

North Little Rock e-Newsletter

Provided by Diane Whitbey, City Clerk and Collector

March 2014

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If you have information you would like to share with other city employees, residents and businesses throughout **North Little Rock**, then let us know. The **City Clerk's office** provides a monthly *e-letter* to those who subscribe through the **North Little Rock** website. To sign up, email Dwhitbey@nlr.ar.gov.



Thank you to **all** of our **wonderful** city employees for your hard work during the recent inclement weather events.

The **Electric Department** kept our lights on!
The **Street Department** made the roads passable!

The **Sanitation Department** slipped and slid to pick up our trash.

Police and Fire worked numerous accidents and helped citizens.

And everyone else was on deck and ready to assist in anyway possible! **Thank you!**

Daylight Savings Time changes

March 9, 2014

Don't forget to Spring forward 1 hour!



*Reset your
clocks!
Change the
batteries in all
smoke
detectors
Change the
batteries in
Carbon
Monoxide
detectors!*



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

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



Above are photos from some of our furry city residents found on Facebook.

Need a new addition to your family?

Call
501-791-8577

...we've got the perfect companion for you!



Tonight!!!!
NORTH LITTLE ROCK
Friends of Animals



Spring into action for the animals
Chili Supper
February 28, 2014
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Park Hill Christian Church
4400 JFK Blvd
North Little Rock
\$8.00 Adults, \$5.00 Children ages 9-12

Take-out Available

MENU

Fabulous Chili (beans, no beans, or vegetarian), Cole Slaw, Nachos, Crackers, Punch, Coffee, Homemade Desserts

Silent Auction & White Elephant Sale

Our favorite artists - Reflections Entertainment Tribute will be performing! Barry and Donna Humphries have captivated audiences with their spectacular performances as Elvis, Patsy Cline, Johnny Cash, and others.

We will also be featuring Resonating Grace, who will delight us with Gospel music.



Please support NLRFOA with your donations and support.



Save the Date!

Northshore Animal League America
TOUR FOR LIFE 2014
is coming to North Little Rock
April 5th

NLRFOA folding umbrellas
available for \$18.00 each

For more information call 501-758-5482

All proceeds go to the NLR Animal Shelter for adoption, rescue, spay and neuter programs.



Believe it or not...Spring IS just around the corner, and with it, more of the pests that will plague your beloved furry friends.

Provide flea and tick protection for all of your pets. Be sure to read all labels before using products as some may be harmful to young animals and humans.



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 Annual Fire and Safety Inspection

All businesses in North Little Rock have a fire and safety inspection done yearly by the fire station in their area. Schools are inspected twice a year. Yearly occupancy inspections contribute to gaining a better ISO (Insurance Services Office) rating. Higher ISO ratings result in lower insurance premiums.



The inspection is actually a two part process. **The first part is the actual inspection of the property.** A few of the major things looked at are:

Exits – Ensuring there are adequate exits for the occupant load and that exits are not blocked. Exit signs are required in areas where the main exit is not immediately distinguishable such as in corridors. Exit signs must be either illuminated internally, externally or self-luminescent (glow).

Emergency lighting may be required in certain occupancies to aid in exiting the building.

Fire Protection- State law requires that all businesses have a portable fire extinguisher available at least every 75 feet walking distance. Other establishments such as restaurants are required to have a fire suppression system located in the kitchen and a special kind of portable fire extinguisher in the kitchen area in case the overhead system fails. Sprinkler systems are checked to make sure they are in working order.

Housekeeping – Isles should be kept clear, doorways should be kept clear, heating closets and areas around gas water heaters should be kept clean and clear of debris.

Address Numbering – It is very important that businesses *and households* have visible and readily identifiable address numbering. This aids first responders in finding your business or residence in case of emergency. City Ordinance 7093 requires that businesses have at least 6" numbers and residences have a minimum of 3" numbers posted on their homes. The color of the numbers should contrast against any background.

General Fire Hazards – General fire hazards are looked for, such as overloaded power strips, taped over breakers, space heater placement, extension cords used in a permanent nature, boxes placed on electrical cords or cords run under rugs.

Update Contact Information – Up to date contact information is gathered in case the business owner needs to be contacted after business hours in case of alarm malfunction, fire, false alarm, etc.

The North Little Rock Fire Department utilizes the Arkansas Fire Code and NFPA 101, Life Safety Code for information regarding the inspections of commercial property.

The other reason all commercial occupancies in North Little Rock are inspected by the Fire Department is for the purpose of pre-planning. In case of a fire or other emergency, our personnel evaluate the premises for apparatus placement, access, fire hydrant location, staging areas, fire load, special hazards and more. The inspectors look for any changes in the building or area outside the building which may affect fire-fighting and/or rescue operations such as newly constructed walls, doors, fences, gates, etc.

