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### Who Did You Think Was Doing All Of It? Magical Woodland Fairies?

If you have been by the St Joseph's Orphanage in the past few weeks you will have noticed the brand new pollinator garden. It was installed to help keep bees, butterflies and other pollinators happy and well fed. It will also be an educational resource teaching people about native plants, pollinators, and their importance in our very survival. Amazing gardens don't just happen by themselves. Someone plans, plans, and plans some more, gathers resources including funding, then clears, tills, removes the weeds, digs, plants the garden, puts in walkways, and in this case installs a sprinkler system.

The same group braved poison ivy to clean up the Clark Wetlands (the Game and Fish Center in downtown Little Rock). And they showed up in August to help youth groups clean up debris from Fourche Creek in Benny Craig Park in Little Rock. They made and installed beautiful trail signs in Wildwood Park. They built new raptor boxes for Raptor Rehab of Central Arkansas, staffed a fishing tournament for kids at Pinnacle Mountain State Park, taught kids about seeds and germination, identified tree species and locations in Mt. Magazine State Park, led wildflower and native plants classes and hikes, and improved trails throughout central Arkansas. If you have been outdoors doing any kind of activity you have probably seen their handiwork.

If it isn't the "woodland fairies" doing this by magic, then who is doing all this work? About twelve years ago a group called the Central Arkansas Master Naturalists was formed to develop a corps of well-informed volunteers to provide education, outreach, and service dedicated to the beneficial management of natural resources and natural areas within our community. Their goals include improving public understanding of natural resource ecology and management and to enhance existing natural resource management, education, out-reach and research activities. It's these hardworking volunteers who have attended forty hours of instruction on Arkansas animals, plants, geology and conservation. Then members perform at least 40 hours of volunteer work and acquire 8 hours of advanced training each year.

If you love the outdoors and being in nature, this group might be right for you. Go to <a href="http://wordpress.arkansasmasternaturalists.org">http://wordpress.arkansasmasternaturalists.org</a> for more information. And thank them when you see them out in the wild doing good work!



#### WHAT CAN ENTER A STORM DRAIN?

Federal and State laws relating to the Clean Water Act requires the City to safeguard what goes into our storm drains. Ordinance 7952 makes it <u>illegal</u> to intentionally dispose of grass, leaves, dirt, or other landscape debris into a water resource buffer, street, road, alley, catch basin, culvert, gutter, inlet, ditch, natural watercourse, flood control channel, canal, storm drain or any fabricated natural conveyance. Intentional dumping or putting refuse and debris so that it can enter storm drains is strictly prohibited. An example of what not to do is shown below:



Allowable non-stormwater discharges into the City's storm drains include the following: Discharges from emergency fire fighting activities

Uncontaminated groundwater naturally occurring or pumped

Foundation drains and sump pumps from crawl space

Air conditioning condensate

Landscape irrigation and lawn watering

Individual residential car washing

De-chlorinated swimming pool discharges

Dewatering activities approved by City Engineer

For more information concerning storm drains and the City Municipal Storm Sewer System please contact City Engineering at (501) 371-8333



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To Report
Electrical Outages
In North Little Rock

Call 1-888-728-4004.
This is a toll free number.

#### Can You Find The NLR Neighborhoods?



Amboy
Argenta
Baring Cross
Cypress Crossing
Dark Hollow
Dixie Addition
Faulkner Crossing

Glenview
Holt
Indian Hills
Lakewood
Meadow Park
Melrose
Military Heights

Levy
Park Hill
Rose City
Scenic Hill
Sherman Park
Stone Links
Willow Beach

# Follow North Little Rock Neighborhoods on Facebook. The following neighborhoods currently have pages:



Amboy
Argenta
Baring Cross
Dark Hollow
Dixie Addition
Faulkner Crossing
Glenview
Holt
Indian Hills

Lakewood Levy Meadow Park Park Hill Rose City Scenic Hill Sherman Park Stone Links

### **Questions?** Contact the Following

All meetings are evening meetings unless otherwise noted.

