# NLR Neighborhood News

### **Speed Safety --**



If you drive the interstate system in Arkansas you have seen signs telling drivers to move over a lane or to slow down when passing an emergency vehicle with flashing lights. These signs are an effort to increase the safety of officers and emergency responders when assisting stranded or wrecked motorists and during traffic stops.

Surprisingly enough, pedestrian officers being struck by vehicles is the second leading cause of accidental death for police officers across the country according to the FBI's Law Enforcement Officers Killed & Assaulted (LEOKA) report. This report was looking at statistics from 2016

through 2019. In fact, the number of officers killed has increased from six in 2017 to nine in 2018 and up to 16 in 2019. Probable causes for the accidents include drivers ignoring signs and not slowing down and drivers who are impaired or distracted.

Research on this issue has broader applications and sheds light on the dangers of speeding and being distracted in general. A study by Ashton and Mccay in the United Kingdom clearly tied speed to deaths when the pedestrian is hit by the front of a vehicle. Below 15 miles per hour vehicle/pedestrian accidents result in mild injuries. From 15 to 30 mph collisions result in moderate to severe injuries. And at 40 mph more than 80% of collisions result in death for the pedestrian. The higher the speed the more likely death.

According to a report by the National Complete Streets Coalition, between 2008 and 2017 the number of pedestrians killed by drivers totaled 49,340, which is a 35% increase over the past decade. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration deaths of pedestrians has jumped by 42% over the past decade even as all other traffic deaths have fallen by 8%.

The problem involves injuries as well, even if no one is killed. A survey by MPH Industries (maker of police radar, speed signs, etc.) showed that the injury rate among police officers was 7.7 times the fatality rate and a hospitalization rate 2.5 times higher than the fatality rate. In fact in their survey, MPH Industries found that 81% of patrol officers were very concerned about potentially being struck by a vehicle while working on the side of a road.

There is a reason our residential streets and school zones have lower speed limits. Even the best driver can get distracted, and speed kills.

# City of North Little Rock Remaining 2021 Holiday and Sanitation Schedule



Memorial Day - Monday, May 31 City offices closed. Sanitation and Recycling will run one day late this week.



Independence Day - Sunday, July 4
City offices closed Monday, July 5
Sanitation runs regular
Monday-Friday Schedule.
Recycling runs one day late.



**Labor Day - Monday, September 6**City offices closed.
Sanitation and Recycling run one day late this week.



Veteran's Day -Thursday, November 11 City offices closed.

Sanitation runs regular Monday-Friday routes. Recycling runs one day late Friday & Saturday.



Thanksgiving Thursday, November 25 & 26
City offices closed.

Sanitation and Recycling run one day late Friday & Saturday.



Christmas - December 23 & 24 City offices closed. Sanitation and Recycling run regular Monday-Friday routes.

The underlying message of the Neighborhood is that if somebody cares about you, it's possible that you'll care about others. 'You are special, and so is your neighbor' - that part is essential: that you're not the only special person in the world.

The person you happen to be with at the moment is loved, too. -- Fred Rogers Read more at https://www.brainyquote.com/topics/neighborhood-quotes

### **Recycling Reminders -- Curbside Cart Basic Recycling Rules:**

North Little Rock residents can now recycle clean, clear, glass bottles and jars along with empty food and beverage gable top cartons.



Empty plastic bottles and jugs.

Empty aluminum, steel, and tin cans.

**Paper**, cardboard, newspapers, junk mail, and paperboard (*like cereal boxes, but without the plastic liner*). Flatten all cardboard to fit inside the cart. *No plastic bags or other items that could wrap around or tangle up (like*)

clothes, cords, or wire). No food, food scraps, yard waste, or anything that can spoil or rot.

For more information regarding recycling go to: MyDoRight.com.

## Facebook Security - Preventing Lock Out!

Many of our neighborhoods depend on social media for communication. During the Covid-19 lock down, social media was instrumental in our neighborhood groups surviving. For many it was the first place to look for updated information.

Over time, anyone who has had a social media presence has either been locked out or knows someone who was locked out of their own Facebook account. It seems hackers get great enjoyment out of accessing accounts and changing the password to deny access to the rightful owner.

In addition to the Two Factor Authentication method (which is strongly recommended) you can now add a "backdoor" method to regain access to your locked account. This new method of recovery is called Trusted Contacts. You set up 3 to 5 contacts that you trust, and list them with Facebook. If you ever need to access your account due to an unauthorized password change, a code is sent to your "Trusted Contact" friends. You can then contact these friends either in-person, via text or email to get the code. Once you enter the code Facebook will know you are the legitimate owner and will relinquish control back to you.

The process is simple.

On a desktop computer login to Facebook.

Go into your Account Settings (click the down looking arrow in the top right hand corner).

Select Settings & Privacy.

Select Settings.

Select Security & Login.

Scroll down to Setting Up Extra Security.