The North Little Rock Fire Department will also conduct free inspections of residential homes if the homeowner requests one. The Fire Department will make recommendations to the homeowner concerning fire safety. The resident is NOT subject to a fine if hazards are encountered, only recommendations on which hazards need mitigating.

Daycare facilities are inspected yearly by the Fire Marshal's Office. The Fire Marshal's Office works closely with the Arkansas Department of Human Services (DHS) to ensure a safe environment for children attending Daycare. North Little Rock Daycares are required to have the following:

Monitored fire alarm system.

Hardwired and interlinked smoke alarms.

Carbon Monoxide detectors in areas where a fuel fired heater is present.

Fire Suppression system in kitchens where a stove is present.

The above mentioned items are just a few of the safety items taken into consideration. DHS requires a complete review by the Fire Marshal's Office prior to their issuance of a Daycare license.

The Fire Marshal's Office is responsible for following up on complaints received concerning fire dangers. State law allows "Right of Entry" for representatives of the Fire Marshal's Office. This allows them to inspect property for fire dangers. Citations may be written for violation of the fire code.

The Fire Marshal's Office is tasked with review of new construction plans in order to ensure compliance with the fire code. Several inspections are completed during the course of new construction to ensure compliance with the fire code. This includes inspecting for proper fire barriers, required suppression systems, adequate exits, alarm systems, etc.

Captain John Pflasterer, Assistant Fire Marshal, 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 (January events).

Central Arkansas Water—contracted a study of alternative rate structures for Wholesale Customers. Exxon Mobile requested re-start of portion of Pegasus Pipeline located in Texas. To date no information provided on reason for pipeline failure in Mayflower.

Wastewater—multiple projects underway. Sewer System Evaluation Survey Lakewood area, conducting manhole inspections and performing smoke tests.

Laman Library—the Argenta branch library located in the History Commission buildings closed January 11. A grand opening at the new location (old downtown Post Office) will be held April 5. Hope Coulter won the 2014 Laman Library Writers Fellowship and was presented a check for \$10,000. Patron usage of the Library for 2013 totaled 465,354 (an increase of 4% over 2012).



Neighborhood Services—Mailed 3 neighborhood group newsletters to 3,565 individual households. All mailings included information about changes in trash pickup. Attended numerous meetings throughout the city.

Hays Senior Center—average attendance 783. 94 new members. Provided 19 trips for a total of 96 passengers to various locations around the state and within the city for a total of 1,122 miles. Provided soup on Monday's through Care Link's "Souper Salad Monday". Volunteer of the month for December was Ann Cother who is a line dance instructor.

IT—logged 132 word orders from various departments, 1,397 telephone calls. eACCOUNT Online application stats: site access: WEB—7,889, telephone—4,689. Payment gateway: WEB—2,860, telephone—785.

Health Department—41 flu deaths in the state this season. Flu vaccine still available. Vital Records (death certificates) issue has tripled with changes to Vital Records processing options. Increase in number of people signing up for Affordable Care Act Insurance Program.

Utilities Accounting—Bad debt January \$11,639
Adjusted projected bad debt write-offs 2014: \$300,000
New accounts installed: 889
Accounts finalized: 1,069
Customer related calls—9,733, direct contact with Customer Service—2,317, inside teller payments received—8,501, drive-thru teller payments—5,203.

Street Department—repaired potholes throughout city, cleaned ditches and alley ways, prepared salt trucks, checked equipment, picked up debris, milled parking lot 304 Pershing, removed stumps Bishop Lindsey and Magnolia, removed concrete at Plum and Broadway. Continue to drain Greenlea Lake, flushing pipes, cleaned basins, barricaded sinking sidewalk and repaired.

Sanitation—garbage crews collected and disposed of 1,484.5 tons (2,969,000 lbs) of household garbage/rubbish. Yard Waste crews collected and disposed 186 loads (3,555.0 cubic yards) of mixed debris along with 118 loads (4,701.2 cubic yards) of mulched leaves. Serviced move-outs and picked up 504 used tires. 1,023 telephone calls regarding scheduling, complaints and concerns, 390 calls regarding leaf vacuums. Began implementing Sanitation Ordinance 8585.



Traffic—Service request work order (Sign Shop) 112. Trouble reports—74, Posts replaced—25. Approved Barricade Applications—148. City vehicles marked with decals (logo) 5.

