



## Hospital – not yet New clinic – sure bet

BECKY GILLETTE

Is Allegiance Health Management, which is under contract to operate the Eureka Springs Hospital (ESH), going to build a new hospital or not? That was the question asked by members of the community and the hospital commission at the August 17 meeting.

Allegiance agreed to build a new hospital when it took over management of ESH. The city passed a bond issue to provide water and sewer services to property on US62 west that Allegiance has under contract to purchase for construction of a new hospital. But the deadline for those bonds being issued has passed without action towards construction.

“We have been waiting eight years for Allegiance to do something, and there is nothing that the public can see,” commissioner Anna Ahlman said. “The public needs to see that something is happening. Nothing ever happens. It is frustrating for the public and frustrating for us.”

Commissioner Mary Jean Sell wants Allegiance to make up its mind. “I wish they would say if they are building a new hospital or not,” Sell said. “There are in essence stringing us along. It has been agonizing.”

Sell said most people in their hearts probably know that a

“The public needs to see that something is happening.”

– Commissioner Anna Ahlman

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**Cutups** – Karen Pryor and Rick Bright look a little too eager to perform surgery on that uncut watermelon. The two fruit surgeons used an array of big scalpels to carve out some fine fillets of watermelon to serve at the Bluegrass Weekends Watermelon Social on Thursday.

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### This Week's INDEPENDENT Thinker

“As an African-American kid growing up in the inner city, you don't really think past high school because it's not possible.” LeBron James is a big deal in several ways – he's 6'8" tall and weighs 113 kg. Mr. Basketball has stardom, endorsements, lots of money and a goodly amount of notoriety. What's he doing with it?



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James is providing college scholarships to the University of Akron for 7<sup>th</sup> graders from Akron public schools, that's what. The LeBron James Family Foundation will fund full college tuition for students who complete the foundation's academic and attendance requirements. So for kids in 7<sup>th</sup> grade in Akron, Ohio, who start college in 2021, 1,100 are eligible to make this work for them.

Seems to us that's so generous his three-pointers should be worth four.

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new \$18-million hospital is not likely to be built.

Vicki Andert, chief nursing officer at the hospital, said while she has no firm news about construction of a new hospital, local hospital employees are working hard to make it profitable for Allegiance to stay in the community.

Andert said Allegiance is looking at options for improving local healthcare that include alternatives other than building a new hospital, and making the kind of investments in services that make it more likely Allegiance continues to manage the hospital when its current contract with the city is up in 26 months.

“That is exactly what we want to hear,” commission chair Michael Merry said.

Andert reported revenues are up due to seeing a “vast” improvement in the patient census, particularly the swing bed program that allows frail and disabled people to receive long-term care in the hospital. And they have seen a 200 percent jump in use of an intensive outpatient psychiatric program for seniors called Inspirations located in the same building as the Washington Regional Eureka Springs Family Clinic on Passion Play Road.

#### **No hospital yet, but...**

Allegiance Health is planning to open a new family medical clinic October 1 in Eastgate Center at the intersection of Passion Play Road and US 62.

“Dr. Chris Baranyk is coming from Alaska and looking to purchase a home here for his family,” Andert said. “He will fit well into the lifestyle here. He is into farming and goats. He has a vast medical background from being in the military, and is used to doing everything. He is going to be a

real go-getter. The clinic is scheduled to open October 1. We are all busy trying to get the new clinic open. It is located in a previous clinic location, so this is a good fit.”

“It sounds like Allegiance wants to stay,” Merry said. “There are a lot of retired military people in the area. So having a military doctor come here will go over big. A lot of people were worried about losing their doctor when Doctors Dan Bell and Craig Milam retired. So this will be good news.”

#### **Topping the hospital**

The board also questioned Andert about who is paying for a new roof currently being installed at the hospital. Andert said the roof was damaged in a hailstorm earlier this year, and replacement cost is being paid for by insurance.

“After the storm, there were places in the attic where we could see the sky through the roof,” Andert said. “We found a local company to replace the roof. We are always glad to be able to use a local company.”

Andert said she couldn’t speak officially for Allegiance, but her personal opinion is that the community can look forward to having the company continue to manage the hospital for a long time.

“The city and this board have gone as far with the new hospital proposal as we can,” Merry said. “A new hospital is not impossible, but responses we have received indicate it has been put on the shelf until further notice.”

Merry said the next presidential election outcome would have a big impact on healthcare in the U.S. He said rural hospitals could mainly become triage centers that stabilize patients before sending them on to larger facilities.

“Rural healthcare will have to take a back seat because they are going to have to cut costs to keep everyone insured,” Merry said.



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## Eureka Springs part of new NWA Film Commission

NICKY BOYETTE

In the Executive Director's report, Mike Maloney told the City Advertising and Promotion Commission (CAPC) on August 12 that representatives from Eureka Springs, Hot Springs, Fayetteville, Rogers, Springdale and Bentonville met with Arkansas Film Commissioner Christopher Crane to begin development of the Northwest Arkansas Film Commission.

Maloney said the goal was to gauge interest in a cooperative effort to boost economic development by attracting the motion picture industry to make movies in the area. Representatives liked the idea and agreed to another meeting to settle organizational aspects such as the IRS status and composition of the board, as well as developing non-competing schedules for the regional film festivals and identifying local assets and support services.

That second meeting occurred August 10, with an attorney clarifying points regarding different nonprofit classifications. The next meeting will be in September and they will focus on a budget.

Maloney also mentioned a scout for a film crew has already checked out Eureka Springs and there likely will be a film crew of 150 people in the area for six weeks next spring buying meals and supplies and staying locally for more than a month. He said the local tax incentive helped bring the project to town.

Also, a crew from Arkansas Parks & Tourism spent a half-day here in July shooting still shots and video for their 2016 print and television ad campaigns.

Maloney detailed other CAPC marketing efforts, including geofencing targeted areas, autumn ads on cable television, print ads of the upcoming musical festivals, the rotating billboard on I-49, and regional radio spots promoting the music festivals. Maloney is also employing a precision digital marketing campaign until the end of September in Arkansas, Missouri and Oklahoma. Print media with Eureka Springs ads include *Select Traveler*, *Northwest Arkansas Life*, *Missouri Life* and *Tulsa World*.

He has learned the state is launching a statewide lodging campaign called "Barkansas!" in an effort to attract visitors with pets to the state. Maloney commented, "Eureka Springs might lead the list as there are several pages of pet-friendly lodgings."

Maloney said the usual number of hits on the eureka springs.org site is nearly 1,500, but the day after *The Daily Show* episode featuring Eureka Springs there were 3,296 visits.

He also said he has been warned Fayetteville has no more vacancies during the Bikes, Blues & Barbecue weekend Sept. 23-26, so Eureka Springs should prepare for some of the overflow.

### CISION decision

Maloney told commissioners CISION is a press release monitoring service which not only tracks news items generated about Eureka Springs the town might not know about otherwise, but also very quickly computes the media value of the news item.

In other words, he asked, how much would the CAPC have to pay to get that exposure? He said the city got a big spike from *The Daily Show* episode, and estimates the public relations value would be six figures, maybe more.

Maloney said having that kind of information from CISION would be a valuable indicator for evaluating ad

placement strategy.

Chair Charles Ragsdell said CISION has 1.5 million media contacts around the world and is always watching them. Their research can give the CAPC a snapshot of which press releases bore fruit.

Maloney said he had been working with 121 Digital Marketing as a distributor of press releases, but effectiveness of their distribution strategy has waned, so he allowed that part of their contract to expire. The money saved is almost equal to the cost of the CISION annual cost of \$6,600.

Vote to approve a year contract with CISION was unanimous.

### Show us the money

Finance Director Rick Bright said he has not seen any dollars from Lovin' Every Minute since the show closed and left town. Promoter Bob Nichols of SSK Entertainment owes the CAPC his \$10,000 deposit, according to the contract, because the show closed in July instead of running through December and therefore did not successfully complete the contract. Bright said SSK representatives are still talking to him, but payment keeps being postponed.

Commissioners agreed staff should send a certified letter to Nichols reminding him in writing of the terms of the contract and stating terms for repayment.

### Other items

- Bright also told the commission that year-to-date tax receipts through the end of June are up 7.5 percent even though five large motels are delinquent.

- The commission declined the opportunity to pay \$5000 along with four other area cities to participate in an upcoming Governor's Image Book. Ragsdell noticed the book will be used to promote economic development and not as a tool to entice visitors to come here, so participation by the CAPC would be inappropriate. Commissioners declined the invitation.

- Commissioners set the next workshop on Wednesday, August 26, for discussion of whether to establish an Auditorium Commission. Ragsdell invited the public to attend and said the meeting would be held at the Auditorium.

Next workshop will be Wednesday, August 26, at 4 p.m., at the Auditorium. Next regular meeting will be Wednesday, Sept. 9, at 6 p.m.

## Comments on Butler Hollow Project new alternatives

Mark Twain National Forest's Ava-Cassville-Willow Springs Ranger District is looking for additional feedback on the proposed Butler Hollow Project.

The proposed Butler Hollow Project is needed to address declines in forest health and native plant communities. The revised public comment package describes the alternatives as amended in response to public comments.

Information on the Butler Hollow Project is available at [www.fs.usda.gov/goto/mtnf/projects](http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/mtnf/projects). For hardcover of the revised comment package contact Allen Weathersbee at (417) 683-4428 ext. 131 or email [aaweathersbee@fs.fed.us](mailto:aaweathersbee@fs.fed.us).

