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BRADLEY COUNTY BURN BAN HAS BEEN LIFTED

Community health assessment results reveal local health needs

By Zach Killian

The Bradley County Medical Center (BCMC) shared information gathered from the Community Health Assessment that those in the area participated in. The BCMC hosted two meetings with a committee of those in the community. The BCMC is required to perform a community health assessment every three years and submit it to the IRS.

There were 270 surveys that were completed for the BCMC. The survey included three sections: personal health and wellness, community health and demographic information.

"I am overwhelmed by the support from our community. Bradley County is truly an awesome place to live and work. The responses to the surveys and attendance at the two community meetings far exceeded our expectations. We have learned so much from both the surveys and meetings," said BCMC CEO Leslie Huitt. "From the responses we learned the need for more services supporting behavioral health, among many other things. One thing that surprised us was that there were needs listed for services that we do currently offer, such as OB. We need to do a better job of marketing the services that we offer."

Out of those who participated in the survey, 111 rated their own personal health as "healthy". There were 101 responses that rated their personal health "somewhat healthy", 35 rated "very healthy", and 23 rated their personal health as "unhealthy".

Most respondents rated their knowledge of health services as "good" with 126 and 85 that rated "really good". There were 56 that rated their knowledge as "fair" and one as "poor".

About 69 percent of responses said "no" to not receiving health care services or delayed receiving medical services. About 31 percent of the responses said "yes" they did not receive health care services.

When asked what were the most important reasons, the respondent did not receive health care services, most of the responses were "too long of a wait for an appointment". Other responses chose "no appointments", "too much money", and "clinic was not open when I could go". Some responses had fear of COVID-19 and could not get off work.

Most responders said their average length of time to schedule an appointment with a primary care provider was 1-3 days. Others said they waited 4-7 days for an



appointment.

When asked what other resources the surveyor used, most said they used the pharmacy, dentist, and eye doctor.

Most responses said in the past three years they had someone in their household that received care in a hospital and seen a health care specialist. The majority saw a health care specialist in Little Rock. Only 23 responded they saw a specialist in Warren. The majority visited a cardiologist and orthopedist.

A lot of responses said they used a variety of preventative testing and services such as vaccines, flu shot, routine

checkup and blood pressure check to name a few.

About 261 said they had seen a health care provider in the past three years. Most selected their primary care provider because they were local and for availability and convenience. Most of the survey participants said their primary health care provider was located in Warren. A majority also responded that the BCMC was the hospital they used the most.

About 67 percent of the responses said they felt they knew about all the services offered through the BCMC.

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Layoffs hit AHF Products facility

By Zach Killian

The AHF Products' Warren facility recently faced layoffs of employees.

"We're seeing softening in the end markets for the products that the Warren facility manufactures so at this time we are implementing a temporary reduction in the

workforce to adjust our outputs accordingly" said Darrell Keeling, COO of AHF Products, in a statement to The Eagle Democrat.

Keeling assured this reduction was temporary and the company will be adjusting to meet customer demand in the foreseeable future.

Tomato season starts rough, overall good

By Zach Killian

John Gavin, from the Bradley County Extension Office, updated the Bradley County Economic Development Corporation (BCEDC) on the tomato market this season. Gavin said the season started rough, but it ended good and it was a good year overall.

He reported Spring was wet and cool earlier in the year, which meant tomatoes were planted later than usual. In the month of May, farmers were 10 to 12 days behind. By the time of the Pink Tomato Festival, the tomatoes were doing good.

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Emma Mann was the guest speaker at the BCEDC meeting.

Packs of Hope brings essentials to local schools

By Ashley Hogg
Managing Editor

Packs of Hope is a 501C3 certified non-profit organization located in Southeast Arkansas. The group provides school supplies and hygiene products to Drew Central, Monticello, Rison and Warren School Districts.

Started in 2013 by a group of friends lead by Katie Taylor, a seventh grade student at Drew Central, the group has grown to serve four local school districts.

"We saw a need and we were just trying to help fill it," Taylor stated. "We had \$35 when we started."

Supplies were collected and distributed at the Drew Central campus, but the word got out and slowly, these services were requested at other area schools.

Teachers are asked to contact the school counselor if they are aware of a need a student has. The counselors then place an order with Packs of



Hope and the supplies are delivered to the school.

"We do not know who the students are that are receiving the products," Taylor added.

Before the pandemic, Packs of Hope was receiving grant funding to help further their mission. With the impacts of Covid-19, the grant funding was pulled and now the group must rely on fundraising and donations.

Recently, the group held a cupcake fundraiser and a taco night fundraiser, partnering with local small business K & K's Taco Spot.

Through a community ef-

fort, Packs of Hope and K & K's Taco Spot set up in the Monticello Coffee Company parking lot last Friday night and sold plates of tacos to hungry donors.

The team sold out of food and raised more than \$1,000, all of which was donated to Packs of Hope.

"Because of people's generosity, we have never had to turn down an order of supplies that a school has placed," Taylor said.

To volunteer or donate to Packs of Hope, visit packsof-hope.business.site or email packsofhope@yahoo.com.



Photo submitted by Joel Garcia

A truck flipped over on Highway 278 going towards Monticello on Tuesday, July 19. The driver, Joel Garcia, told The Eagle Democrat he was heading home from Monticello when a group of deer ran across the road in front of him. He attempted to dodge the deer, but he said when he did his top got heavy and he lost control and went into the ditch. When Garcia overcorrected, his truck rolled over. He did not have any injuries.

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Passin' the Faith Along

By REV. JIM BALES
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Restored

A focus of some reality television shows is restoring old cars. Investors with deep pockets team up with talented master mechanics to create machines that are the envy of antique car lovers. Old cars ravaged by the time and the elements are restored to beautiful machines they once were.

Time and circumstances have a way of wearing people down as well. Lives full of potential and hearts filled with dreams are ravaged by the shame of sin and brokenness. Fortunately, God has the power and heart to restore His people. This is as true today as it was when the Psalmist penned these words:

“Turn us again to yourself, O Lord of Heaven’s Armies. Make your face to shine down upon us. Only then will we be saved (Psalm 80:19)”.

Even the most broken heart lost in the deepest sin can be restored by Jesus. What was lost can be found. A life that was tarnished can shine in the newness of the restoration of God’s touch. God can restore you not matter how tarnished your life may be!



