

North Little Rock Neighborhood News



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Disaster Preparedness Car Kit Edition

If a disaster strikes while you are away from home, how will you cope? If roads are blocked and you cannot drive, what might you need to see you back to your home? What supplies should you carry in your car?

FEMA suggests that you create a kit that you keep in your car. It does not have to take up a great deal of room, but having it might just make the difference in your safety.

Suggested items include: Dust masks, gloves, water, flashlights with extra batteries, rain gear, hat, sunglasses, blanket, tool kit, sunscreen, some nonperishable snacks, charger for phone/tablet, first aid kit, and jumper cables.

Go to <http://www.ready.gov> for more information on this and other safety tips for disaster preparedness.

Does Your Group NALC?

There are more than twenty-five active neighborhood associations, community development corporations, crime watches, and property owners associations in North Little Rock. Since you are getting this newsletter you are probably familiar with at least one group in your neighborhood. These groups hold regular meetings and discuss neighborhood issues.

Did you know there is also a group made up of representatives of those neighborhood associations? We have the Neighborhood Associations Leadership Council (NALC) made up of representatives of our neighborhood groups. Each president of a neighborhood association, c.d.c., crime watch or p.o.a. is welcome to come, or they can appoint a representative from their group. NALC meets once a month in the Neighborhood Services office.

Besides giving group leaders the opportunity to meet with other neighborhood associations, meetings include guest speakers talking about city departments/policies and group organizing ideas. NALC's main purpose is to look at issues that affect neighborhoods city-wide and offer ideas and solutions for those issues. NALC also serves as a sounding board where groups can solicit support if there is a particular problem in a neighborhood that would benefit from wider exposure and broader support from other groups. Mayor Smith is very interested in NALC and in having a council that can give feedback on city issues, city policies, and city performance.

Is your group represented at NALC? If not, why not? Every neighborhood group should have a seat at this important table. Talk to your group leadership about this opportunity.

City Department Spotlight – NLR Animal Shelter

The North Little Rock Animal Shelter has two sections: Animal Control and the Animal Shelter.

Working to ensure the health and welfare of both residents and animals in the city, this department works to prevent potentially dangerous wildlife-human interactions. Animal Control responds to an average of 850 calls per month, for everything from testing bats for rabies to removing road kill from city streets. They notify neighborhood residents when a rabid animal has been found in the area. Stray animals running loose are picked up and brought to the Animal Shelter.

The Shelter part of the department adopts out an average of 900 pets each year, finding homes all across the country for adoptable animals through partnerships with animal rescue groups. The goal is a city free of feral and unwanted stray animals through intense spay/neuter programs and enforcement of the dog licensing ordinance. North Little Rock Animal Shelter accepts animals from Pulaski County.

Dogs and cats that you own are required to have an annual rabies vaccination through a licensed veterinarian. Animals also must have a yearly city license. Licenses for sterilized pets cost \$5.00 annually, while unsterilized pets cost \$30.00 per year for a license.



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P.O. Box 936
North Little Rock, AR 72115

To report potholes or street damage in your neighborhood.
Call North Little Rock Street Department at 340-5356,
or use the new City of North Little Rock Report & Repair App!



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.
Jim Baker, 590-4635
jimbob47@att.net

Argenta Community Development Corporation Board

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

Argenta Neighborhood Boosters

Every 1st Thursday, 6:00
History Commission, 506 Main Street
Michael Carpenter, 379-8101
mcarpenter@churchargenta.org

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, 6:00 p.m.
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 Church
Joy Cameron, 374-9520

Indian Hills Neighborhood Association

Every 2nd Tuesday, 6:30
Indian Hills Church, 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

Lakewood United Methodist Church
Topf & Fairway, Room W 2
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
1418 Main Street
Deborah Rhodes

Neighbors United for Levy

Every 1st Monday, 6:30
North Heights Recreation Ctr, 4801 Allen
Adam Hicks, 993-5371

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
DeAnn Hubberd, 425-5145
<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

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

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**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
 Treasurer Mary Ruth Morgan 753-2028

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 758-8396

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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 Street, 2nd floor, west end

Planning Commission

2nd Tuesday, 4:45 pm/300 Main St.

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 Street, 2nd floor, west end

Great North Little Rock Cleanup - May 16, 2015

Keep North Little Rock Beautiful has announced the Great North Little Rock Cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, May 16, 2015. It will be held in conjunction with the Great Arkansas Cleanup.

This event will kick off at 8:30 a.m. with litter clean up within North Little Rock area neighborhoods. A thank-you for the volunteers will begin at Lakewood Village at 11:00 a.m.

All supplies needed will be provided by Keep North Little Rock Beautiful. Community groups, churches, civic organizations and individuals are invited to participate.

To register or to get more information, visit the Keep North Little Rock Beautiful Facebook page or email KNLRB@yahoo.com.

Follow North Little Rock Neighborhoods on Facebook.

The following neighborhoods currently have pages:

- Amboy
- Argenta
- Dark Hollow
- Dixie Addition
- Glenview
- Holt
- Indian Hills



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

Check out the Rose City Neighborhood Association on You Tube at:

**http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uQx6EerS_Gg
 or search for Rose City Neighborhood Association**



North Little Rock Has Gone Mobile!



We are excited to launch NLR Report and Repair, a new tool for residents to submit service requests through their smartphones, online, via phone, and SMS. Residents can also access important North Little Rock information through in-app tools. NLR staff will have the ability to comment on service requests, and provide residents real-time updates through the PublicStuff platform.

By using the NLR Report and Repair platform, NLR will be able to engage the community more effectively than ever before. To get started, download NLR Report and Repair today by visiting www.nlr.ar.gov or search Google Play and the Apple App Store for NLR Report and Repair To access the NLR online reporting option, visit nlr.ar.gov

We encourage you to start using NLR Report and Repair to submit service requests, and spread the word among your neighbors!

Please send all questions and feedback to nhamilton@nlr.ar.gov.

All NLR City offices will be closed on Monday, May 25, 2015 for Memorial Day. Sanitation will run one day late.

2015 Recycling Weeks



May 3, 17 & 31
June 14 & 28
July 12 & 26
August 2, 16 & 30
September 13 & 27
October 11 & 25
November 8 & 22
December 6 & 20

Put your bins to the curb by 7:30 a.m. the day of your regular household garbage pick up. Put them away that evening.

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