Select Choose 3 to 5 Friends To Contact If You Get Locked Out.

Select your friends and click done.

It's that simple. According to Rich DeMuro with KTLA, Nexstar Media Wire, you can access your Facebook page through your phone app by using these settings.

Simply open Facebook on your phone.

For an Andriod phone tap the three lines in the upper right-hand corner.

For an IOS phone tap the three lines in the lower right-hand corner.

Scroll down and tap Settings & Privacy.

Tap Settings.

Scroll down and tap Security & Login.

Scroll to Choose 3 to 5 Friends To Contact If You Get Locked Out.

Follow the instructions to set up your Trusted Contacts.

Take time today to protect the security of your Facebook account.

# **Questions? Contact the Following**

All dates are evening meetings unless otherwise noted.

#### **Amboy Crime Watch**

1st Thursday, 6:00 Burns Park Hospitality House, Military Drive & Joe Poch Road Paula Lively, 350-7649 acw@aol.com

#### Amboy Neighborhood Assn.

Every 3rd Monday, 6:30 Burns Park Hospitality House Military Drive & Joe Poch Rd. Michelle Holt, (501) 348-6953 Petminders@live.com

#### **Argenta Neighborhood Boosters**

Every 3rd Thursday, 6:00 NLR Heritage Center 506 Main Street Katie Gleason, (501) 773-6189

#### Baring Cross Neighborhood Assn.

Every 3rd Monday, 6:00 ACTS Church 13th & Franklin Sts. Harlan Hunter, 541-1591

#### **Cobblestone Crime Watch**

2nd Tuesday, 6:30 January, April, July & October Suni Mc Clelland, (501) 920-5330 sunimcclellad@gmail.com

# **Dark Hollow Community Development Corporation**

Every 3rd Tuesday, 6:30 1400 Pine Street Belinda Burney, 376-8144

# **Dixie Addition Community Development Corporation**

Every 3rd Monday, 6:00 914 "H" Street

#### Glenview Neighborhood Assn.

Every 1st Tuesday, 7:00 Glenview Rec. Ctr, 4800 E 19th St. Tim Deloney, 553-8703 timrdeloney@comcast.net

#### **HOLT Neighborhood Assn.**

3rd Monday, 6:30 March, June, August & November Gardner Memorial United Methodist Joy Cameron, 374-9520

# Indian Hills Neighborhood Association/Crime Watch

Stephen Whiting, 425-1942

#### Keep North Little Rock Beautiful

Every 2nd Monday, 6:00 Rockwater Marina Clubhouse Randy Naylor, 350-8775 or Lisa Smith, 791-2568; KNLRB@aol.com or www.Facebook.com/KNLRB

#### Meadow Park Neighborhood Assn.

Every 2nd Tuesday, 7:00 Bethany Baptist Church 308 Eureka Gardens Road Michael Davis, 508-1108

#### **Melrose Outreach**

Every 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 Melrose Grocery, 807 Willow St. Phone: 372-3810 or 374-7842

#### Military Heights Outreach Assn.

Every 2nd Thursday, 6:30 North Little Rock Community Center

#### **NAACP**

Every 1st Tuesday, 6:00 P.O. Box 5571 North Little Rock, AR 72119 Deborah F. Rhodes, Ph: 819-3890 nlrnaacp201@yahoo.com

#### **Neighbors United for Levy**

Every 1st Monday, 6:30 No Heights Recreation, 4801 Allen Doug McDowall, 758-1668

#### North Little Rock Landlords Assn

Every 3rd Monday, 7:00 NLR Community Ctr, 2700 Willow St. Gail Blucker, 835-6679



#### Park Hill Neighborhood

1st Tuesday, Odd months only, 6:00 Idlewild Park Historic Building Corner of D, No. Cedar & Plainview John Gregan, 758-7159 johngregan@att.net

#### Ridge Road Village Neighborhood Watch

Every 4th Thursday, 5:00 4748 Ridge Road, Phone : 771-7500

#### Rose City Neighborhood Assn.

Every 3rd Monday, 7:00 Rose City Police Substation Broadway & Lynch Drive Ken Abel, 791-8500, lv message Nlrrosecityneighborhood@gmail.com

#### Scenic Hill Neighborhood Assn.

2nd Thursday, 7:00 in January, March, June & September Randy Naylor, 350-8775

#### Sertoma Club of NLR

Every Wednesday, 12:00 noon US Pizza on Warden Road

#### Sherman Park Neighborhood

Every 3rd Monday, 6:00 8th St. Baptist Church Corner of Hickory & SA Jones Sts. Artis Boykin, 372-7490

#### Stone Links Neighborhood Assn.

Every 3rd Tuesday, 6:00 Stone Links Golf Course Clubhouse Marie Hollowell, 404-259-2957

#### Willow Beach Neighborhood Assn

2nd Tuesday in March & October, 6:30 Church at Willow Beach John Santaro, 607-1755

