

North Little Rock e-Newsletter

Provided by Diane Whitbey, City Clerk and Treasurer

August 2022

Drinking Water...when you turn on the faucet to get a glass of cool, clear water to quench your thirst, or fill up the coffee pot to brew your morning cup of 'joe' do you ever stop and wonder where that water came from?

Central Arkansas Water (CAW) provides water for the Greater Little Rock-North Little Rock area. A regional approach to quality drinking water allows CAW to service seven counties in Arkansas.

History

Central Arkansas Water is proud to provide drinking water to more than 450,000 Arkansans. CAW is the largest water utility in the state and has been recognized locally and nationally as one of the top water utilities in the country.

CAW has been a part of this community for almost 20 years, but the history of drinking water in our area goes back much further than that.

Community water service in the Little Rock-North Little Rock metropolitan area dates back to springs and wells in the early 1800s. From the late 1880s to the mid-1930s, a succession of investor-owned utilities served Little Rock and North Little Rock.

On the north side of the Arkansas River, the private interests included the Home Water Company, American Water Works & Electric Company, North Little Rock Water Company and Arkansaw Water Works Company.

The North Little Rock Water Company owned the North Little Rock system from 1936 to 1959, when the City of North Little Rock purchased facilities serving its corporate boundaries and its rural customers. Following the acquisitions by the respective cities, separate three-member governing water boards were appointed

to oversee operations, planning and expansions of the municipal utilities.

In 2000, "Water for our Future: Overcoming Regional Paralysis," a study by the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, marked the beginning of a new era in inter-local cooperation and the concept of metropolitan services for the cities of Little Rock and North Little Rock.

At the same time, the two cities had a 64-year-old history as water supplier and customer. The UA Little Rock study findings were the impetus for the cities to make a major change in their relationship by moving past geographical differences and corporate interests and looking toward the good of the entire customer base, as well as surrounding areas in central Arkansas.

The result was a unanimous decision by the cities' governing bodies and water commissions to merge into Central Arkansas Water. On March 5, 2001, city and water officials signed a historic consolidation agreement. On July 1, 2011, the utilities officially

merged human resources and operations.

Central Arkansas Water remains under public ownership. A seven-member Board of Commissioners governs the utility and a chief executive officer oversees day-to-day operations and administration. The utility's organization structure includes five departments: Distribution, Engineering, Finance & Customer Service, Information Services, and Source & Treatment.

Central Arkansas Water is proud to be the metropolitan water serve provider for Greater Little Rock-North Little Rock: a leader on the national level in regulatory compliance, treatment technology and operational efficiency; and a principal partner in efforts to ensure an adequate supply and quality source of water for the region—now and in the future.



Information found in a publication provided by CAW.



"Where's Mel"? Mel has been in hiding the past couple of months...but this month he's back! Be the first person to call 501-975-8617 and tell us where he's hiding and win a prize! (Only 1 win per year!)

North Little Rock Animal Services

For more information
call 501-791-8577

“Pet”

Have you ever thought about what a pet is? The following Wikipedia article is about animals kept for companionship.

In our home, they are “fur-babies” and part of the family. How about yours?

A pet, or companion animal, is an animal kept primarily for a person’s company or entertainment rather than as a working animal, livestock or laboratory animal. Popular pets are often considered to have attractive appearances, intelligence, and relatable personalities, but some pets may be taken in on an altruistic basis (such as a stray animal) and accepted by the owner regardless of these characteristics.

Two of the most popular pets are dogs and cats. Other animals commonly kept include rabbits, ferrets, rodents (gerbils, hamsters, chinchillas, rats, mice, and guinea pigs). Avian pets may be parrots, passerines, and fowls. Reptile pets include turtles, lizards and snakes. There are also aquatic pets such as fish and snails, amphibians such as frogs and salamanders, and arthropod pets such as tarantulas and hermit crabs. Small pets may be grouped together as “pocket pets”. Large companion animals can include equine and bovine.

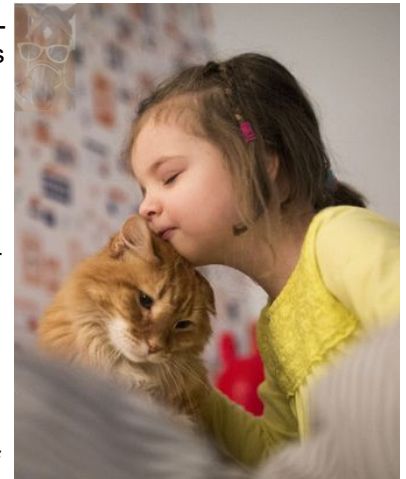


Pets provide their owners (or “guardians”, “human parents”) both physical and emotional benefits. Walking a dog can provide both the human and the dog with exercise, fresh air, and social interaction. Pets can give companionship to people who are living alone or elderly adults who do not have adequate social interaction with other people. There is a medically approved class of therapy animals, mostly dogs or cats, that are brought to visit confined humans, such as children in hospitals or elders in



nursing homes. Pet therapy utilizes trained animals and handlers to achieve specific physical, social, cognitive, or emotional goals with patients.

People most commonly get pets for companionship, to protect a home or property or because of the perceived beauty or attractiveness of the animals. A 1994 Canadian study found that the most common reasons for not owning a pet were lack of ability to care for the pet when traveling (34.6%), lack of time (29.6%), and lack of suitable housing (28.3%), with dislike of pets being less common (19.6%).

