

**Beebe School District Closed**  
for On-Site Instruction through remainder of school year; see more info on Pg. 2.

“Cast your burden upon the Lord, and He will sustain you; He will never allow the righteous to be shaken.”  
-Psalm 55:22



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**Local Food Banks**

**Beebe Christian Outreach Center** - 111 E. Center, Open Tues., Thurs., & Sat. 8 a.m. - 12 noon.

**Badger Food Pantry** - Open 3rd Wed. of the month, 8:30-12:30, located next to Elementary bldg. in portable bldg.

**Crosspoint Ministries**  
1st Saturday of each month. 7 a.m. - 10a.m. or until food is gone. Located at 805 Hwy. 64 W, Beebe. Line up is 6 or 6:30 a.m. - Clothing area is not open. Food distribution done without touching patrons. Call 882-7766 - for more info.

**Arkansas Coronavirus Update**

As of 1:30 p.m.5/19/20 - there are in the state of Arkansas -4,923 Covid-19 cases; 102 deaths, and 78 people in the hospital and 14 on ventilators. We have 1,082 active cases with 3,739 recovered. Of the new cases for Tuesday - 106 were community cases, and 4 were from prisons. We have tested 39,700 and have a goal of 60,000 for the month of May.

**In White County** - there are 37 cases (up 0% from last week) and one death, (same as last week) according to the Ark. Dept. of Health.

People who think they may have Covid-19 should call their health care providers as their first step, according to the state Department of Health.

A health care provider will decide if a test is appropriate based on the symptoms and possible exposure to the coronavirus.

The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences is also offering free online screenings and over the phone at (800) 632-4502.

For children, Arkansas Children's Hospital is offering drive-thru screenings and phone screenings at (800) 743-3616.

**Testing and screening locations in White County:**  
**Unity Health - White County Medical Center**  
3004 Hawkins Dr., Searcy  
501-380-2819

**IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS For Emergencies call 911**

**Beebe Police Dept.** 882-3365  
**White Co. Sheriff's Office** 279-6279  
**Beebe Animal Control**  
AC Mgr. Erica Darden - 239-0515  
**Beebe Fire Dept.** - Call 9-1-1

**Memorial Day Services**

Monday, May 25 - 11 a.m.  
**Beebe Veterans Monument** - with all social distancing in effect. **American Legion Post 91** will have a drive-thru lunch (free) at the Post on E. Illinois St. after the ceremony with burgers, hot dogs, & chicken  
**Everyone welcome!**

**BHS Class of 2020 Graduation**

is set for Saturday, July 11th at Benson Auditorium at Harding University in Searcy. The plan is to hold a Senior Parade on the Beebe Schools campus that morning. If July 11th is not feasible, the graduation ceremony will be postponed to August 1st at Benson Auditorium. The ceremony will not be held at the stadium because of the heat and because the turf will be pulled up at that time.

**Update on Local Businesses Many businesses are now open for limited business.**

**Grocery Stores:**  
**Walmart** - 882-1017, Hours now: 7 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. each day. Tuesdays are Sr. Citizen Day - from 6 a.m. until 7 a.m. which also includes the Pharmacy.  
**Edwards** - 882-3875, Hours: 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.

**Pharmacies:**  
**Healthway Save-On Drug** - 882-6471  
**Burrow's Drug** - 882-5425  
**Walmart Pharmacy** - 882-1516  
**Beebe Drug** - 882-5402  
**Beebe Family Pharmacy** inside Edwards - 882-5000

**Health Care Centers:**  
**Beebe Family Clinic** - 882-3388  
**McAfee Medical Center** - 882-5433

**Trash Services: Let's help keep our trash service workers healthy - please bag your trash!!!**

**Green Environmental** - 501-288-8346  
**Waste Removal Services** - 882-6772  
**Heavenly Trash Service** - 882-2820  
**Zella's Trash Service** - 501-843-5551  
**OPB Sanitation** - 501-281-2481

**Swimming Pool and Summer Ball Programs a "No Go" for Time Being**

Council makes difficult choices with health issues guiding decisions

After reviewing guidelines which would apply to opening the city's swimming pool, the city council Monday night decided not to open it at this time. If conditions should change dramatically in the near future, the matter will be looked at again. With those health issues and guidelines due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the summer ball programs will also be set aside. Refunds will be made to those who have paid for the summer season. The city park will be closed for the summer. The annual 4th of July city celebration will also be postponed until the fall due to health concerns.

These were tough decisions for the council to make but it was the consensus that the health of the citizens was the paramount issue.

Two ordinances were passed - both are published on Pg. 6 of this issue. Ordinance 2020-11 amends the off-street parking ordi-

nances Ord. 2006-6 which adds hard surface to the definition of parking spaces. The other ordinance (Ord. 2020-10) has to do with drainage in new subdivisions and also amends Ord. 2006-06, Beebe Land Subdivision and Development,

Article 1V, Section 5.

The council also discussed certain businesses that have vehicles stored on their property - as to whether they are actually a salvage yard. The issue will be discussed with an attorney for the city and be brought back

up at a later date.

The council approved promoting James Squires to supervisor of the street department at a salary of \$45,000 per year.

**Christian Outreach Center Food Delivery Workers Put in the Hours to Keep Shelves Full**



These men volunteer to unload food deliveries for the Beebe Christian Outreach Center food pantry three days a week to help keep supplies plentiful for those who need it.

Pictured from left: Ed Price, Mike Obrien, Frank Kayter, Charles Price, Ricky Douglas and Bobby Pruitt. Thanks, guys, for all you do!

(Photo by Charlotte Paquette/The Beebe News)

**Beebe Spring Cleanup Extended through May 23rd**

Spring Cleanup has been extended through May 23rd at the city shop, located at 207 W. Idaho St. Hours of operation will be Monday-Saturday from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. during this time. Use of the dumpsters will be free to citizens living within the city limits. Please bring a current water bill as proof of residency. Items not accepted include tires, shingles, paint and wet batteries. No curbside pick-up.

For more information, please call Beebe City Hall at 882-6295.

**ASU-Beebe 2020 Virtual Vanguard Discovery Camp**

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Arkansas State University-Beebe has restructured the Vanguard Discovery Camp this year to accommodate campers to continue following social distance guidelines, while still enjoying the creative and interactive aspects of the camp experience.

The Virtual Vanguard Discovery Camp (VDC) sessions will all be held online this year and are free. The courses will be offered in two camp sessions: Monday through Thursday, June 1-4 and Monday through Thursday, June 8-11.

Participants may register for any or all courses offered. The full schedule, including dates and times, will be emailed to the registrant the week before camp begins. The registrant will be able to login to each course to participate during that week's sessions.

