

# North Little Rock e-Newsletter

Provided by Diane Whitbey, City Clerk and Treasurer

April 2017

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If you have information you would like to share with other city employees, residents and businesses throughout North Little Rock, let us know. The City Clerk's office provides a monthly *e-letter* to those who subscribe through the North Little Rock website. To sign up, email [Dwhitbey@nlr.ar.gov](mailto:Dwhitbey@nlr.ar.gov).

## 2017 Central Arkansas Heart Walk

April 29, 2017

North Shore Riverwalk Park

North Little Rock



**We aren't just walking. We're Heartwalking! Join nearly 1 million Americans at 305 events across the country to build healthier lives, free of cardiovascular diseases and stroke.**

**How can you make a positive difference in the lives of your friends, family and co-workers? Join the Heart Walk, start Heartwalking and make the commitment to lead a heart healthy life and become healthy for good. Remember—we're not only raising funds, we're raising heartbeats!**

**The City of North Little Rock has a team entered...NLR Strong!**

**To join team NLR Strong, or for more information contact team captain Bernadette Rhodes at [brhodes@nlr.ar.gov](mailto:brhodes@nlr.ar.gov).**

**Team members include Kristin Schultz, Nakisha Moragne, Philcia Knox, Karen Allen, Jenifer Holland and Bernadette Rhodes.**



**"Where's Mel"? Be the 1st person to call 975-8617 and tell us where you found him hiding and win a prize!**

## North Rock

### Animal Control

more information call  
501-791-8577

In 2016, the Pulaski County Quorum Court passed an ordinance providing county taxpayers the opportunity to contribute an additional \$5 to their business or personal property tax payments. Funds contributed will go directly to the "Pulaski County Animal Control Spay and Neuter Fund." The purpose of the fund is to provide pet owners with financial assistance through a variety of methods, which may include:

- Financial vouchers (i.e. discounts) with animal shelters,

## Pulaski County Launches GIVE 5 Campaign



 PULASKI COUNTY  
Spay/Neuter Fund



- Financial vouchers with partnering veterinary clinics,
- Special spay and neuter clinics organized, publicized and held throughout the various county communities, and
- Possible access to mobile spay and neuter clinics in target neighborhoods.
- Services will be limited to spay/neuter, vaccinations against preventable diseases and wellness screenings.

"We are proud to say that this fund is an expansion of our pilot program with 'Arkansans for Animals,'" said County Judge Barry Hyde. "Through this pilot program, significant strides have been accomplished toward controlling our stray pet population. Seeing its success provided evidence to support the ordinance that created the fund," he said.

Pulaski County residents have two options to GIVE 5: use the \$5 voluntary tax payment coupon when paying by check or check the "animal control" box via the online payment system.

For questions about the Spay and Neuter Fund or the ordinance, call 501-340-8523 or visit <http://pulaskicountytreasurer.net/voluntary>.

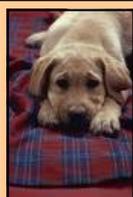
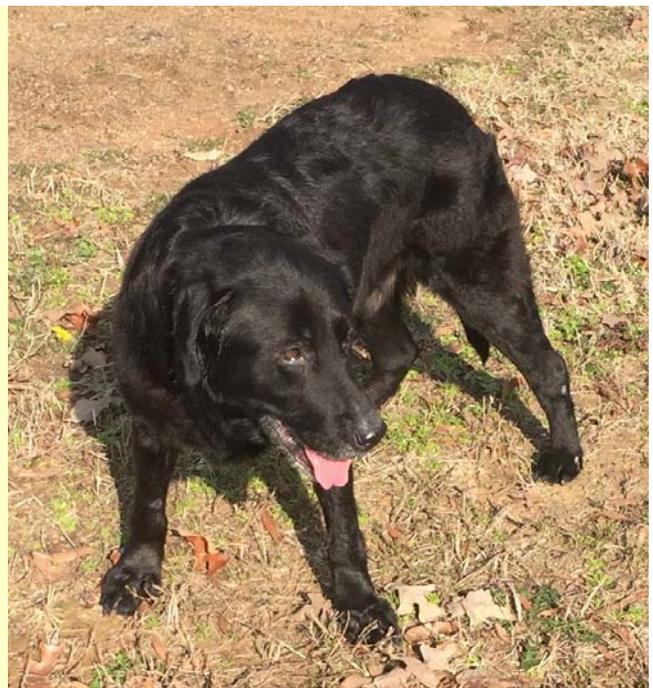
### Consider adopting your next fur baby from our shelter.

Meet Bear. Bear was adopted 1-28-17. His estimated age is 10 years. When approached by his adopter, he was asleep and didn't budge until gently nudged by the Shelter Director. They later learned Bear is deaf.

Bear's story is the same as many other shelter animals. He was found wondering the streets, underweight and with a severe ear infection. Because of his age and lack of interest, he most likely would not have been adopted.

Special thanks to those who choose an older 'fur-baby' for their family.

Bear now lives in the country where he is receiving much love and being spoiled rotten. Bear's new family members include cats and horses and a cow next door. Ah, the good life!



Need a new  
addition to your  
family?

Call

501-791-8577

...we've got the  
perfect companion for you!



Support spaying and neutering in Arkansas by getting your own  
Arkansas Specialty *Please Spay or Neuter* License Plate  
at any State Revenue Office.

Please Don't Litter  
Spay or Neuter  
Your Critter





## North Little Rock Fire Department

North Little Rock Fire Chief James “Jim” Murphy died Saturday, March 18, 2017, due to complications from heart surgery. He was 65.

Chief Murphy spent the bulk of his four decades in fire service in Florida. In 2014, he left retirement and the state of Florida to take over the North Little Rock Fire Department.

