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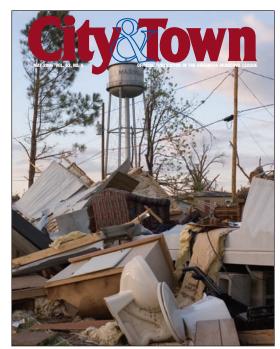
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ON THE COVER: "Pitiful," was Mayor Nileane Drope's description of Marmaduke's destruction by the April 2 tornado. It's easy to see why she is so grateful that no lives were lost. Although the 1935, 50,000 gallon water tank, background, survived, damage to it will require demolition. At lower left on this page, Federal Emergency Management Agency manufactured homes wait in an open field to be situated as temporary housing; the destruction is visible on the hill, background; tattered debris in the lower right of photo hangs from bushes. The story begins on page 6.—jkw

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Dear Colleagues:

The Arkansas Municipal League's 72nd Annual Convention, June 14-16, is rapidly approaching, and it will be a great event. League Assistant Director Ken Wasson and the League staff have an outstanding program in place, and you certainly do not

It will begin with registration and the Interim Joint City County and Local Affairs Committee meeting at 2 p.m., Wednesday, June 14, at the Hot Springs Convention Center, connected to the Embassy Suites Hotel.



All advisory councils met April 5-7 at the League headquarters. Proposed resolutions and policies and goals amendments for the 72nd Convention program were discussed and approved. The membership will be voting on these at the annual business meeting at 10:15 a.m. on Friday,

Another highlight of the Convention will be the exhibitors. Don't forget to visit the Exhibit Hall for refreshments and a look at the products and programs that could benefit your municipality.

Remember to register for this exciting event. A registration form is in this City & Town. The Convention is the place to be June 14-16. Help us make the 72nd Convention the biggest ever! Sincerely,

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Little Marmaduke responds to big tornado

City officials, trained in emergency response, are tested; city council is "staying on top of it."

By Andrew Morgan and John Woodruff, League staff

ANY OF MARMADUKE'S RESIDENTS WERE ATTENDING Sunday evening worship services at about 6:20 p.m., April 2, when a tornado ripped through this Greene County city of almost 1,200, injuring 45 residents, three critically, and destroying almost everything in its path.

Mayor Nileane Drope saw the dark cloud a few blocks away coming at her. The city's new storm-warning siren replacement of an old inoperable one was to be installed and tested the next day, a Monday. The tornado hit Sunday evening. Caught without a siren, police cars, and fire trucks and an emergency services vehicle Sunday evening drove the streets with sirens screaming to warn residents. Tornado warnings were broadcast on radio and television.

In her own house, Drope took cover. On the enclosed back porch, Drope pulled a love seat over her and the tornado hit. "Please God, no deaths in my town," she prayed.

No lives were lost. Her 1903-built home's roof was ruined and all 31 windows were blown out. Her husband, at the family's farm four miles outside of town, was safe. Drope escaped without injury.

The storm obliterated nearly 80 percent of the town. More than 300 homes and businesses were damaged or destroyed. Portions of houses or the entire structures were swept away or demolished where they stood.

"The devastation in Marmaduke was staggering," Gov. Mike Huckabee said. "It's bad," Marmaduke Police Chief Steve Franks told the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette*. "It's the worse we've seen."

"It's pitiful," Drope told *City & Town*. But she is grateful that no lives were lost.

The National Weather Service recorded 200 milesper-hour winds and classified the Marmaduke tornado as a high F3 on the Fujita scale of tornado intensity. An F3 is severe, with winds of 158 to 206 mph. The tornado swath was a mile wide.

The tornado touched ground south of Pocahontas in Randolph County, about 35 miles distant, with winds of 73 to 112 mph. As the storm moved east into Greene County, it picked up steam.

"The level of destruction is staggering," Gov. Mike Huckabee said three days later at Marmaduke. Huckabee April 3 declared seven counties—Conway, Cross, Fulton, Greene, Randolph, White and Hot Spring—disaster areas. He initiated recovery services through the state's TRACE (Tornado Recovery and Community Enhancement) team, the National Guard, the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management (ADEM) and the Arkansas Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

Hundreds of volunteers from church groups, civic organizations, Red Cross and other groups have poured into Marmaduke. Within days they piled debris for quick disposal. Clean up operations stopped while Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) regulations are followed.

The TRACE team sets up emergency headquarters in the affected area to assist storm victims. The team helps victims receive emergency supplies, assists with financial matters and helps replace documents like drivers' licenses.

ADEM offers Temporary Housing Assistance Grants

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Mayor Nileane Drope, head of table, and Recorder/Treasurer Betty Jackson take notes as Jim vonTungeln, a certified planner from the Arkansas Municipal League, left, discusses with the Marmaduke City Council its plan to adopt a master plan and zoning plan for the city as part of its recovery from the tornado. At the table are, clockwise, from Drope and Jackson: Aldermen Roy Newsome, Jackie Pollock, David Van Horn, Chuck Long, planner vonTungeln and Alderman Bill Muse.

to victims whose primary residences are destroyed or are uninhabitable. The program offers one month of assistance for renters and up to three months for homeowners. Those with homeowner's insurance whose policy allows for additional living expenses (ALE) are ineligible for housing assistance until the ALE is depleted.

DHHS assists disaster victims with special needs, necessary expenses and uninsured losses incurred as a result of a disaster. Qualifying losses include repair or replacement of primary residence, repair/replacement of personal property, essential transportation, funeral and medical expenses.

Disaster housing assistance was also made available to victims through FEMA, which, after arriving on the scene in northeast Arkansas, began sorting through the devastation and planning recovery efforts. President Bush April 13 issued an official disaster declaration. The Army Engineers and Small Business Administration have been assiting with the disaster assistance.

The Marmaduke City Council was meeting daily immediately after the tornado to direct the storm response, but has backed off to once or twice a week. Called meetings have been held with the Council squeez-

ing into Recorder/Treasurer Betty Jackson's office at the City Hall or offices of the police or fire chief. The community center where regular council meetings were held was partly destroyed.

"We're staying on top of it," said Drope, who was elected mayor four years ago after operating Sister's Beauty Shop for 45 years.

At one of the Council meetings in which a few visitors attended, the meeting was held around a table set up in a Fire Department bay after one of the vehicles was moved.

Drope appeared composed and non-flustered as she conducted the meeting. She had recently completed the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and Incident Command System (ICS) training for elected officials. She said it was required of her.

The mayor noted in an interview the NIMS regulation: "All federal, state, local, tribal, private sector and non-government personnel with a direct role in emergency management and response must be NIMS and ICS trained." (See page 23 of the April *City & Town.*) Marmaduke emergency service responders, too, were trained. Fire Chief Nicki McDowell has been designated incident commander.

Lacking a master plan or zoning regulations for the

city, the Council began establishing procedures to adopt a zoning plan. It adopted an ordinance immediately allowing the FEMA manufactured homes to be placed as needed, but only on a 20-month temporary basis until permanent housing placement could be arranged and following a master zoning plan that will be enacted for the city.

The hundreds of displaced residents have found temporary housing with relatives in other towns and cities or in motels, hotels, rented houses and apartments outside Marmaduke. The Council wanted to use the FEMA manufactured homes as quickly as possible so residents would not take up permanent residents elsewhere. But the Council did not want the trailers to be permanently parked throughout the town.

Jim vonTungeln, a planner retained by the Arkansas Municipal League, advised the Council about enacting a zoning plan for the city. It could set aside an area of the city for mobile homes and designate neighborhoods that would have only site-built homes, and areas for businesses and industry.

For a county to qualify for federal disaster relief according to FEMA guidelines, a county's uninsured losses must exceed \$2.94 per capita.

Upon surveying the damage to the area and the needs of the hundreds of residents displaced by the storm, FEMA assigned to Marmaduke some of the almost 11,000 manufactured homes that for months have been parked at Hope Municipal Airport. The homes were intended for the Hurricane Katrina recovery and the coming hurricane season. Because FEMA doesn't allow the homes in a flood plain, they have remained idle at Hope.

FEMA has trucked 25 homes to a staging area in Marmaduke to house displaced residents. FEMA homes were to go also as needed to two storm-battered communities in the same northeast part of the state: Fitzgerald Crossing in Cross County and the Shannon community in Randolph County.

Huckabee said he was glad to see the trailers put to use. "[T]his will be a very practical way to get families in housing in the shortest time possible. We know FEMA has taken a beating lately, but we have to commend them for their prompt response to work with us on this."

Does Mayor Drope have advice for other cities? She recommended emergency training for police, fire and public works officials. The training for her city's officials in those departments has paid off, she said.

The for sale message expresses the urgency that Mayor Drope and the aldermen are concerned about in their wanting to quickly provide temporary housing before residents permanently settle in other cities and towns and sell their Marmaduke homes.





McCrory is Community of the Year

Beautification combined with brains to produce sustainable programs and win this Woodruff County city the 2006 Keep Arkansas Beautiful Commission award.

CCRORY HAS DEVELOPED PROGRAMS IN LITTER prevention, waste reduction and beautification to improve itself and help create an environmentally friendly place to live.

In recognition, the Keep Arkansas Beautiful (KAB) Commission April 19 presented to McCrory the Community of the Year Award of Excellence, a program of Keep America Beautiful.

The KAB said this about this Woodruff County city of 1,850: When McCrory in 2003 lost its major employer, an American Greetings distribution center with 310 employees, a group of residents, civic groups, nonprofit organizations and city government began evaluating how the community might appear to potential industry.

McCrory addressed litter, waste reduction and beautification problems and found some remedies:

• Last October, several volunteers, along with the McCrory Girl Scout troop and Young Modern Woodmen Association, cleaned up an illegal dumping site and hauled away two dump-truck loads of trash and debris.

- McCrory began a recycling program (See May 2005, City & Town.)
- The city bought a leaf vacuum and began composting leaves and other yard waste. The resulting mulch is given free to residents for gardens and flower beds.
- McCrory opened an outreach center in a renovated downtown building and began accepting donated clothes, furniture and appliances, which otherwise might have been destined for the landfill.
- The city, civic organizations and volunteers cleared overgrown lots, condemned and destroyed dilapidated housing and dressed up downtown storefronts with landscaping and fresh coats of paint.
- Business leaders together bought a vacated warehouse and began marketing it to industrial prospects.

The KAB awards recognize businesses, government agencies, community-support organizations, and school and youth groups that foster environmental stewardship, improve community waste-handling, protect the environment and preserve the state's natural scenic beauty. KAB received 56 entries this year.

On page at left, a sport utility vehicle passes Walter Raney city park, foreground, and the old movie theater, background, as it heads west to McCrory's Main Street, which city leaders are working to redesign with a new streetscape. The theater boasts a new green awning as part of a major restoration. At right is one of the architectural drawings by University of Arkansas landscape architecture students. Among the design concepts are red brick in rebuilt, specially patterned sidewalks and streets and retaining the benches in the downtown commercial district.