Virtual VDC courses for week June 1-4 include: Backyard Ecologist taught by Jake Marquess, ASU-Beebe, associate professor of biology; Stream Team Biologist taught by Stephen O'Neal with Arkansas Game & Fish Commission; Police Academy taught by Chris Brown with Cleburne County Sheriff Office and Mike Watson, ASU-Beebe Campus Police; Fire Academy & First Responder, taught by Heber Springs Fire Chief Jason Robitaille and Regional Director of Operations for Survival Flight Shane Keasler; Emergency Medical Services, taught by ASU-Beebe EMS Program Manager Justin Allen; A Taste of El Sal-



vador and a Multicultural Art Project, an art course originating in Indonesia, both taught by Amber Bramlett, ASU-Beebe instructor of education; Art-Tastic Experience ASU-Beebe Assistant Professor of Art, Thomas Fernandez; and Taking Care of Our Natural Resources by Lowell Myers with the Little Red River Foundation.

Virtual VDC courses for week June 8-11 include: Underwater Bugs in Our Streams, taught by Bob Verboon with the Foothills Chapter of the Arkansas Master Naturalists and then join Arkansas Flyer Fisher in learning Fly Tying; Radio Broadcasting, sponsored by 101.9 The Lake KSUG Radio with Ali King and Billy Morgan; Sounds of Frogs & Toads, taught by Becky Pierce with the Arkansas Foothills Master Naturalists; Raptor Rehab of Central Arkansas, with Kenley Money; Intro to Veterinarian Science, taught by Dr. Ryan Sartain; Something Smells Fishy, taught by Bo Davidson and JJ Gladden with the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission; Outdoor Education, taught by Trent Whitehead, Corpo-

ral with the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission; Intro to Meteorology, taught by Christopher Pipkin, from Quitman and weekend meteorologist with WVUA 23 News in Alabama; Intro to 3D Printing, with high school students Cristina Welsh and Shawn Stone; Making Accidents Disappear: A Safety Magic Show, taught by Scott Davis and sponsored by First Electric Cooperatives of Arkansas; Pollinators, taught by Leslie Fowler with Arkansas Monarch and Pollinators; Wildflower Press, taught by Erin Pierce from Organized Chaos Collection in North Little Rock; and Create Your Own Terrarium at Home, also taught by Erin Pierce.

Virtual Vanguard Discovery Camp will be conducted using the Zoom interactive online platform. Participants will need to have the Zoom app installed on their own computer or device that has a microphone and camera for discussion and sharing of work. The participant will also need to have access to a reliable internet connection. Participants who enable their own camera or microphone will agree to being viewed by other par-

ticipants, camp staff, and instructors. Recordings of the camp may be shared afterward and may be used for advertising purposes on social media and the ASU-Beebe website.

Participants should have paper and pencils ready for each camp to take notes and jot down questions. Additional supplies may be needed if participants wish to follow along at home for some individual courses. Those lists will be emailed the week before camp.

For detailed camp descriptions or to register, go to: <https://asubcommunity.ticketleap.com>.

For more information, call (501) 207-6249 or (501) 362-1205.

Vanguard Discovery Camp debuted in 2018 offering courses in science, technology, engineering, art and math (S.T.E.A.M.). The focus of the modules is to introduce the next generation to the world around them in a fun and interactive way, while also providing exposure to vast career fields and technology concepts.



**Beebe Schools  
Extended School Closure  
Plan**

Governor Hutchinson announced that schools will remain closed to on site instruction for the remainder of the 2019-20 school year. Therefore, we have added guidance to our district's extended closure plan that will help us navigate through the end of the school year, which officially concludes on May 22:

On Tuesday, May 19, and Thursday, May 21, from 7:30 am - 5:30 pm, we will have our final drop off and pick up days for the 2019-20 school year.

The current meal delivery service via bus routes will end on May 22. We plan to open Camp Beebe in July. Our summer feeding program will be held in coordination with Camp Beebe, so when Camp Beebe opens, so will the summer feeding program.

There will be no new student work assigned the week of May 18 - May 22.

**Important Dates -**

The current date for Prom is Friday, July 10. The location will be the Cabot Event

Center. If July 10 is not a feasible option, then the back up date is July 31 at the Cabot Event Center.

The current date for Graduation is Saturday, July 11. It will be held at Benson Auditorium in Searcy. We plan on holding the Senior Parade on the Beebe Schools campus that morning. If July 11 is not a feasible option, we will postpone the ceremony to August 1 at Benson Auditorium. Graduation will not be held at the stadium because of the heat and the fact that the turf will be pulled up at that time.

All remaining student medication must be picked up by Thursday, May 21. Any remaining medication after this day will be disposed of by Beebe School District.

We will continue to run bus routes for meal delivery through May 22 or as long as we are allowed to do so.

If you paid for a trip or item that had to be cancelled because of the public health situation, sponsors will be in contact with you about refunds as soon as possible.

**SNAP Hotline:** The Arkansas Department of

**Information published on the Beebe School District website.**

Human Services is providing a call center to answer questions and assist households with completing the application process for SNAP benefits. SNAP benefits can provide households with needed income, to provide food for their families during the COVID-19 pandemic. The hotline number is 1-833-762-7275 and available Monday-Friday, from 10am-3pm.

If you receive a call from caller ID "Google Meeting," please answer. This is someone from the school trying to contact you.

If you need to contact the school, call 501-882-5463 plus the extension of your child's building. You will be able to leave a voicemail, and a principal will call you back on the same day.

- Extensions:
- Early Childhood (Jenkins) - 1098
  - Elementary (Rollins) - 1012
  - Middle School (Reed) - 2012
  - Junior High (Bell) - 1260
  - High School (Tarkington) - 1032

In the coming weeks, other Thursday FYI sessions will include:

- May 14 - Fall Scholarships
- May 21 - Admissions & Summer Enrollment
- May 28 - Financial Aid & FAFSA
- June 4 - Admissions & Fall Enrollment
- June 11 - Housing & Student Life
- June 18 - Expenses & Paying for College

For information about ASU-Beebe degrees or certificates available, call (501) 882-3600 or view the website at [www.asub.edu](http://www.asub.edu).

**History Minute  
Tuberculosis**

By Dr. Ken Bridges - Professor of History, South Arkansas Community College  
South Arkansas Historical Preservation Society  
[kbridges@southark.edu](mailto:kbridges@southark.edu)

It was called the "White Plague." Tuberculosis caught untold numbers of people in its grasp, leaving thousands dead. In the late 1800s, doctors had few means to treat the deadly disease, and its contagious nature added to the danger and overwhelmed the few medical facilities that existed in the United States in the nineteenth century. Arkansas was no exception. And in the early 1900s, the state created a new facility to help these patients, the Arkansas State Tuberculosis Sanatorium.