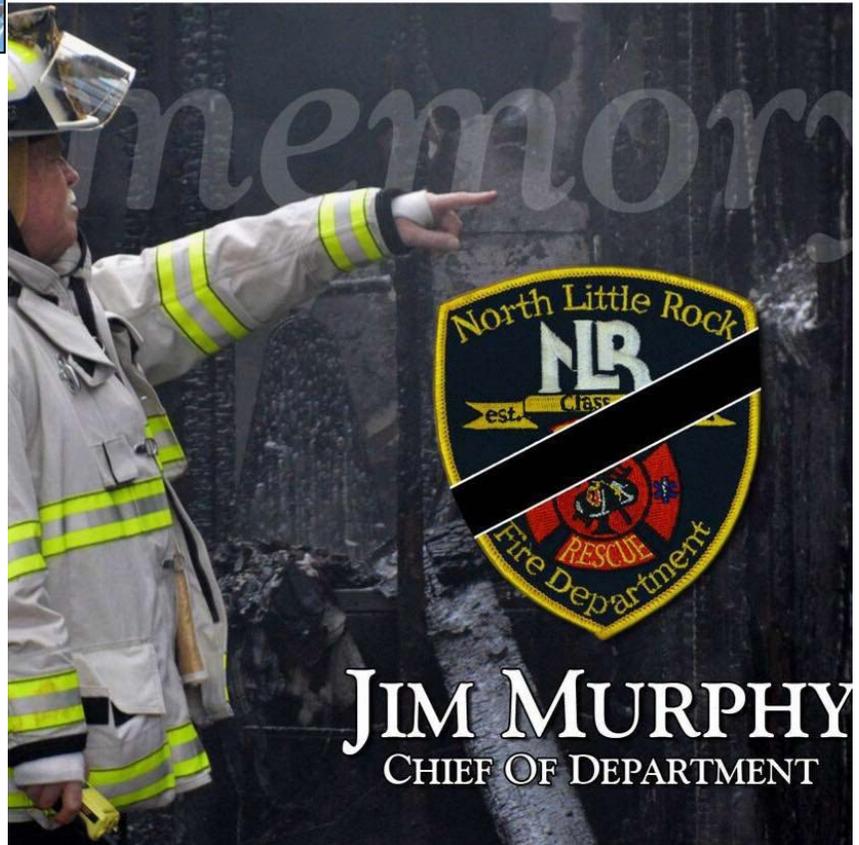
Murphy spent many years at Orange County (Fla) Fire Rescue as a firefighter, paramedic, company officer and training officer. In retirement, he cofounded a pair of interactive training software programs for first responders.

In 2014, in an interview with the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette*, Murphy said he had been offered jobs over the years, but something about North Little Rock stood out. “I actually had taught a [fire services] class [in North Little Rock] years ago and made some friends there,” Murphy said. “When I took a city tour, everyone I met was warm and friendly and just had that Southern

Hospitality, and I fell in love with it. The research I did about the city and its school system told me that they are technologically ahead of a lot of communities.

For more than two years, Murphy oversaw a force of 182 in Pulaski County’s second-largest city. In addition to the standard firefighting operations, the North Little Rock Fire Department also houses a special operations response team, hazardous materials team and water rescue team.

“He was a great chief, but a better person,” Mayor Joe A. Smith said. “We’re grateful for the time he was able to be with our city.”



Chief Murphy was born March 12, 1952, in Valdosta, Georgia. He retired from the Orange County Florida Fire Department after 35 years of service. He worked as a nationally known trainer in the fire service. Chief Murphy served as a consultant to FEMA in the recovery after Hurricane Katrina. He helped develop software for the National Incident Management System.

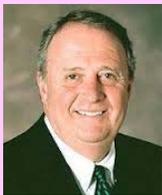
Chief Murphy is survived by his wife of 42 years, Kit; daughters Laura Hebert (Jim) and Karen Warnock (Mike); four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren and several siblings.

A service was held for Chief Murphy March 23, 2017 at Lakewood United Methodist Church.

Memorials may be made to the Arkansas Fallen Firefighters Memorial, PO Box 56470, Little Rock, AR 72115.

Pictured left: Chief Murphy and Kit celebrating New Year’s, 2017.

## Highlights from some City Departments



Mayor Joe A. Smith holds a monthly department head meeting. Department heads provide a report of activities, projects and accomplishments. Below are a few highlights from the last meeting (February events).

**Neighborhood Services**—mailed 8 newsletters to 4,286 households and mailed 1,375 Neighborhood Services Newsletters. (Emailed 100). Updated various Facebook pages. Mailed letters to 736 residents re: Levy FOCUS event and hand delivered flyers to every residence from 33rd to 38th and Hillside/Maple to Camp Robinson Road.

**Hays Center**—Trips included Bryant Senior Center, Searcy Senior Center, Jacksonport Museum, Walnut Ridge, Little Rock Flower and Garden Show, and the Play *Titanic*. The Center's Chair Volley Ball team swept the recent Chair Volleyball Tournament winning 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. Offered *Zintangle* Classes (drawing painting concept class). Swim lessons were offered—10 members took classes. The National League of American Pen Women held the first of 3 seminars (teaches writing crafts). The remaining sessions will be in March and April. City volunteers provided 81,157 volunteer service hours in various city departments during the year 2016 (which is equivalent to \$1,704,297 in service to the community). The center had 69 new members.

**Sanitation**—Collected and disposed of 1,343.87 tons (2,687,740 lbs) of household garbage/rubbish. Yard Waste crews collected and disposed 304 loads; 8,523.4 cubic yards of mixed debris and green waste. Leaf crews collected 40 loads (1,303.92) cubic yards of mulched leaves. Issued 90 Sanitation Code notices/letters and 8 Citations for non-compliance. During the Levy FOCUS event, picked up 17 boom truck loads of junk/bulky items (including car parts and other debris) (489 cubic yards), 93 used tires, 89 miss-used Waste Management Recycling Containers (left on the curb).

**Traffic Services**—approved 74 barricade applications for permits. Repaired or replaced 186 signs and posts, marked 8 city vehicles with logo, 45 Arkansas One Call location requests.

**Police**—Theft from Motor Vehicles up, Theft of Vehicles up, Robberies down. The majority of vehicle thefts continue to be the result of vehicles left running or keys left inside an unattended vehicle. Thefts from vehicles continue to be mostly from unlocked vehicles; however, several have had the glass broken out in public parking lots. On Valentine's Day officers stopped by the Cerebral Palsy Center in Argenta and two nursing homes and visited with patients and handed out stuffed bears.



