

***North Little Rock e-Newsletter***

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**Join us Sunday, December 3, 2017, @ 2:00 p.m.**

For the

**North Little Rock Sertoma Christmas Parade**

Parade begins at the corner of Pershing and Main, and proceeds south on Main and will end in front of the Judges stand by the US Bank Building

The theme is "Christmas Magic"

For more information call Sherri Bruno @ 501-758-753-7902

Or email [Sherry.Bruno51@gmail.com](mailto:Sherry.Bruno51@gmail.com)



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

**North Rock**  
**Animal Control**  
 more information call  
**501-791-8577**

*This is a reminder from the ASPCA for Holiday Safety Tips for your furry family members.*

The holiday season is upon us, and many pet parents plan to include their furry companions in the festivities. As you gear up for the holidays, it is important to try to keep your pet's eating and exercise habits as close to their normal routine as possible. Also, please be sure to steer pets clear of the following unhealthy treats, toxic plants and dangerous decorations.

**Be Careful with Seasonal Plants and Decorations**

—Oh, Christmas Tree: Securely anchor your Christmas tree so it doesn't tip and fall, causing possible injury to your pet. This will also prevent the tree water—which may contain fertilizers that can cause stomach upset—from spilling. Stagnant tree water is a breeding ground for bacteria, and your pet could end up with nausea or diarrhea should he imbibe.



—Avoid Mistletoe & Holly: Holly, when ingested, can cause pets to suffer nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. Mistletoe can cause gastrointestinal upset and cardiovascular problems. And many varieties of lilies can cause kidney failure in cats if ingested. Opt for just-as-jolly artificial plants made from silk or plastic, or choose a pet-safe bouquet.

—Tinsel-less Town: Kitties love this sparkly, light-catching "toy" that's easy to bat around and carry in their mouths. But a nibble can lead to a swallow, which can lead to an obstructed digestive tract, severe vomiting, dehydration and possible surgery. It's best to brighten your boughs with something other than tinsel.

—That Holiday Glow: Don't leave lighted candles unattended. Pets may burn themselves or cause a fire if they knock candles over. Be sure to use appropriate candle holders, placed on a stable surface. And if you leave the room, put the candle out!

—Wired Up: Keep wires, batteries and glass or plastic ornaments out of paws' reach. A wire can deliver a potentially lethal electrical shock and a punctured battery can cause burns to the mouth and esophagus, while shards of breakable ornaments can damage your pet's mouth and digestive tract.

# Howl-a-day Stockings

The North Little Rock Animal Shelter and North Little Rock Friends of Animals volunteers are partnering to provide our shelter animals a Happy Holiday and Merry Christmas.

Help fill a stocking by donating dog or cat toys, trinkets, or treats to the North Little Rock Animals Shelter.

Your donations will give every homeless animal on the adoption line (dogs and cats, puppies and kittens) their very own Christmas stocking. The stockings will go home with the pet when he or she finds their new owner and forever home!

Donations will be accepted at the Animal Shelter in Burns Park, Championship Drive, Monday—Friday 8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. and Saturday 12 noon—4:00 p.m.





*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



Winter holidays are a time for families and friends to get together.

But that also means a greater risk for fire. Following a few simple tips will ensure a happy and fire-safe holiday season.



### HOLIDAY DECORATING

- Be careful with holiday decorations. Choose decorations that are flame resistant or flame retardant.
  - Keep lit candles away from decorations and other things that can burn.
  - Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use, but not both.
  - Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections. Read manufacturer's instructions for number of light strands to connect.
  - Use clips, not nails, to hang lights so the cords do not get damaged.
- Keep decorations away from windows and doors.

### HOLIDAY ENTERTAINING

- Test your smoke alarms and tell guests about your home fire escape plan.
- Keep children and pets away from lit candles.
- Keep matches and lighters up high in a locked cabinet.
- Stay in the kitchen when cooking on the stovetop.
- Ask smokers to smoke outside. Remind smokers to keep their smoking materials with them so young children do not touch them.
- Provide large, deep ashtrays for smokers. Wet cigarette butts with water before discarding.

### Before Heading Out or to Bed

**Blow out** lit candles when you leave the room or go to bed. **Turn off** all light strings and decorations before leaving home or going to bed.

#### Facts:

**Two of every five** home decoration fires are started by candles.

**Nearly half** of decoration fires happen because decorations are placed too close to a heat source.

The information above was found at [www.nfpa.org/education](http://www.nfpa.org/education) ©NFPA 2016

**We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and want to remind you all to be safe!**

**North Little Rock Fire Department**



## Highlights from some City Departments



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

**Hays Center**—57 new members. 11,281 visits for the month. 50 members went on a bus tour to Niagara Falls, Canada. “Flavors from Around the World” class was attended by 25 members who learned how to put a healthy twist on Asian fried rice. A Medicare 101 class was presented to discuss rules and regulations. Provided 14 trips to Bryant Senior Center, Russellville Yarn Store shopping and Arkansas State Fair. Transported Public Senior Housing residents to bowling, medical appointments and grocery store. Hays Center volunteers logged 1,866 hours.