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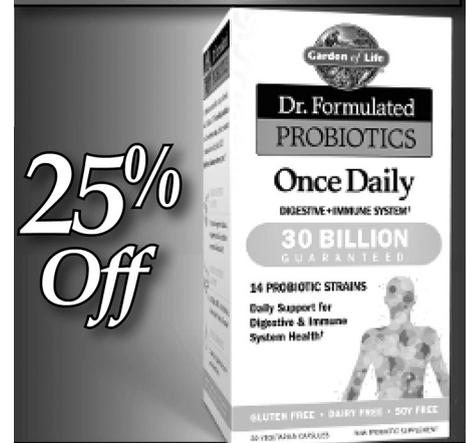
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## Court agreement sends Yao to anger management

### ESI STAFF

Angelo Yao was a downtown bicycle-riding traffic cop for 12 years before being fired for charges of domestic assault. Earlier this year, Yao pressed for a jury trial to hear his appeal after pleading no contest to domestic violence charges. But the jury trial set for July 17 was dropped in return for Yao's agreement to take an anger management course and not violate the two-year protection agreement in place for the family. The state retains the right to proceed with different sentencing if there are any problems within that time.

Police reports at the time of the incident in March 2014 said Yao broke down the back door of the home of his estranged wife, Jennifer Clay, and their children and put a friend and an adult relative of Clay into headlocks, slamming them into sheetrock hard enough to break the sheetrock. He was also accused of pushing Clay down. Yao was charged

with third degree assault on a family or household member, public intoxication, criminal mischief, and two charges of third degree battery. He also was charged with endangering the welfare of a minor, and three charges of terroristic threatening.

Police Chief Earl Hyatt fired Yao, saying, "We cannot tolerate domestic violence under any circumstances."

At a preliminary hearing earlier this year, Yao said he wanted a jury trial so the community would get to hear his side of the story. Instead, the diversion agreement was approved by the court.

"This was the right solution for everyone involved, especially Angelo and his family," said Yao's attorney, Chris Flanagan. "A trial setting would not have helped the family come back together, and that was the most important thing to

Angelo."

Supporters of domestic violence victims were critical of the closed-door agreement, which did not include consultation with the alleged victims or any significant penalty for Yao for an incident that caused physical and emotional harm to the victims. At the earlier proceedings in January, advocates for domestic violence victims said Carroll County needs zero tolerance for domestic violence.

An organizer for the Carroll Safety Network and Purple Flower Domestic Violence Resource and Support Center of Carroll County said there is a tendency in the community to not consider domestic violence a crime. She insisted all domestic violence is a crime and non-negotiable.

## Buddhist study group and reading

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 August 20 at 4 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways in the Christian Science Church at 68 Mountain Street. Anyone is welcome to attend.

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**Scouting for leaders** – Justin Emert, 16, a student at Eureka Springs High School, was chosen by his Scout leader, Bruce Bieschke, to attend the National Youth Leadership Training in Booneville, Ark., last year. This year, Justin was selected to attend the NYLT camp in Jasper, Ark., as a Scout Staff Leader. "The camp is designed to turn a promising leader into a great leader, and Justin is just such a boy," Bieschke, said. "He came back energized, more mature, and full of confidence."

## Winrock grant to aid economic development

NICKY BOYETTE

Sandy Martin, chair of the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Development, announced at the August 12 meeting Eureka Springs will be involved in creation of the Northwest Arkansas Film Association which she said was "all about economic development." The goal is to bring more film shoots to the area because they can boost the local tax base.

Martin also announced there would be a film crew shooting a movie in town next spring. She could not provide details except that the budget for the film is \$2 million, and two other companies are considering making films here.

She said this will be the first regional commission in the state, and one long-term goal will be to identify all local unique or picturesque locations where filmmakers can tell their tales. She commented it helps that Eureka Springs offers incentives for producers who make films here.

Martin also told the group the contract with the Winrock Foundation for a \$249,960 grant has been signed. The funds are for capacity and economic development in Eureka Springs and Berryville, and Martin said the intent is to bring in professionals who will provide research and guidance needed to move beyond barriers to economic growth.

"We'll get a lot of information in a short time and they'll link us with money sources," Martin said. She said the city would get an analysis of its retail industry, for example, as

well as advice for attracting new businesses and identifying which ones would fit in well.

One industry Martin mentioned as an attractive target would be a career academy like Pea Ridge Manufacturing and Business Academy or the Mountain Home High School Career Academy where students focus on communication arts and the health and human services fields. She said corporate support would be vital to setting up such an academy.

Mayor Butch Berry added these academies are part of school districts and they train students for higher paying introductory positions. He suggested Eureka Springs could work with Green Forest and Berryville to create one cooperatively, possibly at a site in Berryville, or each city could create its own. He proposed hospitality and culinary pursuits as likely courses of study.

Martin said the goal is to make the county stronger. Damon Henke, interim director of the Chamber of Commerce, followed that if the entire county were in the conversation, he sees western Carroll County near Beaver Lake as a prime location for a Big Cedar type of lodging attraction to bring in upper scale tourists. East of Eureka Springs would work better for commercial development. Regardless, Henke contended the city must also focus on filling in vacant spaces downtown and make the highway commercial area more attractive to visitors.

Alderman Terry McClung agreed business along the

highway is way down. He contended potential investors might balk at moving to a town with empty buildings where tourist numbers are down. He acknowledged the town needs some kind of light industry, "but how do you get them here? It's hard to offer much in incentives."

Berry answered, "Hopefully the study will tell us."

Henke observed it matters what kind of jobs are provided by the new industries. Tech jobs, for example, would pay people enough to buy a home. Other industries might not, and many companies need closer access to an airport.

Martin interjected it appeared, though not confirmed, Carroll County Airport will get the grant it needs to extend its runway to 5000 feet, which opens up the airport to larger planes, even small jets. Then, Martin said, small freight planes could work out of CCA.

Berry mentioned another alternative industry would be an educational facility such as a fine arts or culinary school. Martin pointed out there is far more depth to those institutes than is generally understood. McClung countered, "But what can we give them to entice them?"

Rick Bright, finance director for the City Advertising and Promotion Commission, stated, "Right now, I would not want to bring a \$2 million business here with the shows closed and the Great Passion Play not doing well."

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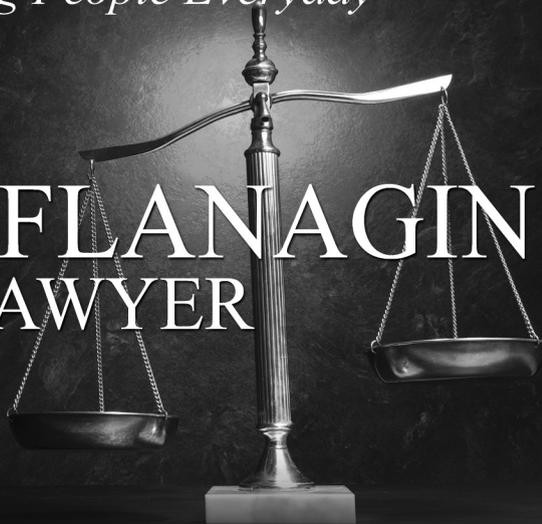
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Frank Egan, who for years has hauled thousands of gallons of water to keep his organic farm hydrated, received a grant for a deep well and drip irrigation pipes. Egan sells produce at the Eureka Springs Farmers' Market on Tuesdays and Thursdays.



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## Grant money equips organic farmer

BECKY GILLETTE

Critics of U.S. farm policy have protested that billions of government subsidies are handed out to grow genetically modified organism (GMO) corn and soy used to produce high fructose corn syrup and animal feed, yet only a pittance goes to subsidize farmers to produce organic fruits and vegetables.

But organic grower Frank Egan of Busch has been successful in applying for grants through the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Environmental Quality Incentive Plan (EQIP) program that have allowed him to move forward providing organic fruits and vegetables in Carroll County.

NRCS District Conservationist Kristin Whittmore of Berryville said Egan participated in the EQIP program under the Farm Bill for a program that helped him get certified organic and also install a well and pipeline for irrigation.

"EQIP is a great way for farmers to improve their operation and become more conservation friendly," Whittmore said. "We cover a lot of areas, and if anyone is

interested in signing up for this program, they need to come in to the local office in Berryville and fill out an application. The new year starts October 1, so applications considered for FY2016 need to be in by then."

Egan considers himself a channel for passing along healthier foods to people.

"We are the conduits for superior food via granting funds," he said. "By the USDA creating programs for organic farmers, the farmers become conduits for funds that sustain the workers' jobs, bring funds to each community that are turned over many times, and most important, provide better health in our communities and confidence in our customers.

"Many traditional growers are finding themselves increasingly burdened with decreasing yields from the use of conventional chemical fertilizers and pesticides," Egan said. "More and more of these conventional farmers are finding that although they may expend more labor and have less yield with organic growing, the added value for their product and profit

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## Woodpecker rebellion

“WE CANNOT SOLVE OUR PROBLEMS WITH THE SAME THINKING WE USED WHEN WE CREATED THEM.” ALBERT EINSTEIN

Our environment has been the victim of all sorts of attacks. Some are natural, such as hurricanes and earthquakes, but many environmental attacks are man-made such as wars, explosions, chemical spills, etc., and with them come heavy price tags.

### Ecology and Economy

Ecology looks at how fast we generate waste and consume natural resources, compared to how fast nature can absorb our waste and generate new resources. Clean air, clean water, forests, cropland, fisheries and other natural resources are impacted by global climate change. Extreme droughts, floods, storms and other environmental conditions impact public health, insect infestation and wildfires. A healthy economy depends on a healthy ecology. Our priorities need to change.

### Carbon Deficit

Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) is the primary greenhouse gas emitted through human activities. The two main sources of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are the combustion of fossil fuels in power plants, and transportation. In the U.S. CO<sub>2</sub> accounts for 82 percent of all U.S. man-made greenhouse gas emissions.

### What can we do to deal with our new climate?

Man-made climate change is not going to be solved by signing petitions asking Congress to do the right thing. It is important to voice our opinion, but experience says that is not enough.

Man-made is a term we hear all the time. Who is the man making all these terrible changes? We all are. The population in the U.S. is around 320 million people. The choices we make on a daily basis drive our ecology. In the last two years the price of gasoline has come down about a dollar per gallon. As a result there have been increases in fuel use, road travel, and truck and SUV sales, leading to an increase in vehicle emissions. Good for the economy, but a lousy deal for the environment at the worse possible time.