The Pink Tomato Festival Committee hosted an appreciation cookout for city and county law enforcement, employees, and festival volunteers. First State Bank, Warren Bank, and Union Bank sponsored the cookout. Pictured left to right: Fireman Brandon Baker, Warren Fire Chief Chuck Moore, Randy Rawls (Union Bank), James Wells (First State Bank), Brooke Hatch (66th festival chair) and Kelly Ashcraft (Warren Bank).

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Reminiscing from the past . . .



Oldtimer’s Notebook

By Robert L. Newton

The publishers of *The Eagle Democrat* have chosen to publish articles from the past *Oldtimer’s Notebook* in memory of Robert L. Newton. This article was first published June 14, 2000.

Thus, another Pink Tomato Festival is concluded, the weather, amazingly, cooperating, as usual.

Festival is not just a time for the celebration of the divers benefits of the once-humble “love apple” to the Bradley County trade area, but a chance too, to see folk one remembers from both near the past and the time more distant.

Oldtime supporters of the Lumberjacks were pleased to see Mickey O’Quinn, author of the grid dynasty at Warren of 40 years ago and more.

O’Quinn was among the first of the high school coaches to keep his charges busy in the off-season lifting weights, etc.

One can still see the late Sykes Harris, Jr., cat-quick middle guard for the locals, lifting those weights in the venerable oldtime gym at WHS.

O’Quinn, with an earned doctorate, is a retired official at Henderson State: his still-beautiful wife, Wanda, is the much-praised, indeed nationally, principal of the Perritt Elementary School in Arkadelphia.

Small world department: we

were at a truck stop in Spain last week, between Barcelona and Madrid, there and were introduced to a friend of the Rev. Jim Bales, our new neighbor. The friend was pastor of a Methodist Church at Green Forest (Carroll County) who is that most-amazing of United Methodist divines, the 20-year occupant of the same pulpit (the Rev. Dr. Fred G. Roebuck, uncle to Mrs. Nell Denton and Mrs. Martha Bolland of Warren did the same sort of thing years ago at First Church, Fort Smith).

Pastor is Rev. David Hanshaw.

The two ministers were at Green Forest together, the Warren man pastoring an Assembly of God Church.

Reason we were at that truck stop is that we rode a bus nine hours between the two big towns at the conclusion of our cruise in the Mediterranean.

No fun, being on a bus nine hours, but educational.

We found the cruise wonderful, as usual. We are real addicts to getting’ on a ship and just ridin’ around.

Spain, as a country, perhaps gets overlooked by many Americans; that’s an error: it is a booming, vibrant place.

People go to work about 9 a.m., the stores stay open until one, at which time everybody repairs someplace for a three-hour “siesta” until 4.

The stores then reopen and stay open until 8.

Good restaurants don’t open until 9 but remain open until 12 or one in the morning.

You don’t see very many women who are overweight: most wear clothes that seem perhaps a size too small.

Men all wear suits and ties: everybody has a cigarette in one hand at all times.

There are uncounted tons of cars jamming the roadways: apparently there are no speed limits for the left lane.

We saw bigger German cars scorching the pavement at what looked like 100 miles an hour and more.

Streets are jammed both with cars and mo-peds: if you take two steps into the street, you’d better not take one back, because some lady or man on a tiny motorbike’ll come along and just slap run over you.

Our trip also gave us a chance to see Rome, where the motorbike population seems in the millions.

Once again, no steps back, ever.

Our tour group spent lots of time in Rome looking at ruins of the city that were two thousand years old and more.

It was hot, like a Bradley County tomato field in late June.

We were glad to get back on that air-conditioned bus.

Worst part of our trip was riding across the Atlantic on a giant airplane, a venture that took eight hours, each way.

Delta sends planes both to Madrid and Barcelona each night about 8: they arrive in Spain at what’s noon their time.

Another crew takes over and the big planes leave at noon, coming back to America, arriving here mid-afternoon, our time.

Trip was eased by good food, two or three movies shown, and the ready and costless availability of assorted choices of exotic potables.

Flight attendants told us they fly to Spain and back once weekly, then are “off work” four days.

Sounds like a good deal, wouldn’t you think?

Ran into Tad Krug, the very successful Little Rock insurance man, in the airport at

Little Rock. Only son (only child) of Fred and Helen Carter, Tad’s about 61.

He says he spends two or three months in Colorado yearly now, in semi-retirement with his firm, named Ramsey Krug Ferrell and Lensing.

He has silver hair, full beard, and doesn’t look much heavier than he was when he labored both for the Lumberjacks and the Henderson Reddies.

Irony, we noted on a recent trip to Fordyce that Carter Jones Lumber Company’s pine trees are growing apace at the site once called “the beanfield” on the Edinburg

Road.

We wondered if Warren E. Carter’d ever get to see his little trees again.

Perhaps not in the coporal form we all now wear: Mr. Carter died the other day, “full of years” as the good book says.

He was 101 and was, of course, the last surviving employee of the Arkansas Lumber Company just before the concern folded and moved to Ohio.

There, in the Great Depression, he took over a failed lumber yard: with his family, he resided upstairs in the lumberyard office to save money on heating the place in the wintertime.

Mr. Carter’s partner, Jones, retired but Mr. Carter and his late sons watched their business grow into a mega-concern over 100 lumber yards in the Ohio area.

Mr. Carter’s vast fortune was in Ohio: his treasure remained northwest of Warren, where he grew up.

At his death, his concern owned, by his own words, “about as much timberland as Arkansas Lumber Company”.

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About 33 percent said they did not know about all the services. There were 180 responses that felt the BCMC communicates their services well to the community and 90 responses said didn't.

Most of the responses rated the general health of the community as "somewhat healthy" and "unhealthy". The three most serious community health concerns, according to the responses, were diabetes, obesity, and alcohol and substance abuse.

Most believed access to health care and health care services were the most important for a healthy community, along with healthy behaviors and lifestyles edu-

cation.

When asked what would improve the community's access to health care, the majority of responses said "more specialty doctors", "transportation assistance", and "outpatient expanded hours".

The majority of responses said they chose BCMC as their primary hospital because it was closer to home, they had previous experience there, and it was an emergency.

About 73 percent of responses said the cost of prescription drugs did not prevent them from taking their medication regularly and 27 percent said it did prevent them from taking their prescription daily.

About 58 percent of responses felt transportation

services were needed in the area. About 29 percent of responses said maybe and 13 percent said no.

An overwhelming majority responded they didn't think there were enough mental and behavioral health services in the community. Some said they didn't know. Most respondents believed mental and behavioral health services were needed in schools and in the primary care doctor's office.