Tuberculosis is an infection of the lungs caused by a particular species of bacteria that can infect both adults and children. In the 1800s, it was often called "consumption" because of how the disease would essentially consume the patient's ability to breathe. While most people infected by tuberculosis never develop symptoms (known as latent tuberculosis), those who do fall ill from it (active tuberculosis) face serious problems. The disease is fatal in half of the active cases if untreated. Up until the early twentieth century and the development of antibiotics, no treatments or vaccines existed. The disease would slowly break down the ability of the lungs to function. Thousands died slow, painful deaths as a result. While almost anyone was susceptible and the disease did not spread easily, those with weakened immune systems were most at risk from catching it.

The state legislature established the sanatorium in 1909, offering \$50,000 for construction of the first building. A board of trustees settled on a site of 970 acres near the small

community of Booneville in Logan County, with the first patient being admitted early the next year. The rolling hills and clean, dry air, and quiet community were seen as an ideal place for patient rest.

Arkansans of all ages needed the sanatorium's services, and in 1924, a group of Masons from nearby Fort Smith donated a building for children. Three years later, a school was established for the youngest patients at the facility, which local residents began calling "The Hill."

In 1938, the legislature passed the Nyberg-Nichols Act, expanding the sanatorium even further. State Sen. Leo Nyberg of Phillips County, who had contracted tuberculosis, spearheaded the legislation. The new construction would modernize and expand the facility to 1,100 beds. Nyberg himself would die at the sanatorium in 1941, and the main building was later named in his honor.

The sanatorium became the most respected facility of its type in the world. Eventually, it boasted its own newspaper, farm, and even fire department. Some of the world's top tuberculosis experts routinely toured The Hill. Many patients died in the facility, with the doctors of the

day helpless to stop their decline. However, many patients were able to recover, leave the sanatorium, and lead healthy lives. Patients spent anywhere from a few months to several years at The Hill, averaging about two years.

The breakthrough in antibiotic treatments, however, spelled the eventual end of the sanatorium. Patient numbers dwindled quickly, with the last patient leaving in 1972.

The facility served more than seventy thousand patients by the time it closed in 1973, a number equivalent to the populations of North Little Rock or Springdale. The Hill still serves as a center for the developmentally disabled. Booneville established a museum on the site in 2010.

The Centers for Disease Control reports that tuberculosis rates have dropped nearly 90% nationwide since records began being kept in 1953, thanks to public awareness, antibiotic treatments, and vaccines. Many courses of treatment no longer require hospitalization. While once meant as a place for comfort and quarantine, modern medicine has thankfully made the sanatorium no longer necessary.

**ASU-Beebe: FYI Meetings Scheduled to Prepare Students for College**

Arkansas State University-Beebe has launched a new weekly virtual meeting to help students prepare for college.

First Year Information (FYI) is an online summer program, which allows incoming students the opportunity to engage with our campus professionals regarding scholarships, Financial Aid, academic advising, Student Life and more.

Each Thursday at 7 p.m., students may connect online through Zoom technology with various offices on campus. Each 30 minute session will include a moderated conversation with a particu-

lar office followed by an opportunity to ask questions directly to staff. Follow-up breakout sessions will be available for extended Q&A on personal matters. Following the session, a recording of each session will be available on the New Students section on the ASU-Beebe website at: [www.asub.edu](http://www.asub.edu)

To join the online zoom sessions, register at <https://asub.zoom.us/join/register/>

For more information, contact the Office of Admissions at 501-882-8860, or email: [admissions@asub.edu](mailto:admissions@asub.edu).

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# State Capitol Week in Review

From Sen. Jonathan Dismang



# What's Left!

By Lee "Cat" McLane  
Editor/Publisher



May 15, 2020

**LITTLE ROCK** – Disruptions in the food supply chain affect more than the quantity of products on the grocery store shelves. They have forced Arkansas cattlemen and farmers to make financial decisions today that will affect the supply and demand of food over the coming months and years. The impact of the coronavirus outbreak on meat supplies was the topic of a recent meeting of the Senate and House Committees on Agriculture, Forestry and Economic Development.

They heard from top officials in the University of Arkansas System's Division of Agriculture. Also, they heard from a representative of the Arkansas Cattlemen's Association.

First of all, the university's vice president for agriculture emphasized that consumers should always keep in mind that the coronavirus does not come from any food products.

The speakers discussed erratic fluctuations in prices of meat; some increased supply and some increased demand at different stages of the supply chain.

For example, at the beginning of the coronavirus outbreak, some consumers were panic buying and there was little or no meat on grocery shelves. That drove up demand. Next, government orders shut down or severely limited the restaurant and food service industry. That drove down demand significantly, because about half of the nation's beef supply had been bought by restaurants.

Another set of issues affecting cattlemen resulted from bottlenecks at processing plants caused by labor shortages and shut downs. Outbreaks of Covid-19 among employees have caused bottlenecks in the supply chain for beef and pork processing plants.

The drop in broiler chick placements will hurt poultry growers, because they will be able to raise fewer flocks during the coming year.

Arkansas cattle are mainly cows and calves that are sold and sent to feed lots in other states. Feed lots are keeping calves longer because of the bottleneck at processing plants, which is

causing a glut upstream in the supply chain. At the beginning of March, cattle producers saw a drop of \$88 a head for 550-pound calves. Other cattlemen and some sale barns have to navigate legal issues with processing plants, which no longer want delivery of cattle which they have contracted to buy.

When prices drop, cattle growers often have to reduce the size of their herds. Those decisions will affect the long-term supply of beef in months and years to come.

The solutions discussed included debt relief for producers who have fixed loans that need to be paid, no matter what disruptions the coronavirus causes. The cattlemen on the committee discussed legislation to set up a state inspection system for meat, allowing local Arkansas producers greater access to local markets. Tennessee is the only neighboring state that does not have its own system of state inspectors.

State inspections would not be a "silver bullet," the Cattlemen's Association spokesman said, but it would benefit Arkansas producers by expanding their markets and creating a buffer from negative trends that disrupt the beef industry on a national scale.

A senator on the committee said he would sponsor legislation setting up a system in which state inspections take the place of federal inspectors.

## Reminder: 2020 Arkansas Century Farm Applications due May 31

**LITTLE ROCK, AR** – The Arkansas Department of Agriculture (Department) is now accepting applications for the 2020 Arkansas Century Farm program. This program recognizes Arkansas families who have owned and farmed the same land for at least 100 years. Online and printable applications are available here: <https://www.agriculture.arkansas.gov/arkansas-century-farm-program>. There is no cost to apply.

"Arkansas Century Farm families have persevered challenges for at least ten decades and have contributed greatly in making Arkansas agriculture the success story that it is today," said Arkansas Secretary of Agriculture Wes Ward. "As Arkansas's largest industry, agriculture has an economic impact of over \$21 billion annually and provides one of every six jobs in the state."

