



North Little Rock

City Council Meetings

2nd & 4th Monday, 7:00 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

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electrical outages in
North Little Rock
call 1-888-728-4004.

This is a
toll free number.

Giving Residents The Information And The Opportunity To Intelligently Choose Political Leaders.

Charles Pickering said, “A healthy democracy requires a decent society; it requires that we are honorable, generous, tolerant and respectful.”

This is an election year, and only between 50 and 55 percent of the voting-age population will go to the polls (As opposed to non-presidential election years with turnouts of about 37 %). Since political candidates are looking for voters, our neighborhood groups can expect to hear from candidates running for election at all levels of government.

Between regular neighborhood meetings, blogs, Facebook and Twitter pages, neighborhood groups can play a key role in helping residents make reasonable choices. Neighborhood associations allow political candidates access to groups of active individuals. They also allow those active individuals the opportunity to interact with potential office holders.

There are a few things to keep in mind as a neighborhood association. Some advice if you will...

1. Do not endorse a particular candidate. If your group is a 501-c-3 nonprofit organization it is prohibited from engaging in partisan politics. If your group is not a nonprofit, it is still probably wise not to endorse a candidate as a neighborhood association, because you will have to work with whichever candidate wins. Individually, support whomever you would like, but the association should remain open.
2. Give candidates the opportunity to speak to your group in your meetings. It is critically important that your members have the opportunity to hear and interact with all candidates for political office.

Arkansas Country Band The Salty Dogs Takes the Stage at Laman Library

The William F. Laman Public Library System announced this week that its monthly concert series, *Live at Laman*, will feature **The Salty Dogs** on **Thursday, January 12th at 7:00 p.m.**

Hailing from the streets of Little Rock, Arkansas, **The Salty Dogs** have incorporated hip sounds into their own blend of feel good country music. **The Salty Dogs** won the 2003 Arkansas Times Musician's Showcase for the "Best Original Band in Arkansas." Their music has been featured on the TLC network hit show, *Trading Spaces*. The band is made up of: **Brad Williams** (vocals/guitars), **Bart Angel** (kick and snare/percussion/backing vocals), **Brent LaBeau** (upright bass), and Nick **Devlin** (lap steel/guitars).

In 2010, **The Salty Dogs** released their most recent album *Brand New Reason*. The Dogs' front man, Brad Williams, states, "This album captures what the band is really all about."

The Salty Dogs have shared the stage with Willie Nelson, Kinky Friedman, Hank Williams Jr., Kelly Willis, Jim Dickinson, Dwight Yoakam's longtime producer/guitarist - Pete Anderson, Junior Brown and many more.

Free Smoke Detectors

Do you have working smoke detectors in your home? As a community service, the North Little Rock Fire Department has free smoke detectors and will install them at no cost to you. Through the F.O.C.U.S. program (Firefighters Organize Community Understanding on Safety) the NLR Fire Department will educate residents on home fire safety through voluntary home fire inspections and a home smoke detector installation and check.

For more information or to request a smoke detector through the F.O.C.U.S. program call 340-5410.



Live at Laman is free and open to the public, and takes place at the main library every second Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. The musicians perform inside in the auditorium. For more information, please visit: www.LamanLibrary.org or call (501) 758-1720.

The **William F. Laman Public Library System**, founded in 1946 and composed of a main library at 2801 Orange Street in North Little Rock and a branch library at 506 Main Street in Argenta, is the official library system of North Little Rock. The William F. Laman Public Library System is independent from other library systems in central Arkansas. However, any resident of Pulaski County may apply for a library card through the William F. Laman Public Library System.



*North Little Rock
Police Department*

**For more information, please contact
Officer C. Green, recruiter for the
North Little Rock Police Department,
(501) 771-7190 or (501) 812-5106.**

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and female applicants.**

City of North Little Rock 2012 Holiday Schedule

New Year's Day
Monday, January 2, 2012
Sanitation works regular schedule.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Monday, January 16, 2012
Sanitation will run one day late,
Tuesday-Saturday.

**George Washington's Birthday/
Daisy Gaston Bates Day**
Monday, February 20, 2012
Sanitation runs one day late,
Tuesday-Saturday.