There were 101 respondents that stated they did not feel the community was doing enough to help the elderly population. There were 87 respondents that didn't know and 35 that said the community was doing enough. The majority said the elderly would benefit

from "assistance in the home with preventative services and programs" and "support for caregivers of the elderly population".

When questioned about COVID-19, the majority of respondents replied they were able to receive access to COVID-19 testing when it was needed. The majority also said they were able to receive access to a COVID-19 vaccine. About 169 respondents replied they were not struggling with long-term COVID-19 effects. There were 38 that were struggling with long-term effects.

From the survey, the BCMC identified three key issues: mental and behavioral health, elderly insecurities, and access to care.

BCEDC

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Gavin reported this tomato season brought in \$10 to \$12 million to the county.

Emma Mann was the guest speaker at the BCEDC meeting. She shared her experience at the American Legion Auxiliary Girls State in Little Rock over the summer. The attendees at Girls State heard from many female speakers. Mann said her favorite speaker was Senator Joyce Elliott. Mann was elected as an alderman and county clerk. She also served as a member of the Federalist Party.

Banks Mayor Keeton Hudson reported the town of

Banks was demolishing the old high school. The town purchased a new fire truck from the city of Warren. Banks also received several grants, including one for a walking trail.

In the Intermodal report, it was reported that they had met with a prospect. The prospect would bring in about 70 tech jobs to the area.

It was reported La Salle Corrections pulled out of the agreement and made a deal to make annual payments of \$38,333 over 12 years.

The next BCEDC meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. Monday, August 22 at the BCEDC building located downtown Warren.

BCMC board approves emergency purchase of chiller for HVAC system

By Zach Killian Editor

The Bradley County Medical Center (BCMC) Board approved the purchase of a new chiller for the HVAC system at their monthly meeting on Thursday. Tim Saunders, maintenance supervisor for the BCMC, reported one side of their chiller is down. The chiller was last installed in 1988. He told the board if both sides shut down, the hospital would be unable to perform surgeries or maintain the emergency room.

He also reported the boiler, also installed in 1988, broke down that morning. He told the board that losing the chiller and boiler would

impact the surgery department. The parts for them were obsolete. A new chiller cost about \$120,000. BCMC CEO Leslie Huitt said they would apply for a grant that would allow the BCMC to be reimbursed if approved. If not, then they would use sales tax funds. Saunders said purchasing a new chiller was more immediate. The board motioned and approved for the BCMC to purchase a new chiller.

Vice President of Support Services Marilyn Johnson presented her report to the board members. She said the safety coalition received a grant for equipment. The BCMC has to meet certain requirements to

join the coalition and receive the grant. Johnson said security was fully staffed and contracted security with Handley Investigations and Security Services. The company provides trained and armed security officers.

Chief Nursing Officer Jamie Wolfe reported the BCMC treated 55 positive COVID-19 cases in the month of June. They had one inpatient hospitalization.

"COVID is still serious, but hospitalizations are going down," said Wolfe.

Wolfe also said staff seemed happier and they were gaining long-term employees.

The BCMC board approved policies for weapons, sus-

pected illegal substances and medical marijuana. None are permitted on BCMC property. They also approved billing policies for patient right of access to personal health information, request for amendment to protected health information, disclosures to law enforcement, accounting of disclosure of protected health information, and personal representatives.

Huitt reported they had received multiple grants for the purchase of equipment for the hospital.

The next BCMC meeting will be at 12:30 p.m. Thursday, August 25 at the Brunson Medical Complex conference room.

PUBLIC MEETING INVITATION

Bradley County invites its citizens and other interested persons to a public meeting in the new court room on the second (2) floor of the Bradley County Court House, on Mon. August 15th at 6:45 p.m. or directly after the regularly scheduled Quorum Court Meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the American Rescue Grant that Bradley County has received.



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Editorial

Arkansas History Minute

by Dr. Kenneth Bridges



Children working in mines and factories was a common sight in the late 1800s. They worked for wages far less than those of adults in dangerous conditions and were forced to give up school to concentrate on work. The result was often another generation mired in poverty, bodies broken by labor they were still too young and too weak to perform, and the lost opportunities that youth and education could have provided for them. By the early 1900s, politicians began pushing to end the practice. In one of the most contentious humanitarian issues of the early century, Arkansas congressmen and legislators took the lead on banning children in factories nationwide, including favoring a proposed constitutional amendment.

Many states were pushing for a ban on children in factories. Even at the state level, Arkansas was one of the earliest to ban the practice. In 1914, under Gov. George Washington Hays, Arkansas passed a strict child labor law that banned children under 14 from working in factories. Though children routinely worked on farms, child labor was seen as more of a factory issue than a farm issue. In Congress, Senator Joseph T. Robinson had voted for a federal ban on child labor, the Keating-Owen Act of 1916. It was a popular piece of reform legislation, but corporations fought all the way to the Supreme Court to keep children working in their factories. The law was declared unconstitutional in 1918 by the Supreme Court. A second ban on child labor passed in 1919, again struck down by the courts in 1922.

The 1920 Census showed that more than one million children between the ages of 10 and 16 were working in factories and mines out of a total national population of 105 million. By 1924, taking inspiration from the passage of the 18th Amendment banning alcohol, activists pushed for a constitutional amendment to give Congress the power to ban labor by children under 18. Many constitutional amendments have been proposed but very few have been ratified. In fact, the Constitution has only been amended 17 times since the Bill of Rights was ratified in 1791.

Supporters of the Child Labor Amendment argued that children should be in school and not in the factories and pointed to the many injuries children suffered while working. The amendment drew wide bipartisan support. Robinson, along with Congressman John Tillman, a Fayetteville attorney, were among the most vocal supporters. Tillman passionately argued for ratification, declaring a need for one labor standard across the country. "The child is the same the world over, and should have the same protection in Louisiana as in Maine; the same protection in Florida as in California."

The House of Representatives approved the amendment in April 1924 by a vote of 297-69. Of Arkansas's seven congressmen, five voted for it. Only two, William Driver of Osceola and Otis Wingo of DeQueen, voted against it. In the Senate, Robinson helped lead the floor debate in favor of ratification. Both he and the state's other senator, Thaddeus Caraway, voted for the amendment in June, which passed by a vote of 61-23. The next step would require its ratification by three-quarters of the states.

On June 28, Arkansas became the first state to ratify the Child Labor Amendment. The historic vote took place during a special session of the state legislature in which Gov. Thomas C. McRae sought funding for the state's public schools. However, support for the amendment stalled, and Arkansas ultimately became the only state in the Deep South to ratify the amendment.