**Fire**—Total incidents—875  
Total Unit Responses—1,566  
Residential Fires—14  
Other fires—1  
Vehicle Fires—7  
False Alarms/Malfunctions—51  
Rescue/Emergency Medical—502  
Mutual Aid—2  
Hazardous Material Response—5  
Structure Fire fatalities—0  
Vehicle fire fatalities—0  
Training hours—4,341  
Building Surveys—31

**Office of Emergency Services/911**—  
Incoming call total Non-911 calls: 5,993  
Wired 911: 746      Abandoned Wired 911: 118  
Wireless 911: 6,202      Abandoned Wireless: 636  
Total dispatch computer entries: 8,614

**Planning**—Major permits issued: 2—remodel—  
Kroger (McCain) and T-Mobile (McCain). New commercial: Northshore RV Storage. Issued 5 new single family residential permits (average \$135,000). Inspectors completed 320 inspections and covered 4,026 miles: 92 Electric; 85 Building; 92 Plumbing; 51 HVAC.

**Electric Department**—38,470 customers, Peak Power—115,328 KW, Territory— 60 square miles, miles of wire—555.1 miles, # Transformers—11,252, Street lights—11,044 (135 repaired), Security lights—4,148 (44 repaired), Smart meters—39,523, Revenue—\$6,166,124. Major outages—none.

**Fit 2 Live**—upcoming Money Magic Classes—  
Retirement Planning, April 20, 5:15—7:15 p.m. and  
Estate Planning—TBD.

**Code Enforcement**—116 assigned calls, 559 initiated calls, 53 citations, 354 violation notices, 178 vehicles tagged, 221 structures inspected, 36 rental inspections, 12 food service inspections, 0 search warrants, 2 houses demolished by city, 4 houses demolished by owner. Code Maintenance—31 assigned calls, 20 vacant lots cleaned, 60 lots with structures cleaned, secured 4 vacant uses, vacant lots mowed—0, lots with structures mowed—0, picked up 8 tires.

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### North Little Rock Animal Control—

Incoming animals—24  
 Adoptions—54  
 Reclaimed—21  
 Euthanized—63  
 Citations issued—38  
 Dogs/cats sterilized—49  
 Calls for service—1,132



### Pulaski County

(accepted at NLR)

Incoming Animals—46  
 Adopted—32  
 Reclaimed—1  
 Euthanized—43

Picked up 18 pit bulls. **Even though the shelter remained at capacity through the month, no animals were euthanized for space**—something we hope will continue! Reminder! **Please** consider adopting from a shelter! Shelter pets make great additions to any family!

**Parks and Recreation**—Parks staff and state prisoners cleaned the Old Mill by removing silt from both the upper and lower ponds. Rocks were added to help with erosion. Bollards at the soccer complex were removed and replaced with large rocks. A new Campground Host has been hired.

**North Little Rock Visitors Bureau**—the Visitors Information Center in Burns Park had 671 visitors in January. The Downtown Riverside RV Park had 295 reservations with an average stay of 4.0 days. The Arkansas Inland Maritime Museum had 1,186 visitors, which included 3 overnight groups and hosted 2 special events and 357 volunteer hours. NLR Sports Bureau—Lacrossfest brought 40 teams with 400 participants from 4 states to Burns Park Soccer complex.

### Finance—Revenues (MTD—January)

|                         |                       |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Taxes                   | \$ 386,894.16         |
| Licenses/Permits        | \$1,096,847.75        |
| Fines/Forfeitures       | \$ 122,426.03         |
| Local Option Sales Tax  | \$2,119,865.78        |
| Intergovernmental-State | \$ 0.00               |
| Franchises              | \$ 825,358.99         |
| Investment/Misc         | \$ 29,369.78          |
| User Fees               | \$ 91,934.23          |
| Utility Transfer        | \$ 51,204.82          |
| Grants & Other          | \$ 115,819.40         |
| Transfer from Electric  | \$ 923,000.00         |
| <b>Total Revenue:</b>   | <b>\$5,762,720.94</b> |

### Expenditures

|                            |                        |
|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Administration             | \$ 582,153.92          |
| Animal Shelter             | \$ 55,417.22           |
| Special Appropriations     | \$ 491,397.33          |
| City Clerk                 | \$ 25,487.32           |
| Emergency Services         | \$ 153,573.61          |
| Finance                    | \$ 54,308.86           |
| Fire                       | \$ 1,124,670.38        |
| Health                     | \$ 4,331.72            |
| Legal                      | \$ 40,536.71           |
| 1st Court                  | \$ 45,425.04           |
| 2nd Court                  | \$ 42,393.86           |
| Public Defender            | \$ 744.13              |
| Human Resources            | \$ 45,765.69           |
| Commerce                   | \$ 19,447.76           |
| Planning                   | \$ 46,784.13           |
| Police                     | \$ 1,431,976.48        |
| Code Enforcement           | \$ 88,695.56           |
| Public Works               | \$ 60,923.79           |
| Neighborhood Services      | \$ 11,248.07           |
| Sanitation                 | \$ 278,417.28          |
| Vehicle Maintenance        | \$ 77,325.64           |
| Senior Citizens Center     | \$ 82,560.23           |
| Communications             | \$ 22,986.29           |
| Fit 2 Live                 | \$ 10,942.12           |
| <b>Total Expenditures:</b> | <b>\$ 4,797,513.14</b> |

### Basic Quiche—www.food.com

5 large eggs  
 3/4 cup milk  
 1 frozen 9-inch deep dish pie shell  
 2 cups shredded cheese or 2 cups chopped drained cooked vegetables or 2 cups diced deli meat, any type (or chop up leftover slices) or 2 cups any other cooked diced meat or 2 cups ground beef or 2 cups seafood or 2 cups poultry.

