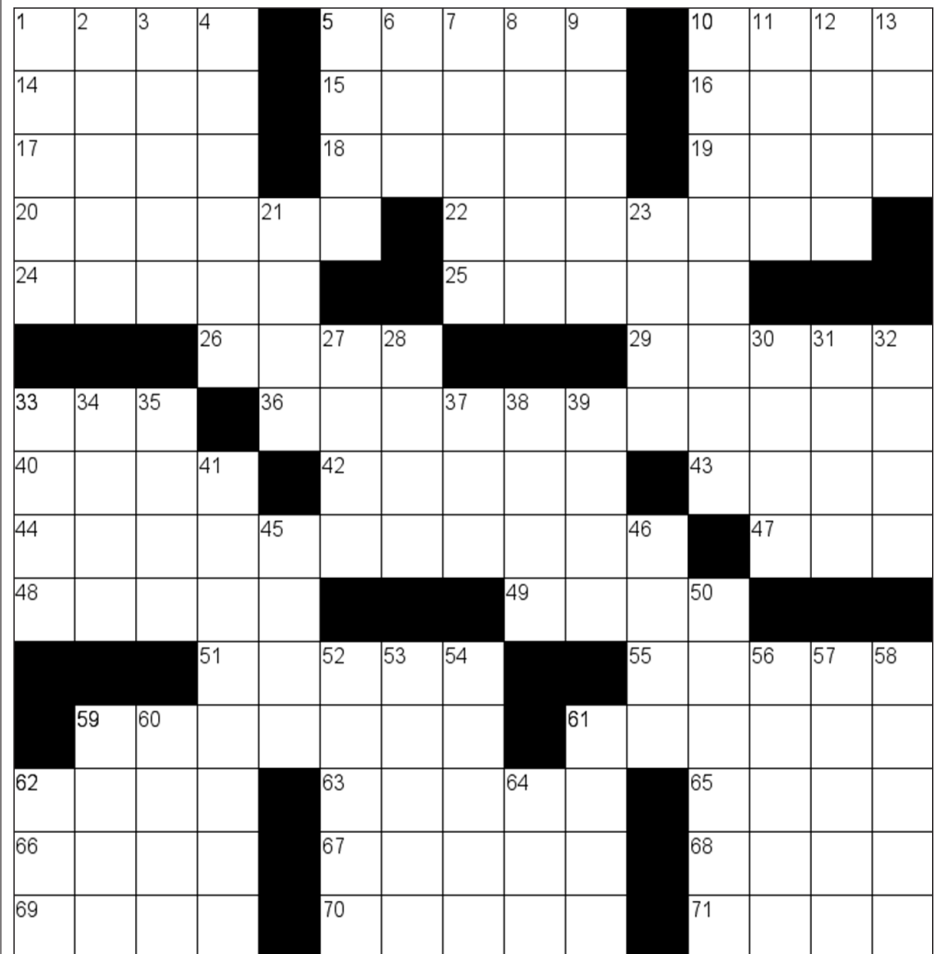
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by Mike Boian

Solution on page 23



ACROSS

- 1/8 of a gallon
- Implements
- Walk in a sluggish way
- Concept
- Abraham's spouse
- Hindu music type
- Gingrich
- Actively burning
- Half of all numbers
- Island with colossal carved heads
- Supervise
- In a sneaky way
- Nasal passages
- Shocking fish
- Doctor's aide
- ___ Darya, central Asian river
- Take apart
- For fear that
- Implied
- Black
- Grand contest
- Airline information
- Senior
- Several female sheep
- More recent
- IRS action
- Shoulder blade
- To wager

- Den, Netherlands
- Type of flush
- Benedict's breakfast
- Fairy tale monster
- Overripen
- Hilarious person
- Equal
- Watches the flock
- Second level testing

DOWN

- Wishes for
- Perfect
- Filled with information
- Tell the teacher
- Old Russian ruler
- Stupid, clumsy person
- Hunter in the skies
- Newly hatched insect
- See through garment
- Psychological weight
- Wash
- Architectural double curve
- Roseanne's TV husband
- Inspected visually
- Monthly payment
- Permits
- Ella's forte
- Bumpkin
- Glaswegian
- Homophone for Aetna
- Too
- Whimper
- Not new
- Andean perennial plant
- Tiger Woods's main sponsor
- Worry or fret
- Commonly difficult child
- Get ready
- Line formed by abutting edges
- Outstanding
- Sausage
- Sneak away to marry
- Synthetic fiber
- Stray calf
- Gold bar
- Outer coat of a seed
- Parsley, rosemary and thyme's missing link
- Show concern or interest
- Physical problems
- Short flight
- Help

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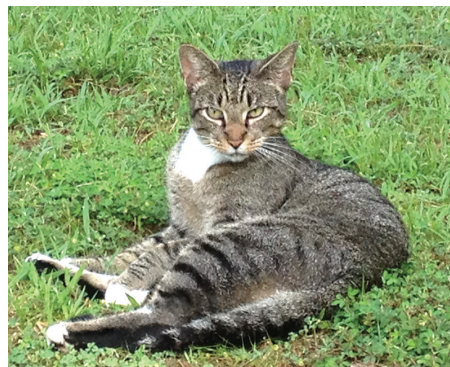
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Each donation will be awarded LifePoints as a part of CBCO's donor rewards program. LifePoints may be redeemed online for a variety of gift cards or points may be assigned to other meaningful causes or charities.

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

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 or contact gmjar@outlook.com.

Carroll County Music Group Meeting

The Carroll County Music Group will hold its annual membership lunch meeting on Sunday, August 16 at 1 p.m. at the Island Pizza \$ Pub. The meeting ends with a musical program. The public is invited. RSVP by August 8. Call Mary Dolce at (479) 253-4939 to make a reservation or to gather more information about the meeting.



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