



Saint Patrick's Day: Legends and other fun stuff



Patrick uses shamrock in an illustrative parable

Found at Wikipedia.org

Legend credits Saint Patrick with teaching the Irish about the doctrine of the Holy Trinity by showing people the shamrock, a three-leaved plant, using it to illustrate the Christian teaching of three persons in one God. This story first appears in writing in 1726, though it may be older. The shamrock has since become a central symbol of Saint Patrick's Day.



Patrick banishes all snakes from Ireland

The absence of snakes in Ireland gave rise to the legend that they had all been banished by Saint Patrick chasing them into the sea after they attacked him during a 40-day fast he was undertaking on top of a hill. However, evidence suggests that post-glacial Ireland never had snakes.



Why do we pinch people on March 17?

Found at www.independent.co.uk

Pinching people on St. Patrick's Day is thought to revolve around the leprechaun and the legend that wearing green makes one invisible to the mischievous fairies.

As dubious legend dictates, leprechauns would pinch anyone not wearing green—so people pinch those not wearing green to remind them...

Why do we wear green on St. Patrick's Day?

Ignoring the leprechaun thing—the Irish connection to the colour green is thought to only go back as far as the 1890s.

Green became synonymous with the non-sectarian Irish republican cause and wearing the colour on March 17th first became a tradition in 19th century New York among the growing Irish immigrant population.



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North Rock
Animal Control
 more information call
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**Springtime Pet
 Safety Tips**
Found at www.asPCA.org

Spring has sprung (well it will soon!), and with the change of the season, our thoughts turn to Easter celebrations, spring cleaning and much-needed home improvement projects. Before you embark on seasonal chores or outdoor revelry, take inventory of potential springtime hazards for your furry friends.

Easter Treats and Decorations

Keep lilies and candy in check—chocolate goodies are toxic to cats and dogs, and all true lilies can be fatal if ingested by cats. And be mindful, kitties love to nibble on colorful plastic grass, which can lead to an obstructed digestive tract, severe vomiting and dehydration. Moreover, while live bunnies, chicks and other festive animals are adorable, resist the urge to buy them—these cute babies grow up fast and often require specialized care!

Screen Yourself

Many pet parents welcome the breezy days of spring by opening their windows. Unfortunately, they also unknowingly put their pets at risk—especially cats, who are apt to jump or fall through unscreened windows. Be sure to install snug and sturdy screens on all of your windows.

Buckle Up!

While most dogs love to feel the wind on their furry faces, allowing them to ride in the beds of pick-up trucks or stick their heads out of moving-vehicle windows is dangerous. Flying debris and insects can cause inner ear or eye injuries and lung infections, and abrupt stops or turns can cause major injury, or worse! Pets riding in cars should always be secured in a crate or wearing a seatbelt harness designed especially for them.

Spring Cleaning

Spring cleaning is a time-honored tradition in many households, but be sure to keep all cleaners and chemicals out of your pets' way! Almost all cleaning products,

even all natural ones, contain chemicals that may be harmful to pets. The key to using them safely is to read and follow label directions for proper use and storage.

Home Improvement 101

Products such as paints, mineral spirits and solvents can be toxic to your pets and cause severe irritation or chemical burns. Carefully read all labels to see if the product is safe to use around your furry friends. Also, be cautious of physical hazards, including nails, staples, insulation, blades and power tools. It may be wise to confine your dog or cat to a designated pet-friendly room during home improvement projects.

Let Your Garden Grow — With Care

Pet parents, take care—fertilizers, insecticides and herbicides keep our plants and lawns healthy and green, but their ingredients may be dangerous if your pet ingests them. Always store these products in out-of-the-way places and follow label instructions carefully. Many popular springtime plants—including rhododendron and azaleas—are also highly toxic to pets and can prove fatal if eaten.

Ah-Ah-Achoo!

Like us, pets can be allergic to foods, dust, plants and pollens. Allergic reactions in dogs and cats can cause itching, minor sniffing and sneezing, or life-threatening

anaphylactic shock to insect bites and stings. If you suspect your pet has a springtime allergy, please visit your veterinarian as soon as possible.

Pesky Little Critters

April showers bring May flowers—and an onslaught of bugs! Make sure your pet is on year-round heartworm preventive medication, as well as a flea and tick control program. Ask your doctor to recommend a plan



designed specifically for your pet.

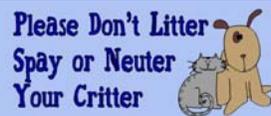
Out and About

Warmer weather means more trips to the park, longer walks and more chances for your pet to wander off! Make sure your dog or cat has a microchip for identification and wears a tag imprinted with your home address, cell phone and any other relevant contact information.



*Need a new
 addition to your
 family?
 Call
 501-791-8577
 ...we've got the
 perfect companion for you!*

Our shelter is full of dogs, cats, puppies and kittens in need of a forever home. Please consider adopting a shelter pet for your next pet.