Preheat oven to 350°. Beat eggs in a large mixing bowl. Add filling and milk and mix well. Pour mixture into frozen pie crust.

Place quiche on cookie sheet and bake on the middle oven rack for 45-50 minutes, or until top is browned and a knife inserted in center comes out clean.

Serve with a crisp green salad or fresh fruit salad.



## Financial Focus

By Tommy Howard  
www.edwardjones.com

*Note: the information below is part of an article found in  
The Daily Record | February 27-March 5, 2017*

### Use your tax refund wisely

It's tax time again — which for many Americans means that a tax refund is on its way. If you're going to get a refund this year, how can you use the money to your best advantage?

Of course, it's always tempting to spend the check from Uncle Sam on something fun. But a tax refund could be sizable — the average amount in 2016 was \$2,857, according to the IRS — so putting this money to work could help boost your progress toward your financial goals.

Here are some possibilities for using your refund:

—**Help fund your IRA.** If you were to receive a tax refund of \$2,857, you'd have slightly more than half of the \$5,500 annual IRA contribution limit for 2017, although, if you are 50 or older, you can contribute an extra \$1,000. Consequently, you may find it much easier to fully fund your IRA for the year — and you should do exactly that, because an IRA is a great retirement savings vehicle. If you have a traditional IRA, your contributions may be fully or partially deductible, depending on your income, while your earnings can grow tax deferred. (Taxes are due upon withdrawal, and withdrawals prior to age 59½ may be subject to a 10 percent IRS penalty.) With a Roth IRA, your contributions are not tax deductible, but your earnings are distributed tax-free, provided you don't start taking withdrawals until you're 59½ and you've had your account for at least five years.

—**Help diversify your portfolio.** If a market downturn hits one asset class, and that's where you keep most of your



money, you could take a big hit. Owning an array of investments — such as stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit, and so on — can help prepare your portfolio to weather the effects of market volatility. By adding new investments, or increasing your holdings of existing investments, you may be able to further diversify your portfolio — and you can use your refund for this purpose. (Keep in mind, though, that diversification, by itself, can't guarantee profits or protect against loss.)

—**Contribute to a 529 plan.** If you have children or grandchildren whom you'd like to help send to college, consider using your tax refund to help fund a 529 plan. Your 529 plan contributions may be deductible from your state taxes, and your earnings are distributed tax-free, provided they are used for qualified higher education expenses. (However, withdrawals not used for higher education expenses may be subject to both income tax and a 10 percent penalty.)

—**Pay off some debts.** You can improve your financial picture by reducing your debt load — but it may make sense to prioritize these debts. For example, rather than make an extra mortgage payment, you might want to first tackle those debts or loans that carry a high interest rate and that don't allow you to deduct interest payments. After all, your monthly mortgage payment will remain the same even if you make an extra payment, but if you can get rid of some smaller debts, you will free up some cash that you could use to invest in your future.

—**Think carefully about how to use your tax refund.** It represents an opportunity that you won't want to waste.

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## Financial Focus

By Tommy Howard  
www.edwardjones.com

*Note: the information below is part of an article found in  
The Daily Record | February 20-26, 2017*

### What's smarter—paying off debts or investing?

If you're just starting out in your career, you will need to be prepared to face some financial challenges along the way — but here's one that's not unpleasant: choosing what to do with some extra disposable income. When this happens, what should you do with the money? Your decisions could make a real difference to your ability to achieve your important financial goals.

Under what circumstance might you receive some “found” money? You could get a year-end bonus from your employer, or a sizable tax refund, or even an inheritance. However, the money comes to you, don't let it “slip through your fingers.” Instead, consider these two moves: investing the money or using it to pay off debts.

Which of these choices should you pick? There's no one “right” answer, as everyone's situation is different. But here are a few general considerations:

—**Distinguish between “good” and “bad” debt.** Not all types of debt are created equal. Your mortgage, for example, is probably a “good” form of debt. You're using the loan for a valid purpose — i.e., living in your house — and you likely get a hefty tax deduction for the interest you pay. On the other hand, nondeductible consumer debt that carries a high interest rate might be considered “bad” debt — and this is the debt you might want to reduce or eliminate when you receive some extra money. By doing so, you can free up money to save and invest for retirement or other goals.

—**Compare making extra mortgage payment vs. investing.** Many of us get some psychological benefits by making extra house payments. Yet, when you do have some extra money, putting it toward your house may not be the best move. For one thing, as mentioned above, your mortgage can be considered a “good” type of debt, so you may not need to rush to pay it off. *Continued on next page...*

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And for an investment standpoint, your home is somewhat “illiquid” — it’s not always easy to get money out of it. If you put your extra money into traditional investments, such as stocks and bonds, you may increase your growth potential, and you may gain an income stream through interest payments and dividends.

—**Consider tax advantages of investing.** Apart from your mortgage, your other debts likely won’t provide you with any tax benefits. But you can get tax advantages by putting money into certain types of investment vehicles, such as a traditional or Roth IRA. When you invest in a traditional IRA, your contributions may be deductible, depending on your income, and your money grows on a tax-



deferred basis. (Keep in mind that taxes will be due upon withdrawals, and any withdrawal you make before you reach 59½ may be subject to a 10% IRS penalty.) Roth IRA contributions are not deductible, but your earnings are distributed tax-free, provided you don’t take withdrawals until you reach 59½ and you’ve had your account at least five years.

Clearly, you’ve got some things to ponder when choosing whether to use “extra” money to pay off debts or invest. Of course, it’s not always an “either-or” situation; you may be able to tackle some debts and still invest for the future. In any case, use this money wisely—you weren’t necessarily counting on it, but you can make it count for you.

## Making the most of seasonal allergies

Found in March 2017 City & Town

The official publication of the Arkansas Municipal League

By Chelsey J. Smith, M.D.

With trees and flowers blooming in an array of beautiful colors, the days getting longer and the temperatures getting warmer, spring is one of the most anticipated times of the year.

Still, for many it’s nothing to look forward to as it marks a season of itchy, watery eyes, runny noses, congestion, and sneezing. Many of these issues are caused by the return of pollen, a major springtime allergen.

