

North Little Rock e-Newsletter

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Join us for the 2013 Komen Arkansas Race for the Cure on October 19, 2013, in downtown Little Rock and North Little Rock.

The Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure Series, the largest series of 5K runs/fitness walks in the world, raises significant funds and awareness for the fight against breast cancer, celebrates breast cancer survivorship and honors those who have lost their battle with the disease. Since its inception in 1983, the Komen Race for the Cure series has grown from one local race with 800 participants to a global series of more than 120 Races with more than 1 million people expected to participate in 2013.

The Komen Race for the Cure is a unique event, designed and implemented to promote positive awareness, education and early detection of breast cancer. It has proved to be an enormously effective way to reach many women and men with the message that breast cancer is not necessarily fatal if mammography and breast self-exam become routine. As well as being a road race for runners, the Komen Race for the Cure is an emotionally charged event that attracts many first timers and recreational runners. The Komen Race for the Cure is an opportunity for thousands of women, men and their families, running or walking, to spread the breast cancer message within their communities.

75 percent of the funds raised at the Race remain here in Arkansas to provide breast health research, diagnostics, screening, treatment, services and education for uninsured or underinsured women. The remaining 25 percent goes to fund national research to discover the causes of breast cancer and ultimately, its cures.

Why your support is needed:

Every step counts. In Arkansas, there are 25 counties (1 out of every 3) that have no fixed mammography services. These are the women who are least likely to get a mammogram and it's the hardest for them. The need in our state is great. Donations provide women and men in Arkansas with services that have literally saved lives. Donations make the following programs possible:

Free mammograms and diagnostics

Medical treatment for qualified breast cancer patients who cannot afford care, including surgery, chemotherapy, and radiation

Support services including support groups, assistance with finding financial resources, prescription refills and transportation to medical appointments

Education about the warning signs of breast cancer, methods of early detection and the latest treatment options

Cutting edge research to find a cure for breast cancer

For more information visit: <http://www.komenarkansas.org/komen-race-for-the-cure/>



"Where's Mel"? Be the 1st person to call 340-5317 and tell us where you found him hiding and win a prize!

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

Do I Go Home Today?

A poem by Sandi Thompson

My family brought me home
cradled in their arms.
They cuddled me and smiled at me,
and said I was full of charm.

They played with me and laughed with me,
they showered me with toys,
I sure do love my family
especially the girls and boys.

The children loved to feed me,
they gave me special treats.
They even let me sleep with them
all snuggled in the sheets.

I used to go for walks,
often several times a day.
They even fought to hold my leash,
I'm very proud to say.

These are things I'll never forget
a cherished memory.
I now live in a shelter
without my family.

They used to laugh and praise me
when I played with that old shoe.
But I didn't know the difference
between the old ones and the new.

The kids and I would grab a rag
For hours we would tug.
So I thought I did the right thing
When I chewed the bathroom rug.



They said that I was out of control,
and would have to live outside.
This I did not understand
although I tried and tried.

The walks stopped, one by one;
They said they hadn't time.
I wish that I could change things,
I wish I knew my crime.

My life became so lonely,
in the back yard on a chain.
I barked and barked all day long
to keep from going insane.

So they brought me to the shelter
but were embarrassed to say why,
They said I caused an allergy,
and then, kissed me goodbye.

If I'd only had some classes,
as a little pup
I wouldn't have been so hard to handle
when I was all grown up.

"You only have one day left,"
I heard the worker say,
Does this mean a second chance?
Do I go home today?



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North Little Rock Fire Department

Information from the NLRFD



House Addresses: Seconds count when the Fire Department, Police Department and Emergency Medical Services (MEMS) respond to your home. Ensure that they are able to find your house in a timely manner by posting visible address numbers on your property. NLR City Ordinance #7093 requires that all residential property have at least 3" address numbers posted. These numbers should be visible from the road and be of a contrasting color from the home. Commercial properties are required to have 6" numbers posted.

Hot Weather: Be sure to drink plenty of liquids during these last parts of summer. We are experiencing some of our hottest days so far this year. Dehydration is a very real medical problem. Here is a quick test you can give yourself to see if you are dehydrated. Pinch the skin on the back of your hand (not hard, just enough to raise the skin). If the skin stays in the raised position and does not return to normal quickly then you may be dehydrated. Headache or fatigue may also signal possible dehydration. Sports drinks can benefit but the best way to combat dehydration is to drink water.



Burn Bans: Occasionally, the county will issue a burn ban when extreme dry conditions exist. This means that all outside open burning is prohibited. Stiff penalties can be imposed if someone ignores this executive order from the county judge, especially if property damage or injury occurs from the result of the burning. Keep in mind that North Little Rock is always under a burn ban. A burn permit must be issued from the Fire Marshal's Office for any open burning. Open burning is any burning where the fuel or air mixture cannot be controlled such as, piles of limbs and brush. North Little Rock does not allow the open burning of leaves as it creates excessive smoke and becomes a nuisance to neighbors. Any questions can be addressed to the Fire Marshal's Office, phone numbers 812-5940, 5941 or 5942.

Captain John Pflasterer
Assistant Fire Marshal
NLRFD

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 July's meeting (July events).



Central Arkansas Water—Water sales through the month were 11% below the 12-year average and are the lowest in CAW's history. This is due to unseasonable cooler weather this summer in conjunction with evenly distributed rainfall events.

Meetings continue with CAW personnel and Exxon-Mobil concerning test results from pipe inspections.