**Electric Customer Service**—Bad debt—\$16,372, New accts—1,130, Finaled accts—1,153. Customer calls—11,382. Direct contact: 2,433, inside teller payments: 8,133 Electric; 8,426 Gas/Water. Drive thru: 4,230 Electric; 4,859 Gas/Water. Online: 8,097.

**Sanitation**—Collected and disposed of 2,075.68 tons (4,151,360 lbs) of household garbage/rubbish. Yard Waste crews collected and disposed 95 loads; 2,573.2 cubic yards of mixed debris and green waste. Picked up 377 tires. Began leaf vacuum program for 2017/18.

**Traffic Services**—approved 126 barricade applications for permits. Repaired or replaced 189 signs and posts, marked 13 city vehicles with logo, 53 Arkansas One Call location requests.

**Police**—Crime numbers for September indicate continued rises in property crimes. 47 thefts from motor vehicles were reported. Overall property crime – 1.12%.

**Fire**—Total incidents—1,100  
Total Unit Responses—1,919  
Residential Fires—15  
Other fires—0  
Vehicle Fires—3  
False Alarms/Malfuctions—81  
Rescue/Emergency Medical—614  
Mutual Aid—3  
Hazardous Material Response—9  
Structure Fire fatalities—0  
Vehicle fire fatalities—0  
Training hours—4,512  
Total Building Surveys—198

### **Office of Emergency Services/911—**

Total incoming calls: 15,232  
Non-911 calls: 6,692  
Wired 911: 892                      Abandoned Wired 911: 125  
Wireless 911: 6,618                Abandoned Wireless: 659  
Total dispatch computer entries: 8,990



**Planning**—Major permits reviewed 2—Storage Units at 9100 Maumelle Blvd and Quadplex at 306 W 6th. New Commercial average \$285,047. Issued 8 new single family residential permits (average \$124,163). Also issued 12 Sign permits and 2 Banner permits. Inspectors completed 491 inspections and covered 4,611 miles:148 Electric; 109 Building; 135 Plumbing; 99 HVAC.

**Electric Department**—38,519 customers, Peak Power—184,000 KW, Territory— 60 square miles, miles of wire—555.1 miles, # Transformers—11,252, Street lights—11,049 (209 repaired), Security lights—4,215 (41 repaired), Smart meters—39,401, Revenue—\$8,192,031. Major outages—10-28 at 20:30 hours Entergy dropped Westgate Substation 1 & 2 due to a large raccoon in the bus tie switch. 6,361 customers affected 2.5 to 3.5 hours.

**Code Enforcement**—99 assigned calls, 601 initiated calls, 63 citations, 323 violation notices, 170 vehicles tagged, 169 structures inspected, 32 rental inspections, 18 food service inspections, 0 search warrants, 2 houses demolished by city, 3 houses demolished by owner. Code Maintenance—164 assigned calls, 99 vacant lots cleaned, 29 lots with structures cleaned, secured 5 vacant houses, vacant lots mowed—93, lots with structures mowed—29.

**North Little Rock Convention & Visitors Bureau**—Visitors Information Center in Burns Park had 1,067 visitors in October. Downtown RV Park had 590 reservations/average stay 2.2 days. The Arkansas Inland Maritime Museum had 1,877 visitors.

**Parks & Recreation**—Parks Maintenance crews began winterizing fields and equipment. Park Ranger and his side-kick Shep worked along the Levy Trail, Arkansas River Trail and other park trails. Funland closed for the season. Numerous events were held around the city.

*From all of us to all of you Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*

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**North Little Rock Animal Control**

Incoming animals—161/YTD-1,780  
 Adoptions—49/YTD-578  
 Reclaimed—30/YTD-245  
 Euthanized—76/YTD-885  
 Citations issued—24/YTD-320  
 Dogs/cats sterilized—58/YTD-570  
 Calls for service—607/YTD-6,567  
*Pulaski County (accepted at NLR)*  
 Incoming Animals—120/YTD-1,018  
 Adopted—14/YTD-199  
 Reclaimed—8/YTD-56  
 Euthanized—75/YTD-720  
 YTD=Year to date



No adoptable animals\*\* were euthanized for space—something we hope will continue! **\*\*Non-adoptable animals are those that are sick, injured, unweaned (puppies and kittens), vicious, court ordered or by owner request.\*\***

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

**Finance—October Revenues (MTD)**

Taxes	\$ 647,010.28
Licenses/Permits	\$ 104,806.85
Fines/Forfeitures	\$ 184,467.24
Local Option Sales Tax	\$2,253,334.07
Intergovernmental-State	\$ 32,965.52
Franchises	\$ 305,435.07
Investment/Misc	\$ 24,344.81

User Fees	\$ 112,610.17
Utility Transfer	\$ 60,341.80
Grants & Other	\$ 242,103.29
Transfer from Electric	\$ 461,540.00
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$4,428,959.10</b>