To qualify, Arkansas farms must meet the following criteria:

- The same family must have owned the farm for 100 years by Dec. 31, 2020. The line of ownership from the original settler or buyer may be through children, grandchildren, siblings, and nephews or nieces, includ-

From State Representative  
**Jim Wooten**



The COVID-19 pandemic could be a source of stress, fear, or anxiety for many Arkansans. May is Mental Health Awareness Month and a good time to remind Arkansans of the resources available to help during this time.

If you currently visit a provider for mental health services, these services can now be accessed by telephone or tele-video.

Arkansas's Community Mental Health Centers have also temporarily changed their services to utilize tele-video or telephone technology whenever possible.

The Arkansas Lifeline Call Center can direct you to the center closest to you.

The Arkansas Lifeline Call Center (1-800-273-8255) is available 24/7. This call center housed within the Arkansas Department of Health answers calls from Arkansans to the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. Call takers can route Arkansans to local resources.

Fear and anxiety about a disease can be overwhelming in both adults and children. Children and teens react, in part, on what they see from the adults around them. When parents and caregivers deal with the COVID-19 calmly and confi-

dently, they can provide the best support for their children. Parents can be more reassuring to others around them, especially children, if they are better prepared.

The CDC recommends the following to cope with stress:

- **T a k e** breaks from watching, reading, or listening to news stories, including social media. Hearing about the pandemic repeatedly can be upsetting.
- **E a t** healthy meals and exercise regularly.
- **M a k e** time to unwind. Try to do some other activities you enjoy.

While we may all be social distancing, it's important to still connect with others. Technology allows us to connect in new ways. As we collectively work to get our state back to normal, don't underestimate the importance of reaching out to family and friends.

Taking care of yourself can help you cope with stress and in turn, help others. Helping others is what will make communities stronger on the other side of this crisis.

The Department is dedicated to the development and implementation of policies and programs for Arkansas agriculture and forestry to keep its farmers and ranchers competitive in national and international markets while ensuring safe food, fiber, and forest products for the citizens of the state and nation.

As much as it pained me - I thought it was time to take my Simba's picture down from my column and put one of the two cats that live out in our house with me. This is Lil' Darlin' - I named her that to maybe help give her a better personality. She is, we believe, half domestic cat and half bobcat. She looks pretty much like a domestic cat but she acts totally different than a normal cat. I got her when she was about 7 days old so I had to feed her with a bottle. She loves to play very aggressively so I have tried to limit that so as not to encourage it. But I believe that is her nature. Her big problem is that she loves to eat plastic. I've had a couple of cats who would occasionally eat plastic but this one is really like an addiction. I have to keep all plastic out of her reach. She is very loving sometimes. She sleeps with me every night and she

won't get off my bed in the morning until I get up. Even when I was recovering from my knee surgery - she would stay in bed with me until I got up. When I come home from work each day, she gets up on my chest and wants me to hold her and let her sleep for about 30 minutes. If I have to wake her up before that - she gets mad and tries to bite me. Her teeth are very sharp and her tongue is less sandpapery than most cats. Not sure why that is. Anyway - I will be sharing a few pictures of her in this column from time to time - OK - probably every week. We'll see.

I hope you are well and I hope you are following the guidelines for this pandemic: 6 ft. apart, wear a mask when around others.

Go to your happy place! See you next week! (Also - next week we will have pictures of the Class of 2020!

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The following article is published in accordance with the wishes and in memory of Robert L. Kemp, former editor/publisher of The Beebe News.

by R.B. Thieme, Jr.

A catalog of available tapes and publications will be provided upon request by contacting R.B. Thieme, Jr., Bible Ministries, 5139 West Alabama, Houston, TX 77056

Before you begin your Bible study, be sure that, as a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ, you have named your known sins privately to God (1 John 1:9). You will then be in fellowship with God, under the control of the indwelling Holy Spirit, and ready to learn doctrine from the Word of God.

If you are an unbeliever, the issue is not naming your sins. The issue is faith in Christ:

“He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.” (John 3:36)

## Divine Essence

by R.B. Thieme, Jr.

## The Characteristics of Divine Essence

### The Eternal Life Conference

Grace is multiplied in the work of the Trinity. God has a norm and standard for His Plan: His own essence. Grace depends on the character of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

*Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through the sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied (1 Pet. 1:2).*

Foreknowledge knows only facts; election is based on facts. Omniscience, however, knows everything, including all the alternatives that will never come to pass.

The decrees are based on omniscience, not on foreknowledge. Along with the possible alternatives, the decisions we would actually make are known to God's omniscience, and based on that knowledge, He decreed them to be the actuality. He also knew what all our problems would be and decreed perfect provision for them in eternity past! All these marvelous provisions are involved in what the Bible means when it says that believers are foreknown. These things are reality!



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None of us were there to help God. Grace is multiplied to us through the Plan of God the Father. There is no way we can say we helped with the Plan. In order for us to link up with the things provided for us, we have a second provision: “by means of the sanctification of the Spirit.”

The Holy Spirit is the means of setting us apart in the Plan of God - first, through the baptism of the Spirit, which puts us in union with Jesus Christ, and second, through the sanctification or control of the Spirit, which keeps us within the framework of the Plan of God. Since the Plan of God is perfect, it does not call for us to sin.

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# Obituaries

## Rev. Linda K. Kyzar

Rev. Linda K. Kyzar, 65 of Beebe, Arkansas slipped from this world into the arms of Jesus, May 05, 2020.

She was born Sept. 14, 1954 to the late Joseph Ray & Verine Beard Kyzar of Jayess, Mississippi. She attended New Bethel Jesus Name Church and Christian School most of her school years and graduated from Topeka Tilton High School in Lawrence County, MS. After graduating, she began teaching in New Bethel Christian school for a limited time. Linda never married but after the passing of her mother, she became the guardian of her niece, Renzie Kyzar for approximately ten years.

Preceded in death by her parents, two sisters, Betty (Willie) Martin, of Summit, MS, and Louise Thames of Monticello, MS and one nephew, Trent Kyzar.

Survived by two sisters, Barbara Estave of Summit, and Julia (Mike) Frazier of Monticello; one brother, Raymond (Nelda) Kyzar of Jayess, and her nieces and nephews, who she loved dearly; Donna Lea, Tina Estave, Renzie Ballard, Joe Ben Thames, (Pastor Jason) & Violet Scheel, Richard and Reginald Kyzar; great nephews and nieces: Brian Ginn, Christian & Bethany Boyd, Shaunacee & Makenzie Mealer, Amber, Jacob & Shawn Thames, Hannah, Jared, & Jordan Scheel, Hayden & Jacob Kyzar; her beloved Lighthouse Pentecostal Church family in Beebe AR; her Ministering fellowship; and special friends from so many places across the nation.