Only five states had approved it by 1927. The crushing economic pressures of the Great Depression revived interest, with supporters arguing that factory jobs should go to adults with children to support instead of children, and 20 states ratified the amendment by 1933. As part of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal programs to jump-start the economy, Robinson helped push through the National Industrial Recovery Act, a cumbersome program that had the effect of banning child labor in some industries. When the Supreme Court struck down the NIRA in 1935, more states were prompted to act on the amendment.

Twenty-eight states ratified the proposed amendment, with the Deep South and major industrial states like New York and Massachusetts rejecting it, leaving it eight states short for ratification. By this point in 1937, some 33 states had banned factory and mine labor for children under 14 and ten more for children under 16 and all but one state had some laws regulating child labor.

Child labor was finally banned by the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, making the Child Labor Amendment unnecessary. A major social problem had ended in the process, allowing children to have safer lives and more opportunities through schooling. The Child Labor Amendment itself is still in a legal wilderness ten states shy of ratification, but advances in labor laws and children's welfare have made what was seen as a necessity then into a historical curiosity.



Senate News from Ben Gilmore Senator

Well-attended meetings at the state Capitol usually indicate that legislators are addressing an important issue.

That was certainly the case when the joint Senate and House Committees on City, County and Local Affairs met to explore methods of funding of much-needed improvements to water and sewer systems across Arkansas.

A room full of local officials, managers of water and engineers asked legislators to open a process that would allow them to apply for grants and relief funds.

Several legislators and many witnesses expressed frustration that no water projects had even been considered by the steering committee that recommends how federal re-

lief funds should be spent.

One senator who is on the steering committee said it was stacked in favor of the governor, because it consists of nine executive branch department heads and six legislators. That means no projects are brought before the steering committee without prior approval from the governor.

The steering committee has recommended that hundreds of millions in federal funding be used for broadband expansion, virtual training and contact tracing. Legislators said it's just as important to shore up deteriorating infrastructure that delivers clean drinking water to citizens.

The Senate co-chair of the City, County and Local Affairs Committee emphasized the urgency of getting projects funded immediately. The federal relief funds have to be spent by 2026, but water and sewer projects can take years to plan and get "shovel ready" because they are so complex.

Water systems must acquire rights of way and prepare highly detailed specifications before bidding them out. Projects must comply with exacting health and safety regulations.

Even if revolving loans are available, long-term financing is tricky because water systems cannot simply double or triple the rates paid by consumers in order to finance loans. Many of the 650 water systems in Arkansas serve low-income families.

Inflation is a factor, especially in the construction industry. The longer it takes for a water system to bid out a project, the less pipeline it gets for the money. The longer the steering committee waits, the fewer water projects will be funded because of inflation.

Also adding urgency to the debate are this summer's high temperatures and the lingering drought across Arkansas. As one witness told legislators, even after the drought ends most water systems will

need upgrades.

Water managers were hesitant to estimate how much money is needed to upgrade water and sewer infrastructure in Arkansas. For one reason, it is a moving target. A few years ago a statewide study estimated about \$3.7 billion in needs, but in more recent surveys the estimates are closer to \$5 billion.

The Secretary of Agriculture said that water systems in every corner of the state have needs.

Water managers said that they did not expect to get the entire amount of funding, but that receiving some of the federal relief money would show that the state's decision makers believe water is a priority.

The governor said \$836 million in federal relief funds arrived in June. He told the press that his appointments to the steering committee were working on a plan, and that he had asked them to meet soon.

Letter to the Editor

Why should history be taught in our schools?

In recent years, in some places, the teaching of the history of the United States of America has been neglected, whether by purpose or lack of interest. There is a movement today expressing the sentiment that history in today's world is no longer important. Some would like us to forget the past and listen to history that is false.

Those who do not want Americans to know our true history about our ancestors, who came to a foreign, uncivilized world, would mislead us about how and why our democratic with predominately Christian beliefs,

Some people here in the United States may prefer not to remember the past, or may believe that history is not important. Other people in other nations would prefer that we not remember actual

History, that history should be as they would like it to be.

The United States inverted the pyramid of power in government so that all people may appreciate what Americans of the past did, who sacrificed their lives and their fortunes for freedom for all. This country is not perfect but none is.

Our representative democracy has been the nearest country to a democracy as far back in history that we have any evidence. Millions have come and are still coming to the shores of America for freedom, equality, and a happier life on this earth.

Freedom is what America has to offer mankind. Quite the opposite in communism which will not survive in this world along with Democracy. Our history is what gives us our understanding of who we are, from where we came, and what is our destiny.

