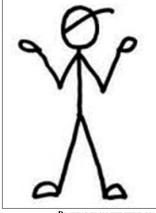


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They share a trait that as a group makes them better athletes, later bloomers, heavier drinkers but less prone to alcohol abuse, and bigger moneymakers. They have higher IQs, are better looking, commit more murders, and are more drawn to careers in art music than the rest of us.

We write this because it's the left thing to do after focusing all our attention on the eclipse and spacing out August 13, International Lefthanders Day.

"God made everyone right-handed. The truly gifted overcome it." – Anonymous

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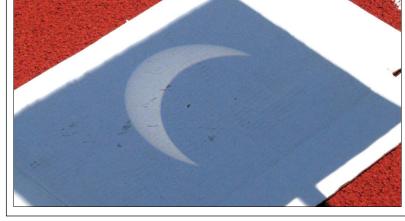
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Who's got the sun block(ed)?

- Students at Eureka Springs Schools took a break from their normal school day on Monday to look up at the light from our yellow dwarf star that was 94% blocked by the moon. At left is Moon Shadow, a teacher-made pin hole projector that sees things in a different light.

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No smart meters planned for county

BECKY GILLETTE

Smart meters, electric meters that transmit information about electric usage wirelessly, are controversial. There are some studies that show electromagnetic radiation (EMR) emissions from such devices can harm the health of people and wildlife.

Recently a utility company in Michigan turned off power to customers opposed to having a smart meter installed on their house. But local residents who might think the meter they already have is plenty smart enough can relax. Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) said it has no plans to install smart meters. And the other major power provider in the area, Carroll Electric Cooperative Corp. (CECC), has opted instead for digital meters that don't use radio frequencies to communicate data usage information.

"Some customers have expressed concerns about radio frequencies," CECC spokesperson Nancy Plagge said. "We are not communicating with the meter using radio frequencies. We are communicating only across the energized power line. It is not wireless. We actually only communicate to the meters four times a day. Each communication lasts eight seconds, thirty-two seconds in a twenty-four hour period."

Plagge said benefits to CECC and its members include being able to pinpoint more easily where there are outages and power quality issues.

"Because of communication, we see where the problem is and go out to investigate," she said. "It provides better information to identify power issues."

CECC began its pilot program of installing the digital meters in October 2009. By the end of 2012, they had completely converted the system to an automated metering infrastructure.

"We observed AMI technology evolve for about ten years before making a decision to install it for our members," Plagge said. "We delayed the decision to move to AMI for so many years so that we could use our members' money wisely and learn from the advancements in this technology. The improvements and benefits gave us great tools to continue improving reliability. We were especially happy the technology chosen for our members was not using radio frequencies to communicate with the meter."

Plagge said other benefits of the digital meters include:

· Better theft detection

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Airport expansion dependent on FAA approval

NICKY BOYETTE

Consulting engineer Dan Clinton of Grimes Engineering told the Carroll County Airport Commission July 18 that the Federal Aviation Administration had moved up the date for submitting 5-year Capital Improvement Plans to the end of September, so he presented their current CIP for 2017-2021 for discussion.

Clinton attached a letter from Paul Burns of the FAA Southwest Region office stating the proposed 2019 project "Expand South Apron" would be not approved for funding if he were to decide now because it would not serve anyone on the north side of the runway and would be considered "exclusive-use" or "near-exclusive use" pavement. Burns also mentioned the 2020 item "Acquire Land for Hangar Development" could be approved but it is not currently not on the FAA-approved map of the airport, so this would need to be addressed.

But Clinton offered a sensible response, saying there is federal grant money available - 90 percent federal and

ten percent state – to pay for updating the Master Plan. They could add ramp expansions, runway extensions and land acquisitions to the Master Plan. Clinton said if the projects were on the approved Master Plan, "they can't tell us we can't

Commissioner Dave Teigen mentioned they once turned down an offer on the land between the airport and US 62, and he saw opportunities for CCA if they acquired it now. Clinton added there would be plenty of room for an airportrelated business to move in and have its corporate planes next door.

Commissioner Morris Pate also suggested other adjacent properties around the airport they should consider, and opinions were aplenty around the table about which properties to acquire first. Clinton eventually said he would write a letter for chair Chase Tresler to send to Burns to get an update on the Master Plan, but he needed input from the commissioners on what to include.

Commissioners voted unanimously

to authorize Clinton and Tresler to pursue funding for an update of the Master Plan.

Finance circumstance

Airport Manager Michael Pfeifer told commissioners their account for funds received from the county is "not in the red, but it's pink." CCA also has revenue from airport activities like hangar rentals. Bookkeeper Lanna Fletcher commented Pfeifer employs the most efficient use of utilities and resources she had seen since she has been associated with the airport. She said the county should put the manager's position back on the county payroll.

Tresler said the county "flat out refused" to take on Pfeifer's salary. Pate stated the quorum court looks for any reason not to fund CCA, and anticipated there could be another budget cut next

Pate admitted they had told the quorum court CCA would work toward being self-supporting, "but we're not there yet." He said echoes of past discontent still reverberated even though, as Pfeifer insisted. CCA has addressed past complaints and some Justices of the Peace are seeing the value of CCA.

Pfeifer pointed out projects at CCA paid for by grants have put \$600,000 back into the local community because local contractors and labor were used. Tresler claimed the grant projects have added nearly a million dollars in improvements to CCA the county did not have to pay for.

And Pfeifer reiterated the airport and the commission have addressed the county's previous concerns.

Commissioner Sandy Martin asserted they would work with JPs on funding at budget time, but the commission needs to get creative about generating more revenue. She moved they work together on sponsorship packages and work toward increasing county participation in the budget.

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At the time CECC started installing the digital meters, there were about 86,000 meters on the system. Today there are 95,000.

"So, we kept sixty people very busy each month driving the roads and reading meters," Plagge said. "The amount of contract meter readers slowly reduced as we phased in the digital meters over the threeyear period and physically reading meters was no longer necessary. We had some very dedicated contract meter readers. It was not easy saying goodbye."

Digital meters were a substantial capital investment of about \$10 million, but one that is expected to have a sevenyear payback before the meters start saving money.

Monday night, August 14, 2017 **Eureka Springs Mayor and alderpersons** agreed to continue their twenty seven year history of human rights violations by holding city council meetings which are illegal because they specifically exclude the disabled. Maybe next year they said. I'm excluded now. Are you next?

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Big fun at the Fly-In

NICKY BOYETTE

Carroll County Airport Manager Michael Pfeifer puts the dog on for the fly-in on the third Saturday each month, but reported the August 19 fly-in was the "bestattended so far and most exciting fly-in in two years." Forty-five aircraft flew in whereas usually up to 25 attend, plus many others drove out to the airport just to be there. "We had to scratch for parking places," Pfeifer said.

He noted commissioners and supporters of the airport prepared breakfast, provided traffic control for incoming pilots, assisted with fueling, and basically helped put on a fun event.

The main entertainment was the flour-bombing competition in which pilots with a crewmember flew over the airport and attempted to drop a bag of flour on a target. In an intense display of flour-dropping aplomb, pilot Harper Goodwin and bombardier Tag Ellis won by one inch over Anthony and Jane Pike. The drop from 100 feet missed by only 5 feet 6 inches. Winner received 25 gallons of gas.

Teigen provided airplane rides, and aircraft shenanigans were appreciated by approximately 150 people. Pfeifer commented he is seeing a growing group of regulars attend the third Saturday events. CCA made a profit of \$450.



Got your TAP shoes on? - CAPC board members met with Travel Alliance Partners at the Grand Taverne on Thursday night. TAP chose Eureka Springs for their annual board meeting, and CAPC Sales Director Karen Pryor spent the week showing them what Eureka Springs has to offer. PHOTO BY JEREMIAH ALVARADO

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Upgrades OK'd at Lake Leatherwood

NICKY BOYETTE

Parks Director Justin Huss brought his shopping list to the August 15 Parks Commission meeting. Top of the list was two new goals for the big soccer field at Lake Leatherwood City Park. He passed around photos of goals to choose from, and after a bit of discussion the commission voted to approve allocating up to \$3500 for soccer goals and field improvements.

Huss was just getting started. Next he mentioned he has a dead Ford Ranger, a dead Jeep Liberty and a golf cart that dies but might be fixable. He said the priority would be to get a utility vehicle called a side-by-side followed closely by two golf carts, and his inclination was for new, not used. He added the side-by-side is also a rescue vehicle.

Chair Bill Featherstone asked what the ideal vehicle fleet at LLCP would look like, and Huss listed a side-by-side, golf cart, four-wheeler, flat bed and a small truck with the truck being least priority.

Featherstone replied if staff can maintain the equipment, he was in favor of buying new one at a time as finances allow.

Commissioner Ruth Hager commented the side-by-side seemed like a good investment, and commissioners voted unanimously to authorize Huss to spend up to \$16,000 for a new side-byside.

The marina was the last stop on the shopping trip. Huss told commissioners two old pedal boats were kaput, and now only a four-person pedal boat is available. He mentioned pedal boats are popular rentals, and there was still \$2300 remaining from funds allocated last year to upgrade the marina fleet. The new boats purchased last summer have already paid for themselves, and they were revenuegenerators even during the winter.

Commissioners approved allocating an additional \$5000 for the marina purchases.

Down the hatch

Huss said he climbed down into the spring that runs underneath Basin Spring Park. He removed a sizable amount of muck and such from the bottom and was inspired by what he saw. "It's a crime not to be doing more with it," he said.

He also suggested the band shell deserved some paint and a lighting upgrade because Basin Park is such an important place in the city.

At Harmon Park, besides some tree trimming and other cleanup, there was a visit by a group of skateboarders who travel around the country and video themselves at different skate parks, so skateboarders somewhere are watching Eureka Springs in a video.

The new trails near Black Bass Lake are near completion after which attention will go toward trails in town with the eventual goal of connecting all the trail systems.