For the first time in the history of the world, we are facing man-made global climate change that some say is irreversible. This is a terrifying situation unless we stand up and act. For whatever reason, we have been chosen to prevent a catastrophe – a great honor and an enormous responsibility. Time is of the essence. Pope Francis’s mandate to care for our common home and each other has engaged millions

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### Flag shows its colors

Editor,

O.K., enough is enough, it's gone way too far this time. I begrudgingly accepted Eureka's gay community and I must admit they are probably owed some kudos for their recent gay pride victory in Eureka, but I saw something yesterday that I cannot and will not tolerate.

A friend and I, along with his two young sons, were driving past a gift shop out on the highway going toward Lake Leatherwood when we spotted hanging

out in front for all the world to see a rainbow colored American flag!

My friend and I had to take a double take, we even turned around and went back just to make sure we really saw what we thought we saw, yep, there it was, a rainbow colored American flag. The stars were in the right place, but the red and white stripes were replaced with rainbow colors.

I am a Vietnam War veteran and my friend is a Persian Gulf War veteran, the sight of a rainbow American flag instead of a red, white, and blue American flag is the ultimate insult and disgrace to the men and women who fought and died in

the service of the true American flag. I don't remember anyone earning medals or fighting and dying for a rainbow colored flag!

Seeing the rainbow American flag made me furious, I felt like somebody had just spit on my buddies I left back in the jungles of Vietnam, my dead buddies, we fought and died for the red, white and blue flag!

My friend and I strongly considered about yanking down that rainbow flag, or doing some other destruction to it, but we decided against it because his two sons are too young to bail us out of jail.

*M.S. Smith*



## WEEK'S TopTweets

**@IamEnidColeslaw:** I've never seen a dead body but I did once watch a girl get proposed to in an Applebee's.

**@RexHuppke:** Ladies, please keep it down a bit, a large group of white men are in Washington trying to sort out your birth control.

**@theblowout:** I didn't get your text because I'm lying.

**@bangnotawhimper:** It was recently discovered that Pluto is not actually a dog.

**@OhReallyRach:** I wonder what made the first person who ate an oyster look at it and think, "I'm gonna eat that."

**@DJRotaryRachel:** I still whisper "We're in" to myself whenever I log onto a Wifi network.

**@Abulzeeek:** I'm on hold. My call is important to them.

**@apelad:** Facebook is a big party where the host is in a back room going through all the coats.

**@imaliwaller:** The person you're eating with can't wait for you to go to the bathroom so they can check their phone.

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

**@yoyoha:** I was going to exercise until I remembered the story about that healthy guy that died that one time.

**@sucittaM:** If you take the word "spatula" out of the dictionary it's just a list of things that aren't spatulas.

**@Ty\_Schutz:** Although not as effective as finger quotes, finger commas and finger periods are way fun.

## Silent chemicals silently feed disease

It turns out that the biggest threat to Americans today isn't ISIS, illegal immigrants or Obamacare. What could rob more Americans of decades of life, what could kill millions and bankrupt the healthcare system, is pollution.

A *Surgical Neurology International* study published in July reveals shocking increases in death rates from neurological diseases in the United States compared to 20 other western countries. Americans are getting dementia a decade earlier than only 20 years ago. While all western countries saw an increase in neurological deaths, the problem is considerably worse in the U.S. where neurological death rates for people more than 75 years old are five times higher in women and three times higher in men than just 20 years ago.

Dementia used to be a problem of the elderly. Now it is showing up in people in their late 40s. Few people who live in the U.S. haven't been touched by the devastation when a relative develops Alzheimer's, the most common form of dementia. It is heart-breaking to see a loved one who accomplished tremendous things in his or her life lose the ability to remember the name of their spouse, let alone what a toilet is for. It is a slow and cruel death that devastates not just the victim, but family and friends.

Other neurological diseases, such as Parkinson's disease (linked to pesticide and fungicide exposure) are also sharply increasing. Authors of the study led by Colin Pritchard call the discovery a silent or hidden epidemic linked to dramatic increases in pollution.

The study concludes, "The nature of any environmental factors are uncertain, but there have been major environmental changes including increased population, economic activity, substantial rises in road and air travel and increased home technology involving background electromagnetic fields (mobile phones, microwave ovens, computers) which are unique to these later years. These possible environmental factors cannot be ignored, especially as they probably interact. This list of possible features might be described as 'modern living' and the USA is the epitome of 'modern living.'"

*Mother Jones* had a recent cover story, "Does Air Pollution Cause Dementia? Scientists now suspect that a major cause of Alzheimer's and Parkinson's could be the air we breathe."

Why would U.S. rates be so much higher? Could it be that despite what you hear from the Tea Party and anti-government wing, the Environment Protection Agency and its state counterparts are wholly ineffective in controlling pollution? Congress has starved EPA for funding, and many state environmental agencies are more interested in corporate profits than human health.

Could it also be linked to the U.S. consuming more fluoridated water than the rest of the world combined, and the fact that fluoridation chemicals contain harmful byproducts such as lead, arsenic, aluminum and barium? And that fluoride, known to be a potent neurotoxin at higher levels, is building up in our foods and drinks?

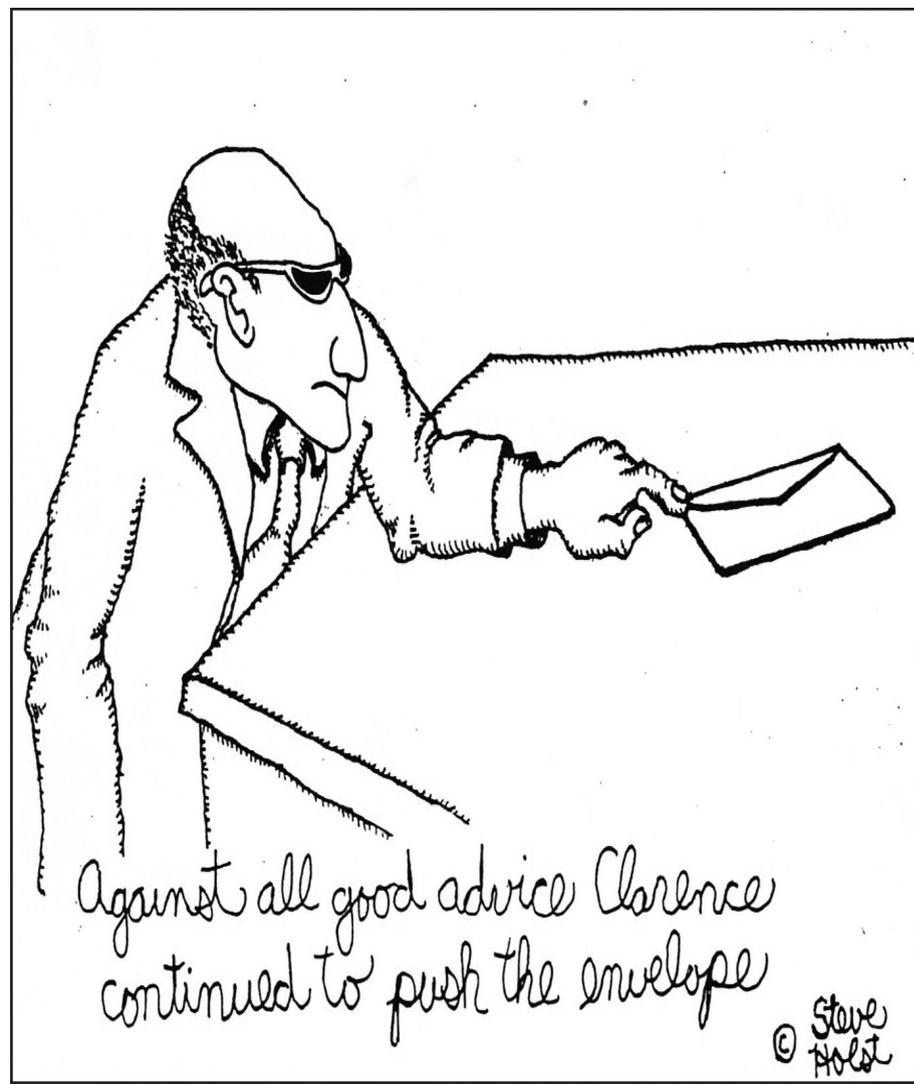
Brain destroying fluoridation chemicals could be a factor, but there are, unfortunately, numerous other chemicals of concern. Pat Costner, a local retired Greenpeace scientist, spent decades working to stop production and release of dioxins and other Persistent Organic Pollutants. She was a key player in development of the Stockholm Convention on POPs, an international environmental treaty signed in 2001 that calls for global action to eliminate POPs – chemicals that persist in the environment, bio-accumulate through the food web, and cause adverse effects to human health and the environment.

"The Stockholm Convention was adopted in 2001. Since then 179 nations have ratified the Stockholm Convention, but the U.S. has still not taken that crucial step," Costner said. "POPs are more than a local or national problem. POPs circulate in the environment globally, so solving the POPs problem requires global cooperation."

She doesn't believe the cause is hopeless. Nations that have ratified and are complying with the Stockholm Convention are banning the production of deliberately produced POPs. To reduce and eliminate the creation and release of POPs that are unintentional by-products, such as dioxins, they are changing materials and processes so these unintentional POPs chemicals are not created.

Too much is at stake to ignore this epidemic, which needs to be no longer "silent."

**Becky Gillette**



## The Pursuit of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

Ron "The Pepper Man" Derge fought a Corn War last week with a passel of raccoons out on his place near the Beaver bridge. The war was waged industriously and involved sitting up nights, rock and roll music, and possibly a shotgun. I'm sorry to say that Ron lost and the coons won.

Ron's account of the Corn War reminded me again that Nature is one big lunch counter. We can sing the praises of our hills and valleys all day and all night long, but beneath the music is the deafening sound of *munch munch munch*. There isn't any need to see the new movie *Straight Outta Compton*; we've got *Straight Outta Nature* up close and personal outside the backdoor.