In the top photo, landscape architecture students, in their redesigning of the downtown McCrory commercial district, would like to keep the durable, cast aluminum benches, as the one shown here. Residents have been buying them for \$175 each for placement on Main Street in memory or in honor of persons of their choice. This plaque says this bench is in memory of John and Eilene Ford and provided by Pallie Ford and Tolise Davenport. In the second photo, drawings by University of Arkansas student landscape architects capture the attention of Nell Jones, from left, Alan Wyatt, Leslie Williams and at right, Margaret Ann Fowler. The drawings presented what the students envisioned as different approaches that McCrory could take in dressing up the downtown. More public meetings will be held for residents to view the drawings and help decide on a renewed downtown. Below, Professor John V. Crone, at left in the bottom photo, and Mayor Fowler, right, are interviewed after the students presented their streetscape concepts for the McCrory Main Street.



The city, meanwhile, has continued its betterment program. On April 24, Mayor Doyle Fowler and other city leaders reviewed conceptual design master "streetscape" plans for McCrory's downtown commercial zone. They met with landscape design architectural graduate students and their professor, John V. Crone, of the Department of Landscape Architecture, the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville.

The students take on such design projects as part of their schoolwork under a program called SEED (Students Engaged in Economic Development). They receive academic credit for their work. The city pays travel and related expenses.

McCrory arranged for the SEED program through The Crossroads Coalition, a nine-county region in eastern Arkansas that works with private, public, individual and educational partnerships, including the University of Arkansas Economic Development Institute at Fayetteville. Interstates 40 and 55 and US 64 and Arkansas 1 cross the nine counties.

Crone said the plans are part of a process to help McCrory increase its tourism and industry.

Doyle said the city will hold more town meetings for public discussion of the plans. They accentuate, in varying landscape, street and sidewalk designs, plantings, building fronts, wall murals and other methods:

- The city's railroad past and present (a nearby passing train momentarily drowned out one student's presentation);
- Its agricultural heritage; and
- The town's close ties to nearby natural areas, such as the White and Cache rivers.

"We'll try to pull ideas from each and add others maybe," Doyle told *City & Town*.

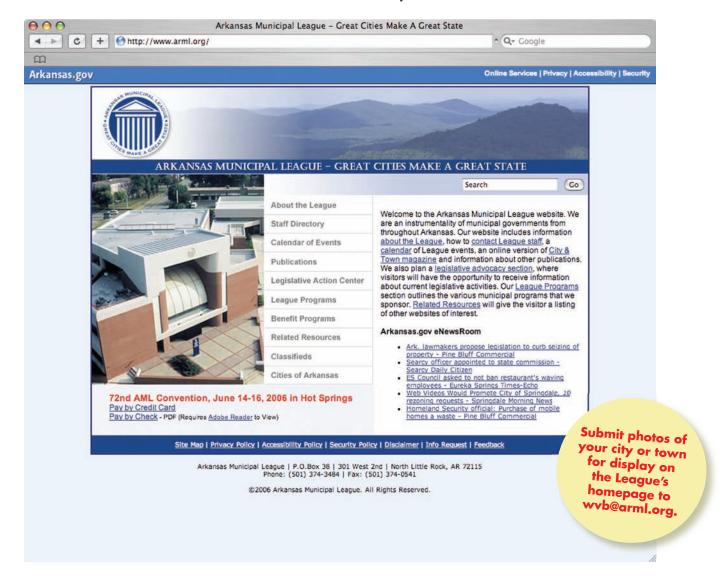
No cost estimates were offered during the student presentations. Doyle said the city is looking for grants and other financing resources. He hopes that the natural gas exploration and drilling that has begun in Woodruff County will be a revenue source. He said that the gas companies typically look to invest in the communities where they work.

Chesapeake Energy Corp. of Oklahoma City and Maverick Oil and Gas of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and its wholly owned subsidiary, Maverick Woodruff County, LLC, are operating in the county. Maverick has bought and renovated a building for offices adjacent to a downtown McCrory city park and the company has joined the chamber of commerce.

—John K. Woodruff

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Winning lethal confrontations

Avoiding common mistakes can help officers win in deadly situations.

By Capt. Gary Hacker

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VERY YEAR MANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ARE killed feloniously in the line of duty. The FBI's annual "Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted" (LEOKA) report presents extensive data regarding the victim officers, information about their killers, circumstances of the situation and the particular tasks of the officer at the time of their engagement in the lethal confrontation. Even though this report provides police commanders and trainers with very important information that can save police lives, there are always numerous questions that remain unanswered when an officer is killed in the line of duty.

Speculation ranges from:

- Σ Did the officer make procedural mistakes?
- Σ Was the officer adequately trained?
- Σ Did the personality type of the victim officer play a part in his/her death?
- Σ Was there anything that could have prevented the officer's death?

Research shows that many times the victim officer has made multiple officer safety mistakes that contributed to his or her death. This article will address ways to possibly reduce felonious police officer deaths.

According to the 2002 LEOKA report, on average, officers feloniously killed in the 10-year period from 1993 through 2002 had 10 years of service on the job. Is this an important fact to know? From 1993 through 2002, 32 percent of all U.S. officers feloniously killed were involved in arrest situations and approximately 15 percent of those officers were killed between 8:01 p.m. and 10 p.m. In addition, the deadliest day of the week for police is Friday.

Stacking the deck in our favor

Police commanders and trainers can help to possibly lower officer deaths in several ways.

∑• Reduce procedural errors such as failing to call for backup when it is available or acting alone

- prior to arrival of backup. Failure to adequately search the suspect, failure to handcuff the suspect and failure to maintain a "reactionary gap" while interviewing suspects are all procedural errors that can mean life or death to a lax officer.
- Σ• Conduct post-incident evaluations of officer assaults. Approximately 57,000 officers are assaulted in the line of duty every year. All officers can learn from these incidents.
- ∑• Provide relevant and timely training on incidents affecting officer safety. These evaluations and after-action reviews are not meant to criticize but should be used to update and improve officer safety procedures.
- ∑• Evaluate officer approaches to vehicles, suspects, known felons or emotionally disturbed people and multiple suspects. LEOKA research showed that close to 20 percent of the killers during the 1993-2002 period were with other people.

Training and equipment issues

All uniformed officers should wear their body armor. A recent report revealed that even today almost 40 percent of uniformed patrol officers do not wear body armor while on duty or working off-duty jobs. FBI stats show that many offenders are now wearing body armor while committing crimes. Remember the North Hollywood shootout in California? (Armed robbers in that Feb. 28, 1997, shootout, wore body armor from their feet to their necks. —ed.)

Of the 636 police officers feloniously killed in the 10-year period, 591 were killed by firearms and 443 of those were killed by handguns. The question is, how much time is provided annually for weapon retention and disarming training? Approximately 15 percent of the officers feloniously killed every year are killed with their own handguns.

Officers should always handcuff arrests behind their

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Capt. Hacker instructs Iraqi police cadets at the Baghdad Police College.

back. Killers interviewed in the LEOKA report stated the first thing they do is complain to officers that their "cuffs are too tight." Killers state that if cuffed in front they have an extra weapon and that they will "be good" if they are cuffed in front. Officers should never be lulled into complacency by "nice offenders."

As stated above, most police officers are killed at night. Traditional police training generally occurs during daylight hours. Additional night training would likely reduce the number of officers killed at night.

Officer survival training should address the difference between defensive aggression and predatory aggression. Defensive aggression is used to escape. Predatory aggression is used to conquer, destroy or cause great bodily harm or death. Lt. Col. David Grossman, author of "On Killing and The Bullet Proof Mind," states that one reason why so many officers are being injured is the predators "have the home court advantage." The officers generally go into the predator's house, his bar, stop him in his car or in his place of employment. In nature, a predator in his lair will almost never lose.

Avoiding close encounters of the deadly kind

I offer these tips to assist officers in "winning" deadly confrontations:

∑• Retired FBI agent and owner of the Law Enforcement and Security Trainers, Inc. in Kansas City, Mo., Larry Lein, states "Police officers need to

know when they are attacked and are at a disadvantage and cannot disengage, an officer's priority should switch from control to self-defense." Too many times police officers are reluctant to escalate up the force continuum and get caught "behind the eight ball."

- Σ Officers should be realistic about their handgun's power. In all probability they will have to shoot a "goal-oriented" suspect multiple times.
- Σ• Officers should be trained to never quit fighting, even if they have been shot multiple times. Research shows that less than 10 percent of people sustaining gunshot wounds actually die.
- Σ Train realistically at all times.

Police officers must develop a "winning" mentality as compared to a "survival" mentality. The goal of all officers when involved in a lethal confrontation should be not just to survive, but to win lethal confrontations. Imagine a professional football coach telling his team "guys, I want you to go out there today and survive!" If our goal is just to survive and we fall short, where does that leave us? But if our mindset is to win and we fall short, we may still survive.

Finally, all police officers should "support your Will to Win with the Skill to Win." The best way to do this is through frequent and realistic training.

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May 1-31, **EUREKA SPRINGS**, May Festival of the Arts, 888-855-7823, cithaud@eurekasprings.org, www.eurekasprings.org; **BULL SHOALS**, Art in the Park, 870-445-4302, havefun@bullshoals.org, www.bullshoals.org

May 13, **HARRISBURG**, Festival on the Ridge, 870-578-5466

May 13-14, **EUREKA SPRINGS**, May Art Fair, 479-981-0573, steve@eurekaspringsartists.com, www.eurekaspringsartists.com; **HOT SPRINGS**, 4th Art in the Park Festival, 501-321-6871, barline@cityhs.net, www.cityhs.net

May 18-20, **PARAGOULD**, Loose Caboose XVII, 870-240-0544, www.loosecaboose.net, mainstr@paragould.net

May 19, MARIANNA, Arts In The Park, 870-295-2469, chamcom@cablelynx.com, www.mariannaarkansas.org

May 19-20, **DERMOTT**, Crawfish Days, 870-538-5656; **MAGNOLIA**, 18th Blossom Festival and World Championship Steak Cook-Off, 800-482-3330, magcoc@arkansas.net, www.blossomfestival.org

May 20, CLARENDON, 5th Big Woods Birding Festival, 870-747-5414, clarendoncityhall@centurytel.net, www.clarendon-ar.com

May 26-28, LITTLE ROCK, Riverfest, 501-666-8926, www.riverfestarkansas.com

June 1-3, **BULL SHOALS**, Art in the Park, 870-445-4302, havefun@bullshoals.org, www.bullshoals.org June 2-3, **LOWELL**, Mudtown Days Festival, 479-770-0023, melanie@lowellarkansas.gov; **DES ARC**, 21st Steamboat Days, 870-256-3660, rick2952@go.com; MURFREESBORO, 33rd Diamond Festival, 870-285-3131

June 3-4, **SHIRLEY**, Homecoming, 501-723-4462, missy@shirleybluedevils.com

June 5-18, HOT SPRINGS, 11th Music Festival, 501-623-4763, festival@hotmusic.org, www.hotmusic.org

June 9-10, **NASHVILLE**, 15th Dinosaur Festival, 870-845-7405, nashpark@sbcglobal.net, www.nashvillearkansas.com; **WARREN**, 50th Pink Tomato Festival, 870-226-5225, bccc@cei.net, www.bradleycountychamberofcommerce.com; **WYNNE**, 30th Farmfest, 870-238-2601,

crossccc@sbcglobal.net,

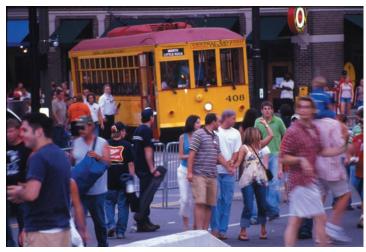
www.crosscountychamber.com June 9-11, **SPRINGDALE**, FeatherFest, 800-972-7261, www.springdale.com, info@chamber.springdale.com

June 12-18, MCGEHEE, Centennial Celebration, 870-222-4451, paula@mcgeheechamber.com

June 14-17, **SMACKOVER**, 35th Oil Town Festival, 870-725-3521, smkovrcofc@sbcglobal.net, www.smackoverar.com

June 17, HARDY, 16th Homesteaders Day, 870-966-3644, edlsjrose@yahoo.com; SILOAM SPRINGS, Heritage Festival, 479-524-4011,

cleessmuseum@centurytel.net, www.siloamspringsmuseum.com



As evening sets in, Riverfest crowds grow and travel back and forth between entertainment in Little Rock and North Little Rock. The route here is the Main Street Bridge.—League File photo



It's Convention time again.