Memorial Day
Monday, May 28, 2012
Sanitation runs one day late,
Tuesday-Saturday.

Independence Day
Wednesday, July 4, 2012
Sanitation runs one day late,
Thursday-Saturday.

Labor Day
Monday, September 3, 2012
Sanitation runs one day late,
Tuesday-Saturday.

Veterans Day
Monday, November 12, 2012
Sanitation runs regular schedule.

Thanksgiving
Thursday & Friday,
November 22 & 23, 2012
Sanitation runs one day late,
Friday-Saturday

Christmas Eve
Monday, December 24, 2012
Sanitation runs regular schedule.

Christmas Day
Tuesday, December 25, 2012
Sanitation runs one day late,
Wednesday-Saturday

Go Green In 2012!

Receive Your Neighborhood News Via Email!

Start the new year off right by going green! You can receive via email the North Little Rock Neighborhood News. No more getting lost in the mail or arriving late.

If you would like to have your copy via email, just send us your name, mailing address (so we can remove you from our regular mailing list) and your email address. Please print clearly so that we get it right the first time!

Send your information either by email to - NLRNeighborhoodServ@northlittlerock.ar.gov; fax: (501) 791-8516 or U.S. Postal Service, Neighborhood Services, P.O. Box 5757, North Little Rock, AR 72119-5757.

Save Postage! Save Time! Save a Tree!
Send us your information today.

Questions?

Call Public Works at 371-8355
to report potholes, street damage
or to receive the sanitation schedule
for your neighborhood.
This phone line is open 24/7.



**Arkansas Inland
Maritime Museum**
North Little Rock, Arkansas

Winter Hours

Friday & Saturday / 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Sunday / 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Closed Monday through Thursday

For information and group tours call,
(501) 371-8320.

Visit our web & blog sites:
www.AIMMatNLR.blogspot.com
www.RazorbackBase.com
www.NorthLittleRock.AR.gov



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.
Phyllis Inglis, 541-5447

Argenta Community Development Corporation Board

Every 4th Thursday, 5:30
401 Main Street, 374-0622.

Argenta Neighborhood Boosters

Every 1st Thursday, 6:00
1st. Presbyterian Church, 4th & Maple
Becky Ragsdale, 376-1127
<http://argentaboosters.blogspot.com/>

Baring Cross Neighborhood Assn.

Every 3rd Monday, 6:30
Jack Finnegan, 612-4887

Dark Hollow Community Development Corporation

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

Dixie Addition Community Development Corporation

Every 3rd Saturday, 10:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m. / 902 "E" Street
Thomas McElwee, 945-7660

Glenview Neighborhood Association

Every 1st Tuesday, 7:00
Glenview Rec. Ctr, 4800 E 19th St.
Ida Larry Emerson, 945-4569

Hillview Village Apartments Neighborhood Watch

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

HOLT Crime Watch

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.
David Marks, 835-7132

Lakewood Neighborhood Watch

Every 1st Thursday, 6:00
LPOA Club House Meeting Room
Nathan Longeway, 612-9677

Meadow Park Neighborhood Assn.

Every 2nd Tuesday, 7:00
Bethany Baptist Church
308 Eureka Gardens Road
Lynn Welsh, 945-4776

Melrose Outreach

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

NAACP

Every 1st Tuesday, 6:00
Bethel AME Church, 600 Cedar St.
Eartha Dobbins, 376-1003

Neighbors United for Levy

Every 1st Monday, 7:00
North Heights Recreation Ctr, 4801 Allen
Bill Yeates, 940-8997

North Little Rock Civic League

Every 2nd Tuesday, 6:00
Holman Hall, Sherman Park

North Little Rock CPA Alumni

Every 3rd Tuesday, 6:30
Downtown Police St., 201 E. Broadway
Curtis Gatewood, Jr., 324-9320

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

Bi-Monthly, odd months 1st Tuesday, 6:00
Location: Trinity Lutheran Church
3802 Olive Street
<http://www.historicparkhill.com>
<http://groups.google.com/group/parkhill>

Rose City Neighborhood Association

Every 3rd Monday, 7:00
Rose City Police Substation
Terry Eslick, 945-5172

Scenic Hill Neighborhood Association

Every 2nd Thursday, 7:00
Downtown Police Substation
201 East Broadway
Lisa Smith, 791-2568 or
Carol Crow, 753-9044

Sherman Park

Community Development Corporation

Rock Island Argenta Train Depot
1201 East 4th Street, 258-6990

Unified Neighborhoods Coalition

Every 4th Thursday, 6:30
Downtown Police Substation
Scott Miller, 374-3546



Stay up-to-date on power outages.

