



JP calls for ambulance tax – hears crickets chirp

MIKE ELLIS

At Monday night's quorum court meeting, Justice of the Peace John Reeve tried unsuccessfully to introduce an ordinance calling for a new tax to support ambulance services in eastern Carroll County.

Reeve failed to submit his proposal in time to have it listed on the agenda, and the Carroll County Quorum Court requires a unanimous vote to change the agenda at the table. Reeve said he was "disappointed" that his fellow JPs would not take up the issue. He promised to have it placed on the September agenda.

The proposal would call for forming an ambulance district with a governing commission for the eastern half of the county. Reeve's proposal would also call for placing a two-and-a-half mill tax before voters in a special election. He said the tax would raise more than \$500,000 per year. Although the JPs did not formally discuss the issue, they referred to it during JP comments, saying voters would not approve a new tax. Other questions arose about Mercy Hospital's ambulance service, which has sustained large financial losses.

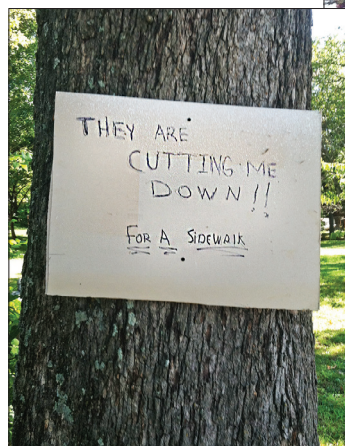
Earlier in the meeting, the court heard from Brian Unruh, with North Ark EMS in Harrison. He gave a brief outline of the company, and offered to provide service to the eastern half of Carroll County.

Unruh said North Ark EMS has served Boone County

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Farewell, old friend – Chris McAllister of Berryville says the tree in front of his house on College will be cut down to make room for a sidewalk. "The tree is the largest on the block. It shades the noonday sun and is very sentimental to me," Chris said. "Besides that, it's gorgeous." Chris posted a sign on his old friend so tree huggers could say goodbye, too. "We hate that he's going to lose that tree even though it lives in our right-of-way," Mayor Tim McKinney said, "but there's been a lot of development out there and it's very busy. We want kids to be safe walking to school."

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This Week's INDEPENDENT Thinkers

Our neighbor to the south, Mexico, has long been a country of fiestas, siestas, big smiles, strong families and avocados. It is also a country of mural art.

Strengthening the cords of belonging and neighboring, a graffiti crew recently painted more than 200 houses in Las Palmitas, Pachuca, Mexico.



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Imagine. The Mexican government actually encouraged artists to paint every building in town.

Stunning results, including cheerfulness, togetherness, increased tourism, zest and overall joie de vivre, rewarded those who create and appreciate beauty.

There is a presidential candidate in our country who actually wants to build a wall separating our countries, much like the Berlin Wall (which worked out so well).

Somebody oughtta name a hurricane after that guy.

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Geese, improvements and occupancy occupy Parks

BECKY GILLETTE

Donna Woods, interim director of Eureka Springs Parks, reported at the August 18 meeting that considerable progress has been made with repairs and improvements to the parks, but there is a concern that occupancy rates at Lake Leatherwood City Park (LLCP) in July were down about a third for cabins, 25 percent for RV sites, and 16 percent from group rentals. Decreases were even bigger in June.

Woods said declines in revenue at Lake Leatherwood could be the result of rainy weekends. There have also been some large groups that previously booked Lake Leatherwood each year who are no longer coming.

Through July 31, Leatherwood revenue was down 16 percent from the previous year, \$45,319 in 2014 compared to \$37,989 in 2015. The most significant contributor to the decline was cabin rentals.

However, Woods doesn't expect a shortfall for the year.

"Fortunately, every month of this year tax receipts have exceeded budget," she said. "As of the end of July, we have received \$15,820 more than our budget. This makes up for the \$7,330.47 shortfall at LLCP and is \$1,301 shy of covering the \$9,791 of expenditures that exceeded their budget or were not anticipated. With all the changes in staffing this year, we expect to come in under budget on payroll. So, we are still looking good for meeting our budget at year end."

If people do come to stay at Lake Leatherwood, they will find improvements such as outdoor porch lighting at the bathhouse, something the park hasn't had for 10 years.

"Overall, operations are good at parks," Woods said. "New staff are settling into their respective roles. Staff members are energized, engaged, bringing an enthusiastic, can-do attitude and going the extra mile."

Woods said hiring new maintenance man, Vince Peschka, "is proving to be one of our best decisions. His competence and thoroughness saved parks countless dollars addressing last week's water leak at the Harmon office building. We have bypassed the old lines, added a pressure regulator, a backflow preventer, and a whole building shut-off. Public Works installed a new meter and meter sleeve."

She also reported that city gardener Pat Lujan, who is celebrating his two-year anniversary with parks, designed and installed a new garden area at Gadd Spring

on North Main. Serenity Park at Gadd Spring is a resting/meditation park with birdhouses, feeders and benches.

"Many thanks to the owners of Mountain Eclectic who not only donated three benches for this park, but volunteered to do the watering of the landscaping for the first year so it has time to establish," she said. "The park is already generating compliments from neighbors and visitors."

She also gave credit to their full-time seasonal mower. "He has a big job, made only bigger by a year of non-stop grass growth," Woods said.

"We hauled off almost five tons of metal debris (cashed in for \$278), an entire flatbed of hazardous waste and three truckloads of non-metal debris," Woods said. "Our burn piles grow daily and will disappear once the weather is good for a big burn."

Commissioners also discussed the continuing issue with Canada geese that have previously taken up residence on the LLCP swimming beach, fouling sand and water with waste. Currently the area is being grown in grass to make it less attractive for the geese. The commission is also considering hiring a Border collie contractor to chase off the geese. They also discussed a recent front page article in the *Washington Post* about the use of drones that make sounds like eagles, which are predators of the geese, to deal with nuisance geese problems.

Woods said to date parks has spent about \$4,700 on items such as an inflatable alligator and other geese repellants that failed to be effective long-term.

Parks also continued a moratorium on renting new campsites at LLCP Bird Island where campers complained of loud geese and poisonous snakes before asking for a refund. Woods said resources such as the wooden dock at Bird Island could be relocated to other areas of the park such as the other side of the lake from the cabins, bait shop and boat launch facilities where there is no way to get boat access to remove injured visitors. There is a rescue needed in that area about once a year.

Wood said other issues with renting of Bird Island are the necessity to move human waste in a Porta-potty from the island to the shore onboard a boat, the lack of an evacuation plan, and the difficulty of emergency response.

Parks expected to open bids for a LLCP pavilion and playground August 27, and is proceeding with plans to buy a defibrillator for emergency use in the case of lightning strikes or heat attacks.

State auditors land airport woes on Court

MIKE ELLIS

County Judge Sam Barr ended Monday's Quorum Court meeting announcing two negative findings from the recently released 2013 audit of county offices.

State auditors cited District Court Clerk Betty Neal for a continuing failure to correct deficiencies in computer systems. The report said, "The Disaster Recovery Plan in place again was inadequate... for restoring from short-term or long-term interruptions of computer processing." Auditors explained this situation could leave the office without

computer processing for an extended period of time, and could place a financial burden on the entity.

Auditors noted serious discrepancies in spending by the former manager of the Carroll County Airport. The report said Sheila Evans, who resigned at the end of 2013, racked up more than \$16,000 in "improper disbursements" during her final year. Questionable items included groceries, women's clothing and jewelry, pet food and supplies, cosmetics and tanning, and alcoholic beverages.

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East Prosecuting Attorney has requested an Arkansas State Police investigation," the audit report stated, also noting other shortcomings at the airport, including a complete lack of bank reconciliations, and a failure to issue an annual financial report.

Earlier in the meeting, Morris Pate, chair of the Carroll County Airport Commission, reported that the commission is working toward a grant to repave the runway. The grant would provide almost \$600,000, to grind down the existing surface, provide a leveling layer, and add a finish layer of asphalt. Pate said the grant would require 10 percent matching funds, and several JPs asked if the airport could generate the matching \$60,000 from its budget or if the county would have to provide additional funds.

With a deadline for the grant application approaching, Pate promised to find answers for questions posed by JPs. Barr added some perspective, saying, "We may be looking at a \$60,000 expenditure, but we'll have a \$600,000 improvement."

Base Camp Expeditions offers camper comfort

Cabela's in Rogers recently featured R.B. Woodward and his Base Camp Expeditions in their fly-fishing department. They liked the idea of R.B. being a private guide into National Parks and wild America, and so did their customers – especially since free fly-fishing lessons are included in his expeditions.

Base Camp Expeditions offers five days and four nights in a luxury motor home (including jeep and canoe) that sleeps up to five people and even includes a driver, for \$500. R.B. will drive folks to their destination (he knows the best, most beautiful campsites) so they can fish, canoe, bike, horseback or hike and return at the

end of the day to relax in an air-conditioned "home" with a full kitchen. "I have my own tent and gear, so once we park I go away and the motor home is theirs for the duration," R.B. said.