June 14-16 — Hot Springs, Ark.

See next page for more information.

To register online and see an expanded tentative schedule, visit www.arml.org.



Registration and payment must be received in League office by May 31, 2006, to qualify for advance registration.

Advance registration for municipal officials	
Registration fee after May 31, 2006, and on-site registration for municipal officials	\$175
Spouse/guest registration	.\$75
Child registration	.\$75
Other registrants	\$200

- Registration will be processed ONLY with accompanying payment in full.
 Make checks payable to the Arkansas Municipal League.
- Registration includes meals, activities and copies of Handbook for Arkansas Municipal Officials, 2005-'06 edition.
- No daily registration is available.
- Registration must come through the League office. No telephone registrations will be accepted.
- No refunds after May 31, 2006.
- Cancellation letters must be postmarked by May 31, 2006.

To set up direct billing, contact hotel accounting offices.

- Embassy Suites Hotel—501-321-4413
- Austin Hotel—800-844-7275
- Arlington Hotel—800-626-9768

Embassy Suites Hotel (headquarters hotel)	
Single/ Double\$124	Check-in
Austin Hotel	
Single/ Double	Check-in
Arlington Hotel	
Single \$76 Double \$86	Check-in

- Cut-off date for hotel reservations is May 31, 2006.
- Rooms in Hot Springs are subject to a 13.5 percent tax.
- If your 1st choice and 2nd choice are unavailable, the Housing Bureau will assign you to an available facility.
- Rooms will be held until 6 p.m. and then released unless guaranteed by credit card.
- Contact the Housing Bureau at 800-922-6478 (9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. M-F) to make changes or cancellations in hotel accommodations until **May 31, 2006**. Contact the hotel after that date.
- Hotel confirmation number will come directly from the hotel.

Two ways to register

Register online at www.arml.org

Complete the steps and mail with payment to:
ARKANSAS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE
Attn: 72nd Convention
P.O. Box 38

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North Little Rock, AR 72115-0038

Step 1: Delegate Intormation
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Address: City: State: Zip: Telephone: Spouse/Guest will attend: □Yes □No Name: Children will attend: □Yes □No Name(s):
Step 2: Payment Information
WHAT IS YOUR TOTAL? (see opposite page for fees)
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Card Holder Name (as it appears on card): Billing address (as it appears on statement): City:
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List all people staying in room (include yourself):
Step 4: Housing Payment Payment Options: Credit Card Direct Bill Note: only two payment options. Direct bill my city. Contact hotel to set up an account. See Housing box on previous page for contact information.) Use my credit card to obtain/guarantee my reservations. Credit Card: Visa MasterCard Discover AM EX
Card Number: Exp. Date:/200_ Card Holder Name (as it appears on card):

TENTATIVE PROGRAM IN BRIEF To see an expanded tentative schedule, visit www.arml.org.

WEDNESDAY

JUNE 14

2 p.m.-7 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 7 p.m. REGISTRATION AND EXHIBIT HALL OPEN
RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
OPENING NIGHT BANQUET

THURSDAY

JUNE 15

7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. 7:30 a.m.-8:45 a.m. 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m. 1:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

5:30 p.m.-9 p.m.

EXHIBITS OPEN
HOST CITY BREAKFAST
GENERAL SESSIONS
LUNCHEON

REGISTRATION OPEN

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

EVENING OPEN—ENTERTAINMENT OPTIONS

FRIDAY
June 16

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. 7:30 a.m.-8:45 a.m. 9 a.m.-10 a.m. 10:15 a.m.-11:30 p.m. 11:45 p.m.-1:30 p.m. REGISTRATION OPEN

BREAKFAST

OFFICIALS' EXCHANGE

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETINGS

AWARDS AND NEW OFFICERS' LUNCHEON

RESOLUTIONS

Suggested Convention Resolutions for consideration at the 72nd Annual Convention should be mailed to:

72nd Convention Resolutions

Arkansas Municipal League

P.O. Box 38

North Little Rock, AR 72115-0038

Resolutions must be received at least 30 days (May 14, 2006) prior to Convention.

These resolutions may be drafted by an official of any member city or town and can relate to any matter of municipal concern. See your **2005-2006 Policies and Goals** for resolutions adopted at the 71st Convention.

WANTED: City officials or employees with 25 years of service in 2006

If you or other officials in your city or town are serving their 25th year of municipal service, the League would like to know.

Special recognition will be given to them at the 72nd League Convention, June 14-16, in Hot Springs.

Call Ken Wasson at 501-374-3484, ext. 211 or Sheila Moore, ext. 218.

Or write: P.O. Box 38 North Little Rock, AR 72115-0038.

Names must be submitted to the League office by May 22.

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

At the 72nd Convention a special Exhibit Hall is available for businesses, companies and manufacturers to display their products and services that are available to Arkansas municipalities.

To guarantee your firm's exhibit area, contact the League immediately to reserve space for your display. Your name will be added to the list of exhibitors, and we will reserve a space for your exhibit when you arrive.

The cost this year for the three-day exhibit space is \$400. We cannot guarantee space for companies that do not preregister before June 2.

Call Whitnee Bullerwell at 501-374-3484, ext. 206.

Or write: Arkansas Municipal League, P.O. Box 38, North Little Rock, AR 72115-0038

Get certified

The Arkansas State Animal Control Association Training Academy 2006 will be Sept. 19-22 at the Holiday Inn of Jonesboro. ASACA is Arkansas's training academy for certifying animal control and humane society officers.

The ASACA will mail brochures to cities and organizations in late May. If you do not receive a brochure by the end of June, contact Association President Stacy Dolan at 501-362-8291, Vice President Seborn Gregory or Secretary/Treasurer Suzanne Gathright, both at 870-845-7414.

Find Arkansas answers on-line

Need to know the county seat, population and size of Yell County? Need to know how much damage the Great Flood of 1927 caused? Need to settle a debate on how Jay Hanna Dean became known as "Dizzy" Dean? The answers to these questions and many more can all be found in the Encyclopedia of Arkansas History & Culture.

The Encyclopedia, a project of the Butler Center for Arkansas Studies at the Central Arkansas Library System, held its official launch and went online at www.encyclopediaofarkansas.net on May 2. The site, over three years in the making, features hundreds of text entries that cover all aspects of Arkansas history and includes historical photos, maps and audio and visual files.

The Encyclopedia will not remain static. The project's goal is to offer a definitive, comprehensive and accurate record of Arkansas history. Being online allows the Encyclopedia to grow as entries are regularly added and updated. By the project's end in 2010, the Encyclopedia will feature more than 4,000 entries as well as mixed media. It will continue to be maintained and updated beyond 2010 by the Butler Center.

The public is invited to contribute as well. The resource's creators welcome suggestions for topics and authors. They also seek volunteers to write and fact check entries. And see the "Get Involved" section of the site for student opportunities or to apply for an internship.

The Encyclopedia was made possible by grants from the Department of Arkansas Heritage and the Arkansas Humanities Council, and by a large donation from the Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation.

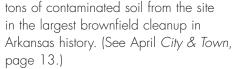


Environmental agencies award Heifer cleanup certificate

Representatives from the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) presented Heifer International with a brownfield cleanup certificate of completion May 1.

Heifer transformed a polluted industrial site east of Little Rock's River market district and adjacent to the Clinton Presidential Center into a clean, safe environment for its new \$17.5 world

headquarters, which opened in January. In partnership with the City of Little Rock and several environmental and engineering partners, Heifer removed 75,526





CLE Offered at League Convention

Twelve hours of continuing legal education (CLE) will be available for city attorneys who attend the 72nd Arkansas Municipal League Convention, June 14-16, at the Hot Springs Convention Center. The Arkansas City Attorneys' Association (ACAA) sponsors the CLE.

Paul Suskie, North Little Rock city attorney, ACAA president, urges members to register for the convention as soon as possible. A registration form is in this *City & Town*; copies are also being mailed to city attorneys and they may register online at www.arml.org.

CLE topics, offered June 15 and 16, include how not to commit malpractice with your computer, protecting your practice from digital and natural disaster, 30 top legal PC tips, gadgets and Web sites, e-discovery, prosecuting domestic violence cases and orders of protection, municipal liability and policy making, as well as state and federal case law updates.

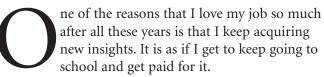
(To attend the CLE program, registration is required at the League Convention.) For registration information, call Whitnee Bullerwell at the League, 501-374-3484, Ext. 206.

For CLE information, call Mark Hayes, ACAA secretary/treasurer and League general counsel, 501-374-3484, ext. 222.

Fix the basics on your way to changing the world

Making small improvements in cities and towns can result in big changes and strengthen community bonds.

By Jim vonTungeln, Staff Planning Consultant, American Institute of Certified Planners



For example, I was in Ashdown recently, meeting with a combination of elected officials and resident volunteers. (Not the one-note, special interest ones but the good ones, who want to create a better community for everybody.) When one subcommittee became stalled in the process of generating ideas, the chairman said something that, in teenager-talk, just "blew me away."

He said, "Remember, we don't have to change the world. We just have to do something."

Wow! I thought about that all the way home, and it's a long way from Ashdown to my home. I thought about all the times that I have seen communities or community groups paralyzed by the enormity of modern urban problems. I thought about how many times I have seen "good" being sacrificed on the altar of "perfect." I thought about how many times I have driven into a city and my first impression was a derelict property that could have been cleaned up by a group of volunteers in one afternoon.

And for some reason, I thought about my father-inlaw, who used to talk about the villages in Germany where, on Saturday afternoons, each able-bodied resident was expected to turn out, broom in hand, to sweep the streets in and about the town square.

And my wife wonders why I can't sleep when I return from one of these trips.

Here is a challenge for each mayor, elected official, and staff person who reads this. Think of two or three projects that could make your city better and would neither cost a lot of money nor require a grant. Then do one. Here are few suggestions to stir your imagination.

Pick out an "ugly spot" in your community and rally support to get rid of it. It may be easier than you think. I once achieved the removal of a major eyesore in my neighborhood by simply going to the tax assessor's office, finding the property owner's address and writing a nice letter.