Ronald Reagan summarized his environmental policy when he said, "If you've seen one redwood tree you've seen them all." I appreciate the indignant, breathless rage such a statement arouses, but the truth of the matter is that many of us are environmentalists for the same reasons we tell our kids to clean their rooms: we like tidy, rational, and attractive spaces and places more than their opposites. If you don't believe me turn off your air conditioner.

Rendered to bone, responses to nature seem mostly aesthetic, one guy loves Rembrandt, another Mark Rothko; the guy on the corner thinks art's a farce, and great art's a successful farce. Nature, like art, is in the eye of the beholder, but however beheld, it is only tidy and rational when viewed through a picture window.

Some folks say they like the wildness and unpredictability of nature. Me, I like coffee shops and Reuben sandwiches, and the *New York Times*. I enjoy pigeons and the predictable comfort of Woody Allen movies. I like the wildness of the rain, especially when a cab is within hailing. So, you ask, why am I here?

I'm here because most of the wars are small-scale conflicts, and the losses are manageable. Flies get swatted, ticks are popped, and Ron may plant corn again next year. You can take a hoe to that copperhead under the porch and, well... wherever you go, there you are... nature notwithstanding.

## 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.

• **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](http://www.nwaws.org)

• **Cup of Love free soup lunches** – Cup of Love provides soup lunches at Flint Street Fellowship Mondays and Wednesdays from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. and at First Baptist (Penn) Church on Fridays, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. (479) 363-4529

• **Flint Street Fellowship food pantry, lunch, free clothing** – Pantry open 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Free lunch Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Free clothes/shoes closet, books and household items. (479) 253-9491 or 253-4945. Leave donations in barrel at entrance if facility is closed.

• **Wildflowers one-dollar, furniture barn/thrift store** US 62E across from Hill County Hardware. One-dollar store in the yellow building every Friday from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Thrift store, furniture bank in big blue barn behind the chapel open Wednesdays – Saturdays from 10:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Donation drop offs Thursday – Saturday between 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Healing and delivery outreach in chapel Saturdays at 7:30 p.m.

• **Shamatha and Tonglen meditations Monday** – A meditation group will meet every Monday at 6:30 p.m. to focus on Shamatha, learning how to focus to achieve peace of mind, and Tonglen, a practice of love and compassion on all beings. The meetings will alternate these two practices so that one is the focus on each Monday with coffee and tea afterward. Call Alece at (479) 244-6842 or Gary at (479) 244-6840.

• **Celebrate Recovery** – Soul Purpose Ministries, 801 S. Springfield, Green Forest, 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday. Potluck followed by 12-step Christ-centered meetings for those suffering from addiction, habit, hang-up or hurt.

• **Coffee Break Al-Anon Family Group Women** – Tuesdays, 9:45 a.m., Faith Christian Family Church, Hwy. 23S, (479) 363-9495.

• **No high school diploma?** Free GED classes in the Carnegie Library Annex every Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 9 a.m. – noon with study and tutoring for the GED test. Open to ages 18 and up. GED classes also in Berryville at Carroll County Center. Some open to ages 16 and 17 per educational requirements. For info: Nancy Wood (479) 981-0482, Carnegie Library (479) 253-8754, Carroll County Center (870) 423-4455). Offered by North Arkansas College with Carnegie Library support.

### Meetings at Coffee Pot Club:

• **Alateen** – Sundays, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m. Email [alateen1st@gmx.com](mailto: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](http://www.nwarkaa.org)

# INDEPENDENT ConstablesOnPatrol

## AUGUST 14

5:14 p.m. — Officer took a report on a forced entry by EMS to assist a patient.

6:39 p.m. — Constable made contact with two individuals believed to be under the influence as they were leaving a business. They were not intoxicated and continued on their walk.

9:40 p.m. — Officers responded to a suspicious vehicle parked in the same spot for multiple days. The vehicle was ticketed for taking up two spots.

## AUGUST 15

4:02 a.m. — A man was arrested on North Main for multiple warrants out of nearby agencies.

9:49 a.m. — A traffic stop resulted in an arrest for DWI, disregarding police officers, disobeying a flagman, expired driver’s license and reckless driving.

12:26 a.m. — Caller was being harassed on the highway by motorcyclists. Constable responded and made contact with the caller who advised the bikers were heading westbound on US62. Constable was unable to locate the bikers.

1:56 p.m. — Caller advised an RV at the top of Planer Hill needed assistance and redirection. Constable responded but did not locate the RV.

4:26 p.m. — Constable made contact with a male about keeping his dog on a leash.

8:48 p.m. — Constable responded to a running car with a male slumped over the wheel. The man was arrested for DWI and possession of drug paraphernalia.

11:06 p.m. — A woman hit a tree on 62 West. She was transported to ESH and was arrested for DWI, careless

driving and refusal to submit.

11:07 p.m. — Owner of a business said a customer threw glass through a window and he wanted charges pressed. The customer decided to pay for the window.

11:24 p.m. — Man advised he was at his daughter’s residence and that her ex-boyfriend was taking stuff out of the house. Suspect had left and constable took a report.

## AUGUST 16

2:12 a.m. — Officer searched area around a business where an alarm had gone off. Constable advised the building was secure.

3:55 a.m. — Resident wanted to file a noise complaint and advised there was a loud party on Kirk St. Officer checked the area and couldn’t locate the party.

11:09 a.m. — A dog running loose was brought to the PD where its owners picked him up.

1:02 p.m. — A suspicious backpack was reported at a trolley stop, constable located and confiscated the suspicious pack.

2:49 p.m. — Constable responded to a car with mechanical trouble the top of Planer Hill. Car was towed and motorist got a ride.

6:17 p.m. — Traffic stop resulted in an arrest of a man for a warrant out of Damascus PD.

## AUGUST 17

1:12 a.m. — Caller advised he saw a male who was possibly intoxicated by a business on Main St. passed out. Officers located the male and his nearby friends picked him up.

## Help rebuild Langtang Village

Recent earthquakes that triggered landslides killing 175 villagers and leaving 500 homeless destroyed Langtang Village in Nepal. There will be a fundraising party Saturday, August 22 from 5 – 8 p.m. at the church at 17 Elk Street to help raise funds to rebuild the village. The party will feature music by Catherine Reed and Jazzper, Nepalese food and a silent auction. One

hundred percent of funds collected will be donated to the villagers.

The event is sponsored by a local Buddhist group that studies under Khentru Rinpoche in conjunction with the Katog Mountain Retreat Center located near Parthenon. To donate items or for more information call Gary Milczarek (479) 244-6840.

## 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 23 Barry and Suzanne Reed will share experiences from working overseas for the past 16 years and explain how the US Agency for International Development works. Childcare provided. Extra parking at Ermilio’s, 26 White St.

## August 24 Metafizzies meeting

The August 24 meeting of the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society will feature a group discussion on spiritual topics. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at the Heart of Many Ways in the Christian Science Church at 68 Mountain Street. All are welcome.

## GSHS raffle tickets available

Good Shepherd Humane Shelter is raffling off two Silver Dollar City adult tickets valued at \$120 (valid until Dec. 31). Tickets are \$1 each or 7 for \$5 at either thrift store or at the shelter. Raffle ends Monday, August 31.

## Mini woodworking courses for homeschoolers

Clear Spring School is offering two hands-on classes to homeschoolers:

Sept. 21 – 24: *Wood Turning/Working on a Lathe* for ages 9 – 15 from 1 – 2:30 p.m. for \$50 plus \$12 material fee.

Sept. 29 – Oct. 20, Tuesdays only: *Toymaking* for ages 6 – 8 from 10:30 a.m. – Noon for \$50 plus \$10 material fee. Space for either class is limited to 7 students. Please call (479) 253-7888 to register.

*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*.

“Both you and Roger,” Jane said, and looked at him tenderly. “Both at once. I could almost feel sorry for her.”

“Yes. Only, when I think of Dad, all these years – being fooled, being made to feel guilty – and Mother, so wise and forgiving, with a whip in her hand! I – wonder if *he* didn’t begin to see it through your eyes, too, Jane? He likes you. He’s always wanted you to like him, admire him. I’ve felt that. And of course you couldn’t, if he – You see?”

“Yes,” she said. “I think so. I like him, too. I like him an awful lot. But it took me a long time to realize what a beating he’s taken. That happy, outdoor-man act of his –”

“Deceptive,” he agreed. “But something happened to him, last Monday. Something broke free. Gave me a queer feeling. It was – like finding my own father for the first time –”

“People,” Jane said, searching for words, “shouldn’t try to *arrange* things for other people, tidy up their lives, *own* them. That seems awful. Why do they? Is it because they’ve never loved – or been loved? A way of making up for it, to themselves?”

“Maybe,” he said, and held her close to him.

“Anyway,” she said smiling, “I’m not afraid now. Not of Sycamore or



CONSTANCE WAGNER

anything.” She drew back to look at him. “Don’t mind when I get edgy,” she said. “That speaker, all day yesterday – it got on my nerves. That big voice from North Mountain, saying terrible things about your father...”

“Well, stuff cotton in your ears. There’s only today and Monday to get through. They won’t dare use it on the Sabbath... It’s late,” he told her. “Are you ready to go?”

He drove her down to the square where, though it was only just past nine, the farm trucks were already in evidence: the weekly influx of country people come for a taste of metropolitan life. They walked the square with an air of luxurious indolence, taking in everything with their hungry eyes, standing about in gossiping groups with fringes of children clinging about the edges, on sidewalks and in the park. Did they live from Saturday to Saturday, Jane wondered – accepting the exacting terms of the other six days on condition that the dazzling Saturdays be granted them as compensation? Here and there, newcomers from the cities mingled with the crowd, easily distinguishable with their self-consciously regional clothes, too slick, amused, glancing with sidelong smiles at the “hillbillies.” As she walked from Walter’s office to the other side of the

square, she found herself eying these interlopers with hostility. Their city smugness, their unconcealed air of superiority, were irritant. Funny, these characters, she mocked them silently. But d’you think *you* could scabble a living out of these hills, these rocks? I’d like to see you... She was surprised at herself, and she thought: Maybe Walter’s right. Maybe I *am* beginning to belong.