Police—(Year end 2014) Violent Crime down 13.07%, Robberies down 29.23%. Property Crime down 26.82%, Burglaries and Breaking and Entering Buildings) down 29.32%. Theft from motor vehicles was down almost 50.37%. January and February 41 officers either changed shifts or areas to put "fresh eyes" in neighborhoods.

Fire—Total Incidents: 980
Residential Fires: 24
Vehicle Fires: 10
Rescue/EMS: 491
Other Responses: 344
Total Responses: 1,948
Other Structure Fires: 2
False Alarms/Malfunctions: 95
Haz Mat Responses: 12
Total Fire Losses: \$874,300.00
Total Value: \$5,207.00
Total Saved: \$4,332.700
Training: 4,072 hours
Building Inspections: 134



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Office of Emergency Services/911—Calls for service 19,984. 9,105 CAD Entries.



Electric Department—38,371—



customers, Peak Power—148,836 KW, Territory— 60 square miles, miles of wire—544.8 miles, # Transformers—11,248, Street lights—10,980 (201 repaired), Smart meters 28,609—Revenue \$7,320,671.00. 1 major outage (over 1,000).

City Clerk/Collector—issued 1,610 Business Licenses/Beer/Liquor/Restaurant renewals. Staff completed reviewing and re-invoicing 2014 renewals. 350 license renewals under “review status” pending verification by phone/mail and/or onsite review verification or code citation. Staff did 4 onsite reviews with Code (2 did not report all occupations, 1 was in compliance, 1 outside city—account closed).



Working with other departments (Code, Police, Fire and UAD) and combining resources to collect from delinquent license holders (2013 or older). Collected \$39,481.48—2% Hotel/Motel, \$19,633.02— 1% Hotel, \$31,129.65—Mixed Drink and \$426,087.83 Restaurant Taxes.



Code Enforcement—184 assigned calls, 600 initiated calls, 10 citations, 336 notices, 132 vehicles tagged, 132 structures inspected, 11 food service inspections, 1 search warrants, 6 houses demolished by city, 19 houses

demolished by owner. Secured 3 vacant houses, mowed 0 vacant lots, mowed 0 with structures, picked up 140 tires.

Animal Control—NLR

Incoming Animals—182, Adopted 55, Reclaimed 34, Euthanized 71, Citations issued 68, Vouchers (spay/neuter) Dogs 57, Cats 13, Calls for Service 585

Pulaski County Incoming Animals—71, Adopted 24, Reclaimed 5, Euthanized 31

5 coyotes were captured at various locations. Received payment from Pulaski County for county animals.



Parks and Recreation—Rocket Slide burned by vandals. 2 suspects caught. Replacement could be \$112,000. City’s share



\$10,000—\$15,000. 3 recreation center participants entered and were named CheerSPORTS Little Rock Grand Champions. Hospitality House renovations started and should be completed by March. Met with Engineers regarding asphalt parking lot at baseball complex and final phase of sidewalks for dog park. Youth Basketball kicked off in January with 18 teams. Arkansas United Soccer club hosted their Showcase Girls Soccer Tournament with 64 teams, Boys Tournament had 50 teams. Park Ranger—average 100 geese between golf course and soccer complex, patrolled park and trails on foot, bicycle and motor vehicle, visited with patrons and handed out maps, brochures, directions. Discussion with emergency crews regarding handling 9-1-1 calls from trail users and making trail with 9-1-1 markers. Tennis center added new Women’s Indoor League.

Finance—

Revenues (MTD—January)

Taxes	\$ 530,253.96
Licenses/Permits	\$ 776,653.92
Fines/Forfeitures	\$ 166,603.04
Local Option Sales Tax	\$2,017,295.95
Intergovernmental-State	0.00
Franchises	\$ 801,588.14
Investment/Misc	\$ 4,629.54
User Fees	\$ 96,046.36
Utility Transfer	\$ 45,613.90
Grants & Other	\$ 61,222.25
Transfer from Electric	\$ 923,080.00
Total Revenue:	\$5,422,987.06

Expenditures

Administration	\$ 578,544.00
Animal Shelter	\$ 45,430.14
Special Appropriations	(\$ 87,600.12)
City Clerk	\$ 22,650.91
Emergency Services	\$ 119,097.87
Finance	\$ 55,829.76
Fire	\$ 978,082.26
Health	\$ 51,412.57
Legal	\$ 39,540.46
1st Court	\$ 41,886.87
2nd Court	\$ 40,729.62
Public Defender	\$ 589.12
Human Resources	\$ 48,873.28
Commerce	\$ 14,575.60
Planning	\$ 10,688.17

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Police	\$1,536,661.26
Code Enforcement	\$ 84,200.29
Public Works	\$ 35,214.84
Neighborhood Services	\$ 10,573.03
Sanitation	\$ 449,939.19
Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 52,343.51
Hays Center	\$ 45,684.31
Communications	\$ 17,176.25
Fit 2 Live	\$ 821.24
Total Expenditures:	\$4,163,337.00

North Little Rock School District 2014 Report



Mission: The North Little Rock School District (NLRSD) and the Community will provide for Achievement, Accountability, Acceptance and the necessary Assets in the pursuit of each student’s educational success.