Committee reports

Jim Helwig said the Springs Committee is focusing on getting word out about low impact development. He suggested a community workshop with buy-ins from the mayor and other commissions. He said the committee visited the development on East Mountain that requires LID strategies for all homes, and he considered it a model for future developments.

The committee also continues to work on solutions to stormwater runoff in

Helwig announced several area workshops and conferences related to water management including the National Cave and Karst Management Symposium in Eureka Springs Oct. 16-20. The theme will be "An Ancient Land with Modern Problems." Workshops will focus on Bat Management, Dye Tracing and Reducing Sediment from Unpaved Roads. The event will be at the Basin Park Hotel.

Commissioner Steven Foster announced Bee City USA would present a webinar, "The Plant-Pollinator Connection: Why Pollinators Need Native Plants." on Wednesday, Sept. 6, from 2-3 p.m., location to be announced depending on the number of attendees. Dr. Doug Tallamy will be the featured speaker.

Also there will be a Native Plant Fair at the Community Center Saturday, Sept. 30 – Sunday, Oct. 1. Native plants will be available for purchase. Foster will make a presentation, and other speakers include Theo Witsell, senior botanist and ecologist for the Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission and a Research Associate at the Botanical Research Institute of Texas and Scott Woodruff, horticulturalist and native plant specialist. For more information, contact Chris Fischer at cmaxfisch@gmail.com.

Foster commented the Northwest Arkansas Master Naturalists discussed having a Naturalist in Training program in Eureka Springs beginning in January, but nothing has been finalized. This would be a 40-hour course.

Friends of Parks

Commissioner Ferguson Stewart announced he has moved forward with his Friends of Parks idea in which he hopes to recruit a cadre of willing volunteers to take on projects in the city's parks. He is using the Friends of Hobbs application as a start for how to design one for Eureka Springs. He had also identified two possible volunteer coordinator candidates. Huss insisted the volunteer group be structured independent of any Parks committee, though it might work with all of them.

Chairman's comments

Featherstone remarked Eureka Springs has never had a consistent, cohesive long-term vision, and therefore its energy is spent putting out the fires of the day. Well-intended attempts at a Master Plan eventually land on a shelf and collect dust in the dark, and he asserted the fault lies with everyone.

In response, he wants to develop and

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Quorum Court explores Internet/TV franchise

NICKY BOYETTE

The Carroll County Quorum Court heard a presentation Monday from John Strode of Ritter Communication about establishing a franchise for providing Internet and television service just like cable for rural areas in the eastern part of the county. Strode said Ritter was ready to go to work as soon as a decision was made, but according to the Federal Communications Commission it needed authority from the governing body of the county.

Since the county does not have a similar arrangement in place, there was a general discussion about what the fee, if any, should be for the franchise. Strode said in their many franchises in Arkansas fees vary drastically, and he could not guess how many customers would sign up. He insisted Ritter for now was exploring expansion only into rural areas where it already had a presence, such as Alpena.

JPs will consider the proposal at a later meeting.

Actions checked off

JPs approved:

- Authorizing of an appropriation of \$3800 to the Central Dispatch emergency fund as partial payment for new airconditioning service.
- Passage of the first reading of an ordinance implementing a revision of the Personnel Policy regarding a new schedule for longevity compensation. JP Noreen Watson said the changes would have a minimal impact on the budget, and employees would receive greater benefits.
 - Passage of a resolution authorizing County Judge Sam

Barr to sign an agreement which enables the Carroll County Airport to continue with a grant from the Federal Aviation Administration for taxiway rehabilitation. The total grant amount is \$235,895, and the state will provide the ten percent amount of \$23,950. The Quorum Court officially secures this amount although it will be paid by the State Department of Aeronautics. JP Lamont Richie acknowledged CCA for making "considerable drawdowns" on its debts to the county over the past two years.

- Passage of a resolution authorizing a part-time employee, April Griffith, at the Carnegie Library to go full-time because of a private donation of \$20,000 establishing a fund for a staff member who will focus on encouraging parents with small children to read to their children and introduce them to libraries and other avenues of literacy. Some of the funds might go to training for the staff, books and the shelves to put them on. The funds are not automatically renewable.
- The item tabled would have been a supplemental ordinance appropriating funds to the sheriff's department, but JP Marty Johnson wanted to see if there were grant funds available to cover the expense.

Other items

JP Noreen Watson told the court she heard at a conference that counties and states must begin preparing for an eventual reduction in federal funding for highways. She passed around surveys in which citizens could respond with ideas for how local governments can figure out how to pay for road repair.

Next meeting will be Monday, Sept. 18, at 5 p.m.

Ambulance district promoting CPR classes

NICKY BOYETTE

During the August 15 Western Carroll County Ambulance District meeting, chair of the EMR Alliance Lynn Palmer discussed trainings attended by local EMRs, and commented a request came in from the public for more frequent CPR classes at the Eureka Springs Fire Department. One recent class had only four people enrolled.

Fire Chief Nick Samac said his staff currently conducts a rotating series of CPR/First Aid classes on the third Saturday of every month. Topics in the rotation are Heartsaver/First Aid classes for healthcare providers, adults, and pediatric care. The classes are free to anyone living in the western district of Carroll County. Classes start at 9 a.m. and vary in length. Participants must sign up ahead of time by calling ESFD.

Mike FitzPatrick of the Eureka Springs Rural first responders suggested advertising the classes to draw more participants. He said \$720 would buy one-eighth-page ads every week for three months, and buying the ad would give WCCAD more control of the content.

Chair David Carlisle agreed they should try to get CPR skills to more people as a service to the community. Commissioner Sam Ward said they could try public service announcements in newspapers first and see what kind of response they get. Local radio also runs

Commissioner Marie Lee moved they advertise the CPR classes by running PSAs for the next two months in local papers and check the results at the October meeting. Vote to approve was unanimous.

EMRs in action

FitzPatrick reported one of the calls his responders made during July was to assist with homebirth of a baby. Karen Finkeldei said the Grassy Knob responders had 17 calls in the past two months including a few lift assists, some fractures and a broken ankle, but not as many calls for tourists as usual.

Ed Thompson noted the Inspiration Point responders were working an accident scene when a fleeing motorcyclist heading east almost ran down one of his traffic controllers. He said State Police later caught up with the culprit. Holiday Island Fire Chief Bob Clave said his crews responded to 40 calls in June and 39 in July.

Samac announced he had adapted his reports to changes required by the new contract, and commissioners found the new format useful, although further modifications were requested. He recounted one call in which dispatch told ESFD the call was not an emergency because the victim requested

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The CAPC and the Arkansas Parks and Tourism Department are presenting 3 hospitality courses to instruct employees, managers, owners, department heads and other city personnel on improving hospitality for all Eureka Springs businesses.

This is an excellent opportunity to learn new methods that are successfully working throughout the nation in hospitality and how to improve methods that can have a direct effect on the bottom line.

Three courses are presented **FREE** for the convenience of all business and city personnel to attend.

Please mark your calendars for the following dates:

Tues., Sept. 5th at 5:30PM Wed., Sept. 6th at 9:30AM and at 2:00PM.

> All courses will be held at the City Auditorium.

Courses will last approximately 1-hour. Only one course is necessary for attendance.



Flatiron Building was controversial when developed

BECKY GILLETTE

Lawrence Smith, 79, recalls that when he first started traveling through Eureka Springs about 50 years ago on trips to collect antiques and collectables to sell at his auction house business then located in Fort Smith, he thought US 62 was all there was to Eureka. When he "found" downtown Eureka Springs, he knew what he wanted to do.



He developed the triangular-shaped Flatiron Building sandwiched between Spring and Center Sts. It is rare on a busy weekend that you don't see a tourist photographing the Flatiron. In fact, it is now one of the most photographed buildings in Arkansas.

"After I fell in love with the downtown, I had some money and decided I was going to buy some property around Eureka Springs," said Smith. "I probably bought out about twenty parcels of property. In 1983, I paid \$125,000 for the itty-bitty piece of property where I built the Flatiron Building. I took a lot of pains to make it look old. The architect for the project was Conrad Brown and Don Underwood did the stonework."

While hard to imagine now, Smith ran into a good bit of opposition to his plans for the Flatiron Building.

"I had the hardest time building it," Smith said. "Everybody with the city fought me on it. It cost me a million to build."

Although this is now the most photographed building downtown, it was quite controversial when it was built, said Glenna Booth, Historic District preservation officer. This was the third Flatiron Building on the site, and the previous two burned down.

One thing that Smith did that makes a world of difference in aesthetics in the heart of downtown was bury the electrical lines. "They were like spider webs all around the Flatiron site," Smith said. "I paid \$10,000 to have them hidden underground."

One of the best features of the building is one you have to crane your neck to see it, or go to the balcony at the Basin Park Hotel Balcony Restaurant across the street. There is some beautiful stained-glass artwork

If there weren't pictures, how would we remember? – The corner of Spring and Main Sts. needed some TLC in the late '70s, so the Pita Hut served fabulous food to fabulous people from 1980-83, and then Lawrence Smith bought and built, as a good steward of a good community should. The Flatiron is now likely the most photographed building in town, and has been home to Wilson and Wilson Folk Art Co. for 20 years.

including healing hands that depict the history of Eureka Springs.

Smith's son, Larry, who is now deceased, was a skilled electrician who helped wire the building that was later used to house Arkansas Diamonds, a jewelry store Smith once owned and operated.

"He was quite the business entrepreneur over several decades, beginning in the early seventies," his son in law, Tim Poynter, said. "He constructed the Stonegate Inn, the Eastgate Plaza Center and the Rockhouse Antique Mall, a large structure which now houses the ECHO Clinic. Some of his first endeavors in the beautiful downtown area were as the owner and operator of the High Hat Bar and the Wagon Wheel Tavern in the late seventies and early eighties."

Smith once owned about 800 acres near US 62 in the east part of town. Part of that property was sold to the developers of Redbud Valley.

"I bought a lot of land around Eureka," Smith said. "I paid for the ten-inch water line to come out to Eastgate Center. I built it to have space for my antique car museum

and Western museum in it. I found no one wants to pay anything to see a car anymore. People won't pay to go to museum."