**Expenditures**

Administration	\$ 98,174.15
Animal Shelter	\$ 54,047.28
Special Appropriations	\$ 733,839.07
City Clerk	\$ 25,422.80
Emergency Services	\$ 149,018.75
Finance	\$ 61,959.30
Fire	\$1,116,376.09
Health	\$ 7,016.75

Legal	\$ 68,825.22
1st Court	\$ 38,682.94
2nd Court	\$ 41,259.93
Public Defender	\$ 834.62
Human Resources	\$ 51,864.44
Commerce	\$ 22,292.23
Planning	\$ 75,489.48
Police	\$1,757,761.39
Code Enforcement	\$ 77,664.07
Public Works	\$ 86,894.52
Neighborhood Services	\$ 13,340.13
Sanitation	\$ 335,405.86
Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 144,522.39
Senior Citizens Center	\$ 82,276.74
Communications	\$ 7,469.43
Fit 2 Live	\$ 7,338.93
<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$5,057,777.00</b>

# City of North Little Rock

## Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest Day—

Wednesday, December 20, 2017

If you have an Ugly Christmas Sweater, be sure and wear it on December 20, 2017.

Email a photo of your Ugly Sweater to [Dwhitbey@nlr.ar.gov](mailto:Dwhitbey@nlr.ar.gov)

*National Ugly Christmas Sweater Day (that's right, there is a day!) was started in 2011 by Ugly Christmas sweater lovers as a way to lighten up the busy holidays and show off their absurdly, ugly sweaters! The day has grown in popularity and is celebrated worldwide!*

National Ugly Christmas Sweater Day is the 3rd Friday in December.

This year, it will be December 15, 2017.



# An Arkansas Cheat Sheet

Found in *Living in Arkansas Edition 17, 2017*

A peek at everything from rainfall and recreation to produce and politics

- Population—2.98 million (33rd in the Nation)
  - Capital—Little Rock
  - Clean Air—on a scale of 1-100 with 100 being the best, Arkansas's air quality ranks at 91.9
  - 53,187 square miles (27th in Nation)
  - The name Arkansas means "south wind" and is derived from a name used by some Native Americans to describe the Quapaws, an early tribe in the area. The region was spelled various ways over the years, but entered the Union as Arkansas in 1836 and "Ark-an-saw" became the official pronunciation in 1881
  - 21 minutes average drive time to work
  - \$116,500 median home cost in Arkansas
- Arkansas home values have gone up 3.6 percent over the past year and Zillow.com predicts they will increase 3.4 percent within the next year.
- 52 State parks
  - 7 National Park Service Sites:
    1. Arkansas Post National Memorial
    2. Buffalo National River
    3. Fort Smith National Historic Site
    4. Hot Springs National Park
    5. Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site
    6. Pea Ridge National Military Park
    7. President William Jefferson Clinton Birthplace Home National Historic Site



- 3 National forests
- 2,753 feet—the height of Arkansas highest peak—Mount Magazine

- Arkansas is the nation's leading producer of rice and poultry, and grows nearly every crop produced in the United States with the exception of citrus fruits
- More than half of the state is covered by Forestland
- State bird—Mockingbird
- In 1836, Arkansas became the 25th State to join the Union
- State Gem—Diamond
  - Dig for diamonds at the world's only "keep what you find" diamond site in Murfreesboro. *Tip from a pro: most diamonds at the park are either found on top of the ground, by surface searching or by digging in ravines between the plowed rows of the search area.*
- State Tree—Pine
- Average annual temperature—61.4°
- Average annual rainfall—49.6'
- Average annual snowfall in the northern regions of Arkansas—10.4"
- Average annual snowfall in the southern regions of Arkansas—2.8"
- State Flower—Apple Blossom
- 600,000 acres of lakes
- 9,700 miles of streams and rivers
- 13 major lakes
- Mount Ida is referred to as the Quartz Crystal Capital of the World
- 15% lower cost of living compared to the rest of the country
- *The Natural State*—state nickname
- At Hot Springs, approximately 700,000 gallons of water a day, with an average temperature of 143°F (62°C), flow from 47 springs. The springs are often visited for therapeutic baths.



- 3 Mountain Ranges—Ozark Mountains, Boston Mountains and Ouachita Mountains
- Arkansas is home to more than 70 kinds of mammals, close to 115 reptiles and amphibians and more than 155 butterflies—the Diana fritillary is our state butterfly!



- Walmart—in 1962, Sam Walton opened the first Walmart store in Rogers. The world's largest company is still based in Northwest Arkansas today, but now there are more than 11,000 stores located in 27 different countries, serving 200 million customers each week.

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### Music

Arkansas is steeped in **blues history** that dates all the way back to the start of the 20th century. It gained momentum in the '20s and '30s, then in 1941, "King Biscuit Time," a blues music radio program, began broadcasting five days a week on KFFA 1360 AM out of Helena. For the first time, blues was heard regularly over the airwaves in its birthplace, and recognition of both "King Biscuit Time" and the blues spread.