Vision: “World Class Schools for World Class Students”

It was such a wonderful year for NLRSD! Thanks to the support shown by the community in our 2012 millage campaign, the District was able to begin making visible strides in our Capital Improvement Program. Construction is ongoing on FOUR new elementary schools and a state-of-the-art high school! Much progress has been made, but there is still much more work to be done. The District saw a major transition in 2013 as Ken Kirspel retired after 40 years of service to the students of North Little Rock. But, there is much excitement as the Board of Education brought on Kelly Rodgers to take the reins during this time of great change in our district. As always, the Board will continue to put the students of our district foremost in our minds in all things as we navigate through the next year. Thanks again to you, our community, for your unwavering support!

*North Little Rock School District
Board of Education*

About the Board of Education: The seven members of the North Little Rock Board of Education are elected by voters to three-year terms and serve without pay. The Board is a policy making body with powers and duties set by law. They are responsible for policies related to curriculum, staff, school facilities, finances and students. Board meetings are held the third Thursday of every month at 5:30 p.m. and are open to the public. Board agendas and minutes are available on the District’s website at www.nlrSD.org.

Members of the School Board are:

- Dorothy Williams—Zone 1
- Darrell Montgomery—3
- Scott Teague—5
- Luke King—7
- Scott Miller—2
- Ron Treat—4
- J. T. Zakrzewski—6

Message from Superintendent of Schools

Kelly Rodgers

It seems like only yesterday when our district was winding down a successful school year and celebrating the accomplishments of our students, including graduating seniors of the class of 2013. Parents, students and staff are now enjoying the new school year with anticipation of 13 new or remodeled campuses.

The school year began with nearly 9,000 students who live in our community. NLRSD staff received state and national recognition last year and helped students in the class of 2013 accept nearly \$5.32 million in college scholarship funds. The District helps students attain impressive levels of academic accomplishments at all grade levels, excel in extra-curricular activities, shine in the arts, grow in confidence, and develop perseverance when faced with challenge.

The dawn of new construction in our district brings with it a sense of anticipation and optimism for educators. The launch of our Capital Improvement plan, a push into STEM educational programming and technology that will benefit students and staff, implementation of a new system for teacher and principal evaluations, and an ongoing commitment to student safety are some of the major priorities that will drive our efforts now and in the future of NLRSD. In the coming months, planning processes related to school facilities will continue as we look toward the future and consider how education will be delivered to students attending our schools in years to come.

The children of our community deserve the best educational experience possible. With your help, together we must strive to do our very best to help all students reach their highest potential. It is an honor and a privilege to teach and educate the children of this wonderful community.

Grilled Chicken and New Potatoes

- 1 medium leek
- 1 1/2 lb. small new potatoes, halved
- 2 Tbsp. crushed red pepper-and-garlic seasoning (such as McCormick), divided
- 4 Tbsp. olive oil, divided
- 1 1/2 tsp. table salt, divided
- 1 1/2 lb. chicken breast tenders
- 2 Tbsp. fresh lemon juice, divided
- 2 bunches green onions



Use a foil packet as a fuss-free cooking vessel for the leeks and potatoes (or any vegetable).

Preheat grill to 350° or 400° (medium-high) heat. Remove and discard root end and dark green top of leek. Cut in half lengthwise, and rinse thoroughly under cold running water to remove grit and sand. Cut into thick slices.

Toss together leek, potatoes, 1 Tbsp. garlic seasoning, 3 Tbsp. olive oil, and 1 tsp. salt.

Divide leek mixture among 2 large pieces of heavy-duty aluminum foil. Bring foil sides up over mixture; double fold top and sides to seal, making packets.

Grill foil packets, covered with grill lid, 12 minutes.

Meanwhile, toss together chicken, 1 Tbsp. lemon juice, and remaining 1 Tbsp. garlic seasoning, 1 Tbsp. olive oil, and 1/2 tsp. salt.

Shake foil packets, using tongs, and return to grill. At the same time, grill chicken, covered with grill lid, 5 minutes; turn chicken. Place green onions on grill, and grill chicken, onions, and foil packets 4 to 5 minutes or until chicken is done.

Open foil packets carefully, using tongs. Arrange grilled vegetables, chicken and green onions on a serving plate. Drizzle with remaining 1 Tbsp. lemon juice.