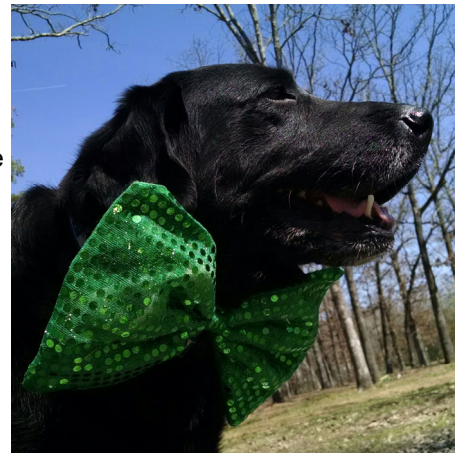


If you’re looking to add a new fur-baby to your family, please consider adopting from a local shelter. They are all full of wonderful pets of all ages.

Please consider adopting a senior pet. They may only be with you a few years, but they may be the best years of both of your lives.

Above right is a picture of Bear Bear. He was adopted from the North Little Rock Animal Shelter in 2017 by his fur-ever family. His age was unknown. He had heartworms. He was not neutered. He was also deaf and had issues with ear infections.

Bear Bear loved all people AND CATS! His best friend was a cat named Walter. Bear Bear’s new home was in the country where he lived on a fenced acre and was allowed house time with the feline fur babies. He went in for monthly spa days and was always so proud of himself when he returned home with his new bandana. His adopted family never regretted a day they spent with him. Bear Bear lived for about a year and died peacefully in his sleep one night.



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.

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



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



North Little Rock Fire Department



What makes smoke alarms in your home so important?

Residential fires far outnumber fires in all other types of occupancies combined. The type of materials in modern houses burn hotter, faster and produce more toxic smoke than in the past. Home fires can be more dangerous than fires in many other types occupancies because everyone in the house may be sleeping. According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) almost three out of five home fire deaths resulted from fires in properties without working smoke alarms.



For these reasons the fire code requires smoke alarms in every room where people sleep.

You also need to have one just outside areas where people sleep. This can alert someone in the bedroom of a fire outside the room.



It is also important to sleep with bedroom doors closed. This will help prevent the spread of fire and smoke into a bedroom, buying more time to escape out a window.

There should be a smoke alarm on every floor of a home.



Smoke alarms are critical to alert people to a fire in the house. Carbon Monoxide alarms are also important if there are fuel burning appliances such as wood stoves, natural gas or propane cooking, heating or water heating equipment in a house. Be sure to check them once a month and replace them when they are 10 years old.

Chief Warren Almon
Fire Marshal
North Little Rock Fire Department

F.O.C.U.S. Program

The North Little Rock Fire Department has developed the "Firefighters Organize Community Understanding on Safety" (F.O.C.U.S.) Program to help our residents minimize the loss of life and property. This program educates the public on home fire safety through voluntary home fire safety surveys and a home smoke alarm installation and check.

To have a free smoke alarm installed or a home fire safety survey performed, call 501-340-5377.





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

Below are highlights from July 2022 (You will see that some departments had to change operations due to the Corona-virus/COVID-19.

Hays Center—fully open to members. 7,426 members visited, with an average 391 members per day. 132 new members. Volunteers contributed 567 hours.

Sanitation—crews continue to pickup garbage and yard waste during the pandemic. Garbage / Yard Waste crews collected 1,939.61 tons (3,879.22 lbs) of household garbage, rubbish and junk. Yard waste crews collected 90 loads (2,581.40 cubic yards) of green waste. 167 tires picked up. 36 Sanitation Code inspections and 28 re-inspections. Issued 16 notices for non-compliance. Collected \$800.00 from move-outs or excessive bulk waste. Curbside recycling tonnage for the month was 148.35.

Traffic—AR One Call requests—58, Signs/posts repaired or replaced—184, City vehicles marked with decals—7.

Police—Breaking and entering into vehicles continues to be an issue. The majority of vehicles are not locked. **LOCK YOUR VEHICLES FOLKS!!!** Burglaries are also up. NLRPD responded to 107 firework related calls July 4. Officer Wade Tollett and Investigator John Temple were promoted to Sergeant. Officer Jon Schwulst announced his retirement.

Fire—Total incidents—1,207, Fires—102 False alarms—73, Rescue/Emergency Medical—701, Hazmat—27. Training hours: 3,808. Building surveys: 135.

Emergency/911—Incoming calls—12,681, Non-911—5,119, Wired 911—802, Abandoned 911—31, Wireless 911—6,505, Abandoned Wireless—224. Total dispatch entries: 8,891.

Planning—Inspectors traveled 3,958 miles within the city performing the following inspections: 106 HVAC, 218 Plumbing, 305 Electrical, 147 Building. Issued the following permits: 7 sign, 3 banner, 9 demolition, 12 New Single Family (average cost \$207,582), 55 Residential Remodel (average cost \$11,771), 2 New Commercial (permit \$4,025,525.3 Commercial Remodel (average cost \$37,000), 0 new Multi-family.

Electric Customer Service—Payments—39,715, Collections—\$10,465, 143.

Code Enforcement—Assigned calls—188, Citations—25, Violation Notices—231, Vehicles Tagged—64, Lots Posted—13, Signs Removed—7, Structures Inspected—32, Rental Inspections—26, Food Service Inspections—10, Houses Demolished by city—5, Houses Demolished by owner—15, Vacant Lots Cleaned—58, Lots with Structures Cleaned—39, Vacant Houses Secured—8, Tires removed—0.