R.B. and his Base Camp Expeditions have been invited back to Cabela's for the weekend of August 29 – 30. Meanwhile, locals can see what it's all about at the corner of US 62 and Rockhouse Road at Base Camp Expeditions. For more about ecotourism at its best, call (479) 244-7829. Whether you're going eagle watching or off to a music festival, R.B. will be happy to discuss trips shorter or longer than five days and/or excursions outside the area.

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for more than 50 years, and Newton and Searcy counties for more than 20 years. They have no memberships or subsidies, and Unruh said the company could provide service here without a millage support. He pointed out that Newton and Searcy counties have very low populations scattered across difficult terrain.

JP Larry Swofford wondered aloud how Mercy could lose \$500,000 in a year if North Ark EMS could operate successfully under such difficult conditions, but no formal discussion could follow since Swofford's and Reeve's statements were during Comments.

In other business

• Barr explained that the county has only received \$51,000 of an expected \$69,000 to pay costs of the parking lot project at the Western District Courthouse in Eureka Springs. He said JPs had encouraged him to take on the project, but the county stands to lose money on it. Swofford promised to sponsor an

ordinance to put the difference back into the Roads Department if the county does not receive further funds.

• A resolution was passed to authorize the county judge to apply for a grant on behalf of the Yocum Community. The grant, through the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, would provide \$51,000 for a public use building and a surrounding fence at the Yocum Cemetery.

• A resolution was passed to authorize the county judge to pursue two separate grants, totaling \$90,000, to renovate the old Head School House, legally known as the Head Community Center.

• JPs approved the appointments of Ken Mills to the Western Carroll County Ambulance District, and Austin Kennedy to the Inspiration Point Rural Fire Protection District. JP Lamont Richie said he could find no statutory requirement for JPs to approve such appointments, which lie under the authority of the county judge. He suggested seeking legal opinions regarding future appointments.

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Food truck issue causes council heartburn

NICKY BOYETTE

Mayor Butch Berry opened the Monday afternoon City Council workshop asking, "Do we want to have a place for food trucks in this city?" For the next hour, tastes varied and tempers were tested as council responded.

Alderman James DeVito asked if council were considering a franchise or "open season" for food truck vendors. Alderman Mickey Schneider said the city should have food trucks where tourists are, downtown, but set up proper regulations.

City clerk/Treasurer Ann Armstrong suggested the North Main parking lot would be a good setting. Berry agreed with North Main as an appropriate venue, and added if council decided to allow food trucks, customers must have access to restrooms.

Owner of Catered Creations Victor Smith told aldermen he has run a mobile food service business for two years. He does mostly catering and weddings, but sees the food truck business as a trendy business opportunity. He said cities have been successful setting up regulations allowing food trucks to operate, and Eureka Springs could do the same.

DeVito commented he had studied food truck ordinances of Ft. Smith and

Little Rock, and Eureka Springs is not like those cities. Year-round restaurants in Eureka Springs contribute more to the local economy than in other cities. As for allowing food trucks downtown, there is no place on the streets to park them.

He agreed the North Main parking lot would be the ideal location. The city has said it wanted to develop North Main, and he suggested setting up a food court in the North Main parking lot to draw tourists to the area. And there is a bathroom.

DeVito also pointed out the city has a responsibility to existing "bricks and mortar" restaurants that operate year-round and employ locals, so the city would need regulations regarding how close the food trucks could be to established restaurants.

Schneider demurred. She maintained that food trucks in the North Main parking lot would take away valuable parking. Also, visitors downtown want to walk to eat, but not a mile from downtown to the North Main lot.

Her suggestion was to allow food trucks downtown from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. The restaurants would be closed, and Schneider said, "People could stop and get food while walking from bar to bar." She stated food trucks downtown would improve the city's image.

DeVito doubted a food truck would come to town after 9 p.m. He reiterated the city should establish a minimum distance which food trucks must maintain from established restaurants, and suggested 500 feet.

Alderman Terry McClung agreed he would not appreciate it if he were a restaurant owner and a food truck operated across the street, and it would not be fair play by council to allow it. He suggested council stage a public hearing and listen to what everyone has to say about food trucks.

Schneider stated she was a firm believer in equality. "We don't have the right to deny them a chance," she said.

McClung responded that on a tax-equality basis, food trucks are not the same as restaurants. For Schneider, food trucks are just a different type of restaurant, and she did not think people would go to the lot on North Main. "How would we get them there?" she asked.

"That's not our responsibility," DeVito declared. "How do I get customers in my door? Plus food trucks would not add to the local job pool as restaurants do."

Alderman Joyce Zeller insisted the city look at the situation in an imaginative way. She said she would love to have a food truck nearby selling gyros. She thought mobile

food vendors tied to specific events would be acceptable, but Berry said there are already food trucks at events.

McClung said the issue comes down to what voters want. Schneider contended visitors should have a say.

Berry interjected that restaurants pay CAPC taxes, property taxes, and the employees are here year-round. Food trucks might be needed at times, "but if we're going to do this, we must come up with an equitable way."

"We need to talk with our people," Schneider commented. She then said people want a place to eat that does not involve a bar.

Smith asked council, "What if I buy property on North Main, for example, and open a food truck court?" He said he would abide by all the regulations, and agreed there should be regulations, but those can be hammered out.

"How can I show my art if I'm not allowed to try?" he asked. He also said he would try the 9 p.m. – 1 a.m. shift if council allowed, and suggested a parking lot rather than a street.

McClung observed renting space in a parking lot would make the city a landlord. "The city doesn't need to be a landlord."

Schneider said she worked more than one job when she was younger, and food trucks working 9 – 1 on weekends would be an opportunity for young parents to have a second job.

McClung wondered if there were

enough business to make it even worth the effort to write an ordinance. Berry said council was not at that point yet. First, he reminded them, they must determine if the city wants to have food trucks.

"So, should we have a public hearing?" he asked.

DeVito said council has a responsibility to hear from other restaurant owners.

Alderman Bob Thomas spoke up, saying, "Since when do we screen businesses because we think they might not be successful?" He said a late night food truck would not take business away from any restaurants. He suggested council create the ordinance and see if any food truck vendor applies.

Berry again returned to the reason for the workshop. "So, do we want them or not?" He said the particulars could be worked out in an ordinance. Council at this point was creating the concept the public could respond to. He said he would set up a public hearing.

Thomas repeated his concern that council would not set up a public hearing to hear from auto supply store owners regarding their opinions about a new auto supply store, and cautioned a public hearing should be focused properly or council will not get the information they are looking for.

DeVito answered they are looking for good ideas.

Date of the public hearing on food trucks is to be determined.

Public comments requested for revised Butler Hollow Project

District Ranger Joe Koloski posted a new Public Comment package requesting comments on the Butler Hollow project. Deadline is Sept. 11. This is the only opportunity for Eureka Springs, Beaver, Busch and anyone near Butler Hollow to voice concerns.

Koloski will make a decision on the new proposal following the 30-day comment period, and will post the Environmental Assessment at the same time. Only those sending comments will have an opportunity to intervene and oppose the USFS decision.

Alternative 1 is No-Action. Butler Hollow would remain untouched, providing a critical carbon dioxide sink, a source of clean air and clean water, a habitat for the wildlife species in the forest, and soil erosion and sedimentation prevention for Butler Creek.

Alternatives 2 and 3 are almost identical to the original proposal on 18,000 acres of Butler Hollow, with commercial timber sales, prescribed fires and removal of all cedar trees and trees with less than a nine-inch diameter, which would include redbuds and dogwoods.

Alternative 4 would limit the scope of commercial timber sales, and glade restoration to the Chute Ridge burn unit and the northeast corner of Pine Hollow burn unit, reducing the area treated with prescribed fire to 3,607 acres.

Comments become part of the public record. Written comments should be submitted to District Ranger, Ava/Cassville/Willow Springs Ranger District, Rt. 6, Box 614110, Ava, MO 65608; fax is (417) 683-5722; email is comments-eastern-mark-twain-ava@fs.fed.us.

Complete information on the four alternatives this are posted on the USFS website. Please use this link <http://tinyurl.com/Lorax2015>.



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Body found in Table Rock Lake identified

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The body of a woman was found August 20 in 26 ft. of water after her car plunged off a bluff and into Table Rock Lake not far from the Holiday Island marina. Maj. George Frye of the Carroll County Sheriff's Office identified the woman in the car as Audrey Jean Bott, 77, of Holiday Island.

Mrs. Bott was reported missing Tuesday, August 28 by her husband, who said she was on her way to a dental appointment Tuesday afternoon but never arrived.

"It was unusual that no one heard the racket created by her vehicle going through that terrain in the middle of the afternoon, followed by what had to be a major splash

caused by dropping about eighty feet," Frye said. He estimated the car, a bronze Honda, went off the bluff Tuesday afternoon.

