

Happenings!

August 2013

NORTH LITTLE ROCK VISITORS BUREAU



NLR Heat Relief Center: On days when the heat index reaches 105 degrees and/or temperature reaches 100 degrees, citizens of North Little Rock can go to the NLR Heat Relief Center (HRC) located at the North Little Rock Community Center. The HRC will operate from 12 p.m. (noon) to 5 p.m. Residents can call the Heat Relief Hotline at 501-340-5454 to determine if the heat relief center will be open for the day. The community center can be reached at 501-791-8541.

Now - August 2: Big Brothers Big Sisters Back-To-School Drive at the NLR Chamber of Commerce. Let's help Big Brothers Big Sisters provide school supplies to the Littles in their program so they can start their school year with the tools they need to succeed! Call 501-372-5959, nlrchamber@nlrchamber.org, www.NLRChamber.org.

Now - August 24: Discover Greatness: An Illustrated History of Negro Baseball Leagues at Laman Library, Main Branch. Since 1993, this exhibit has traveled nationally to help bring the rich history of black baseball to hundreds of people outside of Kansas City. Discover Greatness features close to 90-framed photographs showcasing the history of African-American Baseball from the late 1800s-1960s. Exhibit also includes video on the museum and replica posters.

Visit www.LamanLibrary.org or call 501-758-1720.

Now - October 5: Sign up for the 2nd Annual Great Arkansas River Cleanup hosted by the Keep North Little Rock Beautiful Board from 8 - 11 a.m. at the Downtown Riverside RV Park Pavilion. A light breakfast will be served from 7:30 - 8 a.m.; the cleanup will end for 11 a.m. followed by a short awards and door prize presentation. Email KNLRB@aol.com or visit [www.Facebook.com/KNLRB](https://www.facebook.com/KNLRB).

Now - November 14: Arkansas Arts Center Interwoven: Craft Exhibition featuring work in a variety of forms and media including ceramic, glass, fiber and metal by artists who employ the process of weaving in their work by exploring the varied meanings of the word "interwoven." Call Katie Hodges at 501-372-4000, khodges@arkarts.com, www.ArkansasArtsCenter.org.

August 1 - 2: NLR Kids Fire Academy from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. The Academy is for kids 8-12 years old. Join us for two days of fun and learning at the NLR Fire Department. The kids get to eat lunch with the fire crew at our Central Station. Many subjects will be covered including: fire safety in the home, bike safety, first aid training, kids fire obstacle course and much more! This is an action packed two days. Call 501-812-5942 or 501-812-5941.

August 1 - 4: The Arkansas Travelers VS the Springfield Cardinals at Dickey-Stephens Park. The Thursday - Saturday games start at 7:10 p.m.; Sunday game for 6:10 p.m. For tickets and more information visit www.Travs.com or call 501-664-1555.

August 1 - 31: Painting With A Twist, Uncork your inner artist! Bring a friend and your favorite beverage. They supply everything needed to complete your masterpiece, including instruction from a talented local artist. Call 501-352-1366 or visit www.PaintingWithATwist.com.

August 2: 7th Annual Walk for Children and Families at the Big Dam Bridge. Starting from Cook's Landing registration begins at 6:00 p.m.; the walk begins at 7:00 p.m. Participants of all ages are invited to walk the Big Dam Bridge and enjoy free pizza and ice cream treats, live music by the Gable Bradley Band, fun and games. Everyone gets a free T-shirt. Cost is \$20 per person; \$50 per family. Email adavis@methodistfamily.org or visit www.MethodistFamily.org.

August 2 - 31: Enjoy live music at Cregeen's Irish Pub Friday nights beginning at 9 p.m. (no cover) and Saturdays at 8:30 p.m. with a \$5 cover. Call 501-376-7468 or visit www.Cregeens.com for details.

August 2 - August 31: "Arkansanity," A collection of original comedy sketches and hilarious music, all lampooning life here in The Natural State. One piece will feature the popular Fertle Family from Dumpster, Arkansas, and, as an added bonus, there will be a science fiction piece created by The Main Thing that was chosen as one of Saturday Night Live's best film shorts ever! Live Comedy at The Joint, admission is \$20. Call 501-372-0205, visit www.TheJointInLittleRock.com.

August 3 - 31: Argenta's Farmers Market at 6th and Main Streets from 7 a.m. - NOON on Saturdays across the street from the Argenta Market. On the River Rail Trolley route with an abundance of FREE parking. Visit www.ArgentaArtsDistrict.org or call 501-993-1234.