Wastewater—Sewer System Evaluation Survey 2012: Utility staff are in the process of making point repairs, manhole repairs and pipeline replacements. Sewer System Evaluation Survey 2013: Lakewood is the targeted area for fieldwork. Manhole inspections and smoke tests are underway.

Laman Library—Lamanpalooza, end of the year summer program had over 2,000 attendees. The summer reading program had over 2,000 children and over 1,000 adults participating which was a major increase in participation from last year. An average of 1,300 people used the library each day in July.



Neighborhood Services—mailed 5,292 neighborhood group newsletters. Rekeyed Argenta Train Depot and worked with Community Development and History Commission on plans to renovate, remove mold and seal exterior surfaces.

Hays Senior Center—organized classes starting in August: 4 new Zumba classes, 2 new Tai Chi classes and 2 new sewing classes. Began process to nominate North Little Rock as a Volunteer Community of the Year. Enrolled 119 new members.

IS—multiple software requests, research, etc., configured and installed hardware, updated various web postings

Utilities Accounting—Bad debt July: \$44,185.90
Projected bad debt write-offs 2013: \$365,000.00
New accounts installed: 1,138
Accounts finalized: 1,256



Street Department—worked potholes on West 13th, Franklin, Pershing and J. D. Ashley, West 26th, Kierre Drive, 22nd, North Hills, Forrester, City Services Parking lot. Main Street from 13th to Pershing. Repaved front parking area of North Heights. Finished hauling debris out of 5 Mile Creek, milled parking lot in front of North Heights Community Center, hauled off debris from 7th

and Magnolia. Laid mill asphalt in alley between 5th and 6th West side of Main. Kept pumping down Greenlea lake to keep water level down, continue to clean drain mouths city-wide. Repaired curbs, removed benches downtown, installed bike station at Broadway Fire Station.

Removed 97 loads of debris from 5 Mile Creek Trail then reloaded into dump trucks (14 loads at \$7,000). Spent 648 hours on trail, average \$15.00 per hour = \$9,720.00. Total labor and equipment costs—\$20,620.00



Sanitation—garbage crews collected and disposed of 1,302.72 tons (2,605,440 lbs) of household garbage.

Yard waste crews collected and disposed of 334 loads (10,433 cubic yards) of mixed debris. 796 telephone calls. Assist Parks Maintenance (CDL Driver and garbage truck—full time). Completed Bike Trail collection of used tires, car parts, shopping carts, etc. along the river front, adjacent to the new Marina.

Traffic—Service request work order (Sign Shop) 131. Signal trouble reports—33, Posts replaced—53. Approved Barricade Applications—100



Police—(June) Violent Crime down overall 7.8%, Robberies down 25%. Property Crime down 26%, Burglaries and Breaking and Entering (Storage Buildings) down 15%.

July—Downtown/Baring Cross area saw residential burglaries cut in half from July of the previous year. Large increase in copper thefts from AC units and criminal mischief at businesses. August 5, 8 new officers began work at the Police Department

Fire—Total Incidents: 919
Residential Fires: 8
Vehicle Fires: 8
Rescue/EMS: 498
Other Responses: 331
Total Responses: 1,589
Other Structure Fires: 0
False Alarms/Malfunions: 64
Haz Mat Responses: 8
Total Fire Losses: \$396,953.00
Total Value: \$864,601.00
Total Saved: \$468,648.00
Training: 1,106 hours
Building Inspections: 226



Office of Emergency Services/911—



911 CAD entries for police and fire service 10,152.
Total calls answered in 911 Center 16,480.

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Planning—Submitted Bicycle Friendly Community Application. Worked with Greyhound identifying potential sites for relocation.

Fit 2 Live—North Little Rock City Employees enrolled in Weight Watchers lost 419 pounds in 20 weeks. 21 enrolled in worksite program through 10 Fitness. Safe Routes to School Grant—awarded \$44,208 for Year 2 education grant.

City Clerk/Collector—issued 224 Business Licenses (included 26 new). Collected and/or processed 262 Beer/Liquor/Mixed Drink renewals and required unpaid restaurant taxes or business license fees be current before renewing alcohol licenses.

Updating and implementing New Peddlers Licensing procedures which office assumed from Revenue Office in July.

Collected \$52,702.07—2% Hotel/Motel, \$26,192.64 1% Hotel, \$33,053.69 Mixed Drink and \$476,825.20 Restaurant Taxes.

Working on index of all city ordinances and resolutions to post to city-web site when completed.



Code Enforcement—180 assigned calls, 645 initiated calls, 15 citations, 290 notices, 55 vehicles tagged, 145 structures inspected, 13 food service inspections, 0 search warrants, 2 house demolished by city, 7 houses demolished by owner. Secured 2 vacant houses, mowed 68 vacant lots, mowed 31 with structures, picked up 9 tires.

Animal Control—NLR Incoming Animals—244, Adopted 52, Reclaimed 17, Euthanized 173, Citations issued 96, Vouchers (spay/neuter) Dogs 28, Cats 21, Calls for Service 823



Pulaski County Incoming Animals—95, Adopted 26, Reclaimed 2, Euthanized 77

Parks and Recreation—Hosted 6 day American Legion Southern Regional Baseball Tournament which included state champions from 7 states. National Boys 12s Tennis Tournament held August 4-9—450 entries ages 12 and under. Major renovations to begin at Burns Park Hospitality House (new doors, flooring, curtains and paint—estimated time 6 to 7 months).