Frye said preliminary searches, including by helicopter, had been unable to spot anything along the north side of a road running along the bluffs north of the bridge on Woodbane Dr. "There was no way to see where she was from the air or the road," he said referring to heavy brush in the area.

In a seemingly unrelated event, a woman had gone to the Holiday Island Fire Dept. on Tuesday and reported seeing a red car going back and forth on the bluff. When investigators got to that spot, they saw debris presumed to be from the bronze Bott car, and called in the Benton County Dive Team and Mennonite Disaster Response Team. The vehicle was located by sonar at about 6 p.m. Thursday. Frye said it took about six hours to raise and recover the vehicle, which was identified as belonging to Mrs. Bott by the license plate.

Frye said on August 25 that the medical examiner had positively identified Mrs. Bott and the cause of death was drowning.

Airport manager on final approach

Carroll County Airport commissioners went into executive session Friday, saying only that they had a résumé for the airport manager's position that piqued their interest, but until details are worked out, they declined to release the name.

Commissioners were also all aflutter to learn at the August 21 meeting that flight instructor Harvey Cleveland had signed up six students for flying lessons in a Cessna 150. By August 24, that number increased to 11, according to commission chair Morris Pate.

Since asking the Quorum Court for \$90,000 in annual operating expenses and being allocated only \$48,000, commissioners have all taken volunteer duties to keep the airport open. Tree removal, marketing, fence repair, runway light maintenance, hangar leasing, mowing and general management have been tended by commissioners themselves.

Consulting engineer Dan Clinton told commissioners they were in line for a grant to resurface the runway by grinding down one inch, leveling, and adding two inches of new surface. The runway is currently 3554 ft., and the overhaul was estimated at \$660,000, 90 percent which will be paid for

by the grant.

Aviation fuel sales were slightly over 4000 gallons in a busy summer season. "We make between forty and fifty cents a gallon," Pate said after the meeting. "That isn't enough to keep things running, but it's good we have fuel for sale twenty-four hours a day, just stick in a credit card, gas up and fly away. And our fuel costs less than a lot of the regional airports around here."

Pate also reported that 25 of the 28 hangars on the property are either rented or privately owned.

Commissioners voted unanimously to allow Larkin Floyd a gate to his property, barn, well house and horses, which abuts airport property. Floyd operates an airplane repair business out of one of the hangars.

Pate said following the meeting that 75-80 percent of those who fly in request one of three courtesy cars and drive to Eureka Springs to eat and shop. If they spend the night, the commission asks for a \$10 donation for the car. Pate said there are many pilots who make the trip just to have lunch in Eureka Springs.

The next meeting is at noon, Sept. 18 at the airport in Berryville.

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Rising Stars – Jack Moyer congratulates Allan Gamill, left, Katie Peterson and Morgan Crawford, the 2015 recipients of the Rising Star Scholarship given annually by Jack and Rachael Moyer to a staff or family member of the Crescent Hotel and Spa or the Basin Park Hotel to further his or her education. The Moyers' Rising Star award is a partner to the hotel's Service Star and an important part of how the Employee of the Year is selected. Crawford and Peterson plan to use the scholarships toward earning Associate Degrees from Northwest Arkansas College, and Gamill is enrolled at Arkansas Tech as a Hospitality major. To date the Rising Star Scholarship Fund has gifted over \$7,250. **PHOTO SUBMITTED**

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 - **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.
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 - **Al-Anon** Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. All other meetings: See www.nwarkaa.org

Council aligns state and local liquor laws

NICKY BOYETTE

Alderman Bob Thomas told Eureka Springs City Council at its Monday meeting that City Attorney Tim Weaver and City Clerk Ann Armstrong had worked to align City Code with changes in state law regarding the sale of liquor. He moved to assign the proposed ordinance a number and put it on its first reading.

City Clerk Ann Armstrong read Ordinance 2229 which stated that it shall be illegal for licensed establishments to sell alcoholic beverages “after the hour of 2 a.m. or before the hour of 8 a.m. except on Saturday when all sales shall cease at 12 midnight. It is specifically provided, however, that any hotel, motel, or restaurant business establishment in the city permitted to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premise consumption in accordance with the law may sell alcoholic beverages for on-premise consumption until 2:00 a.m. on Sunday and also on Sunday between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 midnight.”

The ordinance also states that in the event that Sunday shall fall on December 31, an establishment

“may sell alcoholic beverages for on-premise consumption until 2:00 a.m. of the following day.”

The ordinance also strengthened the city’s ability to collect delinquent taxes and revoke a permit to sell alcoholic beverages because of delinquent taxes for more three months.

Council approved the first reading of Ordinance 2229.

Other items

- Council agreed to have a mid-year budget review Monday, Sept. 28, from 3 – 5 p.m.
 - Mayor Butch Berry said the city is still in the process of preparing bids for the new Public Works building.
 - Armstrong reported the documents for the second quarter financials for the city were in either Finance Director Lonnie Clark’s office or her office.
 - Berry stated both the Parks and Cemetery Commissions have a vacancy. Any citizen wanting to serve the city can apply at city hall.
- Next meeting will be Monday, Sept. 14, at 6 p.m.

INDEPENDENT ConstablesOnPatrol

AUGUST 17

- 1:12 a.m. – Constables got word of an individual passed out in front of a shop downtown. His friends hauled him home.
- 11:03 a.m. – Person attempted to use a \$10 bill at a drive through. The business refused to accept the bill, so he spoke with a constable about it.

AUGUST 18

- 12:23 a.m. – Alarm was triggered at a bank, but constables who responded found no signs of attempted entry and the building was secure.
- 4:52 p.m. – Individual reported someone had stolen his guitar.
- 5:20 p.m. – A woman downtown forgot where she had parked her car. Constable on patrol helped her find it.
- 5:29 p.m. – Constable tagged a parked van obstructing the view of traffic.
- 8:24 p.m. – One person possessed an item belonging to another person. After speaking with a constable, the person with the item decided to return it.

AUGUST 19

- 9:20 a.m. – Resident claimed someone had stolen his drill.
- 12:21 p.m. – Caller told ESPD he had raccoons in his dumpster. Animal Control responded.

August 20

- 10:20 a.m. – Employee of a downtown shop reported two shoplifters and provided physical descriptions of them for the detective.
- 2:56 p.m. – Person reported the tailgate of his truck had been stolen.
- 3:16 p.m. – Constables were alerted to a female who was not supposed to be on school property. She was gone when constables arrived.
- 3:49 p.m. – There was a hit-and-run accident at ESH, and a

constable later confronted the suspect.

5:03 p.m. – A couple skipped out of a restaurant without paying for their meals. Constable tracked them down them and convinced them to pay up.

AUGUST 21

- 2:45 a.m. – Constable waited at the western entrance to town for a possibly intoxicated driver, but the vehicle never came.
- 3:38 p.m. – There was an accident in the commercial area along US 62.
- 9:56 p.m. – Traffic stop resulted in the arrest of the driver for DWI #2, driving left of center, implied consent and no/expired vehicle license.
- 11:10 p.m. – Observer reported a male rifling through a vehicle parked in a neighborhood. Constable responded and arrested him on an ESPD warrant for failure to appear.

AUGUST 22

- 6:57 a.m. – Constable took a report on theft of items off a motorcycle.
- 10:33 a.m. – Another individual reported theft of the tailgate from his truck.
- 11:56 p.m. – Constable responded to a noise complaint regarding an individual in his vehicle with the music turned way up and arrested him for possession of a controlled substance and drug paraphernalia.

AUGUST 23

- 5:26 a.m. – Alarm company notified ESPD of an alarm ringing out at a saloon. Constables responded and found the building secure.
- 12:26 p.m. – Constable reviewed a video recording of a theft at a gas station and obtained a description of the culprit.
- 1:11 p.m. – Constable performed a welfare check and found the subject doing well.

HDC proposes guideline changes

BECKY GILLETTE

The Eureka Springs Historic District Commission (HDC) unveiled plans August 19 that commissioners said are designed to revise guidelines to make them simpler, more user friendly and less arbitrary.

"Most of it is just cleanup of sections we never used," said Glenna Booth, city preservation officer.

The proposed revisions, which will be voted on at the HDC meeting Sept. 2, have been the subject of three workshops. Nearly the entire city is included in the Eureka Springs Historic District, so guidelines affect all homeowners, not just those in historic homes.

One change that might have been precipitated by the large amount of rainfall this year is that homeowners will no longer have to obtain a Certificate of Appropriateness for gutters. The commission maintained if the gutter man is in town, people shouldn't have to wait two weeks to get a COA for gutters that can help protect the house from water damage.

"We want people to get gutters," commission chair Dee Bright said.

Sections regarding lighting, satellite dishes, vacant lots, mechanical systems and garbage collectors are proposed for deletion, along with most of the section governing landscaping. The commission proposes adding a portion to the landscaping section stating that open wooden structures

measuring under ten sq. ft. at the base with no foundation, such as garden trellises, entry arbors and small pergolas, do not require a COA.

