

## North Little Rock e-Newsletter

Provided by Diane Whitbey, City Clerk and Treasurer

June 2023

### Juneteenth: The history of a Holiday

Found at The New York Times and edited for space.

On June 19, 1865, enslaved African Americans in Texas were told they were free. A century and a half later, people across the U.S. continue to celebrate the day, which is now a federal (and City of NLR) holiday.

Juneteenth, an annual commemoration of the end of slavery in the United States after the Civil War, has been celebrated since the late 1800s.

President Joe Biden signed legislation in 2021 that made Juneteenth, which falls on June 19, a federal holiday, after interest in the day was renewed during the summer of 2020.

#### How did Juneteenth begin?

On June 19, 1865, about two months after the Confederate General Robert E. Lee surrendered at Appomattox, Va., Gordon Granger, a Union general, arrived in Galveston, Texas, to inform enslaved African Americans of their freedom and that the Civil War had ended. General Granger's announcement

put into effect the Emancipation Proclamation, which had been issued nearly two and a half years earlier, on January 1, 1863, by President Abraham Lincoln.

Early celebrations involved prayer and family gatherings, and later included annual pilgrimages to Galveston by former enslaved people and their families.

In 1872, a group of African American ministers and businessmen in Houston purchased 10 acres of land

and created Emancipation Park which was intended to hold the city's annual Juneteenth celebration.

#### The path to a national holiday.

In 1980, Texas became the first state to designate Juneteenth as a holiday. All states and the District of Columbia now recognize the day in some form.

Congress filed legislation in the summer of 2021. In the House, the measure passed by a vote of 415 to 14. And on June 17 of the same year, President Biden signed the bill into law, making Juneteenth the 11th holiday recognized by the federal government.

#### Why is it called Juneteenth?

The name "Juneteenth" references the date of the holiday, combining the words "June" and "Nineteenth."



Monday, May 22, 2023, North Little Rock City Council Members unanimously sponsored and adopted an ordinance declaring June 19th a city holiday in recognition of African American history, culture and achievements.

The City of North Little Rock appreciates all of our wonderful employees (new and seasoned). We are very fortunate to have a group of individuals who work every day to keep North Little Rock the wonderful city we all know and love.

**NLR City Offices will be closed Monday, June 19, 2023 in observance of the Juneteenth Day.**



"Where's Mel"? We are pausing the seek and find this month, but Mel will back in hiding next month!



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Animal Services**  
For more information  
call 501-791-8577

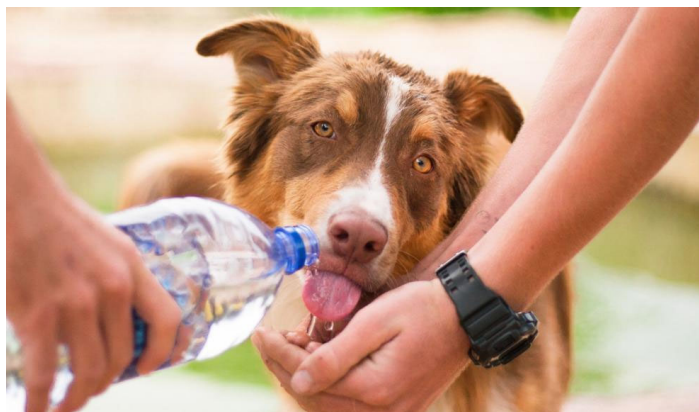
## Hot Weather Safety Tips

Found at [aspca.org/pet-care/](http://aspca.org/pet-care/)



We all love spending the long, sunny days of summer outdoors with our furry companions, but being overeager in hot weather can spell danger. To prevent your pet from overheating, take these simple precautions provided by ASPCA experts:

—Visit the vet for a spring or early-summer checkup. Make sure your pets get tested for heartworm if they aren't on year-round preventative medication.



—Pets can get dehydrated quickly, so give them plenty of fresh, clean water when it's hot or humid outdoors. Make sure your pets have a shady place to get out of the sun, be careful not to over-exercise them, and keep them indoors when it's extremely hot.

—Know the symptoms of overheating in pets, which include excessive panting or difficulty breathing, increased heart and respiratory rate, drooling, mild weakness, stupor or even collapse. Symptoms can also include seizures, bloody diarrhea and vomit along with an elevated body temperature of over 104 degrees.

—Animals with flat faces, like Pugs and Persian cats, are more susceptible to heat stroke since they cannot pant as effectively. These pets, along with the elderly, the overweight, and those with heart or lung diseases, should be kept cool in air-conditioned rooms as much as possible.

—Never leave your animals alone in a parked vehicle. Not only can it lead to fatal heat stroke, it is illegal in several states!

—Do not leave pets unsupervised around a pool—not all dogs are good swimmers. Introduce your pets to water gradually and make sure they wear flotation devices when

on boats. Rinse your dog off after swimming to remove chlorine or salt from his fur, and try to keep your dog from drinking pool water, which contains chlorine and other chemicals.

—Open unscreened windows pose a real danger to pets, who often fall out of them. Keep all unscreened windows or doors in your home closed, and make sure adjustable screens are tightly secured.

—Feel free to trim longer hair on your dog, but never shave your dog. The layers of dogs' coats protect them from overheating and sunburn. Brushing cats more often than usual can prevent problems caused by excessive heat. And be sure that any sunscreen or insect repellent product you use on your pets is labeled specifically for use on animals.

—When the temperature is very high, don't let your dog linger on hot asphalt. Being so close to the ground, your pooch's body can heat up quickly, and sensitive paw pads can burn. Keep walks during these times to a minimum. Commonly used rodenticides and lawn and garden insecticides can be harmful to cats and dogs if ingested, so keep them out of reach. Keep citronella candles, tiki torch products and insect coils out of pets' reach as well. Call your veterinarian or the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center at (888) 426-4435 if you suspect your animal has ingested a poisonous substance.

—Remember that food and drink commonly found at barbecues can be poisonous to pets. Keep alcoholic beverages away from pets, as they can cause intoxication, depression and comas. Similarly, remember that the snacks enjoyed by your human friends should not be a treat for your pet; any change of diet, even for one meal, may give your dog or cat severe digestive ailments. Avoid raisins, grapes, onions, chocolate and products with the sweetener xylitol. Please visit ASPCA's People Foods to Avoid Feeding Your Pets page for more information.

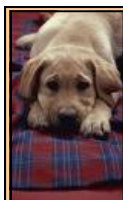
—Please leave pets at home when you head out to Fourth of July celebrations, and never use fireworks around pets. Exposure to lit fireworks can potentially result in severe burns or trauma, and even unused fireworks can contain hazardous materials. Many pets are also fearful of loud noises and can become lost, scared or disoriented, so it's best to keep your little guys safe from the noise in a quiet, sheltered and escape-proof area of your home.

For other ways to help, look for hot weather safety infographic online and share to alert others of the dangers pets may face during the summer.

On the next page is a flyer found at [aspca.org](http://aspca.org).

*The message above applies to all pets (dogs, cats, horses, etc.). When it is really hot and humid out, it can be dangerous for you AND your furry (or non-furry) friends.*

*Stay cool and safe!*



*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 furever home. Please  
consider adopting a shelter pet for your next pet.*

**Please Don't Litter  
Spay or Neuter  
Your Critter**

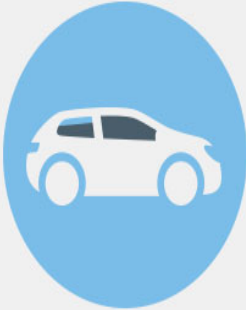


# Don't shop! Please adopt!



# It's Hot Out!

## Don't Leave Your Pet in the Car!



A car can overheat **even** when the window has been left cracked an inch or two.



