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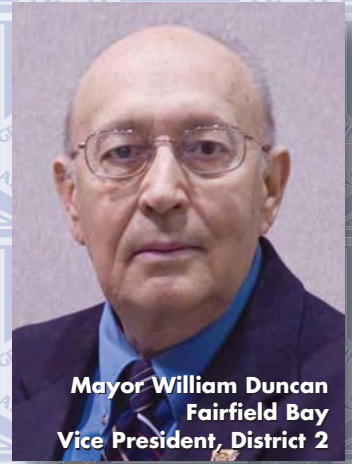
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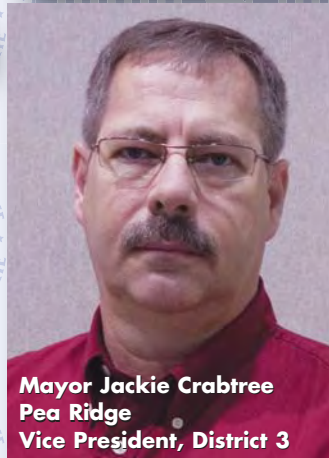
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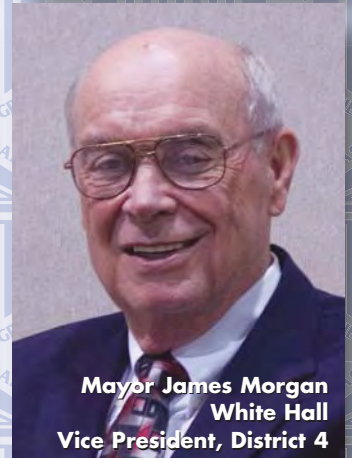
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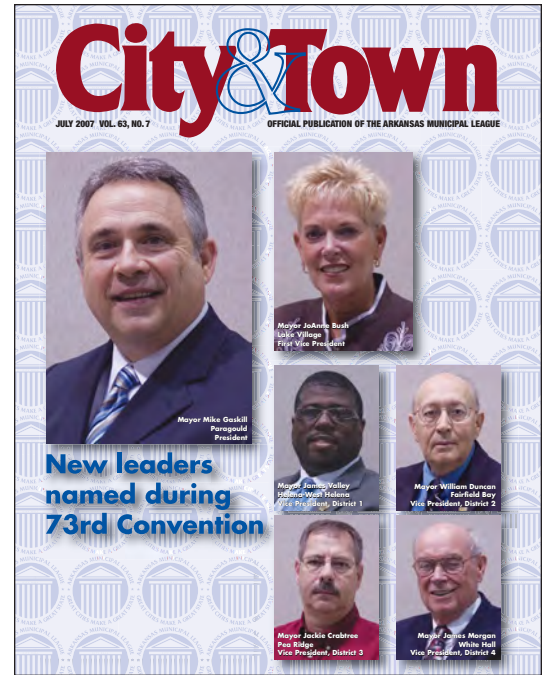
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Conway Mayor and outgoing League President Tab Townsell welcomes delegates to the 73rd League Convention.

## 73rd Convention comes to an end

The good news about increased turnback, discussion of new legislation affecting municipalities passed during the 86th regular session of the Arkansas General Assembly and the election of the League's new leaders topped the agenda at the annual gathering of the state's municipal leaders.

By Andrew Morgan, League staff

**HOT SPRINGS**—At this time last year, the possibility of an increase in state turnback to cities and towns offered a glimmer of hope.

Municipal officials at the Municipal League's 73rd Convention, held June 13-15 in Hot Springs, had reason to celebrate. That possibility of turnback is now a reality. The 86th Arkansas General Assembly increased turnback to cities and counties by \$4 million each. It is the first increase in turnback cities have seen in 25 years.

The turnback didn't stop there, however. As they promised, the Senate's President Pro Tem Jack Critcher and Speaker of the House Benny Petrus helped approve a supplemental turnback of \$12 million to cities and towns coming from the state surplus.

Lt. Gov. Bill Halter, speaking at the Convention's opening night banquet, called the 86th session "perhaps the best legislative session at least in the last 35 years." And with great support for city issues coming from the governor and many key legislators, the League's legislative program was warmly received and largely successful, resulting in

several new Arkansas laws and amendments. Those changes dominated much of the discussion at the Convention.

### Beebe "true to his pledge"

Outgoing League President and Mayor of Conway Tab Townsell praised Gov. Mike Beebe, who addressed the first general session of the Convention, for being "true to his pledge" to increase turnback.

Beebe thanked city officials for their cooperation and input during the legislative session and stressed the importance of leveling with the people when it came to promising improvements. Not being straight with the people breeds cynicism, he said.

"Under promise and over deliver. Don't go the other way," Beebe advised those campaigning for change.

"Don't promise the moon and deliver them green cheese."

Echoing Halter's assessment of the 86th General Assembly, Beebe called it "the most successful legislative session I can remember."

Beebe expressed pride in the reduction of the sales tax on groceries to 3 percent. The League was initially concerned that the reduction would adversely affect cities and remove a vital revenue source. Beebe told cities that the reduction would not affect the local option, and it didn't.

He also was pleased with the legislature's willingness to increase turnback. Of the \$4 million increase, Beebe said, "we expect that to be ongoing." The \$12 million in supplemental turnback is good news as well, he said, but may not be ongoing. The one-time increase, which comes from the state surplus, is meant strictly for capital improvement projects.

Beebe thanked the cities for their continued cooperation with counties and the state. "Your people will prosper or not based on our cooperative efforts," he said and reminded delegates that as public servants, we must earn the public's trust. We don't own our offices; we're just renting.

Beebe closed by urging city officials to constantly seek improvement and to follow the mantra "that we leave this place better than we found it."

## New laws abound

The League issued to each delegate a handbook collecting the new and amended legislation impacting cities and towns passed during the 86th General Assembly. At nearly 1,300 pages, *2007 General Acts Affecting Arkansas Municipalities* should be of great assistance in dealing with the many



Arkansas Supreme Court Chief Justice Jim Hannah, a former Searcy city attorney, thanked cities for their "give and take" on the issue of district court reform. They'll begin working out the logistics of Act 663 soon, he said.

changes. (Additional copies of the handbook are available from the League for a cost of \$20.)

League staff during the Convention's general session examined some of the most pressing changes, including development impact fees, the district court reforms, changes in the Local Police and Fire Retirement System (LOPFI) and Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System (APERS), and rural water associations.

Act 663, sponsored by Sen. Shawn Womack, provides for a pilot district judgeship program in order to eventually consolidate district and city courts. City courts within the 19 pilot districts will become departments of the district courts. The League initially was against the district court reform, fearing an additional and unnecessary burden on city budgets. But an amendment preventing an increase in court costs took care of that issue, League Executive Director Don Zimmerman said.

The pilot judgeships go into effect Jan. 1, 2008. Initially that trial period was to last only one year, leaving cities and districts little time to evaluate the new system. Womack agreed to compromise and pushed back the changeover date for the balance of the state to Jan. 1, 2012, making it "a true pilot," Zimmerman said.

Battles over those areas where city planning zones and rural water districts meet have been heated in recent years. Act 691 by Rep. Rick Saunders addresses the issue and attempts to find a balance between the two sides, both of which "had some points," Zimmerman admitted.

The act provides criteria for the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) to use when assigning service areas. It also permits rural water districts to receive private as opposed to government funding for development if available. "We'll see how it works over the next few years," Zimmerman said.

A related new law, Act 118, by Reps. George Overbey and Tommy Baker, prevents clashes by making it illegal for a new city or town to incorporate within the planning jurisdiction of an existing municipality without the city council's approval.

In order to avoid clashes over future planning and development issues, Zimmerman recommended each city and town establish its planning zone and file its water plan with the NRC, making it part of the State Water Plan.

Speaking of the good news about increased turnback, League Assistant Director Ken Wasson



League Counsel Chris Bradley, center, discusses new telecommunications legislation with Edmondson Alderman Gayland Moore, left, and Jacksonville Alderman Kevin McCleary, right.

said that in the future we'd refer to the 86th General Assembly as the session when cities "finally got some help." But regarding the one-time supplemental turnback of \$12 million, he warned, "Don't incorporate this money into your salaries." When it does arrive—no later than the end of September—make a big deal, urged Wasson. Get your local media involved and let your legislators know how much it means to your communities. Doing so, he said, might help encourage more turnback increases in the future.

Not all new legislation bodes well for municipalities. Act 292 by Rep. Gregg Reep, increases the fee for the water testing program operated by the State Health Department. That money should come from the state, not our cities, said Jimmy Wallace, League legislative liaison and former mayor of England.

Act 310 by Sen. Dave Bisbee retroactively makes utility connection fees illegal. The legislation, which Zimmerman called "the worst bill that came out of this session pertaining to cities and towns," applies retroactively to July 16, 2003, and calls for cities to refund utility connection fees unless they were lawfully defined as "impact fees." It's an example of *ex post facto* lawmaking, in Zimmerman's view, and he hopes the court system will deem it unconstitutional before cities and towns are saddled with lawsuits.

## Workshops cover broad array of municipal topics

The 18 concurrent workshops at the 73rd

Convention gave delegates a chance to dig deeper into new laws and other issues affecting cities and towns.

Land banks and several new state laws—nicknamed the "ruins and weed lots" legislative package—provide cities with tools to improve run-down neighborhoods. Little Rock has its fair share of problem properties, and Mayor Mark Stodola and North Little Rock City Attorney Jason Carter offered insight into the issue during one of the Convention's workshops.

City leaders must "have a personal touch" when it comes to dealing with problem properties, Stodola said, stressing that the laws are not in place to displace the less fortunate, elderly, handicapped or others who may live in poverty and whose property has fallen into disrepair, but to reclaim nuisance properties from willful bad actors.

With 950 condemned homes listed and a lack of money to tear them down, Little Rock is looking at their options very closely. Odies Wilson, Little Rock's intergovernmental affairs manager, suggested doing an inventory of your city's problem properties before planning and building elsewhere. With water, sewer, gutters and other infrastructure already in place, redevelopment may make more sense than new development.

Little Rock plans to be a leader and a resource for other cities on the subject, Wilson said. See also Paul Dodds' article, "New laws tackle problem properties" in the May 2007 issue of *City & Town* for an in-depth look at the ruins and weed lots legislative package.

"Good civic design and arrangement are becoming more and more important," League Planning Consultant Jim vonTungeln told those gathered



HUD Field Office Director Bessie Jackson informs delegates attending a land use workshop about the agency's efforts to improve access to affordable housing.



to learn about city planning, water use and affordable housing during the land use issues workshop.

Act 691, passed during the 2007 legislative session, may help ease tensions when city planning zones and rural water districts clash, but recording your city's system with the State Water Plan is the best way to avoid conflict, vonTungeln said. He advised also to make your city's water district your planning district. Doing so will allow the city to zone areas for best use and protect public health and safety, he said.

"Owning a home is still the American dream," said Bessie Jackson, a field office director with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). She spoke of the agency's efforts to "promote and protect home ownership, especially through its America's Affordable Communities Initiative, the goal of which is to reduce the regulatory barriers to home ownership. She encouraged city leaders to contact HUD to find out about creating more affordable housing and to visit the Web site, [www.hud.gov/affordablecommunities](http://www.hud.gov/affordablecommunities). "We don't always tell you what you want to hear, but we want to help you."

Other workshops covered such topics as public pension program changes, creating an environmentally friendly municipality, animal control solutions, improving your fire department and conducting city council meetings. With so many workshops from which to pick, the League recommends sending more than one delegate to the Convention. Helena-West Helena took that advice to heart this year and brought 27 delegates. Each attended a different workshop in order to gather as much information as possible, Helena-West Helena Mayor James Valley noted.

## New officers elected

The League at the close of the 73rd Convention introduced its new officers, elected by delegates to the Convention.

The new League officers are: President, Mayor Mike Gaskill of Paragould; First Vice President, Mayor JoAnne Bush of Lake Village; District 1 Vice President, Mayor James Valley of Helena-West Helena; District 2 Vice President, Mayor Bill Duncan of Fairfield Bay; District 3 Vice President, Mayor



From left, League Planning Consultant Jim vonTungeln, Hot Springs Planning Director Kathy Sellman, Camden Mayor Chris Claybaker and HUD Field Office Director Bessie Jackson lead a land use issues workshop.

Jackie Crabtree of Pea Ridge; District 4 Vice President, Mayor James Morgan of White Hall.

Being elected League president is the second best honor he's received, Paragould Mayor Mike Gaskill said. "The first was having the opportunity to serve my own community."

"I'm anxious to get started and don't even know what I'm gonna do!" Gaskill enthused as he took over the presidency from outgoing League president, Conway Mayor Tab Townsell.

Despite not knowing exactly what the future holds, Gaskill echoed Gov. Beebe's words from the Convention's opening session and advised municipal leaders to be involved and stay involved in your community, "and don't leave until you make it better."



Good humored Paragould Mayor Mike Gaskill, at the podium, lowers the microphone as he accepts the role of new League president at the Convention's awards luncheon.

# League sets policies and goals for 2007-2008

HOT SPRINGS— The Arkansas Municipal League supports encouraging the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to adopt regulations to allow cities and towns to obtain disaster assistance directly, even if the counties in which they are located are not eligible. Current FEMA policy requires that a county be declared a disaster area before a municipality within the county is provided with assistance.

The League also seeks legislation allowing for a timelier and more economically prudent census count, similar to the system used in Tennessee.

These policies are among nine resolutions the League adopted June 15 at its annual business meeting during the 73rd convention.

The resolutions became part of the League's *Policies and Goals 2007-2008*.

Other resolutions adopted during the convention include:

A resolution to support legislation that will decrease the amount necessary to hire an architect and contractor for a design build project.

A resolution supporting the amendment of the Trauma System Act in order to create a statewide and state-funded trauma system.

A resolution to support the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department's goal of a four-lane highway to every city of 5,000 or more people, to increase the amount of funding for streets in all cities and towns, and to consider traffic counts in cities and towns of under 5,000 people where warranted.

A resolution to protect Arkansas electric consumers from unwarranted cost increases.

A resolution to support continued federal funding for the Ouachita-Black rivers navigation system and all navigable waterways in Arkansas.

A resolution to support the U.S. Senate Commerce Committee's fuel efficiency bill.

The League dropped several of its policies and goals set for 2006-2007, many of which were addressed by the Arkansas General Assembly during the recent 86th regular session and have become law or are otherwise no longer applicable.

For instance, the League's resolution to repeal ACA §14-54-1303 no longer applies. With the passage of House Bill 1178, now Act 63, cities and towns are no longer barred from using state aid to fund recreational facilities and playgrounds.

The League's resolution to amend ACA § 27-50-1205 to allow code enforcement officers the authority to tag abandoned vehicles for removal is now state law. Act 100 gives municipalities more options to rid the public right of way of eyesores.

The resolution to amend state law to allow municipalities to operate non-emergency, informational phone systems such as 211 and 311 systems is no longer necessary. With funding coming from federal grants, local bonds, and private support from the likes of Wal-Mart and the United Way, Arkansans can now receive non-emergency assistance by calling 211 for statewide social services information and volunteer opportunities and by dialing 311 for non-emergency city services in the Little Rock area. Both lines are designed to provide increased access to information and to ease the burden on 911 emergency systems.

Look for the complete *Policies and Goals 2007-2008* to be included as an insert in the August issue of *City & Town*.

—Andrew Morgan



League General Counsel Mark Hayes, right, reads new resolution titles at the June 13 meeting of the Resolutions Committee at the 73rd League Convention. Approved resolutions became part of the League's *Policies and Goals 2007-2008*.



# League program finances strong

HOT SPRINGS—Don Zimmerman, in his annual executive director's report, expressed gratitude for all those who helped represent the League during the 86th regular session of the Arkansas General Assembly.

He thanked especially Conway Mayor Tab Townsell, who mid-year took over as League President "just as we were heading into a very challenging session. And he did a fine, fine job," Zimmerman said.

An increase in state turnback should be a boon to cities. New laws and amendments passed by the legislature will have a big impact on municipalities. During the upcoming year, "there will be a lot of review that needs to take place there," he said.

For the third year in a row, the Municipal League has 100 percent membership among Arkansas's cities and towns, Zimmerman announced. Of Arkansas's 500 cities and incorporated towns, 500 are members of the League.

During the course of the year, the League lost the incorporated town of Magnet Cove in Hot Spring County but gained newly incorporated Bella Vista in Benton County in northwest Arkansas.

With a population of more than 15,000, it's possibly one of the largest new incorporations in our history, Zimmerman said.

Zimmerman gave a status report on the League's optional benefit programs. Four cities, he noted, participate in all 10 of the League programs: Bentonville, England, Heber Springs and Lake Village.

Finances in all of the League programs are strong and have received clean reports from the recent audit, Zimmerman reported.

The Municipal Health Benefit Fund, with 207 participating cities and towns, presents "a huge, huge challenge," Zimmerman said. Last year pay-outs exceeded revenues by \$3 million, but the League has begun to recover some of those losses, he said. Despite an increase of 1.6 percent, the program's rates are still very competitive, Zimmerman said. The League is looking into possible options such as health savings accounts to help lessen costs. Also a challenge will be the Govern-



Zimmerman

ment Accounting Standards Board's recently released Statement 45, or "GASB 45," which by requiring state and local governmental entities to disclose the full cost of non-pension-related retirement benefits, may have a big impact on the program. The League is working to ease the transition by the time cities are required to comply, Zimmerman said.