Roasted Carrots with Avocado and Feta Vinaigrette

- 2 lb. small carrots in assorted colors
- 1 Tbsp. sorghum syrup or honey
- 4 Tbsp. extra virgin olive oil, divided
- 1 tsp. kosher salt
- 1 tsp. ground cumin
- 1/2 tsp. freshly ground black pepper
- 1/4 tsp. dried crushed red pepper
- 1 shallot, minced
- 2 Tbsp. red wine vinegar
- 2 oz. feta, blue, or goat cheese, crumbled
- 1 medium-size ripe avocado, sliced
- 2 Tbsp. fresh cilantro leaves
- 1 Tbsp. roasted, salted and shelled pepitas (pumpkin seeds)



Preheat oven to 500°. Toss carrots with sorghum and 2 Tbsp. olive oil. Sprinkle with kosher salt and next 3 ingredients; toss to coat. Place carrots in a lightly greased jelly-roll pan. Bake 15 to 20 minutes or until tender, stirring halfway through.

Stir together shallot and vinegar. Add salt and pepper to taste. Stir in remaining 2 Tbsp. olive oil; stir in remaining 2 Tbsp. olive oil; stir in feta.

Arrange carrots and avocado on a serving platter. Drizzle with vinaigrette. Sprinkle with cilantro and pepitas.

Recipes found in Southern Living Magazine—March 2013



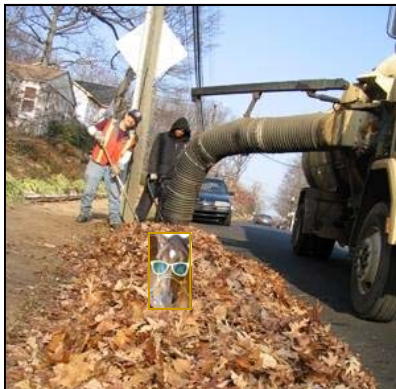
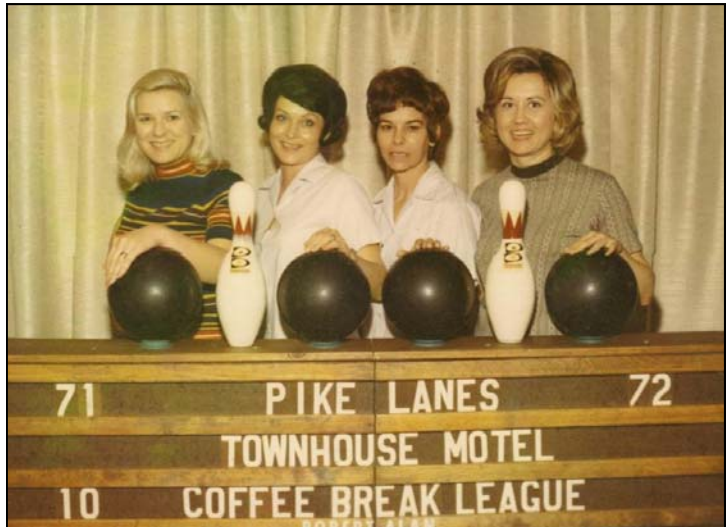
Above, North Little Rock Communications Director Nathan Hamilton, his wife Stacy and their baby boy Calvin James Hamilton. Calvin James is the grandson of District Court Judge Jim Hamilton.



Above, North Little Rock Parks and Recreation Department's newest canine employee Shep.

Below, far right, Jeanne Phillips with her bowling team.

Below, left, Bruce Holsted high above the landscape doing the job he loves.



Leaf Vacs

Leaves must be raked within 6 feet of the curb and away from any obstructions,
(*light pole, rocks, mail box, vehicles, etc.*)

Do not put leaves in the storm drain!

Bagged leaves will be picked up weekly on the regularly scheduled yards waste pickup date.

For an approximate location call
371-8355 option 3



Ice
Ice
Baby!





North Little Rock High School Students Make All-State Band

Congratulations to **Chipper Via**—1st chair guitar in the Second All-State Jazz Band, **Durham Hill**—5th chair horn in the Third All-State Band (Concert Band), and **Zak King**—4th chair trumpet in the Second All-State Band (Symphonic Band).

North Little Rock Lions Club

Annual

Bob Moore Memorial

Fish Fry

April 18, 2014



Pond Raised Catfish And Breaded Chicken Strips
With All The Trimmings

Serving 4:30PM Until 7:30PM

Burns Park Hospitality House In North Little Rock

Adults
\$12.00

Children Under 12
\$10.00

Contact:

Number

Tickets Available At The Door



We Serve

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



*Join us Saturday
April 5, 2014*

11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

*At Lakewood Village Shopping Center
In North Little Rock for*

North Shore Animal League America's Annual



Mobile rescue and adoption units are simultaneously traveling across the United States for the annual Tour For Life, a life-saving nationwide tour.