Young, overweight or elderly animals, or those with short muzzles or thick or dark-colored coats are **most at risk** for overheating.



Shady spots offer **little** protection on hot days, and move with the sun.



Even if the temperature outside is only 70°, the inside of your car may be as much as 20 degrees hotter!

On an 85° day, it only takes ten minutes for the inside of your car to reach 102°.

Within just 30 minutes, the car's interior can climb from 85° to a scorching 120°.



Many states and local governments have laws that prohibit leaving an animal unattended in a motor vehicle under dangerous conditions, which includes hot days. Your car could be damaged or you could be charged with a crime.

**ASPCA**

If you see an animal trapped in a car on a hot day, try to locate the owner or call 911! **Stay by the car until assistance arrives.**





# North Little Rock Fire Department

## Smoking and Fire Safety



### Smoking and Fire Safety

We all should take responsibility to do our part to keep people including our families and ourselves fire safe. For smokers this includes being safe with smoking materials.

The NFPA says:

Smoking materials, including cigarettes, pipes, and cigars, started an estimated 16,500 home structure fires reported to U.S. fire departments in 2016. These fires caused 660 deaths, 1,060 injuries and \$372 million in direct property damage. Smoking materials caused 5% of reported home fires, 23% of home fire deaths, 10% of home fire injuries, and 6% of the direct property damage.

Here are a few related safety tips.

Never smoke where medical oxygen is used.

Oxygen is a necessary ingredient to have a fire. The more oxygen present the more flammable all the exposed material is. If a person uses oxygen then moves away from the oxygen tube, there will still be an increased oxygen level in their hair and clothing that will make those articles more flammable. These materials can ignite when the person lights a cigarette. I have responded to a fire I will never forget where a person using home oxygen went outside her back door, took her nasal cannula off and lit a cigarette.



Keep cigarettes, lighters, matches and other smoking materials up high out of the reach of children.

Children are not mature enough to always make good decisions or understand the danger of certain actions. They will attempt to imitate what they see adults do. Adults who are responsible for children should create an environment that is safe for them. This means keeping dangerous things where children cannot access them.

Don't smoke if you may fall asleep. Never smoke in bed.

Cigarettes discarded into dry grass, mulch or leaves can start a fire that can grow and spread. These fires can do serious damage to buildings or large areas of land.



It is easy to see how being careless with smoking materials can be dangerous. It is often not just the person being careless that suffers the consequences. The people you care about and those who care about you often suffer when fires occur. Please put forth the little effort it takes to be fire safe.



Chief Warren Almon  
Fire Marshal  
North Little Rock Fire Department

*Quick and easy summer recipe!*

### Grilled Salmon with Honey-Soy Marinade

#### Ingredients

- 1 Tblsp packed brown sugar
  - 1 Tblsp butter, melted
  - 1 Tblsp olive or vegetable oil
  - 1 Tblsp honey
  - 1 Tblsp soy sauce
  - 1 clove garlic, finely chopped
  - 1 large salmon fillet (about 2 lb), cut into 8 pieces
- In a small bowl, mix all ingredients, except salmon.  
In shallow glass or plastic dish, place salmon. Pour marinade over salmon. Cover and refrigerate at least 30

minutes, but no longer than 1 hour.

Heat coals or gas grill. Remove salmon from marinade; reserve marinade. Place salmon skin side down, on grill. Cover and grill over medium heat 10 to 20 minutes, brushing 2 or 3 times with marinade, until salmon flakes easily with fork. Discard remaining marinade.

*Recipe found at bettycrocker.com*





Mayor Terry C. Hartwick holds a monthly department head meeting. Department heads provide a report of activities, projects and accomplishments.

**Senior Center**—in April 7,966 members visited with 439 being the highest one-day total. 86 new members. Several trips: AR Travelers Game, Crystal Bridges, Searcy for Bingo. Chair Volleyball and Bean Bag Baseball are underway. 675 volunteer hours.

**Sanitation**—Garbage and yard waste crews collected 2,365.94 tons (4,731.88 lbs) of household garbage, rubbish and junk. Yard Waste crews also collected 84 loads (2,353.00 cubic yards) of green waste. 2,602.96 cubic yards of leaves were collected. 660 waste tires picked up. Sanitation Code performed 25 inspections, 25 re-inspections and issued 12 notices for non-compliance. No citations were issued for the month of February 2023. Curbside tonnage for the city was 154.00.

**Traffic Services**—Barricade Permits—76, AR One Call—40, Signs/Post replaced—80, City Vehicles marked with logo—2. Stealth (speed) box Remount and Kierre Drive, Speed Trailer Pine Tree Loop, Stealth box at 4106 Orange.

**Police**—decrease in violent crime, property crime also down. April 1– 9, Justice Center Emergency Operation Center (EOC) open for Tornado response and other coordination. Sgt. Chauncey Sims promoted to Lieutenant. Officer Josh Forney promoted to Sergeant. April 7, Harley Davidson Police Motorcycle ridden by Officer Larry Mickel was put on display in the lobby of the Justice Center. Officer Mickel's widow loaned the bike for display. 170 officers with several on military deployment.

**Fire**—558 EMS calls, 38 Hazmat, 7 Natural Disaster (tornado), 84 False Alarm, and 57 Fire calls. 3,723 Fire Training hours. 136 Building Surveys.

**Emergency Services/911**—Incoming calls: 4,885—non-911 calls, 6,745—911 calls, 692—abandoned 911 calls. Continue to meeting with cities of Maumelle and Sherwood dispatch centers re: consolidation efforts.

**Planning**—669 inspections, covered over 3,960 miles within city. 85 HVAC, 154 Plumbing, 304 Electrical, 126 Building inspections. 12 sign permits, no banner permits, 8 demolition permits, 7 new single family permits—average \$174,288. 114 residential remodel permits—average \$16,788, 5 residential addition permits—average \$30,000. No new commercial permits issued. 9 commercial remodel permits—average \$629,831, 1 new multi-family permit—\$650,000.

**Code Enforcement**—12 citations, 1,464 violation notices, 0 vehicles towed, 1,085 lots posted, 0 signs removed, rental inspections—25, 0 food service inspections, 2 search warrants, 7 structures condemned, 6 houses demolished, 8 houses demolished by owner, 17 vacant lots cleaned, 2 vacant houses secured, 7 vacant lots mowed, 1 waste tire picked up.

## Animal Services—

Incoming:

Dog 168  
Cat 54  
Other 5 (chickens)

Adopted:

Dog 46  
Cat 42  
Other 2

Reclaim:

Dog 35  
Cat 1  
Other 0

Euthanized:

Dog 74  
Cat 12  
Other 2

Service calls: 505

Citations: 38

Vouchers (spay/neuter) issued: 55

**Parks and Recreation**—NLR Cheer Starz Team Sapphire won overall in their division at Little Rock Classic held in February of this year. Arkansas Inland Maritime Museum—875 visitors which included 3 tour groups: Building Bridges (24), Church from NLR (12), Sheridan County School (12). 1 Birthday party and 2 overnight stays.

## NLR Electric—

Customers: 39,775

Revenue: \$7,274,576

Peak Demand: 125,953 kW

Territory: 60 square miles

Substations: 13

Miles of wire: 555

Transformers: 11,252

Street lights: 10,458

RS (Residential Solar) Net Meter Customers:

252 completed, 61 pending

Average RS solar panel capacity: 7.7 kW

Residents with solar arrays larger than 10 kW: 68

Total capacity of customer owned solar: 4.66 MW

Major outages of 1,000 customers:

Levy 2—April 15 unknown location (1 trip lockout). Storms, 2,341 out 1 hour 4 minutes.

Levy 2—April 29 between Sheridan and E 31st Street, tree fell on primary, 2,572 out 2 hours and 376 out 15 hours 37 minutes.