The League's Legal Defense Program, with 423 of 500 members enrolled, is handling about 150 current lawsuits. Accidental Death and Dismemberment Coverage for city officials has 171 cities participating, up four from last year.

The Municipal League Workers' Compensation Trust program has 479 participating cities and towns. Though the membership is one less than last year, the program still enjoys nearly saturation coverage.

The Municipal Property Program, at 247, increased its membership by 11. The Cash/Pension Management Trust Program grew by four participating cities to 33. The Deferred Compensation/Defined Pension Plans grew by one to 43.

The League's Municipal Vehicle Program, with 386 member cities, had another successful year despite losing one member and is operating in the red, Zimmerman said. The "very sound" program has not had a rate increase in 25 years.

—Andrew Morgan



# Awards presented to cities, officials at League Convention



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Sen. Jack Critcher accepts the League's Person of the Year Award at the awards luncheon that concluded the 73rd Convention. Critcher helped secure for cities an additional \$12 million in turnback coming from the state's record surplus. Of the \$4 million in increased turnback to cities and towns, Critcher said it was long past due and hopes it will be an ongoing investment in cities by the state. It's not as much as we wanted, he said, but hopefully it set a precedent.

**HOT SPRINGS**—The Municipal League honored municipalities and city and state leaders for achievement, service and commitment at the opening night banquet and the awards luncheon at the conclusion of the 73rd Convention, June 13-15, in Hot Springs.

The League named Sen. Jack Critcher its Person of the Year. The League periodically presents the award when a person's contribution to municipalities during the year is singularly outstanding. Critcher, a former mayor of Grubbs, knows the challenges cities face, and as the Senate's president pro tempore, was instrumental during the 2007 legislative session in securing \$12 million in supplemental state turnback to cities and towns.

In addition to Critcher, the League awarded 10 Distinguished Legislator Awards to those who distinguished themselves by assisting cities and towns during the session. The recipients include Sen. Denny Altes, Sen. Steve Faris, Sen. Irma Hunter Brown, Sen. Jim Luker, Sen. Jerry Taylor, Rep. Tommy Baker, Rep. David Johnson, Rep. Bruce Maloch, Rep. George Overbey Jr. and Rep. Rick Saunders.

A new award unveiled at the 73rd Convention

was the John Woodruff City Above Self Award. Woodruff worked tirelessly for cities as League communications coordinator and editor of *City & Town* until his death on March 27 of this year. The award is presented to a dedicated person who, in the spirit of Woodruff, has provided lasting benefits to cities and towns. The League presented the inaugural City Above Self Award to Donna McKnight, senior premium and enrollment clerk with the Municipal Health Benefit Fund, for her 30 years of service to Arkansas's cities and towns.

Eleven city officials this year received the Adrian L. White Municipal Leadership Award. The award is presented to city officials who have served with distinction and dedication to their cities and the League's boards, councils and committees for six years. The recipients are Fayetteville Mayor Dan Coody, Forrest City Councilmember Cecil Twillie, Gassville Mayor Danny Smith, Haskell Recorder/Treasurer Rose Marie Wilkinson, Jonesboro City Clerk Donna Jackson, Lakeview Mayor Lloyd Travis, Shannon Hills Mayor Larance Davis, Van Buren Clerk/Treasurer Barbie Curtis, Warren Councilmember Dorothy Henderson, White Hall Mayor James Morgan and Wrightsville Councilmember Allan Loring.



Van Buren Clerk/Treasurer Barbie Curtis, right, accepts the Municipal Clerk of the Year Award from new president of the Arkansas City Clerks, Records, Treasurers Association, Texarkana City Clerk Patti Scott Grey, left.

The Marvin L. Vinson Commitment to Excellence Award, named for the Clarksville mayor who served from 1983 until his death in 2001 and was League president in 1992-1993, this year went to two municipal officials who have served their cities and the League for 12 years. The recipients are Gillett Recorder/Treasurer Martha Wallace and Hamburg Councilmember Danny Mays.

Forty-eight city officials this year received the Jack R. Rhodes Sr. Distinguished Service Award for their 25 years of service to their communities. The award is named after the Lake Village mayor who served 33 years and was League president in 1981. The recipients are Corning Water Clerk Ann Reed, Little Rock Fire Captain Ricky Campbell, Little Rock Fire Captain Jeffrey Cary, Little Rock Fire Captain Kenneth Grumbine, Little Rock Fire Apparatus Engi-

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# CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

The League awards Certificates of Appreciation to those who have served on various boards or commissions in the past year. Recipients were recognized at the opening night banquet of the 73rd Convention.

Councilmember Johnnie Faye McKeon, Alexander  
 Councilmember Mary Lynn Darter, Altus  
 Mayor Frank Anderson, Bella Vista  
 Fire Chief Ben Blankenship, Benton  
 Police Chief Gary Sipes, Benton  
 Councilmember Doug Stracener, Benton  
 Finance Director John Walden, Benton  
 Mayor Fred Jack, Bethel Heights  
 Clerk/Treasurer Jean Lee, Bono  
 Mayor Barbara Skouras, Brinkley  
 Industrial Development Coordinator  
 Fairy Armstrong, Brinkley  
 Mayor Larry Mitchell, Bryant  
 Mayor Eddie Joe Williams, Cabot  
 Clerk/Treasurer Marva Verkler, Cabot  
 Councilmember Phillip Gordon, Camden  
 Councilmember Linda Harrison, Cedarville  
 Fire Chief Mike Taylor, Cherokee Village  
 Mayor Ronnie Garner, Coal Hill  
 Mayor Dewayne Phelan, Corning  
 Councilmember Blake Johnson, Corning  
 Councilmember Steve Weston, Corning  
 Mayor Ronnie Conley, Cotton Plant  
 Mayor Larry Myrick, Delaplaine  
 Clerk/Treasurer Donna Jones, DeQueen  
 Councilmember Gwendolyn Stephenson, Dermott  
 Councilmember John Pfenegar, Fountain Lake  
 Mayor Gordon Hennington, Hamburg  
 Councilmember Mark Steven Fowler, Harrison  
 Councilmember Patsy McNeese, Heber Springs  
 Mayor James Valley, Helena-West Helena  
 Recorder/Treasurer Mary Ruth Wiles, Highland  
 City Director Steve Smith, Hot Springs  
 City Attorney Howard Cain, Huntsville  
 Police Chief Robert Baker, Jacksonville  
 Police Chief Vernon Sisemore, Johnson

Mayor Doris Sellmeyer, Knobel  
 City Clerk Lynette Graham, Lake Village  
 Mayor Jimmie Lou Nuessner, Lead Hill  
 Finance Director Bob Biles, Little Rock  
 Mayor Mark Stodola, Little Rock  
 Mayor Bobby Hardrick, Madison  
 Mayor Winston Foster Jr., Marvell  
 Mayor Don Sikes, Maynard  
 Fire Chief John Puckett, Mena  
 Councilmember James Turner, Mena  
 Fire Chief Chris Hostetler, Mineral Springs  
 Mayor Joe Rogers, Monticello  
 Mayor David Osmon, Mountain Home  
 Mayor Betty Feller, Mulberry  
 Police Chief Larry Yates, Nashville  
 Treasurer Mary Ruth Morgan, North Little Rock  
 Mayor Becky Dunn, Palestine  
 Mayor Gerald Morris, Piggott  
 Personnel Director Ken Ferguson, Pine Bluff  
 Councilmember Janice Roberts, Pine Bluff  
 Mayor Gary Crocker, Pocahontas  
 Police Chief Blake Herron, Pottsville  
 Councilmember Bill Eaton, Russellville  
 Councilmember Dale English, Searcy  
 Councilmember Robert Smith, South Lead Hill  
 Mayor Marianne Maynard, Stuttgart  
 City Clerk Patti Scott Grey, Texarkana  
 Councilmember Becky Alston, Tontitown  
 Mayor Marion Bearden, Tyrnza  
 Mayor Randy Butler, Waldron  
 Mayor Bryan Martin, Warren  
 Councilmember Joel Tolefree, Warren  
 Mayor Arthur Booth, Weiner  
 Councilmember Lorraine Robinson, West Memphis  
 Mayor Abron Pitts, Widener



## ACAA elects officers

Helena-West Helena City Attorney André Valley, right, is the new president of the Arkansas City Attorneys' Association. Other officers elected during the Association meeting at the 73rd Convention are North Little Rock City Attorney Jason Carter, 2nd vice president, left; Gentry City Attorney Jay Williams, 1st vice president, center; and Mark Hayes, re-elected secretary-treasurer, not pictured.

# 681 delegates represented 205 cities, towns at 73rd League Convention

### Alexander

Councilmember Michael Huck

### Alpena

Councilmember Ronald Bailey  
Mayor Bobbie Bailey  
City Attorney Linda Woodworth

### Altheimer

Councilmember Kim Love  
Mayor Donald Robinson Sr.

### Altus

Animal Control Officer  
Rickey Kimbriel  
Councilmember Paula Kimbriel  
Mayor Veronica Post

### Anthonyville

Recorder/Treasurer Shirley Craig  
Mayor Leroy Wright

### Arkadelphia

Treasurer Glen Beedle  
City Manager Jimmy Bolt  
City Director James Calhoun  
City Clerk Rendi Currey  
City Director Don Hager  
Mayor Chuck Hollingshead

### Ash Flat

Recorder/Treasurer  
Charlotte Goodwin

### Ashdown

Councilmember Glen Ray Bowman  
Councilmember Doke Douglas  
Councilmember Shirley Jackson  
Police Chief Ben McGraw  
City Attorney Jay Metzger  
Clerk/Treasurer Kirk Mounts  
Mayor Wayne Reed

### Atkins

Mayor Jerry Barrett

### Barling

City Administrator Ray Caruthers  
Director Tom Cravens  
City Director Bruce Farrar  
City Director Ron Wingfield

### Batesville

Councilmember R.I. Carpenter  
Mayor Rick Elumbaugh  
City Clerk Denise Johnson  
Councilmember Fred Krug  
Councilmember Douglas Matthews  
Councilmember Matt McDonald  
Councilmember David Shetron  
City Attorney Scott Stalker  
Councilmember Paula Terrell

### Bay

Councilmember Larry Hall  
Chief David Kelly  
Mayor Darrell Kirby  
Treasurer Sandi Ladd-Griffin  
Councilmember David Milam

### Beebe

Councilmember Les Cossey  
Clerk/Treasurer  
Carol Crump-Westergren  
Councilmember Tracy Lightfoot  
Mayor Mike Robertson  
Mayor's Assistant Jackie Young

### Bella Vista

Mayor Frank Anderson  
Councilmember Doug Farner  
Councilmember Arline Hutchinson  
Recorder/Treasurer Jane Wilms  
Councilmember George Holmes

### Ben Lomond

Mayor Ronald Smith  
Secretary/Treasurer Glenda Tinkes

### Benton

Fire Chief Ben Blankenship  
Councilmember Charles Cunningham  
Planning Commission Marsha Guffey  
Mayor Rick Holland  
Human Resources Manager  
Kathy Kirk  
Councilmember Steve Lee  
Assistant to Mayor Angela Ross

### Bentonville

Councilmember Ed Austin  
Councilmember Mary Baggett  
Mayor Bob McCaslin  
Councilmember Rod Sanders  
Councilmember Chris Sooter  
Councilmember Jim Grider  
City Clerk Suzanne Grider

### Berryville

Councilmember Sally Phillips  
Mayor Tim McKinney  
Councilmember Linda Riddlesperger

### Bethel Heights

Councilmember Jeff Hutcheson  
Councilmember Debra Cheval  
Mayor Fred Jack  
City Attorney Joe Summerford

### Black Oak

Recorder/Treasurer Monda Hutchison  
Councilmember Peggy Williams  
Mayor Norman Williams  
City Attorney Johnny Dunigan

### Blytheville

Councilmember Shirley Connealy  
Mayor Barrett Harrison  
Councilmember Mylas Jeffers  
Councilmember Shirley Overman  
Councilmember James Sanders  
Councilmember John Singleton

### Bonanza

Administrative Assistant Pam Carnell

### Bono

Councilmember Shirley Dobson  
Mayor L.M. Duncan  
Councilmember Leon Hamilton  
Councilmember Ralph Lee  
City Clerk Jean Lee  
Councilmember Billy Stephens  
Councilmember Jerry Sullins

### Bradford

Mayor Arthur Dunn

### Bradley

Mayor J.C. Williams

**Brinkley**

Industrial Development Coordinator  
Fairy Armstrong  
Councilmember Vernon Bynum  
City Attorney Ralph Clifton  
Police Chief Billy Geater  
Fireman Mark Hamner  
Clerk/Treasurer Stacey Pearson  
Administrative Assistant  
Teresa Prestwood  
Mayor Barbara Skouras  
Code Enforcement Officer  
Donovan Tefteller

**Brookland**

Councilmember Jean Gandy  
Mayor Kenneth Jones  
Councilmember Linda Reece  
Councilmember Wilson Shipman

**Bryant**

Office Manager Leta Boone  
City Clerk Brenda Cockerham  
Councilmember Steve Gladden  
Planning Coordinator LaVenia Jones  
Human Resources Director  
Shayne King  
Councilmember Rick Meyer  
Mayor Larry Mitchell  
Financial Director Marilyn Payne  
Councilmember Danny Steele

**Bull Shoals**

Councilmember Carol Ann Coward  
Councilmember Bruce Powell  
Mayor Ronald Richter  
Chairman, Planning & Zoning  
Carol Short  
Recorder/Treasurer  
Kimberly Williams

**Cabot**

City Attorney Jimmy Taylor  
Councilmember Virgil Teague  
Clerk/Treasurer Marva Verkler  
Mayor Eddie Joe Williams  
Councilmember Becky Lemaster

**Caddo Valley**

Mayor Alan Dillavou  
Councilmember Willard Thomason  
Recorder/Treasurer Sarah Roberts

**Caldwell**

Mayor Gary Hughes

**Calico Rock**

Mayor Ronnie Guthrie  
Recorder/Treasurer Aaron Teague

**Camden**

Mayor Chris Claybaker  
Councilmember Irene Galbert  
Councilmember Phillip Gordon  
Assistant to Mayor Kathy Lee  
Councilmember Richard Moore

**Caraway**

Mayor Barry Riley  
Recorder/Treasurer Lisa Taylor

**Cave Springs**

City Attorney Justin Eichmann  
Mayor Mark Reeves

**Cedarville**

Mayor Danny Armstrong  
Councilmember Richard Harris  
Councilmember Gleanne O'Mara

**Centerton**

Officer Manager Jan Dolan

**Cherokee Village**

Clerk/Treasurer Phyllis Endrihs  
Mayor Lloyd Hefley  
Councilmember  
Verna Mae Newman

**Cherry Valley**

Recorder/Treasurer Stacey Bennett  
Mayor Mike Wood

**Clarendon**

Mayor Donald Branch  
City Clerk Valerie Davenport

**Clarksville**

Clerk/Treasurer Barbara Blackard  
Mayor Billy Helms  
Councilmember Dutch Houston  
Councilmember John Pledger  
Councilmember Danna Schneider  
Councilmember Freeman Wish

**Clinton**

Mayor Roger Rorie

**Coal Hill**

Mayor Ronnie Garner

**Conway**

HR Director Lisa Mabry Williams  
City Attorney Michael Murphy  
Animal Control Officer  
Shona Osborne  
Mayor Tab Townsell  
Councilmember Shelia Whitmore

**Corning**

Councilmember Steve Weston  
Mayor Dewayne Phelan

**Cotter**

Councilmember Denis Dunderdale  
Recorder/Treasurer Peggy Hammack  
Councilmember Tom Stuecken

**Cotton Plant**

Mayor Ronnie Conley

**Crossett**

Councilmember Wilburn Austin  
Councilmember C.T. Foster  
Councilmember Robert Freeman  
City Attorney James Hamilton  
Councilmember Candace Jeffress  
Mayor Scott McCormick  
Councilmember Leo Wright

**Dardanelle**

City Attorney Kennard Helton  
Mayor Carolyn McGee

**Delaplaine**

Mayor Larry Myrick

**DeQueen**

Deputy City Clerk Linda Culp  
Clerk/Treasurer Donna Jones  
Mayor Billy Ray McKelvy  
City Attorney Stephen Tedder

**Dermott**

Mayor Floyd Gray  
Councilmember  
Gwendolyn Stephenson  
Clerk/Treasurer Carolyn Williams

**Dewitt**

City Clerk Liz Ferguson  
Mayor Aubrey McGhee  
Councilmember James Vernor

**Diamond City**

Recorder/Treasurer Sandy Beaver  
Councilmember Larry Moseley  
Mayor Don West

**Dumas**

Clerk/Treasurer Johnny Brigham  
Councilmember Diane Fisher  
Mayor Marion Gill  
Councilmember James Jackson  
Councilmember T.C. Pickett

**Earle**

Councilmember Jimmie Barham  
Councilmember Donnie Cheers  
Councilmember Sarah Johnson  
City Attorney Davis Loftin  
Councilmember Bobby Luckett  
Councilmember Robert Malone  
Councilmember  
Ann Pickering-Philyaw  
Councilmember Jesse Selvy

**Edmondson**

Councilmember Leotis Embery  
Councilmember Oscar Matthew  
Councilmember Gayland Moore  
Recorder/Treasurer Pamela Rance  
Councilmember KeShea Tate