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North Little Rock Fire Department

9 Fire-Safety Tips

Found at www.hgtv.com

Be prepared with these tips for preventing and controlling fires in your home.

1. Before buying a fire extinguisher, check its intended purpose. Some extinguishers effectively treat a few or all of the following varieties of fires: trash, wood, paper, liquids, grease and electrical.
2. Position the fire extinguishers throughout your house and on all levels, including along the hallways outside bedrooms and bathrooms. Install the kitchen fire extinguisher near the stove but not directly under it. You don't want to be stumbling around beneath the flames in the event of a stovetop fire. Mount it off center along the interior of a cabinet door to take up as little space as possible.

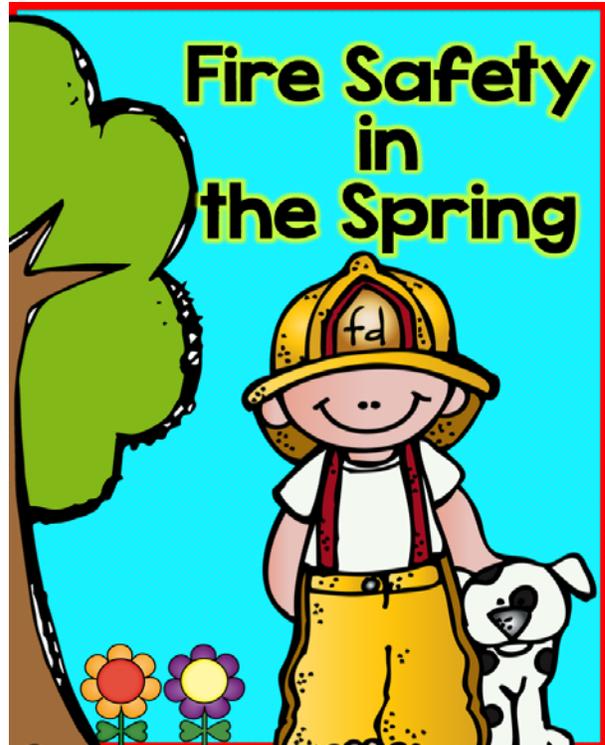


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Squeeze
Sweep

3. Be sure extinguishers are full and ready to use. If they're battery-powered, remember to check it regularly. It's a good idea to change the batteries twice a year,

perhaps at the same time as you change your clocks in the fall and spring.

4. Don't fight a great fire with water. When cooking, keep a box of baking soda readily available to put out any grease fires, or extinguish the flames with a lid.
5. When fighting a fire with an extinguisher, stand six feet away and sweep the nozzle back and forth.



6. Install smoke and heat detectors to notify your family and allow plenty of time to escape during a house fire.
7. Develop a family escape plan, with evacuation routes from each room.
8. Place stickers or decals on children's windows to assist firefighters in identifying those rooms.
9. Make sure your whole family knows how to set off any home panic buttons to notify authorities and other family members of a house fire.



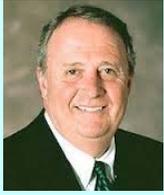
Working
**SMOKE ALARMS
SAVE LIVES**

Change Your Clock, Change Your Battery

"Dedicated To Life Safety"

The North Little Rock Fire Department F.O.C.U.S. (Firefighters Organize Community Understanding on Safety) Program educates residents on home fire safety through voluntary home fire safety surveys and a home smoke alarm installation and check. If you are a North Little Rock resident and would like to have a free smoke alarm installed or a home safety survey performed call 501-340-5377.

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 (January events).

Hays Center—73 new members. 9,947 visits for the month. Activities included the Arkansas League of Artists exhibit, Black Women's Achievements exhibit, Governor's Advisory Council on Aging meeting, Glass art class with Charley Baxter, KATV segment on water aerobics class, Baptist Health began year-long diabetes prevention class. Provided 14 trips: Bryant Senior Center, Swan Lake, Murry's Dinner Playhouse, and Dondie's White River Princess Restaurant at Des Arc. Transported Public Senior Housing residents to medical appointments, Goodwill store and grocery store. Mayor's Office of Volunteer Services volunteers logged 1,131 hours.

Electric Customer Service—Bad debt—\$12,563, New accts—895, Finaled accts—830. Customer calls—8,638. Direct contact: 1,348 inside teller payments: 6,997 Electric; 7,979 Gas/Water. Drive thru: 3,865 Electric; 4,660 Gas/Water. Online: 8,208.

Street Department—patched pot holes, litter crew picking up litter, cutting and cleaning Camp Robinson cement ditch, E. 56th cement ditch, and other ditches around city. Also checked and cleaned drains. Finishing alley ways. Continue to check drains—flush and clean.