## Here are a few tips to keep your home cool and save a little during the summer months

—Place large houseplants in front of sunny windows. The plants will provide shade and fresh air.

—Use ceiling, floor and window fans without using a lot of electricity.

—Wash at night—run your dishwasher and washing machine at night so they don't compete with your AC unit.

—Turn off your oven and save on gas or electricity by grilling or eating no-cook meals like salad.

Use a power strip for various electronics then switch it off when you are away or at night.

—Keep blinds/curtains closed.

Happy  
Dog (and Cat)  
Days of Summer!





## Finance Report—April 2023

### Revenue

Miscellaneous	225,716
License & Permits	258,458
Property Tax	1,567,192
Intergovernmental	352,999
Franchise Fees	146,389
Local Option Sales Tax	5,138,887
Charges for Services	201,605
Fines & Fees	156,505
Interest Income	60,748
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$8,108,499</b>

### Expenditures

Administration	147,165
Animal Services	74,478
Special Appropriations	2,122,808
City Clerk	36,122
Emergency Services	174,185
Finance	127,591
Fire	\$1,434,174
Health	6,707
Legal	65,242
1st Court	55,887
2nd Court	34,329
Human Resources	79,683
Commerce	205
Planning	84,818
Police	2,347,881
Code Enforcement	113,137
Public Works	91,158
Neighborhood Services	31,325
Sanitation	473,865
Vehicle Maintenance	77,287
Senior Center	117,530
Communications	13,432
Fit 2 Live	8,241
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$5,200,947</b>



### North Little Rock Finance Department Recently Received Awards

Last month, the team in the North Little Rock Finance Department received notification the Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting AND a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting would be awarded to North Little Rock.

Both awards represent significant achievements. In order to be eligible, a government must submit it's annual comprehensive financial report to the Government Finance Officers Association. The Certificate of Achievement referenced above was awarded to the city for the third consecutive year. The certificate represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

Congrats to this wonderful group of women and men who keep our city finances in order!

## Noise . . .

Do you ever think about noise? During the days after the March 31 tornado parts of our city were quiet. At night, you could have heard a pin drop. During the day it was the sound of chain saws and heavy equipment operating. The noise (and lack of noise) prompted the question...does North Little Rock have a Noise Ordinance? The answer...yes, we do.

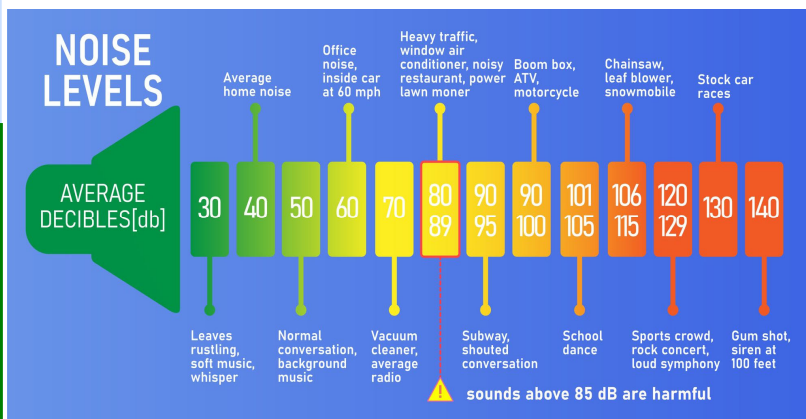
First, let's ask "what is noise pollution?" Below is the definition found on the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) website:

**The traditional definition of noise is "unwanted or disturbing sound".** Sound becomes unwanted when it either interferes with normal activities such as sleeping, conversation, or disrupts or diminishes one's quality of life. The fact that you can't see, taste or smell it may help explain why it has not received as much attention as other types of pollution, such as air pollution, or water pollution. The air around us is constantly filled with sounds, yet most of us would probably not say we are surrounded by noise. Though for some, the persistent and escalating sources of sound can often be considered an annoyance.

Some cities and towns across the state have some form of a Noise Control ordinance in place. Below are excerpts from North Little Rock Ordinance No. 7965.

Under Ark. Code Ann. §15-54-103, cities have the power to regulate and control nuisances and disturbances (including noise) in order to prevent injury or annoyance within the limits of the municipal corporation.

The generation of sound which crosses property boundaries necessarily occurs in society. Such sounds should not unreasonably interfere with the use and enjoyment of property or the daily affairs of citizens and visitors of the city. The City of North Little Rock desires to limit sound in a manner that will permit the normal operation of society without unreasonably interfering with people and their property.



Decibel (dB). A unit for measuring the volume of a sound, equal to 20 times the logarithm to the base ten of the ratio of the pressure of the sound measured to the references pressure, which is 20 micropascals (210 micronewtons per square meter).

Noise. Any sound which annoys or disturbs humans or which causes or tends to cause an adverse psychological or physiological effect on humans.

Noise Disturbance: Any sound which:

- (1) Endangers or injures the safety or health of humans or animals;
- (2) Annoys or disturbs a reasonable person of normal sensitivities; or
- (3) Endangers or injures personal or real property.

To obtain and read the full ordinance, contact the City Clerk's Office at 501-975-8617 or email [CityClerkOffice@nlr.ar.gov](mailto:CityClerkOffice@nlr.ar.gov).

## Restoring a Treasured Landscape

Found at [arborday.org/stories](http://arborday.org/stories)

**Longleaf pine forests are rebounding, thanks to member support**

Four hundred years ago, the American Southeast contained a dazzling array of life. Prehistoric gopher tortoises, tiny flatwoods salamanders, red-cockaded woodpeckers, and countless other rare species all lived in harmony in the region's longleaf pine forests.

But as new settlers took root, these thriving forests were harvested for the building of homes, ships, and railroad tracks. Fire suppression further limited their growth. As a result, just 5 million of their original 90 million acres remain intact today.

Though much of this landscape has been lost, an equally massive effort is now underway to save it. The Arbor Day Foundation is partnering with organizations across the Southeast — including The Longleaf Alliance — to plant millions of new seedlings where they're needed most.

### JOINING FORCES

Longleaf forests have a unique appearance. Their trees grow far apart, with grasses and wildflowers sprouting up in the large, open spaces between them.

These grassy forests are filled with thousands of species found nowhere else on the planet. Roughly 1,000 different plants grow within them, including orchids, meadowbeauties, sundews, and venus flytraps. And there are plenty of everyday species that call the forest home, too — like fox squirrels, quail, and deer.

"It's one of the most biodiverse systems in North America. Just in the ground cover of really high-quality longleaf sites, you can have over 100 species within a quarter acre," said Carol Denhof, president of The Longleaf Alliance.

Controlled fires are a critical part of the ecosystem. "You run a fire through one of these forests, and within just a few days, you see green sprouts coming up from the grasses. It's like rebirth, in a way," she said.

"It's just endlessly fascinating to study. I've been able to see longleaf forests from Texas, to Florida, to Virginia, and they're all different in their own little way."

The Longleaf Alliance was founded in 1995 to act as a conduit between private landowners, government agencies, conservation groups, and researchers across the Southeast interested in managing and restoring longleaf pine forests.

Because 55% of the forest's natural range is located on private property, providing landowners with financial assistance and free seedlings to plant is a crucial part of this effort.



Funding from the Arbor Day Foundation has allowed The Longleaf Alliance to distribute 15 million seedlings to landowners over the past four years. This is a "drastic increase" for the organization, Carol said — previously, it was averaging less than 3 million seedlings per year.

"All the landowners that we get to engage with on a daily basis are so passionate and dedicated to what they're doing with their properties," she added. "They're very appreciative of that assistance."

Protecting animal and plant life is the primary goal of this work. But there are also a myriad of other benefits that stem from reforesting the land, including providing clean drinking water for millions of residents.