**El Dorado**

Mayor Mike Dumas  
Councilmember Dianne Hammond  
Councilmember Justin Hendricks  
Councilmember Vertis Mason  
Public Works Office Manager  
Debbie Stinson  
Councilmember Judy Ward

**Elkins**

Water/Sewer Superintendent  
Kevin Caler  
Councilmember Bob Cox  
Planning Leader Don Cryder  
Fire Chief J.D. DeMatte  
Councilmember Bill Epperson  
Recorder/Treasurer Norrita Fisher  
Mayor Jack Ladyman  
Councilmember Bruce Ledford  
Councilmember Bobby McGarrah  
City Attorney Daniel Wright

**England**

Mayor Danny Maynard  
Administrative Assistant Susan Pitts  
City Attorney Bill Reed

**Eudora**

Mayor William Stanton

**Eureka Springs**

Councilmember Rae Hahn  
Councilmember Kathy Harrison  
Mayor Dani Wilson

**Fairfield Bay**

Councilmember Art Deller  
Mayor William Duncan  
City Attorney AJ Kelly  
Recorder/Treasurer  
Rose Ostronic Owen  
Councilmember Doyle Scoggins  
Councilmember Willa Wells

**Farlington**

Mayor Ernie Penn  
Financial Officer Jimmy Story

**Fayetteville**

City Attorney Kit Williams  
Senior Secretary  
Clarice Buffalohead Pearman  
Mayor Dan Coody  
Councilmember Adella Gray  
Councilmember Shirley Lucas  
Clerk/Treasurer Sondra Smith  
Councilmember Brenda Thiel

**Fordyce**

Clerk/Treasurer Ann Sutton

**Foreman**

Councilmember Bill Hard

**Forrest City**

Councilmember Danny Capps  
City Attorney Alan Cline  
Councilmember Louise Fields  
Councilmember Mary Jeffers  
Administrative Assistant Glynis Lynch  
Councilmember Chris Oswald  
Councilmember Cecil Twillie  
Councilmember Steve Hollowell

**Fort Smith**

City Director Bill Maddox

**Fountain Lake**

Councilmember John Pfenenger  
Councilmember Jane Tuma

**Garfield**

Mayor Laura Hamilton

**Garland**

Recorder/Treasurer Janice Hanson

**Gassville**

Councilmember Jeff Braim  
Mayor Danny Smith

**Gateway**

Councilmember Nadine Hawke  
Mayor Lida Schnitzer

**Gentry**

Councilmember Janice Arnold  
Councilmember Clara Garrett  
Mayor Wes Hogue  
Councilmember Jim Kooistra  
Finance Director Jo Ellen Martin  
Councilmember Janie Parks  
City Attorney Jay Williams

**Gillett**

Mayor Layton Mattmiller

**Glenwood**

Mayor Ron Martin  
Councilmember Verlin Price

**Gosnell**

Clerk/Treasurer Kathy Hogan

**Gould**

Councilmember Jimmy Bynum  
Police Officer Benson Edwards  
Councilmember Harry Hall  
Mayor Juanita Stephens

**Grady**

Recorder/Treasurer Lyndell Bradley  
Mayor Ed Hardin  
Councilmember Sandy Staggs  
Councilmember Jimmy Woodyard

**Gravette**

Mayor Bill Howard

**Green Forest**

Public Works Director Buddy Fry  
Councilmember Janet Jones  
Councilmember Willa Kerby  
City Attorney Ben Wulff

**Greenbrier**

City Attorney William Velek

**Greenland**

Mayor John Gray

**Greenwood**

City Clerk Wilma Cabe  
Mayor Kenneth Edwards  
City Attorney Mike Hamby  
Finance Director Dallas Melvin  
Administrative Assistant  
Sandra Traylor

**Greers Ferry**

Mayor Michelle Davis

**Hamburg**

Clerk/Treasurer Peggy Akers  
Mayor Gordon Hennington  
Councilmember Danny Mays  
Councilmember Joyce Myers  
Councilmember Johnnie Nolan  
Mayor Lionel Johnson

**Harrell**

Mayor Terry Anders  
Recorder/Treasurer Sandy Nash  
Councilmember Harrell Trotter

**Harrisburg**

Councilmember Fonda Eaton  
Mayor Donnie Faulkner  
City Attorney Ron Hunter

**Harrison**

Councilmember Mark Steven Fowler  
Mayor Pat Moles

**Hartford**

Councilmember Tammy Fancher  
Recorder/Treasurer  
Janice Fildes-Keller  
Councilmember Nelda Jo Frye  
Councilmember Judy Michael

**Haskell**

Councilmember Dwayne Hippensteel  
 Councilmember Janie Lyman  
 Recorder/Treasurer  
 Rose Marie Wilkinson

**Heber Springs**

Councilmember Tatum Bittle  
 Councilmember Jim Jackson  
 Councilmember James Lay  
 Mayor Jackie McPherson  
 Clerk Ann Santel

**Helena-West Helena**

General Manager Terry McGinister  
 Police Chief Vincent Bell  
 Battalion Chief Roderick Brown  
 Purchasing Coordinator Dana Flowers  
 Water & Sewer Director Ken Fratesi  
 Landfill Director Bob Gaston  
 Street Director Oscar Hoskins  
 Councilmember Tommy Hunt  
 Sanitation Director Victor Jordan  
 Lieutenant Bennie Phillips  
 Assistant Police Chief Ronald Scott  
 Court Administrator  
 Juanchitria Shields  
 City Attorney André Valley  
 Mayor James Valley  
 Councilmember Trece Williams  
 Fire Chief Reginald Wilson

**Hermitage**

Secretary Lanette Vines

**Higginson**

Mayor Randall Homsley

**Highland**

Councilmember Lawrence Allen  
 Councilmember Mary Jo Clark  
 Councilmember Jack Kimbrell  
 Mayor Jerome Norwood  
 Planning Commission Richard Smith  
 Recorder/Treasurer Mary Wiles

**Hope**

City Clerk Carol Almond  
 Human Resources Director  
 Charlotte Bradley  
 City Manager Catherine Cook

**Horseshoe Lake**

Mayor Betty Callahan  
 Councilmember Mary Cupples  
 Councilmember Robert Martin

**Hot Springs**

City Attorney Brian Albright  
 Animal Services Manager Dan Bugg  
 Deputy City Attorney Trent Daniels  
 Human Resources Director  
 Minnie Lenox  
 Planning Director Kathy Sellman  
 Parks & Recreation Director  
 Jean Wallace  
 Mayor Mike Bush  
 City Director Bill Edwards  
 Deputy City Manager Lance Hudnell  
 City Director Elaine Jones  
 City Manager Kent Myers  
 City Director Steve Smith  
 City Director Carroll Weatherford

**Hoxie**

Councilmember Sherry Moore  
 Mayor Donald Roberts  
 Clerk/Treasurer Katie Smith

**Huntsville**

City Attorney Howard Cain  
 Recorder/Treasurer Janice Smith

**Jacksonville**

City Attorney Robert Bamberg  
 Councilmember Kenny Elliott  
 Councilmember Bill Howard  
 Councilmember Kevin McCleary  
 Councilmember Reedie Ray  
 Councilmember Marshall Smith  
 Councilmember Bob Stroud  
 Mayor Tommy Swaim  
 Director of Administration  
 Jay Whisker

**Jasper**

Mayor Shannon Willis

**Jennette**

Councilmember Larry Mathis

**Jonesboro**

City Attorney Phillip Crego  
 Mayor Douglas Formon  
 Councilmember Faye McCall  
 Human Resources Director  
 Gloria Roark  
 Councilmember John Street  
 Parks & Recreation Director  
 Jason Wilkie

**Junction City**

Mayor Larry Carter

**Keiser**

Mayor Danny Fortner

**Knobel**

Mayor Doris Sellmeyer

**Lake City**

Clerk/Treasurer Linda Simpson

**Lake Village**

Councilmember Sammy Angel  
 City Attorney Laurie Bridewell  
 Mayor JoAnne Bush  
 City Clerk Lynette Graham  
 Councilmember Joe Dan Yee

**Lakeview**

Councilmember Joe Gies

**Lamar**

Councilmember Jerry Boen  
 Secretary Carolyn Morgan  
 Councilmember Sissy Stumbaugh  
 Councilmember Wanda Willis

**Lavaca**

City Attorney Orville Clift

**Leachville**

City Attorney Chris Jester  
 City Clerk Ruth Keith  
 Mayor Shelia Spurlock

**Lead Hill**

Mayor Jimmie Lou Nuessner

**Little Rock**

City Director Joan Adcock  
 Personnel Director Don Flegal  
 Intergovernmental Affairs Manager  
 Odies Wilson  
 City Clerk Nancy Wood  
 Assistant to Mayor Shayla Beebe  
 Mayor Mark Stodola

**Lonoke**

City Clerk Billie Uzzell

**Lowell**

Councilmember Carol Harmon  
 Clerk/Treasurer Janette Lasater  
 Director of Engineering Tony Davis  
 Councilmember Jerry Foley  
 Director of Engineering  
 Shawn Ingram  
 Councilmember Eric Schein

**Madison**

Mayor Bobby Hardrick

**Magnolia**

City Attorney Ronny Bell  
 Mayor Lane Jean  
 Councilmember James Moore

**Malvern**

Parks Commission Chairman  
 Terry Bracy  
 Treasurer Becky Draper  
 Fire Chief Keith Frazier  
 Mayor Stephen Northcutt

**Manila**

Councilmember Leroy Douglas  
 Mayor Clifford Veach  
 Councilmember Donnie Wagner  
 City Attorney Wayne Wagner

**Mansfield**

Recorder/Treasurer Anna Sterling

**Marianna**

Councilmember Martin Chaffin  
 Councilmember Oliver Hightower  
 Mayor Robert Taylor  
 Councilmember Jimmy Williams

**Marion**

Councilmember Richard Cockrill  
 Mayor Frank Fogleman

**Marked Tree**

Mayor Dixon Chandler  
 City Attorney Mike Dabney  
 Alderman Mike Scott  
 Clerk/Treasurer Pamela Wright

**Marshall**

Mayor James Busbee  
 Recorder/Treasurer Beverly Morton

**Marvell**

Mayor Winston Foster

**Maumelle**

City Clerk Joshua Clausen  
 Mayor Mike Watson

**Mayflower**

Mayor Randy Holland  
 Councilmember Judy Manley  
 Animal Control Officer J. Neal Wood

**Maynard**

Councilmember Bill Eagle  
 Mayor Don Sikes  
 Councilmember Ida May Weatherford

**McCaskill**

Mayor Marion Hoosier

**McCrory**

City Attorney Joe Peacock  
 Mayor Ronnie Pittman

**McDougal**

Recorder/Treasurer Bobby Brown

**McGehee**

Mayor Jack May

**McRae**

Mayor Robert Sullivan

**Melbourne**

Mayor Mike Cone  
 Councilmember Shannon Womack

**Mena**

Administrative Assistant Becky Horton  
 Fire Chief John Puckett  
 Councilmember James Turner  
 Clerk/Treasurer Regina Walker

**Menifee**

Mayor Stanley Morris  
 Councilmember Margarette Oliver

**Mineral Springs**

City Attorney LeAnne Daniel  
 Fire Chief Budd Dunson  
 Police Chief Billy Kuykendall

**Monette**

Mayor Jerry Qualls

**Monticello**

Mayor Joe Rogers

**Montrose**

Mayor Larry Coulter

**Morrilton**

Mayor Bobby Kirby

**Mount Vernon**

Mayor Anneliese Armstrong

**Mountain Home**

Councilmember Jennifer Baker  
 Councilmember Frank Kaye  
 Councilmember Marshella Norell  
 Mayor David Osmon  
 City Attorney Roger Morgan

**Mulberry**

Mayor Betty Feller

**Nashville**

Councilmember Nick Davis  
 Public Works Director Larry Dunaway  
 Councilmember Jackie Harwell  
 Assistant Police Chief Dale Pierce  
 Mayor Mike Reese  
 Councilmember Kelly Sherman  
 City Attorney George Steel  
 Councilmember Vivian Wright  
 Police Chief Larry Yates

**Newport**

Councilmember Sheridan Cole  
 Clerk/Treasurer Linda Treadway

**Norfolk**

Recorder/Treasurer Donna Hinton  
 Councilmember Ronald Ragsdale  
 Mayor Jim Reeves  
 Councilmember Donald Sappington

**Norphlet**

Mayor Jim Crotty  
 Recorder/Treasurer Janet Kennedy

**North Little Rock**

Assistant City Attorney Bill Brown  
 City Attorney Jason Carter  
 Assistant City Attorney Paula Jones  
 Mayor Patrick Hays  
 City Treasurer Mary Ruth Morgan  
 Director of Finance Bob Sisson  
 City Clerk & Collector Diane Whitbey  
 Councilmember Murry Witcher

**Osceola**

Councilmember Joe Guy

**Ozark**

Councilmember Rex Anderson  
 Mayor Vernon McDaniel  
 Councilmember Tommy McNutt  
 City Clerk Carol Sneath  
 City Attorney Neva Witt

**Paragould**

Councilmember Randy Aden  
 Councilmember Jackie Branch  
 HR Director Sherry Childress  
 Mayor Mike Gaskill  
 Councilmember Farrell Gibson  
 Councilmember Sharron Joy  
 Councilmember Charles Long  
 City Attorney Randy Philhours  
 City Clerk Judy Reddick  
 Councilmember Mark Rowland  
 Councilmember Bonnie Wyatt

**Paris**

Councilmember Elwood Brooks  
 Mayor Bill Elsen  
 Councilmember David Rhineheart  
 Councilmember Black Schluterman  
 Councilmember Raymond Sharum  
 Councilmember Bret Sullivan  
 City Clerk Mary Sullivan  
 City Attorney John Cory Wells

**Parkin**

Mayor Charles Patterson

**Pea Ridge**

Mayor Jackie Crabtree

**Perryville**

Mayor Howard Porter

**Piggott**

City Attorney John Lingle  
 City Clerk Ramona Magee  
 Mayor Gerald Morris





# ACCRTA elects officers

Texarkana City Clerk Patti Scott Grey, seated, is the new president of the Arkansas City Clerks, Recorders, Treasurers Association. Other new officers are DeQueen City Clerk Donna Jones, first vice president, standing from left; Cabot City Clerk Marva Verkler, 2nd vice president; Lake Village City Clerk Lynette Graham, secretary; and Fort Smith Deputy Clerk Sherri Gard, treasurer, not pictured.

### **Pine Bluff**

City Attorney Carol Billings  
HR Director Ken Ferguson  
Councilmember Irene Holcomb  
Finance Director Steven Miller  
Mayor Carl Redus

### **Plumerville**

Mayor Ed Paladino

### **Pocahontas**

Mayor Gary Crocker  
Councilmember Keith Futrell  
City Attorney Joe Grider  
Clerk/Treasurer Sheila Rose  
Councilmember Danny Swann

### **Pottsville**

Mayor Jerry Duvall  
Councilmember Donnie Elliott  
Councilmember John Heflin  
Councilmember Larry Shingleur  
Recorder/Treasurer Carless Teeter

### **Prairie Grove**

Mayor Sonny Hudson

### **Prescott**

Mayor Howard Taylor

### **Redfield**

City Attorney Greg Vardaman

### **Rockport**

Planning Commission Carl Cook  
Planning Commission Chairman  
Dan Long

### **Rogers**

City Clerk Peggy David

### **Rondo**

Fire Chief Jimmy Perry

### **Russellville**

Councilmember Randal Crouch  
Parks & Recreation Director  
Mack Hollis  
Finance Director Jeanette Small  
City Attorney Trey Smith  
Human Resources Director  
Christi Williams

### **Salesville**

Mayor Tim Mayfield

### **Searcy**

Code Enforcement Director  
Mike Cleveland  
Councilmember Dale English  
Clerk/Treasurer Tammy Gowen  
Mayor Belinda LaForce  
City Engineer Mark Lane  
Police Chief Kyle Osborne  
Human Resource Director Jay Shock

### **Sherwood**

Councilmember Marina Brooks  
City Attorney Stephen Cobb  
Councilmember Lex Davis  
Mayor Bill Harmon  
Councilmember Charlie Harmon  
Parks & Recreation Director  
Sonny Janssen

### **Siloam Springs**

City Administrator David Cameron  
Police Chief Joe Garrett  
City Director Mark Long  
City Director Carol Smiley  
City Director John Turner  
Mayor M.L. Van Poucke Jr.  
City Director Ken Wiles  
City Clerk Peggy Woody

### **Smackover**

Mayor Bobby Neal  
Recorder/Treasurer Carolyn Willett

### **Springdale**

Mayor Jerre Van Hoose  
District Judge's Office Mikel Blocker  
City Attorney Jeff Harper

### **St. Charles**

Mayor Robert Patrick

### **Stamps**

Mayor Ian Ouei  
Councilmember Jo Gwen Phillips

### **Star City**

Councilmember Kelly Goins  
Councilmember David McCoy  
Mayor Gene Yarbrough

### **Strong**

Mayor Daryell Howell

### **Stuttgart**

Personnel Director Carol Ables  
Clerk/Treasurer Mitri Greenhill  
Finance Officer Jane Jackson  
Mayor Marianne Maynard  
Police Chief Michael Smith  
Councilmember Donald Stephens  
Councilmember Johnnie Warren

### **Texarkana**

Interim City Manager Harold Boldt  
City Director Shirley Bradley  
City Director Patsy Cornelius  
City Director Chad Dowd  
City Clerk Patti Grey  
Executive Assistant Karen Lovejoy  
Mayor Horace Shipp  
Assistant Mayor Londell Williams

### **Thornton**

City Manager Jackie Gray  
Mayor Levenis Penix  
Councilmember Martiel Womble

### **Tollette**

Councilmember Darlena Brown  
Councilmember Hazel McGhee  
Mayor Charles Miller

### **Trumann**

City Clerk/Treasurer  
Marlene Hancock  
Mayor Sheila Walters

### **Tuckerman**

Councilmember Bearl Bennett

### **Van Buren**

Clerk/Treasurer Barbie Curtis  
Mayor Bob Freeman  
Councilmember Kevin Johnson

### **Vilonia**

Mayor Ken Belote

### **Waldo**

Mayor Rodney Williams

### **Waldron**

Mayor Randy Butler  
Councilmember Lanis Harwell  
Clerk/Treasurer Sherry Johnston

### **Walnut Ridge**

Mayor Michelle Rogers  
City Attorney Larry Steele

### **Ward**

City Attorney Cling McGue  
Clerk/Treasurer John Barclay  
Mayor Art Brooke  
Council Member Charles Gastineau  
Councilmember Don Howard  
Council Member Jeff Shaver  
Council Member Ginger Tarno  
Councilmember Glen Walden

### **Warren**

City Attorney David Chambers  
Councilmember Dorothy Henderson  
Mayor Bryan Martin  
Councilmember Marty Reep  
Councilmember Joel Tolefree

### **West Fork**

Mayor Jeff Baker  
Clerk/Treasurer Paula Caudle

### **West Memphis**

Councilmember Herman Coleman  
Councilmember Clarence Davis  
Sr. Deputy City Clerk  
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From left, League staffers Jane Barnett, left, and Tammie Williams, right, prepare Convention packets behind the registration tables; the tables are set in Horner Ballroom for the 73rd Convention opening night banquet; the Arkansas City Clerks, Recorders, Treasurers Association hears committee reports and elects officers for the year at its annual meeting during the Convention.