Under maintenance, the revised ordinance states that if damaged exterior siding is wood, it must be replaced with wood siding to match the profile of existing siding. Fiber cement board is not appropriate for replacement unless there is a demonstrated moisture problem, and it must be approved by the HDC. Fiber cement board is allowed for new construction and additions.

Under the fences and free-standing walls section, pet fencing is added to the portion that allows garden fencing of up to 1,000 sq. ft. without a COA. Types of materials allowed have been expanded to include bamboo and mesh pet fencing, such as Benner's.

The revisions also proposed a new section on temporary coverings that requires outdoor weather protection on commercial property dining decks to be commercially manufactured roll-up, heavy, clear plastic curtain enclosures specifically designed for this purpose. Tarps are only appropriate for temporary weatherproofing for damaged roofs, windows or siding and should not be used for more than three months.

Residents who want to review the guidelines can contact Booth at (479) 253-9703.

In other action, Glenn Crenshaw received a COA for

two shotgun-style houses at 60 Wall St., and Dee Purkeypille was approved adding a Dirksen-style storage building at 229 N. Main that will be painted the same colors as the home.

Grab your cleats and a ball, Soccer Club is here!

Eureka Springs Youth Soccer Club Fall team sign up days are:

Saturday, August 29 from 9 – 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday Sept. 2 from 3:30 – 5 p.m.

Saturday Sept. 5 from 9 – 11:30 a.m.

All signups are at the Eureka Springs Middle School Cafeteria. Cleat exchange available. For more information go to www.eteamz.com/eurekasoccer.

30 minutes of meditation 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 27 at 4 p.m. at the Heart of Many Ways in the Christian Science Church at 69 Mountain Street. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Missing since May 11 – Scooby




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Sue the cities over noise

Editor,

I was in Fort Smith a few days ago conducting business. Almost everywhere I turned I was assaulted by either a loud biker, illegally equipped pick-up or auto. The doctrine of Sovereign Immunity protecting municipalities from civil penalties for nonfeasance needs to be tried for its Constitutional validity via Constitutional review.

I mean, don't we, as Citizens of the United States, have a guarantee of equal protection under the law and don't we have a guarantee of domestic tranquility and the right to pursue happiness? Does the Loud Biker Cult[ure] have a "right" to usurp the law, and openly and offensively assault the citizenry, without penalty? If our law enforcement community does not intercede on our behalf, to whom do we turn for help?

If our law enforcement community refuses to enforce a valid, Constitutionally sound, articulate, vehicular noise law, why can't the citizenry assaulted by these vehicular noise thugs sue that municipality and its law enforcement representatives for redress?

Having worked for a very large municipality for over 31 years, I know that "money" is the catalyst that motivates the movers-and-shakers in a city administration. Nothing effects change like a threat to the city coffer... NOTHING! It's time to hold municipalities like Fort Smith, Fayetteville, Sturgis, and any other city that panders to the Loud Biker Cult[ure] via non-enforcement and biker rallies accountable for their nonfeasance. In fact, it's past time!

Rick Holtsclaw
Uniontown, Ark.

Grannies are full of secrets

Editor,

The first week of school is quite hectic and crazy in the cafeteria. This year is especially hard because the cost of lunch went up, USDA changed nutrition requirements again,

students have forgotten their lunch numbers, and the amount of new students has increased. However, the hardest part of every child nutrition staff member's day was to have to tell an average of 30 students per school that they need money in their lunch accounts or we will have to serve them a peanut butter and jelly sandwich and a milk. Last week, we had to keep our word and ended up giving one or two students per school this lunch because of negative balances.

Then, after an extremely difficult lunch service last Wednesday, something wonderful happened. A lovely lady heard about our problems and decided to take action. Requesting to remain anonymous, our "secret granny" has decided to donate \$38 a month to pay for one full paid student's lunch.

This one action made all of us in the kitchen breathe a sigh of relief and not feel so horrible about doing our jobs. We were able to pay off 15 accounts with this money and those students were able to eat the main meal the next day. So thank you, Secret Granny! You've impacted so many lives at our local school and we appreciate you so much!

Anyone interested in becoming a Secret Granny or donating money anonymously to pay for student's lunches can do so by mailing or dropping off money/check at any of the cafeterias, payable to Eureka Springs Schools with a memo of "Secret Granny." Full paid student's pay \$9.50 a week for their lunch and \$5 for breakfast.

Thank you.

Barbara C. Tenan

Flag dedication Saturday

Editor,

The American Legion Post #9 will be performing a US Flag Dedication ceremony in Eureka Springs in Basin Spring Park on August 29 at 11 a.m. Cornerstone Bank will be presenting a US Flag to the Mayor of Eureka Springs, Butch Berry, who will have the American Legion Post #9 Honor Guard perform the US Flag dedication ceremony. This is open to the public.

Ferguson Stewart
Chaplain American Legion Post#9



WEEK'S TopTweets

@expertnovice: Anyone wanting to hide information from me should just put it in a spreadsheet and email it to me.

@blindchow: Speed dating, but instead of talking you just exchange phones for 3 minutes and glean as much information as you can.

@PreYankHer: My mom read Tolstoy at 12. She has a great career. She knows the capital of every country. She just asked me to put Internet in her Facebook.

@donni: Can I legally change my name to the same name but with a bigger font?

@ieatanddrink: Oh, OK, thanks for the tip, I was actually planning on letting the bed bugs bite, but good call.

@thenardvark: No, Linda, I can't believe how early it's getting dark. After 4 billion years of this happening I was sure this would be the year it didn't.

@beingtheo: To all my atheist and agnostic friends. T_IF!
@BeauBock: Twentieth Century Fox should really consider updating their name.

@blitznbeans: "This is not fair!" – Foreigner realizing he got bad directions to the fair.

@filthyrichmond: How do I explain to the bank teller I'm just robbing her and not the bank?

@OhJuliette: How do you tell a friend their breath stinks without being rude? "I'm bored, let's brush our teeth!"

@oberoivarun: At the end of the day life should ask us, Do you want to save the changes?

INDEPENDENT Guestatorial

14 more reasons fluoride should be banned, not mandated

Top international neurologists who have highlighted fluoride's role as a developmental neurotoxin, Philippe Grandjean, MD, Ph.D, and Anna Choi, Sc.D, have come under attack by fluoridationists critical of their work. Grandjean has responded the researchers are concerned that safety of elevated fluoride exposure is being exaggerated in ways similar to those employed by vested interests to misconstrue scientific evidence of other neurotoxicants, such as lead, mercury and certain pesticides.

"Firm dismissal of fluoride as a potential neurotoxic hazard would seem premature," Grandjean said. Grandjean's studies showed that children with even the mildest condition known as dental fluorosis – fluoride – induced mottling of their teeth – showed lower performance on some neuropsychological tests.

What is happening to the teeth is also happening to the bone.

"This observation runs contrary to popular wisdom that the enamel effects represent a cosmetic problem only and not a sign of toxicity," Grandjean said. "At least one of five American children has some degree of mottling of their teeth."

The incidence of dental fluorosis in African American children is even higher, with 58 percent of African American children studied showing signs of dental fluorosis.

There have been links between fluoride ingestion and cancer going back to studies in the 1970s. Two prominent researchers were John Yiamouyiannis, Ph.D and Dean Burk, Ph.D. Burk spoke before the 94th Congress about the association of fluoride and cancer. Burk, a biochemist, was a co-founder of the National Cancer Institute and head of the Cytochemistry Sector for more than 30 years.

"Fluoride causes more human cancer deaths, and causes it faster than any other chemical," Burk has been quoted as saying.

There is a short video on YouTube of Burk claiming that fluoride is responsible for 20 percent of cancer deaths, and that the effects of water fluoridation on cancer rates can be seen within one year of the initiation of fluoridation.

Yiamouyiannis, founder of the Safe Water Foundation, USA, was a biochemical editor at Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) where he became aware of the health-damaging effects of fluoride. The National Institute of Dental Research asked CAS to silence Yiamouyiannis because of his anti-fluoridation activism or lose substantial US Public Health Service funding. He resigned from CAS. His experience is described in his book, *Fluoride: the Aging Factor*.