NLR Visitors Center (A&P)—Downtown Riverside RV Park had 375 reservations—average stay 2.71 days—revenue \$20,359.00. Arkansas Inland Maritime Museum had 3,591 visitors, 16 school groups, 6 overnight groups, 2 teacher workshops—monthly revenue \$18,515. 1,603 visitors to Visitors Center.

Electric Department—38,578—customers, Peak Power—227,518 KW, Territory— 60 square miles, miles of wire—544.8 miles, # Transformers—11,248, Street lights—10,973, Smart meters 20,644



Parks and Recreation—hosted Busch/Pepsi Classic—76 teams. North Little Rock Superstars Gymnastics had 29 gymnasts participate in camp perfecting their routines. North Little Rock Community Center houses WIC office which provided services to over 1,000 families. The Summer Food Program provided at 6 sites served 8,559 breakfasts and 11,273 lunches to youth ages 18 and under. Top dressing soccer fields is underway (first time in 3 years). Golf revenue—Burns Park \$39,552.00. Emerald Park \$4,971.00.



**Finance—
Revenues (MTD—July)**

Taxes	2,850,894.28
Licenses and Permits	232,711.66
Fines and Forfeitures	200,547.01
Local Option Sales Tax	2,085,071.61
Intergovernmental State	36,034.61
Franchises	188,773.17
Investment and Misc	(8,273.08)
User Fees	84,864.38
Utility Transfer	49,328.22
Grants and Other Sources	22,363.57
Transfer from Electric	923,080.00

Expenditures

Admin	195,034.61
Animal Control	52,648.55
Special Appropriations	221,977.54
City Clerk	24,749.48
Emergency Services/911	122,631.32
Finance	114,628.97
Fire	982,364.90
Health	25,254.54
Legal	47,811.56
1st Court	48,626.51
2nd Court	35,680.15
Public Defender	539.99
Human Resources	52,002.20
Commerce	13,136.90
Planning	65,252.45
Police	1,634,756.03
Code Enforcement	77,425.12
Public Works	72,182.29
Neighborhood Services	14,046.80
Fiscal Control/Revenue	2,368.00
Sanitation	397,287.84
Vehicle Maintenance	96,889.67
Senior Center	82,702.04
Communications	5,033.50

Adults on youth hunts can't carry guns

By Joe Mosby—The Times

It must be human nature for some folks to fudge, to skirt the rules, to find an excuse for taking shortcuts.

Motorists often drive a little over the speed limit or do a “rolling stop” at an intersection. Golfers may nudge a ball away from an unfavorable lie if no one is looking.

And a grown-up may take a rifle along on a youth-only deer hunt “in case some wild hogs show up.”

Surely not, you say? OK, in past years, deer have been checked in the names of two – and three-year-old kids.

These are not crimes of the century by any means, but they are unpalatable to most hunters who understand and abide by the rules of hunting, the regulations that are

meant to protect the resource first and to make things fair for everyone second.

So the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission says adult mentors, those accompanying kids under 16 on the special youth hunts, **cannot** carry firearms.

The rule change should not bother anyone—except the corner-cutters.

If you hunt deer where wild or feral hogs are, you know that deer avoid hogs. Should a bunch or even a few hogs show up in front of your stand, forget about seeing a deer until the hogs are well gone. There are exceptions, of course, but this is generally the normal scene.

A daddy and his 12-year-old son or daughter go to a stand on a youth hunt day. The youngster has the use of a .243 rifle and has practiced with it. Father and child have talked a good bit about this day. Anticipation is high.

Why would anything want to alter or defile the scene by taking a .30-06 or a .300 Magnum rifle under the guise of shooting feral hogs if they show up?

More logically and hopefully, if hogs come into the pictures, the adult will whisper, “Shoot a hog, kid. Right now, Don't wait.”

But, and we repeat, some folks just are inclined to cut corners and to cheat.



Under this new no adult firearm rule, the adult is allowed to take archery gear, including a crossbow, to the stand with the kid on a youth hunt. Wearing hunter orange is required.

The youth hunt dates for the deer season coming up are Saturday and Sunday, November 2-3, and Saturday and Sunday, January 4-5.

On the youth gun hunts, the young folks can shoot bucks and does, and there are no antler restrictions on the bucks. Regular zone bag limits and restrictions apply. Deer taken during the youth hunt count toward the youngster's statewide limit of six.

Dogs cannot be used on youth deer hunts anywhere in the state.

The adult mentor on a youth hunt can be anyone, not just a parent or a grandparent. Older sibling, another relative, a friend or a neighbor can be the person to go along with the kid. If the youth has completed hunter education, the mentor can be 18 or older. If the youth does not have a hunter education certificate, the mentor has to be 21 or older.

OK, the rules are there. The real priority is to create a special experience by accompanying a young boy or girl on a deer hunt. Memories are waiting to be made.

Great Arkansas Cleanup set for September, October

Each year, thousands of Arkansans volunteer to pick up litter along the state's roadways and waterways during Keep Arkansas Beautiful (KAB) Great Arkansas Cleanup to improve the appearance and environmental quality of their communities.

This year's fall litter-pickup campaign will run from September 7 through October 31, 2013.

All Arkansas communities are encouraged to get involved in this annual cleanup effort.

Those who would like to learn more about organizing a litter-pickup event in their community or to volunteer with a local event can visit KeepArkansasBeautiful.com, email info@keeparkansasbeautiful.com, or call toll-free 888-742-8701.