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Clockwise from top left, Conway Mayor Tab Townsell, left, former Batesville Mayor Jim Shirrell, center, and former Morrilton Mayor Stewart Nelson, all past League presidents, chat after the general session; burgers and hot dogs were popular picks during the luncheon buffet in the exhibit hall; Little Rock Mayor Mark Stodola, left, and League Assistant Director Ken Wasson eye the salad and potato bar during the luncheon buffet; Sherman Banks of Sister Cities International chats with the League's Debby Wilkins at the League services booth in the exhibit hall; eighteen of Helena-West Helena's 27 attendees, the largest delegation at the Convention, pose after the opening night banquet; Springdale Mayor Jerre Van Hoose, left, and North Little Rock Mayor Patrick Hays will soon have a friendly minor league baseball rivalry when the Arkansas Travelers battle the Springdale-based Northwest Arkansas Naturals.

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## Caucus takes Mississippi Delta issues to D.C.

The culturally and agriculturally rich Mississippi Delta region in the heart of the United States continues to suffer the highest poverty rates in the nation. The Mississippi Delta Grassroots Caucus, by encouraging communication and cooperation among local, state and federal leaders, is working hard to change that.

By Andrew Morgan, League staff

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Ask the nation’s leaders how to begin to lift the perpetually troubled Mississippi Delta from its state of decline and you’ll likely get more discouraged and confounded head shaking than potential solutions.

U.S. Rep. Marion Berry, a native of Gillett in Arkansas’s Mississippi Delta, wonders how the region with “good land, good water and good people” could remain so impoverished.

“That’s not how it’s supposed to work,” Berry told those attending the Mississippi Delta Grassroots Caucus, a series of meetings held May 8-10 in Washington, D.C.

To combat the seemingly overwhelming problems in the Mississippi Delta, which encompasses eight states, the Caucus maintains a very grassroots-oriented mentality, focusing its efforts on encouraging regional coopera-

tion and encouraging sustainable models of growth in the nation’s poorest communities. The Caucus brought together during the conference local leaders, congressmen, presidential appointees and others to promote the work of the Delta Regional Authority, including the agency’s technology and transportation plans; to encourage the development of a strong 2007 farm bill, one which includes adequate funding for rural development, a safety net for farmers and a strong focus on hunger relief; and to discuss and promote the many programs offering hope in the region.

Arkansas’s congressional delegates made a strong showing during the sessions and expressed continued support for the work being done in the Delta by the DRA and others.

Arkansas Sen. Blanche Lincoln, who is a “product of

the Delta,” hailing originally from Helena, now Helena-West Helena, pledged to fight to increase funding to the DRA. The agency has never come close to receiving the



“I’m a product of the Delta, and I’m very proud of that,” Arkansas Sen. Blanche Lincoln told local and federal leaders and advocates for the perpetually troubled region. Lincoln pledged to “fight to the end” to see that the DRA receives more funding and that a strong Farm Bill is passed by the 110th Congress. More than 500,000 Arkansans live in food insecurity, she said. “It breaks the heart of this farm girl.”

especially to promote the burgeoning biofuels industry, which, he said, could lead to a true economic revival in the region.

Ross suggested Delta states should follow Minnesota’s lead and require that 10 percent of gasoline be ethanol. Apart from creating new jobs and new markets in the region, such a policy would help lessen our dependence on foreign oil. Spending money on gasoline made with foreign oil indirectly funds terrorism, Ross said, whereas spending money on ethanol funds local business, local farmers. “It’s time to invest in America again.”

Berry, who represents Arkansas’s 1st Congressional District, spoke of the Delta programs he’s excited about, including the Crossroads Coalition, a partnership of cities, businesses, educational institutions and others working to enhance broad economic development in a 10-county eastern Arkansas region. Berry is committed, he said, to secure and renew funding for rural healthcare providers, and has since unveiled the Healthcare Access and Rural Equity (H-Care) Act of 2007, a bill that aims

\$30 million initially budgeted upon the agency’s creation in 2000.

“We’ve never gotten enough resources, but we’re gonna keep hammering away,” Lincoln said.

Lincoln also said a strong farm bill is critical, especially for the Delta, where agriculture is 20 percent of the economy.

Arkansas Rep. Mike Ross expressed great disappointment in the relative lack of federal investment in the region. “We send \$12 million an hour to Iraq with no accountability,” he said. Imagine how the Delta could use that money,

## Delta links

Delta Regional Authority  
[www.dra.gov](http://www.dra.gov)

The Delta Studies Center  
and the Mississippi Delta  
Grassroots Caucus  
[www.clt.astate.edu/dsc](http://www.clt.astate.edu/dsc)

The DRA’s Web site is a one-stop information hub for the federal agency working to enhance economic development and improve the quality of life in the 240 counties and parishes in its jurisdiction. At the site you’ll find facts about the Delta; region events and news updates; links to the DRA’s studies and plans, including the recently unveiled information technology and transportation plans; and information and eligibility requirements for federal and state grant programs.

The Delta Studies Center (DSC), led by Director Peggy Wright, was established at Arkansas State University in 1994 to study and promote economic and cultural development in the region. The Web site features a wealth of information about DSC initiatives that are, as the site says, “preserving the past, enriching the present, and shaping the future.”

The DSC also hosts the Mississippi Delta Grassroots Caucus Web site. Here Caucus Director Lee Powell posts regular updates on Delta issues.

to help providers deliver quality care to impoverished rural areas. He also expressed support for a strong and well-funded farm bill.

Berry's tone took a sharp turn, however, when it came to increasing funding to the DRA, the federal agency charged with promoting widespread economic development in the region.

The DRA, he claimed, lacks a comprehensive plan and has not sufficiently accounted for where its relatively small allocation of money goes. Until the agency does so, he said, he sees no reason to dole out more money.

"I don't care if the DRA doesn't get a dime."

It wasn't the kind of thing the Caucus wanted to hear at the event, one of the main objectives of which was to encourage Congress to increase support for the DRA, and it certainly wasn't what they wanted to hear from a member of the House Appropriations Committee and someone they've considered a friend of the Delta.

The DRA and its supporters considered Berry's remarks insulting and in turn fired back.

The DRA has been very forthcoming with Berry and Congress, DRA Alternate Federal Co-Chair Rex Nelson rebutted, noting that all their efforts are documented also on the group's Web site.

Caucus Director Lee Powell agreed. "Rex is right. They've accounted for every paperclip they've bought."



Sen. Thad Cochran of Mississippi, who as chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee was instrumental in doubling the DRA's recommended appropriation from \$6 million to \$12 million, urged communities to communicate with their congressional leaders, who rely on their constituents to inform them of local needs. "I want you to feel free to tell us what you think. Don't be bashful."

"[Berry] threw water on the whole notion of why we're up here to begin with," said a clearly frustrated Kevin Smith, a long-time Delta business leader and former state senator.

Local leaders and the DRA can place some hope in the strong support shown by Lincoln, Pryor, Ross, and especially Sen. Thad Cochran of Mississippi, the ranking senior member of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The Senate in late June approved \$12 million for the DRA in the energy and water appropriations bill, doubling

for the second year the \$6 million set by the administration and the House.

But even that amount is a drop in the bucket for the large region in the heart of the country. That \$12 million is spread dangerously thin across eight states. That's 240 counties and parishes. As Ross said, "You do the math."

Often using its limited funds to act as a local match to help the poorest Delta communities qualify for federal, state and private grant money, in the last five years the DRA has leveraged \$48.5 million in federal funds to obtain an additional \$213 million in other federal funds and \$493.4 million in private sector funds. This total investment of \$754.9 million has led to 31,000 new or retained jobs, new water or sewer service to more than 24,000 families and job training for more than 6,200 people across the region.

The DRA in February unleashed its Delta Development Highway System (DDHS), a multimodal plan for improving the Interstate 55 and Interstate 40 corridors. Based in part on the success of the Appalachian Regional Commission's highway system, the \$18.5 billion plan calls for 3,843 miles of highway improvements across the region, including 704 miles of new or improved highways and roads in Arkansas. The DRA estimates that the system will yield an estimated \$3.5 billion annually in economic benefits once completed, including higher paying jobs and improved local economies.

The DDHS includes also the development of the proposed Interstate 69 corridor, which will traverse many of the nation's poorest counties throughout the Delta region. I-69 will link Canada to Mexico and is expected to improve international trade in the Delta.

The DRA on the eve of the May Caucus unveiled also its information technology plan for the region. Entitled "iDelta: Information Technology in the Delta," the plan aims to improve education, enhance business and improve access to healthcare in the Delta through greater access to information technology. The region lags behind the nation in high-speed Internet access.

"Information technology is as critical to the advancement of the region as highways," DRA Federal Co-Chair Pete Johnson said in a news release. "We would never dream of limiting the access of drivers to publicly funded highways. By the same token, we must make sure people have access to the information highways."

The DRA has clearly made the most of its limited budget, and the Senate Appropriations Committee in its funding recommendation included language praising the agency's work in the region: "The Government Accountability Office recently reported that the DRA has a commendable record in the percentage of funds spent in rural America, and the Committee recognizes the DRA's role in bettering this underserved area of the nation."







## Madison mayor brings struggling city's needs before Caucus

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Madison Mayor Bobby Hardrick, above right, had the opportunity to discuss Delta rural development issues on a panel that included Jack Gleason, the USDA's administrator of business and cooperative programs, left, Joe Belden, associate director of the National Housing Assistance Council, middle, and others on Thursday, May 10, at USDA headquarters in Washington, D.C.

The problems facing Madison, a city of just under 1,000 in St. Francis County, are unfortunately typical of many small, poor cities and towns across the Delta.

Madison can't support schools. "Students are bused into the nearest city for educating but return to a community that can't provide the tutoring programs or computer labs for students whose parents can't afford to provide the latest technology in the home," Hardrick said.

City streets—many of which are still gravel—and the sewer system have greatly deteriorated over the years. Streets and yards flood with nearly every rain.

"If we could repair the sidewalks and drainage system, the value of real estate in Madison would

substantially increase, thus opening up many other opportunities for our citizens," Hardrick said. Grants may be available for such improvement projects, but Madison and other communities are often too poor to provide funding for a local match.

(Providing the local match is one area the DRA can help, though the agency's ability to do so has been hindered by limited funding, Caucus Director Lee Powell noted. The agency last year only had funding for 334 projects out of a total of 1,492 proposals, he said.)

Apart from a plant manufacturing embalming fluid, very few businesses operate in once-booming Madison. Hardrick attributes this at least partly to the absence of an exit to the city on nearby Interstate 40. An exit would bring visitors, jobs and infrastructure improvements, Hardrick believes.

Mayor Sheldon Day of Thomasville, Ala., agreed. The fuel tax receipts from a single gas station at an exit can make a huge difference in a city like Madison's budget. It's money with which they could fund much needed infrastructure improvements.

—Andrew Morgan



# Municipalities must publish semiannual financial statements

The time is rapidly arriving for the semiannual reporting of each city's financial statement. Refer to the **2005-2006 Handbook for Arkansas Municipal Officials**, Section 14-59-116, pg. 598, and Section 14-237-113, pg. 845.

The first reference provides that the governing body of each municipality shall publish semiannually in a legal newspaper of general circulation in the municipality a **FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE MUNICIPALITY** by Sept. 1 covering the first six months (January through the end of June) of the current calendar year.

The financial statements should include the receipts and

expenditures for the six-month period and also a statement of the indebtedness and financial condition of the municipality.

The latter law, 14-237-113, provides a similar publication requirement for the operating authority of the **WATER and SEWER DEPARTMENTS**. Water and sewer departments administered by one or two commissions must comply with the law. If the water and sewer departments are administered by the city council, then it is the responsibility of the city council to comply with Section 14-237-113.

Suggested Forms A, B and C follow. For additional information, call the League at 501-374-3484.

The suggested **FORM A** is for use by cities of the first class and second class to comply with 14-59-116.

<b>Form A</b>		
City of _____		
(first or second class)		
Financial Statement January 1, 2007-June 30, 2007		
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>		
Balance January 1, 2006		\$ _____
Cash Receipts		
General Turnback	\$ _____	
5-Mill Tax	\$ _____	
Franchise Tax	\$ _____	
Occupation Tax	\$ _____	
Liquor and Beer Tax	\$ _____	
Local Sales Taxes	\$ _____	
Other City Taxes	\$ _____	
Court Fines and Fees	\$ _____	
Sanitation Charges	\$ _____	
Other Permits and Charges	\$ _____	
Total Receipts		\$ _____
Total General Fund Available		\$ _____
Expenditures		
Administrative Expense	\$ _____	
Salaries	\$ _____	
Social Security	\$ _____	
Utilities	\$ _____	
Supplies	\$ _____	
Fixed Assets	\$ _____	
Other	\$ _____	
Total Expenditures		\$ _____
Balance General Fund June 30, 2006		\$ _____
<b>STREET FUND</b>		
Balance January 1, 2006		\$ _____
State Highway Revenue	\$ _____	
County Road Tax	\$ _____	
Other Street Revenues	\$ _____	
Total Street Revenues		\$ _____
Total Available Street Fund		\$ _____
Expenditures		
Salaries	\$ _____	
Supplies	\$ _____	
Other	\$ _____	
Total Expenditures		\$ _____
Balance Street Fund June 30, 2007		\$ _____
<b>BONDED INDEBTEDNESS</b>		
Type of Debt	Amount	Date Last Payment Due
General Obligation	\$ _____	
Water Revenue		
Sewer Revenue		
Other		Date Free of Debt
Total	\$ _____	
All financial records for the City of _____ are public records and are open for public inspection during regular business hours of ____ A.M. to ____ P.M., Monday through Friday, at City Hall in _____, Arkansas.		
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The suggested **FORM B** is for use by incorporated towns to comply with 14-59-116. It may be posted in five (5) public places rather than published in towns where no newspaper is published.

<b>Form B</b>		
Incorporated Town of _____		
Financial Statement January 1, 2007-June 30, 2007		
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>		
Balance January 1, 2006		\$ _____
Cash Receipts		
State General Turnback	\$ _____	
Local Sales Taxes	\$ _____	
City General Taxes	\$ _____	
Other Receipts	\$ _____	
Total Receipts		\$ _____
Total General Fund Available		\$ _____
Expenditures		
Salaries	\$ _____	
Utilities	\$ _____	
Supplies	\$ _____	
Fixed Assets	\$ _____	
Other	\$ _____	
Total Expenditures		\$ _____
Balance General Fund June 30, 2006		\$ _____
<b>STREET FUND</b>		
Balance January 1, 2006		\$ _____
State Highway Revenue	\$ _____	
County Road Tax	\$ _____	
Other Street Revenues	\$ _____	
Total Street Revenues		\$ _____
Total Available Street Fund		\$ _____
Expenditures		
Salaries	\$ _____	
Supplies	\$ _____	
Other	\$ _____	
Total Expenditures		\$ _____
Balance Street Fund June 30, 2007		\$ _____
<b>BONDED INDEBTEDNESS</b>		
Type of Debt	Amount	Date Last Payment Due
Water Revenue	\$ _____	
Sewer Revenue		
Other		Date Free of Debt
Total	\$ _____	
All financial records for the Town of _____ are public records and are open for public inspection during regular business hours of ____ A.M. to ____ P.M., Monday through Friday, at Town Hall in _____, Arkansas.		
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see next page for **FORM C**

The suggested **FORM C** is for use by Water and Sewer Departments to comply with 14-237-113.