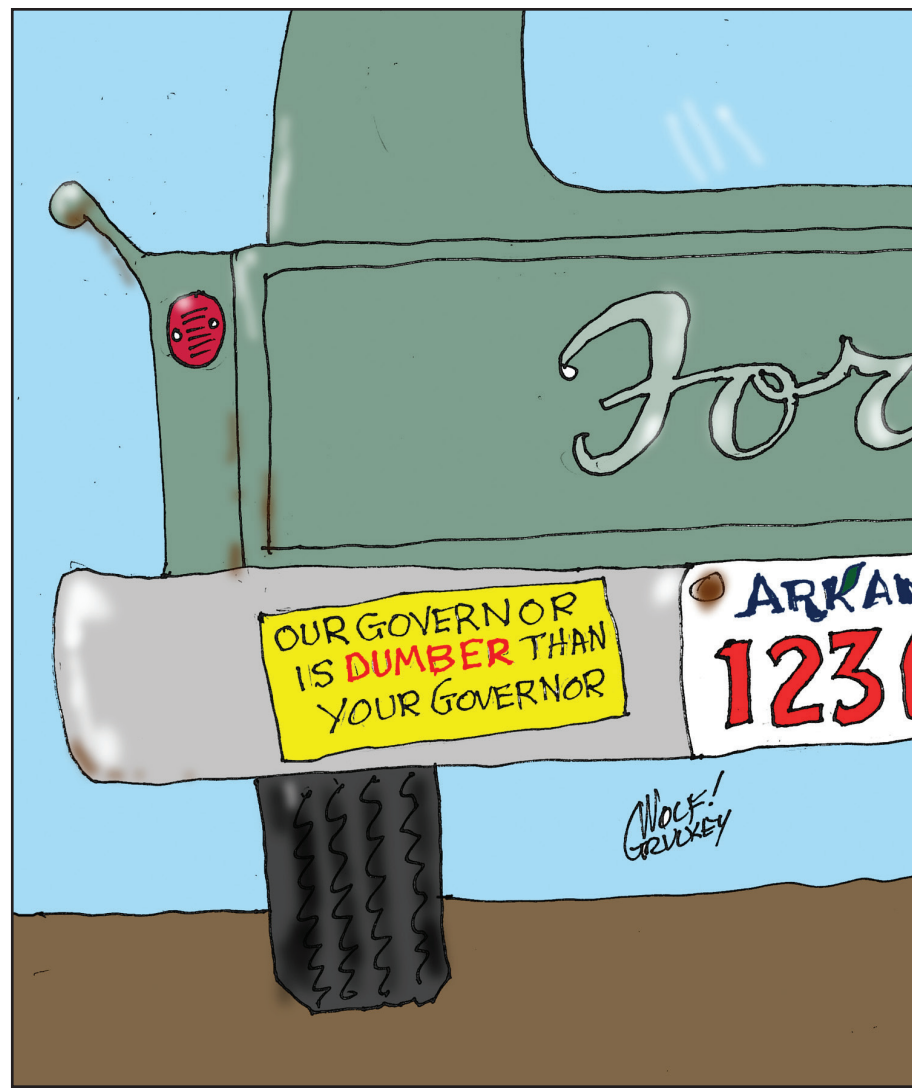
Yiamouyiannis and Burk produced a paper together, "Fluoridation and Cancer: Age-Dependence of Cancer Mortality Related to Artificial Fluoridation." It was this paper that prompted a Congressional hearing in 1976. This led to a congressional committee to call for animal studies to determine whether fluoride caused cancer under laboratory conditions. The U.S. National Toxicology Program commissioned Battelle Memorial Institute labs to conduct the studies. Results of those studies were not released until 1990, but did show an increased incidence of cancer.

Fluoride compounds which are put in water, toothpaste, and supplement tablets (including some vitamins) were never tested for safety before approval. Recent independent research by scientists not associated with dental trade organizations has linked fluoridation chemicals to lower IQs in children, cancer, changes in bone structure and strength, birth defects, an impaired immune system, acute adverse reactions, initial stages of skeletal fluorosis, increased lead and arsenic exposure, osteoarthritis, spinal stenosis, permanent disfigurement of teeth in many children (dental fluorosis), inhibition of key enzymes, suppressed thyroid function (conversely can cause hyperthyroidism if it stimulates the pituitary), and a large number of acute poisonings. This is why the FDA requires a poison warning on every tube of fluoride toothpaste sold in the U.S.

By the way, research done by West Virginia University shows that fluoride added to the U.S. public water supplies have not reduced tooth decay. The research concludes that children in urban areas who are more exposed to fluoridated water and dental care have as many cavities as children in rural areas who have less exposure to fluoridated water.

Independent experts oppose dumping fluoride into water because it is unethical. The practice is banned in 97 percent of Western Europe and many other countries. It should also be banned, not mandated, in Arkansas and the rest of the country.

Sandra Young, MD



The Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

It is possible that we're untangling the sexual mess we humans have made for ourselves, but it hasn't been easy, and we have a ways to go. Victims of that mess, like Anna Duggar, are still hung out to dry; they dangle from threads of unfortunate choice, from misinformation, or bad luck, and will spend years getting over it, if they ever do.

I suppose the mess begins with the powerful ape forcefully taking whatever weaker objects they have sexualized, and it limps into these modern times as one of the morally indigent buying, manipulating, conning, or otherwise wangling another human into being the object of their sexual impulses. Love and sex, whether we like it or not, are transactional. If two of the morally indigent come together, all is well, and if two humans form an equal and open partnership, that's a square deal too. But pity the hapless kid who makes an agreement with a jackleg partner destined to go south.

Unfortunate choices can be made. Think of the middle of the road, middle class twit who trades a place of desperate winters for a warmer place filled with a plurality of the sour-loused heirs of George Wallace. He didn't do his homework, or was naive, but the places aren't at fault: Mr. Twit needs to live with his choice as gracefully as he can, or go back to the snow. Grace is the interest he pays on the unfortunate transaction; so it is in most relationships. If there is love – and good sex – grace will likely make it work.

Misinformation – call it lies – make the sexual mess messier. Your partner says he loves Jesus, babies, and apple pie, but what he really loves is porn and chasing skirts. The problem isn't porn, or skirt chasing, it's his emphasizing a false belief system over his reality. An honest partner will share his interests – his reality – and invite you to tag along. You can go, or not.

Bad luck is living in a family, a social network, a culture, that lets you believe it's your fault if your partner behaves like a pig. Let's pray that Anna Duggar finds some peace.

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*.

The telephone jangled once, and he picked it up, spoke into it, asking for a name, waiting, speaking then of samples, analysis, mentioning dates. Then there was a delay, for what seemed to her (sitting on the high couch that was molting its leather cover) a long time, and finally a voice again, inside the telephone, and Doctor Totten saying on a note of disbelief: “You’re positive about that? Better check it again, hadn’t you?” and the voice protesting, and the doctor saying at length:

“Very well, then. Thank you. Must have slipped up somewhere.” He hung up and sat staring at the telephone as if it had betrayed him.

She stood it for as long as she could, then timidly asked “What did they say, Doctor?”

For awhile he did not answer. At last he said: “They mailed the report to Roger. Wednesday.” He turned slowly to face her, looking all at once very old and defeated.

She said: “Oh,” in a scared whisper, and nothing more. They sat staring at each other as if each were afraid to look away, as if each hoped to hear the other deny what they both knew. After a time, the doctor fetched up a sigh from the depths, and said:

“I’ve known Roger and Agnes all



CONSTANCE WAGNER

my life. All *their* lives. We were children together. That was fifty years ago... Corrosion’s a slow process, but sure. Water on stone.”

“Oh, no!” Jane cried, forced to utter the denial herself. “You don’t understand. He wouldn’t –”

He shook himself slightly, and turned back to the desk... saying, as if it were a formula learned by rote, having no meaning: “Cut down on starches and sugars. Plenty of milk, fruit. Come in a week from today –”

She crept out, feeling dazed. When she opened the street door, she realized that the loud-speaker must have been silent for some time and just now have begun again. She stood for a moment, listening, letting the people drift past her. The voice was Cletis Jones’s, she decided – bawling, bullying, too loud for the microphone, so that many of the words were blurred and lost in sheer volume.

– And I’d like to ask Doc Totten and Roger Knowles (blast) if they kin (blast) true that Mr. Knowles has never once (blast) advertise *Sycamore’s springs*? There ensued a burst of screeching static, in which Cletis Jones was obviously so emotionally stirred that he could not forbear howling into the speaker. Then, as if someone had advised him to step back, words came through once more:

– Another ting folks. They’s been a lot of coincidences about this here campaign. F’instance, this water-scare breakin’ right now, jest a week before election. Now that’s a coincidence, ain’t it? And – go a mite further back – how about Floyd Skelton vanishin’ – inter thin air, you might say? Another coincidence, friends. Couldn’t be, o’ course, that Roger’s brother-in-law knew too much – about that last pavin’ contract, maybe – ? Couldn’t be he was paid to make himself scarce around these here parts –?

With her face burning, she started round the square, past the filling station and the post office. Poor Willy May – how forlorn and lonely it must seem, to have lost the one human being who had been real to her, had possessed her heart for so long! Did she still feel that he would return to her, like the tide to the rock? Looking across the park, she saw, beyond the shifting groups of farm people, her father-in-law standing in the wide doorway at the top of the courthouse steps. He was alone, and at that distance, he looked aloof, large and poised and quite vulnerable. Is he really so calm? she wondered. Or was the victory over Agnes, after all, only a momentary one, a tiny, meaningless revolt? How confusing it all is! she thought. There’s only Walter that makes sense. Walter, and this big, strong child kicking me from inside. Life: *that’s* real. But good and evil, love and hate

– they’re all mixed up and part of one another, it seems. Some day, when I’m an old, old woman, I’ll sit, like Granny Knowles, alone in a little house, and try to think it out...