Sanitation—Collected and disposed of 1,775.85 tons (3,551,700 lbs) of household garbage/rubbish. Yard Waste crews collected and disposed 80 loads; 2,102 cubic yards of green waste. Loose leaf crews collected 123 loads (3,922.71) cubic yards of mulched leaves. Picked up 274 tires. 45 Waste Management related complaints. Picked up 231 waste tires.

Traffic Services—approved 105 barricade applications for permits. Repaired or replaced 152 signs and posts, marked 25 city vehicles with logo, 61 Arkansas One Call location requests.

Police—Crime numbers show a decrease overall. Violent crime is up with robberies being the reason for the overall increase. Overall property crime is down. During the previous year, over 100 weapons were taken from unlocked vehicles. This is a reminder to lock your vehicles at all times and to remove weapons and secure them properly within your home. 150 residents participated in the following training—"Citizen's Response to the Active Shooter." Lieutenant John Breckon retired after serving many positions within the department during his 25 year career.

Fire—Total incidents—1,096
Total Unit Responses—2,120

Residential Fires—25
Other fires—0
Vehicle Fires—8
False Alarms/Malfunctions—90
Rescue/Emergency Medical—605
Mutual Aid—0
Hazardous Material Response—8
Structure Fire fatalities—0
Vehicle fire fatalities—0
Training hours—23,644
Total Building Surveys—106

Office of Emergency Services/911—

Total incoming calls: 14,144
Non-911 calls: 6,418
Wired 911: 926 Abandoned Wired 911: 133
Wireless 911: 6,043 Abandoned Wireless: 624
Total dispatch computer entries: 8,722

Planning—reviewed 3 new commercial projects (average \$693,499)—8108 Counts Massie/Big Red, 4816 E Broadway/Stella Liquor, 5609 MacArthur/Family Dollar, 5 commercial remodel projects and issued 13 new single family residence permits (average \$198,138). Also issued 4 Sign permits and 2 Banner permits. Inspectors completed 369 inspections and covered 4,570 miles: 91 Electric; 90 Building; 118 Plumbing; 70 HVAC. Department is working towards accepting certain permits on-line beginning in April.

Electric Department—38,528 customers, Peak Power—146,262 KW, Territory— 60 square miles, miles of wire—555.1 miles, # Transformers—11,252, Street lights—11,049 (149 repaired), Security lights—4,225 (50 repaired), Smart meters—39,401, Revenue—\$6,775,222. 1-9-18 1,131 customers without power 16 minutes due to downed guy wire-had to drop circuit to clear. 1-29-18 969 customers without power 21 minutes due to dropped tree limb on primary line.

Code Enforcement—87 assigned calls, 390 initiated calls, 60 citations, 343 violation notices, 183 vehicles tagged, 150 structures inspected, 19 rental inspections, 18 food service inspections, 0 search warrant, 1 house demolished by city, 6 houses demolished by owner. Code Maintenance—46 assigned calls, 52 vacant lots cleaned, 8 lots with structures cleaned, secured 4 vacant houses, vacant lots mowed—0, lots with structures mowed—0.



North Little Rock Convention & Visitors Bureau—Visitors Information Center in Burns Park had 425 visitors in January. Downtown RV Park had 258 reservations with an average stay of 3 days and a total of 774 camping days. The Arkansas Inland Maritime Museum had 853 visitors, which included overnight stays, Girl Scout Pizza Party and Navy re-enlistment ceremony.

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North Little Rock Animal Control

Incoming animals—137/YTD-137

Adoptions—32/YTD-32

Reclaimed—22/YTD-22

Euthanized—56/YTD-56

Citations issued—34/YTD-34

Dogs/cats sterilized—48/YTD-48

Calls for service—561/YTD-561

Pulaski County (accepted at NLR)

Incoming Animals—66/YTD-66

Adopted—15/YTD-15

Reclaimed—4/YTD-4

Euthanized—22/YTD-22

YTD=Year to date

No adoptable animals were euthanized for space, however several cats were. ****Non-adoptable animals are those that are sick, injured, unweaned (puppies and kittens), vicious, court ordered or by owner request.****

Reminder! Please consider adopting from a shelter! Shelter pets make great additions to any family! And **PLEASE** spay or neuter your pets!



Daylight Saving Time begins
at 2:00 a.m.

Sunday, March 11, 2018.

Don't forget to *Spring Forward!*



**North Little Rock Friends of Animals
announces new Fundraiser!**

Spaghetti Dinner

Mark your calendars today!

Friday, April 13, 2018

Burns Park Hospitality House

Tickets are \$10 for adults

\$6 for children 6–12

Silent auction!

If you can't attend but have something you would like to donate for the Silent Auction to NLRFOA, please call the shelter at 501-791-8577.

Cash donations are also acceptable.

NLRFOA is a 501c3 non-profit organization, donations are tax deductible!

All proceeds benefit the animals at North Little Rock Animal Shelter who are awaiting a FOREVER home.