<b>Form C</b>		
City or Town of _____		
Financial Statement January 1, 2007—June 30, 2007		
<b>WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENTS</b>		
Balance January 1, 2006		\$ _____
Cash Receipts		
Water Payments	\$ _____	
Sewer Payments	\$ _____	
Sanitation Funds	\$ _____	
Other	\$ _____	
Total Receipts		\$ _____
Total Funds Available		\$ _____
Expenditures		
Salaries	\$ _____	
Social Security	\$ _____	
Supplies	\$ _____	
Fixed Assets	\$ _____	
Other	\$ _____	
Total Expenditures		\$ _____
Balance Water and Sewer Fund June 30, 2007		\$ _____
<b>BONDED INDEBTEDNESS</b>		
<b>Type of Debt</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Date Last Payment Due</b>
General Obligation (Water or Sewer)	\$ _____	
Water Revenue		
Sewer Revenue		
Other		Date Free of Debt _____
Total	\$ _____	
<p>All financial records of the Water and Sewer Department of (City or Town) of _____ are public records and are open for public inspection during regular business hours of ____ A.M. to ____ P.M., Monday through Friday, at the Water Department in _____, Arkansas.</p> <p>If the record is in active use or in storage and, therefore, not available at the time a citizen asks to examine it, the custodian shall certify this fact in writing to the applicant and set a date and hour within three (3) days at which time the record will be available for inspection and copying.</p>		



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## Municipal Notes

### DHS calls for Volunteer Community of the Year nominations

The Arkansas Department of Health and Human Services Division of Volunteerism is accepting nominations for the 2007 Volunteer Community of the Year Awards, DHHS has announced. The DHHS Division of Volunteerism co-sponsors the awards with the Municipal League and the governor's office.

The Division of Volunteerism presents the awards each year to 12 communities across the state in recognition for their volunteer efforts. Winners will be announced at the League's Winter Conference, Jan. 9-11 in Little Rock.

Volunteer Communities of the Year in 2006 were Cherokee Village, Clarkridge, Emerson, Fort Smith, Gilbert, Heber Springs, Hot Springs, London, Maumelle, Mountain Home, Mountain View and Van Buren.

The deadline for nominations is Sept. 28. For a Volunteer Community of the Year nomination form, visit the Division of Volunteerism Web site, [www.arkansas.gov/dhhs/adov](http://www.arkansas.gov/dhhs/adov); write to Rebecca Burton, DHHS Division of Volunteerism, P.O. Box 1437, Slot S-230, Little Rock, AR 72203; or call 501-682-7540.



### Little Rock lands steel pipe giant

India-based conglomerate Welspun Gujarat Stahl Rohren Ltd. has announced it will build a steel pipe manufacturing plant in Little Rock, its first in North America, *Arkansas News Bureau* reported July 3.

The city and state put together a \$14.25 million incentive package to lure the manufacturer to a 740-acre site adjacent to the Little Rock Port Authority. The package includes a \$1.75 million community development block grant and \$1.5 million in economic infrastructure funds from the Economic Development Commission, \$6 million in bonds guaranteed by the Development Finance Authority, property tax breaks and state-assisted employee training assistance.

"It's a good investment for Arkansas," Gov. Mike Beebe said. "These incentives helped bring a \$100 million manufacturing plant to our state and Welspun's decision to make Little Rock its North American headquarters will potentially pay further dividends in the future."

Welspun officials expect the annual revenue from production at the plant to range between \$300 million and \$400 million. Employees will make an average annual salary of \$25,000, making for an expected \$7.5 million annual payroll within two years.

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### APAC accepting nominations for CPM program

The Arkansas Public Administration Consortium (APAC) is accepting nominations for the Certified Public Manager (CPM) program, APAC has announced in a news release. The CPM program, designed for middle to upper level managers in both state and local government and non-profit agencies, gives professionals the tools necessary to meet the changing roles and resource challenges facing public organizations.

Program participants attain the Arkansas Governmental Manager (AGM) designation by completing six two-day courses and preparing a project plan to address a relevant agency problem and apply practical course knowledge. Participants can achieve national Certified Public Manager (CPM) status by completing

(see **Briefs**, page 41)

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# Summaries of attorney general opinions

Recent opinions that affect municipal government in Arkansas

From the Office of Attorney General Dustin McDaniel

## Authority of county planning board depends on several factors

Opinion: 2007-056

Requestor: Glidewell, Frank—State Representative

Can any quorum court in the State of Arkansas establish a planning commission that exercises authority only over land covered by the five-mile jurisdiction where a municipality may or can evoke authority? Q2) Can any quorum court establish a planning commission that exercises authority in the unincorporated area excluding land covered by a municipality's five-mile jurisdictional area? Q3) If a quorum court can establish a planning commission covering only the land in the five-mile area, will the county planning commission's authority supersede the municipality's authority? Q4) Because all municipalities are within the county, can a county planning commission evoke power over the land within the municipality? Q5) The current situation allows the municipality to invoke the power within a five-mile area. Does this constitute a "taking" in violation of the U.S. or Arkansas Constitutions? Q6) Does the current situation of regulation of county residents without representation of county residents violate due process under the U.S. or Arkansas Constitutions? Q7) Are there any other foreseeable issues this action may cause under state or federal law? **RESPONSE:** Q1) Yes, but the precise extent of the county planning board's "authority" will depend upon the particular authority at issue and whether the city is exercising its exclusive jurisdiction under the municipal planning subchapter of the Arkansas Code. See ACA 14-17-205, 14-17-206, 14-17-207, 14-17-209, 14-56-413, Q2) Yes. Q3) Generally speaking, the county planning board's jurisdiction over land development will not supersede the municipality's validly enacted regulations to control the development of land in the extraterritorial jurisdiction, but the county board's zoning jurisdiction will extend to the area if the city is not situated on a navigable stream. See 14-56-412, 14-56-413, 14-56-417, 14-56-422, 14-17-208. Q4) No. Q5) This is a question of fact. See Opinion 2001-239 for general principles. Q6) No. Nor is there an equal protection problem. Q7) I cannot speculate regarding any other foreseeable issues arising from a city's extraterritorial powers, particularly without reference to any specific exercise of authority.

## Compensation statute applies also to attorneys

Opinion: 2007-059

Requestor: McCune, Marc—Prosecuting Attorney, 21st Judicial District

Is ACA 21-5-107 permissible to the extent it would deprive an individual of income earned in commission of one or more elected positions? Q2) Would enforcement of ACA 21-5-107 violate the Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 U.S.C. Sec. 201, et seq. and/or the Minimum Wage Act of the State of Arkansas, ACA 11-4-201 et seq.? Q3) Would application of ACA 21-5-107 to a licensed attorney, holding more than one elective position as city attorney for a first- or second-class city, be an impermissible regulation of the practice of law impinging on the Supreme Court's power to regulate the practice of law pursuant to Ark. Const. amend. 28? **RESPONSE:** Q1) Yes. The statute does not contravene any state or federal directive regarding the compensation of licensed attorneys. Specifically, I believe the statute would not run afoul either of the equal protection guarantees set forth in U.S. Const. amend. 14 and Ark. Const. art. 2, Secs. 2 and 18 or of the provisions of Ark. Const. amend. 28, which locates primary, but not exclusive, regulatory control over the practice of law in the Arkansas Supreme Court. Q2) No. An elected officer is exempted from the minimum-wage provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act and, in all likelihood, from the provisions of the Arkansas Minimum Wage Act. With respect to the latter, even if an elected official might fall within the general coverage provisions of the Arkansas Minimum Wage Act, I believe ACA 21-5-107 would nevertheless exempt the official because it more specifically addresses the situation of dual elective-office holding. Q3) No. Although Amendment 28 locates in the supreme court the ultimate authority to regulate the practice of law, the amendment has not been interpreted to foreclose legislative regulation that does not contravene supreme court regulations. No such contravention arises from the application of ACA 21-5-107.

## Commissioner must be resident three years prior to appointment

Opinion: 2007-063

Requestor: Harris, Eric—State Representative  
Pursuant to provisions of ACA 14-51-202(a), are civil

service commissioners required to be residents of the city for three years immediately preceding their appointment or must they have resided in the city for three years at some point prior to their appointment? Q2) Can a long-time city resident move away and then be appointed to the civil service commission two years after returning to the city? **RESPONSE:** The statute at issue would benefit from legislative clarification. I believe a reviewing court would in all likelihood construe ACA 14-51-202(a) as having removed by amendment what had been a previous requirement that civil service commissioners be residents of the city for more than three years immediately preceding their appointment. Although the issue is not entirely free from doubt, under ACA 14-51-202(a) as amended, I believe a commissioner need only have resided in the city he serves for more than three years at any point prior to his appointment.

### **City cannot charge criminal affidavit filing fee**

Opinion: 2007-066  
Requestor: Pate, Mark—State Representative  
Can a city court clerk require an individual who is requesting, by affidavit, a warrant for the arrest of another individual to pay a \$25 filing fee as prescribed in ACA 16-10-303? **RESPONSE:** As my immediate predecessor opined to you in Op. Att’y Gen. 2003-148, a fee for filing a criminal affidavit in city courts “is not authorized by any law.” Additionally, the code section cited by the City Court Judge in his request for an opinion, after a relevant amendment by Act 1809 of 2001, clearly addresses only the filing fee for initiating a “civil cause of action” in city court. ACA 16-10-303(a) (Supp. 2005). It is axiomatic that a criminal complaint is not a civil cause of action. Furthermore, ACA 16-10-305 (Supp. 2005) specifically delineates the court costs that may be charged under the Uniform Filing Fees and Court Costs Act. I agree with my predecessor and reiterate that it is my opinion that there is no authority for a city court to impose a twenty-five dollar (\$25) “filing fee” on an individual completing an affidavit for a warrant of arrest initiating a criminal case. I have enclosed copies of Ops. Att’y Gen. Nos. 2003-148 and 2003-042 for your convenience.

### **City may award firearm; county cannot**

Opinion: 2007-161  
Requestor: Threet, John—Prosecuting Attorney,  
4th Judicial District

Q1) Is Act 365 of 2007 (adding new section ACA 14-52-112), which awards certain law enforcement officers their service revolvers upon retirement, constitutional? Q2) Does a county quorum court have authority to pass an ordinance that would allow the county sheriff and his


deputies to be awarded their pistols upon retirement? **RESPONSE:** Q1) The act is likely constitutional under the “public purpose doctrine.” See Ark. Const. article 12, section 5. Q2) No, absent express statutory authority similar to Act 365. See Ark. Const. amendment 55, section 1(a); ACA 14-14-805(2) and 14-14-1312.

### **Workers’ Comp. claims cannot be transferred**

Opinion: 2007-162  
Requestor: Reeves, Olan W.—Chair, Workers’  
Compensation Commission

In light of the changes made regarding new claims filed against the Workers’ Compensation Second Injury Fund by Act 1415 of 2007, (amending ACA 11-9-525), can existing and pending claimants’ claims which are determined to be permanently and totally disabled be transferred to the Death and Permanent Total Disability Trust Fund for continued payment after January 1, 2008?

**RESPONSE:** The identified claims cannot be transferred from the Second Injury Fund to the Death and Permanent Total Disability Trust Fund without legislative authorization. Current law in my opinion requires that these claims must be paid from the Second Injury Fund.



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# One year later: Pine Bluff's pit bull ban

Several cities across Arkansas have restricted pit bull terrier ownership or have banned the dogs outright, including Jonesboro, Mountain Home and Siloam Springs. Every city in Pulaski County except Little Rock has banned them, and Little Rock is considering a ban at press time. Pine Bluff enacted a ban a year ago. How effective has the ordinance been?

By DeLoyd Cleveland

Most animal control officers agree that pit bull terriers are the dogs of choice in illicit dog fighting circles, and the dogs can be very dangerous when socialized improperly.

On June 16, 2006, the city of Pine Bluff adopted an ordinance restricting the ownership of pit bulls within city limits. The city was experiencing an overabundance of pit bulls within the community due to uncontrolled breeding.

Pit bulls accounted for 27 percent of all dog bite incidents, 65 percent of all dogs deemed dangerous and all reported dog fighting incidents.

One out of every four complaints involved pit bulls. The city council's decision to restrict ownership of the dogs was an attempt to address the concerns of citizens. Whereas the city's previous dangerous dog ordinance addressed dog attacks only after they had already happened, the new ordinance aims to prevent potential attacks before they occur.

The ordinance bans pit bull dogs from the city limits of Pine Bluff if the dog owner fails to meet certain requirements. The requirements are:

- The owner or handler must be 21 years of age;
- The dog owner must have liability insurance of \$100,000 for each dog;
- And the owner must have the dog(s) sterilized and comply with confinement and restraint requirements.

Since the enactment of the pit bull ordinance, there have been no reports of dog fighting, one report of an attack on another animal, five bite incidents and one attack resulting in injury of a person. A total of 178 pit bull dogs have been banned, and 478 were euthanized. Fourteen owners met the necessary requirements for keeping dogs within the city. Breeding, too, is under control due to the decrease in value resulting from the pit bull ordinance.

*DeLoyd Cleveland is the director of Pine Bluff Animal Control.*

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# Take the 'Three F' test

If your community doesn't impress you, chances are it won't impress visitors. Make your city or town Fun, Friendly and Fair to improve the quality of life for generations to come.

By Jim vonTungeln

Every time I turn around, someone is ranking the cities of America on some scale or another. The design of the rating system predetermines the results, so I don't pay them a lot of attention. And besides, I have established my own. I call it the "Three F System." No, I'm not talking about my college transcript from the semester I met Mokie Hull. I'm talking about Fun, Friendly and Fair.

For openers, consider fun. Recently on a warm Friday evening, I finished an hour of policy analysis and political intrigue with my usual band of ne'er do wells at a philosophy center in our River Market District. On a whim, one of the fellows and I grabbed a trolley and headed for a baseball game in North Little Rock's wonderful new stadium. There they let us root, root, root for the home team and generally have ourselves a hoot. Afterward, we walked back across the river bridge just in time to see the young folks pouring into town for a night of fun. What fun!

Is your city fun? It can be. It doesn't even have to be a large metro area or a tourist destination like one of the springs—Hot, Heber or Eureka. There's always something one might plan on the downtown square or in a local park. I can, with almost perfect certainty, guarantee that within a 10-minute drive of your community there is local talent that would jump at the chance to perform in public. It might be a bluegrass band, a blues singer, a high school band or a group of "garage" rockers. At any rate, they would be delighted at the privilege of leaving a jar or an instrument case open for donations.

Or, you might have a more organized venue. Searcy, a city of less than 20,000, has a wonderful theater group that brings folks into town throughout the year. El Dorado has its spectacular downtown, complete with outdoor dining in season. Mountain View delights locals and visitors alike with "pickin' on the square." Fayetteville has Dickson Street for the adventurous. Fort Smith has Garrison Avenue, and so forth. These places bring people out into the public and help "sell" a community.

Is your city friendly? While traveling in the Delta early one morning, my companion suddenly announced

the need for a comfort stop. The nearest place was the small community of Marvell. We didn't know what to expect at that hour, but what we found was a clean, well-kept convenience store run by some of the friendliest people imaginable. Contrast the image I retain of that city with another in our state. It housed a similar business with a large sign outside reading: "No public restrooms. This means tour buses too!" I can only assume that tour bus riders don't hunger after relief. Go figure.

Is your city fair? By that I intend the poetic "fair," as in lovely. Before answering this question, drive outside your town on each of the main approaches, turn around and, as you drive back in, pretend that you are seeing it for the first time. Chances are that if it doesn't impress you, it won't impress your visitors.

If your gateways don't present the image you want, get busy. Form a City Beautiful Commission. Initiate a cleanup campaign. Pass a landscape ordinance. Do something. If you can't build something beautiful, at least tear down something ugly.

If you are wondering what this all has to do with planning, consider the following. Planners are seriously concerned about sustainability. That simply means that we should use our natural resources, including energy, in such a manner that we don't diminish the amount available for future generations.

One of the keys to sustainability, many experts believe, is to reduce the amount of urban sprawl that wastes valuable resources. If we take even small steps to make our cities' centers more appealing, more people may decide to live near there. The cumulative effect may surprise both us and our grandchildren.

See my Web site for more ideas on how to make a community pass the "Three F Test." Send me ideas from your city, and I will post them as well. Let's get busy!



*Jim vonTungeln is staff planning consultant, American Institute of Certified Planners. Persons having comments or questions may reach him at 501-372-3232. His Web site is [www.planyourcity.com](http://www.planyourcity.com). He is available for consultation as a service of the Arkansas Municipal League.*

## Changes to 2007 Directory, Arkansas Municipal Officials

### Brinkley

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### Cave City

Delete PC Vernon Gann  
Add PC Vacant

### Elm Springs

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Add /APC Jason Hiatt

### Greenwood

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Add BI Mack Cochran  
Delete CEO Shayla Jackson  
Add PRD Doug Kinslow

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### Lake City

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# Retain or destroy?

Use this summary of Arkansas’s record retention and destruction laws to keep your city compliant.

Paper, paper, everywhere! And now, electronic data as well! These records pile up through the years, and municipal officials often need to know the legal requirements for record retention or destruction.