**Conway Twitty**, born Harold Lloyd Jenkins, was influential in both the country and rock genres. Growing up in Helena, Twitty became a successful rock artist, releasing several singles that hit No. 1 on the pop charts, such as "It's Only Make Believe" in 1958.

The idea for the **Ozark Folk Center** stemmed from the success of the Arkansas Folk Festival, which debuted in April 1963 in Mountain View under the partnership of the Ozark Foothills Handicraft Guild (later known as the Arkansas Craft Guild) and the Rackensack Folklore Society. Today the town is considered the home of American Folk Music.

In 1964, the world's most popular music group, **The Beatles**, visited the Lawrence County town of Walnut Ridge en route to Alton, Missouri. The Walnut Ridge airport was ideal for the group to change planes. On September 18, 2011, Walnut Ridge unveiled a monument, designed to look like the cover of the album "Abbey Road," to commemorate the event.



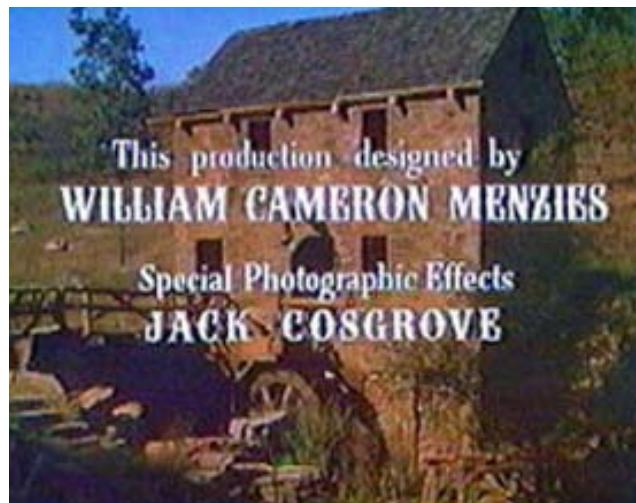
**The Arkansas Symphony Orchestra** was incorporated in 1966 after several previous and short-lived attempts to create a sustainable performing group.

In 1980, Dyess native and superstar **Johnny Cash** became the youngest person ever elected to the Country Music Hall of Fame.

On February 28, 1985, the Arkansas legislature approved Act 277, designating the **fiddle** as the official musical instrument of the state of Arkansas.

### Movies

In 1928, award-winning silent-film director King Vidor shot his first talking picture in Arkansas and Tennessee. "Hallelujah" (1929) was the story of an African-American sharecropper-turned preacher who fought the temptations of a beautiful city girl. It was shot near the banks of the Mississippi River and in a swamp near



West Memphis.

An Arkansas landmark was featured in one of the most popular movies of all time. The opening credits of "**Gone With the Wind**" (1939) include several short scenes of Southern locations, including the Old Mill (right here) in North Little Rock, now in a city park. The site is the last location from the film still in existence today.

In the late 1960s, **Gov. Winthrop Rockefeller** promoted the state to filmmakers by offering help from his staff and state troopers in scouting out locations during production. In the next decade, Arkansas became a regular shooting site for independent films.

**Director/Producer Roger Corman** made two movies in Arkansas, including 1970's "Bloody Mama," starring Robert De Niro and "Boxcar Bertha" in 1972, Martin Scorsese's first Hollywood assignment.

Another major motion picture shot on Arkansas soil in the 1990s was based on the work of an Arkansas native. "**The Firm**" (1993) was adapted from a novel by best-selling author John Grisham, a native of Jonesboro. Some scenes were shot in West Memphis.

Malvern native **Billy Bob Thornton** developed and shot movies in the state in the early '90's, including "One False Move" (1992), which was shot near Brinkley and Cotton Plant, and notable film "Sling Blade" (1996) shot in Saline County. Thornton won an Academy Award for this screenplay and a nomination for his performance in the film as main character Karl Children.

"**Mud**" (2012) starring Matthew McConaughey and Reese Witherspoon was filmed in the Delta region by Arkansas native Jeff Nichols, who utilized locations in

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Crockett's Bluff, DeWitt, Dumas, Lake Village and Stuttgart, and hired more than 400 local residents to complete the movie.

The number of **movie festivals** across the state skyrocketed in recent years and includes the Hot Springs Documentary Film Festival (founded in 1992) and the Ozark Foothills FilmFest in Batesville (founded in 2001). In 2015, Academy Award-winning actress Geena Davis co-founded Arkansas's newest—the Bentonville Film Festival, which champions for women and diversity in films.

## Politics

Arkansas became the **25th State** and made Little Rock its new capital in 1836. The fledgling state's population was just more than 50,000.

The early 1900s saw three major policies go into effect. **Prohibition** of the **manufacture and sale of alcohol** in 1916 and a **ban on alcohol importation** in 1917, and—also in 1917—a law **granting Arkansas women the right to vote in party primaries**.

Education took center state in 1957 when the Little Rock School District approved an integration plan at Little Rock Central High School. There was local opposition, including Gov. Orval Faubus calling Arkansas



National Guard units to prevent the plan. President Eisenhower ordered the 101st Airborne Division to Little Rock to guard nine African-American students who became known as the "Little Rock Nine."