Linda felt the call to the ministry in her early twenties. She preached out of her home church in Pine, Louisiana, under Bro. Jerry Cox, where she lived for a few years before evangelizing full time. Her ministry was throughout the United States and abroad, even to Korea. She was ordained in the United Pentecostal Church International in July 1985, in Tioga, Louisiana by Rev. T.F. Tenny. In the mid-eighties, she moved to Beebe, Arkansas where she continued to evangelize under the pastorate of Dr. John Scheel, for the remainder of her ministry, even while pastoring churches in Vernon, IL and in Murfreesboro, TN. She was the founder of the Women's Ministerial Alliance that continues today across many of the Apostolic churches. After resigning from her pastoral ministry, she moved to Florence, MS and began evangelizing again until she and her traveling missionary friend, Sis. Bobbie Lively made several trips to Nunavut in the Arctic, where she preached the Apostolic doctrine to the Inuit Eskimos, who were very eager to accept the Truth.

She was lovingly cared for by her adoring niece, Violet Scheel, for the past 7 years, as well as many friends and ladies of the Lighthouse Pentecostal Church and the faithful nurses, aides, and staff of the Beebe Retirement Center and Elite Hospice.

A Homegoing service was held at the Lighthouse Pentecostal Church in Beebe, AR on Thursday, May 7, at 7pm, with Dr. John Scheel and Pastor Jason Scheel officiating. Interment was near her beloved mother in Jayess, MS with a graveside service at Providence Cemetery, Friday, May 8 at 4pm.

Social distancing requirements are expected.

Services are under the care and direction of Vilonia Funeral Home 1134 Main Street Vilonia, AR 72173.

## Alda Faye Vincent

Alda Faye Vincent, 75, of Beebe went to her glory on May 15, 2020. She was born April 3, 1945 to the late Coy Miller and Vada Davis.

She was preceded in death by her husband Jimmy, son Jason, brother James Davis and sister Ruth Finch.

Faye is survived by daughters Dodie (William) Nick, Sophie Weichert, and son Jimmy Vincent all of Beebe, nine grandchildren, twelve great grandchildren, three sisters; Linda Stewart, Doris McClish, and Jeanice Weatherly, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be Wednesday at 1:30PM at Smith Westbrook Funeral Home, followed by a funeral service at 2:30PM with burial in Beebe Cemetery. State of Arkansas COVID-19 directives: Face coverings required (not provided by funeral home) 50 attendees or less, maintain social distancing.

Arrangements by Smith-Westbrook Funeral Home. www.smithfamilycares.com

## Jerry W. Mills

Jerry W. Mills, 68, of McRae passed away May 17, 2020.

He was a large hearted man, gifted with a strong personality. He enjoyed his work, taking pride in the products of his labor. He also enjoyed bringing his family together often, providing the best he could for them.

Jerry was an important, steadfast figure in numerous people's lives, and will greatly missed by all that had the fortune of knowing him.

He is preceded in death by his parents John and Mary Mills, three sisters and one brother.

Jerry is survived by his wife of 48 years, Patricia, three sons; John Mills (Shaula), Jason Mills (Angela), Joseph Mills (Catherine), eight grandchildren; Todd, April, Christian, Mercedes, Connor, Sebastian, Samantha, and Sabrina; sister Libby Anderson, and brother Bill Mills.

Visitation will be Thursday from 10:00AM - 11:00AM at Smith Westbrook Funeral Home. Graveside service will be 12:00PM at Lebanon Cemetery. State of Arkansas COVID-19 directives: Face coverings required (not provided by funeral home) 50 attendees or less, maintain social distancing.

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## Laying Down Our Rights

Pastor Steve Ellison

These days, we often hear things like, "I know my rights" or "I don't have to take that" or "You can't do that to me". Many people believe that it is a badge of honor, something to be proud of that they stand up for their rights. Many arguments, even fights, occur because we make sure that no one is taking advantage of us. Jesus, however, set a much different example for us. The Apostle Paul set a pretty good example in that regard as well. I need to point out that both Jesus and Paul took offense at some things. Neither of them was reluctant or afraid to stand up for what is right. Both of them were willing to be assertive if the greater good for all was dependent on their being assertive. It is of great importance to the Christian to know when to be assertive and when to graciously lay down our rights.

Romans 15:1-3 tells us how to be discerning in this area, "Now we who are strong ought to bear the weaknesses of those without strength and not just please ourselves. 2 Each of us is to please his neighbor for his good, to his edification. 3 For even Christ did not please Himself."

Jesus is our best example of laying down personal rights. No one else has done anything that remotely compares to what He did. He gave up a glorious existence in order live a very primitive life with only the basic necessities. That life would end in great humiliation, pain, and suffering. Even if the same exact things happened to us, there would still be no comparison because He was totally innocent. Each of us actually deserves everything that was done to Him. In addition, His perfect fellowship with God the Father was broken because of our wrongdoing. That perfect unbroken fellowship could never be taken away from us because we never had it to begin with. Christ did not live to please Himself and neither should we.

Verse one of Romans 15 may at first glance seem to be telling us that we are to be men



## When it Helps to Remember

By Roger Campbell



pleasers. Verse two and the rest of Scripture tells us that this is not the case. A closer reading of verse one tells us we are not to focus on pleasing ourselves only. Pleasing ourselves is not necessarily bad except when it results in something bad for us or others, which it often does. Verse three tells us that Jesus did not live to please Himself. The balance of Scripture plainly states that everything Jesus did was to please His Father. That seems like a pretty good starting point for us also. Verse two tells us to please others but it also clearly states that this pleasing of others is for a specific purpose. When we lay down our rights by not focusing on pleasing ourselves and rather focus on pleasing others it ought to be for their edification.

A study of the underlying Greek word which we have translated as "edification" reveals that this purpose is for building or constructing. It literally means "to build a home" but it also has a sacred or spiritual connotation. Thus, a reasonable interpretation is that we are to lay down our rights (please others) not so that they get their way but so that a sacred building will be constructed. The rest of Scripture brings two examples to mind: the construction of a suitable dwelling for the Holy Spirit in their person and/or the construction of the church, the body of Christ. It seems to me that Romans 15:1-3 has both in mind. We are called to lay down our rights, but not mindlessly, but rather with divine purposes in mind.

During a former memorial season, my column carried readers back to a country cemetery where I reminisced about family members who were no longer with us. My title that week was "When It Hurts to Remember;" a fitting title, I believe, because remembering the passing of people who have been dear to us can sometimes cause the pain we felt at their loss to return.