This year's journey will cover more than 17,000 miles to work with shelters and rescue groups to bring attention to and find homes for the wonderful homeless animals across the country.



The **2014 Tour For Life** will be happening in 52 cities in 26 states and Washington, DC.

Events in North Little Rock include:

FREE Microchips for sterilized animals brought to the event (1 per family)

Drawings for certificates for **Free Sterilization** for a dog or cat

Dog Training Exhibition and tips on training your own dog

Pet Care Information and **Free Giveaways**

A Veteran's Best Friend—dogs trained for Veterans with PTSD

The annual tour will be in the following Arkansas City's in April:

Clinton—April 3

Conway—April 4

North Little Rock—April 5

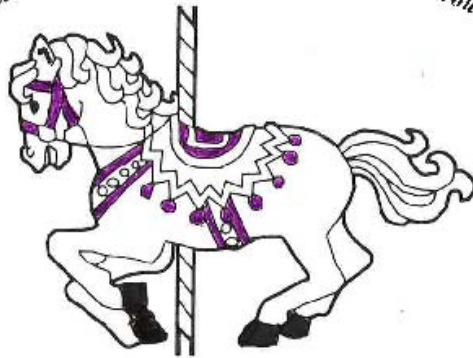
Fayetteville—April 6



For more information,
visit their website at
www.animalleague.org or call
501-791-8577



North Little Rock Woman's Club 24th Annual Gala Carousel Ball



Twenty Fourth Annual Gala Carousel Ball

will be held ***Saturday, April 5, 2014***
at the ***Patrick Henry Hays Senior Citizens Center***
401 Pershing Boulevard, North Little Rock

Dinner • Dancing • Entertainment
Live and Silent Auctions

Dancing to the Tommy Henderson Band
Black Tie Optional

Mistress of Ceremonies
North Little Rock City Clerk Diane Whitbey

\$50 per person (\$25 is tax deductible)

Table Reservations Required

RSVP by April 1, 2014

Call Helen Greenfield at 501-835-5019 or

Joan Weese at 501-753-7246

Proceeds benefit **North Little Rock Heritage-Bowker-Willow Houses**
the **Patrick Henry Hays Senior Citizens Center**
and other **community service projects** of the
North Little Rock Woman's Club

Art Connection

Recently, a story aired on Nexstar Broadcasting - Arkansas Matters about the Art Connection in North Little Rock.

In 2006, North Little Rock Alderman Maurice Taylor's son was killed. Through his grief, Alderman Taylor's wanted to find a way to help youth in the city.

The Art Connection started with his backing. Youth in the area have the opportunity to work and sell their art.

Pictured right are some of the youth participants.



NOW CASTING

IN LITTLE ROCK MARCH !!!

EXTREME WEIGHT LOSS SEASON 5


Facebook.com/EWLCasting www.extremeweightlosscasting.com @EWL_Casting

**Do you have at least 50% of your body weight to lose?
Are YOU ready to CHANGE YOUR LIFE?**

Eyeworks USA is NOW CASTING men and women across America that are ready to lose weight and live the life they've been dreaming of!

Our transformation specialist and expert trainer, Chris Powell, will work with you over the course of one year to help transform your mind and body. Make this the most important year of your life - the year you get the weight off and your life back.

LITTLE ROCK AREA
SATURDAY * MARCH 1, 2014 * 12pm-6pm
Argenta Community Theater
405 Main Street
North Little Rock, AR 72114



If you have at least 50% of your body weight to lose and are ready to change your life then WE want to meet YOU! Please bring a non-returnable photograph with you to the casting call. We will provide the applications. You can submit a video audition for consideration if you cannot attend in person. Find more info and Pre-Register at www.extremeweightlosscasting.com



Can you guess who the young man is in the photograph above?



* Must be a legal U.S. resident 18 years of age or older as of March 1, 2014 to apply. For all eligibility requirements, updated casting call information, full list of 13 casting call cities, how to submit a video, FAQ and how to apply visit www.Extremeweightlosscasting.com.

EXTREME WEIGHT LOSS

*Follow us on Social Media for current updates. Please do not line up before 7am. If you cannot make the Little Rock Casting call, we will also be nearby in Dallas 2/15/14 and Austin 2/22/14.



Left, Marshall Hodge, son of Amber (HR) at his first Karate Lesson.

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 501-340-5317 or email Diane Whitbey at Dwhitbey@northlittlerock.ar.gov.