Jeanne C. Claycomb

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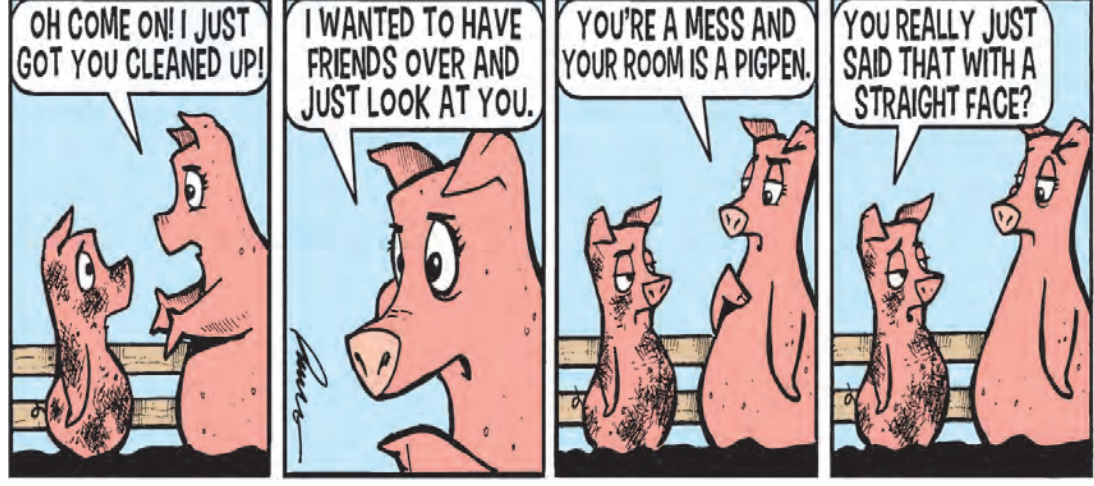
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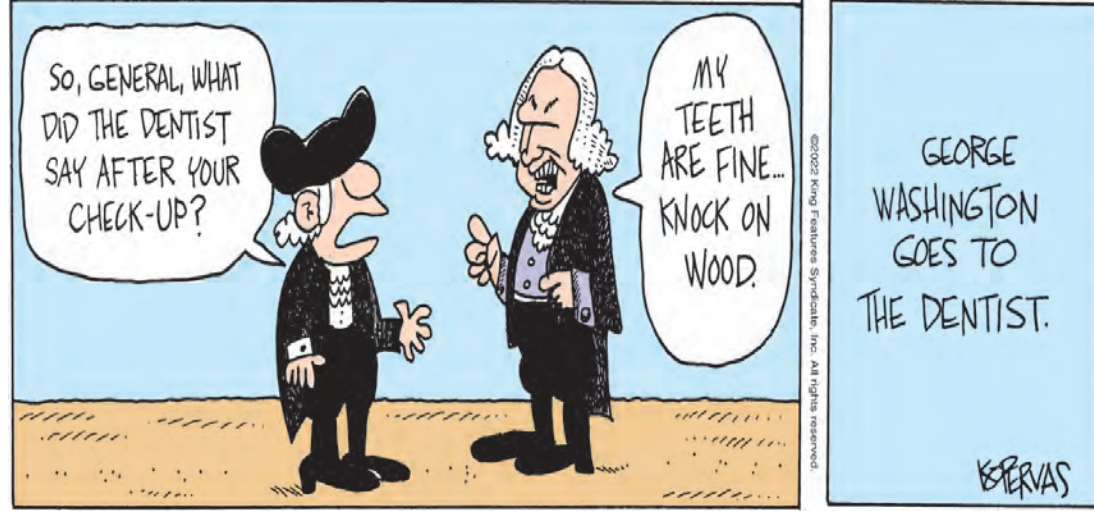
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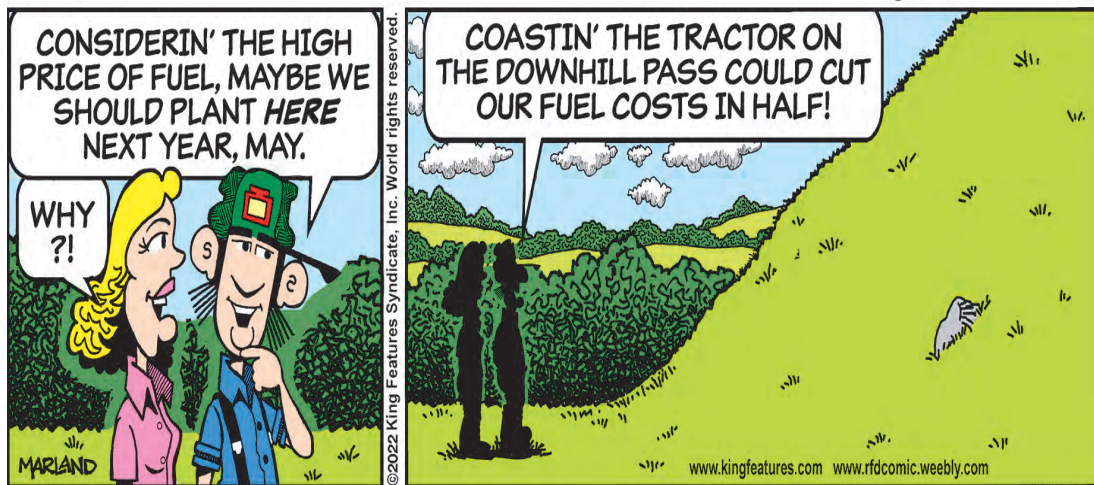
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NOTICE FOR AMENDMENTS REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Issue No. 1
NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC
Pursuant to Article 19, Section 22, of the Arkansas Constitution, the 93rd General Assembly refers the following constitutional amendment to a vote of the people on November 8, 2022, and will appear on the ballot as Issue No. 1. Each elector upon voting his/her ballot shall vote for or against this amendment. Underlined language would be added to the present Constitution. Stricken language would be deleted from the present Constitution. This amendment was proposed in the Regular 2021 Session by Senator B. Davis and filed as SJR 10.

ISSUE NO. 1

Popular Name
A Constitutional Amendment to allow the General Assembly to Convene in Extraordinary Session Upon the Issuance of a Joint Written Proclamation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate or Upon the Submission of a Written Proclamation Containing the Signatures of At Least Two-Thirds (2/3) of the Members of the House of Representatives and At Least Two-Thirds (2/3) of the Members of the Senate to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate Requesting that the General Assembly Convene in Extraordinary Session

Ballot Title
AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO ALLOW THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO CONVENE IN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION UPON THE ISSUANCE OF A JOINT WRITTEN PROCLAMATION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE OR UPON THE SUBMISSION OF A WRITTEN PROCLAMATION CONTAINING THE SIGNATURES OF AT LEAST TWO-THIRDS (2/3) OF THE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND AT LEAST TWO-THIRDS (2/3) OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SENATE TO THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE REQUESTING THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENE IN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION; PROVIDING THAT NO BUSINESS OTHER THAN THE PURPOSE SET FORTH IN THE JOINT WRITTEN PROCLAMATION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE OR THE WRITTEN PROCLAMATION CONTAINING THE SIGNATURES OF AT LEAST TWO-THIRDS (2/3) OF THE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND AT LEAST TWO-THIRDS (2/3) OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SENATE SHALL BE CONSIDERED AT AN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION CONVENED UNDER THIS AMEND-

MENT; REQUIRING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ESTABLISH BY JOINT RULE DURING EACH REGULAR SESSION PROCEDURES FOR AN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION UNDER THIS AMENDMENT; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS AMENDMENT DOES NOT RESTRICT THE AUTHORITY OF THE GOVERNOR TO CONVENE AN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY UNDER ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 6, § 19.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 5, is amended to read as follows:

- § 5. Regular and fiscal sessions — Extraordinary sessions.
 - (a) The General Assembly shall meet at the seat of government every year.
 - (b) The General Assembly shall meet in regular session on the second Monday in January of each odd-numbered year to consider any bill or resolution. The General Assembly may alter the time at which the regular session begins.
 - (c)(1) Beginning in 2010, the General Assembly shall meet in fiscal session on the second Monday in February of each even-numbered year to consider only appropriation bills. The General Assembly may alter the time at which the fiscal session begins.
 - (2) A bill other than an appropriation bill may be considered in a fiscal session if two-thirds (2/3) of the members of each house of the General Assembly approve consideration of the bill.
 - (d) The General Assembly, by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to each house of the General Assembly, may alter the dates of the regular session and fiscal session so that regular sessions occur in even numbered years and the fiscal sessions occur in odd-numbered years.
 - (e)(1) The General Assembly shall convene in extraordinary session upon the:
 - (A)(i) Issuance of a joint written proclamation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate,
 - (ii) The joint written proclamation under subdivision (e)(1)(A)(i) of this section shall include without limitation the purpose for which the General Assembly shall convene in extraordinary session and the date on which the General Assembly shall convene; or
 - (B)(i) Submission of a written proclamation containing the signatures of at

least two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the House of Representatives and at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Senate to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate requesting that the General Assembly convene in extraordinary session.