### City of North Little Rock City Hall 300 Main Street

#### **Elected Officials**

Mayor Terry Hartwick 975-8601 City Clerk, Diane Whitbey 975-8617 City Attorney, Amy Fields 975-3755

#### Council Members Ward 1

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Debi Ross	753-0733
Nathan Hamilton	952-7679
Ward 2	
Linda Robinson	945-8820
Maurice Taylor	690-6444
Ward 3	
Steve Baxter	804-0928
Ron Harris	758-2877
Ward 4	
Charlie Hight	944-0670
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#### **Tourism In NLR**

Scott Sudduth Vice President of Tourism Development for the North Little Rock Convention and Visitors Bureau is responsible for sales, marketing, community outreach, and development of tourism for North Little Rock.

The mission of the NLR Convention and Visitors Bureau is to attract visitors to North Little Rock, invite them to stay in the hotels, eat in the restaurants and encourage them to spend money in the community.

When your neighborhood starts meeting again, he is available to come speak at one of your meetings about tourism, its impact on North Little Rock and Arkansas. For more information contact Scott Sudduth at (501) 404-0397.



## 2021 Recycling Weeks

May 9 & 23
June 6 & 20
July 4 & 18
August 1, 15 & 29
September 12 & 26
October 10 & 24
November 7 & 21
December 5 & 19

Put your bins to the curb by 7:00 a.m. the day of your regular household garbage pick up. Put them away by 8:00 a.m. the next day.

Recycling Questions? Call Waste Management at (501) 565-0191.

### North Little Rock City Meetings

Thomas Cemetery Committee 1st Monday, 6:15 pm Levy Baptist Church, 3501 Pike Ave.

NLR Airport Commission 3rd Thursday, 12:00 pm 120 Main Street, Room A City Services Building

City Council Meetings 2nd & 4th Monday, 6:00 p.m. NLR City Hall, 300 Main Street

Planning Commission Sign Board 2nd Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. 120 Main St., 2nd floor, west end

Planning Commission 2nd Tuesday, 4:45 pm/300 Main St.

History Commission 2nd Tuesday, 6:00 pm/506 Main St.

Historic District Commission 2nd Thursday, 6:00 pm 506 Main St.

Parks & Recreation Commission 3rd Monday, 5:00 pm 2700 Willow St.

City Beautiful Commission 3rd Monday, 2:00 p.m. 3427 North Magnolia Street

Senior Citizen Commission Every 4th Monday, 3:00 p.m. 401 West Pershing

Planning Commission Board of Adjustment & Appeal Last Thursday of each month, 1:30 p.m. 120 Main St., 2nd floor, west end

### Arkansas Game and Fish Commission (AGFC) Update -

WITT STEPHENS JR CENTRAL ARKANSAS NATURE CENTER— Anglers and hunters and other boaters who use the state's waterways are being reminded by the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission's Fisheries Division of a new regulation that took effect Jan. 1, 2021, requiring all boat drain plugs to be removed before and during trailering of vessels to and from access facilities on lakes, rivers and streams.

This includes plugs for live wells, ballast tanks and the like.

There are a couple of exceptions to the regulation, however. Fishing tournament officials may submit a request to the AGFC Fisheries Division for written permission to allow for the transport of fish to an offsite weigh station. All tournament participants must be given a copy of the permit. Also, transportation of baitfish is allowed in compliance with Code 26.27 of the AGFC's Code of Regulations.

A similar boat plug regulation was already in place in 21 other states to help stop the spread of aquatic nuisance species, and the new AGFC rule was part of an extensive list of regulations recommended by the Fisheries Division and approved by the Commission in 2020, to take effect beginning Jan. 1.



Aquatic nuisance species such as silver carp, giant salvinia, zebra mussels and others continue to spread across waterbodies in Arkansas, and the AGFC has as its mission a responsibility to put mechanisms in place to slow the spread. The boat plug removal regulation is one of many actions the AGFC has undertaken recently.

But the AGFC notes that at the end of the day, all boaters in Arkansas (including recreational boaters) can have the greatest impact on slowing the spread of aquatic nuisance species to other waterbodies in the state. Please help with the simple removal of any plugs from a boat that holds water before leaving a boat ramp parking lot.

Also, along with unplugging when trailering your boat, remember also to clean, drain and dry your boat after visiting a lake, river or stream to stop the spread of invasive species to another waterbody.

To submit paperwork for the fishing tournament exception, email Fisheries Biologist Jeff Buckingham at jeffrey.buckingham@agfc.ar.gov. Note that certain requirements must be met to qualify for an exception.

The updated Code 37.10 of the AGFC's Code of Regulations reads:

All aquatic vessel drain plug(s), including, but not limited to, bilges, livewells, baitwells and ballast tanks, must be removed before and during trailering of vessel to and from waterbody access facilities.

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