"A healthy forest system helps filter the water in our aquifers and groundwater. It prevents water loss from runoff," Carol said. "You want water to soak into the ground, versus just rolling off like on a parking lot. Even a pasture doesn't absorb the same amount of water that a forest with native ground cover can."

Longleaf pine trees are tall and resilient, with sturdy wood that can stand up against severe weather better than other varieties. They also live an average of 250 years. That means they're capable of storing more carbon for longer periods of time, bettering the environment for us all.

Carol said she couldn't be more grateful for Arbor Day Foundation members, who are helping bring longleaf ecosystems back to life across her home state of Georgia and beyond.

"Their continuing support is so important. We appreciate all that they do to help advance these types of programs, getting more trees in the ground," she said.

For more information visit the Arbor Day Foundation website at [arborday.org](http://arborday.org).

*Shared by North Little Rock Police Park Ranger and Certified Arborist Ian Hope*

## Pine Trees in Arkansas: 5 Varieties That Grow In This State

(Jan 27, 2023) by Thomas Pitto

The state of Arkansas is relatively small and officially is classified as having a humid subtropical climate, with hot humid summers and relatively mild winters, with no specific dry season.

The northeast of the state is classified as humid continental. The proximity to the plains to the west and the Gulf of Mexico to the south all play a role in the climate of the state, whose USDA zones extend from 6 to 8.

With more than 9,000 miles of hiking trails and two national forests, there are plenty of areas for nature lovers to enjoy.

Whilst Oaks and Hickory's dominate the native forests, Pines are also abundant and hold a special enough place to be named the state tree in 1939.

### 5 Pine Trees That Grow Well In Arkansas

1. Eastern White Pine (*Pinus strobus*)
2. Loblolly Pine (*Pinus Taeda*) - Arkansas State Tree
3. Longleaf Pine (*Pinus palstris*)
4. Shortleaf Pine (*Pinus echinata*)
5. Slash Pine (*Pinus elliotti*)

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### **Eastern White Pine**

The Eastern White Pine is the tallest native conifer in the northeastern states and is capable of reaching heights of up to 150 ft tall with a trunk diameter of between 2-4 ft. It has a pyramidal form and layered rings of branches that give the tree pleasing symmetry.

Like most kinds of Pine, every part of the Eastern White Pine is useful. The needles of the eastern white pine have more Vitamin C than oranges and lemons.

The Eastern White Pine is a hardy and robust tree, whose soft green/blue needles form in clusters. The Eastern White Pine is perhaps the best landscape pine in the state and is ideal as a screen or a windbreak.

It's best suited to the wet, upland parts of the state; being poorly suited to the heat and wet soil of the south.

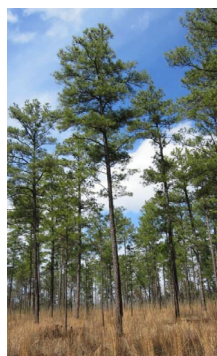
*Other Common Names:* White Pine, Northern White Pine, Weymouth Pine

Growing Zones: 3-7

Average Size at Maturity: 50-80 ft tall and 20-40 ft wide

Flowering Season: Monoecious (male and female) cones are produced on each tree in May – June

### **Loblolly Pine** (Arkansas State Tree)



The Loblolly Pine is the Arkansas state tree as it not only grows over a large area of the state but is also a valuable timber species.

In all the 14 states it grows in, its range is defined by the extent of the coastal plain. Loblolly Pine forms three-needle clusters that reach 5-8 inches long and are dark green/red-brown. They produce cones that are 3-6 inches in length.

Loblolly pines are fast-growing and their lower limbs are intolerant of shade and drop when young. Grown in the

open they retain a pyramidal shape with the lower limbs eventually falling off, which makes them useful as shade trees in the home landscape.

In the wild, they are mostly found in swamps and lowlands. Arkansas is home to one of the oldest Loblolly Pines, reportedly over 300 years old with a height of 117 ft.

The quick growth rate of this pine has made it popular as a living screen. They are tolerant of a wide variety of soils, some moisture, flooding, and drought.

The loblolly also produces shelter and food for a wide variety of native wildlife.

*Other Common Names:* Oldfield Pine, Bull Pine, Rosemary Pine

Growing Zones: 6-9

Average Size at Maturity: 60-90 ft tall and 25-35 ft wide

Flowering Season: Spring

### **Longleaf Pine**

The Longleaf Pine is a native evergreen conifer with the longest leaves of all the eastern pine species. The needle-like leaves grow in clusters of three and grow to be up to 18 inches long. Mature trees can be tall and stately and have become a cultural symbol of the South. The Longleaf Pine is the state tree of Alabama.

The single trunk is covered in a thick scaly bark and can reach a diameter of 3 feet. Longleaf Pines naturally shed their lower branches, giving them an upright habit. This



means homeowners who want to grow these trees will need to invest little maintenance in their upkeep to ensure they don't fall and cause any damage.

The wood and roots are resinous and as such don't rot, making removing the tree a task should you decide to do so.

Longleaf pines prefer sandy, dry acidic soils, and their natural range extends from sea level to 2,300 ft elevation. They are intolerant of shade.

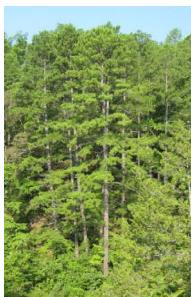
*Other Common Names:* Long-Leaf Pine, Southern Pine

Growing Zones: 7b-10

Average Size at Maturity: 60-80 ft tall and 30-40 ft wide

Flowering Season: Spring

### **Shortleaf Pine**



The Shortleaf Pine is native to the eastern parts of the country and has the widest distribution of any southern pine species.

It's a large tree with a broad and open crown. It has short spreading branches, forming a pyramidal shape as it ages. The needles of the shortleaf pine grow in clusters of 2-3 and are bright green, measuring 3-5" long.

Mature Shortleaf Pines develop attractive brown-reddish plates on their trunks, giving them added visual interest in the landscape. It's the hardest and most adaptable of all the southern pines and can be found in rocky uplands and wet floodplains.

It's a fairly slow-growing species and is very drought tolerant.

*Other Common Names:* Arkansas Pine, Shortleaf Yellow Pine, Yellow Pine, Longtag Pine, Spruce Pine, Oldfield Pine, Shoestraw Pine

Growing Zones: 6-9

Average Size at Maturity: 50-60 ft tall and 20-35 ft wide

Flowering Season: February and March

### **Slash Pine**

The Slash Pine is thought to be a distant relative of the Longleaf and Loblolly Pines and is generally shorter in stature and shorter-lived than its relatives. It's an attractive tree with a pyramidal shape when young, creating an open, rounded canopy that allows in dappled light.

In the wild, it prefers swampy ground and will grow in an acidic environment in full sun or partial shade. Once established, it's more tolerant of wet sites than other pines and is moderately salt-tolerant.

The lower, shaded branches fall off with age, so this should be remembered when planting. The Slash Pine is gaining popularity in the landscaping world due to its large, stately form and rapid growth. The 6" cones appear nestled amongst the 6-12" long needles.

The red-brown bark is deeply furrowed, and squirrels and wild turkeys are particularly fond of the seeds.

*Other Common Names:* Swamp Pine, Cuban Pine, Yellow Slash Pine, Southern Pine, Pitch Pine

Growing Zones: 8-10

Average Size at Maturity: 75-100 ft tall and 30-50 ft wide

Flowering Season: December, January, February





Sunday, June 18, 2023 is **Father's Day**



Father's Day is a holiday honoring one's father, or relevant father figure, as well as fatherhood, paternal bonds, and the influence of fathers in society. With Father's Day fast approaching it's time to think about how you want to celebrate with your day! Father's Day doesn't mean you have to buy a gift that will break your budget. There are many fun and cheap Father's Day ideas to help you celebrate the great dads in your life.