Follow the North Little Rock Electric Department on Facebook and Twitter.



www.facebook.com/NLRElectric/



www.twitter.com/NLRElectric/

Report Power Outages: 1-888-728-4004

Customer Service: (501) 975-8888

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

Elected Officials

Mayor Patrick H. Hays 340-5301
 City Clerk, Diane Whitbey 340-5319
 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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Comments? We would like to hear from you. If you have neighborhood meetings or activities to be placed in the newsletter, 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.

North Little Rock Neighborhood News is a bi-monthly publication. Please note the following deadlines for information to be published:

Issue	Deadline Date
March/April	February 1
May/June	April 1
July/August	June 1
Sept./October	August 1
Nov./December	October 1

Information And The Opportunity, continued.

3. Keep the interaction between candidates and meeting-goers civil. And limit it to a specific amount of time. Tell candidates before they begin how much time they will have and let everyone know how much question and answer time will be available. Do not let any one individual monopolize the time with a candidate. Give others the opportunity for interaction.
4. You are responsible for the content on your group's websites and social media sites. If you allow comments or postings, you are also responsible for what others put on your site. Check your sites regularly and ensure that inaccurate, inflammatory, or uncivil comments are removed.

If the tone of your neighborhood association meetings this year can be described as honorable, generous, tolerant and respectful when dealing with political issues and candidates for political offices, your group will go a long way towards giving your residents the information and the opportunity to intelligently choose political leaders.

A Note From Central Arkansas Water-

Central Arkansas Water is reminding customers to make sure your water meter is accessible for proper billing and emergency shut-off. If you have an emergency and need to turn off the water to your home, immediate access can make a big difference in damage control. Make sure the meter box is not covered by trash cans, boxes or anything waiting to be picked up by sanitation. Vehicles should not be parked on or near water meters. When raking, blowing, or bagging leaves make extra sure the leaves or bags do not cover the lid of the water meter. If the lid to your meter is missing or damaged, contact Central Arkansas Water at (501) 377-1239.



***“Serve With The Best”
in the NLR Fire Department.***

For more information please contact the Staff Captain, recruiter for the North Little Rock Fire Department, (501) 340-5377 or (501) 340-5410.

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A Message From North Little Rock Electric

During the month of December, North Little Rock Electric Department (NLRED) learned of a scam affecting customers.

“We heard from customers that they received phone calls from someone saying he was from NLRED and asking for debit or credit card information,” explained Mike Russ, general manager of NLRED. “At no time do we ever ask for debit or credit card information over the phone. If you receive a call from someone telling you NLRED will disconnect your power unless you provide a debit or credit card number, hang up and call NLRED Customer Service at 501-975-8888. If you can, capture the caller’s number and report it to us immediately.”

What NLRED understands about this scam is a person will call an NLRED customer and pose as someone from the utility. The caller will tell the customer there has been a problem with his or her payment on a utility bill, and unless the customer provides a debit or credit card number to cover the cost, his power will be disconnected. It is the policy of NLRED to **NEVER** request confidential, personal financial information – like a credit card number or checking/savings routing and account numbers – over the phone. The person calling NLRED customers is not employed or authorized by the utility.

“We want NLRED customers and citizens in central Arkansas to know about this scam as soon as possible,” Russ said. “If you or someone you know lives in North Little Rock and is a customer of NLRED, please contact them and let them know about this scam.”

For more information, contact the North Little Rock Electric Department Customer Service at 501-975-8888. To monitor updates about this situation, follow the North Little Rock Electric Department on its Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/home.php#!/NLRElectric>, on Twitter @NLRElectric, or online at <http://www.nlrelectric.com/>.

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