The Eastgate Center now serves as a medical and service industry hub for that part of town.

During the '70s, he built two large lakes near Cinnamon Valley on US 62. He also developed property on Houseman Access and was the responsible for paving Houseman.

Smith also purchased a large unfinished structure on Passion Play Rd. next to Wanderlust RV Park. The once proposed Anita Bryant Music Theater later became Smith's antique mall/shop. Then it was turned into a bowling alley, and now houses a church.

Due to health concerns, Smith and his daughter are planning a big auction. It will include his large collection of antiques, collectibles and valuables from the past 50 years and the property where his current flea market and residence are located between Berryville and Eureka Springs

"Everybody wants me to sell my stuff,

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Help those who help

Those of you who have not heard of the Unconditional Love Pet Rescue may be unaware of a fine animal rescue facility in the community that may be forced to close because of lack of funds. One of the partners has suffered an accident, is not able (for now) to do the critical work for which she was responsible.

Twice in last December puppies were dumped close to where I live out by Grandview. When I called the Good Shepherd Humane Society they told me they were full to capacity but recommended that I call the ladies at Unconditional Love Pet Rescue, Diane and Laura. These ladies are incredibly hard workers for the animals they save and though they too were full, asked if my daughter and I could care for the pups until the weekend when they would have an opening.

Not two weeks later my neighbor had two puppies abandoned by his house. When he called the Good Shepherd HS he received the same answer I did. They were full but suggested he call Diane and Laura at Unconditional Love, which he did and now those pups have been adopted into good homes. I should mention that these ladies are quite careful to check out the people who adopt their animals!

We need these ladies in the community, the Good Shepherd HS needs them as a back up, and certainly the poor lost and unwanted dogs need them!

Their website is diane@ulpr.org. Please look them up to see what good work they are doing. Then think about making a contribution!

Catherine Tillinghast

Facts and conclusions

Gen. John Frémont, the first New Republican Party Presidential nominee of 1856, issued the first emancipation proclamation, freeing the Rebel owners' slaves in Missouri which he had placed under Martial Law as 11 States had declared secession, formed their own Confederacy and attacked Fort Sumter.

Frémont declared he would kill all rebel soldiers for acts of treason. President Lincoln directly ordered Frémont to modify his declarations, and fired him when he refused. Lincoln had already tried to offer the right to continue slave ownership under a separate flag and confederacy, but was rejected by the CSA.

The War was over the right of a state to a sovereignty exceeding that of the US Constitutional government and because the Fed imposed Southern export tariffs. Frémont, having been resoundingly defeated at Bull Run, knew the war would be long and brutal, and that England, France and Spain verged on recognizing the CSA government as legitimate. Those nations favored slowly phasing out slavery, so Gen. Frémont's political calculation using emancipation was intended to prevent that.

Use of symbols and heritage statues did not occur post war, as the rebellion was an act of treason. The "North Virginia Battle Flag," commonly called the "Confederate Flag," was rejected by the CSA government. It was introduced as a political symbol after it was copyrighted by a white supremacist, Confederate heritable military order in 1890s.

Most Confederate statuary was also

raised as a political act, while state legal structure was abused to restrict rights of blacks. These Jim Crow laws, racial profiling, and the eugenics movement of early 1900s became, by the 1920s, state abuse of marriage laws mandating 99% Caucasian "blood purity" to be labeled white, and for permission to marry a white. All other persons were labeled "colored" as example, by the state of Virginia.

Resurgent KKK, racial identity, marriage laws, immigration and birth control-forced sterilization were all exploited as political tools for single Party supremacy. Their direct corollary and purpose in today's politics, including conscription of LGBT marriage rights and female equality, anti-abortion/birth control as a form of "forced birth" in service to both State and Christian Church "religious" goals, all to serve a singular supreme political Party and its ideology.

Laura L Coker

Some facts on Hitler

Editor,

When in Dearborn and Detroit to go to Henry Ford's Greenfield Museum, I went with my brother and our wives on a ride in a Model T.

I noticed a church and the guide said Ford built it for his mother and wife. "What was his spiritual stance?" I asked. "Oh, he believed in reincarnation."

Ford wrote his autobiography, My Life and My Work, in 1924. In 1925, Hitler read the book while he was in the Landsberg Prison.

Ford was anti-Semitic, probably because the Jewish bankers in Michigan

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@innocentknave: If everybody was happy in a relationship there wouldn't be any good music.

@seandunn76: Ever notice how a piece of lint on a sheet can look like a scary insect? Unrelated, is anyone selling a mattress? Mine is on fire.

@jokesbygrandpa: What do you call someone with no body and no nose? Nobody knows.

@joeljeffrey: I hate when you get hit by a car while walking down the street and texting and no one is in the car and it's

parked on the side of the road.

@ltsAndyRyan: Boss: Can I have a word? Me: Color. Boss: No, I want a word with YOU. Me: Colour.

@puncroaker: I think my wife is having an affair, for two years she claims to have been going to classes, yet still can't speak a word of Zumba.

@LuvPug: Everyone acted like they were all excited for the eclipse like anyone even looked up from their phone.

@conanOBrien: I heard the iPhone 15 won't have any ports or jacks or a screen and it will just be a smooth steel ball and finally we'll all be happy.

@pplwtchng: Ever notice how you can hardly touch something that just came off the grill, but a fly can land on it like it's room temperature?

@simonholland: We keep a potato masher in a drawer because sometimes it's fun to not be able to open that drawer.

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Diamond Demise

The unfortunate fact of the matter is that, despite adherence to safety guidelines and regulations, oil spills still do occur.

- Judge Jennifer Walker Elrod

ast Monday, Judge Elrod of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, gave ExxonMobil an early Christmas present. If a pipeline operator proves they followed minimal safety guidelines, the victims are on their own. Pipelines are not liable for damages.

Diamond low-cost high-risk route

There are many ways to go from point A to point B. The shortest route is a straight line. Safe pipelines avoid sensitive environmental areas. Diamond chose the low-cost, high-risk route, crossing 500 waterways and 11 watersheds.

In March 2014, the Arkansas Department of Health requested the full Diamond route from the Army Corps of Engineers. ADH's request was ignored. Diamond provided crude cartoon maps. Other state agencies had similar concerns. The Arkansas Game & Fish Commission, Department of Natural Heritage and Natural Resources Commission, did their best to keep Diamond away from the most sensitive areas. Diamond's route on private land avoided an Environmental Impact Statement. Diamond abused Arkansas laws and made false statements to get Public Service Commission river navigation approval.

What else is Diamond hiding?

No one has seen the engineering specifications for the line; the span and location of shutoff valves, for example, would determine the volume of the shale crude flowing at high pressure when a pipe ruptures. What other shortcuts did they take?

Clarksville Light and Water in Johnson County found out about Diamond from ADH and was the only utility to oppose the line. Dover and other utilities were left in the dark. According to John Lester, CL&W general manager, "Diamond said it was told by the Corps of Engineers that it should use the route, but the Corps has said that's not exactly true." Diamond's routing claim does not hold water, the Corps doesn't work for Diamond. The Corps manages rivers and dams. They are not pipeline engineers.

Diamond claims their team walked the entire route and met with county representatives. The fictional team missed the water intake for the 28,000-member CL&W utility. Diamond forced CL&W to relocate their water intake, and withheld the escrow funds until the day of the hearing.

Diamond abuse and intimidation

Diamond took opposing landowners to court, threatening to condemn their properties. To avoid a PSC denial, Diamond played hardball with CL&W and took them out of the hearings.

Diamond is not needed

Diamond is an export pipeline. Diamond is not going to lower the price of gasoline. The Valero refinery is not running out of crude.

Diamond is not wanted

"Is Diamond Safe?" and "Why would Diamond pay?" in last week's Independent, show Diamond is unsafe and not liable. Arkansas does not have resources to deal with new pipeline disasters. Arkansas state agencies choose to ignore the clear and present danger, without emergency response plans. FEMA is not going to clean up and pay for damages. For as long as crude flows, Diamond is an unacceptable public health threat.

The world we create

Charlottesville violence shows the fabric of the nation is divided. Environmental justice is an important part

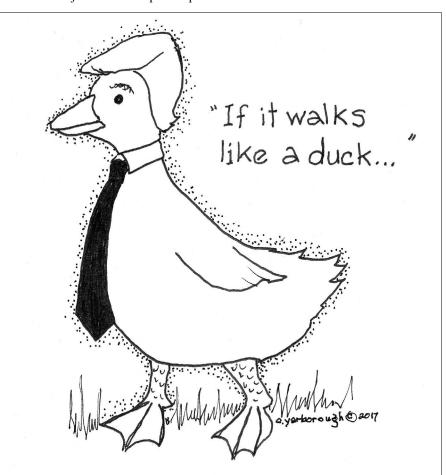
of the struggle to protect and maintain a clean and healthy environment, especially for those who live, work and play closest to the sources of pollution. Toxic towns in Tennessee, Arkansas, and Oklahoma need protection, not pollution.

In the context of the Climate Emergency, why would we choose to destroy vital ecosystems with highly toxic chemicals? Why would we ignore the combined impact of severe floods, droughts, and high temperatures? Toxic waste on land and rivers puts the burden of poisons causing illness on the victims.

Diamond must stop

If Diamond completes the line and starts pumping 200,000 barrels per day of shale crude oil, the first disaster would be 10 times the Mayflower tragedy. Seismic activity from the New Madrid Fault will rupture the pipeline under the Mississippi River. Benzene and toluene gases spread for miles; if you are close enough to smell the fumes you may die. The fact of the matter is, Diamond construction must stop. Why would Arkansas representatives remain silent?