One of the most precious gifts you can give ANYONE is time. Time is priceless and with a little creativity you can really make your day feel great!

Here Are 20 Free and Cheap Father's Day Ideas Dad Will Love!

1. **PLAN A PICNIC.** Grab your favorite picnic blanket and pack a basket with some of Dad's favorite edibles for a fun day in the park.
2. **HEAD TO THE BALLPARK.** For a minor league baseball game (like Dickey Stephens and the Travls!). Tickets are pretty affordable.
3. **GIFT HIM A CHORE FREE WEEKEND.** Get out there and mow the lawn (or do whatever chore he's usually in charge of on the weekends) so he can watch from the porch with a frosty beverage and snack.
4. **MAKE HIS FAVORITE MEAL.** With all the fixings, whether it's breakfast in bed, or tacos and beer, get the kids in the kitchen and throw down something he will love!
5. **SPEND A DAY ON THE WATER.** Head to your local beach, lake or river and enjoy some fun water activities. Even a day by the pool is a great way to spend a Sunday with Dad in June.
6. **GO FISHING!** Whether Dad is already a fisherman or not, fishing is a fun way to spend a day with the family. Use the old internet search to learn about a nearby location, licensing requirements and pick up some tips, too.
7. **Go for a FAMILY HIKE.** If you're an urban dweller, you many have to drive a bit to make this one a reality, but it will be nice to get out in the open for some nature time! Arkansas is THE NATURAL STATE!
8. **Go for a FAMILY BIKE RIDE.** If you all have bicycles, this is a fun way to get a little together time and exercise on the special day.
9. **Let Dad SLEEP IN.** If he doesn't get to do this often, a little extra rest is a great way to show Dad some love on Father's Day. Planning a breakfast in bed? That's cool, just back it up a bit so he can sleep too.
10. **Frame a FAMILY PICTURE.** Some dads think taking photos is a fun way to spend a day—so ix-nay on the family photoshoot-ay. Instead, finally get your family pics framed for his desk at work.

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### Slow-Cooker Barbecued Ribs

*Found at [bettycrocker.com/recipes](http://bettycrocker.com/recipes)*

#### Ingredients

3 1/2 pounds Pork Loin Back ribs

1/4 cup packed brown sugar

1 tsp salt

1/2 tsp pepper

3 Tblsp liquid smoke

2 garlic cloves, chopped

1 medium onion, sliced

1/2 cup cola

1 1/2 cups barbeque sauce

Spray inside of 4- to 5-quart slow cooker (crockpot) with cooking spray or use disposable liner.

Remove inner skin from ribs; cut into 4-inch pieces.

Mix brown sugar, salt, pepper, liquid smoke and garlic; rub mixture into ribs. Layer ribs and sliced onions in slow cooker. Pour cola over ribs.

Cover and cook on low heat setting 8 to 9 hours or until tender. Remove ribs from slow cooker. Drain and discard liquid.

Pour barbecue sauce into shallow bowl. Dip ribs into sauce. Place ribs back in slow cooker. Pour any remaining sauce over the ribs. Cover and cook on low heat setting 1 hour.



As you may know, ribs are great with coleslaw, baked beans and potato salad! You can save time by getting these items premade at your grocery store!

*Note: this recipe was tested in slow cookers with heating elements in the side and bottom of the cooker, not in cookers that stand only on a heated base. For slow cookers with a heated base, follow manufacturer's directions for layering ingredients and choosing a temperature.*

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11. Make a PHOTOBOK. Go all out and round up the baby pics and shots from family vacations. You can hand assemble them or use an online site to make a digital book.
12. Go BOWLING. It's an awesome family pastime, like roller skating (and inside with air conditioning!).
13. MINI GOLFING. While a full day on the greens is not going to be fun for anyone with kids in tow, a friendly round of miniature golf is a fun way for the whole family to enjoy working on their swing!
14. Check out a local MUSEUM. Preferably one with no entrance fee!
15. Host a DAD PARTY. With neighbors and family and friends. Invite all the Dads you love over for a cookout. Ask all the moms to bring a dish. It won't cost you a ton, but it is a fun way to celebrate all of the dads in your life at once.
16. DIY a GIFT! Not skilled in this way? There are tons of awesome DIY gift ideas you and the kids can work on together, and most of them won't set you back more than a few dollars.
17. Visit a WINERY. Arkansas has several and many offer free tastings if you time it right. Some offer lite fare and entertainment too! (although you might have to pay for additional experiences).
18. Visit a BREWERY. If beer is more to your Dad's liking, do a search for local breweries nearby.
19. Have a FAMILY GAME DAY. Board or video, playing games together as a family is good fun! For outdoor fun, try Corn Hole or Bocce Ball. Indoor fun? Good ole Monopoly or perhaps Uno!
20. Have a MOVIE NIGHT. Dad's pick of course.

Remember, the goal is to be thoughtful. Just because you want to save money with your cheap Father's Day ideas, doesn't mean you can't be creative and show you care. A gift from the heart will always mean a lot!



**Let's all welcome a few newbies to "Team NLR"!**  
Planning Department Officials **Steve Crain** (left) and **Sean Duggan** (right) were sworn in by the City Clerk Diane Whitbey May 31, 2023.



**Randy Sandefur**, North Little Rock High School Head Coach has been appointed North Little Rock Parks and Recreation Director. Sandefur is a lifelong resident of the city and has spent 40 years of his educational career with the NLR School District. "He has the leadership, passion and energy we need and will be an asset to our whole city," said Mayor Terry C. Hartwick.

## Easy Recipe for Father's Day...or ANY Day! **No-Bake Peanut Butter Pie**

*Found at motherthyme.com*

### Ingredients

- 8 ounces cream cheese (softened)
- 1 cup creamy peanut butter
- 1 cup confectioners sugar
- 1/4 cup milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2—8 ounces each frozen cool whip, thawed
- 9 inch store bought chocolate Oreo pie crust
- Chocolate syrup for garnish (optional)
- Peanut butter chips for garnish (optional)

### Instructions

Using an electric mixer beat cream cheese, peanut butter, sugar, milk and vanilla extract in a large bowl until creamy.

Fold in 1 of the 8-ounce containers of cool whip. Reserve the other container of cool whip for serving.

Spread mixture into prepared Oreo pie crust.







Chill pie in the refrigerator for at least 4 hours or overnight.

Before serving top pie with remaining cool whip.

Garnish with chocolate syrup and peanut butter chips if desired.





Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <h1>JUNE</h1> <h2>SUMMER READING 2023</h2> <p>FIND MORE AT <a href="http://NRLRLIBRARY.ORG">NRLRLIBRARY.ORG</a> (CLOSED JUNE 1-3 FOR TECHNICAL UPGRADES)</p>					Reading The Hugos Book Club 1 PM   Dark Side Coffee Lounge 3
Summer STEAM: Makey Makey Arcade 10 AM   Laman Makerspace Monday: 3D Printing 10 AM   Laman Storytime with Craig O'Neill 10:30 AM   Argenta Teen Center Rave 2 PM   Laman Story Station 2 PM   Laman Monday Quilt Class 3 PM   Laman Cricut Craft with Eva 4:30 PM   Laman 5	Arkansas Circus Arts 10 AM   Laman Tech Tuesday: Web Basics 10 AM   Laman Mömandpöp Music Show 10:30 AM   Argenta Water Balloon Battle 1 PM   Laman College Prep Time 3 PM   Laman Self Defense for the Rest of Us 5:30 PM   Laman 6	Play Station (Exercise Fun!) 10 AM   Laman Brush Strokes for Creative Folks 10:30 AM   Argenta Kids in the Kitchen 11 AM   Laman Yoga Break! 12 PM   Laman Ice Dye Shirts 1 PM   Laman Meditation for Beginners 2 PM   Laman Meet the Author: Talethe Collins 3 PM   Laman 7	Acrylic Pour Art 10 AM   Laman Storytime with Ms. Marilyn 10:30 AM   Argenta Teens in the Kitchen 1 PM   Laman Super Smash Bros. Tournament 2 PM   Laman Art with Ms. Jennie 4 PM   Laman ASL 1 & ASL 2 4-6 PM   Laman Author Talk: Rise of the Mavericks with Philip Shackelford 5:30 PM   Laman Zumba 5:30 PM   Laman 8	Frozen Flix & Cool Puzzles All day   Laman 2nd Annual Health & Community Expo & Blood Mobile 10 AM - 4 PM   Argenta Imagination Station: Vet Clinic (Drop In) 10 AM - 12 PM   Laman Reception & Opening with Stephen Lanford & Patty Jolliff-Lanford 5 PM   Laman 9	Summer Reading Celebration - Kickoff for the 2023 Summer Reading Program All day   Laman Summer Flix and Coloring Pics All day   Laman Smartphone Photo Workshop 10 AM   Laman Summer Matinee: Toy Story 4 10 AM   Laman Line Dancing 11:30 AM   Laman 10
Summer STEAM: Dinosaur Discovery 10 AM   Laman Makerspace Monday: Gemini and Die Cuts 10 AM   Laman Chef Andre 2 PM   Laman Story Station 2 PM   Laman Culinary Jeopardy! 3 PM   Laman Monday Mystery Club: The Guest List 5:30 PM   Laman 12	Mömandpöp: Kid's Comedy Band 10 AM   Laman Tech Tuesday: Word Basics 10 AM   Laman NLR Bow-Lievers String Ensemble 10:30 AM   Argenta Where the Wild Books Are: Teen Book Club 1 PM   Laman Iron Chef: Teens vs. Tweens 2 PM   Laman 13	Play Station (Exercise Fun!) 10 AM   Laman Cupcake Decorating 10:30 AM   Argenta Kids in the Kitchen 11 AM   Laman Yoga Break! 12 PM   Laman Good Burger And A Pretty Good Popcorn Bar 2 PM   Laman Meditation for Beginners 2 PM   Laman 14	Kids' Storytelling Workshop 10 AM   Laman Tommy Terrific 10:30 AM   Argenta Teens in the Kitchen 1 PM   Laman Fry Wars 2:30 PM   Laman Knitting Basics: Increases & Decreases 3 PM   Laman Book Party: Dog Man series 5:30 PM   Laman ASL 1 & ASL 2 4-6 PM   Laman Zumba 5:30 PM   Laman 15	Frozen Flix & Cool Puzzles All day   Laman Imagination Station: Dinosaurs (Drop in) 10 AM - 12 PM   Laman Third- Friday ArtWalk Reception & Opening with Dan Thornhill & Laura Welshans 5 PM   Argenta 16	Summer Flix and Coloring Pics All day   Laman Summer Matinee: Strange World 10 AM   Laman Line Dancing 11:30 AM   Laman 17
In observance of Juneteenth, the libraries are closed. 19	NLR Bow-Lievers String Ensemble 10 AM   Laman Tech Tuesday: Excel Basics 10 AM   Laman Marble Run Craft 10:30 AM   Argenta Tween Scene: The Hunger Game Trials 2 PM   Laman Bingo 3 PM   Laman The Hunger Game Trials 3 PM   Laman Tabletop Tuesday: Co-op Game Extravaganza 4 PM   Laman Self Defense for the Rest of Us 5:30 PM   Laman 20	Play Station (Exercise Fun!) 10 AM   Laman Storytime with Officer Tommy Norman 10:30 AM   Argenta Kids in the Kitchen 11 AM   Laman Yoga Break! 12 PM   Laman Tween Scene: Nature Desk Buddy 2 PM   Laman Meditation for Beginners 2 PM   Laman Nature Desk Buddy 3 PM   Laman 21	Escape Box 10 AM   Laman Crafts Creations: Paper Roll Firework Painting 10 AM   Laman Teens in the Kitchen 1 PM   Laman Puzzles and More 2 PM   Argenta Put the "U" in Nature 2 PM   Laman Art with Ms. Jennie 4 PM   Laman ASL 1 & ASL 2 4-6 PM   Laman Zumba 5:30 PM   Laman 22	Frozen Flix & Cool Puzzles All day   Laman Imagination Station: Ice Cream Stand (Drop in) 10 AM - 12 PM   Laman 23	Summer Flix and Coloring Pics All day   Laman Summer Matinee: Wander Park 10 AM   Laman Line Dancing 11:30 AM   Laman 24
Summer STEAM: Shrinky Dinks 10 AM   Laman Meet the Author Storytime 2 PM   Laman Tween Steam: Bacteria Pt. 1 2 PM   Laman Teen Steam: Bacteria Pt. 1 3 PM   Laman Bookpage Flower Making 4 PM   Laman 26	Banana Split Storytime with Ms. Marilyn 10 AM   Laman Tech Tuesday: Tablets & Phones 10 AM   Laman Permanent Marker Art 10:30 AM   Argenta Nail Art 1 PM   Laman Nintendo Jeopardy! 2 PM   Laman 27	Play Station (Exercise Fun!) 10 AM   Laman Brush Strokes for Creative Folks 10:30 AM   Argenta Kids in the Kitchen 11 AM   Laman Yoga Break! 12 PM   Laman Super Smash Bros. Tournament 2 PM   Laman Meditation for Beginners 2 PM   Laman Wednesday Quilt Class 3 PM   Laman 28	Nitro Joe 10 AM   Laman Wiggle & Jiggle 10:30 AM   Argenta Teens in the Kitchen 1 PM   Laman Basics of First Aid 2:30 PM   Laman Karaoke Kids 3 PM   Laman Zumba 5:30 PM   Laman I am Arkansas. I am Home. The Yarn Storytelling Performance 6 PM   TBD 29	Frozen Flix & Cool Puzzles All day   Laman Imagination Station: Fairy Tales (Drop in) 10 AM - 12 PM   Laman LEARN MORE ABOUT READING CAMP HERE 30	Laman Children's Department KIDS BACK-TO-SCHOOL READING CAMP. JULY 24 TO AUGUST 3 MONDAY - THURSDAY AT 2:00 - 3:30 PM FOR AGES 7-13 TO SIGN UP CALL (501) 758-1720 OR EMAIL LACY.WOLFE@LAMANLIBRARY.ORG
 <p>Register for Summer Reading at <a href="http://lamanlibrary.readsquared.com">lamanlibrary.readsquared.com</a></p>			<h3>KIDS EAT FREE!</h3> <p>Equal Hearts Food Program Ages 2 to 18, no registration required! MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 11 AM TO NOON Laman Public Library - Children's Department 2801 Orange Street, North Little Rock</p>		<p>Laman Library (501) 758-1720 2801 Orange Street North Little Rock, AR 72114 Monday - Thursday: 9 AM - 7 PM Friday - Saturday: 9 AM - 1 PM Argenta Library (501) 687-1061 420 Main Street North Little Rock, AR 72114 Monday - Friday: 9 AM - 6 PM</p>
<b>Staff Birthdays:</b> May 12 - Darlene Cunningham			<b>Work Anniversaries:</b> Craig Gerald - 31 years Janet Rodgers - 20 years Robin Campbell - 8 years Stacy Purdy - 8 years Jennie Promack - 6 years Tammie Evans - 2 years		<b>KEY:</b> Adults Children Twins Teens All Ages *registration required
			Let's be friends:    		



**Peddlers Permit  
City of North Little Rock**

Issued to: **Mel Dun**  
Issued: 3/3/2023  
Expires: 6/3/2023



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

To see a **list of issued permits**, visit the city website at [nlr.ar.gov](http://nlr.ar.gov), then click City Departments and scroll down to City Clerk and Treasurer. Look for the dark box and click on Current Door to Door 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.**

**\*\*Currently, we have ONE permitted door to door solicitor which will expired August 25, 2023.**

**All persons** doing business of **any kind** within the city limits of North Little Rock are required to have a Business/Privilege License. This includes home-based such as lawn care or internet sales.

