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## DEATHS

Wanda Lee Eberle, 72  
Lucille Metrailler Kelly  
Gail Lynn Tate, 61  
Myra B. Williams, 79

## SPORTS



Marseilles in Southern Cup. **1B**

Oaklawn Park increasing purses for 2017 racing season. **1B**

## LOCAL

Additional sampling for chronic wasting. **2A**

Sales Tax Holiday for Arkansas is August 6. **12A**

## WEATHER



Mixed clouds and sun with scattered thunderstorms. High 86F. Winds W at 5 to 10 mph. Chance of rain 60%.

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# READY FOR FLYING



JIM PERRY/STAFF

Balloonists are preparing for the annual Harrison Arkansas Balloon Festival scheduled to begin Friday, Sept. 9. Since 9/11, Alan and Norma Lawson have participated in the festival and even won first place three years ago. Their daughter, Avery, is their ground crew following the balloonists in a pickup truck to the landing spot. The Lawsons landed Tuesday at the First Lutheran Church.

## Escaped inmate in custody

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CAMPBELL

Newton County Sheriff Keith Slape said 31-year-old jail escapee Ryan Campbell turned himself in at the Boone County Jail on Thursday afternoon.

Investigators say Campbell, 31, was in the exercise yard at the Newton County Jail when he scaled two fences to escape about 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 20. One of those fences was topped with razor wire.

The sheriff said Campbell quickly made his way to the Little Buffalo River and then disappeared, but he said Tuesday he thought Campbell was contained in the Hasty area.

Slape said Campbell's attorney, Harrison Lawyer Phillip Moon, arranged for Campbell to turn himself in to Boone County.

He also said Newton County deputies were on their way about 3 p.m. Thursday to the Boone County Jail to take Campbell back to Newton County.

Campbell was being held in the jail in connection with the severe beating of a man earlier this month. The victim was so severely injured he was taken to a critical care unit in Springfield, Missouri, for treatment.

Slape said Campbell escaped just before a scheduled transfer to undergo a psychological examination and possible treatment.

Slape said Campbell will now face an additional escape charge on top of the aggravated assault and first-degree battery charges he was already facing.

U.S. Cong. Steve Womack (R-Rogers) visited the jail Tuesday. Slape showed the congressman that additional razor wire had been added to further enclose the small space between the fence and a ceiling.

Slape said Womack put him in touch with an agency that will, at a nominal cost, supply additional razor wire to top a second perimeter fence outside the jail.

# Rape case leads to drugs, weapons

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YELLEVILLE — Marion County authorities say 56-year-old Michael Todd of Peel was arrested Wednesday on a warrant for rape, but other weapons and drugs charges were added after a traffic stop.

Marion County deputies and Flippin Police officers opened an investigation last weekend after receiving information that Todd had sexual contact with a 10-year-old minor, a statement said.

Flippin Police developed information that led to a warrant for Todd's arrest on rape.

A search warrant was granted Todd's residence to search for further physical evidence related to the crime.

A Flippin Police officer located Todd driving in a vehicle Wednesday and initiated a traffic stop on the rape warrant, the statement said.

During the course of the traffic stop and arrest, the officer, along Marion County deputies, conducted a search of the vehicle that Todd was driving. Officers located an amount of methamphetamine, oxycodone pills, a firearm, and cash.

Flippin and Marion County officers, along with Arkansas State Police, executed a search warrant at Todd's residence, locating an amount of methamphetamine with a street value of \$85,000, the statement said.

They also found acid, hallucinogenic mushrooms, high-grade marijuana, prescription pills, marijuana plants growing, firearms, cash and numerous items related to the sale and distribution of narcotics, along with evidence related to the alleged sex crime, the

statement said.

Todd faces charges of rape, simultaneous possession of drugs and firearms, possession of meth with intent to deliver, possession of Schedule I, II and IV controlled substances with intent to deliver, manufacture of a Schedule IV controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of firearms by certain persons, records show.

Bond on the rape charge was set at \$100,000, while bond on the remaining charges was set at \$75,000.

He was still being held Thursday in the Marion County Jail, records show.



TODD

## Deputy arrested for domestic violence, drugs

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WHITE

BERRYVILLE — Carroll County Sheriff Randy Mayfield said CCSO Deputy Jonathan White, 31, was arrested Wednesday on suspicion of drug offenses and assaulting his wife. Mayfield said his office received credible information Wednesday that White had assaulted his wife.

The sheriff issued an order for White's arrest on probable cause and investigators located him at a Berryville residence, where he was taken into custody.

White faces charges of aggravated assault on a household member, possession of methamphetamine and two counts of possession of drug paraphernalia, all Class D felonies, Mayfield said.

The sheriff also said White was being held without bond in the Benton County Jail awaiting a first appearance in court. He also said the matter is still an open investigation.



## 4th day of DNC 'historic'

EDITOR'S NOTE: A special to the Harrison Daily Times reported by Delegate Patrick Henry Hays to Sherry Bishop. Bishop is an Arkansas Traveler, a group originally organized to campaign for President Bill Clinton and now campaigning for Hillary Clinton.

The fourth day for the Arkansas Delegation once again began at 8 a.m. with the Business Breakfast. After the prior activity of the Convention had been discussed, Sen. Martin Heinrich expressed how important this election would be. He noted

that the members of both the Arkansas and New Mexico Delegations, along with all attending the Convention, would need to work very hard for the next 100 days in order to elect Secretary Hillary Clinton and Sen. Tim Kaine. Heinrich added that the decision the country makes on Nov. 8 will have lasting implications for years to come.

The delegation and guests expressed their great appreciation for the tireless work and dedicated efforts that the Arkansas Delegation Leader,

See DNC, 11A