Dr. Luis Contreras



Pursuit Of HAPPINESS

by Dan Krotz

There's been some noise lately about L Civil War monuments. It's reminded me of the Vietnam War Memorial Wall in Washington. I suppose I've visited it or walked past it 50 times in the last 25 years. Sometimes I'd walk down to the reflecting pool in the evening, then go visit Mr. Lincoln. After a howdy to the President I'd slip down to the Wall and bum a Camel from an old vet who was always there, maybe lived there. We'd smoke and joke for a minute, five minutes, and then I'd go back to my

There are 58,318 names inscribed on the Wall. Eight of the names belong to women, 1,200 are for guys MIA, or POWs who died in prison. There's a bronze statue of three guys just across from the Wall. One guy is white; one guy is black; the third guy is Mexican. They're American soldiers looking at the Wall, remembering.

Why did these men and women die? There was a theory called the Domino Theory that argued if the U.S. didn't stop the spread of Communism in Vietnam, Communism would spread to all other countries in the region "like falling dominos." No one knew then except economists - that Communism was a dumb-assed, unsustainable system that would collapse under its own weight. Which it did within a decade following the war.

So: they died in defense of a theory that proved to be a wrong theory.

There were other reasons. They were unlucky, in the wrong place at the wrong time. Some guys were trying to save a friend's life. One guy was killed while helping a little boy up and out of a rice paddy. And a lot of guys didn't know about the theory; they thought they were patriots, saving democracy. There were a lot of reasons.

It's possible that people will want to tear the Vietnam Memorial Wall down sometime in the next 100 years. They might be mad that so many people were killed - and got killed - because of our government's paranoia, hubris, and self-delusion.

But maybe they'll think about the other reasons too, and leave it alone.

A little help from our friends:

- Good Shepherd Humane Society monthly board meetings are held the 4th Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m. at the Good Shepherd Humane Society Shelter, 6486 Hwy. 62E. All are
- Carroll County Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-844-247-3223 (844-24PEACE) is available 24/7. The Purple Flower Domestic Violence Resource and Support Center is open Tuesdays and Thursday from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at 109 W. Church Ave. 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
- A Cup of Love Ministry Feeding the Hungry Located at 4032 E. Van Buren, Hwy 62. Serving Soup Monday-Friday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Sunday Service – 10:30 a.m. Noon potluck following. Wednesday – Bible Study 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Friday – Food Pantry 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Caring for our community, spirit, soul, and body. (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 Country Hardware. One-dollar store in the yellow building open Tuesday – Saturday from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Thrift store, furniture bank in big blue barn behind chapel open Friday and Saturday from 10:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Donation drop offs by the blue barn only.
- Recorded Teachings and Meditation Monday Recorded Rinpocne teachings at 5:30 p.m. on Mondays followed by meditation at 6 p.m. Call Alece at (479) 244-6841 or Gary at (479)
- 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.
- Grief Share A Bible-based, 13-week program fro those who have lost a loved one from 2 – 4 p.m. at Faith Bible Church, Suite C, 3 Parkeliff Drive, Holiday Island. Share with others experiencing similar circumstances in an informal, confidential setting. Call (479) 253-8925 or email lardellen@gmail.com. You may join at anytime.
- Narcotics Anonymous Fridays, 5:30 p.m. (903) 278-5568. Meetings held at Eureka Springs Coffee Pot Group behind Land O' Nod Victorian Inn.
- Coffee Break Al-Anon Family Group Women Tuesdays, 9:45 a.m., Faith Christian Family Church, Hwy. 23S, (479) 981-1686.
- Al-Anon Family Group (AFG) Sundays, 11:30 a.m.; Mondays, 7 p.m.; Wednesdays and Thursdays, 5:30 p.m. Meetings held at Eureka Springs Coffee Pot Group behind Land O' Nod Victorian Inn on Hwy. 235. (479) 253-3380.
- 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. Meetings held at Eureka Springs Coffee Pot Group behind Land O' Nod Victorian Inn. All are meetings: See www.nwarkaa.org.
- Overeaters Anonymous Thursday, 10: 30 a.m. Meetings held at Eureka Springs Coffee Pot Group behind Land O' Nod Inn on Hwy. 235. (479) 981-3103
- St. Vincent De Paul Thrift Store First Tuesdays provide assistance with medical help, utilities, clothing, emergency shelter, shoes, etc. Annual charity Christmas Gift & Food Program. Mon-Sat 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. 1844 Hwy. 62W Berryville.
- Support Group for those with Parkinson's and their caregivers, first Wednesday of each month, ECHO Community Room at 10 a.m. For questions email Sally at sarahg@arkansas.net or call (479) 981-1587.
- Echo Thrift Stores and Clinic The Clinic is open 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month for appointments open 1 – 4 p.m. Open every Tuesday/Thursday to assess needs and to make appointments. Free services are offered to those without insurance or if insurance does not cover them. The Thrift Store is open Monday-Saturday from 9 – 5 p.m. Clinic number: (479) 253-5547. Thrift Store number: (479) 253-5888.
- Heart of Many Ways Open Sanctuary Wednesdays 1 4 p.m. A Sacred Space open for silent prayer, meditation, spiritual reading or simply for soaking in the silence of a quiet place. People of all faiths, spiritual paths, or individual spiritual expressions are welcomed. 68 Mountain St. Enter up the front stairs to the left. Call Amrit at 253-3165 or email oeema@mail.com.
- Chronic Pain Support Group Forming Call if you feel Alone and are looking for resources, support and advocacy. (870) 350-5571.
- Abundant Health Wellness Center: Diabetes and Weight Management Support Group, 4th Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. (479) 325-9749. DanaWestRD.com. 240 Huntsville Rd. Suite AA, Eureka Springs.

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ConstablesOnPatrol

AUGUST 15

1:45 a.m. – Constable was in pursuit of a motorcyclist. With assistance from CCSO and Berryville PD, the biker was apprehended in Berryville. 4:28 p.m. – Alarm company notified ESPD of an alarm at a residence. Constable spoke with a construction crew at the site.

August 16

6:02 p.m. – Domestic insurrection at an apartment involved items being thrown. Constable intervened and helped the female collect her things.

8:24 p.m. – Caller thought someone might be in his cabin because the motion alarm was going off. Constable found the place secure.

8:27 p.m. - Two males had a fight in a parking lot. One of them was reportedly injured but drove away from the scene. Constable passed along a description of his vehicle to CCSO.

10:19 p.m. - Male told ESPD his female friend had been drinking all day, and when they returned to the motel she walked away and had not returned. Constables looked for but did not encounter her.

11:56 p.m. – Tree fell across a street above downtown. Constable and residents cleared the roadway.

August 17

5:55 a.m. – Individual was arrested on a warrant out of Benton County.

3:24 p.m. – School bus driver was involved in an accident.

7:02 p.m. – Individual came to Eureka Springs to meet someone she had communicated with on Facebook. She changed her clothes for a haircut before the encounter, and during

the haircut the male became angry, threw water in her face and refused to give her the original clothes back. Constable accompanied her to the male's house to retrieve her clothes.

AUGUST 18

9:11 a.m. – Downtown business owner reported a break-in and damage to the business.

9:25 a.m. - Business on US 62 on the east side of town reported a break-in.

August 19

1:41 a.m. – Constable spoke with the manager of a tourist lodging about a suspicious person.

9:49 a.m. - Someone kicked in the door of a downtown building.

9:05 p.m. – A female would not leave a property, so the male called 911. Then she left. Male was told to call back if she returned

9:34 p.m. - Same male asked for constable assistance, and the constable resolved the matter.

10:53 p.m. – Constables responded to report of juveniles drinking near downtown. One juvenile was detained for DHS.

AUGUST 20

1:20 a.m. – Constable assisted a motel manager get cooperation from loud and rowdy guests.

2:00 a.m. - Alarm rang out at a downtown business.

9:26 a.m. - Constables checked on a suspicious vehicle parked near two businesses on US 62 just west of downtown. One individual was arrested on a warrant out of Berryville. 7:51 p.m. - Concerned employee reported a person suspiciously looking into parked vehicles. Constable spoke with the manager.

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Her motion was approved, and she volunteered to start a list of sponsorship possibilities.

Manager's report

Pfeifer stated because of assistance from JP Lamont Richie, the August 21 quorum court agenda would include a resolution for the taxiway grant. He also said the June 2017 record of 1870 gallons of gas sold in one month was eclipsed in July by sales of 2297 gallons. Complications with the card reader at the gas pump were resolved and the process simplified.

Final items

- Mark Minton was approved to sit on the commission.
- The CCA ad in Fly-Low magazine will be amended to mention hangars available.

Next meeting will be Friday, Sept. 15, at 12 p.m.

ECHO Village affordable housing development launched

BECKY GILLETTE

The Eureka Christian Health Outreach Clinic has received national attention for using volunteers and donor support to provide free healthcare services to hundreds of low-income people without health insurance. Now ECHO is talking on another project that could also be a template for other communities: establishment of a "green" ECHO Village that will be largely

constructed with volunteer labor to help provide affordable housing in a community environment.

This past Friday ECHO closed on ten acres for the ECHO Village between Kerusso's and the Eureka Springs Police Department on Passion Play Road. That location has the benefit of access to city water and sewer, and it's on the trolley route.

"For the five years we have been

operating ECHO, we have noticed a lot of our patients are homeless or almost homeless," said ECHO co-founder Suzie Bell. "They were couch surfing. It was an alarming thing for us. We felt like that was an important part of our ministry. If you are concerned about housing security, you are not going to be compliant with your health and medication. We started working with that five years ago and have been constantly seeking a permanent solution to the homeless issue."

Mayor Butch Berry, an architect, is developing five different house plans for the ECHO Village, including one for a tiny house. Berry, a fan of tiny houses, also designed the newer portion of the ECHO Clinic. As mayor, Berry has identified providing more affordable housing as key to

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Dr. Dan Bell, Suzie Bell, Steve Richie Roberson and Butch Berry are shown at the site of the new ECHO Village. ECHO closed on 10 acres on Passion Play Rd. last Friday to get the affordable housing project up and running. PHOTO BY BECKY GILLETTE







Thanks for the memories – A small gathering was held in the Mayor's office for officers Stefan Reding and Billy Floyd, who are leaving the Eureka Springs Police Dept. Floyd will stay in town and Reding is moving to Oklahoma. Pictured (I.-r.) Mayor Butch Berry, Stefan Reding, and Billy Floyd.