Last year's Great Arkansas Cleanup featured 93 local events across the state involving more than 11,000 Arkansans who picked up 800,000 pounds of litter from roughly 1,000 miles of roadway and shoreline. The volunteer effort provided the state and participating communities a cost-saving value estimated at nearly \$850,000.

"By working together, we can build and sus-



tain vibrant communities across Arkansas," said Robert Phelps, director of KAB.

"Everyone is encouraged to participate in a local Great Arkansas Cleanup."

Once a community signs on to host a Great Arkansas

Cleanup event, Keep Arkansas Beautiful will help organize and publicize the effort. KAB can furnish local volunteers with cleanup materials and supplies, such as trash bags, gloves, and safety vests. Other available promotional items and incentives include T-shirts and an opportunity to win a Troy-Bilt trimmer/blower.

KAB is publicizing this year's GAC using TV, radio, and newspaper announcements to increase volunteerism at events around the state and is also providing local coordinators with customizable promotion materials, including posters, public service announcements, and news releases.

The Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality, the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department, Keep Arkansas Beautiful Foundation, and Keep America Beautiful Inc. sponsor the Great Arkansas

This is a letter from an Out of State adopter of one of North Little Rock Animal Control's Rescue dogs, Turbine. We are always happy to get updates from the adoption families! NLRAC

Hello --

Back in December or January you rescued a big black & white dog, who you named Turbine, from I-40 with another little dog. Turbine got into a rescue that brought him to Minnesota, where we fell madly in love with him (and renamed him Billy...). I just wanted to thank you for saving our buddy from that freeway so that he could make our lives so much richer. We adopted him after losing our beloved 6 year old mutt to lymphoma, and he did more to mend our broken hearts than we could have ever done on our own. He has been with us since March, and he has already passed two levels of obedience classes and is on his way to becoming a therapy dog!

He has a great life with us in Minnesota. We also have a 14 year old pug, and they get along really well. He has many other dog friends in the neighborhood and plays with them regularly. We also have a cabin in northern Wisconsin, where we spend a lot of time in the summer, and he has a buddy up there too, a black lab named Willie. The two of them romp in the woods, go swimming, play tug with whatever sticks and branches they find, and hunt for frogs -- just like a couple of little boys. Billy LOVES the water! We can't keep him out of the lake.

The photo above is Billy with his "dad."

Yeah, he's got it pretty good up here in Minnesota, all thanks to you saving him from that highway. Thank you a million times! Debbie





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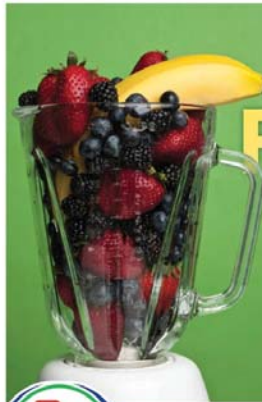
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Get Your **FREE** Annual Physical



CITY EMPLOYEES MAY receive a FREE annual physical from the North Little Rock Employee Wellness Clinic or the primary care physician of their choice. As an extra bonus, employees who get their physical at the Employee Clinic can do so ON WORK TIME and will receive a surprise gift from Fit 2 Live. Schedule your appointment now! Contact the Clinic at 771-4249.

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New Bike Library is Open



THE CITY OF North Little Rock and Fit 2 Live have opened a Bike Library for city employees. You may “check out” a bike and helmet during regular office hours. Bike to lunch. Run errands. Ride for fun or exercise. Do what you like! To check out a bike, contact Bernadette at 975-8777.

Cyclists Wanted

JOIN THE FIT 2 LIVE/NLR BIKE TEAM for the CF Cycle for Life. This is the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation’s premier cycling event. Help keep the wheels in motion to cure cystic fibrosis. To get involved, contact Fit 2 Live School Coordinator, Willa Williams, at 975-8777 or williams@nlr.ar.gov.



We Lost Over 303 LBS!



Fit 2 Live is proud to announce that our first Weight Watchers class held at City Services was a huge success. We had 30 participants, and they lost a total of 303.8 lbs. in 10 weeks.



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Contact Bernadette Gunn Rhodes, Fit 2 Live Coordinator, at 975-8777 or brhodes@nlr.ar.gov.

Visit Our Website: www.NLRFit2Live.org

With Razorback Football Season upon us... how about some pig (or hog) related fun?!

TONGUE TWISTERS-

Try saying this 3 times fast:

Pigs love pink pancakes.

If that one was too easy, try this one:

Poor pink pig plays in his pen.

Maybe this one will get you:

Pete Briggs pats pink pigs and big pigs,

Pet Briggs is a big pink pig patter.

PIG TAILS...

not tales...these are facts!

Scientists believe that pigs are one of the most intelligent animals, ranking close behind apes and dolphins.



A pig's squeal can be as loud as 115 decibels, 3 decibels higher than the sound of a supersonic airliner.

Pigs do not prefer to sit in mud, they prefer cleanliness much more than other animals. They use the mud as a coolant in summers, out of necessity. Mud also provides them protection against flies and parasites, apart from being used as a form of sunscreen, which protects their skin from sunburn.

Pigs do not "eat like a pig" or "pig out". They prefer to eat slow and savor their food.

Make your own Pet Pig Rock, or other creature...

Pet Rocks became popular in the 1970's. It really doesn't do much...just sits and keeps you company! But, they are pretty darn cute!



The only materials you will need are a stone, acrylic paints, a paintbrush, a button, two plastic antennas (or anything else you want to use to make ears, hair, etc) and craft glue.