- (ii) The written proclamation under subdivision (e)(1)(B)(i) of this section shall include without limitation the purpose for which the General Assembly shall convene in extraordinary session.
- (iii) Upon the submission of a written proclamation under subdivision (e)(1)(B)(i) of this section, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall specify a date on which the General Assembly shall convene in extraordinary session.
- (2) No business other than the purpose set forth in the joint written proclamation under subdivision (e)(1)(A)(i) of this section or the written proclamation under subdivision (e)(1)(B)(i) of this section shall be considered at an extraordinary session under subdivision (e)(1) of this section.
- (3)(A) During each regular session, the General Assembly shall establish by joint rule procedures for an extraordinary session under subdivision (e)(1) of this section.
- (B) Joint rules established under subdivision (e)(3)(A) of this section may include without limitation:
 - (i) A limitation on the duration of an extraordinary session under subdivision (e)(1) of this section;
 - (ii) The format and required content for a written proclamation requesting that the General Assembly convene in extraordinary session under subdivision (e)(1)(B)(i) of this section; and
 - (iii) A provision permitting the General Assembly, after having disposed of the purpose for which the extraordinary session was convened under subdivision (e)(1) of this section, to remain in session for a period not exceeding fifteen (15) days if remaining in session is approved by a vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the House of Representatives and at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Senate and entered upon their journals.
 - (C) Rules established under subdivision (e)(3)(A) of this section may be amended by the General Assembly.
 - (4) This section does not restrict the authority of the Governor to convene an extraordinary session of the General Assembly under Arkansas Constitution, Article 6, § 19.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment shall be effective on and after November 9, 2022.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND FIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE ON THIS 8TH DAY OF MAY 2022.

JOHN THURSTON
SECRETARY OF STATE
STATE OF ARKANSAS

NOTICE FOR AMENDMENTS REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY
Issue No. 3
NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC
Pursuant to Article 19, Section 22, of the Arkansas Constitution, the 93rd General Assembly refers the following constitutional amendment to a vote of the people on November 8, 2022, and will appear on the ballot as Issue No. 3. Each elector upon voting his/her ballot shall vote for or against this amendment. Underlined language would be added to the present Constitution. Stricken language would be deleted from the present Constitution. This amendment was proposed in the Regular 2021 Session by Senator Rapert and filed as SJR 14.

ISSUE NO. 3

Popular Name
A Constitutional Amendment to Create the “Arkansas Religious Freedom Amendment”

Ballot Title
AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO CREATE THE “ARKANSAS RELIGIOUS FREEDOM AMENDMENT”; AND TO PROVIDE THAT GOVERNMENT MAY NEVER BURDEN A PERSON’S FREEDOM OF RELIGION EXCEPT IN THE RARE CIRCUMSTANCE THAT THE GOVERNMENT DEMONSTRATES THAT APPLICATION OF THE BURDEN TO THE PERSON IS IN FURTHERANCE OF A COMPELLING GOVERNMENT INTEREST AND IS THE LEAST RESTRICTIVE MEANS OF FURTHERING THAT COMPELLING GOVERNMENT INTEREST.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:
SECTION 1. This amendment shall be known and may be cited as the “Arkansas Religious Freedom Amendment”.
SECTION 2. (a) The General Assembly finds:
(1) The framers of the United States Constitution, recognizing free exercise of religion as an unalienable right, secured its protection in the First Amendment to the United States

Constitution;
(2) The framers of the Arkansas Constitution of 1874, also recognizing the free exercise of religion as an unalienable right, secured the protection of religious freedom in Arkansas Constitution, Article 2, § 24;
(3) Federal and state laws “neutral” toward religion may burden religious exercise as surely as laws intended to interfere with religious exercise;
(4) Governments should not burden religious exercise without compelling justification;
(5) In *Employment Division v. Smith*, 494 U.S. 872 (1990), the United States Supreme Court virtually eliminated the requirement that the government justify burdens on religious exercise imposed by laws neutral toward religion;
(6) The compelling interest test as set forth in prior court rulings is a workable test for striking sensible balances between religious liberty and competing government interests in areas ranging from public education (pedagogical interests and religious rights, including recognizing regulations necessary to alleviate interference with the educational process versus rights of religious freedom), national defense (conscription and conscientious objection, including the need to raise an army versus rights to object to individual participation), and other areas of important mutual concern; and
(7) The United States Congress passed the Religious Freedom Act, 42 U.S.C. § 2000bb, to establish the compelling interest test set forth in prior federal court rulings, but in *City of Boerne v. Flores*, 117 S.Ct. 2157 (1997), the United States Supreme Court held the act unconstitutional, stating that the right to regulate was retained by the states.

(b) The purpose of this amendment is to:
(1) Guarantee that the freedom of religion is not burdened by state and local law; and
(2) Provide a claim or defense to persons whose religious freedom is burdened by government.
SECTION 3. As used in this amendment:
(1) “Demonstrates” means meeting the burden of going forward with the evidence and of persuasion;
(2) “Freedom of religion” means the free exercise of religion under Arkansas Constitution, Article 2, § 24;
(3) “Government” means:
(A) A branch, department, agency, or instrumentality of the State of Arkansas;
(B) A political subdivision of the state, including without limitation a county, municipality, township, or other unit of local government;
(C) An official acting on behalf of government; and
(D) A person acting under the color of law of the State of Arkansas; and