Hope-born **Bill Clinton** was elected Governor of Arkansas in 1978. After serving for a decade, he pursued the White House and won. Clinton was elected the 42nd president of the United States in 1992, defeating Republican incumbent George H. W. Bush. Inaugurated at age 46, Clinton was the third-youngest president, and presided over the country's longest period of peacetime economic expansion. The William J. Clinton Presidential Library & Museum opened in Little Rock in November 2004.

## Best Kept Secrets

We're surrounded by natural beauty. From high atop the Ozarks and the Ouachitas, from within the vastness of the fields and the forests, or from a more metropolitan perspective at the state's center—it's obvious why Arkansas is called The Natural State. In addition to state and national parks there are many national wildlife areas. Plus, with four distinct seasons, the scenery awes Arkansans year-round. Spring paints the state with vibrant blooms, while autumn sets the forests ablaze with spectacular color. Winter is usually mild with an occasional snowfall, and summer days are long and lazy.

There's virtually no traffic...even in the metropolitan areas.

We're close to everything! Living in a state in middle America has its advantages. Those who like to visit the big city are just hours away from Nashville, Dallas, St. Louis, Tulsa and Memphis—and a trip to the beach isn't hard to manage with the Gulf Coast just a day's drive away.



There are also endless ways to play! Whether you want to hike, bike, swim, fish, geo-cache, camp, hunt or dig for diamonds—the to-do list is as long as it is enjoyable. No matter your interests, age or abilities, there's something you'll love doing!

And you all know we have food people crave! Some of the nation's best Southern food—barbecue, pie, crawfish, and fried catfish—is found here.





## Nominate your favorite Senior Citizen!

The North Little Rock Senior Citizens Commission is currently accepting nominations for the 2018 inductee to the Senior Citizens Hall of Fame. This honor is bestowed biennially to an individual who has made significant contributions to senior citizens of North Little Rock, in the areas of health, welfare, and/or activities for seniors.

Any person 55 years of age or older who is a resident or former resident of the city is eligible for consideration. Nominations may be made for deceased persons, as well.

Consideration for inclusion in the Hall of Fame will be made for contributions in areas including but not limited to the following:

- A. Volunteers in public service
- B. Volunteers in hospitals or related institutions
- C. Volunteers in housing, meals on wheels, etc.
- D. Activities for Senior Citizens (dances, activity centers)
- E. Involvement in respite care, health clinics, transportation, etc.
- F. Being an example to other seniors for service to others.

Letters of support from three different people must be attached.

Employment in services to senior citizens will not preclude consideration for election to the Hall of Fame.

The nomination form is available online on the Hays Center's website at [www.nlr.ar.gov/hayscenter](http://www.nlr.ar.gov/hayscenter), or in person at the Hays Center, 401 West Pershing Boulevard, North Little Rock, Arkansas, 72114. Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

The deadline is Friday, January 12, 2018, at 4:00 p.m.

For more information, call 501-975-4297.

### ***Closings for the upcoming Christmas holidays***

North Little Rock City Offices will be closed Monday, December 25 in observance of Christmas Eve and Tuesday, December 26 in observance of Christmas Day. Offices will also be closed Monday, January 1, 2018, in observance of New Year's Day.

### **Garbage, trash, recycling schedule:**

**December**—in observance of the Christmas holidays, *garbage and trash routes will run one-day delayed December 26—30 (i.e. Monday's pickup will be Tuesday and so on the remainder of the week).*

**January**—in observance of New Year's Day, *garbage and trash routes will run one-day delayed Jan 2—6, 2018.*

Our City Employee family members lost loved ones over the Thanksgiving Holiday. Our thoughts and prayers are with our coworkers and their families.

**Gunnar Scott Chassells**, 17, of North Little Rock passed away November 24, 2017. He was born May 26, 2000 in Little Rock, Arkansas. He was a senior at North Little Rock High School and loved scuba diving, cheeseburgers and picking on his daddy. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

He is survived by his parents, Scott and Jodi Chassells; grandmother, Debby Smith; grandfather, Gary Lee Chassells; aunts, Jayme Gentry (Dustin) and Christina Black; uncles, Jeff Smith, Gary B. Chassells (Karen) and Jeff Chassells; and several cousins: Taylor Gentry, Stephanie Black, Kathryn Black, Wesley Black, Conner Black, David Chassells, Kelsea Chassells, Kyle Chassells, Kayla Chassells; his best friend Braden Walker; and his “four legged friends” Chloe, Star and Flash.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Harold Smith and Nancy and James Paulsen.

A celebration of Gunnar’s life was held, Friday, December 1, 2017 at Smith – North Little Rock Funeral Home. A visitation was held on Thursday, November 30, 2017 at the funeral home. Burial was in the Arkansas State Veterans Cemetery.



**Ernest Neal Bush**, age 57, died on Friday, November 24, 2017. Ernest Bush was born on January 22, 1960, in Tulsa, Oklahoma. His parents were Marshall and Mable Bush.