1. Wash the stone and let dry.
2. Add glue and place button for the snout and add ears.
3. Carefully cover all with paint (use Razorback Red to make a little Razorback).
4. Paint on eyes and make him blush.



How to make an Egg Carton Pig

Materials needed:

Egg carton (paper type)

Paint (Razorback Red if you are making a Razorback pig)

Craft Foam

Wiggle eyes

Chenille stems

Craft glue

Paint Brush

To make this cute piggy, start by cutting a two-cup section from an egg carton, leaving the cups attached. Bend the egg carton cups towards each other so they are rim-to-rim. This will make an oval shape. Glue the rims together and let dry.

After the glue has dried on the egg cups, trim off any rough edges around the section you glued so you have a nice oval which will now serve as your pig's body. Paint the egg carton oval pink so it resembles a pig (or red for Razorbacks!). Let the paint dry.

Use the supplies listed above or whatever materials you have on hand to add details to your pig. You can make a snout using craft foam (or a button), ears and tail using chenille stems, and wiggle eyes. Paint the nose holes. Use your imagination to make your pig unique.

Let glue and paint dry and display your little piggy



Did you ever wonder...

What is a doohicky? The name for an object (or person) you either can't remember or never knew in the first place. Other variations are whatchamacalit and thingamajig.

What is a hootenanny? Celebratory event. A big chaotic part or get

together. Pretty much anything that is fun or funny.

What is piddlin'? To waste time.

What is hunkey dorey? Everything is great.

What is skedaddle? Run, scatter.

What is lickety split? Very quick.

What about yeens? Ye ones.

What about tarnation? Used to indicate surprise or shock.

Example: Hey! Doohicky! Yeens don't piddle around, skedaddle lickety split for a tarnation of a hunkey dorey hootenanny.

All of the articles on this page were found in the program for Hogskin Holidays event held in Hampton, Arkansas.

Duck Dynasty is a reality television series on A&E. It shows the lives of the Robertson family, who became wealthy from their family-operated business, Duck Commander, operated in West Monroe, Louisiana, which makes products for duck hunters, primarily the duck call named *Duck Commander*. The Robertson men, brothers Phil and Si, and Phil's sons Jase, Willie, and Jep, are known for their long beards.

An unexpected star of the program is Uncle Si (Silas Merritt "Si" Robertson—pictured above) who is a Vietnam War veteran. He works at Duck Commander, making the reeds that go into every duck call. Si is known for his storytelling, his constant use of the expression "Hey!" and his ever-present blue plastic Tupperware cup, which his mother sent him while he was stationed in Vietnam.



Here are some of Uncle Si's sayings found in the Hampton Hogskin Program.

Si: you're eating that too fast. I don't want a brain sneeze. You're fixing to get one! Jase: Si, I think it's called a brain freeze. Si: whatever it's called I want no part of it.

Si: if a girl is wearing a lot of makeup she has something to hide.

Si: There are things you just can't fix. Can't fix stupid, can't fix a neutered dog and you can't fix junk!

Si: What's the difference between hot and cold doughnuts? If they're cold I'll only eat 6, if they're hot I'll eat 48.

That's the difference.

Si: Hey, Jack!

Si: Plenty of fish in the sea, stingray, gamma ray, Ray ban...

Tex-Mex Chicken Salad

For dressing

2 Tbs sour cream

1 1/2 Tbs fresh lime juice (add more as needed)

Generous pinch of ground cumin

Mix together and set aside.

1/2 ear fresh corn, browned under a broiler or on a grill, kernels removed (about 1/3 cup)

1 cup cooked chopped or shredded chicken

1/3 cup medium-diced cherry tomatoes

1/3 cup small-diced avocado

2 Tbs thinly sliced scallions (about 2)

2 Tbs chopped fresh cilantro

Kosher salt and freshly ground

black pepper



Mix all of the above together then toss in dressing. Serve this salad rolled up in a tortilla for a lunch or dinner wrap (makes enough for 2 or 3 wraps but can easily be doubled).

You can also serve this with tortilla chips for an appetizer or snack.

Yields 1 3/4 cups.

New Fishing Pier in Burns Park

Mayor Joe A. Smith and North Little Rock City Council members recently held a formal opening of a new fishing pier in Burns Park.

The pier was made possible by a joint venture between the City of North Little Rock and the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission.

Mark Oliver, Chief of Fisheries, Arkansas Game and Fish Commission said, "The new fishing pier in Burns Park is going to be an excellent fisheries resource for the community. There are only a few places to fish on the main stem of the river that are fully handicap accessible, and this location, in such a large park with so many amenities, will make it a popular destination for central Arkansas anglers. Arkansas Game and Fish is happy to partner with North Little Rock on a project that provides an inviting access in an area where so many potential anglers live within a close



distance."

The area where the pier was built has been a popular fishing area for many years. As a result the road near the pier was named Catfish Road when the Soccer Complex (in Burns Park) was completed in 2001.

At a later date Game and Fish staff will add fish habitat under the pier to attract fish, making it an even more attractive fishing spot. The cantilever pier cost about \$230,000 to build with \$120,000 being provided by Arkansas Game and Fish through Sports Fish Restoration grant funds with the City providing \$110,000 through Parks and Recreation Bond Funds and City general funds. Engineering for the project was done by Assistant City Engineer Chris Wilborn and Thomas R. Pownall with Thomas Engineering.



Wild About Amboy!