She opened the door of the Democrat office, and Walter looked up from his desk, and smiled, but seemed preoccupied. “Hullo,” he said. “Everything all right?”

“Oh, yes. Fine.” She brushed the topic aside, her own physical condition appearing insignificant just then. “Did you hear Cletis Jones? Over the speaker?”

“Everybody must’ve heard it for ten miles,” he said harshly. “The sons of bitches.”

She moved restlessly about the office. “That stuff about Floyd,” she said. “Poor Aunt Willy, having to listen to that. I think I’ll run up and see her.”

“She’d like that,” he said absently, and added: “Doesn’t it surprise you, the way she’s taken Floyd’s elopement? I’d have supposed – Goes to show, you don’t really know a damn thing about people. Even simple souls like Aunt Willy.”

“No, you don’t. I almost think she’s happier since he’s gone.”

“And it isn’t,” Walter said, “as if she was looking for him to turn up again. I’m sure it isn’t. I get a strong impression, every time I see her, that she’s absolutely certain he’s not coming back.”

NOTES from the HOLLOW by Steve Weems

Sometimes I overindulge in the luxury of preconceived notions and it takes an outside force to nudge the trajectory of my thinking. In this case, it was my short association with Ned Shank in the Eureka Springs Rotary Club.

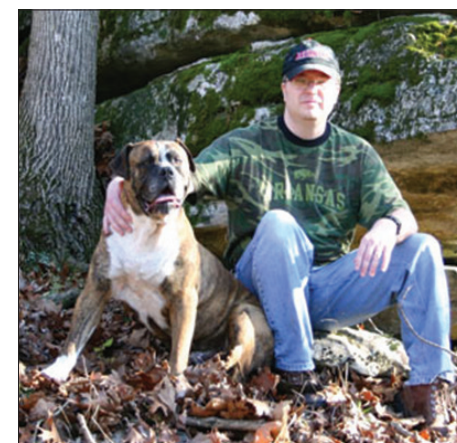
I was working as an accountant in town and my boss was the incoming president of the club. He said he’d put me up for membership (or however it worked) and as I do occasionally try new things, I hesitantly agreed. I didn’t know the first thing about civic clubs at the time and though I had agreed to join, I was a little skeptical about it all.

The Rotary Club met weekly downstairs at Myrtie Mae’s. I showed up at the appointed early hour bleary-eyed but curious. After an omelet made to order, the meeting got down to business and I was surprised at how closely the proceedings mirrored some church services, with music and singing led by Alan Epley and his horn, introduction of guests and a weekly speaker. It all ran smoothly despite some good-natured grumbling by those in the back seats.

I don’t remember if it was the first meeting I attended, or the second, but when things drew to a close, Ned Shank

made a beeline for me. We shook hands, and he loomed over me (he was quite tall) and he enthusiastically endorsed the work of the Rotary Club, both local and worldwide. That was 15 years ago and I don’t recall the exact words Ned spoke, but I’m thoroughly aware of the impact those words wrought. What struck me as interesting is that he seemed well aware of my skepticism, but used reason to make his case. We had a good conversation and I looked forward to more.

It wasn’t too long after I joined the Eureka Springs Rotary Club that Ned Shank was killed in a tragic bicycle



accident just west of Eureka. The Ned Shank Wikipedia article states that he was posthumously made a Paul P. Harris Fellow, which is an award given by the Rotary Club.

Coming up at ESSA

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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.

September 9 – 11: *Intermediate Acrylic Painting* with Steve Horan. Nurture your creativity where the primary focus will be demonstrating and



OHIO RIVER BY STEVE HORAN

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.

Steve Horan, a Chicago artist who retired to Bella Vista, is noted for his landscapes and cityscapes with a distinct, contemporary flair. Horan's art has won many regional awards and his work has been acquired by major corporations, government agencies and private collectors. For more, see www.artbystevehoran.com.

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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.

Ozarks Chorale holiday rehearsals begin Sept. 8

If the joy of the holiday season makes you want to sing, here's where to do it! The Ozarks Chorale's holiday registration and first rehearsal is Tuesday, Sept. 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the Eureka Springs Middle School Cafeteria. This season's musical lineup will be filled with holiday tunes, pop and great new choral works under the direction of Artistic Director and Conductor Beth Withey, accompanied by composer and pianist Ellen Stephenson.

The Chorale, now in its 21st season, rehearses every Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. in the Middle School Cafeteria and will be performing holiday concerts at local venues in November and December. No auditions are necessary and local singers of all ages are encouraged to participate. A registration fee of \$20 will be collected. Everyone is always welcome.

Humor writing or herding cats: which is easier?

Beth Bartlett will speak about humor writing August 27 at the Village Writing School. Beth's work has appeared in numerous publications. Most recently, her humorous essay "Rejection Traditions for the Committed Writer" appeared in the July/August issue of *Writer's Digest*.

Writers' Night Out welcomes anyone with an interest in writing. Dinner begins at 5 p.m. with speaker at 5:30. The Village Writing School is located at 177 Huntsville Road (Hwy. 23S).

Hungry Bowl event is hungry for artists

The Eureka Springs Pottery Association's Hungry Bowl organizers are calling for artists to commit now to make and donate bowls or artwork for live and silent auctions at the kickoff Oct. 8, 6 – 9 p.m. at Caribe Restaurant. Tickets are already on sale for the two-night benefit for the food banks and pantries of Carroll County.

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 your choice of a

serving of one of the soups 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.

Let's call it quilts

Entries are being accepted only until Sept. 9 for the 38th Ozark Quilt Fair to be held Saturday, Sept. 12 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Shiloh Museum of Ozark History, 118 W. Johnson Ave. in Springdale.

Quilters and quilt lovers are invited to display new and antique quilts for show

and sale on the museum grounds. Entry fee is \$10 per exhibitor. Cash prizes for Viewer's Choice Awards are: first \$50, second \$35 and third \$15 in both new and antique quilt categories. Entry forms are available at www.shilohmuseum.org or by calling (479) 750-8165.

Lynda Lynn Receives CGMA awards

Eureka Springs singer/songwriter, Dr. Lynda Lynn, was honored recently at a regional convention of the Country Gospel Music Association. She received the 2015 Silver Heart Award for "Full Time Songwriter Of The Year" and "Female Entertainer Of The Year." Her group, Freedom, made up of Lynda, her husband Bud, son Rory, and Troy and Belinda Johanson was awarded "Group Of The Year."

Lynda has produced five CDs and is a 17-time ASCAP award winning songwriter



who wrote her first song, "Ozark Mountain Christmas" in 1992 to national acclaim, winning a Golden Award in Nashville. Lynda continues to write Christian music in the cottage she built

here on Forest Lane in 1995. To contact her, email angelstrails@gmail.com.

CGMA's 2015 Silver Heart recipients from each regional division will meet Oct. 26–31 in Branson, Mo., for an International Convention at the Stone Castle Hotel and Conference Center. For more about CGMA see countrygospelmusic.com.

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For instance – Scott Wren demonstrates how to add texture to the background as students Tommy and Cindi Kiser of Stillwater, Okla., and Linda Jarred of Bella Vista look on. ESSA invites the public to come view the work of teachers and students every Thursday at 4 p.m.

PHOTO BY JAY VRECEK

Happy Anniversary – Michael and Faith Shah enjoyed an outing at Harding Spring near where they were married 37 years ago on August 20. They were tireless working to stop the SWEPCO transmission line and are now planting native gardens in Eureka. If you are where these two lovely beings are hanging out, you are in the right place!

PHOTO BY BECKY GILLETTE



The square root of pie – is more pie! Jill's Creekside Pie Shop, Jill Walker's tasty new venture at 57 N. Main is now open daily from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. and 4 – 7 p.m. (closed Monday/Tuesday). Pies sweet and savory – hand held, by the slice and whole – recently showed up in berry black bottom, salted caramel apple, turtle, cherry, ham/potato/pepper jack and waaay more. And yes, there's coffee ... plus. See what's new today at Jills Creekside Pie Shop on Facebook.