Animal Control—Incoming:

Dog—158/951 ytd
 Cat—52/352
 Other—0/8
 Adopted:
 Dog—50/305
 Cat—42/174
 Other—0/1
 Reclaimed:
 Dog—19/140
 Cat—1/6
 Other—0/2
 Euthanized:
 Dog—77/479
 Cat—31/173
 Service Calls—477/3,340
 Citations—47/227 Vouchers (Spay/Neuter)—9/110



Parks & Recreation—Arkansas Inland Maritime Museum had 1,565 visitors, which included a birthday party—12, group tours for Pulaski County School—15, Child Care Network of Bryant—18, Cross-Country Motorcycle group—20, Church group from Star City—10 and Chief Brian Carelock Reenlistment Ceremony—12. Special Event July 4—110.

Parks—staff hosted annual Busch Softball Classic at Burns Park. AR Hunger Alliance held event at Stone Links. SAPling Summer Program field trip to Dickey Stephens Ball Park to watch AR Travelers game and visit Otey's Splash Pad. NLR Community Center was open as a Cooling Center. Funland will host 65th Anniversary Celebration September 17. Golf play up...staff continue to keep courses in good shape.

Street—work in the street department is never ending...crews patch potholes, pick up litter, clean out storm drains (remove accumulated debris including leaves and grass clippings). Assist other department with various projects as well.

Electric

39,810 customers	\$10,774,342 revenue
227,535 kw peak power	60 sq miles—territory
11,252 transformers	555 miles of wire
10,458 street lights	5,032 security lights
82 lighting repairs	39,401 smart meters

Major outages: 7-19-22 Hwy 70 & 165-car hit pole, 1,454 customers without power 72 to 412 minutes. 7-23-22 Gal-loway-car hit pole, 1,084 customers out 37 minutes.

During a Power Outage...what should you do?

Found at getprepared.gc.ca

- First, check whether the power outage is limited to your home. If your neighbor's power is still on, check your own circuit breaker panel or fuse box. If the problem is not a breaker or fuse, check the service wires leading to your home. If they are obviously damaged or on the ground stay away and notify the electric department.
- If your neighbor's power is also out, notify the electric department.
- Power surges are rare but sometimes happen. You may want to turn off tools, appliances and other equipment.

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Finance

**Year to Date Revenue & Expenditures
June 2022**

Revenue

Interest Income	18,231
Miscellaneous	232,533
Licenses/Permits	394,368
Property Taxes	290,526
Intergovernmental	311,153
Franchise fees	275,252
Local Option Sales Tax	5,216,394
Charges for Services	182,745
Fines & Fees	80,872
Net Transfers	923,080
Total Revenue	\$ 7,925,248

Expenditures

Administration	194,286
Animal Shelter	94,443
Special Appropriations	399,885
City Clerk	48,558
Emergency Services	192,555
Finance	153,888
Fire	2,020,037
Health	5,879
Legal	82,780
1st Court	78,310
2nd Court	65,947
Human Resources	103,334
Commerce	37,263
Planning	104,953
Police	2,745,369
Code Enforcement	105,114
Public Works	143,191
Neighborhood Services	37,984
Sanitation	556,470
Vehicle Maintenance	123,500
Senior Citizens Center	118,362
Communications	43,887
Fit 2 Live	21,663
Total Expenditures	\$ 7,477,669

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- Don't open your freezer or fridge unless absolutely necessary. A full freezer will keep food frozen for 24 to 36 hours if the door remains closed.
- NEVER use charcoal or gas barbecues (grills), camping heating equipment, or home generators indoors. They give off carbon monoxide which is deadly. You cannot smell or see it, so it can cause health problems and is life-threatening.
- Use proper candle holders. Never leave lit candles unattended and keep them out of reach of children (and pets). Always extinguish candles before going to bed.
- Listen to your battery-powered or crank radio for information on the outage and advice from authorities. (In North Little Rock, monitor the North Little Rock Electric Department and City of North Little Rock Facebook pages for updates.
- Make sure your home has a working carbon monoxide detector. If it is hard-wired to the house's electrical supply, ensure it has a battery-powered back-up
- Protect sensitive electrical appliances such as TVs, computers, DVD players, etc. with a surge-protecting power bar.



**Parking Rules
in the City**

*Found in NLR Neighborhood News—
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Did you know that all parking rules are not uniform across our city? Some rules are consistent, for example when parking on



the street...you must park in the direction of the traffic. You CANNOT park on a sidewalk unless you are in a driveway that crosses a sidewalk.

Some neighborhoods have special parking Districts. In **Argenta** (downtown) you cannot park in the yard (including pulling up on the curb and on the grassy easement between sidewalk and curb). During events at the ball field (Dickey-Stephens Ball Park), only residents may park in the residential neighborhood.

In **Park Hill** you cannot park on the grass and driveways must be pavers or paved. In **Lakewood** and **Indian Hills** the same rules apply.

There have been streets where parking was limited to one side of the street because emergency vehicles could not navigate around when cars were parked on both sides. Streets with no parking on one or both sides will have signs informing drivers of those restrictions.

Downtown, if you park on the east side of Main, make sure you are within the space marked by the white line. If you extend into the street and block the **Trolley**, your vehicle could be towed.

Stop signs...you must be at least 25 feet away.