Last month, residents of the Amboy and Belwood neighborhoods joined members of the Amboy PTA, teachers and staff to welcome students back to school with a Safari Adventure.

The week began with teachers receiving a Safari Survival packet which included a **Wild About Amboy** tee-shirt and Safari Guide hat.

Wednesday, August 14, neighbors cooked and served lunch to 60+ staff members at Amboy Elementary.

Thursday, August 15, students and parents entered the jungle and receive their passports then proceeded to explore their classrooms and school. As they left the Safari Adventure, each family was entered into drawings for various prizes from local businesses. Each student received a "I'm wild about

Amboy" silicone bracelet before entering a carnival type atmosphere which included two bouncy houses, snow cones and popcorn. Klim Drake was on hand to represent the Local Scouts. Arkansas National Guard members Major Matt Snead and Big Sarge cooked and served hot dogs while North Little Rock Police Officer Mark Stephen greeted students. He spoke to them about anti-bullying.

Last year, there were a total of 115 members of the PTA. At the open house, 56 memberships were issued to families.

Pictured right are some of the volunteers who made this event possible.

Information provided by Paula Lively, pictured second from the end on the right.



Yard Sale

**Cypress Crossing
Property Owners
Community
Yard Sale**

Saturday, September 14, 2013
7 a.m.—until...

Cypress Crossing Subdivision
Highway 165
North Little Rock, AR 72117

*Date subject to change
due to weather*

**North Little Rock Fire Department
and IAFF Local 35**
announce the

2013 MDA Golf Tournament

Four-man scramble benefitting
Muscular Dystrophy Association
at **Stonelinks Golf Course**,
110 Hwy 391 N, North Little Rock

September 12, 2013

1st flight at 8 a.m.; optional 2nd flight at 1 p.m.

Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place teams; plus a
special Hole in One Prize

**Lunch and beverages
provided to all registered golfers**



Registration \$300 per 4-man team

To register contact **Charlie Hobson**

At (501) 425-0906

or email charliehobson2@hotmail.com

**Third Annual
2013 Junction Bridge Regatta**
Saturday, September 21 2013
3:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Join us on the Junction Bridge
for a Watch Party

For more information, contact
Eddie Armstrong at 975-3737



Over 30 Local Food Vendors!
Thursday, September 26, 2013

**Dickey-Stephens Park
North Little Rock**

Tickets \$15 in advance
or \$20 at the door

Visit www.nlrtasteofthetown.com or call
501-372-5959 for more information

Oopsie! We made a little mistake last
month...Jan Eberle-Wilkins, Parks and
Recreation Administration has been
with the city 43 years!



Homemade Ice Pack

Everyone should have flexible ice packs avail-
able for quick injury treatments but at \$10—\$15 a
pop, making a homemade ice pack is a much
better proposition. They are super simple to
make, and cost around \$1.25 in materials. These
homemade ice packs are soft, flexible, and com-
fortable for icing down body aches and pains.
The other bonus is that you know the ingredi-
ents—no chemicals, just a few common house-
hold items.



What you need to get started:

- 2 cups water
- 1 cup rubbing alcohol or high-proof vodka
- Food coloring for blue tint (optional)
- 2 zip-top bags—quart or gallon size or vacuum
sealer bags

Mix the water and alcohol together in one of
your zip-top bags and add food coloring, if de-
sired, until you get that perfect blue tint. Release
as much air as possible and seal the bag. Double
bagging is recommended for strength.

Stick your new flexible homemade alcohol ice
pack in the freezer for about 12 hours before us-
ing the first time. It will be icy, a little slushy, and
perfectly flexible for any body injury that needs
cold treatment.

Tip provided by *Linda Marshall*,
City Clerk/Collector's Office



**Photos found
on city
employee
Facebook
pages...**



Above and left:
Emergency Services /
911 employees take a
break from answering
calls to strike a pose
for the city Facebook
page.



Far right: North Little Rock
Police Officer Andrew Miles
and his wife April on their
wedding day. Right: NLRPD
Jay Kovach, Donnie Bridges,
Andrew and Chief Mike Davis.



Below: Mayor Joe A. Smith's granddaughters Kate
and Sydney go for a pony ride on a cute little paint.
Papa may be buying a pony in the future!

Individual Grilled Chicken Dinners



Shape 1 large piece of heavy duty
foil into a bowl-type container and
arrange the following ingredients
inside:

2 pieces of uncooked chicken
1/2 ear fresh cleaned corn on
the cob

- 1 medium unpeeled potato, quartered
- 1 carrot, scrubbed and cut into chunks
- 3/4 c water
- 1 Tbsp butter, cut into fourths
- Salt and pepper to taste

Wrap ends of foil tightly around dinner ingredients and
seal well so that non of the liquid can escape during
cooking. Place this foil container on hot coals and cook
for 30 to 45 minutes. After cooking, place dinner packets
on a plate and carefully unwrap. Serve in the foil con-
tainer.

You could do this in the oven, on the grates on your gas
grill or in your crock pot. You can also vary the ingredi-
ents...the options are endless!



North Little Rock City Council Schedule

The North Little Rock City Council meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at **6:30 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	340-5301
City Clerk and Collector Diane Whitbey	340-5317
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 September:

September 2—6 no pick up

September 9—13 recycle

September 16—20 no pick up

September 23—27 recycle

September 30—October 4
no pick up



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, Amy Smith	975-8881
Utilities Accounting, David Melton	975-8888



North Little Rock Kiwanis Club

Annual

“ALL YOU CAN EAT” Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, **September 21, 2013**
7:30 a.m.—10:30 a.m.