Left untreated and unaddressed, seasonal allergies can cause quite a disturbance in your daily life. However, there are precautions and treatments you can take to help diminish your symptoms.

### Daily saline rinses are important

Saline rinses help flush allergens you breathe, keeping your nasal passages clear and providing relief from your allergies. They also keep your nasal mucous membrane moist, helping you avoid nosebleeds from your nasal passages getting too dry.

It’s best to complete saline rinses using a NeilMed bottle in place of a neti pot. The bottle creates propulsion, pushing the saline into your sinus cavities as well as your nasal cavities. This more effectively flushes the allergens from your nose, providing better alleviation.

Neti pots are not necessarily bad; however they are

dependent on gravity and don’t usually provide the same results as a NeilMed bottle. Imagine a race between two boats in which one is propelled by oars and the other is motorized.

Steroid nasal sprays are also a wonderful defense against allergies. The spray interrupts the kinds of cells that control your reaction to allergens. It can decrease the level of those cells and, unlike other treatment options like an antihistamine, it has a prolonged effectiveness.

### Be prepared

If you are susceptible to allergies when you’re outdoors for an extended period — whether for a walk or hike or to do yard work — be prepared. Try taking an antihistamine beforehand and be sure to do a saline rinse before and after.

For yard work, it’s always best to wear a mask. This helps prevent you from directly inhaling many allergens and can lessen some of the symptoms.

### Allergies, common cold, and sinusitis: knowing the difference

It’s fairly common for my patients to have trouble differentiating between a sinus infection, allergies, and the common cold. Many of these symptoms can be similar, including drainage and congestion. However, each condition has some unique features.

With allergies, you’ll usually see clear drainage and nasal congestion, along with itchy, watery eyes, and in some cases, hives. These symptoms will also continue for as long as the allergen is present.

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With the common cold, the drainage can be yellow and you'll normally have other issues like fatigue and a low-grade fever. It's also normal for symptoms to go away within a couple of weeks.

For a sinus infection, there are three main symptoms: green or yellow drainage, nasal congestions, and facial pain or pressure. If these symptoms persist for more than seven to 10 days, it's time to talk with your doctor about possible antibiotic treatment.

Much of the confusion for my patients is between sinus infection and allergies. There is a link between the two, as allergy issues can be coupled with recurrent or chronic sinus infection. Swelling in the nasal cavity as a result of allergies can congest the tiny windows that drain your sinus cavities, causing bacterial infection and sinusitis.

#### Take action

Allergy problems can be quite a nuisance if left untreated. Instead of enjoying all that springtime has to offer, whether it's a hike in the woods, a walk in the park, or a picnic with family and friends, the symptoms can leave you miserable and desperate for relief. Talking with your physician about the proper treatment method is incredibly beneficial. Most options only add a few minutes to your daily routine and can greatly lessen the effects of your allergies.

*Chelsey J. Smith, M.D., is Assistant Professor, Department of Otolaryngology, UAMS College of Medicine.*



Reminder — **anyone** going door to door in the City of North Little Rock who is selling a product is required to have a permit issued by the North Little Rock City Clerk. This includes curb painters, newspaper sales, telephone, cable, alarm sales, tree service, lawn care, etc.

*See page 10 for current permit holders.*



## North Little Rock High School Wildcat Foundation Golf Tournament

Friday, May 19, 2017

Burns Park Golf Course

Lunch—noon 1:00 p.m. Tee Time

For more information or to enter, go to:

[www.thewildcatfoundation.com](http://www.thewildcatfoundation.com)

The Wildcat Foundation strives to support the teachers and students of NLRHS by providing financial and operational support. We have a passion for NLRHS and the NLR community. The Wildcat Foundation supports the students and teachers of NLRHS in their pursuit of excellence.

- Core Values:**
1. *Promoting Excellence in Academics*
  2. *Recognition of Student Activities and Accomplishments*
  3. *Involvement of Alumni and the Community*

# Various Phenomena Chronological Events

found in *Grier's Almanac 2017*

First  
published  
in 1807



and  
every year  
since

- 1 April Fool's Day
- 2 First U.S. Mint established in Phil, PA 1792
- 3 Ponce de Leon landed in Fla, 1513
- 4 N.A.T.O. estab., 1949
- 5 Mt. Vesuvius erupted, 1906
- 6 Peary discovered North Pole, 1909
- 7 Poet William Wordsworth born, 1770
- 8 Hank Aaron beats record, 1974
- 9 Lee surrendered to Grant, 1865
- 10 Democratic Election in Japan, 1946
- 11 Apollo 13 flight, 1970
- 12 Cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin 1st human in space, 1961
- 13 Thomas Jefferson born, 1743
- 14 John Wilkes Booth shot Lincoln, 1865



- 15 Luxury Liner Titanic sank, 1912
- 16 Inventor/aviation Pioneer W. Wright born, 1876
- 17 Financier J. P. Morgan born, 1837
- 18 Paul Revere's ride, 1775
- 19 Battle of Lexington/Concord starts Rev. War, 1775
- 20 Bacon's rebellion in Virginia, 1676
- 21 Spanish-American War began, 1898
- 22 Rough Riders organized, 1898
- 23 First public motion pictures in N.Y., 1896
- 24 Library of Congress estab., 1800



- 25 Adm. Farragut captured New Orleans, 1862
- 26 1st U. S. weather forecast broadcast report St. Louis, MO., 1921
- 27 Pres. Ulysses S. Grant born, 1822
- 28 Maryland became 7th state, 1788
- 29 Battle of New Orleans, 1862
- 30 Louisiana Purchase, 1803



**Peddlers Permit  
City of North Little Rock**

Issued to: **Mel Dun**  
Issued: 1/1/17  
**Expires: 3/31/17**



Sex: Male  
Eyes: Brown  
Hair: Dun  
Height: 15 hands  
Employer: **Equine sunglasses**  
Type of Goods Sold: **Sunglasses for horses**

City Clerk and Treasurer Diane Whitbey  
By: **SAMPLE ONLY**  
**only valid with signature**

Deputy City Clerk / Treasurer, Revenue

**North Little Rock History Commission**



If you or someone you know has items of a historical interest (photos, newspaper clippings, keepsakes, etc.) to City of North Little Rock, please consider donating them to the NLR History Commission.