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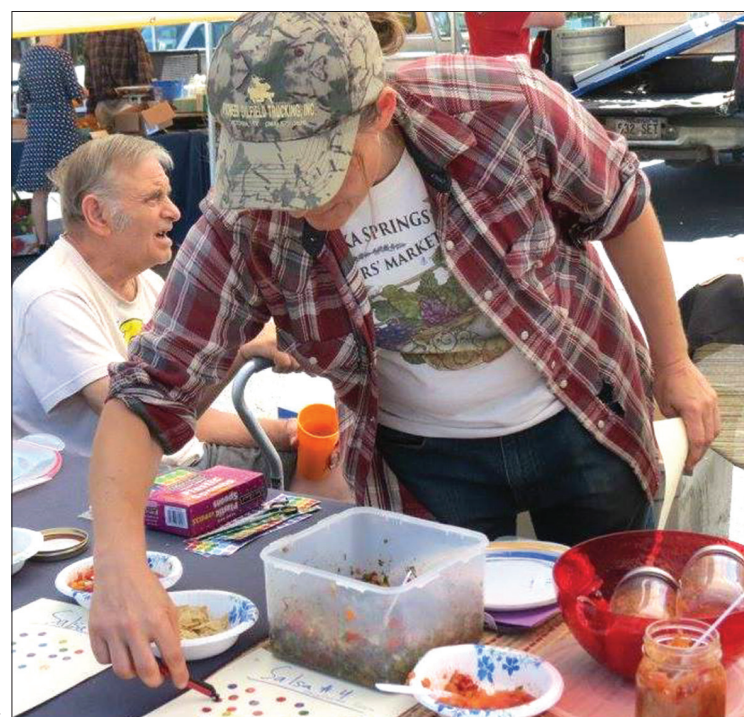


Tees for Ta-Tas – The Holiday Island Clubhouse ballroom was filled to overflowing Friday, August 21, for a delicious smoked pulled pork dinner. Proceeds from the dinner and silent auction, as well as Saturday's golf tournament, went to fight breast cancer via the Susan Komen Foundation (www.komenozark.org). This is the 3rd year mother and daughter team, Kelly and Nikki Trahan, organized the event – and dad Karl smoked the pork!

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Collecting the dots – Melissa Carper, market manager, counts votes for one of the 10 salsas in the Farmers' Market contest August 20. This one happens to be Spicy Summer Salsa by Marsha Havens – the winner (again)! Second place went to Phillip Holland and Shirley Dawson took third. Honorable mention went to Josh of Fresh Harvest.

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Seasons of Opportunity

Everything in our world has a specific time (a season) in which to accomplish a specific work. A “season” that begins (opportunity) and ends (time’s up). I can feel the season’s changing. The leaves turning brown, the air cooler, sunbeams casting shadows in different places. It feels like a seasonal change has begun in the Northern Hemisphere. Leaves changing colors. Christmas in four months. 2015 swiftly speeding by. Soon it will be autumn and the many Festivals of Light. Each season offers new opportunities. Then the season ends and a new season take its place.

Humanity, too, is given “seasons” of opportunity.

We are in one of those opportunity times now. To bring something new (Uranus) into our world, especially in the United States. Times of opportunity can be seen in the astrology chart. In the U.S. chart, Uranus (change) joins Chiron (wound/healing). This symbolizes a need to heal the wounds of humanity. Uranus offers new archetypes, new ways of doing things. The Uranus/Chiron (Aries/Pisces) message is, *“The people of the U.S. are suffering. New actions are needed to bring healing and well-being to humanity. So the U.S. can fulfill its spiritual task of ‘Standing within the Light & leading humanity within & toward the Light.’”*

Thursday, Aquarius Moon, Mercury enters Libra. The message – *“To bring forth the new order in the world, begin with acts of Goodwill.”* Goodwill produces Right Relations with everyone and everything. The result is a world of progressive well being and peacefulness (which is neither passive nor the opposite of war).

Saturday is the full moon, the solar Light of Virgo streaming into the Earth. Our waiting now begins. For the birth of new light at Winter Solstice. The Mother (hiding the Light of the Soul, the holy child), identifying the Feminine Principle, says, *“I am the Mother & the Child. I, God (Father), I Matter (Mother), We are One.”*

ARIES: Careful with love and all interactions with intimates, loved ones, those close to you, partners, etc. You (or they) may feel estranged, separate, unloved, uncared for, seeking contact (which releases Love) and magnetic charms you can radiate upon what you love. We are to *“be of love a little more careful than of anything.”* (poet e.e. cummings). See to this each moment.

TAURUS: Each day may feel (and is) more difficult. You might experience

tiredness, exhaustion, pain, discomfort. There’s a need to tend to health and well being. Choices made in the past five to ten years need re-assessing. What are the consequences of these choices and should you make new ones (assessed during the retrogrades)? It’s good to ponder upon what Path you’re on. Someone waits and waits.

GEMINI: Do you recognize your creativity? The creative process occurs when aligned with the Soul. We begin to develop a deeper imagination, like, yet unlike, that of Pisces. This type of imagination has hope for the future along with understanding the present day crisis humanity faces. During the retrogrades (two retrogrades – Venus then Mercury, both Gemini rulers), ponder upon the present world situations, your position in groups and your service to humanity.

CANCER: Since you nourish new ideas that must come into form and matter, perhaps you can begin to help humanity envision a new and vibrant way of life. Not the old materialism as we have known it, but the new materialism that responds to world/humanity’s need through Sharing. This is Soul work. The Soul for Cancer is a diffused light working in the womb of matter. You are that light.

LEO: I’m wondering is there’s a lamentation for things that occurred in the family long ago. Perhaps there’s a lament for one or more family deaths. It would be good to express yourself more in depth about these things. The more you share, the more that’s hidden within emerges allowing a greater sense of and trust in self. This is healing for you. And

liberating. Your is mask to be removed.

VIRGO: Mirrors are good to look into them. They help us ponder upon our identity. It’s good to assess and re-assess everything about yourself including what you value. Create an “I Value” journal. Set it alongside your “Retrograde” and “Esoteric quotes” journals. Back to values. Write down everything you value. Begin with yourself and everything you love in your in life.

LIBRA: When you think of your life as a child, what do you remember? What successful areas in your life can be traced back to what you were taught and given as a child? What beliefs do you carry in your life based upon anger and resistance? How to you see your parents? Do you know and understand the 4th Commandment, a serious spiritual law? Do you have forgiveness?

SCORPIO: Questions. What do you think of the present materialistic (read destructive) forces working within our dominant culture? Do you explore or encounter new ways of being that undermine the materialism and manipulations within our culture? Why am I asking you these questions? Because you understand the underbelly (things hidden) of everything. And because, through you, everything reorients toward the light.

SAGITTARIUS: I am suggesting a book and author to you. *Can you Hear Me Now?* by Michael Eric Dyson. This author understands God and popular culture both black and white. He wrote, “Before I wanted to write the world, I wanted to ‘right’ it.” He brings awareness

to culture, race and gender. He’s brilliant, an intellectual. He’s a cultural critic. You are, too.

CAPRICORN: You’re on the brink, edge, precipice, border, boundary, periphery, perimeter of being heard and moving into the center of everyone’s world. This is both exciting and terrifying. You’ve tried to open many doors and often felt they were closed. Now as they open gradually, you peek inside, realizing the choices to enter or return home. At home, you rest, remember, retreat, reassess and review who you are. Revelations happen.

AQUARIUS: You feel many things holding you back from being safe, settled and secure. This is a time in your life when values are shifting and changing. A wound is activated. You experience cruelty from some people. It’s shocking at times. You must adapt, go with the flow, move into new territories, have faith, speak with the Devas (Beings of Light, Angels) concerning anything you need. They will help you. Remember your childhood. Ask everyone for help.

PISCES: You’re tired of the old ways of doing and being. You want change, freedom. However you can’t quite find your way. You remember to stand still, quietly and in truth, within your own values and needs. Not just wants, but needs. It seems you’ve stopped praying, bordering on having no hope. Sometimes we must do that. Visualize something lovely coming your way. Embrace it. And drive away.

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Last call for GSHS raffle tickets

The raffle for Good Shepherd Humane Shelter's two Silver Dollar City adult tickets valued at \$120 and valid until Dec. 31 ends Monday, August 31. Tickets are \$1 each or 7 for \$5 at either thrift store or at the shelter. Get yours today!

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Hospital Guild meeting

The regular Hospital Guild meeting program announced by President Mary Lou will Tuesday, Sept. 1 at the Eureka Springs Martin may include a talk by an occupational therapist. Hospital Cafeteria at 1:30 p.m. A tentative

August 31 Metafizzies meeting

The August 31 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.

Local Flavor honored in *Wine Spectator*

Local Flavor Café in Eureka Springs has earned an Award of Excellence in *Wine Spectator's* 2015 Restaurant Awards, which honors outstanding eateries with extraordinary wine lists along with a thematic match to the menu in both price and style. This year the program recognized more than 3,600 restaurants around the globe.

Wine Spectator is the world's leading authority on wine and explores wine's role in contemporary culture, delivering expert reviews of more than 15,000 wines each year. A complete list of award winners is featured in the August 31 issue of *Wine Spectator* and at www.WineSpectator.com.

DEPARTURE



Martha Elizabeth Brown March 26, 1921 – August 21, 2015

Martha Elizabeth Brown of Holiday Island, Ark., was born March 26, 1921 in Highland Park, Pa., a daughter of the late George Calvin and Anna (Shields) Haas. She departed this life Friday, August 21, 2015 in Eureka Springs, at age 94.