(4) “Rule” means a statement of Arkansas law, including without limitation a:
(A) Statute;
(B) Rule;
(C) Regulation;
(D) Ordinance;
(E) Administrative provision;
(F) Administrative ruling;
(G) Guideline; or
(H) Requirement.
SECTION 4. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, government shall not burden a person’s freedom of religion even if the burden results from a rule of general applicability.
(b) Government may burden a person’s freedom of religion only if the government demonstrates that application of the burden to the person:
(1) Is in furtherance of a compelling government interest; and
(2) Is the least restrictive means of furthering that compelling government interest.
(c) A person whose religious freedom has been burdened in violation of this section may assert that violation as a claim or defense in a judicial, administrative, or other appropriate proceeding and obtain appropriate relief against a government.
SECTION 5. (a) This amendment applies to each rule of government and its implementation, regardless of whether the rule:
(1) Is statutory; or
(2) Was adopted prior to or after the effective date of this amendment.
(b) This amendment shall not be construed to:
(1) Authorize a government to burden a religious belief; or
(2) Affect, interpret, or in any way address:
(A) The portions of the United States Constitution, First Amendment, permitting the free exercise of religion or prohibiting laws respecting the establishment of religion; or
(B) Article 2, § 24 of this constitution regarding religious liberty.
SECTION 6. (a) This amendment shall be liberally construed to effectuate its remedial and deterrent purposes.
(b) If any provision of this amendment or its application to any particular person or circumstance is held invalid, that provision or its application is severable and does not affect the validity of other provisions or applications of this amendment.

NOTICE FOR AMENDMENTS REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Issue No. 2
NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC
Pursuant to Article 19, Section 22, of the Arkansas Constitution, the 93rd General Assembly refers the following constitutional amendment to a vote of the people on November 8, 2022, and will appear on the ballot as Issue No. 2. Each elector upon voting his/her ballot shall vote for or against this amendment. Underlined language would be added to the present Constitution. Stricken language would be deleted from the present Constitution. This amendment was proposed in the Regular 2021 Session by Representative Ray and filed as HJR 1005.

SECTION 1. *This amendment shall be known and may be cited as the “Constitutional Amendment and Ballot Initiative Reform Amendment”.*

SECTION 2. The subsection of Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1, titled “Majority”, is amended to read as follows:
Majority Approval. Any measure submitted to the people as herein provided shall take effect and become a law when approved by a majority at least sixty percent (60%) of the votes cast upon such measure, and not otherwise, and shall not be required to receive a majority of the electors voting at such election. Such measures shall be operative on and after the thirtieth day after the election at which it is approved, unless otherwise specified in the Act measure. However, a measure subject to a referendum shall be repealed if it is rejected by a majority of the electors voting upon the matter.

SECTION 3. The subsection of Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1, titled “Conflicting Measures”, is amended to read as follows:
Conflicting Measures. If conflicting measures initiated or referred to the people shall be approved by a majority at least sixty percent (60%) of the votes severally cast for and against the same at the same election, the one receiving the highest number of affirmative votes shall become law.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Constitution, Article 19, § 22, is amended to read as follows:
§ 22. Constitutional amendments.
Either branch of the General Assembly, at a regular session thereof, may propose amendments to this Constitution; and if the same be agreed to by a majority of all members elected to each house, such proposed amendments shall be entered on the journals with the yeas and nays, and published in at least one newspaper in each county, where a newspaper is

published, for six months immediately preceding the next general election for Senators and Representatives, at which time the same shall be submitted to the electors of the State, for approval or rejection; and if a majority at least sixty percent (60%) of the electors voting at such election adopt such amendments, the same shall become a part of this Constitution. But no more than three amendments shall be proposed or submitted at the same time. They shall be so submitted as to enable the electors to vote on each amendment separately.
SECTION 5. Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 70, § 2, is amended to read as follows:
In addition to the three amendments to the Constitution allowed pursuant to Article 19, § 22, either branch of the General Assembly at a regular session thereof may propose an amendment to the Constitution to change the salaries for the offices of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, Treasurer of State, Commissioner of State Lands, and Auditor of State and for members of the General Assembly. If the same be agreed to by a majority of all members elected to each house, such proposed amendment shall be entered on the journals with the yeas and nays, and published in at least one newspaper in each county, where a newspaper is published, for six months immediately preceding the next general election for Senators and Representatives, at which time the same shall be submitted to the electors of the State for approval or rejection. If a majority at least sixty percent (60%) of the electors voting at such election adopt the amendment the same shall become a part of this Constitution. Only one amendment to the Constitution may be referred pursuant to this section.
SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment shall be effective on and after January 1, 2023.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND FIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE ON THIS 8TH DAY OF MAY 2022.

JOHN THURSTON
SECRETARY OF STATE
STATE OF ARKANSAS

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment shall be effective on and after November 9, 2022.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND FIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE ON THIS 8TH DAY OF MAY 2022.
JOHN THURSTON
SECRETARY OF STATE
STATE OF ARKANSAS

SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment shall be effective on and after January 1, 2023.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND FIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE ON THIS 8TH DAY OF MAY 2022.
JOHN THURSTON
SECRETARY OF STATE
STATE OF ARKANSAS

SECTION 9. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment shall be effective on and after January 1, 2023.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND FIXED THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE ON THIS 8TH DAY OF MAY 2022.
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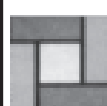
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BRADLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION
NO.06PR-22-52-2

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BARBARA MITCHELL, DECEASED

Last known address of decedent: 27 Lakeside Drive, Warren, AR 71671

Date of Death: January 28, 2021

An instrument dated May 16, 2018, was on June 29, 2022, admitted to probate at the Last Will of the above named decedent, and the undersigned has been appointed Executor thereunder. A contest of the probate of the will can be effected only by filing a petition within the time provided by law.

All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them, duly verified, to the undersigned within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in the estate. Provided, that claims for injury or death caused by the negligence of the decedent shall be filed within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of the notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in such estate.

This Notice first published on the 3rd day of August, 2022.

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NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BRADLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION
No.06PR-22-57-2
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT AS ADMINISTRATRIX

Last known address: 213 East Shields, Warren, Bradley County, Arkansas, 71671

Date of Death: January 11, 2022

The undersigned was appointed Administratrix of the estate of Margaret Black, deceased, on January 11, 2022.

All person having claims against the estate must exhibit them, duly verified, to the undersigned within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in the estate. However, claims for injury or death caused by the negligence of the decedent shall be filed within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in the estate.

This notice first published on the 3rd day of August, 2022.

Linda Warrick,
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NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BRADLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION
NO. 06PR-22-65-2

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JO ANN OUTLAW, DECEASED

Last known address of decedent: 532 Bradley Road 48 Hermitage, AR 71647

Date of Death: May 31, 2022

NOTICE OF FILING AFFIDAVIT FOR COLLECTION OF SMALL ESTATE BY DISTRIBUTTEE.