The shortest verse in the Bible describes our Lord's broken heart as He stood at the grave of His friend, Lazarus: "Jesus wept," wrote John (11:35). But, though memories may sometimes open fountains of tears, they can also mend broken hearts and allow us to relive moments of joy with those we remember.

My wise wife has memory places arranged throughout our home that help us revisit our roots and in memory relive happy moments with loved ones at different stages of their lives and ours. Visit our living room and you'll see pictures of our grandparents and parents in youth among those of their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Climb our stairs and in the hall between bedrooms get in on the action of busy lives in a panorama of growing up, vacationing and enjoying life. At the end of the hall, look back through generations.

Do these photos ever invoke a touch of sadness over those we remember but who have left for heaven?

Of course.

But we're glad they once lived among us and that we now know where they are. These are the positives of faith that make memories more than sad movies.

tal rooms, been whispered on battlefields and spoken in cemeteries to grieving families over the background sounds of bugles and bagpipes while grateful and grieving people have gathered for words of hope while honoring and remembering those who have given their lives in the cause of freedom.

Dale Johnson was a helicopter pilot in Vietnam. When he was considering a return to battle, he seemed confident he'd make it home. "This bird shoots back," he told me. But Dale didn't make it back, going instead to his heavenly home. For his memorial service, I wrote a poem titled "My Pilot," that ends as follows:

"I have a Pilot in the sky,  
And I shall meet Him by and by;  
I'll walk beside Him on that shore,  
And stay with Him forevermore."

Taking time to remember can hurt. We're not made of wood or stone and like our Lord may find tears flowing out of memories. But remembering a life of faith well lived, culminating in the assurance of heaven, will create its own memorial; one that dries all tears and rests in confident expectation that the best is yet to come.

Roger Campbell was an author, a broadcaster and columnist who was a pastor for 22 years. "Everywhere You Go There's a Zacchaeus Up a Tree," a book containing over one hundred of his best columns, is now available at your local or online bookseller.

## Nov. 1 - 26, 2019 White County Divorces

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Aug 23, 19	Casey vs. Tyler Moore	Nov 28, 17	Nov 04, 19
May 06, 19	Leah vs. Craig Lackie	Dec 14, 90	Nov 05, 19
May 23, 19	Michaela vs. Brian Halbert	Mar 30, 13	Nov 05, 19
Aug 05, 19	Donna vs. Gary Wygal	Jul 23, 05	Nov 05, 19
Aug 22, 19	Clayton vs. Shaylen Russell	Jul 10, 18	Nov 05, 19
Sep 30, 19	Thomas vs. Savannah Arnett III	Mar 25, 19	Nov 05, 19
Oct 02, 19	Jeffery vs. Denisha Washington	Mar 18, 13	Nov 05, 19
Oct 04, 19	Vernon vs. Maki Sloan	Oct 14, 16	Nov 05, 19
Sep 12, 19	Madison vs. Joshua Austin	Jun 04, 18	Nov 05, 19
Sep 13, 19	Dana vs. John Powell	Jul 07, 90	Nov 05, 19
Apr 11, 19	Matthew vs. Morgan Seibert	Jun 18, 14	Nov 06, 19
Oct 08, 19	Maria vs. Cameron Caudill	Mar 27, 15	Nov 08, 19
Aug 27 19	Michaelle vs. Bradd Marino	Aug 21, 99	Nov 12, 19
Sep 27, 19	Hannah vs. Hunter Parkridge	Mar 20, 17	Nov 12, 19
Sep 05, 19	Pamela vs. Jerry Hitt	Oct 06, 16	Nov 15, 19
Sep 25, 19	Deral vs. Rose Casteel	Feb 20, 86	Nov 18, 19
Aug 30, 19	Haylee vs. Rory Moore	Jun 19, 16	Nov 19, 19
Oct 11, 19	Caitlin vs. Jacob Newton	Nov 22, 14	Nov 20, 19
Aug 29, 19	Amanda vs. Phillip Hefner Jr.	Nov 13, 10	Nov 21, 19
Sep 06, 19	Ashley vs. Brandon Crites	Sep 20, 14	Nov 22, 19
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**Ordinance 2020-11**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2006-6, CHAPTER 14.10. SECTION 14.10.01 (a) REGARDING OFF-STREET PARKING AND REQUIREMENTS IN ALL DISTRICTS, DECLARING THAT AN EMERGENCY EXISTS; AND, FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the Beebe City Council desires to maintain appropriate Ordinances to manage off-street parking and requirements in the City of Beebe.

WHEREAS, the Beebe City Council wishes to amend current City Ordinance relating to off-street parking and requirements in the City of Beebe.

**14.10.01 Off-Street Parking and Requirements, first paragraph under 14.10.01 (a) Minimum Standards amended to read:**

In all districts, there shall be provided at such time any building or structure is erected, enlarged, or increased in capacity, off-street parking spaces for vehicles in accordance with the following requirements. All parking spaces in all districts shall be hard surface. A minimum of four (4) inches of reinforced concrete or two (2) inches of street-grade, compacted asphalt (hot mix) shall be required.

**EMERGENCY CLAUSE:** This Ordinance being necessary so as to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Beebe, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 18th day of May, 2020.**

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, OF BEEBE, ARKANSAS THAT:

**Drainage;**

**SECTION 1:** Storm drainage for residential areas shall be designed for a five-year frequency rainfall; and for shopping center, industrial areas, and highway commercial areas, storm drainage shall be designed for a ten-year frequency. These standards shall apply to the design of outfall structures and facilities. Where street grades are extremely flat, the developer may use a two-year frequency factor if he can provide a suitable means of draining the street of surface storm water. The drainage system shall be designed and constructed to handle rainfall runoff that originates in or traverses the subdivision.

**SECTION 2:** (a) Street crowns shall not be flattened, or warped from one side of the street to the other for the purpose of causing water to flow from one side of the street to the other. The storm drainage system shall include curbs and gutter on all street with drop inlets spaced according to acceptable engineering design principles.

(b) In general, rainfall that cannot be handled in streets shall be put into pipe or lined channels, except major outfall channels which handle water from drainage areas beyond the subdivision being constructed.

(c) No open drainage channels shall be constructed within the area dedicated as public streets and alleys.

(d) The sub divider shall pay all costs of internal drainage system.

**SECTION 3:** (a) The following minimum requirements are applicable to all city easements and right-of-way for storm drainage pipes placed within a driveway, parking lot or sidewalk. Said pipes shall have a minimum of 12-inch inside diameter with clean out access every 50 feet or change in direction. Where used, polymer-coated corrugated metal pipe sizes shall be hydraulically equivalent to the required pipe size. Placement of any drainage pipe other than described above within any roadway ditch shall be prohibited unless being a part of city approved roadway curb and gutter, underground drainage system.