SPAGHETTI DINNER

William “Casey” Laman Library and Argenta Branch Library Happenings

The Cat in the Hat, Thing One, and Thing Two invite kids of all ages to celebrate **Dr. Seuss’ Birthday** with stories, games, and refreshments at the Argenta Branch Library at 4 p.m. on March 2.



Get involved with the Main Branch Mats for the Homeless community project at 1 p.m. March 3, 17, and 31. Special workshops can be arranged for your group by calling (501) 758-1720.

Back to Bremen is the inspiring true story of a mother's journey to save her children through the ruins of the Third Reich. Seen through Edith Rupke's eyes as a child and her memories seventy years later, the book's story is of her mother and seven siblings' nine-week trek through war-torn Germany. Meet Edith Rupke and author Cecelia Wilson at the Argenta Branch for an **Author Reading and Discussion** at 1 p.m. March 8 and **Books and Brunch** at 10 a.m. March 17.

Don't let your devices frustrate you - get help in **Tick Tock Tech Time** at the Main Branch at 2 p.m. on March 5 and at the Argenta Branch at 2:30 p.m. on March 14.

Enjoy playing Trivial Pursuit and other board games with the **Main Branch Nerd Hub** at 5:30 p.m. on March 5.

With stories, games and refreshments, the William F. Laman Public Library Main Branch **Dr. Seuss Family Night** promises to be fun for all at 6 p.m. on March 8.

Meet artist Michael Schaeffer at the **Argenta Branch during ArtWalk** from 5 to 8 p.m. on March 16. His painting exhibit continues in the Argenta Branch Gallery through April 14. Admission is free.

The Argenta Branch shows **Free Movies** at 1 p.m. with ***Wonder Woman*** on March 12 and ***Lego Batman*** on March 19.

Adults play **Bingo** at the Argenta Branch at 1 p.m. March 9 and at the Main Branch at 1 p.m. March 13.

The Main Branch hosts free crafting classes with **Eggshell Mosaic Vase Making** at 1 p.m. on March 14, **DIY Sugar Scrub** at 11:30 a.m. on March 15, and **Scrapbook Paper Coasters** at 1 p.m. on March 20. All materials provided. Please sign up at the Main Desk or by calling (501) 758-1720.

Children enjoy polishing their reading skills with therapy dogs in the **Tail Waggin' Tutors** program at 4 p.m. on March 16.

The **Laman Library Lucky Baby Fair** from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on March 17 provides new and expectant parents information about baby and toddler health and social services in Central Arkansas. Door prizes awarded too!

William F. Laman Public Library partners with ACANSA for **Free Art Workshops during Spring Break**, March 19-23.

The **Main Branch hosts Theater Arts Camps** from 10 a.m. to noon with different activities each day. There are sessions for 4th- to 6th-graders and 7th- to 9th-graders. The **Argenta Branch hosts 2 p.m. workshops for kids of all ages with Collage on March 19, Rock Painting on March 20, The Painted Pig on March 21, Kids' Jewelry Making on March 22, and Card Making/Paper Crafting on March 23.** Seating for workshops is limited. Please call the Argenta Branch at (501) 687-1061 or the Main Branch at (501) 758-1720 to register.

Both Branches Close for Staff Training on March 26 and 27.

Meet the Easter Bunny for a free photo at the Argenta Branch Library at 4 p.m. on March 30.

Whether you need to tone up or relax, take advantage of free classes at the Main Branch. We have **Mixed Fit** classes at 11 a.m. on Saturdays, **Meditation Workshops** at 1:30 p.m. on Thursdays, and **Yoga** classes at 6 p.m. on Thursdays. Pre-registration required for Meditation and Yoga.

Other Children's and Teen Events:

Mondays

Legos - Jumbo Lego Building is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Argenta Branch March 5, 12, and 19 and **Lego Lab** at the Main Branch starts at 4 p.m. March 5 and 12.

Main Branch Music and Movement - Kids move to the beat at 10:30 a.m. March 5, 12, and 19.

Argenta Branch Spirograph Drawing - Old-School fun starting at 3:30 p.m. on March 5 and 12.

Main Branch Art Attack! - Creations commence at 4 p.m. on March 19.

Main Branch Teen Center at 4 p.m. - Brush Bot Battles held on March 5. **Movies** shown March 12.

Free Supper Service - The Main Branch hosts free meals from 5 to 6 p.m. for ages 0-18, except when the library is closed March 26.

Tuesdays

Main Branch Storytimes - Stories, rhymes, and fun at 10:30 a.m. on March 6, 13, and 20.

Argenta Rock Painting - Kids can spread a little joy in the community or make them to keep at 3:30 p.m. March 6 and 13.

Main Branch Terrific Tuesday Fun - Join us for crafts and activities at 4 p.m. March 6, 13, and 20.

Main Branch Teen Center at 4 p.m. - Coding with Finch is on March 6, and **Anime Tuesday** features Perler Bead creations on March 13.

