



"AROUND THE KNOB"

Upcoming Events

March 2023

Mon. March 13 Fire Assoc. Board

4 pm Community Center

Wed. March 15 GK Auxiliary Meeting

9:45 Community Center Everyone welcome!

Firefighters Training 2nd & 4th Thursdays at 6 pm
Grassy Knob Fire House

Sat. March 25 Grassy Knob Potluck

Community Center 6pm Social 6:30 Dinner bring a dish to share. All welcome!

Exercise Mon, Wed & Friday 8:30-10:00 am at the Community Center.

March 2 Body Groove exercise

Community Center 9-10 am

Line Dancing is Free Tuesdays 6pm at the Community Center. Beginners at 5:30

Last Tues. of month dancing at Rowdy Beaver 6 pm.



Wanting to help in our Grassy Knob Community?

Join our awesome Volunteer Fire Department.
Be a part of helping our great community stay safe.

You can save lives!

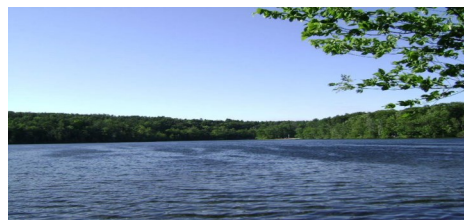
For information or to sign up please contact the
Grassy Knob Volunteer Fire Captain

Bob McVey

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Boating Season is just around the Corner!!



Be prepared with a Boat Safety Kit

You can't always predict an emergency, so be prepared for any situation. Your boat safety kit should always be on board.

- *Flashlight - extra batteries -to help you see and be seen if your craft runs out of fuel or stalls.
- *Duct tape-spring a leak? Temporarily bandage the hole with the tape.
- *Bucket- Even if the boat is not leaking, water may enter the vessel. A bucket can help bail it out.
- *First aid kit-a properly equipped first aid kit and how to use it.
- *Whistle-a recognized signal calling for help on the water, a waterproof whistle is a must.
- *Ropes- to help someone who fell overboard or docking
- *Mirror-any reflective object can signal for help.
- *Garbage bags- make good rain ponchos or to cover items
- *Fire extinguisher- you can have a fire on the water
- *Life jackets- Coast Guard approved for each person on board.

Be Safe and enjoy our beautiful lake!

Eureka Springs History

The Osage Indians were the first to utilize the healing properties of this free flowing water. It is told they came from near and far to avail themselves of this natural source of healing. There were 42 natural springs in and around what would become Eureka Springs. The Basin Spring was discovered by Dr. Alvah Jackson in 1856. A friend of Dr. Jackson, Judge L.B. Saunders, decided to try the waters for an ailment he had. In short time he was cured. Some say it was because he bathed in the water daily, but in those days baths were not something people did on a regular basis so maybe that was true. The two men couldn't decide whether to name the spring Jackson Spring or Saunders Spring. They settled on Eureka Springs because Eureka means "I have found it"!

Why would anyone in the late 1800's, traveling on horseback or in wagons, traverse dirt paths through the steep Ozark mountains to what must have seemed the end of the earth?

The Water. Pure, abundant spring water reported to have extraordinary healing properties. All walks of life, both men and women were eager to tell about experiencing healing. They include storekeepers, judges, lawyers, and even Doctors and many women.

Early Visitors who came seeking the healing waters in the 1830's camped around the springs in tents, wagons or other makeshift shelters. By 1881 Eureka Springs was a population of 5,000. Everywhere human abodes were constructed, tents and shelters sprang up on mountain tops, hanging by corners on steep hillsides, perched on jutting borders, spanning gulches, or nestling under crags and in grottoes. Fires, flood and other natural forces added to the demise of most of the town. By 1880 new and substantial buildings were being built. Only those Western towns built at gold or silver strikes had ever appeared so quickly or developed so rapidly and this town was being built on nothing more substantial than...water.

Built along steep mountain sides and in deep ravines, Eureka Springs presents a unique adaption of building in cohesion in an extreme natural landscape.

So, why the decline in people coming to Eureka Springs for the "Healing Waters"? At the end of World War 1 the newspapers began to omit the many letters written by grateful people healed by the spring waters, and in their place appeared what was considered more lucrative advertising. Nationally advertised pills and nostrums were advocated over and over until they gained universal acceptance.. The water never changed but the acceptance of its therapeutic qualities almost completely died out.

The question remains... do the waters heal?

You decide for yourself.

Thank you to Eureka Springs Historical Museum
and authors June Westphal and Catharine Osterhage



GK Auxiliary February Birthday Brunch

The Auxiliary held it's brunch at the home of Kat Ciecwa in Panorama Shores on February 15.

As usual the food was delicious and the conversation flowed. Kat was kind enough to share her home and show us her art work, that is stunning!



Hostess Kat



So Good!



Vicky Foos and
Lou DaRosa

Next Brunch is in April watch for April Newsletter for location



Chili Cookoff Huge success!!

The Grassy Knob Auxiliary held it's first annual Chili Cookoff on Feb. 25. The event was coordinated by Darin Stiles. Darin and his team of volunteers did a terrific job. There were 21 Chili entries in the Cookoff. There were two major categories: Red and Home-style. There was also two special awards: Spiciest and Most Unique. Residents lined up to taste the different Chili and vote for their favorites. Jeff Yergovich was the emcee and kept the crowd wondering who would be the winners.

Awards were given to the winners and the biggest winner was The Grassy Knob Auxiliary with \$1270 from entries and tasters.



The Winners!

Red #1 Sean Collins #2 Adam Biossat

Homestyle #1 Cindy Olsen #2 Doc Beahm

Spiciest Pam McKenzie

Most Unique Stephanie Seabrook

Winners received Chili Plaques! Congratulations!



Darin and
Volunteers



Tasters