Parking in a handicapped spot may result in severe penalties.

Parking on the grass in public places, like a park is also a violation. Parking on the pedestrian / bike trail is not allowed either.

Further, **impeding the flow of traffic** (like stopping in the street to visit) is also not recommended as it can cause an accident.

Final reminder, **DO NOT USE YOUR CELL PHONE IN SCHOOL ZONES.**

Water Quality

It's just a single drop of rain. Small. Isolated. Perhaps even insignificant in the mind of some...

For Central Arkansas Water, however, that drop is the most important thing we work with every day, and how we treat it has a great effect on you and your family.

Imagine a normal spring day in central Arkansas, when a rain shower makes its way to the western horizon. As the rain begins to fall, the water lands on the hills and mountains that create the beauty of western Pulaski County, flowing downhill in small branches and over dry creek beds.

Before you know it, those branches and creeks swell and pour into the Maumelle River. Faster and faster it flows through twists and turns, fields and timber. Suddenly, it turns a corner and opens into a much larger body, where it pauses on its way to your home as some of the best drinking water in the country.

CAW's Water Quality Department is charged with the protection of the two most vital parts of our system—Lake Winona and Lake Maumelle. The work they do, and that our partners do on a daily basis, ensures that the land around those two lakes is protected from outside influences that can affect the quality and taste of the water you drink at your home.

Another part of the day-to-day tasks of the Water Quality Department is to monitor what is making its way into the lakes. Each lake and the land that surrounds it is part of a watershed. CAW is charged with maintaining two watersheds simultaneously, and each is very different.

"We're dedicated to protecting the health of the 450,000 consumers by providing the highest quality drinking water services to residential, business and wholesale customers at the lowest possible cost, while also protecting our streams, rivers and reservoirs by conserving natural resources and providing clean, safe water," Director of Water Quality Randy Easley said.

Lake Winona is the smaller of our two lakes. Completed in 1938, it is located

about 40 miles west of Little Rock, and is completely surrounded by the Ouachita National Forest. Lake Winona is a small lake, only 1.9 square miles, but it is deep, averaging 35 feet. Lake Winona can yield up to



25 million gallons of water per day. The lake was the original drinking water reservoir for the city of Little Rock.

CAW is lucky that Lake Winona is surrounded by the Ouachita National Forest, which helps control some of the human impact on the lake and the quality of the water that comes out of it.

On the other hand, Lake Maumelle is surrounded by a major state highway, developed land, an oil pipeline and a well-known hiking trail. The dynamics of what must be done to protect these areas are very different, and it's up to the Water Quality Department to ensure that proper science is used to provide this protection.

Lake Maumelle's watershed is over 137 square miles of land that runs all the way into Perry County to the west of the lake. The Maumelle River is the major tributary that supplies the water to form Lake Maumelle. It runs from mountains to the west of Little Rock through the valleys, meandering its way to the mouth of the lake. What many people forget is that the influences on the river as it travels toward the lake will ultimately have a major effect on the water source.

One example is sediment. When there is a major rain event, water rushing through the small creeks and branches in the watershed drains into the larger Maumelle River. As the river picks up speed due to the increased flow of water, it can begin to pick up sediment and erode streambanks along the way.

Developed or improved land along the river can increase the flow of sediment into the river as well. Forested land serves as a natural filter for sediment. When the trees are removed, it's easier for the soil to be loosened and make its way into the tributaries.

To help eliminate these issues, our Water Quality Department works hard to reduce the sediment load that makes its way into the lake.

One instance is our Forest Legacy Project at the site of an old grass farm west of Lake Maumelle. The Maumelle River runs right through the farm. For years, because there are very few trees in the area, it allowed for a higher sediment load to make its way to the river. Using incredible science, CAW has done amazing work in this area to bring the land and the river back to a place where water filtration occurs more naturally.

Of course, just because there is a forest in place doesn't mean that work doesn't need to be done to maintain it. CAW has programs in place to ensure our forests are the healthiest, both for the trees and for the water that is filtered through on its way to the lake.

In order to promote growth of the appropriate type of ground cover in our forests, CAW implemented a prescribed fire and ecological thinning program several years ago.

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The process starts with prescribed fire, which is a slow-moving fire that eliminates the unwanted ground cover, such as dead branches and non-native plant life.

After the forest recovers from that fire, crews are brought in to remove or “thin” certain trees from the area. These trees are hand-picked based on their condition or type.

After the thinning occurs, follow-up burns are conducted every three to five years. By thinning the area, the overhead canopy is less dense, which allows sunlight to reach the forest floor, promoting growth of quality vegetation that helps filter the water that runs off into the lake.