Initiate a neighborhood clean-up program. There are all sorts of groups and individuals who need their "tickets punched" for a good works project. You'd be sur-



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prised at how eager they might be to help.

Set a goal to save one high-risk kid from slipping the bonds of productive behavior. High-minded strategies are great for planning a war, but the battles are won one foxhole at a time.

Pick out a city flower and a city tree and start a program to plant them everywhere. There is just something about a theme of purpose that seems to strengthen communal bonds. Ask a ham-radio operator.

For the cost of a plaque, present a "Property Improvement Award of the Year."

Raise money for cleanup by having a "Dunk the Mayor" booth at your yearly festival ... oops, just kidding. But I hope you get the idea: Planning is great— Lord knows I believe that—but the great aim of it all is action. And remember: Fix the basics. It isn't going to help your community to have a convention center if your residents do not feel safe walking the streets. If you have ever seen what one drug dealer can do to a neighborhood, then you can imagine what getting rid of one drug dealer might do.

The truth is (and it may be a sad truth for some of us to accept), the days of the grants are over. There is not much financial help coming from either the state or federal governments anywhere in the near future. The communities in our state are going to have to do what they can with the resources they have. The greatest of those resources may very well be the people who live in the communities. Why not give them a chance?

Previously I have quoted the great urban planner Daniel Burnham who said, "Make no little plans for they have no magic to stir men's blood ..." I suppose there is a lot of truth to that, but Daniel Burnham never had to deal with the impositions that the modern world has placed on towns in the Arkansas Delta. If he had, he might have said: "Remember, we don't have to change the world, we just have to do something."

I'll be checking with you at the June convention to see what you are doing.

Comments or questions? Reach Jim vonTungeln at 501-372-3232 or visit www.planyourcity.com. He is available for consultation as a service of the Arkansas Municipal League.





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Inside vs. Outside

A home outside is more humane than no home at all.

By Billy Grace

t a recent adoption event, one of our employees endured some familiar criticism for allowing a person to adopt a dog with the intention of keeping the dog outside. During the same conversation, the critic also told the employee that she should be conducting in-home interviews before allowing anyone to adopt an animal. These suggestions came from one of the local "humane groups" we had invited to attend the adoption event.

We should be used to hearing this criticism because we've heard it for years. These criticisms point out the differences between animal control agencies (animal shelters) and humane/rescue groups.

Animal control agencies are normally part of a governmental entity, such as a city, county or state. They are public service agencies. Most pertain to unwanted dogs and cats and the problems caused when they are not controlled.

Agencies function as humanely as possible, however, their first and foremost responsibility lies with the tax-payers they serve. Municipal animal shelters do not turn away stray animals because the facility is full. If they cannot find homes for the pets they receive, they must euthanize them.

Humane groups, on the other hand, are usually made up of private citizens. They form because they love animals and want to do something to help them. For the most part, unlike most animal control officers they receive no formal training. If they house animals, they shut the doors when the facility is full. While these people are well intentioned, they sometimes do not understand that animal control agencies don't enjoy this luxury. One cannot do this job using only the heart. At some point the brain should tell them that there are far too many dogs and cats in this world. Most humane groups with which I am familiar do not associate themselves with euthanasia. They don't have to euthanize because they shut their doors when they are full.

The dogs received at most municipal animal shelters are typically larger, mixed bred, "outside" types. These dogs are the most difficult to move into homes. At the North Little Rock shelter, we take pride in the number of animals that we are able to find homes for. Even so, we usually must pay for the spaying/neutering before we can get anyone to consider adopting. I can therefore understand our employee's frustration when chastised for allowing an adopted dog to be kept outside.

The suggestion for in-home interviews bothered our

employee. In a perfect world this would be prudent. We do not have the time or the resources to conduct an in-home interview prior to every adoption, however, especially when adopters live hun-



Grace

dreds of miles away. We screen them and we turn some away, but we don't go to each potential adopter's home. Most other municipal shelters are in the same boat.

One's home is not necessarily a good indicator of what kind of pet owner be. We have had situations where affluent people refused to get needed medical attention for their pets. Yet, many low-income elderly people will do without food for themselves to care for their pet. Homeless people have been known to be good pet owners.

For years, people have been coming to our shelter saying that a humane group has turned them away because they wanted to adopt a pet and keep it outside. Probably thousands of stray dogs and cats run loose and reproduce in Pulaski County alone. To close the shelter doors when full perpetuates an exploding over-population problem. To reduce adoptions by requiring that all adopted pets be kept inside is ludicrous.

I have been a dog lover all of my life, but my dogs live outside. I provide them with food, water, medical care and a doghouse full of hay. Many times I have seen my dogs jump into a creek and splash around when the temperature in the thirties. A well-fed dog that is acclimated to being outside does not seem to mind the cold. The majority of stray dogs and cats that end up in shelters would prefer to live outside because they have never been inside.

This column is not meant to slam the rescue groups. It is simply an attempt point out that some of us do what we have to do, while others can do what they want to do. The humane groups are made up of dedicated people who perform a valuable service to the shelters and their animals. Without them, many municipal shelters, including ours, would not have enjoyed the success that they have. We all have the same goal: to end euthanasia as a means of controlling overpopulation. If we reach that goal, then we can more stringently screen adoptions. Until then, be reminded that we are dealing with a surplus, and municipal animal control agencies are dealing with that surplus as humanely as possible.

Billy Grace is director of the North Little Rock Animal Shelter, 501-791-8577.

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Municipal Property Program

Your Municipal Property Program offers broad coverage for your municipal property. The limits of coverage are \$50 million per occurrence per member for damages from fire, windstorm and other incidents in excess of \$5,000.



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FIRE CLASS VI		.0025	X	covered value	=	Premium
FIRE CLASS VII	_	.003	X	covered value	=	Premium
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Get your paperwork in order before you import/export

Attaining the proper license is necessary when conducting international business.

By Sherman Banks

he more we grow to understand the international market, the more apparent it is that we need to be familiar with the rules and regulations that govern international business. Similar to domestic business operations, international transactions involve many legal obligations, government regulations, licensing procedures and duties with which exporters and importers must comply. In addition, certain rights, particularly as they pertain to patents, trademarks and copyrights, are protected under international law.

First we must understand that there is a range of legal issues, including licenses, foreign government regulations, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and the considerations of selecting a business agent to represent you in foreign country.

The legal principles governing today's international market result from constant commercial transactions among different nations. Generally speaking, the framework of the international trading system is based upon straightforward concepts of contract law. There are, however, important key points to know. The best preparation for understanding the legal requirements governing international commerce begins at home with a solid understanding of U.S. export and import enforcement and foreign corrupt practices policies.

The single most important statute governing activities for U.S. companies is the Export Administration Act, as amended. The act sets forth procedures for licensing, documenting and qualifying hardware, software, technical data and services for doing business abroad. The act essentially controls the transfer of such technologies to keep them from being obtained by our adversaries who would use them in a military capacity.

All exports from the United States must have an export license, except for some commodities sold to Canada. There are two types of licenses, the General License and the Individual Validated License (IVL). If a commodity is not regulated it can be exported with a General License, which requires no application to the U.S. government. If a commodity is controlled for foreign policy, national security or economic reasons, the exporter will need to obtain an IVL, which requires the exporter to submit an application and receive approval



from the Department of Commerce's Bureau of Export Administration before the exporter can ship the product(s).

When using General License for example, if the product is a low-level technology, the exporter needs to determine whether one of he more than 20 types of General Licenses is available. To use a General License is relatively simple—you just find out the appropriate designation and indicate it on your Shipper's Export Declaration (SED). This declaration accompanies the documentation for the export products and allows the Department of Commerce to compile trade statistics and control exports.

When exporting certain medium-to-high-level products, an IVL is required. Each license—valid for two years—is for shipping the commodity indicated on the license application, in the quantity indicated, only to the end-user specified and subject to the special conditions, if any, imposed by the U.S. government. You can refer to the U.S. government's publication (the Export Administration Regulation) about the details for which commodities require IVL's and to which countries. As the exporter, you are directly and legally obligated to monitor the proper use of any export license obtained from the U.S. government. When doing any transaction it is important to note that you are legally obligated to complete an SED and to provide it to the carrier of the products as well as a Destination Control Statement to ensure that the product will not be diverted to unauthorized destinations. To avoid unnecessary delays in getting IVL's you should consider applying for a multiple-transaction validated license when the same end-user or importer is involved.

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The three E's of traffic safety

Traffic safety design involves more than streets and signs.

By A.E. (Al) Johnson Jr.

stablishing and maintaining a municipal traffic safety program is not easy. Traffic safety is complicated. Traffic safety must address vehicle performance, human behavior and an ever-changing environment.

We are familiar with the three R's in a successful education program: Reading, 'Riting and 'Rithmetic. To have a good traffic safety program, you must have the three E's: Engineering, Education and Enforcement. If any of these three E's is not addressed, the traffic safety program will not be effective.

Note: All three E's have budgetary restraints; therefore, it is imperative that municipalities get the most for their money.

Let's start with Engineering—mechanical and civil. Municipalities can do very little on the mechanical side since it involves vehicle design, performance and safety ratings. About all a municipality can do is require appropriate safety features on city-owned vehicles.

Civil engineering under the control of the municipality, begins with the street ordinance. It specifies lane widths, turning radii, maximum curvature and pavement type. Zoning ordinances and building codes that specify setbacks, lighting, parking, and driveway widths or other engineering criteria also impact traffic safety.

Engineering design goes beyond prevention to protection when the human factor is acknowledged. Accidents occur. On the protection side we have guardrail placement, impact attenuators, rumble strips, advanced warning signs and so on.

We also have traffic engineering, —traffic control devices such as traffic signals, traffic signs, lane markings and posted speed limits. Signs are no substitute for good engineering. A well-designed municipal street serves all motorists and pedestrians equally.

Now to the second E, Education. Driver education begins with our observing elders behind the wheel. Our next step in education is digesting the driver's training manual sufficiently to pass the written portion of the driver's license test.

Some drivers become better-educated when they are required by their employer to attend a defensive driving course. Other drivers are encouraged by their insurance companies to take driver's education, and there are drivers who go to traffic school as a result of a traffic violation.

Driver education is simply continuing education on a daily basis. Public service announcements address specific traffic laws. Weather advisories help prepare the driver, and operating manuals help make the driver more responsive to the vehicle operation. Regardless of their education, drivers are human



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and will make mistakes. Traffic laws will be violated, speed limits will be exceeded and there will be accidents.

If we had perfect engineering and everyone obeyed the traffic laws, there would be little need to the third E, enforcement.

For most municipal police, traffic safety and control is just one duty that they must perform as part of their daily beat. Police officers must deter crime, perform investigations, respond to domestic issues, transport prisoners and appear in court. They must also address traffic safety and control.

Being a good "city cop" requires presenting a respectable image, utilizing good public relations, and being able to take control of whatever issues arise. These law enforcement skills are important and especially important in traffic enforcement. An officer must use discretion.

A qualified, trained, uniformed police officer in a cruiser on the street is expensive. At minimum, the officer must be a graduate of the law enforcement-training academy. There are the officer's salary, overhead and cost of the vehicle, which is equipped with a communication system, safety features, required decals and emergency lighting. This vehicle must be insured and maintained. Further, there is the cost of uniforms, weapons training and the necessity of a backup.