Рното ву Jeremiah Alvarado



To Community Members

ECHO has recently been given dilapidated furniture, which is material-worn, torn, broken, soiled, and animal hair covered, after hours. While the donations are appreciated, ECHO asks that their drop-off hours of Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. are respected as ECHO cannot afford dump fees for furniture, and cannot protect items from weather when we're not open. Please, gently used items. (479) 253-5888.

Behind in fines? Go from hot water to cooler water

Judge Dale Ramsey announced Tuesday that the Third Judicial District Court is offering an amnesty program allowing those with outstanding warrants for overdue fines and failure to appear to get back on track with no additional penalties.

Those individuals can have their warrants served, with additional fees eliminated, if they get in the program. If you have District Court warrants in Berryville, Eureka Springs or Green Forest, go to the Detention Center in Berryville to be served with a warrant and immediately released. You will be given a court date for the opportunity of telling it to the judge about getting back on track with payments or your case. Warrants served in Huntsville can sign up for the program at the Huntsville jail.

The Court will have a booth at the County Fair this weekend, or call Berryville (870) 423-6247; Eureka Springs (479) 253-8574; Green Forest (870) 438-5866; or Huntsville (479) 738-2911.

The program runs from Sept. 1 - 15.

Rural fire department raising money

The rural fire station at Buck Mountain is holding a raffle for a 2008 Custom War Eagle Chopper Bike at the ticket price of \$20 each and a limit of 1,000 tickets being sold. The raffle is to raise money so the fire station can buy a portable pump to pull water from the lake during emergencies.

The bike is on display at the Eureka Springs Fire Department and tickets can be bought at the fire station or from any firefighter. The drawing will be at the ES Fire Department on Sept. 23 during Bikes, Blues & Barbeque.

For more information contact Mike Melroy, (479) 244-6960.

Joy to the holidays

Holiday Island Singers will be holding rehearsal on Wednesday, August 30 at 1 p.m. at the Holiday Island Country Club Ballroom for this year's December program, *Joy to the World*. Questions? Call Judy Higginbottom (479) 981-1340.



Tight ends low on experience, high on talent

For the first time in several years, Arkansas' football team is entering a season without a clear-cut leader at the tight end position.

From 2008-10, D.J. Williams held that title before capping his career with the Mackey Award, a trophy given to college football's top tight end. Williams was followed by Warren native Chris Gragg, who is now entering his fifth year in the NFL with the New York Jets.

Little Rock's own Hunter Henry, Arkansas' second Mackey winner and current tight end for the L.A. Chargers, was the go-to guy from 2013-15 despite playing alongside two other future pros in A.J. Derby (Denver Broncos) and Jeremy Sprinkle (Washington Redskins).

The Razorbacks aren't sure who their next great tight end will be in 2017, but they do feel confident in the pool of candidates.

"I like the development of that group," head coach Bret Bielema said. "[Tight ends coach] Barry Lunney and I had a conversation the other day -- a year ago during spring, we had a lot of question marks around guys. That tight end group is six-deep and I think they've all got a chance to play."

Competing for playing time are two juniors in Jack Kraus and JUCO transfer Jeremy Patton, three redshirt sophomores in Cheyenne O'Grady, Austin Cantrell and Will Gragg, and a second-year sophomore in Grayson Gunter.

Cantrell, O'Grady, Patton and Gunter are currently projected as the first four in the rotation.

"We've got good depth," Lunney said. "They all come in different shapes and sizes. We've got them. There's a broad spectrum of what each guy brings to the table."

Cantrell, who made 13 grabs for 120 yards and two touchdowns last fall, has the experience edge and is the best blocker in the bunch. The Roland (Okla.) native played at 270 pounds last year but has dropped 15 pounds in an effort to improve as a route runner.

"I think he's getting better," Lunney said of Cantrell. "He's moving around and flying around as well as I've seen him in some time."

O'Grady, who had a 28-yard touchdown reception in the Belk Bowl, has freakish athletic ability but needs to be more consistent. "When he decides to show up and be himself, he's a really good player," Bielema said. "He's very talented and has made some steps in the right direction."

Gunter (6-6, 240), who hauled in a 29-yard grab in Arkansas' 58-42 win over Mississippi State last November, creates mismatch problems for opposing defenses. Kraus, a veteran from Bentonville, doesn't have the same physical gifts but is trusted by the staff.

The darkhorse of the bunch is Patton, a former No. 1 JUCO prospect in the nation who transferred in from Arizona Western College this summer. Despite getting a

late start by enrolling in July, the 6-5, 250-pounder didn't need much time to start turning heads in practice.

"Jeremy Patton is a really good football player

and learns extremely well," Bielema said. "I'd say Jeremy, next to Austin (Cantrell), has probably progressed as much as anybody."

"Jeremy's done a nice job," Lunney said. "He's a football rat. He loves football. To be honest with you, the time he spent at Arizona Western – they run a pro-style offense that's similar in structure to what we run –that's really helped him just make the transition quicker. He's put a lot of effort in it early on and taken advantage of his opportunities. Not perfect, we've got a lot to learn in the details, but he gets it. He understands it and he's a tough kid."

Will Gragg, a Dumas High graduate, has made his case to move up the depth chart during preseason camp.

"Will Gragg has had an awesome, awesome camp and definitely belongs out there," Bielema said. "He's done some good things."

(Danny West covers Razorback athletics and recruiting in football and basketball for HawgSports.com and is a regular guest on sports talk radio station 103.7 The Buzz in Little Rock.)

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economic development and quality of life in Eureka Springs.

"I am very excited about their project," Berry said. "It represents a fulfillment of a need we have in Eureka Springs for economical single-family homes."

Berry said that the ECHO village would be designed to be sustainable and have a low impact on the environment. It will have solar panels and use green building materials. He expressed confidence that ECHO can pull it off because of the organization's track success in attracting volunteers dedicated to helping others.

Bell, who went down to the Gulf Coast eight times after Hurricane Katrina to help with rebuilding, envisions volunteers not just from Eureka Springs to make the village happen. World Mission Builders, a group of volunteers, have agreed to come help dry in up to eight homes in two weeks.

They are planning 20 - 25 small homes in the community, one and two-bedroom houses ranging from 300 - 1,200 sq. ft. Homes will be clustered, leaving room for green space, a playground, community garden, community picnic area and community center.

"Community" is key, said Dr. Dan Bell, co-founder of ECHO. People will be encouraged to interact with and cooperate with each other. The idea is to have a true "village" instead of just another subdivision. Younger people could help elders with chores difficult for the elder to do while the elder might help babysit the younger people's children or walk their dog while they are at work.

Since homes will be on the trolley route, people will have transportation to stores and public facilities like the library, and be able to work without having to pay a car note and insurance each month.

Homes will be affordable and targeted to people who are handicapped, senior, homeless, single parents, those with mental health challenges, veterans, and first-time offenders released from prison.

"They will have covenants to fulfill," Bell said. "They must keep the property up. They must cooperate and live with each other. You can't be a hermit and live there. We will have a live-in resident manager, and her home is the first home building. She is a single mother with a child."

The community center will be used for Thanksgiving dinners, for one, so families of residents can be invited. They will also offer classes on good parenting, how to write a résumé, financial management, basic housekeeping skills, gardening and how to do simple repairs.

"We are hoping to have some basic skills people can do like sewing and quilting projects that they can sell," Suzie Bell said. "Extra produce could be sold at the farmers' market. They will have chickens."

Right now, they have raised enough money to purchase the land and build the first home and a half, and are actively fundraising.

"We are asking area churches to build a home and support it with mentoring to the individual who then ends up living there," Bell said. "The Methodist Church has committed to building a house and a couple of other churches are starting that conversation. One individual has said she will pay for a house."

The smallest homes will cost about \$33,000, and will be sturdy, energy efficient and comfortable, with amenities like washers and dryers.

"We want people to be proud of where they are living," Bell said. "They will be a place where people can get their life in order. We want to help people break that generational poverty cycle by helping them have pride in holding a job, living in a decent place, and actually learning how to save money and make good monetary decisions. Financial

management and planning are going to be critical."

Also planned is a bunker house with five beds for women on one side and five beds for men on the other side. This will be for transient homeless people passing through. Transient homelessness occurs often. Currently some local churches contribute to the cost of putting transient homeless people up in hotels, where hotel owners give a discounted rate.

Bell said their overall desire is to change people's lives for the better, giving them not a handout, but a hand up.

"We want them out of the poverty cycle where they are one car transmission problem away from being homeless because they have to choose between fixing the car and paying rent," she said. "We have volunteers who want to work with the program by helping guide and mentor folks. That is our dream and venture."

In addition to the Bells, other volunteers heading up the project include Steve Richie Roberson and Kim Clark. Clark has also purchased property for an ecovillage called Hawkshill that is planned on a piece property located further down on Passion Play Rd.

If you want to volunteer or donate, call the ECHO Clinic at (479) 253-5547.

Lining the highway – The folks over at Century 21 on US 62 spent about an hour outside watching the solar eclipse. It was a scorching hot day but as more and more of the sun was covered by the moon the temperature dropped, leaving the August afternoon rather pleasant. Ahnnaleigh Lawson was enchanted as she looked up at the eclipse a little after 1:13.

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PHOTOS BY KENT PETTIGREW

...Meanwhile, back in Music City – Day turned to night Monday as Nashville experienced a total solar eclipse. Above, time-lapse photos show the beginning to totality. Right, totality. Thanks to our Nashville friends for sharing their photos.