August 3 - 31: Brandon's Rock Town Distillery Tour in LR! Tour Arkansas' 1st legal distillery and taste the award winning spirits Wednesday - Friday at 4 p.m.; Saturdays & Sunday at 1:30 p.m. & 3 p.m. Cost: \$7pp Call 501-907-5244 or visit www.ArkansasLightning.com.

August 5 & August 12: Yoga Class by Pulaski Tech every Monday from 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. at the NLR Campus, Administration Building. To register 501-907-6670 ext. 3407, estory@pulaskitech.edu.

August 6 - 27: Tales from the South, a live taping of the radio series, is held weekly on Tuesdays at Starving Artist Cafe. Cost: \$7.50 admission plus dinner. Dinner begins at 5 p.m.; taping begins at 7 p.m. Reservations recommended. For details, call 501-372-7976, visit www.TalesFromTheSouth.com.

August 7 - 28: The Joint Venture is an improv comedy act performed Wednesdays at The Joint in downtown North Little Rock for 8 p.m. There is a \$5 cover charge. Visit www.TheJointInLittleRock.com call 501-372-0205.

August 8: Live at Laman, held monthly every 2nd Thursday for 7 p.m. at the Laman Library, Main Branch. The Big John Miller Band has been entertaining crowds all over Arkansas for years! If you like soul, funk, R&B and rock, you'll love the Big John Miller Band. Call 501-758-1720 or visit www.LamanLibrary.org.

August 8: Arkansas Arts Center lecture: "Collecting Rembrandt: Perils and Pleasures One Hundred Years Ago" by Catherine B. Scallen. Reception 5:30 p.m., Lecture 6:00 p.m. Admission is free for members and \$10 for non-members which includes a ticket to the extended-hours viewing of the exhibition. Call Katie Hodges 501-372-4000, khodges@arkarts.com, or visit www.ArkansasArtsCenter.org.

August 9: The Mark Twain Riverboat welcomes Diamond Bear to the North Shore. Come cruise & meet our new neighbors... the crew of the Diamond Bear Beer Brewery. Cruise from 6:30 p.m. - 9 p.m. with hors d'oeuvres served and each guest receives a brewery gift. Call 501-372-5777, or visit www.DamRiverboat.com.

August 9 - 24: *The River Niger* at the Weekend Theater (7th and Chester Streets) for 7:30 p.m. Fridays & Saturdays. Tickets are \$16, \$12 for students & seniors. It's a surging drama about a Harlem family whose son returns from the Air Force, though not as the hero anticipated. His association with a militant group abroad has been discovered and infiltrated by a police informer who brings the unrest of South Africa directly to their front door. Call 501-374-3761, www.WeekendTheater.org.

August 10: Transition Into Fall Fashion Show from 12 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. at the Park Hill Christian Church. Tickets are \$20 and include lunch and the preview of this fall's fashions. Door prizes including a fashion photo shoot by This Shot Photography. Proceeds go to the NLR Animal Shelter's programs. For tickets call 501-753-9802 or visit the Fashion Corner in NLR.



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August 13 - 15: The Arkansas Travelers VS San Antonio Missions at Dickey-Stephens Park. All games start at 7:10 p.m. Visit www.Travs.com or call 501-664-1555.

August 13 - December 31: Arkansas Arts Center Rocktown Slam held every 2nd Wednesday at 7 p.m. Poet Entry fee \$10; Admission \$5. Sign up at the door to perform or come and hear the most exciting poets around. Call 501-372-4000, email khodges@arkarts.com.

August 15: St. Mark Baptist Church presents the Dynamics Family Conference, A Night of Champions with Kirk Franklin & Ray Lewis at Verizon Arena for 7 p.m. Ticket Prices: \$27.50 - \$52.50 Tickets are available at the Arena Box Office 501-791-9000 or through TicketMaster locations, 800-745-3000, visit www.TicketMaster.com.

August 15: Argenta Film Series is a FREE year round initiative featuring screenings and in-depth discussions with filmmakers and industry professionals. Takes place every third Thursday of the month at the Argenta Community Theater. Visit www.LittleRockFilmFestival.org.

August 16: Argenta ArtWalk held the 3rd Friday of each month from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. "Art In Unexpected Places" can be found inside & out of the galleries and businesses along Main Street.

For details or to display your artwork, please call 501-517-3127 or visit www.Facebook.com/ArgentaArtWalk.