First Assembly of God Church
4501 Burrow Drive
North Little Rock

Adults—\$7.00
Children under 12—\$3.00
Table of 8—\$50.00

Come and enjoy pancakes,
bacon, sausage,
milk, juice and coffee

*Proceeds benefit the projects of the
Kiwanis Club of North Little Rock*

For tickets or more information, call:
Ann Russell at 501-992-2025
Haskell Anderson at 501-379-7414
Or Jim Lincicome at 501-371-6615

September Anniversaries

<i>Name</i>	<i>Dept</i>	<i># Years</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Dept</i>	<i># Years</i>
CYNTHIA ISBELL	Commerce	1	ROBERT BRYSON	Electric	16
LYNN WILLIAMS	Vehicle Maint	1	MARK SHOEMAKER	Fire	16
ANTHONY BROWN	Street	1	LEONARD PETTIT	Electric	16
EDDIE ARMSTRONG III	Admin	2	JON MILLER	Fire	16
ROSETTA VAN PELT	UAD	2	KIMBERLY FRANCISCO	Police	16
SUSAN BURLESON	UAD	3	BRIAN DEDRICK	Police	16
KRISTIN SCHULTZ	UAD	3	SHIRLEY ABEL	Neighborhood Srv	18
CHARLES WINSTON	Parks Maint	3	PATRICK THESSING	Police	18
RANDY PRESLEY JR	Electric	4	JAMES FRANKS	Police	18
BRIAN SMITH	Electric	4	BRANDT CARMICAL	Police	18
MATTHEW ANDERSON	Police	4	ROBERT EDISON JR.	Police	18
RICHARD COUNTS	Police	4	CHARLES MILES JR.	Police	18
PHILLIP HAMMONS	Police	4	GLENDA PARKER	Parks Rec	19
KAREN DIMATTEO	Police	4	CARL WILSON	Fire	19
ASHLEY NOEL	Police	4	ALEX GUAJARDO JR.	Fire	20
YANCY TOLLETT	Police	4	BEAU BUFORD	Fire	20
ALTORIA TUCKER	Sanitation	5	CHRIS HALL	Fire	20
BOBBY RHOADS	Parks Admin	5	DANIEL DELLORTO	Fire	20
TYRONE MAYWEATHER	Street	6	TODD HINK	Fire	20
MATTHEW PRICE	Electric	6	RALPH KYZER	Parks Maint	20
JAMES NEELEY	Police	8	JAMIE BELL	Electric	23
TANYA WARD	Police	8	GREGORY WOODWARD	Electric	23
MARK STEPHEN	Police	8	KEVIN USSERY	Traffic	24
DAVID MILES III	Animal Shelter	10	KEITH MELTON	Fire	24
JON FISHER	Police	11	MARK THORN	Fire	24
CARLA NICHOLS	Police	12	ALAN TETKOSKIE	Fire	24
BRUCE MOYSTER	Police	12	EARL WATSON	Fire	24
HAROLD FORD	Sanitation	12	PAUL REEVES JR.	Street	25
BILLY HOPSON	Sanitation	13	WALLACE DEREUISSEAU	Fire	26
VICKI HUMPHREY	Code	13	CORNELIUS FENNESSEE JR.	Fire	26
PAUL CANTRELL	Police	13	CLINT BUTLER	Fire	26
JON SCHWULST	Police	13	ROBERT BARTON	Fire	26
BRIAN MITCHELL	Police	13	ROY SANCHEZ	Fire	26
JEFFREY GRAVETT	Police	13	CEDRIC PAYNE	Fire	26
COREY GIBBS	Parks Maint	14	JERRI PAGE	Police	29
THOMAS FLETCHER	Electric	14	GREGORY GAINES	Parks Rec	32
THOMAS EVERETT	Traffic	14	ROBERT SISSON	Finance	34
JOHN LYON	Police	14	JAUAN MASSIE	HR	34
KARA BROWNING	Police	15	JON SAVARY	Traffic	36
DAVID PETTIT	Police	15	KIM FREEMAN	UAD	36
MICHAEL SHAHAN	Police	15			



Arkansas Code 27-51-1609 was amended in the Legislative Session to read that "...a driver of a motor vehicle shall not use a handheld wireless telephone while operating a motor vehicle when passing a school building or school zone during school hours when children are present and outside the building."

Arkansas Act 37 defines a handheld wireless telephone as a wireless interactive communication device with which a user engages in wireless interactive communication using at least one hand.

