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NLR Neighborhood News

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You Need A Carbon Monoxide Detector In Your Home

Carbon monoxide (CO) is an odorless, colorless, tasteless gas that can fill your home and kill you and your family before you know it is there. Every year more than 400 Americans die from unintentional carbon monoxide poisoning not linked to fires. CO accounts for more than 100,000 emergency room visits and more than 14,000 people are hospitalized each year.

Anything that is a source of combustion produces CO: gas and oil burning furnaces, central heat and air units that use natural gas, portable generators, charcoal grills, gas burning space heaters and fireplace logs, lanterns, gas ranges, gas powered clothes dryers, any gas using appliance, and automobiles all produce CO gas.

Carbon monoxide detectors are cheap. Many are available for twenty dollars or so. It is suggested you have one on each level of your home and also one outside any sleeping quarters. Read the instructions and place them at the height recommended by the manufacturer. Smoke detectors go on the ceiling or high on the wall. CO detectors are mounted lower. Replace your CO detectors' batteries at each daylight savings time change (like your smoke detectors) and replace your detectors every five years.

Carbon monoxide can fill a room, displacing the air in the room. If you are running a generator in a garage, even with the garage door open, CO can infiltrate your house. Only use generators outside more than 20 feet from your house, doors and windows. Never run a generator without having a CO detector.

If your garage is attached to your house, never run your vehicle in your garage. If you have a separate garage always make sure the garage door is open. In fact, if you drive a car or SUV with a tailgate and the tailgate is open, you should open vents or windows to make sure the air is moving throughout your vehicle. If only the tailgate is open CO from the exhaust will be pulled into the vehicle.

The Centers for Disease Control recommends having your gas, oil, or coal burning appliances serviced by a qualified technician every year. Make sure gas appliances are vented properly with vent pipes going upward. Only buy gas equipment carrying the seal of a national testing agency such as Underwriters' Laboratory. Never heat your home with a gas oven. Have your chimney checked or cleaned every year. Never burn charcoal indoors and never use a portable gas camp stove indoors.

CO is undetectable unless you specifically have a carbon monoxide detector. Symptoms include headache, dizziness, weakness, upset stomach, vomiting, chest pain, and confusion. CO symptoms are described as "flu like". People who are sleeping or drunk can die from CO poisoning without demonstrating symptoms.

Don't let you and your family be part of the statistics. CO detectors are available at most hardware or large box stores.

National Night Out 2024 - A Success!

Tuesday, October 1st, residents across the city celebrated National Night Out. Twelve neighborhoods throughout North Little Rock hosted events that evening.

Each neighborhood participating in National Night Out planned and executed their event. What works for one neighborhood may be different for another. Getting together, making friends with new neighbors, and reconnecting with old neighbors, that's what it's all about.

Additional ways to help deter crime is to be active in your neighborhood group. If you are not attending a neighborhood meeting you are missing out. These meetings give residents a time to get to know each other, discuss issues, and find solutions. Most neighborhood meetings have a local police officer in attendance. Tips and issues can be given to the police officer at these meetings with most police officers following up. When you get to know the police officers working in your neighborhood, solving issues is much easier.

Mark your calendar now to attend National Night Out 2025.



Wellness In Black Life -

#WIBL - Defining well-being for black men & boys through community voices.

Community Conversations:

November 4th and 14th
5:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m.

Booker T. Washington Elementary
2700 South Main Street
Little Rock, AR 72206

Food and child care provided.

Pre-registration is required.
Scan the QR code to register.

Sponsored by Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Arkansas.

North Little Rock Commission Meetings

Airport Commission
3rd Thursday, 12:00 pm
City Services Bldg.
700 West 29th Street

Central Arkansas Water Commission
2nd Thursday, 2:00 pm
CAW Office
3rd Floor Board Room
221 East Capitol Avenue
Little Rock, AR

City Beautiful Commission
3rd Tuesday, 1:30 p.m.
Neighborhood Services Office
3427 North Magnolia Street

City Council
2nd & 4th Monday, 6:00 pm
NLR City Hall
300 Main Street

History Commission
2nd Tuesday, 5:30 pm
506 Main Street

Historic District Commission
2nd Thursday, 5:30 pm
506 Main Street

Parks & Recreation Commission
3rd Monday, 5:00 pm
2700 Willow Street

Planning Commission
2nd Tuesday, 4:00 pm
300 Main Street

Board of Zoning Adjustment
Last Thursday of each month,
1:30 p.m. / City Services Bldg.
700 West 29th Street

Senior Citizen Commission
Every 4th Monday, 3:00 p.m.
401 West Pershing

Thomas Cemetery Committee
3rd Monday, 6:15 pm
Levy Baptist Church,
3501 Pike Ave.