As she turned in at the stairway beside the drugstore, the square was abruptly smothered under gigantic sound. The public address system on top of the Hillcrest House had again swung into action. *Folks, we want each and every one of you to go to the polls next Tuesday and let us know whether you’re for Sycamore or against it! We want to know if you believe in this town of ours. Is our water fit to drink or isn’t it? Roger Knowles and Doc Totten claim it isn’t. But look at the record. Hundreds, nay thousands, of suffering men and women –*

She closed the door quickly, reducing the voice to a hollow rumble. Jaffray’s voice. She realized suddenly that she had never really liked Jaffray and never quite believed in him. When she had taken his part, it had been nothing more than a gesture of rebellion against Agnes Knowles.

Doctor Totten was alone. Even the country people had begun taking their ills to Doctor Glover, so Saturday had

become a day of comparative idleness in the office above Dycus’s. He was sitting in the ancient swivel chair behind the desk with its appalling litter of old bills, letters, and dusty medical journals, watched over by the glass eyes of the deer.

“How are you, Jane?” He had an odd way of looking through you, at something beyond, and yet including you in his perception. “Putting on a little too much weight, aren’t you?”

“I suppose so.” She sat down, panting. “I’m always hungry.”

Prentiss Jaffray’s enormous voice blared outside, and the doctor got up heavily and banged the window shut.

“Thanks,” she said. “That’s driving me mad.”

He nodded, “Public nuisance.” He began fishing in the disorder on his desk and moved the telephone an inch closer to himself. “Three more cases of dysentery,” he said. “Can’t understand why the report hasn’t come from Little Rock. Been plenty of time.” He moved the telephone again. “Just put in a call to the state health department,” he added. “Thought I’d better jack ‘em up. Don’t want this to get out of hand...”

He began his examination, taking her blood pressure, measuring the curve between hip joints, listening to heartbeats. “Not twins, that’s certain,” he said abstractedly. “A good strong beat –”

## NOTES from the HOLLOW by Steve Weems

Recently, I wrote about the Lake Lucerne Resort near Eureka Springs. Since that time, I’ve learned more about the old resort and its history, much of it from Randy Freeman. Randy has a unique perspective because both of his grandfathers were associated with Lake Lucerne.

In the 1930s, businessman Ray Freeman was involved with Lake Lucerne with long-time owner Richard R. “Dick” Thompson. Dick Thompson also owned Ozarka Water and lived in the Roundhouse near the train depot on Main Street in Eureka. He is said to have shipped as much as two million gallons

of Ozarka Spring Water per year out of Eureka Springs. Thompson had originally come to Eureka in 1908 to teach at the Crescent College. Also involved in politics, he represented Arkansas at the 1916 National Democratic Convention.

Randy’s other grandfather, Charles Taff, lived adjacent to the Lake Lucerne golf course and his house overlooked it. Mr. Taff mowed the golf course in the 1940s and ‘50s with a mowing machine pulled by two horses. Mrs. Taff sold eggs and produce to the resort restaurant.

Randy remembers playing on huge rocks located on the links. His mother, Pat, also played on the rocks as a child,

as did her sisters. Pat remembers Mr. Thompson playing golf and his frustration with the game.

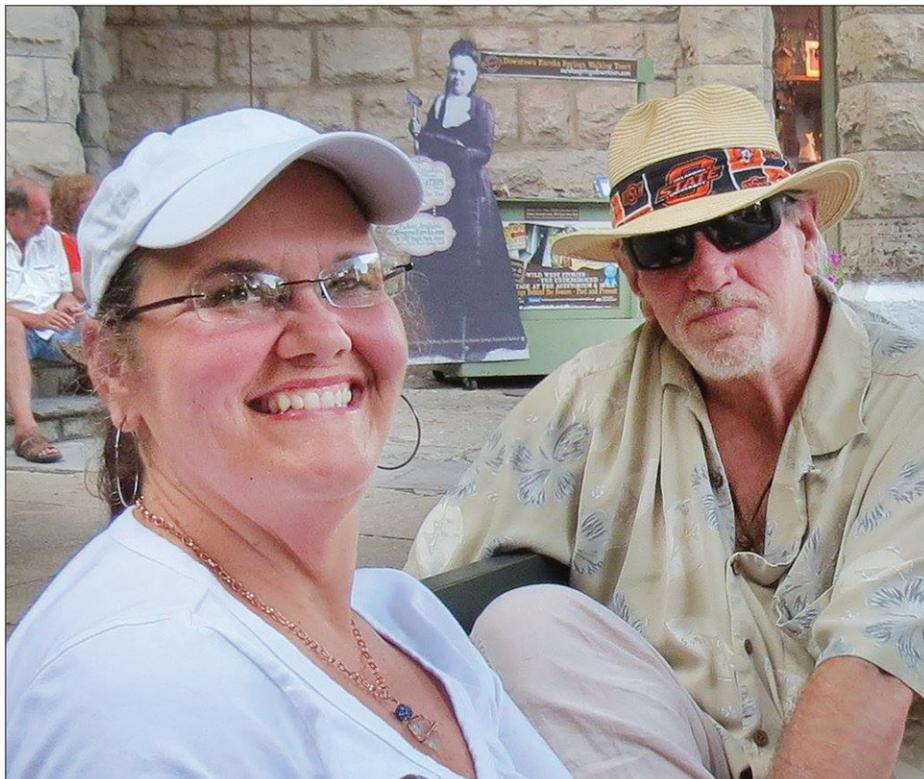
The nine-hole golf course was located in a valley and partly on the hillside. Between it and Lake Lucerne was Tex Belt’s riding stable. When Randy was little, he would go down and visit with Tex. He said the stable was a cool place for a little boy with all the horses and the leather saddles.

Randy said Tex was a fixture around Eureka Springs for many years. He was known for coming to town in a wagon pulled by a team of horses, up into the late 1960s. The wagon had rubber automobile

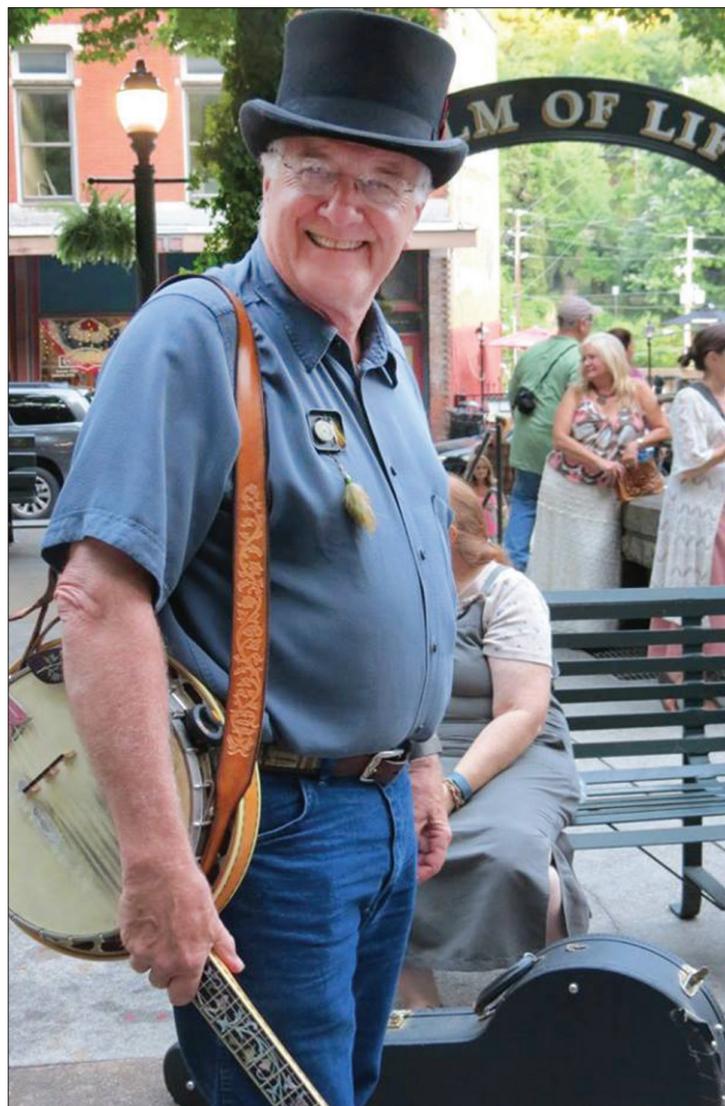


tires and Tex and his wife would be seen all over in it.

Thanks to Randy for sharing his memories. Send your remembrances to [steve@steveweems.com](mailto:steve@steveweems.com) or P.O. Box 43 in Eureka Springs, 72632.



**Good tunes** – During Bluegrass Weekend local musicians Becky Heath and John Henry took a break in Basin Park to enjoy listening to others sing and play for a change. *PHOTO BY JAY VRECEK*



**Ripe for pickin'** – Local Eric Knowles is ready to do some pickin' with one of the bluegrass jams going on in Basin Park. Stand by, Eric, there's a Banjo Rally coming up in a few days!

*PHOTOS BY JAY VRECEK*



**Super chat** – Community First Bank President Elizabeth Kelley chats with Eureka Springs Schools Superintendent Bryan Pruitt at the Rotary Teacher Appreciation luncheon.

*PHOTO BY JAY VRECEK*

**Sit-in** – Eric Knowles finally stages a sit-in with one of the bluegrass jams in Basin Park.





**Boot scootin'**  
– Melody and Fred Devore take a break from playing and singing to enjoy a little dancing at Island Pizza and Pub August 15.