#### **Amboy Crime Watch**

Every 1st Thursday, 6:00 Amboy Methodist Church 311 Military/Mary Ann Conley 758-1208

#### Amboy Neighborhood Assn.

Every 3rd Monday, 6:30 Burns Park Hospitality House corner of Military Drive & Joe Poch Rd. Jonathan Chamblee, (502) 321-9617 jnc@atw-photo.com

### Argenta Community Development Corporation Board

Every 4th Thursday, 5:30 500 West 13th Street, 374-0622.

#### **Argenta Neighborhood Boosters**

Every 3rd Thursday, 6:00 NLR Heritage Center, 506 Main Street Terri Imus, 920-7371

#### Baring Cross Neighborhood Assn.

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

### **Dark Hollow Community Development Corporation**

Every 3rd Tuesday, 6:30 1400 Pine Street Belinda Burney, 376-8144

### Dixie Addition Community Development Corporation

Every 3rd Monday, 7:15 914 "H" Street Lee A. (Buck) Jeffrey, 240-5376 buckj@att.net

#### Glenview Neighborhood Association

Every 1st Tuesday, 7:00 Glenview Rec. Ctr, 4800 E 19th St. Ronald Hollis, Jr., 993-7170

#### Hillview Village Apartments Neighborhood Watch

Every 2nd Tuesday, 5:30 Hillview Village Apt. Clubhouse Lynn Goodson, 758-0011

#### **HOLT Neighborhood Association**

Every 3rd Monday, 6:30 Gardner Memorial United Methodist Kim Burgess, 812-9807

#### **Indian Hills**

#### Neighborhood Association/Crime Watch

Every 2nd Tuesday, 6:30 North View MBC, 6801 JFK Blvd. Stephen Whiting, 425-1942

#### Keep North Little Rock Beautiful

Every 2nd Tuesday, 5:30 NLR Visitors Bureau, Burns Park Randy Naylor, 350-8775 or Lisa Smith, 791-2568; KNLRB@aol.com or www.Facebook.com/KNLRB

#### Lakewood Community Watch

Tap Pace, 416-0747

#### Meadow Park Neighborhood Assn.

Every 2nd Tuesday, 7:00 Bethany Baptist Church 308 Eureka Gardens Road Evelyn Creal, 945-2870

#### **Melrose Outreach**

Every 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 Melrose Grocery, 807 Willow St. Margo Tenner, 372-3810 or 374-7842

#### **Military Heights**

Every 2nd Thursday, 6:30 North Little Rock Community Center

#### **NAACP**

Every 1st Tuesday, 6:00 Bethel AME Church, 600 Cedar Street Deborah Rhodes, Ph: 351-9558

#### Neighbors United for Levy

Every 1st Monday, 6:30 North Heights Recreation Ctr, 4801 Allen Jennifer Johansen, 771-0520

#### North Little Rock CPA Alumni

3rd Tuesday in February, May, August & November, 6:30 Downtown Police St., 8th & Main Streets Curtis Gatewood, Jr., 258-1821

#### North Little Rock Friends of Animals

Every 2nd Tuesday, 6:30 North Little Rock Community Center Joy Stevens, 758-5482

#### North Little Rock Landlords Assn.

Every 3rd Monday, 7:00 NLR Community Ctr, 2700 Willow St. Gail Blucker, 835-6679

#### Park Hill Neighborhood

1st Tuesday, 6:00 Location: Idlewild Park Historic Building Intersection of D, North Cedar & Plainview John Gregan, 758-7159 johngregan@att.net http://www.historicparkhill.com http://groups.google.com/group/parkhill

#### Ridge Road Village Neighborhood Watch

Every 4th Thursday, 5:00 4748 Ridge Road Michelle Johnson, 771-7500

#### Rose City Neighborhood Association

Every 3rd Monday, 7:00 Rose City Police Substation Dennis Fisk, 519-2789

#### Scenic Hill Neighborhood Association

2nd Thursday, 7:00 January, March, June & September Alice Kunce, (573) 353-2270 or Carol Crow, 753-9044

#### Sertoma Club of North Little Rock

Every Wednesday, 12:00 noon Newk's on Warden Road

#### Sherman Park Neighborhood

Every 3rd Monday, 6:00 8th St. Baptist Church Corner of Hickory & SA Jones Sts.