Waste Water Treatment Commission
2nd Tuesday, 12:15 p.m.
Waste Water Administration Building, Conference Room
7400 Baucum Pike, Gate 1

Questions? Contact the Following

All dates are evening meetings unless otherwise noted.



Amboy Crime Watch
3rd Monday, 6:30
Burns Park Hospitality House,
Military Drive & Joe Poch Road
Paula Lively, 501-350-7649
pkele@aol.com

Amboy Neighborhood Assn.
Every 3rd Monday, 6:30
Burns Park Hospitality House
Military Drive & Joe Poch Rd.
Samantha Floyd, 501-231-7240
Amboynanews@aol.com

Argenta Neighborhood Boosters
John Pflasterer, 501-553-8671
argentaboosters@yahoo.com

Baring Cross Neighborhood Assn.
Every 3rd Monday, 6:00
ACTS Church
13th & Franklin Sts.
Harlan Hunter, 501-541-1591

Cobblestone Crime Watch
Call for meeting information
Suni Mc Clelland, 501-920-5330
sunimcclellad@gmail.com

Dark Hollow Community Development Corporation
Every 3rd Tuesday, 6:30
1400 Pine Street
Belinda Burney, 501-376-8144

Dixie Addition Community Development Corporation
Every 3rd Monday, 6:00
914 "H" Street
Earnest Franklin, 501-563-5400

East Argenta Annex Neighborhood Watch Assn
Every 3rd Wednesday, 6:00
Sherman Park Rec. Center
624 North Beech Street
Rowney Torrance, 501-343-1960

Glenview Neighborhood Association Council
Every 1st Tuesday, 6:00
Glenview Rec. Ctr, 4800 E 19th St.
Linda Robinson, 501-945-8820

HOLT Neighborhood Assn.
Every 3rd Monday, 6:30
Gardner Memorial United Methodist
Joy Cameron, 501-374-9520

Keep North Little Rock Beautiful
Every 2nd Monday, 6:00
Rockwater Marina Clubhouse
Randy Naylor, 501-350-8775 or
Lisa Smith, 501-791-2568;
KNLRB@aol.com
or www.Facebook.com/KNLRB

Meadow Park Neighborhood Assn.
Every 2nd Wednesday, 7:00
Meadow Park Elem. Cafeteria
801 East Bethany
Michael Davis, 501-442-0744
nlrhs2006@gmail.com
nerdgang@yahoo.com

Melrose Outreach
Every 3rd Wednesday, 7:00
Melrose Grocery, 807 Willow St.
Tammy Small, 501-541-3703
TammyRSmall@att.net

Military Heights Outreach Assn.
Every 2nd Thursday, 6:30
North Little Rock Community Center
Lorraine Chism, 501-420-5562
Karen Alford, 501-681-5233

NAACP
Every 1st Tuesday, 6:00
P.O. Box 5571
North Little Rock, AR 72119
Deborah F. Rhodes, Ph: 501-819-3890
nlrnaacp201@yahoo.com

Neighbors United for Levy
Every 1st Monday, 6:30
No. Heights Recreation, 4801 Allen
Doug McDowall, 501-758-1668

North Little Rock Landlords Assn
Every 3rd Monday, 7:00
NLR Community Ctr, 2700 Willow St.
Gail Blucker, 501-835-6679

Park Hill Neighborhood
John Gregan, 501-758-7159
johngregan@att.net

Ridge Road Village Neighborhood Watch
Every 4th Thursday, 5:00
4748 Ridge Rd, Phone : 501-771-7500

Rose City Neighborhood Assn.
Every 3rd Monday, 6:00
Rose City Recreation Center
400 Rose Lane
Ken Abel, 501-791-8500, lv message
Nlrrosecityneighborhood@gmail.com

Scenic Hill Neighborhood Assn.
Randy Naylor, 501-350-8775

Sherman Park Neighborhood
Every 3rd Monday, 6:00
8th St. Baptist Church
Corner of Hickory & SA Jones Sts.
Artis Boykin, 501-766-0200

Stone Links Neighborhood Assn.
Every 3rd Tuesday, 7:00
Stone Links Clubhouse
Marie Hollowell, 404-259-2957