PHOTO BY JAY VRECEK



**Beyond pizza** – Ambur Rockell and Chuck Onofrio with the Hoot n' Annies & Fred Devore kill at Island Pizza and Pub August 15. More great entertainment will be on the menu, adding to the Pub's popularity for all day breakfast, BBQ chicken and pork ... and, of course, pizza! PHOTO BY JAY VRECEK

**Get a good ribbing** – during the Rib Ceremony at Angler's Grill every Friday at 3 p.m. Ribs come out of the smoker and a rack is sliced for those present to sample. If they're pronounced "fit," Ivan of the Ozarks sings the BBQ song and the general public may then order ribs! PHOTO SUBMITTED



**Young pups** – Jacqueline Wolven's new puppy, Franklin, finds a barefoot pal in the park.

**Knot tied** – Surrounded by close friends, city gardener Pat Lujan and long-time partner Lee Kroll were married at Grotto Spring Thursday, August 13 – the 26<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the day they met. The ceremony, officiated by Cat Bernstein, was followed by a reception at Thai House.

PHOTO BY JAY VRECEK



**Last week at ESSA:** Folks from at least five different states came to town for Lost Block Printmaking, Mosaic and Jewelry classes at Eureka Springs School of the Arts. *PHOTOS BY JAY VRECEK*



**Hammered** - Beth Jeffrey of McKinney, Texas, hammers her pieces before applying the powder coating during Janet Alexander's jewelry class at ESSA.



**Lost technique found** - Jamie Froelich demonstrates on her own piece while teaching her Picasso's 'Lost Block' Printmaking class at ESSA.



**Smashing success** - Susan Ortiv of Owasso, Okla., works on her mosaic in Kandy Jones's class at ESSA. What a great excuse for smashing old crockery! The class drew participants from several states.

**Artist's block** - Eureka James White takes a chip off the ol' block during the Picasso's 'Lost Block' Printmaking class at ESSA. James is the first recipient of ESSA's Jack Miller Scholarship honoring former Eureka artist and Mardi Gras floatmeister, Jack Miller.



## Eureka Springs Into Music ... with the Eroica Trio

The Eroica Trio – pianist Erika Nickrenz, violinist Sara Perkins, and cellist Sara Sant’Ambrogio – are called the “most sought-after trio in the world,” lauded for their flawless technical virtuosity, passionate performances and contagious enthusiasm.

These internationally acclaimed musicians have played around the globe, been honored and feted in Europe and the States, and they’re returning to Eureka Springs for one performance Saturday, August 29, 7:30 p.m. at the Eureka Springs Auditorium.

Critics from the *New York Times*, the *San Francisco Chronicle* and the *Wall Street Journal* have praised the trio for their musical skill, “rhythmic vitality and melodic grace” and their “electrifying performances.” They have individually and jointly garnered many prestigious awards, from two Grammy nominations to the Naumburg Award.

Whether playing great classical standards or daring contemporary



works, the three women fill the concert stage with their combination of technical virtuosity, vivid artistic interpretation and exuberant performance.

Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$10 for children at [www.theaud.org](http://www.theaud.org) or at the door.

## My Time Fellowship recipient chosen

Laura McHugh of Columbia, Mo., was awarded the Writers’ Colony at Dairy Hollow’s My Time Fellowship for 2015. She topped a competitive field of more than 20 applicants to win two weeks at the Colony, which she says she’ll spend working on her third novel.

Her first novel, *The Weight of Blood*, was named a Best Book of the Year by *Bookpage*, the *Kansas City Star*, the *Vancouver Sun*, the *Sunday Times* (UK) and was a *GoodReads* Choice Awards Nominee for Best Mystery and Best Debut.

The novel, a sharp, haunting tale of blood in the Ozarks, has also been nominated for several awards, including an International Thriller Writers Award. While in Eureka Springs Laura will teach a workshop at the Colony outlining how to query agents, and will share tips on how to get published.

The Sustainable Arts Foundation funds the My Time fellowship for writers who have children under 18 living at home. Recipients receive two paid weeks at the Writers’ Colony and a stipend to cover travel and childcare costs.



Laura McHugh

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## Be an ESSA Volunteer!

Do you believe art is vital to the human spirit? If so, come have fun and contribute to the health and well being of Eureka’s artistic community. There are many volunteer opportunities at ESSA – one’s sure to be just right for you. Call (429) 253-5384 for details.

## Coming up at ESSA



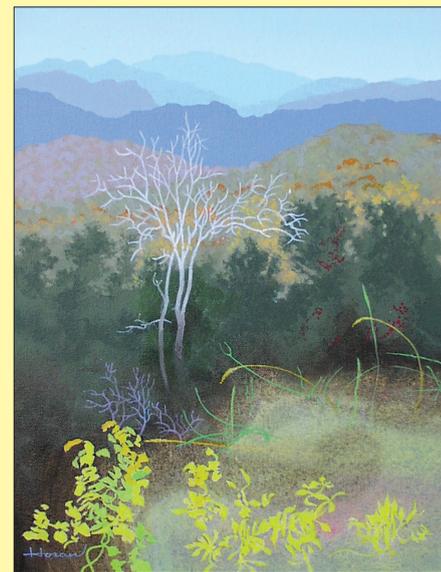
LOOKING BACK BY SCOTT WREN

**August 24 – 28:** *Beginning Acrylic Painting* with Scott Wren. Get in touch with art as passion during this workshop from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. each day. Scott’s style of emotional painting will introduce students to the fundamental processes of artistic expression and demonstrate how to produce visually stimulating paintings.

Bentonville artist Scott Wren has work in private collections in the U.S., Canada and South America and is the owner of A Street Gallery in Bentonville. For more information on Scott see [www.scottwrenart.com](http://www.scottwrenart.com).

incredible close-up flower compositions.

Marlene enjoys creating and designing in many media from oil, pastel, watercolor, collage and glass to jewelry design. She is active in the arts teaches at the National Park Community College and Arkansas Arts Center in Little Rock. [www.marlenegremillion.com](http://www.marlenegremillion.com).



MOUNTAIN MEADOW BY STEVE HORAN

**September 9 – 11:** *Intermediate Acrylic Painting* with Steve Horan. Nurture your creativity where the primary focus will be demonstrating and discussing individualized approaches to painting. Steve will discuss in detail the considerations of design, composition, color value and hue and how they influence one’s creative decisions. You will be encouraged to develop your own unique creative voice.

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Careful on Thursday. We could stumble, wound, hurt, be unaware, have revelations that create a revolution. Mercury the messenger interacts with Chiron (wounds seeking healing) and Uranus (the unusual, apocryphal, revelatory thoughts leading to revolutionary actions). Scorpio Moon Thursday. Be aware of mysteries, secrets and hidden agendas.

Friday, the Sun in Leo (its last days in Leo) squares Saturn in Scorpio. We are to be aware of rules, creating needed boundaries in our lives, following directions, listening to the Teacher (the Soul).

Saturday, the last Leo Sun day, we may be confused, in a dream, steering our ships to destinations unknown. Direction appears late afternoon. Sunday, before dawn, Sun enters Virgo. The Virgin appears, pregnant with new realities, the Soul, the new Kingdom on Earth. Virgo spreads her cape over the world, protecting humanity and Earth's kingdoms, "nurturing & nourishing the little ones." In Virgo, two lights are seen – one is bright & strong. This is the light of form (outer reality). Virgo is an earth sign. The other light is faint and dim (inner spiritual reality) – the light of Spirit, the holy child, gestating in

Virgo's womb. One light (Spirit) is waxing, the other (form) waning. Virgo gives birth at Winter Solstice.

There is always a stirring and a quickening within Virgo. A purity, a preparation, a grace seeking its rightful place in the material world, aspiring always to serve and fulfill its life task, go perform right functions when needed. Virgo works with the Devas, Angels & Archangels, great Beings of Light. Virgo's spiritual task is to "protect the Light." This is the light of the Soul, the light within each of us, the light of the angels. These are the hidden tasks and secrets of Virgo.

**ARIES:** Everything concerning daily life is evaluated. You look at your life, environment, those around you and assess better ways of responding. You realize what must be altered, different behaviors and their consequences for the good. Careful communicating with co-workers. Be clear, precise and detailed. Consider your health, diet, fitness, exercise and ways to increase vitality each day. Stand barefooted on the Earth.

**TAURUS:** Interesting situations and unusual communications may occur with everyone expressing their creative individuality.

Unresolved issues in relationships reappear. These issues must be dealt with or there will be a dissolving and dissolution within all relationships. Try to hear the essential message in all communications. Don't defend. Listen carefully for the heart of the matter.

**GEMINI:** Everything concerning home, family, nurturing, things domestic and foundation need careful assessment and perspective. Make no important decisions unless an emergency occurs. Remember everyone, friends and family, is experiencing the present intense astrological transits. However, everyone is experiencing them differently. Use your Gemini observing mind to recognize the differences. You remember to be non-judgmental and kind. Practicing "ahimsa."

**CANCER:** Cancer (the crab), circles a situation from every direction before arriving at the center. Wary of their prey, Cancer doesn't walk a direct line to anything. Thus they have a very developed intuition. Sometimes that intuition is not as alert as usual. Care is needed with communications now. Past memories may appear. You seek a place called home. Sometimes forgetfulness protects and saves you. Walk everywhere with care.

**LEO:** How is your financial situation? Do not create any great waves in your financial picture. Be careful of over-spending, over-valuing. No loans (given or applied for) at this time. Review finances, create new budgets (applied after three weeks), assess inflow/outflow, and if everything monetary is proceeding as planned or needs changing. Include a list of your values. And don't forget to tithe.

**VIRGO:** Are you feeling unable to communicate feelings? During upcoming

weeks and months you're very internally focused, your mind assessing all aspects of the self – who you are, what you do each day, who you're with and why. A new self-identity is growing. Each day review your choices and life style.

Evaluate if they still reflect your values, needs, and your Virgo nature. Are you serving in the places truly needing your help?

**LIBRA:** Be aware of people, thoughts and issues not tended to for a long time. They appear in your present life seeking attention, closeness, love and forgiveness. Know that much of your communication may not be heard or understood by others. Therefore try to be very clear when communicating, speak slowly, inform people you're having difficulty communicating. Entering into quiet retreat sustains you, vitalizing you for important group work ahead.