Police vehicles should be visible. They are of little value in controlling traffic and reducing the accident rate when they are hidden and officers are looking for a ticket quota.

A patrol officer's cruiser is his or her office and primary tool in traffic control and enforcement. Good equipment is important, but it is only as good as the patrol officer on the scene. The officer must take control of the accident at the scene, collect facts, make decisions and prepare the accident report. Clearing the roadway, preparing the accident report and preventing a secondary impact at the accident scene require a well-trained, qualified officer. Police are more at risk at a traffic accident than they are performing a criminal investigation.

Engineering, education and enforcement are all needed for effective traffic safety and control. Budget

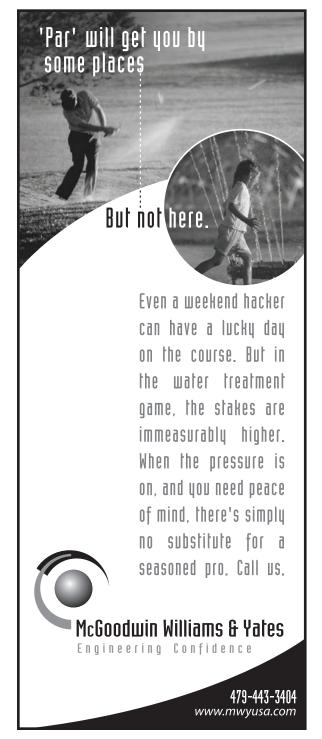
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your money wisely. Don't spend it on signs that say, "Dangerous intersection ahead." Do something about it. Keep the motoring public informed through the local media. Let the motorists know street maintenance schedules and any disruptions of normal traffic flow. And lastly, spend money wisely.

Reach Al Johnson 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.



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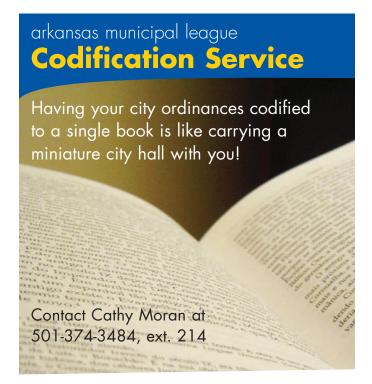
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For information, contact Sherman Banks, president of Sister Cities International at 501-376-8193, e-mail sbanks@aristotle.net, or write to P.O. Box 165920, Little Rock, AR 72216.



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National Arbor Day Foundation names 10 new Tree Cities in Arkansas

Thirty-three Arkansas cities and towns now merit the elite designation Tree City USA.

By John Slater, Urban Forestry Partnership Coordinator

n 2005 Arkansas established more Tree Cities than any other state in the country. We added 10 new Tree Cities to Arkansas's roster. Congratulations to the cities of Jonesboro, Mineral Springs, Warren, McCrory, DeQueen, Mammoth Springs, Plainview, Tollette, Hatfield and Alpena.

The 23 Tree Cities already established, along with the number of years they have been members include Bentonville (7), Eureka Springs (23), Fayetteville (11), Fordyce (19), Little Rock Air Force Base (13), Mountain View (19), Little Rock (5), North Little Rock (12), Rogers (20), Hot Springs (6), Etowah (6), Marvell (9), Keiser (6), Wooster (5), Mt. Vernon (5), Nashville (4), Adona (4), Bryant (3), Beaver (3), Van Buren (3), Dell (2), Lake Village (2) and Trumann (2).

Warren celebrated Arbor Day by surprising Mayor Bryan Martin with the Tree City USA award. It was kept secret from the mayor until after he read the Arbor Day

Warren Mayor Brayn Martin, second from left, was delighted that Warren had been designated as a Tree City USA and received this flag in recognition by the National Arbor Day Foundation of the honor. Holding the flag, from left, are Bob Baker, Bradley County forester for the Arkansas Forestry Commission (AFC), Mayor Martin, Jerry Lynn, county forester and an AFC Urban Forest representative, and Joe Friend, AFC district forester.





Proclamation. District Forester Slater
Joe Friend and Jerry Lynn, both with the Arkansas
Forestry Commission presented the award. Martin was
quite taken by the surprise and extremely pleased. The
Forestry Commission provided bare root Nuttall Oak
seedlings to the public.

The March 22 Searcy Daily Citizen states that the Searcy may be a Tree City USA as early as 2007. The Searcy City Council is working on a tree ordinance and appointing a tree board to oversee the care of city trees. Steve Burgess, a county forester and an urban forestry representative with the Arkansas Forestry Commission said, "This is a voluntary community program that establishes a working plan for urban forestry."

Burgess has also been busy working with Conway to assist them in becoming a Tree City USA. They have passed a public tree care ordinance and are establishing a tree board, two of the criteria for becoming a Tree City. Another requirement is an annual observance of Arbor Day. Conway observed Arbor Day on March 21, and Mayor Tab Townsell was in attendance to read a proclamation designating that day as Arbor Day in Conway. The event was held at Conway Public Schools Auditorium and was a joint effort of the city, Faulkner County Cooperative Extension Service, Keep Faulkner County Beautiful, Mas-

ter Gardeners, Conway Parks Department, Conway Corps, Conway High School FFA, and the Arkansas Forestry Commission.

The groups mentioned above are just a few of the organizations that are more than happy to assist you in developing your own tree management program or groups that are similar to them.

Cabot is another community that has met all the requirements to become a Tree City and should become one in 2007. Some other communities we are working with around the state that are trying to become a Tree City include Dardanelle, Fort Smith, Holiday Island, Lowell, Texarkana, Arkadelphia, Spark-

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man, Ashdown, Stuttgart, Star City and Wynne.

So why is there such interest in becoming a Tree City USA? For many communities it is a new and unfamiliar program, one they've never participated in. People are discovering that as our communities continue to grow, it is important that we maintain the healthy trees that help make our communities livable. Nothing says "welcome" more to a visitor than driving down a tree-lined street and seeing neighbors visiting in the shade and children playing in the yards, or attending a festival in the city park and enjoying music under a big shade tree.

Start now and don't stop

There's no better time to start than now.

Trees require maintenance and time in order to provide those benefits we enjoy. Becoming a Tree City USA and developing a tree management plan helps to ensure for these benefits in the future and can be initiated by participating in the Tree City USA program. Help make Arkansas number one in the nation with the most Tree Cities.

The Arkansas Forestry Commission has had an active Urban Forestry Program for 16 years and is dedicated to providing technical assistance in how to manage, protect, plant, select and maintain trees in our communities. The commission also assists communities in becoming a Tree Cities by providing a sample tree ordinance, advice on how to develop a tree board or department, help with an Arbor Day observance and how to reach the \$2 per capita goal. Most communities can achieve this without any additional cost.

For more information on how your community can become a Tree City or how you can manage your city trees, contact Patti Erwin, Urban Forestry Coordinator for the Arkansas Forestry Commission, at 479-442-8627, or *perwin@dluxlink.com*; or John Slater, Urban Forest Partnership Coordinator with the Arkansas Forestry Commission, at 501-984-5867, or *john.slater@arkansas.gov*.

Make a Memory ... Plant a tree

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<u>Mewsletter</u>

The Newsletter, written by a TEST CONSULTANTS, is included in City & Town as a service of the Arkansas Municipal League Legal Defense Program.

SMOKING AND THE WORKPLACE

By Mike Messenger, Vice President a'TEST Consultants, Inc.

A healthy lifestyle not only includes eating right and staying active, but also making other healthy choices. Tobacco use is the single most preventable cause

of death and disease in our society. By quitting smoking, you can greatly reduce your chances of developing many chronic diseases such as heart disease, stroke and cancer.

According to 2003 statistics:

- 25 percent of adult Arkansans smoked, compared to 23 percent nationally.
- Smoking triples the risk of dying from heart disease among middle-aged men and women.
- Exposure to secondhand smoke causes an estimated 3,000 deaths from lung cancer annually.
- Nearly 70 percent of the 46.5 million American adults who smoke cigarettes want to quit.

A poll of 500 Arkansas voters found:

- 93 percent felt people should not be exposed to secondhand smoke in the workplace.
- 82 percent viewed secondhand smoke as either a serious or moderate health hazard.
- 65 percent either strongly or somewhat supported the idea of a smoke-free law.
- 80 percent said it would either make no difference or they would vote for a legislator who supported a smoke-free bill (that is, 80 percent would not be negatively influenced by a vote for a smoke-free bill).

"We found the results to be consistent across the state; there is very convincing public support for a smoke-free workplace," said Ernie Oakleaf, owner of Opinion Research Associates, Inc.

TIPS FOR SMOKERS WHO DECIDE TO QUIT

- Look into the different kinds of self-help options available to smokers. These include Freedom From Smoking® guidebooks, videotapes and audiotapes. All of these materials are also available from the American Lung Association.
- Pick a good time to quit. Don't try to quit when you're under stress or around a holiday.
- Be aware that smokers have different experiences when they quit. They may feel sleepy or very excited, lightheaded, nervous or irritable. Or they might crave tobacco or sweets or have headaches.





a'TEST CONSULTANTS, Inc., provides drug and alcohol testing as a service of the Arkansas Municipal League Legal Defense Program. The program helps cities and towns comply with the U. S. Department of Transportation required drug testing for all holders of commercial drivers' licenses.

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- Be sure to get some exercise every day. For example, walking is a great
 way to reduce the stress of quitting. Exercise is a big boost
 toward feeling better, improving spirits and keeping trim.
- Get plenty of sleep, eat a balanced diet and drink lots of water.
- Ask family, friends and co-workers to help. Having someone to take a walk with or just listen can give a needed boost.

HELPING A SMOKER QUIT: DO'S AND DON'TS

General hints for friends and family:

- Do respect that the quitter is in charge. This is his or her lifestyle change and his or her challenge, not yours.
- Do ask the person whether he or she wants you to call or visit regularly to see how he or she is doing. Let the person know that it's okay to call you whenever he or she needs to hear encouraging words.
- Do help the quitter get what she or he needs, such as hard candy to suck on, straws to chew on, fresh veggies cut up and kept cold in the refrigerator, etc.
- Do spend time doing things with the quitter to keep his or her mind off smoking—go to the movies or take a walk to get past a craving (what many call a "nicotine fit").
- Do help the quitter with a few chores, some child care, cooking— whatever will help lighten the stress of quitting.
- Do celebrate along the way. Quitting smoking is a big deal!
- Don't take the quitter's grumpiness personally during his or her nicotine withdrawal. The symptoms will pass in about two weeks.
- Don't offer advice. Just ask how you can help with the plan or program they are using.

IF YOUR SMOKER RELAPSES...