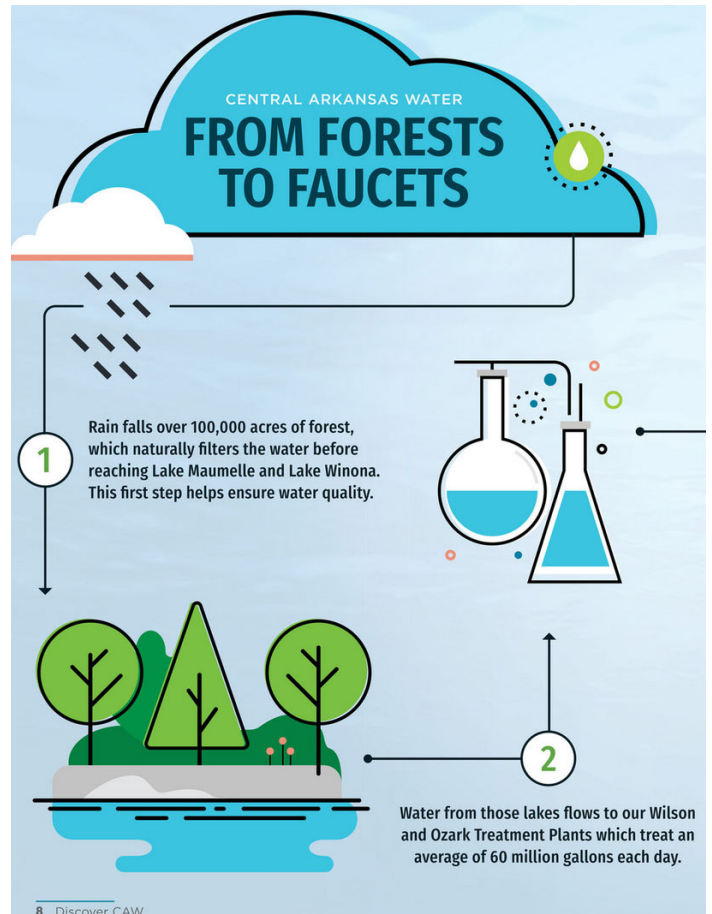
This amazing work is just the tip of the iceberg.

Once the Maumelle River flows into Lake Maumelle, even more testing and measurements are done to ensure the best water possible is taken from the lake and sent to treatment.

CAW works closely with the US Geological Society to measure the conditions of the lake in real time, including water temperature, wind speed and turbidity, which allows the treatment process to be adjusted accordingly so you receive the best tasting drinking water possible at your home.

Our lake sources have such high raw water quality that they are both used as national reference lakes, meaning they represent a “least disturbed condition” and data collected from them are used in water quality studies across the country.

“Local microbreweries consider our water a blank slate, allowing them to create magic in their libations,” Easley said. “Industries are often surprised that our water is so clean that they save money because they don’t need to further treat it before manufacturing use.”



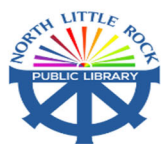
The members of the Water Quality Department are passionate about the work they do to ensure that Central Arkansas Water is the best available.

Out of sight, out of mind. The next time you get a glass of water from the faucet, take a shower or do a load of laundry, think about the journey it made...one drop at a time...to get to your home.



Laman / Argenta Branch Library

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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**WHAT'S HAPPENING
AT YOUR NLR PUBLIC
LIBRARY SYSTEM IN**

SEPTEMBER

KIDS EAT FREE!

Equal Hearts Food Program
Ages 18 and under, no registration required!

**MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY
FROM 3:30 PM TO 4:30 PM**

William F. Laman Public Library - Children's Library
2801 Orange Street, North Little Rock, AR 72114



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board Game Day All Day Laman Storytime 10:30 AM Argenta What is the Gemini Machine? 11 AM Laman Makerspace Watercolor Workshop 4 PM Laman 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Movie Morning: Megamind All Day Laman Fun Friday All day Argenta Teen Gaming 9 AM Laman 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Saturday Crafts 9 AM Laman
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<p>In observance of Labor Day, Both locations of the North Little Rock Public Library System will be closed.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Storytime 10 AM Laman Homeschool STEAM Explorers 1 PM Laman Game Day 3 PM Argenta Popin' Cookin' 4 PM Laman 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Let's Move! Active Kids 10 AM Laman Wednesday "Hump Day" Movie: Black Widow 1 PM Argenta Creative Wednesday 3 PM Argenta Teen Gaming 4 PM Laman English Conversation Club 5 PM Laman 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Book Chat with Julie 10 AM Social Media E-Reader Workshop 10 AM Laman Storytime 10:30 AM Argenta Kids' Zone 3 PM Laman Let's Build a Bridge 4 PM Laman Beginner ASL 1 & 2 4 PM & 5 PM Laman COVID Vaccine Seminar 5 PM Laman 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fun Friday All day Argenta COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic 9 AM Laman 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teen Gaming 9 AM Laman
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Employee Bdays: Shelbie Reed—14 Robin Campbell—18 Ashley Brown—25
 Employee Anniversaries: Susan Shirley—34 yrs Beverly Partin—7 yrs Adam Branscum—5 yrs



**Peddlers Permit
City of North Little Rock**

Issued to: **Mel Dun**
Issued: 7/1/2022
Expires: **9/30/2022**



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 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.**

Currently, we have NO permitted door to door solicitors.

All 2021 North Little Rock Business/Privilege License/Permits are now delinquent and subject to a 50% penalty.

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.

The North Little Rock Convention & Visitors Bureau wants to help promote your upcoming events! Visit www.NorthLittleRock.org or call Stephanie Slagle (Director of Marketing) at stephanie@northlittlerock.org or 501.404.0378 to submit your events.

City Clerk/Treasurer's Office

Who are we and what do we do?

The City Clerk/Treasurer is an elected city official. In this role, the Clerk/Treasurer must abide by many state and local laws pertaining to record keeping, finances, Freedom of Information (FOIA).