**SCORPIO:** Do be aware when with friends and in groups plans made may be delayed, changed or not happen at all. Those close to you may seem distant (everyone's internal at this time) or confused. Friends, issues from the past may make contact. You consider re-entering a group or friendships from long ago and not seen in a long time. Allow no heartache or anguish from the past to continue. Joy occurs in the present moment.

**SAGITTARIUS:** Notice a sensitivity around these subjects: money, resources/finances (something from the past?), thinking about career choices, being understood and/or misunderstood while in public, your life path, your future, spiritual tasks, fun and pleasure. It seems like every subject and endeavor is sensitive. Sensitivity leads to questions that lead us to ask what makes us truly happy and joyful (two

distinct feelings). Happiness and joy always know the Way. Follow them.

**CAPRICORN:** Keep from making important promises, large decisions (discriminate what's large & small), signing anything into permanence (it won't be), travel plans, traveling long distances, for the next several weeks. Realize thinking, communications, transactions and outer realities won't make much sense. It will be a crazy, mixed up world. You're steering a boat in the fog. Only your senses can guide you. Fragrance, sound, taste, touch and seeing. Also, the stars above. And most of all opening the 12-petaled lotus of your heart.

**AQUARIUS:** Be very practical with money and resources. It's important to set new goals concerning home, money, finances, resources. Reaffirm what is of value. Eliminate what's no longer useful or what you haven't used, touched or looked at for years. What you think you need may no longer be real. Use this retrograde time to shed objects, people, ideas and beliefs obstructing you from reality (and dreams). Invite the devas to help you in daily life needs.

**PISCES:** Maintain a clear communication with partners and intimates. All relationships may enter into a phase of acceleration, seeking a higher state of harmony. Before that a crisis may occur in terms of disappointments, over-reactions, mixed messages, misunderstandings. Pisces at this time must begin to assess and value their own thoughts, needs, hopes, wishes and dreams, discriminating between the self and their beloveds. A difficult task, but necessary for self-affirmation and growth.

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### Thursday, August 20

**BASIN PARK BALCONY** – Michael Dimitri, 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** – Jesse James, Singer/Songwriter, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.

### Friday, August 21

**BASIN PARK BALCONY** – Hawgscalders, Folk, 12 and 6 p.m.  
**CATHOUSE LOUNGE** – Brujo, Brother Funk, 9:30 p.m.  
**CHELSEA'S** – Smokey Folk, 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** – Shannon Holt Band, Rock, 6 – 10 p.m.

**ROWDY BEAVER** – Steve Hester and Deja Voodoo, Rock, 8 p.m.

**ROWDY BEAVER DEN** – Aaron Mullins Band, Rock, 9 p.m.

### Saturday, August 22

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

**BREWS** – The Lark and the Loon, Folk, 7 – 10 p.m.

**CATHOUSE LOUNGE** – Rebellion, Reggae, 8 p.m.

**CHELSEA'S** – Ocie Fisher and Matt Smith, R & B, 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** – Headley Lamar, “Ridge” Rock, 9 p.m.

**LE STICK** – Pete “Rock” Maiella,

Singer/Songwriter, 8 p.m.

**NEW DELHI** – Blew Reed and the Flatheads, Blues, 6 – 10 p.m.

**PINE MOUNTAIN AMP** – Jeh-Sea Wells, Singer/Songwriter, 12 – 3 p.m.

**ROWDY BEAVER** – Triple Shot, Rock, 8 p.m.

**ROWDY BEAVER DEN** – John Harwood, Rock, 1 – 5 p.m., Opium

Western, Rock, 9 p.m.

### Sunday, August 23

**BASIN PARK BALCONY** – Michael Dimitri, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m.,

Catherine Reed, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.

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

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

**NEW DELHI** – Sara Loethen, Singer/Songwriter, 12 – 4 p.m.

**ROWDY BEAVER DEN** – Dan Martin and Cody Woody, Rock, 1 – 5 p.m.

### Monday, August 24

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

### Tuesday, August 25

**CHELSEA'S** – Open Mic

**Wednesday, August 26**  
**CHELSEA'S** – Johai Kafa, Folk, 9:30 p.m.

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

**No hitchhiking** – These two participants in The Eureka Sports Festival were ready to hitchhike this five-mile leg of the bicycle run. The event last weekend featured a triathlon at Holiday Island along with bike and foot races. This year's *Eureka* was Derek Yorek, 32. See all results at [eurekasportsfestival.com](http://eurekasportsfestival.com).

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**Mr. Big's Bluegrass Family Reunion** – Besides shows at the Aud, shows in the bandshell and impromptu jams popping up in between kept toes tappin' in Basin Park all weekend.

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margins have increased. They are doing more to increase the fertility of their holdings and the health and respect of their customers.”

Egan said sometimes EQIP funds are left unspent because not enough growers apply for them.

“None of this would be possible if I were not in a transition to a USDA Certified Organic position,” said Egan. “For the past three years, I have qualified for a grant for a well and pump from NRCS. Each year, not only I, but everyone in Carroll County was turned down.”

Then, at a meeting of the Arkansas Association of Grape Growers last November, Arkansas Secretary of Agriculture Butch Calhoun was giving a presentation on the state of agriculture in Arkansas. After his presentation, Egan approached Calhoun and asked how to improve the chances of getting a grant.

“He said ‘give me your card and I’ll get back to you,’” Egan said. “He wrote the top seven folks in the NRCS in Little Rock and shortly thereafter, John Lee, the head NRCS agronomist for Arkansas, drove up for a visit. In a nutshell, Lee said to forget direct granting from the NRSC. You need to have your farm Certified USDA Organic and here is why – last year the NRCS received \$250,000 to administer grants in a special program exclusively to organic farmers. At the end of the year, they had to send half the money back to D.C. because there were not enough applicants for the program.”

In April 2015, Egan’s farm was inspected for USDA Organic Certification. He applied for six grants and all were approved. The cost of the well, pump and 600 feet of underground irrigation totaled \$17,647. In

addition, the farm qualified for a \$4,200 grant to have a Ph.D. agronomist travel from Kansas City, Mo., do a 50-page survey and recommendation for the farm. For 2016 through 2018, the farm received a grant of \$3,786 to file two annual reports, one for nutrient management, one for integrated pest management.

Egan encourages others to get Certified USDA Organic. “When that happened, the floodgates for granting possibilities opened,” he said.

Prior to having the well installed, irrigation of the farm was a major burden for Egan as he hauled water in a truck. With the drip irrigation system, he is conserving water, labor and fertilizer while improving production.

“With a drip system, we can deliver measured amounts of water, fertilizer and animal repellents to each plant,” Egan said. “This system is called ‘fertigation.’”

Some articles misrepresent the difficulty of transitioning to organic, saying it takes three years to become certified organic if you have been using conventional fertilizers and poisons.

“Not true if you are a startup,” said Egan, who has also won fame as a bronze sculptor. “I got my certification in 90 days. They take a soil test and do a spectrometer analysis to determine if you have used ag chemicals. It also costs less than some people believe. It is on a sliding scale. My cost was \$336 and the State of Arkansas reimbursed me 75 percent.

Egan expects to see explosive growth in the organic farming industry. “Arkansas lags far behind many of the states, but is coming up to speed,” he said.

## Ladies of Faith group hosts Pam Baumann

The Ladies of Faith will host Pam Baumann from Texas at their August 25 meeting at the Gazebo Restaurant at 10 a.m. Pam and her husband started a church in Mexico and she has served in many areas of ministry. All are welcome for fellowship, fun and ministry. Cost for the buffet is \$10.50. For more information contact Margo Pryor at (870) 480-3161.

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the way we think about nature. English settlers, for example, encountered vast forests. Trees were in the way to grow crops, so they cut them down. “The

National Forest mantra is: no woods no game, no woods no water, no water no fish. We are active agents in our own history. We don’t live in the past other people created, we should be conscious

and politically engaged, men and women of integrity. As citizens, we have an obligation to act. Our grandchildren are what we need to be thinking about,” according to Miller.

If you want to know what the **Woodpecker Rebellion** is all about, please see this video: <http://tinyurl.com/Woodpecker-Rebellion>.

*Dr. Luis Contreras*



**Starting young** – Mr. Big's Bluegrass Family Reunion brought traditional players of all ages together last weekend. Left, Mary Parker, 11, takes the stage with Mountain View Friends. Right shows 17 year-old fiddle firecracker Clancey Ferguson.

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## DEPARTURES

### Jennie J. Tinklenberg March 16, 1920 – August 15, 2015

Jennie J. Tinklenberg, a resident of Fayetteville, Arkansas, was born March 16, 1920 in Kampen, Holland, a daughter of Arend and Dirkje (Schreuder) Jagt. She departed this life Saturday, August 15, 2015 in Fayetteville at age 95.

Jennie worked as a homemaker.

She is survived by two grandchildren, Laura

and husband, Dan Phillips, and Tom Tinklenberg and wife, Kole, of Laguna Niguel, Calif.; six great-grandchildren and their families; five great-great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; and a host of friends, family and loved ones.

Jennie was preceded in death by her husband, Elmer Tinklenberg; one son, Charles

Tinklenberg; parents; and all of her brothers and sisters.

No services are scheduled at this time. Memorial donations may be made to the Billy Graham Ministries, 1 Billy Graham Parkway, Charlotte, NC 28201. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [nelsonfuneral.com](http://nelsonfuneral.com). © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2015



### Stephen P. Mann Sept. 19, 1946 – August 5, 2015

Stephen P. Mann, a resident of Eureka Springs, Ark., was born September 19, 1946 in Boston, Mass., a son of Madeline Mann. He departed this life Wednesday, August 5, 2015 in Eureka Springs at age 68.

He was a member of the Brothers and Sisters of Charity at Little Portion

Monastery, of Berryville, Ark.