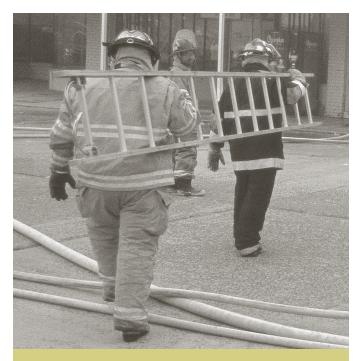
Research shows that most people try to quit smoking five to seven times before they are successful. Don't give up your efforts to encourage and support your loved one. If the person you care about fails to quit:

- Σ• Do praise him or her for trying to quit, and for whatever length of time (days, weeks or months) of not smoking.
- Σ• Do encourage him or her to try again. Don't say, "If you try again ..." Say, "When you try again ..." Studies show that most people who don't succeed in quitting are ready to try again in the near future.
- Σ• Do encourage him or her to learn from the attempt. Things a person learns from a failed attempt to quit may help him or her be successful in a future attempt.

IF YOU ARE A SMOKER...

- Σ Do smoke outside and always away from the quitter.
- Σ Do keep your cigarettes and matches out of sight. They might be triggers to smoke.
- Σ Don't ever offer the quitter a smoke, even in jest!
- ∑• Do make an effort to quit. It's better for your health and might be easier to do with someone else that is trying to quit.

Call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345 to find out what resources might be available to you for your quit attempt.



Support a family on \$20 a week?

Volunteer firefighters who are injured in their firefighter duties receive only \$20 a week for a compensable injury.

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Protect your loved ones' financial security.

Arkansas Municipal League's Volunteer Firefighters Supplemental Income Program

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Summaries of attorney general opinions

Recent opinions that affect municipal government in Arkansas.

From the Office of Attorney General Mike Beebe

State may order NICET compliance

Opinion: 2006-028

Requestor: Mathis, Bob—State Representative Does ACA 19-45-1405 prohibit the state from requiring National Institute for Certification in Engineering Technologies (NICET) certification of any level on plans or in specifications for those who install fire sprinkler and fire alarm systems? Q2) Does ACA 22-9-203 prohibit a state agency, county, or municipality from requiring NICET certification of any level for those who install fire alarm and fire sprinkler systems? **RESPONSE**: No. The prohibition under both statutes applies to "certification from any professional or industry associations, societies, trade groups, or similar organizations as steel building fabricators." It is not clear from the face of the statutes that certification as "steel building fabricators" necessarily encompasses those who install fire sprinkler and fire alarm systems.

OK to hold records until termination

Opinion: 2006-071 Requestor: Rios, Amanda

Reporter, The Baxter Bulletin

Would a chief of police be terminated the day he was notified of his termination, or on the date the termination is effective? O2) How does the date of termination relate to the record custodian's obligation to comply with an FOIA request? Q3) Is the Chief's personnel file subject to public disclosure? RESPONSE: My statutory duty under ACA 25-19-105(c)(3)(B) is to determine whether the decision of the custodian of the records is consistent with the FOIA, not to address particular questions posed by custodians, subjects and requesters. It appears that an issue has arisen regarding the custodian's decision as to the timing of the release of certain records under the FOIA. The Mayor apparently takes the position that some or all of the records are not subject to release until after the effective date of the Police Chief's termination. In my opinion to the extent the Mayor's decision is to withhold release of "employee evaluation or job performance records" until the effective date of the termination, his decision is consistent with the FOIA. See Op. Att'y. Gen. 1995-242.

New laws effective July 21

Opinion: 2006-080

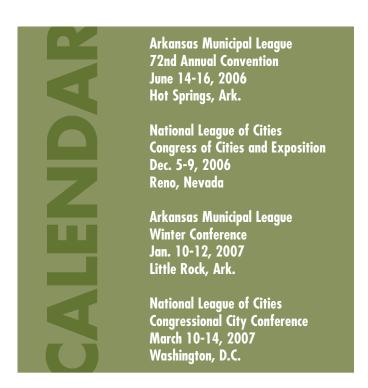
Requestor: Daniels, Charlie—Secretary of State What will be the effective date of legislation passed during the First Extraordinary Session of the 85th General Assembly that did not carry an emergency clause or specified effective date? **RESPONSE**: July 21, 2006

Employee's resignation is public information

Opinion: 2006-082

Requestor: Hamilton, Don F.

Is the decision of the custodian of the records to release the resignation letter of a former employee consistent with provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, or is the letter exempt because disclosure would constitute a "clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy" under the FOIA? **RESPONSE**: The decision to release the letter is consistent with the FOIA.



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State, local leaders planning for pandemic flu

"[G]overnments may have to ban indoor gatherings ... discouraging the traditional handshake in favor of an elbow touch."

By Joseph Bates, M.D.



he bird flu we've all been reading about, H5N1, will probably be in North America and in Arkansas before the year ends. Migrating waterfowl and other birds that spend summer in the Arctic will bring it as they travel south along their traditional flyways.

No one knows the risk these migrating birds will pose to either domestic birds or humans. The poultry industry, along with state and local leaders, has been working to prevent the virus from spreading to its flocks. Permanently enclosed chickens aren't likely to be at risk, but free-range fowl on Arkansas farms may be.

While we are all concerned about the potential harm to the poultry industry and farmers, the primary concern is that the virus will evolve so that it can pass from person to person.

So far, H5N1 has infected only humans who have been in close contact with chickens or other fowl. The virus is not yet able to transmit from human to human. Of the roughly 200 human infections in the world, about half have died.

The high mortality rate has government and scientific leaders preparing for a potential pandemic, and Arkansas is no exception. The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Colleges of Public Health, Pharmacy, Nursing and Medicine and the Division of Health of the Arkansas Department of Health and Human Services are involved in planning.

Preparations for mass influenza vaccination have been made in all 75 Arkansas counties. Every county has at least one mass vaccination clinic that can become operational on short notice. Using this plan two years ago, the Department of Health administered the seasonal influenza vac-



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cine to more than 50,000 people in one day to better learn how to

vaccinate large groups of people efficiently. Accomplishing a mass vaccination or drug dispensing program on an emergency basis involves a large network of health care professionals, as well as many UAMS College of Pharmacy students who have volunteered to wear a pager and remain on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Having a vaccination plan assumes that there will be a vaccine. Despite national efforts to produce as much vaccine as possible, there won't be enough to vaccinate everyone if there's a pandemic. Also, there's no guarantee that the vaccine now being produced will effectively combat a virus that's always mutating, but it's a gamble we have to take.

When the Arkansas Legislature met in special session in April, it agreed to a \$6 million spending measure to help cover the state's cost of acquiring antiviral influenza medications to keep in readiness should a pandemic occur. In the meantime, regional meetings are being held around the state this spring to involve leaders and stakeholders at every level to develop contingency plans.

Some difficult questions are being addressed. Who will get priority for vaccinations? Health care workers will need to vaccinated, of course. To keep our civil society functioning we also need continued police and fire protection, and we need clean water and sanitation facilities to operate without interruption. Our elected leaders and business leaders also need to be able to do their jobs.

If a pandemic hits the United States, government leaders will do everything possible to slow its spread. Enforcing quarantine would be a daunting task, so national, state and local leaders will educate the public about voluntary isolation.

In an extreme situation, governments may have to ban indoor gatherings, such as at schools, theaters, churches and indoor arenas. Discussions have even included discouraging the traditional handshake in favor of an elbow touch.

While these measures may seem extreme, slowing the spread of infection will be crucial to hospitals and clinics that otherwise would be overwhelmed.