(b) The acceptable materials for storm drains shall be reinforced concrete pipe, corrugated metal, hydraulically equivalent polymer coated corrugated metal pipe, or smooth liner for polyethylene pipe (conform to AASHTO M294, Standard Specification for Corrugated Polyethylene Pipe including PVC Pipe.)

(c) The City Inspector shall inspect and accept the tile to be installed. Any variances must be approved by the City Inspector or his designated representative.

**SECTION 4:** Any part of this ordinance in conflict are repealed specifically Ordinance 95-08, 2008-08.

**SECTION 5:** If any part of this ordinance be declared void, it shall not affect the remaining parts.

**SECTION 6:** This ordinance is necessary for improved storm drainage in the City of Beebe; therefore, time is of the essence, and this ordinance shall be effective immediately.

Now, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Beebe, Arkansas:

**PASSED AND ADOPTED this 18 day of May 2020.**

*Mike Robertson*  
**Mike Robertson, Mayor**

*Carol Westergren*  
**Carol Westergren, City Clerk**

## The Arkansas Game and Fish Foundation Announces 2020 Arkansas Outdoor Hall of Fame Inductees and Legacy Award

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., (May 18, 2020) – The Arkansas Game and Fish Foundation today announced the 2020 Arkansas Outdoor Hall of Fame inductees and its Legacy Award. These individuals will be recognized at the 2020 annual Arkansas Outdoor Hall of Fame banquet on Saturday, August 29 in Little Rock.

**HANK BROWNE**, De Valls Bluff Arkansas's most famous furniture entrepreneur, Hank Browne's accomplishments in the world of business are substantial. But the longtime hunter is equally respected in support of the outdoors via the Outdoor Hall of Fame and conservation initiatives of the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission and Foundation. As a member of The Nature Conservancy Arkansas's Last Great Places Society along with

his wife Cathy, Browne has championed conservation via financial support, land donations and gifts of time and talents to advance the Conservancy's work across the state.

**JERRELL & PENNY DODSON**, Little Rock Jerrell and Penny never imagined their small specialty store would become the largest in a five-state area, yet that's exactly what Archer's Advantage has become. The expansive inventory, paired with 85 years of combined expertise, has resulted in Archer's Advantage consistently ranking in the top 50 in sales for national brands such as Hoyt and Matthews. The Dodsons take great pride in outfitting generations of bowhunters and serving as a trusted advisor for archery enthusiasts.

**MARK DAVIS**, Mount Ida

Mark Davis has always carried the banner for Arkansas and its rich fishing heritage. After years as a fishing guide, he competed in his first Bassmaster tournament at age 23 and would go on to earn Bassmaster Angler of the Year titles three times (1995, 1998, 2001). In 1995, he became the first pro to win the Bassmaster Classic and Angler of the Year in the same calendar year. He has also been heavily involved in youth fishing activities, most recently leading the Mount Ida High School Fishing Club to numerous titles and contributing to the birth of the Arkansas Bassmaster High School Series. In 2019, he was inducted into the Bass Fishing Hall of Fame.

The Mahony Family, El Dorado

As one of the most prominent families of south Arkansas, the Mahonys distinguished themselves via

the practice of law, a family legacy that has practiced continually since St. Patrick's Day 1896. Various family members leveraged their legal knowledge toward pursuits in politics and other initiatives for the public good. Nowhere in the line was this dedication more conspicuous than among three brothers Joseph "Jodie" Mahony (1939-2009), Emon Mahony Jr. (1941-) and Michael Mahony (1944-2001). Jodie spent 36 years in office at the Arkansas legislature, during which time he was a steadfast supporter of laws protecting the outdoors; Michael was president of the Union County Wildlife Association and chairman of the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission; Emon also served as an Arkansas Game and Fish Commissioner as well as on The Nature Conservancy Arkansas and the Soil and Water Commission. Together with

their father, Emon Sr., the three brothers combined their respective talents and influence at the state, federal and local levels in the acquisition of the 65,000-acre National Wildlife Refuge at Felsenthal. Emon and his wife Kay continue to be passionate, generous supporters of Commission initiatives as well as the work of the Arkansas Game and Fish Foundation.

"Every year, the Arkansas Game and Fish Foundation recognizes individuals whose contributions to the great outdoors transcends mere hobby," said Tyler Lawrence, Events Director for the Arkansas Game and Fish Foundation. "The individuals we honor have devoted their time, energy and passion for the outdoors in such a way that preserves and enhances our wild spaces for generations to come. We are proud to once again recognize such

outstanding Arkansans."

The Foundation is closely monitoring updates from the Arkansas Department of Health and Governor's office in regards to COVID-19 guidelines for public gatherings. Contingency plans are fluid at this point and will be implemented accordingly as Foundation's top priority is the safety and comfort of attendees.

Established in 1982, the Foundation is an independently operated 501c3 nonprofit organization that serves as the fundraising adjunct to the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission. Its membership includes men and women who are passionate about promoting hunting, fishing and conservation education among the youth of Arkansas.



Coronavirus Quarantine Fights Not A First For U.S. Theodore Roosevelt's 1904 presidential address to Congress is famous for bringing us the Roosevelt Corollary, which warned European nations from involving themselves in the affairs of Latin America. What is not as well-known is a small paragraph sandwiched between two other issues. In the address Roosevelt said: "It is desirable to enact a proper national quarantine law. It is most undesirable that a state should, on its own initiative, enforce quarantine regulations which are in effect a restriction upon interstate and international commerce. The question should properly be assumed by the government alone. The Surgeon-General of the National Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service has repeatedly and convincingly set forth the need for such legislation." As early as 1905, years before the now famous Spanish Flu, and over a century before our current crisis, the government and the states already were arguing over jurisdiction and legality for public health.

Before the Spanish Flu or COVID-19, southern Americans feared Yellow Fever epidemics that sprung up every couple of years. States like Louisiana suffered many of the same calamities we have today as people became so sick that businesses began to fail and their lives were turned upside down. It was estimated that the Louisiana economy suffered the loss of hundreds of thousands of dollars in those years.

Believing the fever was spread by germs, the state and towns' boards of health did all they could to prevent the spread by ordering quarantines of towns and homes where the disease was, making it difficult to conduct business in such towns. As the numbers of dead reached into the thousands, contagious cities could not even hold funerals as the dead were rushed away too quickly for burial before the contagion could spread. Another way to stop the spread was to order every ship entering the state to be checked and cleared by medical personal. Ships suspected of fever were quarantined for 10 days before they could continue up river.

During this time, the federal government, under the Marine Hospital Service instituted in the John Adams' administration, tried to coordinate with the Louisiana state health boards. The problem was the national health boards were being blocked by similar state health boards. Not far removed from the Civil War, the gulf coast states did all they could to boost their own quarantine laws so as to reject national help and push out any federal oversight.