Our staff members work hard every day in many capacities. The City Clerk/Treasurer's Office (CCT) receives and processes payments/funds from other departments. The CCT also handles all Privilege License/Permits (aka Business License) for our city. This is a complicated process which requires communicating with existing businesses, owners and/or employees. We also work closely with other Government Agencies including Pulaski County and other city officials from around the state. The CCT works closely with the State Alcohol Beverage and Control Board by ensuring that any State ABC license holder also has the correct North Little Rock License to be able to sell liquor.

Our staff works closely with other city departments as well. The city Planning Department is contacted on all new business licenses applications and address changes. This is to insure that the type of business is allowed in a specific zone. Police are contacted when a daycare or gun sales are licensed as there are certain checks they may need to perform. The Fire Marshal inspects all Food Trucks annually for the safety to our residents/customers. Animal Control provides annual inspections of all animal board type businesses. Animal Control is also required to inspect properties for residential Chicken Licenses (yes, it is a thing).

Staff is also required to know and understand an extensive fee schedule. Did you know that if a business is a Convenience Store, they also have to pay a separate fee if they have a restaurant (or provide any type of prepared food or fountain drinks), have fuel pumps, provide auto repair service, etc.?

On the record keeping side, state law requires that we maintain copies of all ordinances, resolutions and minutes from city council meetings. These are permanent records. Staff members also spend time researching numerous requests for internal departments, outside agencies and FOIA requests.

The above are just SOME of the many miscellaneous task we are responsible for. You might call us Jack and Jill's of all things!

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

Finance, Ember Strange	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 Nathan Hamilton	753-0733 952-7679
Ward 2	Linda Robinson Maurice Taylor	945-8820 690-6444
Ward 3	Steve Baxter Ron Harris	804-0928 758-2877
Ward 4	Charlie Hight Jane Ginn	758-8396 749-5344

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 Terry C. Hartwick	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
Terry C. Hartwick	
City Clerk & Treasurer.....	501-975-8617
Diane Whitbey	
Communications.....	501-975-8833
Shara Brazear	
External Relations.....	501-975-8605
Margaret Powell	
Special Projects/DEI.....	501-975-3737
Arnessa Bennett	
Fit 2 Live.....	501-442-7406
LaKaisha Shelby	

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



Aug 29 to Sep 2, recycle
Sept 5 to 9, no pickup
Sept 12 to 16, recycle
Sept 19 to 23, no pickup
Sept 26 to 30, recycle

September Anniversaries

Name	Dept	# Yrs	Name	Dept	# Yrs
FREEMAN, KIM A	ELECTRIC	45	SMITH, BRIAN S	ELECTRIC	13
SANCHEZ, ROY	FIRE	35	BROWN, ANTHONY	ELECTRIC	13
DEREUISSEAU, WALLACE L	FIRE	35	SCHULTZ, KRISTIN A	ELECTRIC	12
THORN, MARK R	FIRE	33	BURLESON, SUSAN M	ELECTRIC	12
TETKOSKIE, ALAN D	FIRE	33	WILLIAMS, LYNN L	SANITATION	10
USSERY, KEVIN	TRAFFIC	33	BETTIS, RICKY W	ELECTRIC	8
BELL, JAMIE L	ELECTRIC	32	TAYLOR, BECKY	CITY CLERK	8
WOODWARD, GREGORY D	ELECTRIC	32	MIDDLETON, DEBORAH A	COURT I	7
DELLORTO, DANIEL P	FIRE	29	HAWKINS, JASON P	POLICE	7
BUFORD, BEAU W	FIRE	29	SARTIN, KENNETH W	FIRE	7
GUAJARDO JR, ALEX	FIRE	29	DOWDY, JEREMY	ELECTRIC	6
HALL, CHRIS E	FIRE	29	STRIPLING, WILLIAM T	ELECTRIC	6
PARKER, GLENDA A	PARKS REC	28	BARBER, TYLER C	POLICE	5
THESSING, PATRICK P	POLICE	27	OSBORNE, STEVEN T	OES/911	5
EDISON JR, ROBERT L	POLICE	27	REEVES, MICHAEL T	PARKS REC	4
ABEL, SHIRLEY M	NEIGHBOR SERV	27	OGINSKI, JOSHUA A	ELECTRIC	4
FRANCISCO, KIM	POLICE	25	KOLB, MATTHEW R	FIRE	4
DEDRICK, BRIAN	POLICE	25	COX, BRYEN G	FIRE	4
MILLER, JON R	FIRE	25	DERRICK, ZACHERY H	ELECTRIC	4
PETTIT, LEONARD E	ELECTRIC	25	NUTT, MATTHEW D	TRAFFIC	4
SHOEMAKER, MARK E	FIRE	25	SANDERS, SHARON D	PARKS CONC	3
PETTIT, DAVID N	POLICE	24	ALLEN, BRANDON M	ELECTRIC	3
LYON, JOHN P	POLICE	23	PERKINS, BETTY L	PARKS CONC	3
EVERETT, THOMAS R	TRAFFIC	23	PARKS JR., JAMES E	SANITATION	3
SCHWULST, JON P	POLICE	22	WEBB, MORRIS B	ELECTRIC	2
CANTRELL, PAUL A	POLICE	22	DAISEY JR, ROBERT L	VEHICLE MAINT	2
GRAVETT, JEFFREY T	POLICE	22	EGLI, BRIAN S	FIRE	2
HOPSON, BILLY R	SANITATION	22	COX, MEGAN D	OES/911	2
MOYSTER, BRUCE W	POLICE	21	BUTLER BEAN, FELECIA A	PARKS REC	2
NICHOLS, CARLA M	POLICE	21	GRAHAM, BRANDON D	FIRE	2
FISHER, JON P	POLICE	20	WALKER, NICHOLAS T	FIRE	2
NEELEY, JAMES A	POLICE	20	WADE, ALEXANDRA S	FIRE	2
MILES III, DAVID N	ANIMAL CONTROL	19	SAWYER, ANNA M	FIT2LIVE	2
PRICE, MATTHEW H	ELECTRIC	15	WALKER, RAEVYN N	PARKS CONC	1
ALLEN, RACHEL G	PARKS REC	14	BLACK, WILLIAM S	ELECTRIC	1
HAMMONS, PHILLIP J	POLICE	13	MARION, MARCUS J	STREET	1
ANDERSON, MATTHEW S	POLICE	13	HUDSON, THOMAS R	POLICE	1
NOEL, ASHLEY M	POLICE	13	ELROD, SAMANTHA N	FINANCE	1
TOLLETT, YANCY W	POLICE	13			