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SITZES, MD WILLIAMS, MD	DAVID A. ANTHONY THOMAS	MERCY HEALTH CTR.	3101 SE 14TH ST. 3101 SE 14TH ST. 1706 SE WALTON BLVD #C 3101 SE 14TH ST. 1706 SE WALTON BLVD #C 105 N. JACKSON ST. 3215 N NORTH HILLS BLVD 3215 N NORTH HILLS BLVD 3215 N NORTH HILLS BLVD	BENTONVILLE BENTONVILLE BENTONVILLE BENTONVILLE CABOT FAYETTEVILLE FAYETTEVILLE FAYETTEVILLE FORT SMITH FORT SMITH FORT SMITH HARBISON	AR AR	72712 72712	479-845-0050 479-631-2100
YOUNGBLOOD, MD ABRAMS, MD	JOE	MERCY HEALTH CTR. FAMILY DOCTORS CLINIC	1706 SE WALTON BLVD #C 105 N. JACKSON ST.	CABOT	AR AR	72712 72023	479-631-2100 501-843-6528
BIGONGIARI, MD HARSHFIELD, MD	LAWRENCE DAVID	MEAU HEALT OF THE STANDARD OF	3215 N NORTH HILLS BLVD 3215 N NORTH HILLS BLVD	FAYETTEVILLE	AR AR	72703 72703	479-463-1000 479-463-1000
WETSELL, DO BALSARA, MD	BARRY ZUBIN ROGER N.	RADIOLOGISTS, PA		FORT SMITH	AR AR	72703 72903	479-463-1000 479-452-9416
BISE, MD GABY, MD	CECIL	PLASTIC & RECON. SURGERY PEDIATRIC & ADOLESCENT MED.	1500 DODSON #260 7303 ROGERS AVE # 101 7303 ROGERS AVE #101	FORT SMITH	AR AR	72901 72903	479-709-7140 479-484-5791
NADVÍ, MD CAUSEY, MD	CECIL SAMINA R. MARCUS MELISSA A. VICTOR S.	PED. ONCOLOGY & HEMATOLOGY CROSSROADS MEDICAL CLINIC	1420 HWY 62/65N	HARRISON	AR AR	72903 72601	479-675-2800 870-741-3600
CHU, MD CHU, MD	VICTOR S.	CROSSROADS MEDICAL CLINIC CROSSROADS MEDICAL CLINIC	1420 HWY 62/65N 1420 HWY 62/65N	HARRISON HARRISON	AR AR	72601 72601	870-741-3600 870-741-3600 870-741-3600 870-741-3600 870-743-3900
JACKSON, MD RIGGS, DO	KEVIN ANN SARAH	CROSSROADS MEDICAL CLINIC CROSSROADS MEDICAL CLINIC CROSSROADS MEDICAL CLINIC CROSSROADS MEDICAL CLINIC CROSSROADS MEDICAL CLINIC CORSTETRICS & GYNECOLOGY	1420 HWY 62/65N 1420 HWY 62/65N 1420 HWY 62/65N	HARRISON HARRISON	AR AR	72601 72601	870-741-3600 870-741-3600
ROBERTSON, MD MITCHELL, MD	MICHELLE	OBSTANICS & GYNECOLOGY	823 N MAIN ST 1635 HIGDON FERRY RD #B	HARRISON HOT SPRINGS JONESBORD LITTLE ROCK	AR AR	72601 71913	501-525-9500
AQUINO, MD AHART, MD	ALFONSO CHERYL	NEA ANESTHESIA LR PEDIATRIC CLINIC LR PEDIATRIC CLINIC	3024 STADIUM BLVD 500 S. UNIVERSITY #400	LITTLE ROCK	AR AR	72401 72205	870-972-7000 501-664-4044
BALDWIN, MD FRANKS, MD	DEANE G. HAYDEN	BRESSINCK, GIBSON, PARKER DERM. CLINIC SOUTHWEST PULMONARY ASSOC. LR PEDIATRIC CLINIC	500 S. UNIVERSITY #400 9601 LILE DR #690	LITTLE ROCK	AR AR	72205 72205	501-664-4044 501-227-8422
JOHN, MD LEVIN, MD	CHRISTOPHER L. FREDERICK R.	LR PEDIATRIC CUNIC	9601 LILE DR #690 11321 I-30 #306 500 S. UNIVERSITY #400 500 S. UNIVERSITY #400	LITTLE ROCK	AR AR	72205 72205	501-407-0200 501-664-4044 501-664-4044
MALAK, MD MANNING, MD	VALERIA THOMAS D. GORDON	LR PEDIATRIC CLINIC UAMS ARKANSAS SPECIALTY CARE CTRS.	4301 W MARKHAM	LITTLE ROCK	AR AR	72205 72205	501-686-8000
NEWBERN, MD ONEILL, MD RODGERS, MD	JOSHUA CHADWICK	LR PEDIATRIC CLINIC LR PEDIATRIC CLINIC	600 S. MCKINLEY ST. #102 500 S. UNIVERSITY #400	LITTLE ROCK	AR AR AR	72205 72205 72205	501-666-2824 501-664-4044 501-664-4044
SCHMITZ, MD	SUSAN B. RAJESH	LR PEDIATRIC CLINIC RADIOLOGY ASSOCIATES	500 S. UNIVERSITY #400 500 S. UNIVERSITY #400 500 S UNIVERSITY AVE #101	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-664-4044
SETHI, MD SMITH, MD	VESTAL JASON G.	NEUROSCIENCE ASSOCIATES MARTIN BOWEN HEFLEY KNEE	9501 LILE DR #760 #5 ST. VINCENT CR. #100	LITTLE ROCK	AR AR AR	72205 72205 72205	501-664-5246 501-223-3099
STEWART, MD SWINDLE, MD	DAVID EMRE	UAMS	4301 W. MARKHAM	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-663-6455 501-686-8000
VURAL, MD IVEY, MD MORRIS, MD	TRACI L BISHAWN	OTOLARYNGOLOGY (ENT) LOWELL MEDICAL CTR. THE PEDIATRIC CLINIC	4301 W MARKHAM 325 S. 6TH PLACE 3401 SPRINGHILL DR #245	LOWELL LOWELL	AR AR AR	72205 72745 72117	501-686-5011 479-770-0700 501-758-1530
SKILLING, LPC SMITH MD	J. LORI MELANIE H.	LAKEWOOD BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AR. FAR NOSE & THROAT	2500 MCCAIN BLVD #240 4020 BICHARDS BD#B	NO LITTLE ROCK NO LITTLE ROCK NO LITTLE ROCK	AR AR	72117 72116 72117	501-753-1616 501-975-7550
HINES, DO RANDOLPH CO. MEDICAL CTR.	JOHN R	HINES FAMILY MEDICINE HOSPITAL	630 W COURT ST 2801 MEDICAL CTR. DR.	PARAGOULD POCAHONTAS	AR AR	72450 72455	870-236-6911 870-892-6000
MAMIKOGLU, MD ROSSI. MD	BULENT VICTOR	POCAHONTAS HEALTHCARE SPEC. POCAHONTAS HEALTHCARE SPEC.	153 COUNTRY CLUB RD 153 COUNTRY CLUB RD	POCAHONTAS POCAHONTAS	AR AR	72455 72455	870-892-8400 870-892-5400
SUBRAYA, MD DICUS, MD	RAVIPRASAD G. SCOTT	POCAHONTAS HEALTHCARE SPEC. INTERNAL MED.	153 COUNTRY CLUB RD 610 SHEPERD WAY	POCAHONTAS SEARCY	AR AR	72455 72143	870-892-8400 501-268-6831
WINSTON, MD GARNER, MD	SCOTT D HERSHEL	WINSTON CLINIC OZARK RADIATION ONCOLOGY	506 LITTLE CREEK CUT OFF RD 5835 W SUNSET	SHERIDAN SPRINGDALE	AR AR	72150 72762	870-942-3000 479-361-2585
IN-STATE DELETES							
COSTALDI, MD MAHAN, MD	MARIO W. BRITT	MERCY HEALTH CTR. MERCY HEALTH CTR.	3101 SE 14TH ST. 3101 SE 14TH ST	BENTONVILLE BENTONVILLE	AR AR	72712 72712	479-631-2100 479-631-2100
NEAVILLE, MD MATEI, MD	VIRGINIA B. MANUELA	MERCY HEALTH CTR. INTERNAL MED.	3101 SE 14TH ST. 714 W. FAULKNER	BENTONVILLE EL DORADO	AR AR	72712 71730	479-631-2100 870-862-5184
HALL, MD FARRELL, MD	BILLY V. ROBERT	FAMILY PRACTICE VISTA HEALTH HARRISON	1102 SW JACKSON ST. 702 N MAIN ST # E	GRAVETTE HARRISON	AR AR	72736 72601	479-787-5221 870-741-2658
ARUFFO, MD FASSAS, MD	JOHN ATHANASIOS	PEDIATRIC & ADOLESCENT MED. ONCOLOGY & HEMATOLOGY	1701 CENTERVIEW DR. #117 4120 W. MARKHAM	LITTLE ROCK LITTLE ROCK	AR AR	72211 72205	501-537-2200 501-686-5222
HIEGEL, MD FRANKS, MD	JANECE HAYDEN	LR PEDIATRIC CLINIC DERMATOLOGY	500 S. UNIVERSITY #302 101 HOSPITAL DR.	LITTLE ROCK MAGNOLIA	AR AR	72205 71753	501-664-4044 870-235-3000
SMITH, MD DAVID, MD	MELANIE WENDY S.	OTOLARYNGOLOGY (ENT) ROGERS DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC	4020 RICHARDS RD #B 1019 W. CYPRESS ST.	NO LITTLE ROCK ROGERS	AR AR	72117 75756	501-975-7550 479-636-6551
SWINDELL, MD GARNER, MD	WILLIAM HERSHEY	ROGERS DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC RADIATION ONCOLOGY	1019 W. CYPRESS ST. 5835 W. SUNSET	ROGERS SPRINGDALE	AR AR	72756 72762	479-636-6551 479-751-0602
VALDEZ, MD OUT-OF-STATE ADDITIONS	RAYMOND	INTERNAL MED.	228 TYLER #200	WEST MEMPHIS	AR	72301	870-735-1973
CRITCHLOW, MD CROTCHLOW, MD	MICHAEL MICHAEL	FAMILY PRACTICE FAMILY PRACTICE	2210 BARRON RD #115 2210 BARRON RD #115	POPLAR BLUFF POPLAR BLUFF	MO MO	63901 63901	573-686-4133 573-686-4133
VANLANDINGHAM, DPM ST. JOHN'S HOSPICE	CLINT	PODIATRY HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE	223 PHYSICIANS PARK DR TIMBER ROC VILLAGE #204	POPLAR BLUFF SHELL KNOB	MO MO	63901 65747	573-785-4546 417-858-2933
SPECIALTY DAY SURGERY CTR.		OUTPATIENT SURGERY CTRS.	1902 MOORES LANE	TEXARKANA	TX	75503	903-792-7515
OUT-OF-STATE UPDATES BUCHMANN, DPM	NORMAN	PODIATRY	2725 N WESTWOOD BLVD #7	POPLAR BLUFF	MO	63901	573-778-3668
GARRISON, MD BEHRMAN, MD	CARLA STEPHEN	GARRISON PLASTIC SURGERY UT MEDICAL GRP.	1335 E INDEPENDENCE #B 7945 WOLF RIVER BLVD.	SPRINGFIELD GERMANTOWN	MO TN	65804 38138	417-877-0630 901-347-8270
OUT-OF-STATE DELETES	NORMANI	EAMILY DRACTICE	2725 NIWESTWOOD BLVD	PODI AD DIVICE	MO	60004	501_FEE 1010
BUCHMAN, MD	NORMAN	FAMILY PRACTICE	2725 N WESTWOOD BLVD	POPLAR BLUFF	IVIU	63901	501-555-1212

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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

(2co¢) 2¢ being collected in that county Source: Debbie Rogers, Office of State Treasurer

See also: www.state.ar.us/revenue/eta/sales/taxrates.html

Sales and Use Tax Year-to-Date 2006

Month	Municipal Tax	County Tax	Total Tax	Interest
January	\$32,687,504	\$33,033,724	\$65,721,228	\$184,083
February	\$40,075,677	\$39,032,068	\$79,107,745	\$76,989
March	\$32,771,550	\$32,771,095	\$65,544,012	\$256,793
April	\$32,010,237	\$32,413,705	\$64,423,942	\$174,245
Total	\$137,544,968	\$137,250,592	\$274,796,927	\$692,110
Averages	\$34,386,242	\$34,312,648	\$68,699,232	\$173,028

2006 Elections

HELENA-WEST HELENA.

April 11.

Defeated. 1¢ Permanent Defeated. 1¢ for 10 yrs.

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April 2006 Municipal Levy Receipts