The Arkansas Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), in ACA 25-19-103(5), provides that the public shall have access to governmental records “in any medium required by law to be kept or otherwise kept and that constitute a record of the performance or lack of performance of official functions...” There are exceptions, of course, and more information is available in the FOIA handbook, available for download on the League’s Web site, [www.arml.org](http://www.arml.org).

In some cases, destruction of a public record could constitute a violation of ACA section 5-54-121, which forbids tampering with public records for the purpose of

impairing the record’s “verity, legibility or availability.” In addition, several Arkansas statutes have specific requirements for certain types of records.

The following summary of these specific laws is provided to assist city officials in complying with state requirements. This information is presented in summarized form, so please read the statutes and when necessary, consult with your city attorney or League lawyers.

A few general observations: First, Arkansas cities now have more leeway to establish their own record retention policies than in the past, so long as state law is followed (see below). In addition, cities with employees will need to comply with federal record-keeping requirements. While those are beyond the scope of this article, we have included the EEOC Web page containing that information.

—David Schoen, League staff

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## RECORD RETENTION LAWS FOR ARKANSAS MUNICIPALITIES

### **DESTRUCTION/RETENTION— ACA 14-2-201 THROUGH 203**

These provide for destruction of paper records and reproduction in another format.

In addition, the section ACA 14-2-203 law was amended in 2005 to provide that:

(b) Cities of the first class, cities of the second class, and incorporated towns may by ordinance declare a policy of record retention and disposal, provided that:

- (1) The city or town complies with any specific statute regarding municipal records; and
- (2) The following records are maintained permanently in either the original or electronic format as required by law:

- (A) Ordinances;
- (B) City council minutes;
- (C) Resolutions;

- (D) Annual financial audits; and
- (E) Year-end financial statements.

### **COURT RECORDS—**

#### **ACA 13-4-201 through 204; ACA 16-46-101**

Similar to above, except that any document over fifty (50) years old may not be destroyed or if otherwise required to be kept by law.

### **ACCOUNTING—ACA 14-59-114**

Accounting records fall into two groups: “Support Documents” and “Permanent Records.”

Support documents must be kept for three (3) years and may not be destroyed prior to an audit. They consist of cancelled checks, invoices, and bank statements.

Permanent records must be kept for seven (7) years with the same restriction regarding an audit. They consist of journals, ledgers, subsidiary ledgers, minutes and fixed asset and equipment detail records.

### **POLICE TICKET BOOKS—ACA 16-10-207**

Until July 31, 2007, were to be kept for three (3) years and audited before destruction. Act 627 of 2007 deleted this provision. Therefore, the general rules for records established in ACA 14-2-201 through 14-2-203

will apply beginning on July 31, 2007, the effective date of the Act.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT RECORDS—  
ACA 14-2-204**

Maintain permanently: Closed municipal police case files for felony and Class A misdemeanor offenses and expungement orders of municipal police cases. However, after ten (10) years, these may be copied and maintained under ACA 14-2-203.

Three (3) years: Accident, incident, and offense reports, fine and bond and parking meter records, radio logs and complaint cards, employment records, payroll sheets, time cards, and leave requests. They may then be copied electronically or disposed of.

**WATER and SEWER—ACA 14-237-112**

Same provisions as for Accounting Records—see above.

**HISTORICAL—ACA 13-3-107**

Before any records “other than ephemeral materials” are destroyed, city officials must advise the history commission in writing and give any records deemed to have historical value to the commission.

**EEOC Requirements for Historical Records**

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# Caution! Workers ahead

A man is no match for a car barreling down the road, so make safety a top priority when performing street maintenance.

By A.E. (Al) Johnson Jr.

**H**ighway, road and street maintenance has always been a high-risk occupation. When a man and a 4,000-pound vehicle attempt to occupy the same space, the man is always the loser.

Workplace safety is much different on the street than in a controlled industrial or manufacturing environment. There are no sensors, lock-outs, kill switches or lifelines to save a street maintenance employee who is confronted with eminent dangers.

Every vehicle that passes the work site possesses over 5,500 foot-pounds of kinetic energy. That's the equivalent of dropping a 1,000-pound steel ball from a height of 5 and 1/2 feet.

The condition of each driver affects every vehicle that passes through the work site. When drivers are impaired or emotionally disturbed, the risk of an accident increases significantly.

Inclement weather adds also to the risk the men and women who maintain our city streets face. Fog, sunlight glare, rain and snow significantly increase the chances of accidents.

City officials have an obligation to ensure street maintenance personnel have the safest conditions possible as they perform street maintenance operations.

Safety begins with supporting the street maintenance superintendent and allowing him to provide the needed equipment and safety clothing. Since budgets are tight, it is advisable to try to upgrade your street maintenance equipment whenever possible. New equipment has better operator ergonomics, such as improved visibility from the cab, and safety devices, such as backup buzzers.

Cities can take other steps to improve the safety of work areas on city streets. First, the golden rule: Don't perform street maintenance during rush hour on commuter streets.

Second, always remove lane closure and warning signs at the end of the work day. Leaving these signs visible when maintenance is not under way encourages

drivers to disregard the message when work is being performed.

Third, always consider driver sight distance when parking equipment or trucks in the work area.

Fourth, never hire temporary summer help to be flagmen. Controlling traffic within a work area is the most important way to ensure a safe working environment. Short-term workers do not sense danger warning signs, and many just don't want to be there! Try to avoid irritating drivers and property owners. Driver rage is a real safety risk.

Also, consider working four 10-hour days—Monday through Thursday—during the summer months. This keeps maintenance crews away from exposure to the higher-than-average Friday vehicle traffic, and the number of start-ups and shut-downs is reduced from 10 to eight. If service is an issue, a small crew can always rotate and be available from Tuesday through Friday for emergencies and perform low-traffic-exposure maintenance.

Another good rule is to never start any type of street maintenance operation that you cannot finish before the weekend. If you have to go into the next week, try to reach a safe, convenient stopping point so you don't present a hazard to motorists during the weekend.

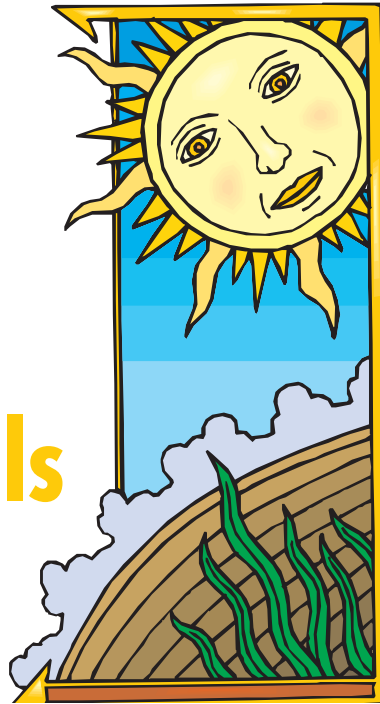
Scheduling and advertising your major maintenance activities is a good public relations tool. By going public, you let the drivers and citizens know that you are attempting to work with them and minimize their delays and inconvenience.

My last suggestion is directed to city councils and mayors. There is nothing wrong with having a little catered lunch every now and then for your street maintenance crews. You can then follow it up with a good safety meeting!



Contact Al Johnson, P.E., staff engineer, at 501-374-7492. He is available to consult with member cities and towns for one on-site consultation a year as a service of your Arkansas Municipal League.

# Fairs & Festivals



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Congressional City Conference  
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Hilton Washington Hotel & Towers  
Washington, D.C.

Arkansas Municipal League's  
74th Convention  
June 18-20, 2008  
Hot Springs Convention Center  
Hot Springs

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# Don't go it alone

Forming partnerships with local businesses, schools and community organizations can improve urban forests and help cities and towns stretch budgets.

By John Slater

Local government must be the main player in planning and developing a community's green infrastructure, which includes street-side trees, parks, walking trails, biking and hiking trails, streamside buffers and open spaces. However, cities and towns can't do it alone. Read on about how several Arkansas communities' urban forests are benefiting from partnerships and other forms of community support.

## Arkadelphia

Arkadelphia is a good example of a community forming partnerships. Ouachita Baptist University's Elrod Center recently planted 200 trees in the city's parks. The Ross Foundation in Arkadelphia is planting 40 large trees this year to celebrate the organization's 40th anniversary.

The city recently passed a public tree care ordinance and celebrated an Arbor Day event hosted by the Arkadelphia Parks and Recreation Department. Arkadelphia is proving that it is well on its way to becoming a Tree City USA in 2008.

Arkadelphia Mayor Chuck Hollingshead declared Monday, May 21, "Arbor Day in Arkadelphia," the *Arkadelphia Daily Siftings Herald* reported. He asked citizens to "plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations." To commemorate the day, the Arkansas Forestry Commission brought 1,000 trees of different varieties—black walnut, red mulberry, water tupelo and oaks—and many are still available, Parks and Recreation Director Rick Brumley said.



PHOTOS BY PETE RAUSCH, URBAN FORESTER

Rotary Club volunteers from across Arkansas plant 145 memorial trees in Little Rock's MacArthur Park.

Bruce McCrackin, Urban Forest Representative, District 5, Arkansas Forestry Commission, also was present for the ceremony and demonstrated the proper way to plant and care for trees.

## Little Rock

Another example of community partnerships is Little Rock's Enhancing Neighborhood and Community Trees (ENACT), a program of the Urban Forestry Division of Little Rock Parks and Recreation department. It provides awards of up to \$2,500 to qualifying neighborhood and property owner associations and local community organizations throughout the city. Registered neighborhood and property owner associations or local community organizations may use the awards to purchase and plant trees on street easements, public parks and other city-owned or controlled grounds. For more information about ENACT, contact City Forester Pete Rausch at 501-374-8733, or visit [www.littlerockforestry.org](http://www.littlerockforestry.org).

## Fayetteville

Fayetteville's NeighborWoods program focused originally on memorial tree plantings in city parks and neighborhoods, but the city's Tree and Landscape Committee "has taken an old favorite and given it a new twist," states its Web site, [www.accessfayetteville.org](http://www.accessfayetteville.org). The Tree and Landscape Committee, together with the Parks and Recreation Division, has revamped the program to focus on right of way plantings around the city. The committee encourages businesses, organizations, neighborhoods and individuals to sponsor a section of right of way, which includes a planting organized and executed by volunteers. For more information, contact Urban Forester Sarah Patterson at 479-444-3471.

## Fort Smith

Fort Smith and the University of Arkansas at Fort Smith have a unique relationship. They share an urban forester. Lacey Jennen spends half her time working with the university and the other half of her time working for the city of Fort Smith. The arrangement is a great example of a potential solution for communities that cannot afford a full-time city forester. Partnering with another





City Year Little Rock participants celebrate at the end of a day volunteering at the Little Rock Urban Tree Farm.

community or a local educational institution can save money and allow both partners to benefit from professional tree management.

### Stuttgart

Stuttgart recently held a tree planting event at J.B. Bryant Park. Community leaders, the Chamber of Commerce, the Stuttgart Tree Board and youth groups from local churches worked together to make the event a success. The Arkansas Forestry Commission furnished the trees and Wal-Mart furnished the mulch.

As you can see, many options are available to use local resources and form partnerships to accomplish your urban forestry needs and beautify your community, thereby promoting community pride and creating a more livable community for your citizens.

If you have a good example of partnering and want to share your success story with other communities, please write me about your project. You might be able to help other communities get their urban forestry projects off the ground.

### *Make a Memory ... Plant a Tree*



*John Slater is urban forestry partnership coordinator with the Arkansas Forestry Commission. Contact him at 501-984-5867, or at john.slater@arkansas.gov.*

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## Obituaries

**Thurlo Cobb**, 61, a former fleet acquisition manager for the city of Little Rock, died June 11.

**Bill Harding**, 56, Fort Smith city director from 1998 until 2005, died July 7.

**Robert (Bob) Paschall**, 75, a mayor of Greers Ferry from 2003 to 2006, died June 5.

**Jerry Pectol**, 64, who was serving his eighth term as a Batesville alderman, died June 1.



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five additional professional management workshops and documenting additional training.

Successful graduates are eligible to become members of the Arkansas Society of Certified Public Managers, an alumni organization responsible for promoting excellence in public management. The CPM program is part of a national consortium and certification is honored in all states.

The deadline for nominations for the Fall 2007 program is Aug. 17. For more information or a nomination form, contact the CPM program coordinator at 501-569-3090, or e-mail [apacprog@ualr.edu](mailto:apacprog@ualr.edu).

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James Stephens, Little Rock Police Officer Stuart Sullivan, Little Rock Police Officer Charles Vint, Little Rock Graphics Support Specialist Glenn Haley, Little Rock Foreman I Dale Lester, Little Rock Construction Projects Administrator Ronald Purkiss, Little Rock Office Assistant III Pamela Siler, Little Rock Curator Deborah Thompson, Mayflower Public Works Director Barbara Mathes, North Little Rock Fire Lieutenant John Adams, North Little Rock Fire Captain Donnie Bridges, North Little Rock Journeyman/Meterman Donna Bryant, North Little Rock Police Captain Jerry Daugherty, North Little Rock Journeyman/Meterman Jeffery Eisenhower, North Little Rock Distribution Technician Jeffery Ellison, North Little Rock Custodian Gregory Gaines, North Little Rock Collector Technician Marvin Gullett, North Little Rock Fire Captain Rick Gunther, North Little Rock Meter Reader IV Chuck Heffington, North Little Rock General Parks Supervisor Kenneth Johnson, North Little Rock Fire Captain Nate Martin, North Little Rock Fire Captain David Matchett, North Little Rock Fire Captain Don Payne, North Little Rock Office Assistant II Felicia

Hart and North Little Rock Assistant Finance Director Stephanie Thomas.

The Municipal Clerk of the Year Award went to Van Buren Clerk/Treasurer Barbie Curtis for her contributions to the profession and dedication to her community.

Little Rock Mayor Mark Stodola received the Glenn G. Zimmerman Award for outstanding contributions to municipal law. The Arkansas City Attorneys Association each year presents the award named in honor of Zimmerman, who was executive director of the League from 1942 until his death in 1974 and a former city attorney. Zimmerman was the father of Don Zimmerman, who succeeded his father as executive director.

Twenty-seven cities received the Four Star Award for demonstration of excellence in loss control in employee safety, wellness, vehicle safety and prevention of legal liability: Altus, Arkadelphia, Ash Flat, Biscoe, Caddo Valley, Clarendon, Cotter, Cove, DeQueen, Dierks, Elm Springs, Eureka Springs, Flip-pin, Hardy, Hoxie, Jasper, Keiser, Knoxville, Lamar, Patterson, Portland, Rector, Redfield, Stephens, Tyrone, Waldron and Wrightsville.



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# Workplaces have a key role in tobacco cessation

Employers can encourage smokers to take advantage of the free SOS Quitline and other smoking cessation services for healthier workers and a healthier, more productive work environment.

By Christine E. Sheffer, Ph.D., and Eric Flowers, M.S.

**M**ost people who smoke or use tobacco want to quit. Research shows that as many as 70 percent wish they could kick the habit, but their motivation waxes and wanes.

Arkansas smokers demonstrated their motivation to quit by calling the Arkansas SOS Quitline when the state's workplace smoking ban went into effect a year ago. Tobacco cessation specialists staff this free, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences-based service. Calls nearly doubled to 900 new callers per month in March and August of 2006. Call volume this year is about 600-700 new callers per month, which is still a higher volume than expected.

## Specialists increase odds of quitting

Fortunately, tobacco users are becoming increasingly aware of the health risks posed by breathing tobacco smoke, whether it is to themselves or others. That realization is driving many to attempt to quit, as is the workplace smoking ban, which makes smoking inconvenient, if not impossible, in some work settings. Quitting for good is one of the more difficult challenges tobacco users will ever face. Most tobacco users will try to quit on their own, and research tells us that they're likely to fail; only 3 to 5 percent who try it alone will successfully quit.

Thanks to Arkansas's far-sighted leaders, a portion of the 1998 multi-state legal settlement with the tobacco industry was dedicated to tobacco cessation programs. With tobacco settlement funding from the state Department of Health, the UAMS Fay W. Boozman College of Public Health began operating Arkansas's tobacco cessation programs in July 2005. Since then, more than 12,000 people have sought assistance from our cessation specialists. The quit rate for patients tracked for one year is 37.5 percent. Those who are tobacco free for at least a year are most likely to stay quit for good.

While many people are finding their way to our specially trained cessation interventionists—most by calling 1-866-NOWQUIT—there are many others who remain unaware of this free, public service. While some tobacco users may have heard about it, the information often isn't immediately available when the motivation strikes them to quit.

## Program helps employers

Employers around the state can help get this informa-

tion to their employees by contacting the UAMS Smoke-free Workplace Program at 1-866-669-7848. Nearly 130 private and public employers have taken advantage of this service on behalf of their employees since July 2005, and you can, too.

The city of North Little Rock recently placed brochures with helpful information about quitting tobacco in envelopes with each city employee's check stub. Under the guidance of our Smoke-free Workplace Assistance Program staff, other information was placed at 16 locations throughout the city where employees congregate regularly. One of those items is a form that employees can fax to the cessation program. A cessation specialist will follow up with a phone call and schedule regular appointments. Help may be given by phone or in person, and cessation specialists are stationed across Arkansas to make face-to-face assistance more convenient.

## A win-win situation

The employer-based program is the most cost-effective way to reach tobacco users and get them to either call the Quitline or fax the form. It's also a no-lose situation for the employer and employee.