Martha worked at the Electrical Reactance Factory and the Ontario Knife Factory in Franklinville, N.Y.

She is survived by two sons, James Fuller and wife, Carol; William Fuller and wife, Susan; grandchildren, Steven Fuller, Lisa Carlson and husband, Michael; Ronald Fuller and wife, Lindsey; Michelle Langston and husband, Tony; Julie Bergeson; great

grandchildren, Michael, Allana, Tyler, Emily, Jordan, Paige and Jessica, and several other relatives and friends.

On September 2, 1938, she was united in marriage with her first husband, Robert C. Fuller who preceded her in death. She is also preceded in death by her second husband, Howard E. Brown whom she married on July 20, 1946. She was also preceded by her parents and two step-sons.

Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Nelson Funeral Service. Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, c/o Anstaff Bank, Attn: Tiffany Ball, P.O. Box 272, Berryville, Arkansas 72616. Online condolences may be sent to the family at nelsonfuneral.com. © Nelson Funeral Service, Inc. 2015

TheNATUREofEUREKA

by Steven Foster

Virgin's Bower not Virginia Virgin's Bower



You can't fool Mother Nature, but Mother Nature can fool you, especially if you assume your assumptions are correct. For years, decades, I've assumed that the only white-flowered *Clematis* which grows in our area is Virginia Virgin's Bower *Clematis virginiana*. Recently I was looking at the nomenclature behind a related Chinese species *Clematis chinensis* on the hunch that our native *Clematis virginiana* looked quite similar and may have similar properties.

In the process of that exploration into obscure botanical literature I found a synonym *Clematis mandschurica* (often misspelled *manschurica*), which itself is now a synonym of *Clematis terniflora*. It is used interchangeably with *C. chinensis*. There are about 32 species of *Clematis* in North America, while China has nearly 150 species. It's a somewhat confusing plant group in the buttercup family (Ranunculaceae), with

flowers widely differing in size, shape and color.

Smashing my assumptions, what I thought was *Clematis virginiana* is actually the Asian alien *Clematis terniflora*, which was introduced to European botanical gardens around 1826. It grows naturally in China, Japan, Korea, Mongolia and Russia. Now it is widely naturalized in North America. One can observe its abundant, sweetly-fragrant, white lacey festoonery all around Eureka Springs at this time of year.

I find it interesting that the root of *C. chinensis* and *C. terniflora* are both source of "wei-ling-xian" which is used to relieve arthritic conditions, neuralgia and rheumatism. Historically the American species *C. virginiana* has been used similarly. Both contain protoanemonins, which are a substance found in many members of the buttercup family that are extremely acrid and caustic, both internally or externally



applied. Whether that caution relates just to this one compound or the whole plant is unknown to me. If the fresh leaves are applied to the skin, they will cause blistering. Traditionally, both in Chinese and American folk traditions the plant has been to treat rheumatism as a "counterirritant." In other words, the purpose is to produce irritation perhaps to distract one from pain.

Flowers of the Asia *C. terniflora* are larger than those of *C. virginiana*. Also the leaves of *C. virginiana* are three divided into toothed leaflets, where as the divided leaves of *C. terniflora* have widely spaced leaflets with entire margins (no teeth). We see lots of *Clematis terniflora* in Carroll County and hunt for *C. virginiana* in vain.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 27

BASIN PARK BALCONY – Catherine Reed, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – Mr. Miller High Life Man Pageant, 8 p.m.
GRAND TAVERNE – Jerry Yester, Grand Piano Dinner Music, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.
NEW DELHI – Karaoke with Jesse James, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28

BASIN PARK BALCONY – Hawgscalders, Folk, 12 and 6 p.m.
CATHOUSE LOUNGE – Lou Shields, Americana, 8 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – Mojo Depot, Rock, 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 – Ozark Traveler Band, Rock, 6 – 10 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER – Leather N Lace, Rock, 8 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – As Is, Rock, 9 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29

THE AUD – Eroica, Jazz Trio, 7:30 p.m.
BASIN PARK BALCONY – James White, Singer/Songwriter, 12 and 6 p.m.
BREWS – Eric Howell, Graveyard Soul, 7 – 10 p.m.
CATHOUSE LOUNGE – Tyler Gregory, Singer/Songwriter, 8 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – Cadillac Jackson, Funk, 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.



Eroica Trio plays the AUD Saturday, August 29 at 7:30

LE STICK – Pete "Rock" Maiella, Singer/Songwriter, 8 p.m.
NEW DELHI – Dusty Pearls, Americana, 6 – 10 p.m.
PINE MOUNTAIN AMP – Richard Burnett, Singer/Songwriter, 12 – 3 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER – Norman Jackson, Rock, 8 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – Rocky Don Jones, Singer/Songwriter, 1 – 5 p.m., Downday Duo, Rock, 9 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

BASIN PARK BALCONY – Michael Dimitri, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m., Catherine Reed, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.
BREWS – Cards Against Humanity/ Board Games

CHELSEA'S – Chris Harp, Singer/ Songwriter, 7:30 p.m.
EUREKA LIVE – DJ, Dancing, and Karaoke, 7- 11 p.m.
NEW DELHI – Tony Alvarez, Singer/ Songwriter, 12 – 4 p.m.
ROWDY BEAVER DEN – Michael Tisdale Duo, Rock, 1 – 5 p.m.

MONDAY, AUGUST 31

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

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

CHELSEA'S – Open Mic
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2
BREWS – Open Mic, 7 – 10 p.m.
CHELSEA'S – Jimmy Wayne Garrett, Singer/Songwriter, 9:30 p.m.

Woodcraft for homeschoolers at Clear Spring

There are just a couple spots left for homeschoolers in the following fall classes at Clear Spring School:

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Space is limited to 7 students. Please call (479) 253-7888 to register.



Jared and Kaetlyn Dickson came over from Oklahoma City to try for some stripers last weekend and Jared got this nice 24 pounder right at three feet long on a five-inch shad.

It's been a pretty good month for getting big stripers without getting too far away from the dam. We or anyone else I know who's pulling in these big fish have not had to move more than three miles from the dam all month. They are still staying in the main river channel and mouths of the creek arms, down between 28 – 38 ft. deep in the cooler water.

Water temp is dropping down with these cool nights, which means we're not too far away from seeing more surface activity. If you want to try for these fish on your own, look for balls of bait and drop your lines below them. If you don't have shad they will also hit perch, big shiners, jigs or spoons, or you can troll deep diving crank baits.

We did go out here at Holiday Island one day this week, started out catching some

spotted bass near the marina on top water baits before taking a boat ride upriver for some trout, which turned out pretty good with most fish being caught by trolling small crawdad-colored flicker shad. Power bait and worms got a few, also.

Well, the calendar book is pretty open the next few weeks due to the kids having to go back to school, so if anyone wants to get out we're pretty open for short notice trips.

If you just wanted to go out on your own for some shoreline fishing, the best places to go with the big lakes still running a little high, would be Lake Leatherwood for crappie and bass about 12 ft. deep, or hitting the river below the dam bottom fishing with worms and power bait below the dam to the Houseman boat launch.

The mornings are cool and peaceful, so get out and enjoy while you can before the snow blows. Have a great week.

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27. Relinquish

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I'm worried my erectile dysfunction is affecting my marriage. I have a prescription medication but it doesn't always work. Often I avoid love-making opportunities just to forego the frustration. What can I do to be intimate with my wife and please her sexually?
Research suggests that most men experience some decline in sexual function around age 40. Young or old, all men will experience erection failures at some point in their lives. Erectile dysfunction is medically defined as the inability to achieve or sustain an erection long enough for sexual intercourse. ED occurs when there is not adequate blood flow to the penis. The causes vary and can include emotional anxiety, medical problems and medication side effects.
While the media paints a pretty just-pop-a-pill picture, reality does not mirror this. ED affects about 18 million men in the U.S. alone, and for many the little blue pill does not provide the magic promised.
Fret not! The old in-and-out is great fun but it's far from the only way to have salacious sizzling sex. Open communication is the key and avoidance is your absolute nemesis. Do not allow your fear to interrupt opportunities for romance. Without adequate communication, most women take their husband's avoidance personally and assume their spouse is disinterested, that they themselves are not sexually attractive, or worse. You must commit to talking and touching often to increase your level of emotional intimacy and physical familiarity. Above all, take the focus off of your penis.
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Tap into your other skill sets as well. Many men with ED can achieve erections and climax through vigorous self-stimulation. Share this side-by-side with your wife as she shares her self-pleasuring prowess with you. If it's insertion your wife is craving when your member is not mechanically cooperating, fear not. There is no shortage of alternative mechanical aids available to fulfill her desire. And while she plays mechanic, don't just stand there! Take pleasure in her beauty, immerse yourself in her arousal and devour her body with passion. Gentlemen, please keep in mind that rigidity is not required for you to climax.
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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