August 16 - 18: The Arkansas Travelers VS Corpus Christi Hooks at Dickey-Stephens Park. The Friday & Saturday games start at 7:10 p.m. & Sunday game for 6:10 p.m. Call 501-664-1555 or visit www.Travs.com.

August 20: "Fit 2 Live" at Laman! – a once-a-month series on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Main Branch. Fast Fuel: Energy Foods is the topic. For details call 501-758-1720 or visit www.LamanLibrary.org.

August 23: 4th Annual Mark Pennebaker Memorial Golf Tournament at the Burns Park Golf Course for 1 p.m. Call Kenda Ford at 501-372-5959, kenda@nlrchamber.org.

August 24: 9th Annual BBQ Bast and Live/Silent Auction at the First Methodist Church in NLR. Doors open for 11 a.m.; event wraps up by 3 p.m. There will be 200+ items in the silent auction with 15+ for the live auction plus a Really Big BBQ Grill to raffle. Call Becky Emerson at 501-758-9184 for tickets.

August 27 - 30: The Arkansas Travelers VS Springfield Cardinals at Dickey-Stephens Park. All games start at 7:10 p.m. Call 501-664-1555 or visit www.Travs.com.

August 31 - September 2: Arkansas Travelers VS Northwest Arkansas Naturals at Dickey-Stephens Park. Saturday game begins at 7:10 p.m.; Sunday & Monday games at 2:10 p.m. Call 501-664-1555, visit www.Travs.com.

Arkansas Sports Hall of Fame Museum: Located on the west side of Verizon Arena. Open Monday - Saturday 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Call 501-663-4328 or visit www.ArkSportsHallOfFame.com for more information.

Mark Twain Riverboat & Sandbar: Enjoy a refreshing river breeze, delicious southern flavors, entertainment, fun filled afternoons, and unforgettable sunsets. **Daily Excursion Cruises** - Sunday - Saturday: 3 p.m. - 4 p.m. & 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. **Friday Night Social Cruise** includes live entertainment and hors d'oeuvres; **Saturday Dinner & Sunset Cruises** includes catered dinner buffet. **Murray Lock & Dam Cruise** experience the adventure of the River's Lock System – 1 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. includes lunch. **Cost: \$12.50 - \$25.** For reservations or additional information on group and private events, visit www.DamRiverboat.com or call 501-372-5777.

The U.S.S. Razorback Submarine: Visit the USS Razorback (SS 394), a BALAO Class Fleet Submarine located at the Arkansas Inland Maritime Museum. Ask about Birthday Parties and Group Overnight Stays! **Summer Hours:** Wednesday - Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sundays 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. **CLOSED Monday & Tuesday.** Visit www.AIMM.museum for details. To schedule a group tour call 501-371-8320 or e-mail: info@AIMM.Museum. The Beacon of Peace and Hope and surrounding Peace Garden presents a special welcome to the Arkansas Inland Maritime Museum (AIMM). Women's Action for New Directions (WAND) worked with the City of NLR and the submariners to build this monument for peace and reconciliation.

North Little Rock Animal Shelter's Mobile Adoption Unit: Lakewood Village Friday from 1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Call 501-791-8577 for details.

North Little Rock Parks and Recreation: Call 501-791-8543 (8545), visit www.NLRPR.org for details on events. To rent pavilions or the Hospitality House, call 501-791-8537. **Burns Park Baseball** call 501-753-0012, or visit www.BurnsParkBaseball.com. **Bonzai BMX Track** visit www.BonzaiBMX.com, call 501-753-6989. **Burns Park Campgrounds** call 501-771-0702. **Burns Park Golf Course** call 501-758-5800. **Burns Park Soccer** 501-791-8540. **Burns Park Softball** call 501-350-5630. **Burns Park Tennis Center** visit www.ArkTennis.com, call 501-791-8585. **Funland** call 501-753-7307. Open Sat. & Sun Easter Weekend - Labor Day Weekend. **Riverview Skateboard Park** call 501-791-8540. **NLR Colts American Legion Baseball** call Jeral Howard 501-951-8800.

The Big Dam Bridge: Spanning the Arkansas River with 4,226 linear feet of bridge connecting the two cities and the AR River Trail. **Directions:** Take I-40 to Exit #148, head south on Crystal Hill Rd., at the red light turn left onto North Shore Dr., turn right onto Cook's Landing Rd. For details or events, visit www.BigDamBridge.org or www.RiverTrail.org.

PLEASE VISIT www.NORTHLITTLE ROCK.org FOR A COMPLETE LISTING OF EVENTS.

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