Free Supper Service - The Main Branch hosts free meals from 5 to 6 p.m. for ages 0-18, except when the library is closed March 27.



Wednesdays

Main Branch Baby & Preschool Storytimes - Stories, rhymes, and fun at 10:30 a.m.

Argenta Remote Control Car Racing - Lots of fun at 3 p.m. March 14 and 28.

Argenta Branch Twister - Kids play together at 3:30 p.m. March 7.

Main Branch Kids' Video Gaming - Wii games start at 3:30 p.m.

Main Branch Teen Center - Teen Gaming is offered from 4 to 7:30 p.m. March 7, 14, and 28.

Free Supper Service - The Main Branch hosts free meals from 5 to 6 p.m. for ages 0-18.

Thursdays

Argenta Branch Storytimes - Stories, rhymes, and fun at 10:30 a.m.

Main Branch Homeschooling Group - This month, the group learns about Scandinavia at 1 p.m. New students welcome.

Main Branch Creation Station - Crafting starts at 4 p.m.

Main Branch Teen Center 4 p.m. - Dance to Fit With Ms. Kyna is March 1, Shark Tank: App Edition is March 8, Pinch Proof St. Patrick's Day Necklace Making is March 15, and Ready Player One is March 29.

Free Supper Service - The Main Branch hosts free meals from 5 to 6 p.m. for ages 0-18.



Fridays

Main Branch Teen Center at 3:30 p.m. - Special Party Hours held on March 2, 9, 16, and 30.

Free Supper Service - The Main Branch hosts free meals from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. for ages 0-18.

Saturdays

Main Branch Teen Center - Teen Gaming held 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.



*Please join members of the
North Little Rock Woman's Club
as they celebrate their
60th Anniversary
Thursday, March 15, 2018*

5—7 p.m.

*Patrick Henry Hays Senior Citizens Center
401 West Pershing Boulevard*

House to House

Five Home Improvement Trends Worth Your Time

Found in the Daily Record
By Paul Kazlov

Paul Kazlov is a “green” home remodeling enthusiast and an industry pioneer for innovation in home renovation. Paul writes for the Global Home Improvement blog and strives to educate people about “green” products such as metal roofing and solar. Follow him on Twitter @PaulKazlov.

Oh that sinking feeling of looking around the house and realizing that everything could use an upgrade. Where do you even start? There are countless ways to improve your home not just for the curb appeal, but for its overall durability, safety, and energy efficiency as well. To help you plan out your next home improvement projects, listed below are the top 5 upgrades that are definitely worth your time, and can even help save you money.

1. **Windows.** Poorly-made windows can warp and crack, which leads to air leaking out of your home—and money leaking out of your wallet as you spend more on heating and cooling. Fiberglass windows are one of the smartest investments you can make because they’re extremely resistant to expanding and contracting in even the most extreme weather. This prevents seal failures from forming and ensures your home will stay well-insulated (and your energy bills stay low) no matter what mother nature has in store.
2. **Metal Roof.** Metal roofs are gaining popularity for all of their eco-friendly and energy-saving benefits, along with their stunning good looks. In addition to being made from recycled material and being recyclable at the end of their lives, metal roofs keep your home cooler, are virtually impervious to water and pests, and can withstand extreme weather. Oh, and they can also last for over 70 years with little to no maintenance. A no-worry roof? If that’s not a worthwhile upgrade, I don’t know what is.
3. **Energy Star Appliances.** Swapping out your existing appliances for those with an Energy Star rat-

ing is another fantastic way to save money on your bills. Because they require less electricity, you can end up cutting your costs by as much as 50 percent — not to mention you can often get a tax break on qualifying purchases. Energy-efficient hot water heaters, toilets, washing machines, and dishwashers also use less water, which reduces both your own water consumption and your water bill as well.

4. **LED Lightbulbs.** These bright lights have gained a lot of attention in past few years for their long life and energy-saving properties. LED bulbs can last for over 20 years and convert far more energy to light than traditional bulbs, which helps cut down on the amount of power they need to operate and the amount of money you spend on energy. Although the price is a major deterrent for many home owners since individual bulbs can cost as much as \$100, this is one home improvement you can do in increments. Consider buying just a few bulbs per

year for the lights you use the most, and continue adding more throughout your house over time.

5. **Insulation.** It’s important to check your insulation levels every so often to make sure you’re not losing energy through your walls. All you need to do is take the temperature of your walls with an inexpensive infrared thermometer to figure out where the problem spots are, and don’t forget to check your attic to make sure you still have 10” of material insulating your home

from above. If you need to re-insulate, there are lots of eco-friendly options available that are made from natural fibers, cellulose, recycled plastic, and other materials that don’t come with the same harmful health effects that fiberglass insulation does.