September Birthdays

Name	Dept	Date	Name	Dept	Date		
AARON	HENDERSON	Fire	1	THOMAS	WADLEY	Code	17
MARK	FINCH	Electric	1	RICHARD	GRAY	Police	17
BRIAN	OAKLEY	Fire	1	MATTHEW	ROEBUCK	Police	18
NOEL	BROWN	Street	2	CAROLYN	BRANCH	Police	18
EDDIE	ARMSTRONG III	Admin	2	THOMAS	BREWER	Parks Maint	18
RONALD	CASH	Vehicle Maint	2	JASON	KNOERNSCHILD	Fire	18
SHAUNDA	TAYLOR	Planning	3	MARK	WIGGINS	Police	18
DUDLEY	SCHRADER	Fire	3	BEONICA	WILLIAMS	Finance	20
CHRIS	PATTON	Fire	3	BILLY	ROBERTSON	Vehicle Maint	20
ROBERT	BROWN JR.	Street	4	JOE	SMITH	Mayor	20
KEITH	MCCOURT	Electric	5	RENITA	NOBLE	Electric	20
BRENDA	WILSON	Electric	5	EBBIE	USSERY	Electric	20
DAVID	PETTIT	Police	5	CLINT	BUTLER	Fire	21
JAMES	BARTLETT	Electric	6	GREGORY	BLANKENSHIP	Police	21
GLINDA	CRAIGMYLE	Admin	6	JIMMY	CROWLY	Electric	22
TEMEKA	JONES	Parks Rec	6	NATHAN	HAMILTON	Admin	23
DON	MAGGARD JR.	Police	6	CHARLES	WINSTON	Parks Maint	23
STEVE	ALLEN	Fire	6	DAVID	BELL	Sanitation	23
JAMIE	STOUT	Parks Rec	7	JARED	ATKINS	OES/911	24
ERIC	HEINRICH	Electric	7	KENNETH	LIVINGSTON	Police	24
ROBERTA	MUELLING	OES/911	7	MICHAEL	TREADAWAY	Fire	24
CALVIN	REVES	Electric	8	KRISTIN	SCHULTZ	UAD	25
KENNETH	HARTNESS	Fire	9	JACKIE	HALSEY	Electric	25
MICHAEL	SANCHEZ	Fire	9	JEN-CHUAN	KING	Police	25
WILLIAM	JONES	Police	9	GARY	YIELDING	Police	25
JONATHAN	THOMPSON	Police	10	CORDERREL	HARRIS	Parks Admin	26
JULIUS	CRAIG	Street	10	CONNIE	BARTLETT	Police	26
EARL	MAHANAY	Fire	10	STEVE	ADAMS	Street	26
DONALD	DAILEY	Planning	11	GREGORY	BROWN	Fire	27
ROBERT	HUMPHREY	Public Works	11	SIAVASH	MORSHEDI	Police	27
WILLIAM	MILLER	Police	11	RYAN	HARTWICK	Electric	28
COREY	EISENHOWER	Fire	12	THOMAS	CROSS	Fire	28
ZACHARY	BROWN	Electric	13	JAMIE	BELL	Electric	28
JEREMIAH	COVINGTON	Police	14	CHADWICK	EDWARDS	Police	29
PATRICK	THESSING	Police	14	CORDELL	DAVIS	Police	30
ANTWONE	YOUNG	Sanitation	15	JACOB	MAHAN	Traffic	30
THURMAN	MCKEE JR.	Traffic	15	JONATHAN	STOWELL	Electric	30
KIM	FREEMAN	UAD	15	LINDA	JACKSON	Police	30
SHELLY	BIRMINGHAM	OES/911	16	JOSEPH	MARTIN	Electric	30
MICHAEL	MILLER	Police	16				

Corn Dip

2 cans Mexican corn—*drained*
 12 oz pkg shredded cheddar cheese
 5—6 green onions—chopped
 1 medium or small jar pimentos—*drained*
 Jalapeno to taste (2 or 3 chopped very fine)
 1 Tbsp Accent
 1 Tbsp Garlic salt



1 cup Hellman's mayonnaise
 1 cup sour cream
 Mix all ingredients together.
 Refrigerate overnight. Make a lot! Serve with corn chips.
 You can use lite mayo and sour cream if you're watching calories!

Recipe from Pat White, City Clerk's Office

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.

ROBERT J. WILLIAMS

MEMORIAL GOLF CLASSIC

DATE: SEPTEMBER 27, 2013

PLACE: BURNS PARK GOLF COURSE
NORTH LITTLE ROCK, AR

501-758-5800

FORMAT: 4-PERSON SCRAMBLE

(LIMITED TO FIRST 44 TEAMS)

22 TEAMS AM FLIGHT / 22 TEAMS PM FLIGHT

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

ROBERT J. WILLIAMS GOLF CLASSIC

ENTRY FEE: \$75 Per Person / \$300.00 Per Team
Fee Must Accompany Entry

Mail Entry Fee and Entry Form to:

P.O. Box 7, Benton, AR 72018

ENTRY DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 14, 2013

Entry Fee includes: Cart, Green Fees, Gift Bag, Refreshments on the course, Closest to the hole, Longest Drive, Straightest Drive and One Mulligan per person, \$10 Donation to Scholarship Fund and Special Olympics Arkansas. Lunch and Prizes following AM Flight / Dinner and Prizes following PM Flight.

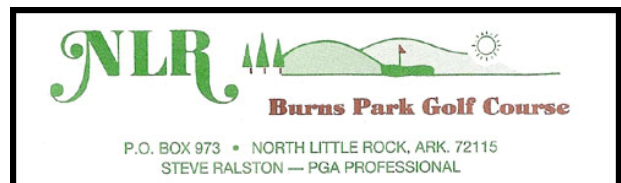
1st and 2nd place plaques will be rewarded for both the morning and afternoon flight.

For More information, Contact:

BUD BUSKEN - 501-860-2056

BILL BUFORD - 501-920-8638

In Case of Inclement Weather, All Entry Fees Become a Donation To The Scholarship Foundation



Player _____ Email _____ Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Phone _____

Player _____ Email _____ Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Phone _____

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Player _____ Email _____ Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Phone _____

(Please Indicate Captain of Team)

TEE TIMES: SHOTGUN STARTS: 8:00 a.m. _____ 1:30 p.m. _____ Please Check Your Preference!!!!

\$10.00 OF YOUR ENTRY FEE IS TAX DEDUCTIBLE