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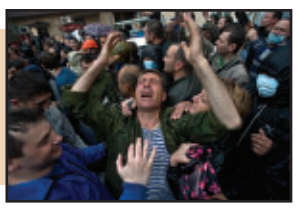

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Crews fight wildfire north of Jessieville

FROM STAFF REPORTS

JESSIEVILLE — Federal and state fire crews on Sunday were attempting to contain a 200-acre wildfire about 12 miles north of Jessieville in the Forked Mountain area.

The wildfire, which was only 10 percent contained Sunday afternoon, was discovered around 7:30 p.m. Saturday, the U.S. Forest Service said in a news release.

Thirty personnel were being used to manage the fire on Sunday, along with one helicopter providing aerial support and eight dozers — one from the National Park Service, five from the Arkansas Forestry Commission and two from the Forest Service.

The fire is located in a remote location on both private and Forest Service land. There are no structures located in the area, the release said.

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City board to eye unspent housing funds

DON THOMASON
The Sentinel-Record

The Hot Springs Board of Directors will consider a resolution Tuesday to reallocate $416,879.54 in unspent housing rehabilitation funds to eligible projects.

The board will meet at 7 p.m. in City Hall, 133 Convention Blvd.

A resolution approved by the board in February reallocated $404,471, but another $12,407.50 has been received from the repayment of a lien on a home that had benefited from the housing rehabilitation program, which increased the total funding available for reallocation.

The board has met with the Community Development Advisory Committee to define priorities and desired outcomes from Community Development Block Grant-funded projects, and two public hearings, attended by a total of 23 residents, were held to review and recommend applications.

Recommendations for projects to reallocate the $416,879.54 include installing ADA accessibility ramps, sidewalk repairs, new sidewalks where none exist, curbs and gutters at 319 Church St., from Langston School to the

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SAFE ROOMS: Students at Oaklawn Visual & Performing Arts Magnet School play on Friday in the school's safe room. Most school safe rooms double as gyms or other types of rooms for everyday use. The safe room at Oaklawn has capacity for approximately 700 people.

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SAFE SIGNS: The Oaklawn Visual & Performing Arts Magnet School safe room and other shelters are labeled so they can be easily found in case of an emergency.

Taking shelter

School safe rooms available for public use

JAY BELL
The Sentinel-Record

Five school districts in Garland County offer shelter from severe weather, such as the tornado that tore through Mayflower and Vilonia last weekend.

The track of the tornado began in Pulaski County. Garland County was on the edge of the area that was placed under a tornado warning on Sunday.

Safe rooms are available for members of the communi-

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Local officials to travel to Washington

CALEB TAYLOR
The Sentinel-Record

Local officials will head to Washington this week to talk to lobbyists, Arkansas congressional delegation members, and federal agency officials about issues related to water, transportation, and the National Park Service.

The group will include representatives of city and county government, businesses and nonprofits. They will leave Tuesday and return Thursday.

The group will meet with U.S. Chamber of Commerce officials, U.S. Rep. Tom Cotton, R-District 4, U.S. Sen. John Boozman's office, U.S. Sen. Mark Pryor, D-Ark., a National Park Service representative and a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers representative.

"Primarily with the (Army) Corps (of Engineers), we are going to be talking about water for our region. I think it's imperative that we tie down, just like the city has been talking about, water rights for Garland County and surrounding rural areas," said County Judge Rick Davis.

"We are also going to be talking about transportation," Davis said. "Helping getting the Martin Luther King Expressway (extension) through is a key issue. It opens up doors from the Village and people living in the northern part of the county to get them down here to spend more money down here. That creates tax revenue. There's over $2.5 million dollars worth of disposable income up there so making it convenient for them to get to town is a great thing. It also eliminates traffic on downtown Bathhouse Row, so it is a twofold deal."

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LLAMA RIDE

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Tristian Watson, left, helps his son, Parker Watson, 3, as he rides Little Bubba, a llama from Cockrill's Country Critters of Cabot, during the second annual Smokelawn Saturday at Oaklawn Park. The family friendly event was a barbecue cook-off and Kentucky Derby watch party. Proceeds benefit the Mayflower and Vilonia tornado victims.

Cultural alliance to preview 2015 event

ALISON B. HARBOUR
The Sentinel-Record

The Hot Springs Area Cultural Alliance is preparing activities for a weekend preview in May of an upcoming 2015 arts celebration centered downtown to promote arts and culture in Hot Springs.

Representatives of many local arts organizations, gallery owners, artists and supporters of the arts make up the alliance committee, formerly known as the Arts Cooperative Team.

"We are starting the countdown to the first event that will be on Mother's Day weekend of 2015, and an annual outing," said Mary Neilson, Visit Hot Springs' liaison to the local arts community.

"It's a new time, and a time to move forward for the good of Hot Springs and the good of our arts community. I think there is a lot of excitement and optimism about this among our arts community."

The sample weekend event, Arts & the Park Year Zero, will be full of activities on May 17 and 18.

"There is a studio tour with many artists in Hot Springs and the surrounding area taking part in the tours so peo-

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WEDNESDAY: HIGH 82° LOW 64°

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