Although these are just a few of the ways you can improve your home, remember to consider the benefits other than aesthetic appeal you’ll receive from any given upgrade. If the project will help you save money in the long term and if it increases the integrity of your home, it’s well worth considering and taking priority over improvements that may not have as many benefits. What was the last upgrade you made to your home?

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North Little Rock City Employees who recently lost family members



Bruce Glen Jones—brother of BJ Jones, Community Planning Department passed away unexpectedly at his home Saturday, January 20, 2018. He was born December 14, 1959. He played drums in a band in his younger days and was a contractor by trade.

Bruce loved the outdoors and nature He said it brought him closer to God. One of his favorite times of year was deer season. He looked forward to it every year.

He was preceded in death by his dad, Bob Jones and his grandparents. He is survived by a son, Stormy Jones; his mom, Bobbye Jones, a sister, Brenda (BJ) Jones; a special niece, Sasha Pilkington (Danny); his brand new great niece, Lottie, his dog Spaz and many relatives and friends who

will miss him.

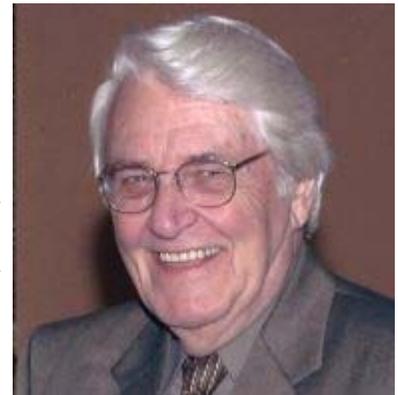
A celebration of life was held on Friday, January 26, 2018, at Roller-Drummond Funeral Home.

Richard (Dick) Allan Wilson, husband of Brenda Wilson, NLR Electric Department, passed away January 29, 2018. He was born June 18, 1935, to the late Lawrence William Wilson and Ruth Newton Williams. He loved to hunt, fish, travel and spend time outdoors and loved spending time with his family and friends. He spent 34 years working for Staley Co. and was a retired Air Force Master Sergeant with over 20 years of service.

He is survived by his wife Brenda Evatt Wilson; 6 children; Les Wilson (Julie) Shane Lewis (Kristy), April Wilson, Kim Ketelsen (Josh), Genny Flores, and Vikki Wolf (Matt); 15 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren; a sister, Ruth Mary Lyons of Colorado, a brother, J. William “Bill Wilson (Molly) of Iowa; brother, Rex Foster; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and extended friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Rick Wilson in 2016; grandson, Ashton Garrett; mother-in-law, Ruby Dorrell and a sister, Kathy Wilson.

Funeral services were held February 6, 2018, at Roller-Drummon Funeral Home.



North Little Rock Lions Club Annual Bob Moore Memorial Fish Fry

Friday, April 20, 2018

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: \$10.00



Tickets Available at the Door or from any club member



We Serve

Since 1917, Lions clubs have offered people the opportunity to give something back to their communities. From involving members in local projects such 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.



**Peddlers Permit
City of North Little Rock**

Issued to: **Mel Dun**
Issued: 1/2/18
Expires: **3/31/18**



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

Question: *If someone comes to my home selling Cable TV subscriptions, are they required to have a door-to-door peddlers permit?*

Answer: Yes. Anyone going door to door in the North Little Rock City Limits is required to have a peddlers permit and ID issued by the City Clerk's Office.

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.

Leaf Vacuums!

For locations, please call 501-371-8340 or visit our website at www.nlr.ar.gov, then click on the Government Tab, then scroll down the A-Z

Department List to Sanitation and look for the Leaf Vacuum status.

If you don't want to wait, bag your leaves and they will be picked up weekly with your yard waste.



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

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.

As of March 1, 2018, the following door to door peddler was licensed in the city of North Little Rock.

Melvin H. Jackson—Legal Shield
Expires 4-5-2018

To see a list of issued permits, visit the city website at 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. All licensed door to door peddlers are **required to have the ID issued by the City Clerk's Office with them at all times.**

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.

The City Council Agenda can be found at 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
Information	975-8888
Human Resources, Betty Anderson	975-8855
Planning, Shawn Spencer	975-8835
Purchasing, Mary Beth Bowman	975-8881
Utilities Accounting, Terrell Milton	975-8888

City Council Members

Ward 1	Debi Ross Beth White	753-0733 758-2738
Ward 2	Linda Robinson Maurice Taylor	945-8820 690-6444
Ward 3	Steve Baxter Ron Harris	804-0928 758-2877
Ward 4	Murry Witcher Charlie Hight	835-0009 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 Amy Fields	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	
Communications.....	501-975-8833
Nathan Hamilton	
External Relations.....	501-975-8605
Margaret Powell	
Fit 2 Live.....	501-975-8777
Isaac Henry	
Special Projects.....	501-975-3737
Jim Billings	

North Little Rock Curbside Recycling
schedule for the month of February



Feb 26—Mar 2 NO
March 5—9 Recycle
March 12--16 NO
March 19 —23 Recycle
March 26-29 NO