He is survived by four cousins, Jacqueline Groome of Columbia, Md.; Mary Myers of Portland, Ore.; Joanne Florencio of Somerville, S. Car.; Francies Downs of Charleston, Mass.; close friend, Peggy Lodewkys of Eureka Springs, Ark.;

and numerous friends.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Madeline Mann.

Memorial service will be 10 a.m., Tuesday, August 25 at the St. Anne's Catholic Church in Berryville, Ark., with Father Joseph officiating. Cremation

arrangements were under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. Memorial donations may be sent to the Little Portion Prayer Garden, 350 CR 248, Berryville, AR 72616. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [nelsonfuneral.com](http://nelsonfuneral.com). © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2015

### Robert "Bob" Fenix July 20, 1937 – August 15, 2015

Robert "Bob" Fenix, a resident of Holiday Island, Ark., was born July 20, 1937 in Los Angeles, Calif., a son of Taylor and Doris (Waters) Fenix. He departed this life Saturday, August 15, 2015 in Fayetteville, at age 78.

Bob worked as an engineer for Sun Oil. He was a member of First Christian Church in Eureka Springs.

On October 27, 1967, Bob was united in marriage with Nola (Downs) who survives him of the home. He is also survived by one son, Jackson Fenix of Sand Springs, Okla.; one brother, James Fenix and wife, Siiri, of Springfield, Va.; five grandchildren, Heather Thomas, Tonya Fenix, Spencer Washburn, Keith Lawson



and Cody Lawson; several great-grandchildren; and a host of friends and loved ones.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation is from 9 – 10 a.m. Thursday, August 20, 2015 at the First Christian Church in Eureka Springs with the funeral service held at 10 a.m. with Pastor Philip Wilson officiating. Interment followed the service in the High Cemetery under the direction of Nelson Funeral

Service.

Memorial donations may be made to the First Christian Church, 763 Passion Play Road, Eureka Springs, Arkansas 72632. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [nelsonfuneral.com](http://nelsonfuneral.com). © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2015

### William Felix Lucas

Sept. 25, 1925 – August 15, 2015

William Felix Lucas of Holiday Island, Ark., was born September 25, 1925 in Chicago, Ill., a son of William E. and Mae (Prancel) Lucas. He departed this life Saturday, August 15, 2015 in Bentonville at age 89.

William worked as a police officer in law enforcement. He proudly served his country in the United States Army during World War II.

William is survived by one daughter, Marilyn Lucas of Reddick, Fla.; three nephews; and a host of other family, friends, and loved ones.

On September 25, 1947, William was united in marriage with Rosaline Angeline (Mish) who preceded him in death. He was also preceded by his parents and one sister.

Memorial service will be 10 a.m., Friday, August 21, at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church in Eureka Springs, AR. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [nelsonfuneral.com](http://nelsonfuneral.com). © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2015





Well, we're still doing pretty good fishing for stripers on Beaver Lake. Michael Payne came up from San Antonio with some fishing buddies and we got four in the boat and missed a few on Sunday.

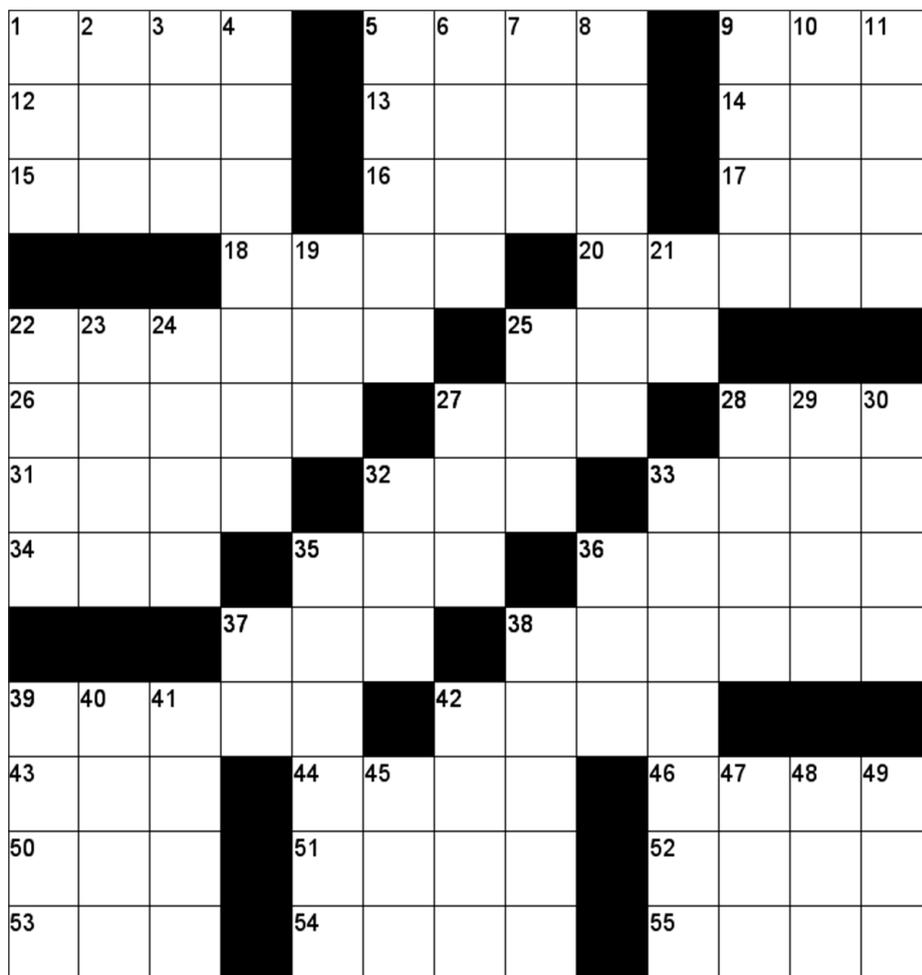
We're still marking most bait, and fish are holding in the river channel between 28 – 38 ft. deep with water temps running about 84°. Water temps also running about 84° here at Holiday Island, too, when we went out Thursday looking for bass and crappie.

We did not do so well on the crappie but got a lot of spotted bass on top water

baits early, then on minnows as the day warmed, at around 12 ft. deep. Looks like lakes are finally going down a bit and looking pretty clean.

Well, school is pretty well back in so we have a lot of open days with good fishing and water cooling soon, which is also a big turn on for fish and people. You also have about four weeks of good swimming water temps, so enjoy the water while you can and take a kid along to even enjoy more. Have a great week.

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  - Round yellow cheese coated in red wax
  - Inspire, as with feelings or opinions
  - Medical facility
  - Middle of suburbia?
  - Shade of green in waterproof fabrics
  - Classical paintings
  - Weekly or monthly periodical, slangily
  - Mountain goat having long, recurved horns
  - Baby grizzly
  - Eat
  - The Princess and the* \_\_\_\_\_
  - Erstwhile acorn
  - Epsom \_\_\_\_\_
  - French "No"
- DOWN**
- Vest
  - Abode of the dead or departed spirits
  - Opposite of huge
  - Train unit
  - Weight or responsibility
  - Remarkable or extraordinary (*Scot.*)
  - Israeli designed submachine gun
  - Basic unit of heredity
  - Large crucifix
  - Lair
  - One revolution around the sun
  - Rim
  - Lend a hand
  - Injury remnant
  - Pakistani language
  - Naked
  - Loud sound
  - First person singular
  - Hit a glancing blow
  - Temporal \_\_\_\_\_
  - Thought
  - Metropolitan area
  - Northern seas diving bird
  - Dairy product
  - Against
  - Adventurous tale
  - Am able
  - Tasmanian devil
  - Study of birds' eggs
  - One hundredth of a yen
  - "\_\_ way!"
  - More knowing
  - Missile type
  - Tease or initiate
  - Emerald Isle
  - Albacore
  - Formerly
  - Sign of assent
  - Gear tooth
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## Hungry Bowl is back – now calling for artists



HELP FILL THIS 'HUNGRY' BOWL

Tickets are now on sale for the two-night Hungry Bowl benefit for the food banks and pantries of Carroll County. The Eureka Springs Pottery Association's Hungry Bowl will take place Oct. 8 and 10.

Organizers are calling for artists to commit now to make and donate bowls or artwork for live and silent auctions for the kickoff on Oct. 8, 6 – 9 p.m. at Caribé Restaurant. Many favorite area artists will have great items for the

highest bidder. There will be a cash bar and music.

On Saturday, Oct. 10, from 5 – 8 p.m. the Soup & Bowl event will be held at Eureka Springs High School. Tickets are \$20 adults, \$5 children 12 and under – and include one handmade ceramic bowl and a serving of soup. Soups are provided by more than a dozen fine restaurants. Beverages are included and live music will be provided.

Purchase advance tickets at Angler's Inn, Sparky's Restaurant, Cornerstone Financial Center, Berryville Community Center, Green Forest Public Library or by credit card at (870) 350-4955.

All donations are tax deductible through the Carroll County Literacy Council. To donate art for the auction or for more information call (870) 350-4955 or see Eureka Springs Pottery Association on Facebook.

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Martin reminded everyone the Winrock money is supposed to point them toward sustainability and identify what kind of business mix the town needs to boost the economy.

Henke commented the key is focusing on "our unbelievable assets" to keep the tourists coming. His observation has been a younger crowd is coming to town, but the crowd changes weekend to weekend, which makes for a marketing challenge.

Martin said the study paid for by the grant begins in September. McClung remarked he was very excited to see what the study will do for the city.

### Calendar update

Kim Stryker, assistant to the mayor,

announced the city wide two-month rolling calendar is being developed. The goal is to provide a clearer forecast of all events going on so coordinators can avoid scheduling an event during a cluster of others. Berry added the challenge would always be getting the information from event promoters in time. Henke conjectured it might take a season or two to get everyone into the routine, but the calendar will be useful for everyone once it gets going.

Stryker said the procedure for getting on the calendar is to provide information to Gina Drennon, CAPC publicist, who will coordinate the calendar.

Next meeting of the task force will be Wednesday, Sept. 9, at 10 a.m. in the Auditorium.



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