Ernest served 34 years at the Pulaski County Sherriff’s office, when he retired as a Sergeant in January 2017.

He is survived by his children, Rileigh Bush, Ryan Bush, Raegan Bush, Ian Bush; a brother, Bill Bush; a brother, Michael Bush; a sister, Deborah Bush; and many nieces and nephews.

**Nettie Sue Brummett** 77, passed away on November 24, 2017. She was born in Stuttgart, AR to Neva and Gaylon Miller.

She is a graduate of Hendrix College and went on to earn her Master’s Degree in Education. After teaching in Morrilton and Arizona, she began a long career as a Social Studies/Civics teacher and administrator in the North Little Rock School District. Ms. Brummett loved her job and her students. She was committed to seeing her students succeed academically, but was also determined to help them overcome personal challenges as well. After retirement she remained active in her community volunteering for the North Little Rock Police Department, attending the NLR Citizens Police and Fire Academies, and working elections for several years in Pulaski County. She loved to travel and spent many summers traveling the United States to visit significant historical sites. She attended Gardner Memorial United Methodist Church until illness prevented her from attending.

Sue was preceded in death by her parents and one granddaughter. Survivors include her daughters Lisa (Kevin) and Lee (Glenn) as well as five grandchildren: Zachary, Anthony, Donavon, Jessica, and Lane. She is also survived by her brother Eugene, his wife Meg, a niece, a nephew and Carl whom she loved as a son.

The family would like to extend their thanks to Elmcroft of Maumelle and Kindred Hospice for their loving care of our mother and grandmother during her illness.

Memorials may be made to the Gardner Memorial United Methodist Food Pantry.



*After all of the planning, cooking, eating and fellowship from the holidays, why not take a break and do a little quick and easy do a little crock pot cooking!  
Besides, it will give you more time to get ready for Christmas!*

## Baby Back Ribs

*found in the Crock Pot Slow Cooker Owner's Guide*

- 2—4 racks of baby back ribs, cut into 3-4 pieces each
- 2—4 cups BBQ sauce
- 2—3 onions, chopped

Place ribs in Crock Pot slow cooker. Top with onion and BBQ sauce. Cover and cook on Low for 7-9 hours or on High for 4-5 hours, or until meat is tender.

To serve, cut ribs between bones and coat with extra sauce as desired.  
Serves 6—10



## Lemon Herb Roasted Chicken

*found in the Crock Pot Slow Cooker Owner's Guide*

- 4—6 pound roasting chicken
- 1/2 cup onion, chopped
- 1—2 tablespoons butter
- Juice of one lemon
- 1/2 teaspoon Kosher salt
- 2 tablespoons fresh parsley
- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1/3 teaspoon paprika

Place the onion in the cavity of the chicken and rub the skin with butter. Place chicken in Crock-Pot slow cooker. Squeeze lemon juice over chicken and sprinkle with remaining seasonings. Cover and cook on Low 8-10 hours or on High 4-5 hours.



## Slow-Cooker-Apple-Cinnamon Cobbler

*found at [www.bettycrocker.com](http://www.bettycrocker.com)*

- 6 cups sliced peeled apples
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 3/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 box Betty Crocker SuperMoist yellow cake mix (dry)
- 1/2 cup cold butter, cut into cubes
- Whipped cream, if desired

Spray large slow cooker with cooking spray. Add apple slices, sugar and 1/2 teaspoon of the cinnamon; toss.

In large bowl, mix dry cake mix and remaining 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon. Cut in butter with pastry blender or two knives until size of small peas. Dump on top of apple mixture.

Cover; cook on High heat setting 2 1/2 to 3 hours or until fruit is bubbling and cobbler topping is light golden brown. Serve immediately with whipped cream.



*Join the Christmas Magic at the  
Annual North Little Rock Christmas Parade, Sunday, December 3, at 2 pm*

*Sponsored by the City of North Little Rock, North Little Rock Convention and Visitors Bureau  
and North Little Rock Sertoma Club*



**Peddlers Permit  
City of North Little Rock**

Issued to: **Mel Dun**

Issued: 9/1/17

**Expires: 12/31/17**



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

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

Deputy City Clerk / Treasurer, Revenue

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

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

**Reminder to residents:**

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

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

**North Little Rock History Commission**



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

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

**Leaf Vacuums!**

Are back on the streets. For locations, please call 501-371-8340 or visit our website at [www.nlr.ar.gov](http://www.nlr.ar.gov), then click on the Government Tab, then scroll down the A-Z Department List to Sanitation and look for the Leaf Vacuum status.

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



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

**As of December 1, the following is registered to solicit door to door in the city of North Little Rock.**

**Legal Shield Expire 12-31-17**  
Melvin Jackson

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

To see an individual ID/Permit, click on the person's name.