March Birthdays

Name	Dept	Date	Name	Dept	Date
THOMPSON, MICHAEL	Fire	1	JORDAN, MICHAEL	Fire	17
EVANS, BENJAMIN	Fire	1	JOHNSON, DAMEON	Fire	17
HOPE, IAN	Parks Maint	1	HUMPHRIES, TODD	Police	17
BASS, PATRICIA	Parks Maint	1	USSERY, SHELLEY	City Clerk	18
FOWLKES, CRYSTAL	Finance	2	POOLE, DENNIS	Fire	18
HEISER, DAVID	Traffic	3	GARRINGER, DONALD	Fire	18
BRADLEY, CHRISTOPHER	Fire	4	FISHER, JON	Police	18
REESE, CODY	Traffic	4	JONES, ALYSON	Comm Planning	19
LOCKWOOD, ZACHRY	Electric	5	TUBBS, MARK	Police	19
CROSS, JUSTIN	Police	5	SPRIGGS, ROBERT	Police	19
GRAYSON, BRIAN	Animal Shelter	9	DENTON, MARY	OES/911	21
SHOOK, LARRY	Fire	9	LATINA, THOMAS	Police	21
CARTER, JARROD	Fire	9	HOUSE, LACY	OES/911	23
WALLACE, TOLLIE	Parks Concesscio	9	BENNETT JR, BOBBY	Street	23
ALMON, WARREN	Fire	10	EVANS, STEPHEN	Fire	24
WILSON, CHRISTOPHER	Fire	10	MIDDLETON, BILL	Street	24
MAULDIN, ROBERT	HR	10	ANTHONY, ORLANDO	Parks Maint	24
WEBB, HEIDI	Police	10	MIDDLETON, DEBORAH	First Court	25
NORTHCUTT, JARED	Electric	11	CUSHING, DANIEL	Electric	26
MONTGOMERY, ERIC	Fire	11	KIMES JR, NATHAN	Police	27
SPENCER, LESLIE	Sanitation	11	AMBROSE, DOMINIQUE	Electric	28
ROBINSON, DAVID	Fire	12	FENNESSEE JR, CORNELIUS	Fire	28
HARLAN, TRENT	Fire	12	WILLIS, CRYSTAL	Commerce	28
BEASTON, RICHARD	Police	12	MCEUEN, ELLISA	Police	28
TEMPLE, JOHN	Police	12	GRACE, JASON	Police	29
THORNTON, GARY	Code	12	AKINS, DWIGHT	Sanitation	29
HADDOCK, TYSON	Fire	13	EVERETT, THOMAS	Traffic	29
TUCKER, ALTORIA	Sanitation	13	CAPLINGER, JEFFREY	Parks Spec Proj	29
BROOKS, BLAKE	Parks Maint	13	RAY, VINCENT	Police	30
SEEWALD, JESSICA	OES/911	15	HELTON, CARMEN	Police	30
ROE, JASON	Fire	15	KINCAID JR, WILLIAM	Street	30
JOSEPH, MARK	Parks Golf	15	DOUGLAS, TRAVIS	Parks Maint	30
PEACH, JACKIE	Electric	16	MCGOWAN, SEAN	Police	31
KNIFE, JASON	Fire	16	MARSHALL, LANCE	Parks Maint	31

Information regarding employee anniversaries and birthdates is provided by HR the prior year (i.e. 2018 was provided in 2017). So if an employee name is on the list that has retired or resigned, please disregard. Also, typos happen! Please let me know if a name is spelled wrong and a correction will be included next month! For employees who leave the city and come back in a different capacity or department, your length of service may change as well. Example, I worked in the Mayor's Office 10 years, then was elected City Clerk. I have been in the City Clerk's Office 18 years. My total service with the city is 28 years. If this scenario applies to you, please email me at least one month before the month of your anniversary month so I can include your total service to the City of NLR! Diane (Dwhitbey@nlr.ar.gov)