Information regarding employee anniversaries and birthdates is provided by Human Resources the prior year (i.e. 2022 was provided in 2021). 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 21 years. My total service with the city is 31 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)

September Birthdays

<i>NAME</i>	<i>DEPT</i>	<i>DATE</i>	<i>NAME</i>	<i>DEPT</i>	<i>DATE</i>
HARRIS, RON	COUNCIL MEMBER	1	MCKEE JR, THURMAN	TRAFFIC	15
FINCH, MARK	ELECTRIC	1	PLAUDIS, THOMAS	OES/911	16
OAKLEY, BRIAN	FIRE	1	MILLER, MICHAEL	POLICE	16
HENDERSON, AARON	FIRE	1	HENDERSON, CHRISTOPHER	POLICE	16
CASH, RONALD	VEHICLE MAINT	2	KNOERNSCHILD, JASON	FIRE	18
PATTON, CHRIS	FIRE	3	BREWER, THOMAS	PARKS MAINT	18
SCHRADER, DUDLEY	FIRE	3	BRYANT, TAMMARRAH	PARKS REC	18
WOODS, ARMANI	PARKS REC	3	BRANCH, CAROLYN	POLICE	18
JOHNSON JR, BUFORD	PARKS MAINT	4	WIGGINS, MARK	POLICE	18
MERZ, CARISSA	POLICE	4	JONES, AMY	COMM DEV	19
NOLES, KEVIN	ELECTRIC	5	CHASTAIN, STACIA	PARKS MAINT	19
MCCOURT, KEITH	ELECTRIC	5	SMITH, JOE	ADMINISTRATION	20
HOLMAN, AARON	IT	5	USSERY, EBBIE	ELECTRIC	20
BRUNO, SHERRYL	POLICE	5	WEST, SANDRA	FIRE	20
PETTIT, DAVID	POLICE	5	ROBERTSON, BILLY	VEHICLE MAINT	20
BAXTER, ANDREW	PUBLIC WORKS	5	TENNER, ANDREAUS	VEHICLE MAINT	20
HODGE, LACY	ANIMAL CONTROL	6	BUTLER, CLINT	FIRE	21
BARTLETT, JAMES	ELECTRIC	6	BLANKENSHIP, GREGORY	POLICE	21
MARTIN, TEMEKA	PARKS REC	6	HAMILTON, NATHAN	COUNICL MEMBER	23
EVANS, REAGAN	POLICE	6	TREADAWAY, MICHAEL	FIRE	24
HEINRICHS, ERIC	ELECTRIC	7	LIVINGSTON, KENNETH	POLICE	24
PETTIT, JAMIE	PARKS MAINT	7	HALSEY, JACKIE	ELECTRIC	25
INGRAM, TERRENCE	STREET	7	SCHULTZ, KRISTIN	ELECTRIC	25
DAISEY JR, ROBERT	VEHICLE MAINT	7	BARENTINE, RONALD	PARKS GOLF	25
ATKINS, PAMELA	ANIMAL CONTROL	9	KING, JEN-CHUAN	POLICE	25
JONES, WILLIAM	POLICE	9	STROUT, ANTHONY	POLICE	25
MATHIS, JOSEPH	PUBLIC WORKS	9	VANASSCHE, JACOB	POLICE	25
MAHANAY, EARL	FIRE	10	ANDREWS, ROMMIE	STREET	25
THOMPSON, PAYTON	POLICE	10	CHAPERON, BRITTANY	OES/911	26
COYOTE, DUSSTIN	FIRE	11	ADAMS, STEVE	STREET	26
EISENHOWER, COREY	FIRE	12	BROWN, GREGORY	FIRE	27
THOMAS-BATRES, ISAIAS	FIRE	12	DEAVER, JACOB	PARKS MAINT	27
HUTCHISON, JARRETT	FIRE	12	BELL, JAMIE	ELECTRIC	28
SEHIKA, JOHN	STREET	12	HARTWICK, RYAN	ELECTRIC	28
REYNOLDS, DAVIN	FINANCE	13	HENDRIX, KUADRIKA	POLICE	28
WILLIAMS III, ALVIN	FIRE	13	GINN, JANE	COUNICL MEMBER	29
MCCULLAR, JOHN	PUBLIC WORKS	13	COUCH III, LEE	PARKS REC	29
DAVENPORT, JOSHUA	OES/911	14	EDWARDS, CHADWICK	POLICE	29
TOLENTINO, VALERIE	OES/911	14	MILLER, MYNA	AIMM	30
CARR, STEVEN	SENIOR CENTER	14	GUAJARDO, BILLY	FIRE	30
PECKAT, CHARLES	POLICE	14	LASHLEY, ALEX	PARKS MAINT	30
THESSING, PATRICK	POLICE	14	ALLEN, RACHEL	PARKS REC	30
CARR, COLLEEN	ECONOMIC DEV	15	JACKSON, LINDA	POLICE	30
BALDWIN, LOGAN	AIMM	15	DAVIS, CORDELL	POLICE	30
FREEMAN, KIM	ELECTRIC	15	CHRISTOPHER, MARCUS	STREET	30
YOUNG, ANTWONE	SANITATION	15	MAHAN, JACOB	TRAFFIC	30