## *North Little Rock City Council Schedule*

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

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

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

## City Offices located at 120 Main

IS/Data Processing, Kathy Stephens	975-8820
Finance, Karen Scott	975-8802
Information	975-8888
Human Resources, Betty Anderson	975-8855
Planning, Shawn Spencer	975-8835
Purchasing, Mary Beth Bowman	975-8881
Utilities Accounting, Terrell Milton	975-8888

### City Council Members

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

### **Utility Payment Assistance and Other Numbers**

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

### Other Elected Officials

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

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

Mayor's Office.....	501-975-8601
Joe A. Smith	
City Clerk & Treasurer.....	501-975-8617
Diane Whitbey	
Communications.....	501-975-8833
Nathan Hamilton	
External Relations.....	501-975-8605
Margaret Powell	
Fit 2 Live.....	501-975-8777
Isaac Henry	
Special Projects.....	501-975-3737
Jim Billings	

North Little Rock Curbside Recycling  
schedule for the month of December

*Nov 27—Dec 1—Recycle*

**Dec 4—8—NO**

*Dec 11—15—Recycle*

**Dec 16—22—NO**

*Dec 26—30 Recycle*



# December Birthdays

<i>Name</i>	<i>Dept</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Dept</i>	<i>Date</i>		
ROBERT	KUYKENDALL	ELECTRIC	1	BELINDA	GARVIN	PUBLIC WORKS	17
FELCIA	HART	UAD	1	RICHARD	POZZA	ELECTRIC	18
GERALD	PORTER	STREET	2	ALLEN, RACHEL	BUIE	STREET	18
JONATHON	DICUS	UAD	2	RENALDO	BENNETT	FIRE	19
LEEANN	SADLER	OES	5	LINDA	ROBINSON	ADMIN	20
LARRY	BEHNKE	POLICE	5	DAVID	MILES III	ANIMAL CONT	20
DAVID	ARMSTRONG	VEHICLE MAINT	5	CODY	FUNDERBURG	ELECTRIC	20
GREGORY	NASH	FIRE	6	ROBERT	BRYSTON	FIRE	20
AMON	SHIRLEY	POLICE	6	ANGEL	ROSADO	POLICE	20
RICHARD	MATTHEWS	FIRE	7	VICKI	WEED	COURTS	21
JOSEPH	TULLOS	POLICE	7	PHIL	POUNDERS	FIRE	21
JOSEPH	SMITH	POLICE	8	JIM	SCOTT III	POLICE	21
WILLIAM	SCOTT	POLICE	8	JASON	BARBER	PARKS MAINT	22
ROSLYN	TILLMAN-ASIRIFI	PARKS CONC	9	NICHOLAS	TETKOSKIE	FIRE	23
DAVID	SCHALCHLIN	CODE	10	ALAN	TETKOSKIE	FIRE	23
JESSICA	STEPHENS	ELECTRIC	10	RICHARD	HARGROVE	FIRE	24
TERRI	TODD	OES	10	CARL	WILLSON	FIRE	24
CHARLES	REDDING	FIRE	11	ERIC	SMITH JR	SANITATION	25
MATTHEW	MATCHETT	FIRE	11	RAYMOND	ANDERSON	SENIOR CENTER	25
ROBERT	CUPPS	POLICE	11	CODY	BROWN	POLICE	26
BRENDA	DAVIDSON	ELECTRIC	12	TIMOTHY	MAHANAY	FIRE	27
BRENDA	SATTERFIELD	POLICE	13	JEREMY	WADE	FIRE	27
JOHN	ALSTON	POLICE	13	KENNY	JOHNSON	PARKS MAINT	27
CHRISTOPHER	BROWN	POLICE	13	KENNY	BROCK	VEHICLE MAINT	27
STEVEN	WROTEN	AIMM	14	LARRY	EPPERSON	CODE	28
ZACHERY	KIMSEY	ELECTRIC	14	WILLIAM	STRIPLING	ELECTRIC	28
NORMAN	MILLER	FIRE	14	PERRY	TACKETT	FIRE	28
SHATORIA	WOODS	OES	14	DENA	KERR	POLICE	28
JUDY	PRINCE	POLICE	14	HELEN	WILLIAMS	ELECTRIC	29
DOMINIQUE	SAVAGE	PARKS & REC	15	JOE	FOLEN III	FINANCE	30
MARK	ROBERTS	POLICE	15	CHRISTOPHER	BYRANT	PARKS & REC	30
JAY	BROODY	POLICE	16	KELANTE	MONTGOMERY	PARKS CONC	30
CHAD	FULLER	VEHICLE MAINT	16	SHARON	ROBERTS	COMM DEV	31
CHRISTINA	YIELDING	LEGAL	17	JOHN	ADAMS	FIRE	31
KIARA	LEGGs	PARKS CONC	17	YOLAND	LOR	UAD	31
WALTER	GUNN III	PUBLIC WORKS	17				