March Anniversaries

<i>Name</i>	<i>Dept</i>	<i># Yrs</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Dept</i>	<i># Yrs</i>
BARBER, JOHN	Administration	15	JONES, KRISTIN	HR	1
ERWIN, GARY	Airport	2	MILLER, MARIE-BERNARDE	Legal	2
JONES, PATRICIA	Animal Shelter	23	FIELDS, AMY	Legal	1
GARDNER, ANTHONY	Animal Shelter	20	HENSON, REGINA	Parks and Rec	31
KABAT, ANITA	Animal Shelter	5	WILBON, KATRINA	Parks and Rec	30
SPENCER, SHAWN	Comm Planning	16	BARENTINE, RONALD	Parks Golf	4
MCPHAIL, ROY	Electric	45	SPEARS, BRYAN	Parks Maint	13
HALSEY, JACKIE	Electric	20	DOUGLAS, TRAVIS	Parks Maint	4
POZZA, RICHARD	Electric	20	O'DELL, CHARLES	Parks Maint	1
GREGORY, LANA	Electric	20	KING, JEN-CHUAN	Police	21
HOUSTON, JAMES	Electric	16	MERLO, MICHAEL	Police	21
NICHOLAS, CHRISTOPHER	Electric	13	GANN, CHRIS	Police	21
RAY, CHRISTOPHER	Electric	13	GARRETT, PATRICK	Police	21
WILSON, JAMES	Electric	11	ALSTON, JOHN	Police	21
BROWN, ZACHARY	Electric	11	FELTON, LINDA	Police	20
FRIDAY JR, DONALD	Electric	7	BLEVINS, MICHAEL	Police	18
DUNLAP, MARTIN	Electric	2	LACY, DENISE	Police	18
SADLER, LEEANN	OES/911	9	FORNEY, JOSHUA	Police	18
BONNER, AMANDA	Finance	18	STEELE, DONALD	Police	17
POUNDERS, JOHN	Fire	33	THOMAS, MATTHEW	Police	17
BENNETT, RENALDO	Fire	33	CRAIG, REBA	Police	16
GRIMES, STEVEN	Fire	33	CROWDER, JON	Police	16
EVANS, STEPHEN	Fire	28	HALEY, DANIEL	Police	15
TUCKER, GERALD	Fire	28	CUPPS, ROBERT	Police	15
ALBERS, RICKY	Fire	28	KINKAID, BRYAN	Police	14
PLATT, CHARLES	Fire	28	MODDRELL, LINDA	Police	1
MUNDY, BENJAMIN	Fire	27	WILBOURN, DAVID	Public Works	7
METCALF, TERENCE	Fire	27	GUNN III, WALTER	Public Works	6
DIXON, MATTHEW	Fire	27	WRIGHT, WAYNE	Sanitation	14
JONES, BILLY	Fire	24	RODGERS, DAVID	Sanitation	4
CHASSELLS, AARON	Fire	19	RHODES, BERNADETTE	Hays Center	7
HENDERSON, AARON	Fire	7	JERNIGAN, EDWARD	Street	11
DURAN, DANTANIEL	Fire	7	STEELE, JASON	Street	11
WORTHAM, CODY	Fire	7	LEE, CLIFFORD	Street	4
SCHMIDT, JACOB	Fire	7	ROARK, KRISTOPHER	Street	4
COTHREN, ROSS	Fire	2	BENNETT JR, BOBBY	Street	2
BREEN, JOSEPH	First Court	6	FLETCHER, KAREN	UAD	30
MEADOWS, DONELL	First Court	1	MAXEY, BRECK	UAD	24
ANDERSON, BETTY	HR	17	PRIDMORE, RICKY	Vehicle Maint	7
FLEMING, CAMILLE	HR	4			



MARCH 17, 2018 ST PATRICK'S DAY FAMILY FUN RUN

AND MINI-MILER
THROUGH PARK HILL AND LEVY

Run It – Walk It – Crawl It

Meet your neighbors.

See the sights.

Get your move on before you get

your groove on for

St. Patrick's Day 2018!



For info contact Jenna Rhodes at 816.916.2325 or jdrhodes@nlr.ar.gov

Rain Date: March 24, 2018

Sponsor Levels are: *Lil' Leprechaun \$1—\$250 (cash or in-kind) Thank you mention at pre-/post-race festivities*
Shamrock \$251—\$499 (cash or in-kind) includes speaking opportunity at pre-/post-race festivities; name on swag bag; free vendor booth at Health Fair
Pot O' Gold \$500—up! (cash or in-kind) includes speaking opportunity at pre-/post-race festivities, name on swag bag and vendor booth at Health Fair

If you would like to be an event sponsor, contact Jenna at jdrhodes@nlr.ar.gov, or 816-916-2325.

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Register at:
<http://bit.ly/2EDFA97>

Registration at 8:00 am
Family Fun Run at 8:30 am
Mini-Mile at 8:45 am
Health Fair from 9-12 pm

Runs start at
Levy Baptist Church on
Pike Ave in NLR
(3501 Pike Ave, NLR)

\$20 registration for
Family Fun Run
\$10 registration for
Mini-Miler

Family Fun Run route
includes views of
downtown LR, historic
homes and a section of
the Rails to Trails project

All profits to benefit
the NLR Jump Start
Coalition for use in
future community
events



Burns Park Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday, March 31, 2018
Youth Baseball Complex



Ages: Youth 1-9
*(Note: ages will be divided into groups:
1-3, 4-6, 7-9, and Special Needs)*

Registration begins at 9 a.m. Egg Hunt starts at 10 a.m.

*Coloring areas, opportunity for photos with the Easter Bunny,
Bounce houses and much more!*

Sponsored by Centennial Bank



For more information, call 501-791-8543 or
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