When an employee quits smoking, it translates to about \$1,700 a year recouped by the employer in lost productivity and absenteeism. Health care costs usually shared by the employee and employer are reduced by about \$1,500 a year. That's \$3,200 a year that isn't going into health care or being absorbed by the workplace, all with very little investment by employers.



*Dr. Sheffer is principal investigator of Tobacco Cessation Programs and an assistant professor at the Fay W. Boozman College of Public Health, UAMS.*



*Dr. Flowers is a Smoke-Free Community Program Interventionist at the Fay W. Boozman College of Public Health, UAMS.*

# Help city and town employees quit tobacco

**A**rkansans who want to stop using tobacco can get intensive treatment at no cost through the Arkansas Tobacco Cessation Network Clinics, and employers can help spread the word. The clinics are located throughout the state. Help is also available through the Arkansas SOS Quitline.

Employers incur significant costs from employees who smoke through increased health care costs, maintenance costs, lost productivity and absenteeism. The average smoker in Arkansas incurs over \$1,500 per year more health-care costs than a non-smoker, which affects insurance rates.

Clinic specialists will work with tobacco users to increase their chances of quitting and staying tobacco free through research-supported strategies. Tobacco users who take advantage of the professional help available through the Tobacco Cessation Network and the SOS Quitline have a much better chance of quitting.

The program is funded by the Arkansas Department of Health and Human Services Division of Health Tobacco Prevention and Education Program using funds from the Master Settlement Agreement.

To connect municipal employees with tobacco dependence treatment programs through the SOS Works Fax-Back Referral Program, complete the registration form below and fax it toll-free to (888) 827-7057, or mail the form to The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences c/o Eric Flowers, 4301 W. Markham St., Slot No. 820, Little Rock, AR 72205-7199.

Business or Municipality Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Employees: \_\_\_\_\_

## Connecting employees to tobacco cessation services

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes! We are interested in providing access to the evidence-based tobacco dependence treatment programs in Arkansas.

Please check off the following ways you wish to participate:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ I would like to meet with you to discuss how our company can use the SOS Works Fax-Back Referral Program as an easy avenue to connect our employees to no-cost tobacco treatment.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ I would like you to mail brochures about the SOS Quitline over-the-phone Treatment and Face to Face Treatment Programs to our office for our employees. We have \_\_\_\_\_ employees.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Our business is interested in going tobacco-free and would like to set up an appointment to discuss how this could benefit our workplace.

**All services are free of charge for all workplaces in the state of Arkansas.  
For more information, please contact Eric Flowers at 501-526-6140.**



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JOHNSON, MD	ROBERT D.	HOT SPRINGS PULMONARY CLINIC	1 MERCY LANE #401	HOT SPRINGS	AR	71913	501-623-5220
LEE, MD	WILLIAM	PHYSICIANS FOR WOMEN	1900 MALVERN #401	HOT SPRINGS	AR	71901	501-623-6455
MURPHY, DO	ANNE	CONVENIENT CARE CLINIC	1636 HIGDON FERRY RD	HOT SPRINGS	AR	71913	501-520-5476
POWELL, MD	BRENDA	PHYSICIANS FOR WOMEN	1900 MALVERN #401	HOT SPRINGS	AR	71901	501-623-6455
SULEMAN, MD	NIZAR	HOT SPRINGS PULMONARY CLINIC	1 MERCY LANE #401	HOT SPRINGS	AR	71913	501-623-5220
YANG, MD	LEO	PHYSICIANS FOR WOMEN	1900 MALVERN #401	HOT SPRINGS	AR	71901	501-623-6455
HENRY, DDS	THOMAS B	HOLT & ASSOCIATES	110 JOHN HARDEN DR	JACKSONVILLE	AR	72076	501-982-4520
ABRAHAM, MD	CARL J. JR	INFECT. DISEASE & CONTROL CONS.	2604 E MATTHEWS	JONESBORO	AR	72401	870-932-5043
CLAYTON, DO	JEFFERY E	JONESBORO ANESTHESIOLOGY	221 HUGHES #C	JONESBORO	AR	72401	870-932-4211
ARKANSAS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL		HOSPITAL	800 MARSHALL	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72202	501-364-1100
BAPTIST MEDICAL CENTER		HOSPITAL	9601 I-630 EXIT 7	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-202-2000
BARBER, MD	JEFFREY	AR. OTOLARYNGOLOGY CTR.	10201 KANIS RD.	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-227-5050
BECK, MD	JAMES F	LR CANCER CLINIC	500 S. UNIVERSITY #811	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-661-1822
BIERLE, MD	MICHAEL L.	NEPHROLOGY ASSOC.	#2 LILE COURT #102B	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-663-0490
BOSWELL, LCSW	BRITT	KAVANAUGH CLINIC	2601 KAVANAUGH BLVD #5	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-663-8990
BRONFMAN, DPM	RICHARD A.	ARKANSAS FOOT CLINIC	1501 ALDERSGATE RD	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-372-7377
BUK, DPM	ALEXANDRA	ARKANSAS FOOT CLINIC	1501 ALDERSGATE RD	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-372-7377
BURKS, DPM	JESSEE	ARKANSAS FOOT CLINIC	1501 ALDERSGATE RD	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-372-7377
CLARK, DPM	EDWIN	ARKANSAS FOOT CLINIC	1501 ALDERSGATE RD	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-372-7377
COLCLASURE, MD	JOE						
COMERFORD, DPM	CHRISTOPHER	AR. OTOLARYNGOLOGY CTR.	10201 KANIS RD	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-227-5050
	LAMB	ARKANSAS FOOT CLINIC	1501 ALDERSGATE RD	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-372-7377

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GARDNER, MD	EDWARD	AR. OTOLARYNGOLOGY CTR.	10201 KANIS RD	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-227-5050
HEARNSBERGER, MD	H.GRAVES	AR. OTOLARYNGOLOGY CTR.	500 S. UNIVERSITY #423	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-664-4381
HOGAN, MD	SCOTT	PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES	5208 KAVANAUGH #4	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72207	501-614-7700
KAMANDA, MD	STELLA	LR CANCER CLINIC	500 S. UNIVERSITY #811	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-661-1822
LIEM, MD	PHAM	GERIATRICS	4301 W. MARKHAM	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-686-8000
LYLE, MD	CARLENE	KAVANAUGH CLINIC	2601 KAVANAUGH BLVD #5	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-663-8990
MILLER, MD	JEFFREY J.	AR. OTOLARYNGOLOGY CTR.	10201 KANIS RD.	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-227-5050
MORRIS, MD	BARBARA K.	AR. OTOLARYNGOLOGY CTR.	10201 KANIS RD.	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-227-5050
PADILLA, MD	FERNANDO	LR CANCER CLINIC	500 S. UNIVERSITY #811	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-661-1822
SMITH, MD	DANIEL	BRESSINCK GIBSON DERMATOLOGY	9601 LILE DR #690	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-227-8422
SMITH, MD	JASON A	AR. OTOLARYNGOLOGY CTR.	10201 KANIS RD	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-227-5050
STERN, MD	SCOTT J.	AR. OTOLARYNGOLOGY CTR.	10201 KANIS RD.	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-227-5050
STINNETT, MD	THOMAS C.	PSYCHIATRY	#5 ST. VINCENT CIRCLE #302	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-666-4266
STREET, MD	DAVID	PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES	5208 KAVANAUGH #4	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72207	501-614-7700
WILLIAMSON, MD	ADRIAN III	AR. OTOLARYNGOLOGY CTR.	10201 KANIS RD.	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-227-5050
ENNIS, MD	KENNETH	COUNSELING CONSULTANTS	210 MANOR ST	MARION	AR	72364	870-739-6818
MIRZA, MD	MASHHUD	MID-SOUTH RENAL CLINIC	1120 HWY 77 #1	MARION	AR	72364	870-733-1177
RANGASWAMI, MD	NARAYANASWAMI	MID-SOUTH PEDIATRICS	2921 HIGHWAY 77 #20	MARION	AR	72364	870-739-5311
VAIDYA, MD	PANKAJ	MID SOUTH PEDIATRICS	2921 HWY 77 #20	MARION	AR	72364	870-739-5311
GO, MD	KONG HUA	MAIN STREET MEDICAL	206 S FIRST ST	MCGHEE	AR	71654	870-222-3644
BRYANT, DC	MARK W.	BRYANT CHIROPRACTIC	529 W TROTTER	MONTECELLO	AR	71655	870-367-8442
BRYANT, DC	WENDELL	BRYANT CHIROPRACTIC	529 W TROTTER ST	MONTECELLO	AR	71655	870-367-8442
YORK, DC	THOMAS CRAIG	YORK SPINAL CARE	9 MEDICAL SERVICES DR #B	MORRILTON	AR	72110	501-354-3232
DUENSING, DO	THEODORE	HARRIS MEDICAL CLINIC	1200 MCLAIN ST #B	NEWPORT	AR	72112	870-523-5932
CASH, MD	DAVID LEE	AR. OTOLARYNGOLOGY CTR.	4701 FAIRWAY #C	NO LITTLE ROCK	AR	72116	501-753-8444
COOK, MD	KIMRA K.	LAKEWOOD BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	4020 RICHARDS RD #F	NO LITTLE ROCK	AR	72117	501-753-1616
LIERLY, PHD	JOHN A JR	LAKEWOOD BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	4020 RICHARDS RD #F	NO LITTLE ROCK	AR	72117	501-753-1616
SMITH, MD	JASON A	AR. OTOLARYNGOLOGY CTR.	4701 FAIRWAY #C	NO LITTLE ROCK	AR	72116	501-753-8444
WILSON, LPC	WILLIAM	LAKEWOOD BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	4020 RICHARDS RD #F	NO LITTLE ROCK	AR	72117	501-753-1616
CURLIN, DDS	JIM H.	GENERAL DENTISTRY	314 N. 18TH ST.	OZARK	AR	72949	479-667-3087
HEDBERG, MD	CURTIS	HEDBERG ALLERGY & ASTHMA CTR	700 SOUTH 52ND ST	ROGERS	AR	72758	479-464-8887
PECK, LPC	MELISSA	FRESH ROOTS COUNSELING CTR	318 W POPLAR ST	ROGERS	AR	72756	479-986-8655
SCOTT, MD	WILLIAM P.	RUSSELLVILLE PRIMARY CLINIC	220 N PHOENIX AVE	RUSSELLVILLE	AR	72801	479-967-3980
KIIHNL, OD	MICHAEL D.	OPHTHALMOLOGY/OPTOMETRY	707 MARION ST.	SEARCY	AR	72143	501-268-1818
HAISTEN, MD	JAMES A.	NWA HEART & VASCULAR CENTER	601 W MAPLE #703	SPRINGDALE	AR	72764	479-750-2203
BEASLEY, DC	SHAWN	CHIROPRACTIC	4102 JEFFERSON AVE	TEXARKANA	AR	71854	870-779-9242
CRITTENDEN HOME HEALTH		HOME HEALTH	200 TYLER ST	WEST MEMPHIS	AR	72301	870-732-7777
GLOTZBACH, MD	RAYMOND E.	THE PATHOLOGY GROUP	200 TYLER ST	WEST MEMPHIS	AR	72301	870-735-1500
GOODMAN, MD	JACK A.	ANESTHESIOLOGY	200 TYLER ST	WEST MEMPHIS	AR	72301	870-735-1500
OGBEIDE, MD	OSARENREN	MID-SOUTH INTERNAL MEDICINE	228 TYLER #105	WEST MEMPHIS	AR	72301	870-735-4025
OLINGER, MD	RODNEY G.	SEMMES MURPHEY CLINIC	228 TYLER #302	WEST MEMPHIS	AR	72301	870-735-1500
ONYIA, MD	WILFRED	MID-SOUTH INTERNAL MEDICINE	228 TYLER #105	WEST MEMPHIS	AR	72301	870-735-4025
SHAINBERG, DPM	DAVID	PODIATRY	228 W TYLER #104	WEST MEMPHIS	AR	72301	870-735-6500

#### IN-STATE DELETES

HEARNSBERGER, MD	H. GRAVES	AR. OTOLARYNGOLOGY CTR.	#3 MEDICAL PARK DR. 2L #201	BENTON	AR	72015	501-776-2372
DUNN, DO	JAMES	WASHINGTON REG. DIAG. CLINIC	3000 NORTHWEST "A" ST	BENTONVILLE	AR	72712	479-273-2030
NELSON, MD	TYLER	BRYANT MEDICAL CLINIC	319 BRYANT AVE #1	BRYANT	AR	72022	501-635-0353
SKELLEY, MD	CHRISTOPHER	BRYANT MEDICAL CLINIC	319 BRYANT AVE.	BRYANT	AR	72022	501-653-0353
WHITE, DPM	JOHN	PODIATRY	908 E. MAIN ST.	EL DORADO	AR	71730	870-862-2621
HEISLER, PHD	THOMAS R.	FAMILY COUNSELING CLINIC	1529 LINDAUER ST.	FORREST CITY	AR	72335	870-633-1737
TRAYLOR CHIROPRACTIC		CHIROPRACTIC	107 PROFESSIONAL PLAZA	HELENA	AR	72342	870-572-6768
LAWRENCE, MD	ROBERT	FIRST CARE	415 E MATTHEWS	JONESBORO	AR	72401	870-972-8181
CASH, MD	D. KAYE	LR CANCER CLINIC	500 S. UNIVERSITY #811	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-661-1822
FULLER, LCSW	WILLIAM	LAKEWOOD BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	210 S PULASKI	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72207	501-375-2029
GOLD, DPM	ALLAN	ARKANSAS FOOT CLINIC	1501 ALDRSGATE RD	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-372-7377
SHANEYFELT, MD	E. A.	SHANEYFELT FAMILY PRACTICE	105 BALTIMORE RD.	MANILA	AR	72442	870-561-4421
CHOCK, MD	DANIEL	CHOCK MEDICAL CLINIC	503 S. COLLEGE	MTN. HOME	AR	72653	870-425-5535
BIERLE, MD	MICHAEL L.	NEPHROLOGY ASSOC.	4505 E. MCCAIN BLVD.	NO LITTLE ROCK	AR	72117	501-945-8080
SKILLING, LPC	J. LORI	LAKEWOOD BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	2500 MCCAIN BLVD #220	NO LITTLE ROCK	AR	72116	501-753-1616
WHEELER, PHD	PAULA	LAKEWOOD BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	2500 MCCAIN BLVD. #220	NO LITTLE ROCK	AR	72116	501-753-1616
WINGFIELD, PHD	BARRY	LAKEWOOD BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	2500 MCCAIN BLVD. # 220	NO LITTLE ROCK	AR	72116	501-753-1616
POLLOCK, MD	GEORGE D., III	DOCTORS CLINIC	608 W. LEE	OSCEOLA	AR	72370	870-563-3576