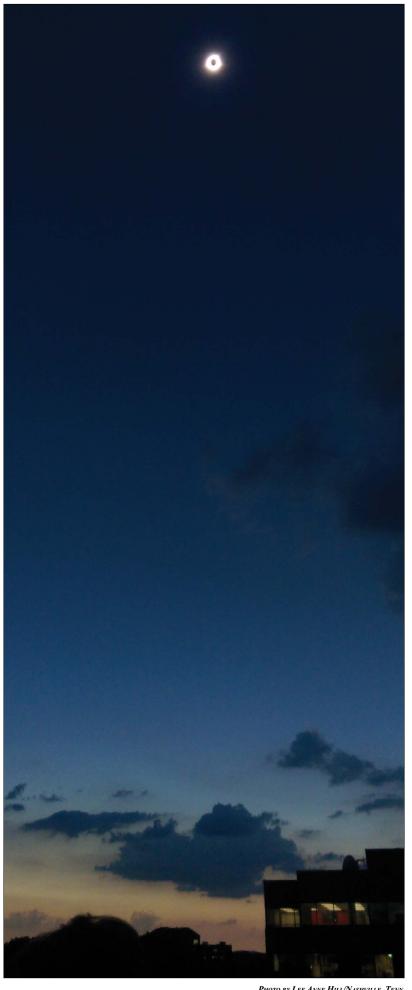


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Aging well

Issues on Aging group has two special programs planned at the First United Methodist Church. On August 24 at 1 p.m. there will be a presentation on home safety as we age and are dealing with limited motor abilities. On Sept. 7 at 10 a.m. Amanda Jarvis will present a program of legal aging support needs such as wills, trusts, powers of attorney, real estate transfers and other subjects. All interested in these topics are welcome.

Think about it

The Eureka Springs Buddhist Study Group will gather for 30 minutes of meditation followed by reading and discussion on Thursday, August 24 at 4 p.m. at Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain. All are welcome.

Community Center receives sizable grant

The Eureka Springs Community Center Foundation Board has received a Windgate Charitable Foundation grant in the amount of \$50,000, which the Community Center Foundation must match from local donations.

The total \$100,000 will enable the board to remove all mold in the activity center, remodel the lobby and lobby restrooms, and begin preparations for the fitness center, gathering lounge, and meeting rooms.

Perceived order at Metafizzies

The August 28 meeting of the Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society will feature a discussion on Real and Imagined Order led by Gary Milczarek. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at the Heart of Many Ways, 68 Mountain. All are welcome.

Feds involved in Carroll County busts

On August 17 the Eureka Springs Police Dept. was a participating member of a multiple agency drug and money laundering investigation which was led by Homeland Security with assistance of the U.S. Attorney's Office, according to an ESPD press release.

The following day U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Arkansas, Kenneth Elser, released a statement that 13 people had been arrested by local, state and federal law enforcement following a yearlong investigation into methamphetamine and heroin trafficking in Boone, Baxter, Searcy, Newton, Carroll and Washington Counties. Nine defendants were arrested on federal charges and four on state charges.

For much of 2017, ESPD in conjunction with the Dept. of Homeland Security, DEA and FBI, conducted a separate, but related, operation resulting in the arrest of four individuals in Eureka Springs for suspicion of trafficking heroin.

Those arrested Thursday include, but are not limited to:

- Ricky Dwayne Moles, 56, of Harrison
- Vance Lynn Parnin, Jr., 48, of Berryville
- Keep on the look out. September issue coming soon to a rack near you. Wed., Aug. 30 to be specific.

- Eric Lynn Friend, 39, of Harrison
- Ricky William Akins, 59, of Lead Hill
- Brittnee Nicole Perkins, 27, of Harrison
- Julia Nicole Holley, 31, of Little Rock
- Amy Leann Friend-Hagler, 37, of Greenbrier
- Bobby Gene Ellis, Jr., 44, of Harrison
- Melissa Haley Childs, 30, of Harrison



The two young men were terrified. They were in the midst of a hostile crowd and were being pelted with epitaphs, slurs and debris. Suddenly a young Sheri woman named Imani, stepped from the crowd and led them through to safety. When asked, this brave young black woman, who had saved two neo-Nazis, acknowledged

had she been in the midst of their hostile crowd she would not expect such help; but that she had done this as her act of kindness and did not expect praise or thanks.

The past nine months building anxiety culminating in the murder of a young woman by a neo-Nazi, has set the entire country on edge. During that same weekend, a University of Virginia librarian who tried to protect students from the gun

and torch-wielding mob, died the following day of a stroke. The same hate infested event injured 19 people, some whose lives will be altered irreparably.

This week 15,000 normal citizens in Boston stood up to hate and all that attends that evil and the Nazis fled the

scene because they knew if that it came to violence, they would be the injured ones. Of course they ran away.

I think Jesus would weep at how his Church and Message have been used as a weapon of hate and bigotry. Of all groups, secular and religious, that have fled Donald Trump and his message of hate and division, the Evangelicals have not. Despite their condemnation of sins of the flesh, they have exonerated him of sexual misconduct. Despite his flagrant disdain for the suffering among us with his policies, they cling to him. Despite his message of hate and division, Evangelicals have exalted him. Why?

His Holiness, the 14th Dalai Lama

has called Kindness his religion. We all want to be happy and none of us wants to suffer. All who are born will die. We are all the same. Yet there are many who can't see anything except you and me instead of "we," so their suffering is the worst and they lash out at all who they see as "the other." They think because surely their actions can't be the base of their suffering, it must be "other's" fault.

There is tyranny in hatred. It holds the hater tight in its grasp and causes great distress and harm. In love there is freedom. It opens the heart and allows the clear clean breeze of caring and compassion to flow. There is a choice and each of us must make our own: Hell or Peace in our lifetime.



On the wild side - Yep, it's a moth, not a myth. Takes a pretty astute eye to pick out and recognize an Imperial moth on the Historic Loop.

PHOTO BY SUSAN NELSON

Democratic Party of Carroll County takes to the fair

The Democratic Party of Carroll County will be sponsoring a Recruit and Run 101 Seminar at the Berryville Community Center on Saturday, August 26 at 9 a.m. The workshop will answer questions about running for public office.

The DPCC will also be in the Carroll County Fair Parade at 9 a.m. in Berryville with their kicking, democratic mule RICCI. They will also have a booth on the Fairgrounds for the Carroll County Fair, which is August 26 - Sept. 2.

Preparing Christmas Service choir

Eureka Springs United Methodist Church Music Ministry is partnering with St. Elizabeth Catholic Church Music Ministry in producing The Nine Lessons in December.

Singers from area churches and the community are invited to join. Rehearsals begin on August 31 at the St. Elizabeth Parish Center on Passion Play Road from 5:30 - 7:30 and will be Thursdays at the same time. Performance dates will be Sunday, Dec. 10 at 5 p.m. at the Methodist Church. Contact Sharon at (479) 981-0870 for more information

TheNATURE of EUREKA by Steven Foster



From tree hugging to therapy

f you hear the phrase "forest bathing," your mind may If flash to skinny-dipping at a remote swimming hole in an Ozark creek, but actually it's a rough translation of a Japanese phrase - Shinrin-yoku - coined in the early 1990s by the Japanese Ministry of Agriculture, Forest and Fisheries. Simply put, forest bathing is the act of immersion into the natural environment, slowing down just to be in nature. Turn off your day-to-day "monkey mind" and become aware of the light, fragrances, patterns, textures, sights and sounds of nature. Think of it as an unscripted meditation retreat in nature for an hour or two.

According to a report on July 17, 2017 on National Public Radio's Morning Edition, reporter Allison Aubrey cites an array of studies by Japanese research groups that suggest the forest bathing is healthful. A 2011 study, for example, found that blood pressure and several stress hormones were reduced when comparing the same amount of walking in a city compared with a forest walk. Now the concept is becoming established in the United States. The Association of Nature & Forest Therapy, founded by Amos Clifford, a wildness guide and counselor is training and certifying up to 250 new nature therapy guides every year. See www. natureandforesttherapy.org.

This is not a new idea. Throngs of tourists came to



Eureka Springs for decades to take of the healing spring waters and enjoy trails that linked one spring to another. Maybe we're an old idea, 100 years too early, whose time has finally come.

A walk in a grove of trees may have saved the Constitution. During a day off, on Saturday, July 15, 1787, a group of delegates spent the day in Bartram's Garden in Philadelphia. Founded in 1728 by John Bartram (1699-1777), the garden was a cohesive representation of native trees and shrubs from all 13 colonies. It was a unique display of symbolic American unity.

Two days later, when the Convention convened again on July 16, 1787, after six weeks of stalemate, three delegates who had visited Bartram's Garden switched their votes, agreeing to what became known as "The Great Compromise" giving proportional representation in the House of Representatives to each state, along with two members each in the Senate.

The seeds of the American Constitution had finally germinated. There's still hope. Maybe politicians need a walk in the woods. Leave the golf clubs at home.

Saturn - Teacher, Guardian, Timekeeper

ll the planets at one time or another turn retrograde Acreating an inward-focused time. At present, Mercury, Saturn, Uranus, Pluto, Juno and Chiron are retrograde. During retrograde times we confront the past, sort out the dross, clean, clear, eliminate and bring forth closure. Then the planet turns direct again.

Monday, after four and a half months of retrograde (since April 6), Saturn, strict teacher, disciplinarian and timekeeper, turns direct (21 degrees Sagittarius). During Saturn retrogrades we tend to things neglected and forgotten. Debts (karma) owed are remembered. Tests and challenges return, giving us time to learn the lessons

After Saturn turns direct once again, we are ready to assume more tasks and responsibilities, become more productive, achieve more, are on time, and apply practically what we have learned over the previous months. We have more strength and ambition, and a sense of perseverance has developed. We feel encouraged, have sounder judgment, and care for ourselves in more practical ways.

Saturn pushes us to have courage, and moves us out of past habits and carefully into new rhythms. Saturn guards and guides us, teaches us to trust and assume responsibility. Saturn strengthens us and offers us failures so we can learn fortitude and patience. Saturn adjusts our abilities by offering us struggles and times when we are solitary and alone. Saturn is strict but very fair.

As the days, weeks and months unfold after the Leo solar eclipse & Saturn moving forward in Sag (both fire signs), our creativity surges and a concrete manifestation of things envisioned and hoped for comes forth.