Landfill changes = changes in pickup of Electronic items in NLR

The City of North Little Rock has made changes to collection of electronic items from the routes that run through our city. The North Little Rock Sanitation Department will **no longer collect electronic items** from the regular routes in our city due to limitations from the local landfill.

Televisions, printers, microwaves and other electronic items should be dropped off at **418 West 13th Street, (North Little Rock)** **TUESDAY MORNING from 7:00 am – 9:30 am** and every **THIRD SATURDAY from 7:00 am – noon**

Residents disposing of large electronic items such as air conditioners and refrigerators should contact the North Little Rock Sanitation Department at 501-371-8340 for pickup.

Grandma's Chicken Casserole

Found at bettycrocker.com

3 cups chopped cooked chicken
2 cans (10.5 oz each) condensed Cream of Chicken soup
2 cups shredded Cheddar cheese (8 oz)
3 cups Progresso™ plain panko crispy bread crumbs
6 tablespoons butter, melted

Heat oven to 350°F.

Place chicken evenly in bottom of ungreased 13 x 9-inch (3-quart) glass baking dish. Spoon and spread soup evenly over chicken; sprinkle with cheese.

In medium bowl, stir bread crumbs and melted butter; sprinkle over cheese. Bake 30 to 35 minutes or until cheese is melted and break crumbs are gold brown and thoroughly heated.



With cool weather ahead, consider this heart and tummy warming recipe! Make it your own by adding English peas, or crispy french onions—like the ones you use in green bean casserole!

PRESENTED BY THE
NORTH LITTLE ROCK FIRE DEPARTMENT



FIREFIGHTER CHALLENGE

30th Anniversary - National Tour

SEPTEMBER 8TH - 10TH
2022

DICKEY-STEPHENS
PARK PARKING LOT



For more information,
contact Captain Dustin Free
at 501-680-2624 or visit
www.nlr.ar.gov/fire

FIREFIGHTER CHALLENGE

Thursday, September 8th

Open Practice Day
Open to the public
9 am- 5 pm

Friday, September 9th

Elementary Field Trip Day
NLR School Kids Relay Race at 9 am
Opening Ceremony at 5 pm
Individual Firefighter Races

Saturday, September 10th

Charity Challenge at 8 am
Opening Ceremony at 10:30 am
Tandem and Relay Races
Dogtown Throwdown
immediately following races

Volunteers Needed!!!

Do you want to be a part of the action? Volunteers are needed to reset the course.

Note: you **must be able to lift 80—100 lbs!**

Contact Angela Wirt for volunteer details at 501-975-4297 or email awrit@nlr.ar.gov.

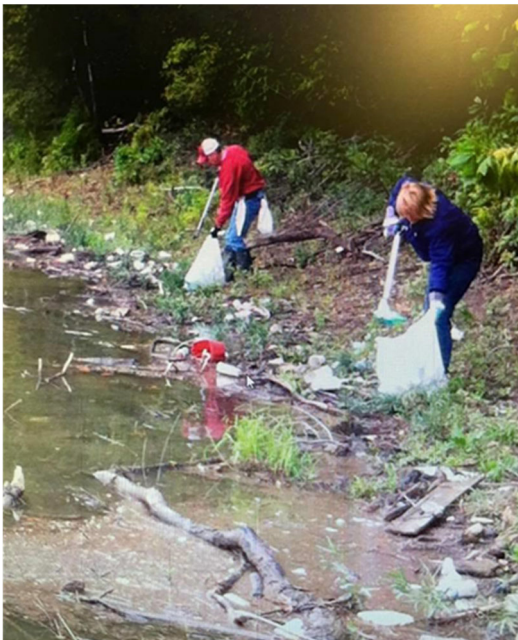
Keep North Little Rock Beautiful!



2022 Great Arkansas River Clean Up! Saturday, September 10, 2022 8:30 am—11:00 am

Burns Park Boat Ramp and River Road, North Little Rock

Visit www.knlrb.org and facebook.com/KNLNRB for forms
Or contact green@knlrb.org or call 501-350-8775



Above, Community groups work together to clean up the banks of the Arkansas River in North Little Rock.

Please submit your pictures with your group name and location to be shared with the City of NLR and on the KNLRB website and Facebook Page.



4th Annual NLR **FREE SHRED & RECYCLE EVENT**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Park Hill Christian Church

4400 JFK Blvd, North Little Rock, AR

9 AM – 12 PM



Items accepted: plastic and glass bottles, cans, paper and cardboard.

(Please ensure bottles and cans are rinsed and clean.)

Paper may include hanging file folders, paper clips, and bulldog clips.

(NO BATTERIES or large metal objects like 3-ring binders.)