Willow Beach Estates Property Owners Assn
2nd Tuesday in March & October, 6:30
Church at Willow Beach
John Santoro, 501-607-1755

City of North Little Rock
City Hall 300 Main Street

Elected Officials

Mayor Terry Hartwick	975-8601
City Clerk, Diane Whitbey	975-8617
City Attorney, Amy Fields	975-3755

Council Members

Ward 1

Debi Ross	753-0733
Nathan Hamilton	952-7679

Ward 2

Linda Robinson	945-8820
Maurice Taylor	690-6444

Ward 3

Steve Baxter	804-0928
Ron Harris	758-2877

Ward 4

Charlie Hight	944-0670
Vince Insalaco III	951-0786

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Comments? We would like to hear from you. If you have neighborhood meetings or activities to be placed in the newletter, please mail, fax, email or call the information to us. Are you reading someone else's copy? If you would like to be placed on our mailing list, contact our office.

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Mar/Apr 2025	February1
May/Jun 2025	April 1
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AGFC continued.

Hughes said volunteer opportunities will be hosted by a crew of AGFC staff encompassing all aspects of the agency's work. Events may run the gamut from organized trail cleanups to helping at fishing derbies, archery tournaments, or other events.

"We're trying to offer a variety of experiences so students can find something they can enjoy doing and feel like they contributed once the work is done," Hughes said. "Having worked at many of our events myself, I can tell you that it can be so fun and fulfilling that you might have a hard time stopping at those minimum hours required."

Districts who request opportunities will be notified of events in their area, and will receive priority placement for events that have limited participation. However, any student wanting to volunteer can find opportunities as they become available at the AGFC's web portal.

"We're already loading the portal with opportunities as the school year is kicking off," Hughes said. "There are opportunities to help out at the Gov. Mike Huckabee Delta Rivers Nature Center. I'm sure we'll have even more coming as the school year gets underway and requests come in from the districts. I'd tell everyone to register with our volunteer web portal and bookmark that page so they can keep an eye out for some fun opportunities to help carry on conservation in their communities." **Visit www.agfc.com/volunteer for more information.**

North Little Rock Holiday Schedule

Veterans Day
November 11
Sanitation runs regular schedule.

Thanksgiving
November 28 & 29
Sanitation routes for Thursday & Friday run one day late.

Christmas
December 24 & 25
Sanitation routes for Thursday & Friday run one day late.

New Year's Day 2025
January 1



2024 Remaining Recycling Weeks

November 3 &17
December 1, 15 & 29

2025 Recycling Weeks

January 12 & 26
February 9 & 23
March 9 & 23
April 6 & 20
May 4 & 18
June 1, 15 & 29
July 13 & 27
August 10 & 24
September 7 & 21
October 5 & 19
November 2, 16 & 30
December 14 & 28

For Recycling Holiday Pick Up Questions? Call Waste Management at (501) 565-0191.

Arkansas Game and Fish Commission (AGFC)
Witt Stephens Jr Central AR Nature Center--

AGFC Launches New Conservation Volunteer Program To Aid High School Students.

LITTLE ROCK — High school students can build meaningful experiences in conservation while gaining valuable community service hours toward their graduation thanks to a new organized volunteer program recently launched by the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission.

According to Act 237 of 2023 (the LEARNS Act), students set to graduate during the 2026-27 school year and beyond must complete 75 community service hours during their high school career to graduate. Many schools have reached out to their local communities to develop opportunities, but the newly established AGFC program may help fulfill this requirement for many students interested in giving back to conservation as well as their community.

"We're really embracing Gov. Sanders' initiative to get more people outdoors, especially our youth," AGFC Director Austin Booth said. "Conservation has always been driven by people volunteering their time and resources into making this world better than they found it, so this was a natural fit for her vision."

Volunteering for community service can also be a difference-maker for students seeking scholarships and internships as they make the transition from high school to college.

"Besides being a requirement and a resume builder, volunteering is an opportunity to be more involved in your community and meet people with the same interests," Leah Hughes, Volunteer Program coordinator for the AGFC, said. "And, best of all, those students who participate are credited for their contributions."

Hughes says most volunteer opportunities for schools will begin with a request from their school district. Teachers, parents and students can direct their school administrators to www.agfc.com/volunteer and register their district to be endorsed for youth volunteer opportunities.

"The district needs to fill out this form to make sure that resources like transportation can be considered," Hughes said. "From there, we will send the request to our staff in that area to look for volunteer opportunities that can fill needs at the agency."

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