For more information, call 501-371-0755 or email [nlrhistory@comcast.net](mailto:nlrhistory@comcast.net).



*The North Little Rock Convention & Visitor's Center wants to know about your upcoming events! To submit events, visit [www.NorthLittleRock.org](http://www.NorthLittleRock.org) or call Stephanie Slagle, Public Relations Representative at 501-758-1424.*

**All North Little Rock Door-to-Door Peddlers permits issued in 2016 expired Dec 31, 2016.**

**Persons wishing to go door-to-door in 2017 must reapply with the City Clerk/Treasurer.**

**Permits are valid for 90 days from the date of issue.**

**As of March 31, 2017, the following were registered to solicit door to door in the city of North Little Rock .**

**Melvin H. Jackson—Legal Shield  
Expires 4-9-17**

**John Barnes and Ryan Schatz  
Mid South Direct Mail Expires 6-14-17**

**Brandon Kimbrough—Fresh Mansions  
Kirby Vacuums Expires 6-16-17**

To see a list of issued permits, visit the city website at [www.nlr.ar.gov](http://www.nlr.ar.gov), then click on City Clerk/Treasurer, followed by Licensed Peddlers. To see an individual ID/Permit, click on the person's name.

**Reminder to residents:**

If someone comes to your door, you do not have to answer or let them in. If someone comes to your door and makes you uncomfortable please call the police. If someone comes to your door and is unable to produce an ID issued by the City of North Little Rock City Clerk and Treasurer's Office (similar to the example on this page), please call 501-758-1234.

In all cases, if you call please provide a description of the person, location and vehicle description and license number if possible. You can also call the North Little Rock City Clerk/Treasurer's Office Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m. to verify any business license or peddlers permit in our city at 501-975-8617.

***North Little Rock***  
***City Council Schedule***

The North Little Rock City Council meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at **6:00 p.m.** in the City Council Chambers in City Hall (300 Main Street, North Little Rock).

For more information, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 501-975-8617 or email Diane Whitbey at [Dwhitbey@nlr.ar.gov](mailto:Dwhitbey@nlr.ar.gov).

The City Council Agenda can be found at [www.nlr.ar.gov](http://www.nlr.ar.gov), then click on the Government tab, followed by Council Agenda.

**City Offices located at 120 Main**

|                                    |          |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| IS/Data Processing, Kathy Stephens | 975-8820 |
| Finance, Karen Scott               | 975-8802 |
| Fit 2 Live, Bernadette Rhodes      | 975-8777 |
| Information                        | 975-8888 |
| Human Resources, Betty Anderson    | 975-8855 |
| Planning, Shawn Spencer            | 975-8835 |
| Purchasing, Mary Beth Bowman       | 975-8881 |
| Utilities Accounting, David Melton | 975-8888 |

**City Council Members**

|        |                                  |                      |
|--------|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| Ward 1 | Debi Ross<br>Beth White          | 753-0733<br>758-2738 |
| Ward 2 | Linda Robinson<br>Maurice Taylor | 945-8820<br>690-6444 |
| Ward 3 | Steve Baxter<br>Ron Harris       | 804-0928<br>758-2877 |
| Ward 4 | Murry Witcher<br>Charlie Hight   | 835-0009<br>758-8396 |

**Utility Payment Assistance  
and Other Numbers**

|                                     |                      |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Central AR Development Council..... | 501-603-0909         |
| Little Rock Catholic Charities...   | 501-664-0640 ext 459 |
| Saint Francis House.....            | 501-664-5036         |
| Watershed.....                      | 501-378-0176         |
| Helping Hand of Arkansas.....       | 501-372-4388         |
| River City Ministries.....          | 501-376-6694         |
| Arkansas Metro.....                 | 501-420-3824         |
| Arkansas Food Bank.....             | 501-565-8121         |
| American Red Cross.....             | 501-748-1021         |
| Salvation Army.....                 | 501-374-9296         |

**Other Elected Officials**

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Mayor Joe A. Smith                     | 975-8601 |
| City Clerk/Treasurer Diane Whitbey     | 975-8617 |
| City Attorney C. Jason Carter          | 975-3755 |
| District Court Judge Randy Morley      | 791-8562 |
| District Court Judge Paula Juels Jones | 791-8559 |

***Telephone Numbers for City Hall***

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Mayor's Office.....         | 501-975-8601 |
| Joe A. Smith                |              |
| City Clerk & Treasurer..... | 501-975-8617 |
| Diane Whitbey               |              |
| Legal.....                  | 501-975-3755 |
| C. Jason Carter             |              |
| Communications.....         | 501-975-8833 |
| Nathan Hamilton             |              |
| External Relations.....     | 501-975-8605 |
| Margaret Powell             |              |
| Special Projects.....       | 501-975-3737 |
| Jim Billings                |              |

North Little Rock Curbside Recycling  
 schedule for the month of April:

**April 2-8 pickup**  
 April 9—15 *NO pickup*  
**April 16-22 pickup**  
 April 23-29 *NO pickup*



# April Birthdays

| Name               | Dept        | Date | Name             | Dept             | Date |
|--------------------|-------------|------|------------------|------------------|------|
| WALLY BARRINGTON   | Electric    | 1    | JON MILLER       | Fire             | 14   |
| THOMAS DICKSON     | POLICE      | 1    | PAMELA RABUN     | UAD              | 14   |
| JANICE JENSEN      | POLICE      | 3    | RICHARD MCKAY    | Electric         | 15   |
| PAUL CANTRELL      | POLICE      | 3    | NIKERRIA MOORE   | PARKS CONCESSION | 15   |
| RODGNEY ELLIS      | PARKS & REC | 3    | VICKI HUMPHREY   | CODE             | 16   |
| MICHAEL ALLEN      | Electric    | 4    | DAVID RODGERS    | SANITATION       | 16   |
| IRA WHITNEY        | POLICE      | 4    | DALTON GASTON    | Fire             | 18   |
| BRANDON DAVIDSON   | POLICE      | 4    | PHILLIP LOWRY    | POLICE           | 18   |
| ROBERT HUGHES      | Electric    | 6    | JULIA COULTER    | Animal Control   | 19   |
| BOBBIE BURKS       | UAD         | 7    | CHARLES MILES JR | POLICE           | 19   |
| JASIMINE AKERS     | HR          | 7    | RICKY PRIDMORE   | VEHICLE MAINT    | 19   |
| JOSEPH MADISON     | POLICE      | 7    | BLAKE BARNES     | POLICE           | 20   |
| LEONARD MONTGOMERY | OES         | 8    | BILLY JONES      | Fire             | 21   |
| CHARLES BLACK      | Fire        | 8    | ALANA PIERCE     | Fire             | 22   |
| SHANE PRATER       | Electric    | 10   | PHILIP EVANS     | POLICE           | 22   |
| JAMES DANCY        | POLICE      | 10   | CHRISTOPHER RAY  | Electric         | 24   |
| JOHN LYON          | POLICE      | 10   | GLENN KRAUSS II  | Electric         | 24   |
| ALEXANDER BAKER    | POLICE      | 11   | HAROLD FORD      | SANITATION       | 24   |
| JOHN YATES         | POLICE      | 12   | DEIDRA DEVINE    | TRAFFIC          | 25   |
| TODD HINK          | Fire        | 13   | STACI BROOKS     | PARKS & REC      | 25   |
| ALAN GARNER        | Fire        | 13   | JONATHAN CARSON  | PARKS CONCESSION | 25   |
| RODGER GREENE      | PLANNING    | 13   | KENNETH WILLIAMS | SANITATION       | 26   |
| TIM REAVIS         | PLANNING    | 13   | JACOB HOUSE      | POLICE           | 27   |
| JOHN BRECKON       | POLICE      | 13   | KYLE MCNEIL      | Electric         | 28   |

*Information regarding employee anniversaries and birthdates is provided by HR the prior year (i.e. 2017 was provided in 2017). So if an employee name is on the list that has retired or resigned, please disregard.*

*Notice: to be eligible to offer a discount to North Little Rock City Employees, a business must be properly Licensed to do business*

## Burns Park Easter Egg Hunt



April 15, 2017

Burns Park Softball Complex  
 Registration and activities begin at 9 a.m.  
 Youth will hunt eggs in groups beginning at 9:45 a.m.  
 Drawings for Door Prizes!  
 Coloring area, and more!  
 This event is FREE!  
 Bring your Easter basket and camera!

# APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

| <i>Name</i> |              | <i>Dept</i> | <i># Years</i> | <i>Name</i> |            | <i>Dept</i>      | <i># Years</i> |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|------------|------------------|----------------|
| JULIE       | FISHER       | Admin       | 5              | DAVID       | JOHNSON    | Fire             | 1              |
| ROBERT      | MARTIN       | AIRPORT     | 5              | JUSTIN      | JONES      | Fire             | 1              |
| SHARON      | ROBERTS      | Comm Dev    | 2              | RODERICK    | QUINN      | Fire             | 1              |
| WILLIAM     | FERRY        | OES         | 15             | GALEANA     | GEE        | Fire             | 1              |
| SHARON      | KOVAR        | OES         | 1              | JANET       | HILL       | Courts           | 27             |
| BRENDA      | WILSON       | Electric    | 17             | DENNIS      | HENDERSON  | Courts           | 11             |
| JIMMY       | CROWLY       | Electric    | 44             | JUDY        | HUNTER     | UAD              | 3              |
| JOAN        | STEWART      | Electric    | 29             | BOBBIE      | BURKS      | UAD              | 6              |
| MICHAEL     | ALLEN        | Electric    | 33             | NAKISHA     | MORAGNE    | UAD              | 17             |
| CHARLES     | BOLDEN       | Electric    | 21             | CRYSTAL     | WILLIS     | COMMERCE         | 5              |
| LYNWOOD     | ANDERSON     | Electric    | 20             | FAYE        | BROWN      | POLICE           | 49             |
| THOMAS      | BLYTHE JR    | Electric    | 11             | MICHAEL     | NELSON     | POLICE           | 24             |
| JAMES       | BARTLETT     | Electric    | 6              | TRACY       | ROULSTON   | POLICE           | 29             |
| ZACHRY      | LOCKWOOD     | Electric    | 1              | JAY         | KOVACH     | POLICE           | 30             |
| RICHARD     | MCKAY        | Electric    | 1              | SIAVASH     | MORSHEDI   | POLICE           | 29             |
| TAYLOR      | ALLISON      | Electric    | 2              | ROBERT      | SCOTT III  | POLICE           | 30             |
| SHARON      | HENLEY       | Finance     | 39             | THOMAS      | DICKSON    | POLICE           | 24             |
| JOHN        | ADAMS        | Fire        | 35             | MARK        | TUBBS      | POLICE           | 25             |
| DONALD      | PAYNE        | Fire        | 35             | JOHN        | YATES      | POLICE           | 24             |
| PEGGY       | BOREL        | Fire        | 13             | JASON       | WOODWARD   | POLICE           | 19             |
| FREDERICK   | GUNTHER      | Fire        | 35             | JOSEPH      | SMITH      | POLICE           | 3              |
| DAVID       | MATCHETT     | Fire        | 35             | CARISSA     | MERZ       | POLICE           | 4              |
| LARRY       | SHOOD        | Fire        | 35             | DAVID       | SCHALCHLIN | CODE             | 21             |
| TODD        | IRBY         | Fire        | 19             | RICHARD     | ROSS       | CODE             | 2              |
| RICKY       | CRANFORD     | Fire        | 21             | AUSTIN      | EVERETT    | CODE             | 2              |
| GREGORY     | BROWN        | Fire        | 18             | MARCUS      | LEE        | SANITATION       | 5              |
| STEPHEN     | FORTSON      | Fire        | 16             | STEVEN      | HUBBARD    | STREET           | 7              |
| LAITH       | ADAMS        | Fire        | 20             | FREDERICK   | MOORE III  | STREET           | 21             |
| MICHAEL     | THOMPSON     | Fire        | 19             | TERRY       | GLENN      | STREET           | 10             |
| BRIAN       | OAKLEY       | Fire        | 18             | BRYAN       | ROUGELY    | STREET           | 4              |
| EARL        | MAHANAY      | Fire        | 20             | LESLIE      | RICHARDSON | TRAFFIC          | 12             |
| JAMES       | KOLB         | Fire        | 19             | WILLY       | TIDWALL    | PARKS MAINT      | 20             |
| MICHAEL     | HOLLEY       | Fire        | 1              | CHARLES     | BROOKS JR  | PARKS MAINT      | 16             |
| JASON       | KNOERNSCHILD | Fire        | 17             | DONALD      | EOFF       | PARKS MAINT      | 14             |
| TIMOTHY     | MAHANAY      | Fire        | 15             | CHARLES     | STANFORD   | PARKS MAINT      | 4              |
| JASON       | KNIFE        | Fire        | 15             | BRIAN       | SCROGGINS  | PARKS MAINT      | 2              |
| DENNIS      | POOLE        | Fire        | 13             | TOMMY       | MCBRIDE    | PARKS & REC      | 2              |
| GREGORY     | NASH         | Fire        | 15             | ALLEN       | JAMES JR   | PARKS & REC      | 1              |
| ROBERT      | BRYSTON      | Fire        | 18             | LEE         | COUCH III  | PARKS & REC      | 1              |
| RICHARD     | HARGROVE     | Fire        | 13             | DOMINIQUE   | SAVAGE     | PARKS & REC      | 9              |
| WILLIAM     | DAVID        | Fire        | 16             | TONY        | PATE       | PARKS & REC      | 10             |
| JASON       | FENDER       | Fire        | 18             | MEGAN       | JOHNSON    | PARKS & REC      | 9              |
| KYLE        | SIMPSON      | Fire        | 18             | DELVIN      | MARTIN     | PARKS & REC      | 3              |
| HEATH       | HOOPS        | Fire        | 20             | JAMES       | TYSON      | PARKS GOLF       | 5              |
| CLAYTON     | ZAKRZEWSKI   | Fire        | 17             | MICHAEL     | CARR       | PARKS GOLF       | 4              |
| JASON       | ROE          | Fire        | 13             | WILL        | LOVE       | PARKS GOLF       | 10             |
| JOSH        | BURKS        | Fire        | 13             | NATHANAEL   | DAVIS      | PARKS CONCESSION | 1              |
| MICHAEL     | GARRETT      | Fire        | 13             | NIKERRIA    | MOORE      | PARKS CONCESSION | 1              |
| BRYAN       | HILL         | Fire        | 16             | KELANTE     | MONTGOMERY | PARKS CONCESSION | 3              |
| DUDLEY      | SCHRADER     | Fire        | 17             | CALRIYUNNA  | BOLTEN     | PARKS CONCESSION | 1              |
| CHRISTOPHER | MORENO       | Fire        | 15             | LACHASITY   | MOORE      | PARKS CONCESSION | 1              |
| CLINT       | REEKIE       | Fire        | 13             | EBONY       | THOMAS     | PARKS CONCESSION | 1              |
| JOSHUA      | COX          | Fire        | 13             | SAYVION     | SMITH      | PARKS CONCESSION | 1              |
| MICHAEL     | MITSUNAGA    | Fire        | 2              | CARLTON     | DAVIS      | PARKS CONCESSION | 1              |
| CLINT       | BUTLER       | Fire        | 7              | JAMYRIA     | LAYTON     | PARKS CONCESSION | 1              |
| NICHOLAS    | TETKOSKIE    | Fire        | 1              | WILLIAM     | LARRY      | PARKS CONCESSION | 1              |



# ***Twenty Seventh Annual Gala Carousel Ball***

will be held ***Saturday, April 8, 2017***

at the ***Patrick Henry Hays Senior Citizens Center***  
***401 Pershing Boulevard, North Little Rock***

***Dinner • Dancing • Entertainment***

***Live and Silent Auctions***

***Dancing to the Tommy Henderson Band***

***Black Tie Optional***

***Master of Ceremonies***

***North Little Rock Chamber of Commerce President***  
***John Owens***

***\$50 per person (\$25 is tax deductible)***

***Table Reservations Required***

***RSVP by April 3, 2017***

***For more information call***  
***501-772-0768***

Proceeds benefit **North Little Rock Heritage-Bowker-Willow Houses**  
the **Patrick Henry Hays Senior Citizens Center**,  
and other **community service projects** of the  
**North Little Rock Woman's Club**

**North Little Rock Lions Club**  
*Annual Bob Moore Memorial*

**Fish Fry**  
**April 21, 2017**



*Pond Raised Catfish And Breaded Chicken Strips*  
**With All The Trimmings**

**Serving 4:30PM Until 7:00PM**

**Burns Park Hospitality House In North Little Rock**

**Adults—\$12 Children Under 12—\$10**

*Tickets Available At The Door*

Since 1917, Lions clubs have offered people the opportunity to give something back to their communities. From involving members in projects as local as cleaning up an area park or as far reaching as bringing sight to the world's blind, Lions clubs have always embraced those committed to building a brighter future for their community.



**We Serve**

North Shore Animal League America's  
**TOUR FOR LIFE**



Save a life today! Get Your Rescue On® and adopt a new best friend!  
Stopping Here!

**NORTH LITTLE ROCK ANIMAL SHELTER**

**2851 LAKEWOOD VILLAGE DR**

**MULTIPLE AGENCY ADOPT-A-THON!**

**APRIL 22, 11 AM – 3 PM**



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For tour adoption event details visit [animalleague.org](http://animalleague.org). #TOURFORLIFE2017

or call North Little Rock Animal Shelter at 501-791-8577