**\*\*If a business operates 1 day into the new year, it is required to obtain a business license at the full fee.\*\***

If you have any questions, please contact the North Little Rock City Clerk's Office at 501-975-8617.

## North Little Rock History Commission



If you or a loved one have items you think might have a historic value to our city, please consider donating them to the North Little Rock History Commission. Accepted items will be maintained in their archives.

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

North Little Rock Tourism wants to help promote your upcoming events! Visit [www.NorthLittleRock.org](http://www.NorthLittleRock.org) or call Stephanie Slagle (Director of Marketing) at [stephanie@northlittlerock.org](mailto:stephanie@northlittlerock.org) or 501.404.0378 to submit your events.

If someone does business **within our city limits**, they are required to have a city business license. If you operate **out of your home** you are required to have a business license. If you operate a **mobile business** you are required to have a business license.

**Insured and Bonded.** Make sure you do your homework on anyone you are thinking about doing business with. Check to see if the person working for you has a state license (if required) city license (required), and insurance bond (to cover any damages that may occur on your property).

**ALL PERSONS DOING BUSINESS OF ANY KIND IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A CITY BUSINESS LICENSE**

**Q&A...**if I own a **short term rental (STR)**, do I have to have a business license. **YES.** There are two types of STR's in our city. Type 1—owner occupied, requires proof of homestead tax. Fee \$50. Type 2—requires Special Use, allows up to 8 occupants, Fee \$50.00 per occupant—up to \$300.00. Also requires collection of Hotel Motel tax.

**Q&A...**do I need a business license if I **sell meat** from a cooler out of my vehicle. **YES.** You must have USDA approval, and Arkansas Health Certificate, and a business license. If you go door to door you also have to have a solicitors/peddlers license (see below).

**Q&A...**I want to go **door to door to sell products**, do I need a business license. **YES.** All door to door solicitors/peddlers/transient merchants are required to have a business license.

**Q&A...**can I buy large quantities of chips, candy and soda and sell it from my home to neighborhood residents? **NO.** This constitutes operating a business out of your home and is not allowed under a home-based business license.

**What happens if I do business without a license?** You will be issued a citation and have to appear in court. You are then subject to a fine and any court costs associated with the same. **Failure to appear could result in a warrant and revocation of your drivers license.**

**If you want to check to see if a business is licensed with us, please call 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 [nlr.ar.gov](http://nlr.ar.gov), then click on the Elected Officials tab, followed by City Council then scroll to Upcoming City Council Agenda.

### **City Council Members**

Ward 1	Debi Ross	501-753-0733
	Nathan Hamilton	501-952-7679
Ward 2	Linda Robinson	501-945-8820
	Maurice Taylor	501-690-6444
Ward 3	Steve Baxter	501-804-0928
	Ron Harris	501-758-2877
Ward 4	Charlie Hight	501-758-8396
	Vince Insalaco III	501-951-0786

### **Other Elected Officials**

Mayor Terry C. Hartwick	501-975-8601
City Clerk/Treasurer Diane Whitbey	501-975-8617
City Attorney Amy Fields	501-975-3755
Dist Court Judge Randy Morley	501-791-8562
Dist Court Judge Paula Juels Jones	501-791-8559

North Little Rock Curbside Recycling  
schedule for the month of June.



*May 29 to June 2, no pickup*

Jun 5 to 9, recycle

*Jun 12 to 16, no pickup*

**Jun 20 to 24, recycle (holiday delay)**

*Jun 26 to Jun 30, no pickup*

**City Offices formerly located at 120 Main**

### **Moved to 700 West 29th**

Construction and Building Services	
Mary Beth Bowman	501-975-8881
Finance, Ember Strange	501-975-8802
Fit 2 Live, LaKaisha Shelby	501-442-7406
Human Resources, Betty Anderson	501-975-8855
Planning, Shawn Spencer	501-975-8835

### **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

### ***Telephone Numbers for City Hall***

Mayor's Office.....	501-975-8601
Terry C. Hartwick	
City Clerk & Treasurer.....	501-975-8617
Diane Whitbey	
Communications.....	501-975-8833
Shara Brazear	
External Relations.....	501-975-8605
Margaret Powell	
Revenue Enforcement.....	501-975-8612
Officer Jim Scott	
Special Projects/DEI.....	501-975-3737
Arnessa Bennett	

# June Birthdays

<i>Name</i>	<i>Dept</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Dept</i>	<i>Date</i>
BRYANT, MICHAEL	PARKS MAINT	1	COLLINS, JERRY	POLICE	21
WEBB, PETRA	ELECTRIC	1	LAMBERT, DONNA	SANITATION	21
SMITH, BRIAN	ELECTRIC	1	BONNER, AMANDA	FINANCE	21
IVEY, KEITH	FINANCE	3	COMBS, JEFFREY	FIRE	21
WORRELL, TINA	PARKS REC	3	HATTER, ALAN	SANITATION	22
DELLORTO, DANIEL	FIRE	4	BRYANT, HOLLY	STREET	22
WOODWARD, GREGORY	ELECTRIC	4	DANIELS, ROBERT	ELECTRIC	22
ASHLEY, DANIEL	FIRE	5	GOODMAN, JACOB	FIRE	23
BLEVINS, MICHAEL	POLICE	5	HARPER, SHELIA	FINANCE	23
WILLIAMS, LYNN	SANITATION	6	REESE, WARD	CODE ENF	23
BIRCH, ROBERT	ADMIN	7	ROSS, DEBI	COUNCIL MEMBER	23
JOHNSON, MARCUS	SANITATION	8	EOFF, DONALD	PARKS MAINT	23
ANDERSON, MATTHEW	POLICE	8	STEWART , VEDA	ELECTRIC	23
MORAGNE, NAKISHA	ELECTRIC	8	MERLO, MICHAEL	POLICE	23
IRBY, TODD	FIRE	8	COLEMAN, MARK	FIRE	23
MEANS, WILLIAM	PARKS MAINT	9	WEBB, SHANNON	FIRE	24
VELIZ PONCE, ANTHONY	POLICE	9	ADKINS, GIOVANNA	POLICE	24
COOK, MICHAEL	FIRE	9	HOLLEY, CHRISTOPHER	FIRE	24
BREEDLOVE JR, CONDOROUS	SANITATION	10	MATHIS, MICHAEL	FIRE	24
LAWRENCE, JACOB	VEHICLE MAINT	10	WEED, MICHAEL	FINANCE	25
COBURN, JEFFREY	POLICE	10	PETERS, ALYSSA	POLICE	25
HILL, BRYAN	FIRE	11	BRYANT, JAMES	POLICE	25
CHRISMAN, JASON	POLICE	12	HOPSON, BILLY	SANITATION	25
BOLDEN, CHARLES	ELECTRIC	12	PETTIT, LEONARD	ELECTRIC	25
MULLINS, GAYLE	IT	12	ARMSTRONG III, RONALD	PARKS REC	26
STOCKMAN, ERIC	POLICE	14	MUNNS, RANDALL	PARKS MAINT	26
ROBINSON, LAURIE	POLICE	14	OSBON, NATHAN	ELECTRIC	26
HAWKINS, JERRY	SANITATION	15	MORAGNE, BRITTANY	POLICE	27
PLATT, COREY	FIRE	15	JONES, DAVID	FIRE	27
RUSSELL, SUSAN	SENIOR CENTER	15	FREE, ERICK	FIRE	27
TACKETT, MARK	FIRE	15	WOMACK, JENIFER	POLICE	28
SCOTT, DANIEL	NEIGHBOR SRV	16	LACY, DENISE	POLICE	28
NORRIS, GARY	COMM DEV	17	GRIFFIN, ROBERT	POLICE	28
WAID JR, TOMMY	STREET	17	COFFMAN, NATHANIEL	POLICE	29
PEACH, MATTHEW	POLICE	17	DOWDY, JEREMY	ELECTRIC	29
STANLEY, MICHAEL	POLICE	18	WILLIAMS, WILLIAM	POLICE	30
SPENCER, SHAWN	COMM DEV	19	BRANCH, ROBERT	POLICE	30
GRAY, EVELYN	ELECTRIC	20			

**Juneteenth Day, Monday, June 19, 2023**

Reminder—North Little Rock City Offices will be **closed**.