#### **Stone Links Neighborhood Association**

Every 3rd Tuesday, 7:00 Stone Links Golf Course Clubhouse Shannon Armand, 218-3277

#### Willow Beach Neighborhood Association

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

#### City of North Little Rock City Hall 300 Main Street

#### **Elected Officials**

Mayor Joe Smith	975-8601
City Clerk, Diane Whitbey	975-8617
City Attorney, Jason Carter	975-3755

#### Aldermen

Ward 1	
Debi Ross	753-0733
Beth White	758-2738
Ward 2	
Linda Robinson	945-8820
Maurice Taylor	690-6444
Ward 3	
Steve Baxter	804-0928
Bruce Foutch	658-9714
Ward 4	
Murry Witcher	835-0009
Charlie Hight	994-0670

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# Recycling Weeks

2016 November 13 & 27 December 11 & 25



2017
January 8 & 22
February 5 & 19
March 5 & 19
April 2, 16 & 30
May 14 & 28
June 11 & 25
July 9 & 23
August 6 & 20
September 3 & 17
October 1, 15 & 29
November 12 & 26
December 10 & 24

Put your bins to the curb by 7:00 a.m. the day of your regular household garbage pick up. Put them away by 8:00 a.m. the next day.

### North Little Rock City Meetings

City Council Meetings 2nd & 4th Monday, 6:00 p.m. NLR City Hall, 300 Main Street

#### Planning Commission Sign Board

2nd Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. 120 Main St., 2nd floor, west end

### **Planning Commission** 2nd Tuesday, 4:45 pm/300 Main St.

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## **History Commission** 2nd Tuesday, 6:00 pm/506 Main St.

**Historic District Commission** 2nd Thursday, 6:00 pm 506 Main St.

### Parks & Recreation Commission

3rd Monday, 5:00 pm 2700 Willow St.

### City Beautiful Commission

3rd Monday, 6:00 p.m. 4601 Fairway Avenue

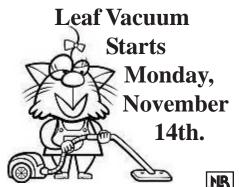
#### **Senior Citizen Commission**

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

#### Planning Commission Board of Adjustment & Appeal

Last Thursday of each month, 1:30 p.m.

120 Main St., 2nd floor, west end



All city offices will be closed for the following holidays

November 24 & 25 for Thanksgiving

December 23 & 26 for Christmas

January 2 for New Year's

For Sanitation pickup schedule call (501) 371-8345.

#### Smoke Alarms Saves Lives!

You should change the batteries in your smoke alarm twice a year.

# Daylight Savings ends on Sunday, November 6th.

When you set your clocks back one hour take the time to put a new battery in your smoke alarm. This is also a good time to test your smoke alarm to make sure it is in proper working order.

If you have any questions regarding smoke alarms contact the North Little Rock Fire Department at (501) 340–5377.

Now is the time to start winterizing your home.

Close off all foundation vents.

Eliminate drafts and insulate pipes.

Disconnect all water hoses, drain them and insulate all outside faucets.

Do you know how to turn off your water at the shutoff valve or meter?

If you are leaving for an extended period during the winter,

set your thermostat at 55 degrees,

turn off the water at the meter and drain all water lines.

This information has been provided by Central Arkansas Water.

Please notify Neighborhood Services of any address change.

Bulk rate mail will not be forwarded.



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