The City Council Agenda can be found at www.northlittlerock.ar.gov, then click on the Government tab, followed by Council Agenda.

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 Bruce Foutch	804-0928 658-9714
Ward 4	Murry Witcher Charlie Hight	835-0009 758-8396

Other Elected Officials

Mayor Joe A. Smith	975-8601
City Clerk and Collector Diane Whitbey	975-8617
City Attorney C. Jason Carter	975-3755
City Treasurer Mary Ruth Morgan	753-2028
District Court Judge Jim Hamilton	791-8559
District Court Judge Randy Morley	791-8562

North Little Rock Curbside Recycling
schedule for the month of February:



Mar 3—7 no pickup
Mar 10—14 recycle
Mar 17—21 no pickup
March 24—28 recycle

City Offices located at 120 Main

IT/Data Processing, Kathy Stephens	975-8820
Finance, Karen Scott	975-8802
Information	975-8888
Human Resources, Betty Anderson	975-8855
Planning, Robert Voyles	975-8835
Purchasing, Mary Beth Bowman	975-8881
Utilities Accounting, David Melton	975-8888

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

New Telephone Numbers for City Hall

Mayor's Office.....	501-975-8601
Joe A. Smith	
City Clerk & Collector.....	501-975-8617
Diane Whitbey	
External Relations.....	501-975-8605
Margaret Powell	

No Change

Legal.....	501-975-3755
C. Jason Carter / Matt Fleming	
Fit 2 Live.....	501-975-8777
Bernadette Rhodes	
Communications.....	501-975-8833
Nathan Hamilton	

March Anniversaries

Name		Dept	Yrs	Name		Dept	Yrs
BERNADETTE	RHODES	Admin	3	WALTER	GUNN III	Health	2
ANITA	KABAT	Animal Shelter	1	MATTHEW	FLEMING	Legal	1
PATRICIA	JONES	Animal Shelter	19	JOSEPH	BREEN	1st Court	2
ANTHONY	GARDNER	Animal Shelter	16	RUTH	PRICE	2nd Court	9
TIMOTHY	VANYA	Comm Dev	10	KAREN	FLETCHER	UAD	26
RICKY	EZELL	OES/911	9	BRECK	MAXEY	UAD	20
LEEANN	SADLER	OES/911	5	BETTY	ANDERSON	HR	13
LINDSEY	HOWARD	OES/911	5	SHAWN	SPENCER	Planning	12
ROY	MCPHAIL	Electric	41	JOHN	BARBER	Police	11
CHRISTOPHER A.	RAY	Electric	9	DENISE	CANTERBURY	Police	14
JAMES	WILSON	Electric	7	DANIEL	HALEY	Police	11
RICHARD	POZZA	Electric	16	JOSHUA	FORNEY	Police	14
DONALD	FRIDAY JR	Electric	3	MICHAEL	BLEVINS	Police	14
JAMES	HOUSTON	Electric	12	DONALD	STEELE	Police	13
LANA	GREGORY	Electric	16	MATTHEW	THOMAS	Police	13
CHRISTOPHER	NICHOLAS	Electric	9	ROBERT	CUPPS	Police	11
ZACHARY	BROWN	Electric	7	MATTHEW	BRUSH	Police	6
JACKIE	HALSEY	Electric	16	BRYAN	KINKAID	Police	10
CAREY	WALKER JR	Electric	3	JOHN	ALSTON	Police	17
AMANDA	BONNER	Finance	14	CHRIS	GANN	Police	17
ROBERT	MAULDIN	Fire	41	PATRICK	GARRETT	Police	17
JOHN	POUNDERS	Fire	29	JEN-CHUAN	KING	Police	17
ROBERT	WARFORD	Fire	24	ROBERT	WARD	Police	17
BENJAMIN	MUNDY	Fire	23	MICHAEL	MERLO	Police	17
GERALD	TUCKER	Fire	24	MATTHEW	PFLEGER	Police	10
STEPHEN	EVANS	Fire	24	REBA	CRAIG	Police	12
CHARLES	BLACK	Fire	25	DEBRA	FLETCHER	Police	2
STEVEN	GRIMES	Fire	29	LINDA	FELTON	Police	16
RICKY	ALBERS	Fire	24	JON	CROWDER	Police	12
CHARLES	PLATT	Fire	24	WAYNE	WRIGHT	Code	10
KEVIN	TACKETT	Fire	23	FREDERICK	SCOTT	Sanitation	8
MATTHEW	DIXON	Fire	23	EDWARD	JERNIGAN	Street	7
DANTANIEL	DURAN	Fire	3	JASON	STEELE	Street	7
BILLY	JONES	Fire	20	DAVID	WILBOURN	Traffic	3
RENALDO	BENNETT	Fire	29	RICKY	PRIDMORE	Vehcile Maint	3
JOHNNY	GOFF	Fire	3	ANTHONY	RIPPEE	Parks Maint	1
AARON	HENDERSON	Fire	3	BRYAN	SPEARS	Parks Maint	9
AARON	CHASSELLS	Fire	15	REGINA	HENSON	Parks Rec	27
TERENCE	METCALF	Fire	23	KATRINA	WILBON	Parks Rec	26
JACOB	SCHMIDT	Fire	3	MARK	WOODS	Parks Golf	7
CODY	WORTHAM	Fire	3				