Garbage, trash and recycling routes will **ALL be delayed one day, all week**.

Monday's pick up will be Tuesday and so on...



# June Anniversaries

Name	Dept	# Yrs	Name	Dept	# Yrs
BELL, MELINDA	2ND COURT	14	SIMS, BRADLEY	POLICE	19
KEATHLEY, ROBERT	CODE ENF	2	MESSER, RONALD	POLICE	26
REESE, WARD	CODE ENF	13	COMMONS, LILLIE	POLICE	2
HALE, JOHN	COMM DEV	9	TEMPLE, JOHN	POLICE	6
RAGLAND, MATTHEW	ELECTRIC	1	HELTON, CARMEN	POLICE	24
LOR, KIMBERLY	ELECTRIC	11	BRECKON, JOHN	POLICE	4
WALLIS, DANA	ELECTRIC	13	GANGLUFF, PHILLIP	POLICE	6
HAMMONDS, TIMOTHY	ELECTRIC	1	LEWIS, CHARLES	POLICE	3
ALLEN, CHAD	ELECTRIC	29	TIMS, LONNELL	POLICE	20
RIGGIN, RONALD	ELECTRIC	32	SORRELLS, KARL	POLICE	27
WILSON, RICHARD	ELECTRIC	7	BRANCH, ROBERT	POLICE	19
HANKINS, THOMAS	ELECTRIC	13	HOOPER, DOMINIC	POLICE	1
STEPHENS, JESSICA	ELECTRIC	13	MONTGOMERY, SAMUEL	POLICE	16
KUYKENDALL, ROBERT	ELECTRIC	15	BENNETT, BRANDON	POLICE	16
MAYFIELD, MATTHEW	FIRE	12	HOOD, MARK	POLICE	21
SMITH, BRODY	FIRE	4	CHAMNESS, STEVEN	POLICE	21
USSERY, BRANDON	FIRE	5	WRIGHT, MARK	POLICE	22
EVANS, BENJAMIN	FIRE	23	NORMAN, THOMAS	POLICE	25
ASHLEY, DANIEL	FIRE	12	EVANS, REAGAN	POLICE	3
KEHLER, CHASE	FIRE	1	BLANKENSHIP, GREGORY	POLICE	25
MADDEN, CHARLES	FIRE	1	WIGGINS, MARK	POLICE	26
JOY, MICHAEL	FIRE	16	MILLER, MICHAEL	POLICE	27
FAUBION, EDWIN	FIRE	26	SINGLETON JR, STEVEN	POLICE	1
COLTER, TYLER	FIRE	4	DUKES, DON	POLICE	27
MCDONNELL, JULIA	HR	21	DRONE, PHYLLIS	POLICE	11
MCCOY, BRADY	IT	4	O'KELLEY, CLINTON	POLICE	20
RABUN, STEVE	IT	28	DORRELL II, DENNIS	POLICE	25
ALURAIBY, YASSIN	IT	6	BROWN, CODY	POLICE	16
HOGAN, RICK	LEGAL	1	BOODY, JAY	POLICE	25
ROLLINS, KAREN	OES/911	20	LOGAN, ANTHONY	SANITATION	23
MCNAUGHTON, DUSTIN	PARKS - GOLF	9	CARR, GRALYN	STREET	6
MAHAN, TELINA	PARKS MAINT	7	JONES SR, HENRY	STREET	1
SMITH, PAMELA	PARKS REC	31	ROBERTSON, WILLIAM	VEHICLE MAINT	33
HOLLAND, JENIFER	PARKS REC	10	ARMSTRONG, DAVID	VEHICLE MAINT	26
JOHNSON, KEITH	PARKS REC	4			

*Information regarding employee anniversaries and birthdates is provided by Human Resources the prior year (i.e. 2023 was provided in 2022). 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 23 years. My total service with the city is 33 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)*

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### SCHOOL OBSERVANCES\*

Labor Day.....September 4  
 Parent-Teacher Conference ..... October 19  
*Times: 12 p.m. - 6 p.m.*  
 Student-Teacher Holiday.....October 20  
 AEA Days.....November 2 - 3  
 Thanksgiving Break.....November 20 - 24  
 Winter Break .....December 25 - January 8  
 Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday..... January 15  
 Parent-Teacher Conference ..... February 8  
*Times: 12 p.m. - 6 p.m.*  
 Student-Teacher Holiday ..... February 9  
 Spring Break.....March 18 - 22

\* STUDENTS DO NOT REPORT TO SCHOOL ON THESE DAYS.

First Quarter.....August 14 - October 13  
 Second Quarter.....October 16 - December 22  
 Third Quarter .....January 9 - March 15  
 Fourth Quarter ..... March 25 - May 29  
 Disclaimer: The last day of school is dependent upon AMI plan and snow days. May 30 - June 5 includes five (5) snow days. If no days are taken, May 29 is the last day for students. If more than five days are missed, days will be added to the end of the school year, pushing the last day later into May or June.



### IMPORTANT DATES

New Teacher Orientation.....August 4, 7  
 Teachers Report to Work.....August 8 - 11  
 First Day of School.....August 14  
 Return from Winter Break.....January 9  
 Last Day of School.....May 29

### CALENDAR LEGEND

No School  
 Student Grading Periods  
 Staff Development/Workday  
 First and Last Day of School  
 Early Release  
 District Offices Closed

### STUDENT GRADING PERIODS

\*\* North Little Rock City Offices  
 will be closed, Monday, June 19, 2023  
 in observance of  
 Juneteenth Day \*\*



\*\* Garbage, trash and recycling routes will be  
 delayed one-day all week.  
 (i.e. Monday's pickup will be Tuesday  
 and so on) \*\*

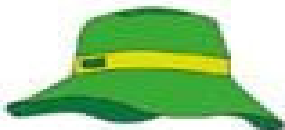
# BE SUN SMART



Put on a Shirt



Put on Sunscreen



Wear a Hat



Wear Sunglasses



Stay in the Shade



**SHARE THE SUN SAFE STORY  
WITH YOUR CHILD**

Be sun safe this summer! Sunburn symptoms can include:

- ⇒ Inflamed skin, which looks pink or red on white skin and may be harder to see on brown or black skin
- ⇒ Skin that feels warm or hot to the touch
- ⇒ Pain, tenderness and itching
- ⇒ Swelling
- ⇒ Small, fluid-filled blisters, which may break
- ⇒ Headache, fever, nausea and fatigue, if the sunburn is severe

Complications—Intense, repeated sun exposure that results in sunburn increases your risk of other skin damage and certain disease. These include premature aging of skin (photoaging), precancerous skin lesions and skin cancer.

Too much UV light damages the cornea of the eye as well.

See the flyer above for some methods of prevention!