Burning Man begins Sunday in a Mercury/Virgo retrograde. This Radical Ritualed pop-up-art-culturecommunity-bonfire-event-on-Black Rock playas-whereeveryone-is-equal-nothing-can-be-bought-and-there-areno-rules will have surprising events and outcomes this year. Burning Man's principles/rules (Saturn) are on my website - www.nightlightnews.org/

ARIES: You find it important to have beauty, peace and harmony at home. Along with nourishing and nurturing things. Look around your environments and create the needed comfort. You think about your childhood home, your partent's marriage, the intelligence and love imparted there. You either imitate this way of living or revolutionize it.

TAURUS: You always choose to be kind, tolerant, tactful, doing no harm. This makes you very likable. You learn during these eclipse weeks that you are very creative. You also learn to provide others with more recognition. You're sensitive, diplomatic, and often you remain silent. You have very high intelligence which you hide. You are also, at times, mischievous & ornery. Everyone likes you.

GEMINI: It's important to hear during these times that you are creative, intelligent, loving, cared for and appreciated. You may not verbalize these words to others often, but you need to have them spoken to you. Inform loved ones that you feel safe and secure with them. And thank them. What you seek most right now are things simple, trustworthy and genuine. Soul qualities.

CANCER: The planets are affecting you

in such a way that you are more sensitive, vulnerable, more aware, perceptive and intuitive. Give to yourself all that you need during this time. You may need to tend to your health and well being

with more focus. Less acidic foods, more alkaline for balance. You will feel the difference. Research Chaga (medicinal mushroom) and dried green barley grass. Use them in smoothies.

LEO: Parts of your life become more hidden for a while. In terms of love it's as if you closed the door and went into hiding. Secrets become

interesting, you or others speak in whispers. There's a real feeling that some essential things -people, situations, events, the past - have ended. Loss is always accompanied by sadness and melancholy. This too passes. But you realize what you are lonely for.

VIRGO: You seek someone to share your interests. You seek happiness and friendships and group interactions. You

seek peacefulness, a bit of romance tinged with friendship. You waver between depth and impersonality, all the while wanting to trust. You're here and there with your thinking. You want to feel empowered,

> but sometimes daily life feels wounding. Relationships change for the better.

LIBRA: A expansive new sense of self is growing within and you will be surprised in the future who and what you become. relationships, harmonize rather than challenge. In groups of friends you are the change maker, the radical social one.

Someone makes you very happy. You value their love. They teach you how to love more. You protect them from harm. Safeguarding them. You don't talk about these things. Sometimes there's sadness.

SCORPIO: You're recognized for your unceasing work performance. You're seen as a bit radical, responsible, likeable, with appropriate authority, able to negotiate and be social at the same time. All in terms of your profession. There's some ambition for something new, something managerial mixed with art, creativity and your particular talent. Opportunities come your way. Keep a sensible heart throughout. But listen to the siren calls.

SAGITTARIUS: Several things keep coming to the surface or showing up in your life. The usual things - money, sharing finances, deep intimate connections, dividing power, discussing emotional topics. All of these are important. Then there's the unusual, where routine becomes a grave dissatisfaction. The appeal is other people, faraway places, attractive and charming and rather exotic. You are to attract and then synthesize all of it.

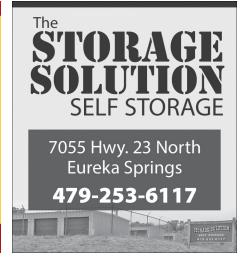
CAPRICORN: Pay special attention to partners, intimates, friends and those close to you. Personal, one-on-one interactions are needed by those who love you. Offer yourself, with intention and dedication, to be more present, to just love more. Observe carefully the needs of those in vour life. One can radiate love yet still be unaware of the real needs of others. Do you recognize the subtle difference?

AQUARIUS: Above all other things you do this month, make sure the work environment is harmonious and peaceful, friendly and tidy, generous and a pleasure for everyone. Call for team spirit, ask everyone to be cooperative and share tasks. The outcome is everyone begins to recognize your gifts and appreciates you more and more. Wherever you are, tend carefully to all resources, finances, and be aware of what you value.

PISCES: There is perhaps a wounding being experienced. A feeling that a new reality is needed. The one you've been living in no longer serves you. This is part of the eclipse playing out, part Chiron (the wound) and Neptune (things dissolving). There is a need for change, for a new environment, new ways of daily living, new rhythms, new resources and more choices. Create a magnetic field around you by visualizing the needs being fulfilled. Write, draw, paint them. Let this be your new daily creative endeavor.

Then watch what happens. Risa – writer, teacher, counselor, mentor, astrologer, esotericist. Founder/ Direction - Esoteric & Astrological Studies & Research Institute. Email risagoodiwll@gmail.com. Web - www. nightlightnews.org/FB - Risa D'Angelels & Risa's Esoteric Astrology. Note - all FB posts are found on NLN – under Daily Studies





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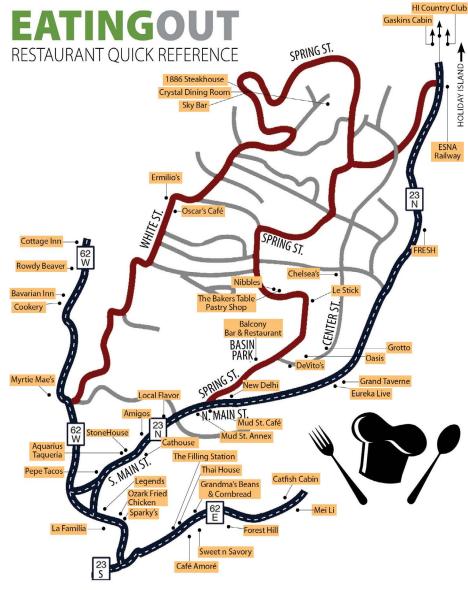






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would not loan as much money as fast as he wanted in 1908. Henry started hiring Muslims in 1937, and there is a big Muslin population in Michigan today.

Hitler was a low-level sketch artist in Vienna, Austria, and was mad at the Jews for not buying his young hippie art. With four Hitler books, none mentions him working.

In 1935 Hitler had Porsche design "the people's car." Volkswagen, patterned after Ford's cheap Model T.

Richard B. Waxenfelter Berryville

Being responsible

Editor,

It is my sincere hope that people who voted for Trump can now understand that he is a dangerous racist,

a manipulator of their hopes, a greedy man who loves only money, and a president who, although firing the Nazi Bannon, retains only white people in his cabinet (mostly males) who are determined to dismantle all regulations and programs that help the poor or protect the environment.

They can take courage from the story of German Pastor Martin Niemoller, an early Nazi supporter and anti-Semite. (When learning of Nazi atrocities, he had written, "No honest man or woman in Germany feels responsible for these things. Good Germans took Nazism as a new religion.")

Niemoller, a submarine commander in WWI, had written a bestseller in 1933 From U-Boat to Pulpit in which he praised the Nazis as bringing about a "national revival."

Niemoller later renounced the Nazis. His famous words - in many versions depending on whom he was talking to, but the version he preferred was –

"When the Nazis came for the Communists, I did not speak out; As I was not a Communist.

"When they locked up the Social Democrats, I did not speak out; As I was not a Social Democrat.

"When they came for the trade unionists, I did not speak out; As I was not a trade unionist.

"When they came for the Jews, I did not speak out; As I was not a Jew.

"When they came for me, there was no one left to speak out."

He and his wife visited Dachau in 1945 where he had been imprisoned for eight years for speaking out. At the crematorium, a hand-lettered wooden sign nailed on a tree read, "Here between the years 1933 and 1945, 238,756 human beings were incinerated."

The Pastor had no answer to that.

T.A. Laughlin

Tim Budig Band rocks the blues at Chelsea's

The Chicago-style blues of the Tim Budig Band will have you grooving from the first note! The five member band delivers a rowdy, guitar-driven sound that earned them a place in this year's semi-finals at the International Blues Challenge. Tim Budig plays the blues like he means it – with soul, humor and a smokin' guitar. Don't miss this show at Chelsea's on Saturday at 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24

BALCONY RESTAURANT

- Maureen Alexander, Singer/ Songwriter, 5 p.m. CATHOUSE LOUNGE - Jimmy W. Garrett, Singer/Songwriter, 6-8 p.m. **GRANDE TAVERNE - Jerry Yester,** Grand Piano Dinner Music, 6:30 p.m.

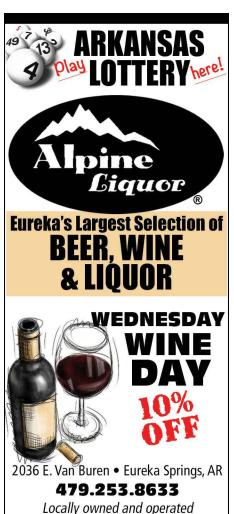
GRUB N PUB - Boss Karaoke, 8 p.m. LEGENDS SALOON - About Time, Rock, 9 p.m.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

BALCONY RESTAURANT -

Michael Dimitri, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m. and 5 p.m.

BREWS - Pearl Brick, Americana/



Folk, 7-10 p.m.

CATHOUSE LOUNGE - Hedley Lamar Band, Rock/Blues, 8-11 p.m. CHELSEA'S - Jimmy Wayne Garrett & Liberty Bell, Blues/Rock, 9 p.m. CD Release Party!!

GRANDE TAVERNE - Arkansas Red, Guitar Dinner Music, 6:30 p.m. GRUB N PUB - Karaoke w/Filthy **Phil**, 9 p.m.

LEGENDS SALOON - DJ Karaoke w/**Stan**, 8 p.m.