On July 27, 2022, an Affidavit For Collection of Small Estate By Distributee was filed with respect to the Estate of Jo Ann Outlaw, deceased, with the Clerk of Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Bradley County, Arkansas. Under Ark. Code Ann 28-41-101.

All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them, properly verified, to the distributee or his or her attorney within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit of the estate.

The name, mailing address, and telephone number of the distributee or distributee's attorney is Belinda Cauley 532 Bradley Road 48 Hermitage, AR 71647.

This notice first published on August 3, 2022.

Belinda Cauley
532 Bradley Road 48
Hermitage, AR 71647
8-3-2tp

News Briefs

Vick school reunion will be held Sun. Aug. 14, 2022 at 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Hermitage community center in Hermitage, AR. Potluck lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. See you at the reunion.

Arrest Report

Rayshon Ellis, 30, was arrested July, 25 for disorderly conduct.

Isaac Jones, 42, was arrested July, 26 on a warrant.

Michael Daniels, 55, was arrest July, 29 on a warrant.

Kalaycia Hampton, 25, was arrested July, 31 on a warrant.

Keenon T. Clary, 31, was arrested July, 31 on a warrant.

Justin Bradley, 35, was arrested August, 1 on a warrant.

Jamar Hampton, 25, was arrested August, 1 on warrants.

Christopher Reed, 49, was arrested August, 1 for driving on a suspended license.

Karen Pipes, 49, was arrested August, 1 on warrants.

Demarkus Calbert, 30, was arrested August, 1 for criminal trespassing and harassment.

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Obituaries

Mary W. Norman

Mary Wade Norman, 97 of San Antonio, TX died July 19, 2022. She was born June 19, 1925 in Lexington, MS to the late Edward Brent Wade and Eula Eugenia Moseley Wade.

Survivors include her son, Wade Norman (Peggy); daughter, Nancy Luger (Frank); brother, Charles Seay Wade; grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at 10 a.m. Friday, July 29, 2022 at Oakland Cemetery by Frazer's Funeral Home.

July 28, 2022 at the Arkansas Veteran's Cemetery in North Little Rock.



Joe Bradford

Joe Bradford 76, of Banks died July 25 at the Baptist Hospital in Little Rock. Born February 10, 1946 in Warren a son of the late Edward Bradford and Iver Carter Bradford.

Survivors include wife, Alice Faye McMurry Bradford; daughter, Kristi Sarlo (Jayson); grandchildren, Dylon Sarlo (Ashlei) and Alyson Webb (Billy); great-grandchildren Wrenley, Aubrey, Kailyn and Konley.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. July 30 at Frazer's Chapel. Burial was in McFarland Cemetery.

Robert Russell

Robert Russell, 63 of Little Rock died July 21, 2022 at UAMS. Born August 14, 1958 in Warren. A son of the late Curley Russell, Sr. and Lillie Mae Russell.

Surviving is one son, Robert Harris of Woodbridge, Va.; Sisters Ida Vaughan, Georgia Gray, Irma (Donald) Baldwin, Linda (Craig) Smith; brothers Howard (Essie) Russell, Paul Russell and James Russell.

Graveside services were

Henry N. Sawyer

Henry Noel Sawyer, 68 of Warren, passed away on Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at Delta Memorial Hospital in Dumas. He was born on September 22, 1953 in Lake Village, to the late Owen Sawyer and Lois Edwards Sawyer. He was a member of Bayou Mason Baptist Church in Lake Village.

Other than his parents he is preceded in death by brothers, OJ Sawyer and an infant brother, and sisters, Vera Weeks, Ruth Cummings, Willie White, Bernice Milburn and Murtis Mayfield.

Survivors include his wife, Twila Smith Sawyer of Warren; daughter, Memory Sanders (Russell) of New Edinburg sister; Margaret Sawyer of Lake Village, and two grandchildren; Logan Sanders and Gauge Sanders.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, July 23, 2022 at Frazer's Funeral Home with Bro. Justin Wagon officiating. Burial was in Outlaw Cemetery by Frazer's Funeral Home.

Warren Branch Library hosts successful summer program

Special to The Eagle

2022 Summer Reading Program "Oceans of Possibilities" was a whale of a success! We had 120 registered participants and boy did they like to read! For every hour read, their name was written on an orange or pink bubble and displayed in the library.

Participants logged a whopping 524 hours and 16 minutes of reading time this summer! Each hour read earned participants a chance to win a Kindle Fire 7 Tablet! AGES 3-6 years had 256 entries and AGES 7-12 years had 268 entries!

A record number of entries were also received for both the Recycled Sea Animal Contest (31) and the Creatures from the Deep Drawing Contest (35) with a total of 66 entries! Warren Women's Club members, Judy Gibson and Diane Parnell, judged the entries, and the following winners were selected.

READING CHALLENGE

Ages 3-6
Olivia Ward
Ages 7-12
Hallee Moody

RECYCLED SEA ANIMAL CONTEST

Ages 3-6
1st place: Knox Doster (Travelers Tickets)
2nd place: Evan McCoskey (Alligator Farm Tickets)
3rd place: Arielle Young (Unicorn Lawn Sprinkler)
Ages 7-12
1st place: Lana Harper (Mid-America Museum Tickets)
2nd place: Logan Harper (Alligator Farm Tickets)
3rd place: Cooper Wagon (Dinosaur Lawn Sprinkler)

CREATURES FROM THE DEEP DRAWING CONTEST

Ages 3-6
1st place: Mattie Robinson (Turtle Tracking Bracelet)
2nd place: Ace Wagon (Treasure Chest)
3rd place: Kinsley Robinson (Guess Who Game)
Ages 7-12
1st place: Cambree Moody (Shark Tracking Bracelet)
2nd place: Makailynn Broughton (Treasure Chest)
3rd place: Karson Edwards (Life Game)

SUMMER READING



ACTIVITY BOOK

Ages 3-6
Kiersey Hicks
Ages 7-12
Addysen Powell (not pictured)

PARTICIPATION

Sage Epperson
Congratulations to all the winners and to everyone on a job well done.

OBITUARY POLICY

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Heat stress in plants If the temperatures in your area are staying higher than normal, it's tempting to water your outdoor plants more often than you usually do to protect them from the heat. But this may not be helpful! Heat stress is not the same as drought, and too much water in the soil can cause fungal diseases and root rot. It may be more prudent to refresh your mulch: a three-inch-thick layer over the root zone can insulate the roots against the heat and help retain moisture in the soil longer.

— Brenda Weaver
Source: theprudentgarden.com

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