The year 1897 was a particularly bad year for Yellow Fever and New Orleans solution was basically a shelter in place order and quarantine for anyone suspected of infection. They even put guards at homes containing Yellow Fever. The city split in two over the decision. Some, including prominent doctors, argued that keeping people in their homes surmounted to imprisonment without trial. They wanted quarantines limited to those who showed symptoms only. The state board disagreed. The board argued Yellow Fever was simply too dangerous to allow people to congregate. The board recognized the injury to workers and business, but insisted credit was made available to assist them.

In 1898, just a year after the deadly epidemic, a French ship, the SS Britannia, carrying mainly Italian passengers arrived in Louisiana. That arrival led to an important legal precedent for quarantines. All 408 passengers cleared the state-run quarantine center and made their way up river. However, when they reached New Orleans they were informed of a new decree meant to stop the spread of Yellow Fever. The decree forbade the passengers entry into the city or any other city in the quarantine area. The ship's owners tried to get a judge to block the decree, but were denied. The ship ended up taking their passengers to Florida. The ship's owners, trying to sue for redress, took their case to the Supreme Court in what became known as the 1902 Compagnie Francaise de Navigation a Vapeur v. Louisiana Board of Health Case.

The high court sided in favor of the Louisiana

Board of Health and ruled quarantines fell under the authority of state's police power to protect their state. The judges used as part of their argument the 1824 Gibbons v. Ogden Supreme Court case. That case not only helped define quarantine laws in Louisiana, but effects the federal government today when dealing with COVID-19.

This was a commerce case dealing with interstate shipping. Chief Justice John Marshal said that the Commerce Clause in the Constitution gave the federal government power over shipping on rivers that were interstate. However, he also said the 10th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution limited police powers to the states, including quarantine powers. If Congress or the Trump administration attempts a national quarantine, they would run into issues with the courts because of Gibbons v. Ogden. However, the Gibbons ruling, combined with the Louisiana Board of Health decision, gives the states' power to do so.

What we saw in the beginning of this article was, however, a push for a national quarantine law in 1905. The idea for federal quarantines started becoming popular in the 1880s with the progressive movement and a large influx of immigrants. Knowing the government could not replace state quarantine laws, they focused on quarantine of immigrants. Laws passed in 1891 and several later years even put a 40-day quarantine of ships knowing the price it would cost the shipping companies. Most states supported this decision; one that did not was Louisiana. The Federal government by 1906, using the Commerce Clause, had established a federal quarantine for international and interstate travel. Yet, the role of local quarantines still resided with the states, and the laws differed state by state.

This was the situation in 1918 when the devastating Spanish Flu ravaged the world. The federal government could control entrance into the U.S., but it was up to the states to contain the virus within their borders. The Spanish Flu took the lives of around 675,000 Americans and created a situation not unlike ours

## Coronavirus Quarantine Fights Not A First For U.S.

today. It was during this time towns and states took unprecedented steps to stop the spread of the flu.

To try to curb the spread, or as we say today flatten the curve, they not only issued quarantine orders, but mandated stay at home orders. In my own state of Oklahoma, local principalities like Sapulpa, OK began to mandate stay at home orders. However, like today, eventually the State got involved with its own orders, to the ire of Sapulpa. On October 18, 1918 Dr. John M. Duke, the state health officer, ordered all schools, theaters, and other places of gathering closed. He went on to say,

"All gatherings of more than 12 persons must be avoided. People do not seem to realize that the influenza is extremely infectious and is an extremely dangerous disease."

"This is a great mistake and has done much harm to speak of this disease as the "Spanish Flu" because it is not a disease to be taken lightly. The present epidemic is the worst that has been known for a century, with the possible exception of the epidemic of 1889-90, and it must be remembered that the present epidemic is still at its height."

"It must be borne in mind that in a considerable portion of cases the influenza tends to turn into pneumonia. When pneumonia developed form influenza the death rate is about 45 percent. By comparison with almost any other disease, this death rate is extremely heavy."

A similar statement was reported in another paper. This time Duke said, "Had not the statewide quarantine been imposed, the epidemic would have been deadlier. This is not theory, but amply proven by comparing the experiences of localities which were quarantined and those which were not"

The Sapulpa Herald called the state action drastic. The town had planned to reopen schools and churches the next day believing the spread of the disease had been curbed. They did not like the fact that the state government overstepped their bounds.

They did not have to wait long for redress. About three weeks after the state quarantine was issued it was retracted on November 9. The Norman Transcript newspaper in Norman, OK opened their story with one that would probably sound

familiar today:

"Much to the displeasure of the school children, possibly, but to the extreme satisfaction of almost everyone else in the state, the influenza quarantine order...will be lifted...There has been a great deal of inconvenience caused by this quarantine, at least until we became accustomed to it. We have now been quarantined longer than three weeks, I wonder if any of us feel accustomed yet?" Now, it's 2020. Just like in Roosevelt's day, there are those calling for national quarantine laws to fix our current situation.

I am far from a constitutional lawyer, but from what I can tell any federal national quarantine effort will never get past the courts. There is too much precedent leaving that remedy to state policing power. The federal government can make laws such as they did when banning Chinese travel to the US, which by the way the U.S. has done plenty in past epidemics.

A real question for today, however, is can state governments shut down healthy businesses during a pandemic? Clearly, they can quarantine those sick or suspected of being sick. The Supreme Court has ruled in favor of that.

What is not clear is can they stop all businesses and churches from functioning and force social distancing?

## ASU-Beebe and Heber Springs Campuses To Offer ACT-Residual Test

Arkansas State University-Beebe is offering graduating high school seniors the opportunity to take the ACT-Residual test on the Beebe and Heber Springs campuses in May. The ACT-Residual test provides students the opportunity to earn valuable scholarships.

The ACT Administration canceled several test dates due to COVID-19 which may have hindered some graduating seniors from earning both ASU-Beebe academic scholarships and the Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship. ASU-Beebe is offering the ACT-Residual as an opportunity for students to still earn these scholarships for the upcoming academic year at ASU-Beebe.

The ACT-Residual is being offered May 18-22 on the Beebe campus and May 20 on the Heber Springs

campus. Scores will be made available to students approximately one week later and sent to the Arkansas Department of Higher Education. Scores will be used to help award scholarships. Only students graduating in May 2020 are eligible to take the ACT - Residual. Scores are not transferable to any other college and can only be used at ASU-Beebe for admissions and scholarship purposes.

To reserve your spot, go to <https://asub.ticketleap.com/>. For more information, contact the ASU-Beebe Student Success Center at (501) 882-8906.

For information about ASU-Beebe degrees or certificates available, call (501) 882-3600 or view the website at [www.asub.edu](http://www.asub.edu).

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