NEW DELHI - Brick Fields, Blues, 6-10 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER - 2 Dog 2 Karaoke, 7 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER DEN - Mark Shields Band, Blues, 9 p.m. STONEHOUSE - Jerry Yester, Artist's Choices, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

BALCONY RESTAURANT - James White, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m. &

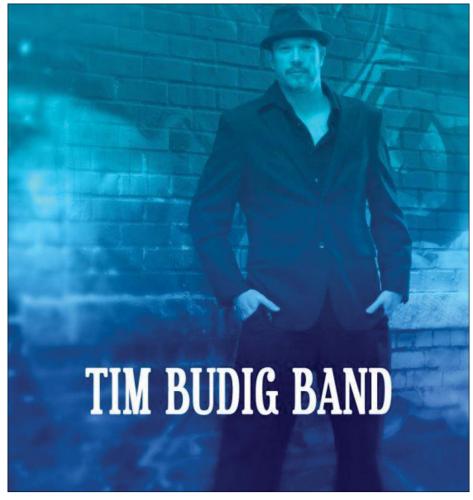
6 p.m.

BREWS - Stephen Pruitt, Soul, 7-10

CATHOUSE LOUNGE - Jimmy Wayne Garrett & Liberty Bell, Blues/ Rock, 8-11 p.m.

CHELSEA'S - Blackout Boys, 2-5 p.m., Tim Budig Band, Blues/Rock, 9

GRANDE TAVERNE - Jerry Yester, Grand Piano Dinner Music, 6:30 p.m. GRUB N PUB - Kevin Upshaw, Country, 9 p.m.



Tim Budig's blues color Chelsea's on Saturday at 9 p.m.

LE STICK - Vinny Ray, Jazz Violinist, 7 p.m.

LEGENDS SALOON - Jeff Horton Band, Rock/Blues, 9 p.m.

NEW DELHI - Vibe Tribe, 6-10 p.m. ROWDY BEAVER - Chicken Pot Pie, Americana/Country, 7 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER DEN - Steve Zimmerman, Classic Rock, 1-5 p.m., Blew Reed & the Flatheads, Blues, 9 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

BALCONY RESTAURANT - Pearl

Brick, Singer/Songwriter, 12 p.m., Jeff Lee, Singer/Songwriter, 5 p.m.

BREWS - Trivia Night, 7 p.m.

CHELSEA'S - Blue Dream Blue, Blues,

NEW DELHI - Dr. NOLA & the Soul Shakers, Soul, 1-4 p.m.

ROWDY BEAVER DEN - Blue Muse, Jazz, 1-5 p.m.

MONDAY, AUGUST 28

CHELSEA'S - Sprungbilly, Bluegrass, 9 p.m.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

CATHOUSE LOUNGE - Los Roscoes, Blues, 5-7 p.m. CHELSEA'S - Open Mic, 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

CATHOUSE LOUNGE - Karaoke with Phil, 8-11 p.m. **ROWDY BEAVER DEN - Shawbee** Karaoke, 8 p.m.



DROPPINGA Line by Robert Johnson



andy Nichols from Green Forest, Ark., with a nice striped bass caught in the spring of last year. He was a friend who is with us no more. Born November 28, 1972. Left his fishing pole behind August 7, 2017. I am grateful for the time we shared in the water and I will move on to fish with memories never forgotten.

Well, the water temp has come back up which is good for keeping the stripers on Beaver Lake up here on our end of the lake with most being caught from the Dam to Point 5.

Some bait has moved up closer to the surface, but most along with the stripers are still holding below the thermocline and being caught between 28 – 38 ft. deep swimming in water from 60 - 170 ft. off the points to the back of the bigger coves, points and in the main river channel. Shad seam to be the best bait, with perch coming in second.

Here at Holiday Island, walleye are being caught from here upriver all the way to Houseman Access up past Beaver. Trolling deep divers from 12 – 18 ft. deep can catch them, along with working a small jig tipped with a minnow or night crawler

Crappie here closer to the Island are in water from 6 - 12 ft. deep in the sunken brush with jigs or minnows being the best bait, or a combo of both.

Bass are liking the deeper bluffs of the river channel when the sun is high, but have also been catching shallow close to sunrise and sunset off the flats and in the creek arms all the way to the back.

We are now at a slow down on trips since school has started back, so we have a lot of open days if anyone wants to get out while the striped bass are on our end of the lake, or just go out from here at the Island for some light tackle fishing for these walleye, crappie or bass.

Looks like we have another cool front coming which is a welcome change from the heat. Enjoy what nature provides and share with a kid or someone you love when you can. Robert Johnson (479) 253-2258.

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implement a plan to take cars off the road and make the city easier to navigate on foot or by bicycle. He envisioned new decent sidewalks instead of goat trails beside busy streets, safe routes to school, and safe fitness trails for everyone. He said the town deserves better pathways for pedestrians, but there must be an actionable plan or the improvements will not happen.

A focus group will form soon to discuss and create the plan, and Featherstone encouraged citizens to get

involved. "It is time to look past the trees and see the forest and put a plan in place," he stated. He urged long-term planning and a collective effort, not a repeat of past inaction.

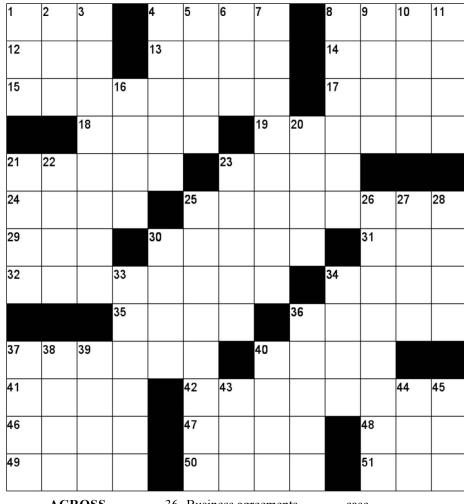
Other items

- There is one vacancy on the commission.
- Parks is looking for someone to rebuild their website.

Next workshop will be Tuesday, Sept. 5, at 6 p.m., at Harmon Park. Next regular meeting will be Tuesday, Sept. 19, at 6 p.m.

INDEPENDENTCrossword

by Mike Boian with extensive help from his wife, Ann



ACROSS

- 1. Black droning beetle
- 4. Brake part
- 8. Growth, abscess
- 12. Glossy black cuckoo
- 13. Overlay with wood or plaster
- 14. American actress Lange
- 15. Pitifully inadequate
- 17. Li'l Abner's "Once more"
- 18. Propelling paddles
- 19. Oppressive or unjust ruler
- 21. Guts; courage
- 23. Rum and water
- 24. Woodwind instrument
- 25. Sensation originating in muscle
- 29. Old French coin equal to 10 centimes
- 30. Gateway to Shinto shrine
- 31. Room within a harem
- 32. Conceal or wrap up
- 34. Halt
- 35. Electrically charged particles

- 36. Business agreements
- 37. Make records current
- 40. Pileated woodpeckers love it
- 41. Overwhelming victory
- 42. Resident of Sanaa
- 46. Wise counselor
- 47. Twelfth month of Jewish calendar
- 48. Be indebted
- 49. Prominent Piccadilly statue
- 50. Gets it
- 51. Partisan or sequitur opener

DOWN

- 1. Brylcreem recommended quantity
- 2. Single unit
- Exhaustive and thorough
- 4. Frighten
- Towel embroidery
- Texas tea
- 7. Like a beetle's wing

- case Fee
- 9. Hindu discipline
- 10. Revolve rapidly
- 11. Portable shelter
- 16. Donated
- 20. 18-time All-Star catcher
- 21. Smell organ
- 22. Black in poetry
- 23 Brain fold
- 25. Affluent
- 26. Small jotting
- 27. Symbol of some worship
- 28. Upper case
- 30. Gait between a walk and a gallop
- 33. Interval
- 34. Visible
- 36. Challenges of honor
- 37. Implore
- 38. Rain hard
- 39. Peso of Spain or Latin America
- 40. Contentedly confident
- 43. New Haven collegian
- 44. "Takes ____ to Tango"
- 45. Suffix of adolescent's age

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PERSONALS

Dear daughter,

The two C's are gonna be no shows again. K & A still whacking things. S excited about relocating. Weird sounds coming from the vallev.

HKP - Solar eclipse was uneventful, grass growing like crazy from all the rain, weedeating extra hard, all kinds o'snakes creeping onto the property, loads of mosquitoes. Should be a great party next month. Oh, by the way, HAPPY BIRTHDAY! 49 again?

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the ambulance not use its siren and flashing lights. However, while en route, responders learned the incident was indeed a life and death emergency. Samac stated the person was maybe the most critical patient they had encountered in years. "Sometimes the information we get is not what we need," he said. The ambulance did arrive in time, however, and the person was airlifted for further care.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, Oct. 17, at 4 p.m., at the Holiday Island Fire Station.

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but I'm not a salesman," Smith said. "This damn thing I have now, Parkinson's, makes me shake, and takes my voice away. I'm not really wanting to sell, but I'm being forced to by my doctor and my daughter. She doesn't want to have to deal with all that stuff after I'm gone. She and her husband are building a place for me at their home near Berryville because the doctor doesn't want me to live alone anymore.

"The buildings out here are all full. I had two antique malls in Eureka Springs and when I closed the antique mall on Passion Play, I didn't sell one little item. I put it all out here in trailers. We are going to have some big auction sales."

"He likes collectables and antiques," says daughter Laura Poynter. "All he has done all his life is buy, sell and trade."

Fellow trader Richard Klein has been friends with Smith for about 25 years.

"We have a lot in common," Klein said. "He has done a lot of deals in the past. Traders like us like to buy and sell. I look for the good deals and try to give good deals. I've done a lot of wholesale to other dealers because I get it so cheap that I can turn over to another dealer and make some money. Lawrence has pretty well done that, too."

One of Klein's best deals was buying a whole building of contents from Smith for \$1,500.

"We both love a bargain," Klein said. "I've just enjoyed his company through the years. We are two peas in a pod. He did a lot more land deals and buildings, I was more into the architecturals, like doors and windows."

Smith had three children, a son, Mark Smith and twins Larry Smith and Laura (Smith) Poynter. Larry and Mark grew up and graduated high school in Eureka Springs. Laura was raised by her mother in Baton Rouge, La., where she graduated high school and attended LSU. Both of Smith's sons have since passed on.



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