#### OUT-OF-STATE ADDITIONS

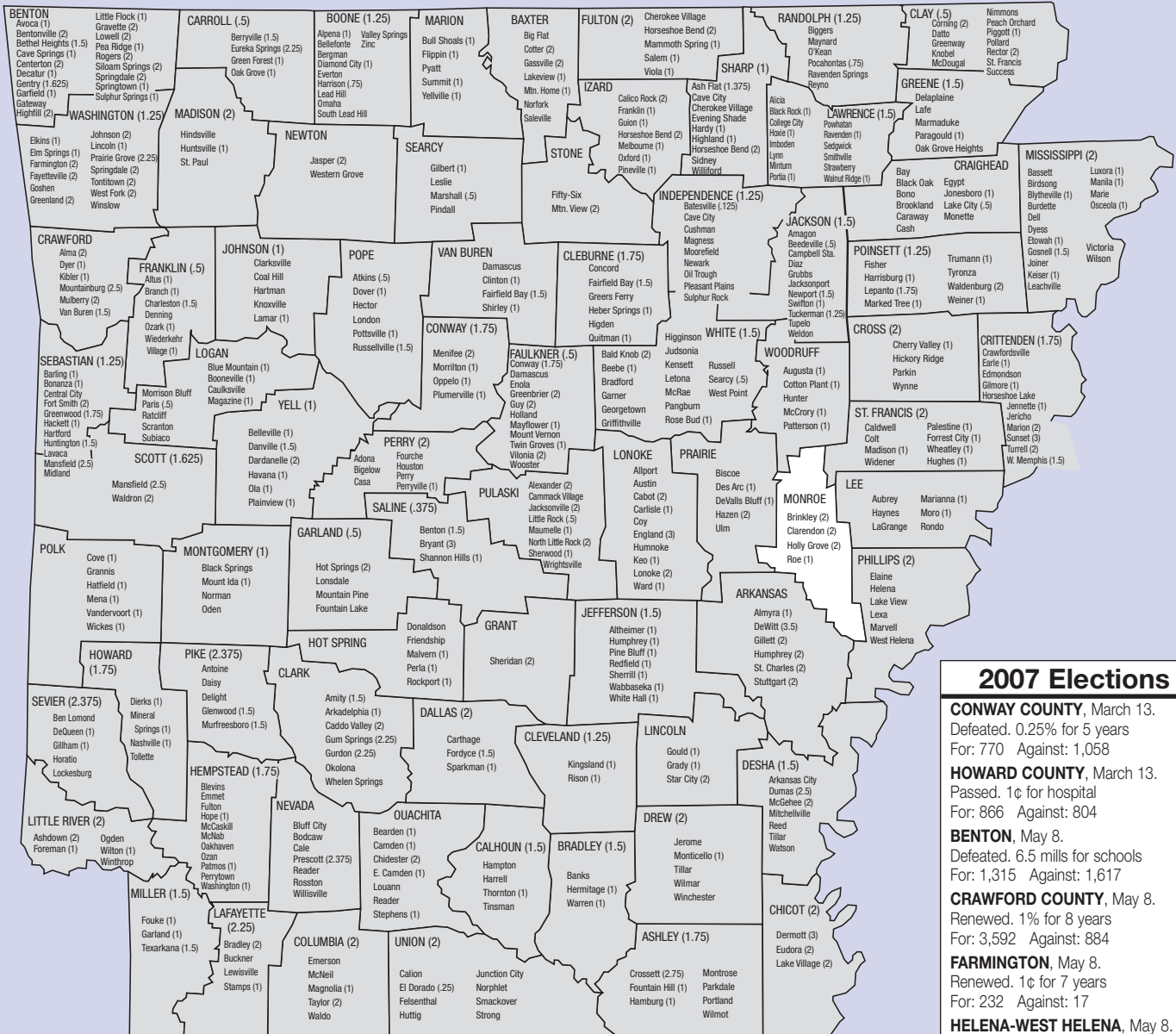
LAND, MD	MICHAEL	PHYSICAL THERAPY SPECIALISTS	12831 6TH ST #C&D	LILLIAN	AL	36549	251-962-2149
BLANCO, MD	ARTURO	OLIVE BRANCH FAMILY MEDICAL CTR	9075 SANDIDGE CENTER COVE	OLIVE BRANCH	MS	38654	662-895-4949
SHIRWANY, MD	ARSALAN	THE WEST CLINIC	391 SOUTHCREST CIRCLE #200	SOUTHAVEN	MS	38671	662-349-1900
SANDS, MD	CYNTHIA	MEMPHIS CHILDRENS CLINIC	3155 KIRBY WHITTEN RD	BARTLETT	TN	38134	901-379-0092
HUTCHISON, DPM	PAUL	PODIATRY	1723C HWY 51 SOUTH	COWINGTON	TN	38019	901-476-0404
CROMWELL, MD	JOHN	UT MEDICAL GROUP	7945 WOLF RIVER BLVD	GERMANTOWN	TN	38138	901-347-8270
EL-GHANDOUR, MD	OMAR	RADIATION ONCOLOGY	7945 WOLF RIVER BLVD #300	GERMANTOWN	TN	38138	901-684-2400
DUBAL, MD	NILESH	RADIATION ONCOLOGY	1661 INTERNATIONAL PLACE DR #350	MEMPHIS	TN	38120	901-685-2696
EL-GHANDOUR, MD	OMAR	RADIATION ONCOLOGY	877 JEFFERSON AVE # FB106	MEMPHIS	TN	38103	901-545-7730
FEDERICO, MD	SARA	PEDIATRIC EMERGENCY MED.	50 NO DUNLAP	MEMPHIS	TN	38103	901-291-2427
LEU, DC	DAVID	MID-TOWN CHIROPRACTIC	204 EVERGREEN	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-628-7089
METRO ORTHOTICS & PROSTHETICS		ORTHOTICS & PROSTHETICS	2809 KIRBY PKWY #105	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-755-4344
RINKER, MD	LILLIAN	RADIATION ONCOLOGY	1661 INTERNATIONAL PLACE DR #350	MEMPHIS	TN	38120	901-685-2696
SANDS, MD	CYNTHIA	MEMPHIS CHILDRENS CLINIC	1129 HALE RD	MEMPHIS	TN	38116	901-396-0390
SCHAS, MD	DANIEL	MED WORKS	4539 WINCHESTER RD #1	MEMPHIS	TN	38118	901-565-9898
SHIRWANY, MD	ARSALAN	THE WEST CLINIC	6025 WALNUT GROVE RD #111	MEMPHIS	TN	38120	901-818-0300
SPANN, MD	DAVID	UT MEDICAL GROUP	1265 UNION AVE	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-448-1480
STECKER, MD	ELLEN	RIVER CITY PEDIATRICS	5575 POPLAR AVE #112	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-761-1280
STOCKSTILL, MD	TODD	RADIATION ONCOLOGY	1661 INTERNATIONAL PLACE DR #350	MEMPHIS	TN	38120	901-685-2696
BASHIR, MD	MUHAMMAD	MAY MEDICAL GROUP	99 DOCTORS DR #700	MUNFORD	TN	38058	901-837-7200
METRO ORTHOTICS & PROSTHETICS		ORTHOTICS & PROSTHETICS	701 E REELFOOT AVE #500	UNION CITY	TN	38261	731-884-0284





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GOLLAMUDI, MD	SUBBA	OPHTHALMOLOGY/OPTOMETRY	825 RIDGELAKE BLVD #125	MEMPHIS	TN	38120	901-685-2200
GORDON, MD	RICHARD	GORDON HEART CLINIC	5200 PARK AVE #102	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-333-0330
GREENBERGER, MD	MARK D.	UROLOGY	20 S. DUDLEY # 203B	MEMPHIS	TN	38103	901-527-7100
GUBIN, MD	DAVID A.	THE UROLOGY GROUP	6027 WALNUT GROVE RD. #319	MEMPHIS	TN	38120	901-767-8158
GUERRA, MD	ERIC	CARDIOLOGY, CARDIOVASCULAR	80 HUMPHREYS CTR #202	MEMPHIS	TN	38120	901-747-3330
HAIDER, MD	SYED	UT MEDICAL GROUP	880 MADISON AVE	MEMPHIS	TN	38103	901-545-6969
HALL, MD	CHRISTOPHER	EAR NOSE & THROAT GROUP	3980 NEW COVINGTON PIKE #310	MEMPHIS	TN	38128	901-372-4643
HALL, MD	CHRISTOPHER	EAR NOSE & THROAT GROUP	5625 POPLAR AVE	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-761-1220
HARRIS, MD	JOHN	PSYCHIATRY	1325 EASTMORELAND #445	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-725-0027
HAYKAL, MD	RADWAN	PSYCHIATRY	6263 POPLAR AVE #402	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-683-4500
HIDAJI, MD	F. FRED	OPHTHALMOLOGY/OPTOMETRY	6252 POPLAR AVE	MEMPHIS	TN	38118	901-754-3937
HOMSI, MD	RIAD	WOMENS CARE CTR.	6025 WALNUT GROVE RD.#400	MEMPHIS	TN	38120	901-507-8675
HUTCHISON, DPM	PAUL	PODIATRY	7878 WINCHESTER RD	MEMPHIS	TN	38125	901-365-3668
JACKSON, MD	ROBERT	DERMATOLOGY	6286 BRIARCREST AVE #314	MEMPHIS	TN	38120	901-761-7720
JOHNSON, MD	MARY	PEDIATRIC EMERGENCY MED.	50 N DUNLAP	MEMPHIS	TN	38103	901-291-2427
JONES, MD	CLAY	GENERAL SURGERY	3950 NEW COVINGTON PIKE #350	MEMPHIS	TN	38128	901-516-5775
KIEL, DPM	BRIAN	PODIATRY	1653 POPLAR AVE	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-725-6680
KIEL, DPM	BRIAN	PODIATRY	3315 HACKS CROSS RD #109	MEMPHIS	TN	38125	901-368-3288
KIEL, DPM	BRIAN	PODIATRY	995 S. YATES RD	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-767-5620
KURUP, MD	SHREE K	VRF EYE SPECIALTY	825 RIDGE LAKE BLVD	MEMPHIS	TN	38120	901-685-2200
LUCAS, DPM	NATHAN	ADVANCED FOOT CARE	2900 KIRBY PKWY #5	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-309-8898
LUNSFORD, MD	KEVIN M.	MEMPHIS SURGICAL SPECS.	3950 NEW COVINGTON PIKE #200	MEMPHIS	TN	38128	901-382-3333
LUNSFORD, MD	KEVIN M.	MEMPHIS SURGICAL SPECS.	6005 PARK AVE #605	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-725-1921
LUTTERMAN, MD	JOEL	UT MEDICAL GROUP	777 WASHINGTON AVE #P350	MEMPHIS	TN	38105	901-287-4571
MADAN, MD	ATUL	UT MEDICAL GROUP	7945 WOLF RIVER BLVD	MEMPHIS	TN	38138	901-448-6635
MANTELL, DPM	GARY	PODIATRY	5180 PARK AVE #220	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-682-4668
MCGRATH-WEAVER, MD	VIRGINIA	GENERAL SURGERY	6005 PARK AVE #821-B	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-726-1056
MENKES, MD	DANIEL L.	SEMMES MURPHEY CLINIC	1211 UNION AVE #200	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-259-5340
MICHAEL, MD	L MADISON II	SEMMES MURPHEY CLINIC	6325 HUMPHREYS BLVD	MEMPHIS	TN	38120	901-522-7700
MIRZA, MD	MASHHJUD	MID SOUTH RENAL CLINIC	1264 WESLEY DR #405	MEMPHIS	TN	38116	901-733-1177
MOINESTER, DPM	DAVID	PODIATRY	3315 HACKS CROSS RD #109	MEMPHIS	TN	38125	901-368-3288
MOINESTER, DPM	DAVID	PODIATRY	1653 POPLAR AVE	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-725-6680
MORGAN, MD	ROBIN	UT MEDICAL GROUP	777 WASHINGTON AVE #240	MEMPHIS	TN	38105	901-448-2080
MURRAY, MD	GARY	THE HEART & VASCULAR INSTITUTE	3950 NEW COVINGTON PIKE #280	MEMPHIS	TN	38128	901-507-3150
OGNIBENE, DPM	FRANK	PODIATRY	1695 BENDER RD	MEMPHIS	TN	38116	901-345-8880
OLINGER, MD	RODNEY G.	SEMMES MURPHEY CLINIC	6325 HUMPHREYS BLVD	MEMPHIS	TN	38120	901-522-7700
PATTERSON, MD	JAMES O. III	MID TOWN INTERNAL MEDICINE	48 S PRESCOTT	MEMPHIS	TN	38111	901-454-5117
PATTERSON, MD	JAMES O. III	MIDSOUTH MEDICAL ASSOCIATES	3960 NEW COVINGTON PIKE	MEMPHIS	TN	38128	901-291-2400
PAUL, PHD	CONNIE	PSYCHOLOGY	5154 STAGE RD	MEMPHIS	TN	38134	901-372-9133
PFEIFFER, MD	RONALD	SEMMES MURPHY CLINIC	1211 UNION AVE #200	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-259-5340
PROSTHETIC ORTHOTIC & PEDORTHIC ASSOC		ORTHOTICS & PROSTHETICS	1157 MADISON AVE	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-751-0069
RAGHAVIAAH, MD	N.	UROLOGY	6005 PARK AVE #826B	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-683-3848
ROBERTSON, MD	JON	SEMMES MURPHEY CLINIC	1211 UNION AVE #200	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-259-5340
ROSENBERG, DPM	RONALD	PODIATRY	920 ESTATE DR	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-682-1113
SCHANZER, MD	M.C.	SOUTHERN EYE ASSOCIATES	5350 POPLAR AVE #950	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-683-4600
SCHULTZ, LCSW	EMILY	COUNSELING CONSULTANTS	1835 UNION AVE #315	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-762-0652
SELLARS, MD	JOHN ROBERT	GENERAL SURGERY	6005 PARK AVE #601	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-821-0073
SEYMOUR, MD	LAWRENCE	UROLOGY	1325 EASTMORELAND #435	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-726-5073
SHAPPLEY, MD	WILLIAM	UROLOGY	6005 PARK AVE #402	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-682-5200
SILLS, MD	ALLEN	SEMMES MURPHEY CLINIC	1211 UNION AVE #200	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-259-5340
SIMMONS, MD	DAVID L.	CARDIOLOGY, CARDIOVASCULAR	6005 PARK AVE #200A	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-482-0988
SKINNER, MD	ROBERT	UT MEDICAL GROUP	1325 EASTMORELAND #365	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-448-5832
SORENSEN, MD	JEFFREY	SEMMES MURPHEY CLINIC	1211 UNION AVE #200	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-259-5340
STEINER, MD	MITCHELL	UROLOGY	66 N. PAULINE ST.	MEMPHIS	TN	38105	901-448-6653
TAYLOR, MD	W. ZACHARY	GASTROENTEROLOGY	6005 PARK AVE #323B	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-684-5500
THOMAS, CRNA	RONALD JR	PEDIATRIC ANESTHESIOLOGISTS	50 N DUNLAP	MEMPHIS	TN	38103	901-572-3060
TICHANSKY, MD	DAVID	UT MEDICAL GROUP	7945 WOLF RIVER BLVD	MEMPHIS	TN	38138	901-448-6635
TIMMONS, MD	SHELLY	SEMMES MURPHEY CLINIC	1211 UNION AVE #200	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-259-5340
WALKER, DO	REBECCA	INTERNAL MED.	6263 POPLAR AVE #1052	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-761-6157
WEBER, MD	BILL	MID SOUTH MEDICAL ASSOC	1265 UNION AVE	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-726-7358
WETZEL, MD	GLENN	UT MEDICAL GROUP	777 WASHINGTON AVE #P110	MEMPHIS	TN	38105	901-287-4571
WOFFORD, MD	PERISCO A.	NEPHROLOGY (KIDNEY)	220 S CLAYBROOK #206	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-276-6277
GOLLAMUDI, MD	SUBBA	VRF EYE SPECIALTY GROUP	8120 HWY 51 N. #7	MILLINGTON	TN	38053	901-685-2342
ZAIDI, MD	SYED A.	MAY MEDICAL CLINIC	99 DOCTORS DR #700	MUNFORD	TN	38058	901-837-7200
BELL, DPM	JOHN	PODIATRY	7046 HIGHWAY 64	OAKLAND	TN	38060	901-465-9902
BAYLOR HEALTH CTR. AT IRVING COPPELL		HOSPITAL	400 W. LBJ FREEWAY	IRVING	TX	75063	972-579-4000
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# Local Option Sales and Use Tax in Arkansas



**KEY:**  Counties with countywide tax (shaded is 1¢ unless otherwise noted)  
 (2) 2¢ being collected in that municipality  
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**Source:** Debbie Rogers, Office of State Treasurer

**See also:** [www.arkansas.gov/dfa](http://www.arkansas.gov/dfa)

## Sales and Use Tax Year-to-Date 2007

Month	Municipal Tax	County Tax	Total Tax	Interest
January	\$33,890,076	\$32,664,439	\$66,554,515	\$244,719
February	\$41,087,573	\$39,706,942	\$80,794,515	\$209,743
March	\$33,903,991	\$33,441,917	\$67,345,908	\$217,856
April	\$34,080,456	\$33,492,256	\$67,572,712	\$260,149
May	\$37,876,497	\$37,104,109	\$74,980,606	\$314,008
June	\$34,784,978	\$33,994,936	\$68,779,914	\$107,240
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$215,623,571</b>	<b>\$210,404,599</b>	<b>\$426,028,170</b>	<b>\$1,353,715</b>
Averages	\$35,937,262	\$35,067,433	\$71,004,695	\$225,619

## 2007 Elections

- CONWAY COUNTY**, March 13.  
Defeated. 0.25% for 5 years  
For: 770 Against: 1,058
- HOWARD COUNTY**, March 13.  
Passed. 1¢ for hospital  
For: 866 Against: 804
- BENTON**, May 8.  
Defeated. 6.5 mills for schools  
For: 1,315 Against: 1,617
- CRAWFORD COUNTY**, May 8.  
Renewed. 1% for 8 years  
For: 3,592 Against: 884
- FARMINGTON**, May 8.  
Renewed. 1¢ for 7 years  
For: 232 Against: 17
- HELENA-WEST HELENA**, May 8.  
Passed. 2%  
For: 1,492 Against: 1,415
- MAGNOLIA**, May 8.  
Passed. 1.125% for hospital  
For: 1,089 Against: 518
- McGEHEE**, May 8.  
Passed. 1% for jail  
For: 417 Against: 249
- TEXARKANA**, May 8.  
Defeated. 1.7 mills for high school  
For: 1,087 Against: 2,140
- CARLISLE**, June 12.  
Passed. 9 mills for school  
For: 634 Against: 207
- CLARK COUNTY**, June 12.  
Passed. 0.5% for 7 years  
For: 1,755 Against: 804
- CONWAY**, June 12.  
Passed. 1% of existing 2% extended  
For: 1,140 Against: 391
- CRAIGHEAD COUNTY**, June 12.  
Passed. 1% for 3 months  
For: 2,932 Against: 1,207
- POCAHONTAS**, June 12.  
Passed. 1% for hospital  
For: 1,010 Against: 34



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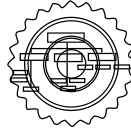
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**POLICE CHIEF**—Mena is accepting applications for Chief of Police. This position requires a person that has at least 8 years' previous experience in law enforcement and is certified in law enforcement. HS diploma or equivalent is required. Former experience and related skills in upper management are desired. A comprehensive background investigation will be conducted. Send resumés and copies of certifications to Mayor George McKee, 520 Mena Street, Mena, AR 71953. Open until filled. EOE.

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**POLICE OFFICER**—Murfreesboro is accepting applications for a full-time police officer. Mail resumé and certificate to Murfreesboro Police Dept., P.O. Box 251, Murfreesboro, AR 71958.

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