A spreadsheet including all North Little Rock employees is provided at the end of the previous year for Birthday and Anniversary information (to be used the following year). If you see an employee's name who is no longer with the city, keep in mind that the current information was provided during the previous year when those individuals were employees of the City of North Little Rock.

March Birthdays

Name	Dept	Date	Name	Dept	Date
MICHAEL THOMPSON	Fire	1	DEBORAH SCHERZ	Electric	16
BENJAMIN EVANS	Fire	1	JASON KNIFE	Fire	16
IAN HOPE	Parks	1	MICHAEL JORDAN	Fire	17
JOHN BLASINGAME	Street	2	TODD HUMPHRIES	Police	17
DAVID HEISER	Traffic	3	RICKY CARRINGTON	Vehicle Maint	17
CHRISTOPHER BRADLEY	Fire	4	CLINT BUTLER	Fire	18
CODY REESE	Traffic	4	DENNIS POOLE	Fire	18
JUSTIN CROSS	Police	5	JON FISHER	Police	18
MICHAEL REYES	Police	5	MARK TUBBS	Police	19
DONNIE ADAMS JR	Traffic	7	ROBERT SPRIGGS	Police	19
DIANNE WETZLER	Electric	8	ANTHONY CHUKES	Street	20
LARRY SHOOK	Fire	9	MARY DENTON	OES/911	21
HEIDI WEBB	OES/911	10	THOMAS LATINA	Police	21
WARREN ALMON	Fire	10	DAVID SCHMIDT	Police	23
ROBERT MAULDIN	HR	10	PETER COOK	Parks Golf	23
JERRI PAGE	Police	10	ROBERT WARFORD	Fire	24
WILLIAM HENSLEY	Parks Maint	10	STEPHEN EVANS	Fire	24
ROBERT BARTON	Fire	11	DANIEL CUSHING	Electric	26
DAVEN MCCOY	Admin	12	NATHAN KIMES JR.	Police	27
ZAKARY WARD	Fire	12	CORNELIUS FENNESSEE JR.	Fire	28
JAMES BRILEY	Planning	12	ROBIN SISSON	1st Court	28
RICHARD BEASTON	Police	12	DOMINIQUE AMBROSE	UAD	28
GARY THORNTON	Code	12	CRYSTAL WILLIS	Commerce	28
LINDA MARSHALL	City Clerk	13	ELLISA MCEUEN	Police	28
TYSON HADDOCK	Fire	13	DWIGHT AKINS	Sanitation	29
ALTORIA TUCKER	Sanitation	13	THOMAS EVERETT	Traffic	29
JASON ROE	Fire	15	JEFFREY CAPLINGER	Parks	29
MARK JOSEPH	Parks Golf	15	VINCENT RAY	Police	30
JACKIE PEACH	Electric	16	CARMEN HELTON	Police	30

Reminder...

Occupational Privilege / Business License Invoices were mailed in December.

All licenses were due and payable on January 1.

A grace period is currently in effect until **March 31**.

License categories were reviewed by staff in 2013, some accounts were improperly coded and corrected.

If you received an invoice and feel that the code is incorrect, please contact us.

If you are a business owner in the City of North Little Rock and have not received an invoice or need assistance in calculating the fee due, please call the **City Clerk's Office at 501-975-8617**.

To see the current fee schedule, visit our website at www.nlr.ar.gov, then click on the Business tab, followed by Doing Business in North Little Rock tab, then scroll down to Business License Fee Schedule PDF.

License fees are based on a base fee and/or various variables (i.e. employees, stock/inventory, multiple types of business being operated at one location, number of units, square footage, etc.

If you have news, an upcoming event, recipe, photos, etc. you would like to share with others in North Little Rock, please email Dwhitbey@nlr.ar.gov by the 15th of the month.

Notice: to be eligible to offer a discount to North Little Rock City Employees, a business must be properly Licensed to do business in the city and current on all monies due to the City of North Little Rock.