# December Anniversaries

Name	Dept	# Yrs	Name	Dept	# Yrs		
JOSEPH	ALLEY	AIMM	3	KENNETH	LIVINGSTON	POLICE	19
KYLE	GRUMBINE	AIMM	3	MICHAEL	GIBBONS	POLICE	23
JULIA	COULTER	ANIMAL CONT	21	RICHARD	BEASTON	POLICE	18
THEODORE	FOX	ANIMAL CONT	1	MARK	TOZER	POLICE	18
JUDY	WILKINS	COURTS	14	WILLIAM	JONES	POLICE	14
DONNA	BRYANT	ELECTRIC	35	AMY	COOPER	POLICE	14
JONATHAN	STOWELL	ELECTRIC	30	JAROD	MAYNARD	POLICE	10
SHANE	PRATER	ELECTRIC	8	ERIC	IMHOFF	POLICE	13
DANIEL	CUSHING	ELECTRIC	10	KASEY	KNIGHT	POLICE	11
COLEMAN, MARK	THOMPSON	ELECTRIC	3	MICHAEL	BROOKS	POLICE	10
ALFRED	CERRATO	FIRE	37	CRAIG	UMHOLTZ	POLICE	10
BRENT	TREECE	FIRE	10	KENNY	STEPHENS	PUBLIC WORKS	10
ROBERT	MAULDIN	HR	10	ANTHONY	ROBINSON	SANITATION	9
TASHA	NEWTON	HR	1	SYLVESTER	SMITH JR	SANITATION	8
STACEY	LEONARD	HR	7	KATRINA	MCKNIGHT	SANITATION	2
JASIMINE	AKERS	HR	1	MICHAEL	MARBLEY	SANITATION	9
VAN-EL	HAMPTON	PARKS & REC	1	CHRISTOPHER	HILLISTAD	SANITATION	1
CHRISTOPHER	BYRANT	PARKS & REC	13	LESLIE	SPENCER	SANITATION	1
CLIFFORD	MURPHY	PARKS GOLF	5	JOSHUA	BRADSHAW	SANITATION	1
NATHANIEL	LEE	PARKS MAINT	7	LINCOLN	MARTIN	SENIOR CENTER	13
JULIUS	DOLEMAN	PARKS MAINT	1	CHERIHAN	SBAIT	SENIOR CENTER	5
SHERRI	BRUNO	POLICE	2	ROBERT	BROWN JR	STREET	10
JUDY	PRINCE	POLICE	37	TYRONE	BAILEY	STREET	2
JERRI	DAUGHTERY	POLICE	36	GARY	SHEFFIELD	STREET	10
PHILLIP	LOWRY	POLICE	23	JOHN	DAVIDSON JR	STREET	3
GARY	YIELDING	POLICE	27	DEAN	GATLIN	STREET	15
LARRY	BEHNKE	POLICE	12	THURMAN	MCKEE JR	TRAFFIC	17
CHARLES	BARNES	POLICE	19	SHAY	REAGAN	UAD	5
JEFFREY	GLOVER	POLICE	27	SYLVIA	NORMAN	UAD	10
JOHN	NANNEN	POLICE	19				

*Information regarding employee anniversaries and birthdates is provided by HR the prior year (i.e. 2017 was provided in 2016). 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 17 years. My total service with the city is 27 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)*

# North Little Rock Lions Club

## *Annual Fruit Sale*

Orders must be booked by December 06, 2017

**Pickup after 11:00AM**

**December 13, 2017**

**Peck Baskets \$30.00**

**Half Peck Baskets \$20.00**



For more information or to Order,  
Please call Lion Larry Tadlock at 501-835-5025



Since 1917, Lions clubs have offered people the opportunity to give something back to their communities.

From involving members in local projects such as cleaning up an area park or as far reaching as bringing sight to the world's blind, Lions clubs have always embraced those committed to building a brighter future for their community.





THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK POLICE  
ATHLETIC LEAGUE PRESENTS

# CHILI SUPPER

12/08/17

**BRING THE HEAT!**

5-9:00pm



Silent Auction and Bingo



NLR Police Athletic League  
4915 Allen Street  
North Little Rock, Arkansas 72118



**\$8.00  
ADULT  
\$5.00  
KIDS**



### Pearl Harbor Day Ceremony in North Little Rock

**NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARK.** (Wednesday, November 29, 2017) – On Thursday, December 7, the Arkansas Secretary of State’s Office and the Arkansas Inland Maritime Museum (AIMM) will hold a Pearl Harbor Day ceremony at 11:30 a.m. at AIMM at 120 Riverfront Park Drive in North Little Rock.

This year’s keynote speaker will be Phillip H. McMath, a trial attorney, an award-winning writer, a Marine Corps Vietnam War veteran and an advocate for Arkansas literature and history. He has written several historical novels, full-length plays and short stories. He is the son of former Arkansas Governor Sidney McMath who served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II.

Following the ceremony, the main deck of the tugboat *Hoga* will be open. *Hoga* is a National Historic Landmark recognized for her heroic efforts in Pearl Harbor during the December 7, 1941, attack. Tours of the submarine USS *Razorback* will be available and free for all veterans, active/retired military and dependents. Refreshments will be provided.

For additional information, contact AIMM at (501) 371-8320 or [info@aimmuseum.org](mailto:info@aimmuseum.org).