April 2000 W	lullicipai	Levy Receipts			
Alexander	19,768.70 131,082.31	Lake Village	51,609.59 4.196.45	Mountain Home Cotter	116,588.75 9.751.02
Almyra	1,008.65 2.808.61	Lepanto	11,281.33 3,286.11	Gassville Norfork	18,062.15 5,124.31
Altheimer	2,568.44 5.827.47	Lewisville	5,620.76 15.737.56	Lakeview	8,078.21 1,101.09
Altus	8,181.69	Little Flock	5,975.06	Big Flat	4,626.71
Arkadelphia	133,501.73 60,613.11	Little Rock Lonoke	1,683,065.15 80,952.93	BriarcliffBenton County	2,540.99 868,431.25
Ashdown	82,164.37 9,500.57	Lowell Luxora	211,860.79 3,032.18	Siloam Springs Rogers	158,378.61 578,360.17
Augusta	20,180.50 5,881.86	Madison	1,770.29 2,812.10	Bentonville	288,186.84 10,429.06
Bald Knob	47,992.35 17,441.12	Magnolia	167,041.93 245,492.11	Decatur	19,192.98 31,623.14
Bearden	8,407.93	Mammoth Spring	9,161.70	Gravette	26,437.82
Belleville	52,041.52 1,827.91	Manila	16,726.34 23,772.45	Lowell	78,612.35 31,345.61
Benton	527,448.11 967,994.39	Marianna	54,904.30 122,671.30	Pea Ridge	34,266.92 16,111.02
Berryville	138,634.06 54,463.51	Marked Tree	21,239.63 10,578.37	Sulphur Springs Avoca	9,800.98 6,178.56
Black Rock	2,851.38 127.88	Maumelle	107,248.97 18,352.25	Garfield	7,157.20 1,694.36
Blytheville	263,292.14	McCrory	13,541.01	Highfill	5,535.87
Bonanza	1,845.19 96,772.00	McGehee	83,582.68 22,829.59	Little Flock	37,757.88 29,373.73
Bradley	4,788.65 3,140.55	Mena Menifee	100,150.87 4,508.33	Elm Springs Springtown	189.88 1,665.14
Brinkley	91,262.55 391,090.34	Mineral Springs Monticello	4,043.43 137,774.14	Boone County	199,674.78 3,023.78
Bull Shoals	10,087.74 454,488.43	Moro	1,726.73 113,317.28	Bellefonte	4,199.70 4,273.20
Caddo Valley	25,038.96 17,883.41	Mount Ida	13,695.26 288,297.08	Everton	1,784.88 3,013.29
Camden	146,068.59	Mountain View	117,428.98	Omaha	1,732.38 923.93
Carlisle	26,207.94 5,034.33	Mountainburg	9,635.64 21,685.37	Valley Springs	1,753.38
Centerton	63,518.61 19,255.45	Murfreesboro	18,606.99 93,030.15	Zinc Harrison	797.94 127,586.91
Cherry Valley	3,260.34 2,284.20	Newport	130,345.16 3,129.55	Diamond City Bradley County	7,664.45 101,559.70
Clarendon	20,994.45 144,443.92	North Little Rock Oak Grove	2,463,495.80 743.32	Banks	682.03 4,370.66
Clinton	72,007.43 1,379,172.86	Ola	7,291.12 1,726.66	Warren	36,613.55 43,141.19
Conway	61,556.67	Osceola	63,817.88	Hampton	11,072.81
Cotter	11,410.35 1,657.87	Oxford Ozark	1,085.80 53,797.69	Harrell	2,054.68 3,625.49
Crossett	2,835.14 333,307.52	Palestine	6,190.21 289,325.17	Tinsman	525.94 111,253.64
Danville	36,043.75 115,595.97	Paris	23,451.82 197.18	Blue Eye	418.98 158.77
DeQueen	77,991.65 3,881.99	Pea Ridge	18,321.51 1,832.78	Chicot County Lake Village	94,310.49 14,117.32
DeWitt	120,633.68	Perryville	13,505.30	Eudora	14,097.31
Decatur	15,283.96 28,873.08	Piggott	26,508.85 607,716.01	Dermott	18,668.06 204,226.89
Des Arc	18,381.21 1,581.21	Pineville	1,562.72 2,812.50	Clay County	38,345.55 236.16
Dierks	9,115.10 13,434.13	Plumerville	5,419.63 72,652.23	Greenway	594.05 871.60
Dumas	131,930.23 1,049.59	Portia	1,864.64 9,634.80	McDougal	474.75 243.46
EarleEast Camden	22,364.48 3,540.72	Prairie Grove	44,192.46 114,032.90	Peach Orchard	474.75 584.31
El Dorado	89,511.43 13,622.04	Quitman	8,220.86 3,058.12	Success	438.25 608.66
Elm Springs	3,825.29	Rector	24,469.73	Cleburne County	288,715.47
England	16,593.21 628.96	Redfield	21,732.02 13,704.99	ConcordGreers Ferry	2,195.55 8,007.32
Eureka Springs	26,412.08 97,635.95	Rockport	4,080.71 218.93	Heber Springs Higden	55,379.65 869.62
Fairfield Bay	18,834.02 45,282.83	Rogers	1,541,915.81 5,762.00	Quitman Fairfield Bay	5,889.25 1,257.06
Fayetteville	2,096,393.29 35,690.25	Russellville	767,744.51 14,752.13	Cleveland County Rison	33,821.19 4,779.62
Fordyce	73,794.50 6,791.57	SearcyShannon Hills	607,061.92 5,510.43	Kingsland Columbia County	1,688.48 308,914.24
Forrest City	147,941.08	Sheridan	131,732.96	Emerson	512.51
Fort Smith	2,887,826.50 5,868.90	Sherrill	669.57 278,523.24	McNeil	945.07 15,500.80
Fountain Hill	576.82 5,388.01	ShirleySiloam Springs	2,132.37 208,215.25	Taylor	808.02 2,275.57
Garfield	3,182.50 2,792.51	Sparkman	2,861.48 1,916,591.66	Conway County Morrilton	233,752.91 56,397.58
Gassville	23,847.77 49,166.70	Springtown	400.25 1,089.99	Menifee	2,677.81 6,242.48
GilbertGillett.	235.48	StampsStar City	12,697.11 49,379.43	Plumerville	7,353.21 218,503.69
Gillham	1,016.33	Stephens	6,034.66	Bay	23,377.71
Glenwood	527.21 53,991.44	Sulphur Springs	254,064.85 1,446.94	Black Oak	3,714.46 19,637.28
Gosnell	13,375.98 4,149.64	Summit	1,920.86 2,678.74	Brookland	17,299.51 17,520.30
Grady	2,494.25 108,583.45	Taylor	5,140.45 405,091.20	Cash	3,818.36 1,311.75
Green Forest	24,098.47 34.128.39	Thornton	862.64 110,723.21	Lake City Monette	25,403.78 15,312.39
Greenland	14,747.16 72,633.84	TrumannTuckerman	57,439.11 10,786.40	Jonesboro	721,007.62 212,164.24
Guion	962.35	Turrell	5,681.50 505.80	Alma	35,397.58
Gurdon	26,741.15 4,007.48	Twin Groves	418,335.62	Van Buren Mulberry	161,552.52 13,844.20
Hackett	3,069.53 26,145.65	ViloniaViola	35,835.62 1,906.70	Mountainburg	5,803.16 8,245.25
Hardy	10,532.17 18,923.45	Wabbaseka	938.91 2,278.49	Dyer	4,977.78 842.39
Harrison	201,141.66 3,710.05	Waldron	37,166.68 50,224.45	Rudy	612.65 9,640.74
Havana	1,815.92 27,252.98	Ward	9,432.01 55,922.83	Crittenden County Marion	589,820.50 48,569.62
Hermitage	3,245.43	Washington	943.52	West Memphis	150,963.62
Highfill	70,517.40 25,498.53	Weiner West Fork	4,920.72 19,634.36	Earle Crawfordsville	16,566.38 2,804.72
Holly Grove	5,243.36 142,462.93	West Memphis	513,733.63 3,185.79	Edmondson	2,799.26 1,434.01
Horseshoe Bend	21,778.83 1,617,254.84	White Hall	49,392.78 3,556.26	Horseshoe Lake Jennette	1,751.58 608.96
Hoxie	12,413.08 8,804.09	Wiederkehr Village Wilton	829.57 1,049.03	Jericho	1,004.02 1,709.02
Humphrey	1,955.68 2,227.48	Yellville	14,985.14	Turrell	4,699.81 1,364.16
Huntington	42,530.24	County Sales and Use Tax		Clarkedale	338.33
Jacksonville Jasper	569,663.82 15,270.99	Arkansas County Ashley County	195,033.64 257,106.68	Cross County	189,604.64 4,810.67
Jennette	159.89 47,557.38	Crossett	50,846.32 1,325.99	Hickory Ridge Parkin	2,624.00 10,947.01
Jonesboro	954,250.83 2,343.81	Hamburg Montrose	25,343.94 4,386.61	Wynne Dallas County	58,869.21 122,497.42
Keo	979.81 2,092.40	Parkdale Portland	3,144.02 4,603.44	Desha County	83,873.61 33,268.44
Kingsland	1,116.85 3,500.97	WilmotBaxter County	6,554.89 240,535.76	Arkansas City Dumas	4,287.77 38,131.32
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9,532.49 2,406.31 76,270.78 3,886.41 21,763.92 12,312.98 1,909.75 2,017.85

Interest: \$174,245

April 2006 M	unicipal	County Levy R	eceipts	
Mitchellville	3,618.03 2,001.93 2,096.57	Grady	1,918.19 186,398.68 43,448.50	Alexander
Tillar	240.23 239,326.75	Ogden	1,944.78 3,989.51	Little Rock
Monticello	80,222.93 403.48	Winthrop Foreman	1,690.32 10.223.71	Maumelle
Tillar	1,815.67 5,008.45	Logan County	83,014.29 879.73	Wrightsville Randolph County
Wilmar	1,675.33	Blue Mountain	1,552.85	Biggers
Faulkner County	470,570.92 657.35	Magazine	6,098.11 493.18	Maynard
Enola	1,047.31 802.19	Paris Ratcliff	24,705.68 1,272.94	Pocahontas Ravenden Springs.
WoosterHolland	2,874.54 3,214.35	Scranton	1,479.54 2,925.77	Reyno
Franklin County	118,106.65	Booneville	27,438.17	Saline County
Branch	2,274.04 293.01	Lonoke County	185,386.03 980.31	Waldron
Altus	5,204.17 18,886.62	Austin	4,669.96 17,784.46	Searcy County
Denning Ozark	2,579.79 22,453.73	Coy	895.40 23,280.35	Gilbert
Fulton County	73,261.71 4,349.44	Humnoke Keo	2,161.31 1,813.95	Marshall
Salem	6,033.09	Lonoke	33,091.14	St. Joe
Viola	1,444.76 26.54	Ward Cabot	19,914.89 117,798.90	Sebastian County Fort Smith
Cherokee Village Ash Flat	3,067.75 7.58	Madison County	167,015.77 12,254.72	Huntington Mansfield
Hardy	102.38 568,776.14	Hindsville	475.97 1,034.45	Barling
Lonsdale	773.50 5,060.51	Marion County	58,565.46 11,016.83	Greenwood
Fountain Lake	2,681.02	Flippin	7,474.92	Central City
Greene County	103,239.47 276,458.34	Pyatt	1,393.62 3,227.93	Hartford
Delaplaine	1,111.70 3,370.11	Yellville	7,227.04 285,245.59	Lavaca
Marmaduke	10,136.59 6,363.82	Garland	5,648.43 5,648.43	Sevier County
Paragould	192,726.44	Texarkana	127,089.62 511.561.74	DeQueen
Hempstead County Hope	233,699.66 84,769.01	Osceola	72,563.98	Gillham Horatio
Blevins	2,914.53 207.61	Keiser	6,606.39 1,373.61	Lockesburg
Fulton	1,956.33 670.74	Birdsong	327.05 149,395.94	Sharp County
Oakhaven	431.19 646.79	Burdette Dell	1,054.73 2,052.23	Ash Flat Cave City
Patmos	487.09 2,036.18	Dyess	4,210.75 32.443.25	Evening Shade
Perrytown	1,181.78	Gosnell	4,415.16	Sidney
McNab	598.88 125,674.78	Leachville	16,197.10 10,768.09	Horseshoe Bend
Malvern	59,362.87 756.76	Manila	24,978.36 883.03	Cherokee Village Highland
Rockport	5,211.77 2,145.25	Victoria	482.40 7,677.47	St. Francis County Hughes
Friendship	1,355.58	Wilson	2,992.50	Forrest City
Midway	2,250.54 2,980.98	Montgomery County Black Springs	67,651.23 460.38	Wheatley
Howard County	168,658.73 47,476.33	Norman	1,708.24 888.45	Madison
Dierks	11,971.28 12,302.19	Mount Ida	3,961.67 30,903.84	Colt
Tollette	3,153.41	Prescott	23,017.09	Widener Stone County
Independence County Batesville	319,132.92 99,324.00	Bluff City	986.63 961.65	Mountain View
Cave City Cushman	651.99 4,847.89	Cale	468.33 2,997.34	Fifty Six
Magness	2,008.56 1,682.57	Rosston	1,654.78 1,173.96	Calion
NewarkOil Trough	12,819.05 2 292 50	Newton County Jasper	22,010.18 1,422.96	Felsenthal
Pleasant Plains	2,807.78	Western Grove	1,162.94	Huttig
Sulphur Rock	4,427.27 64,252.46	Ouachita County Camden	86,444.32 95,537.60	Norphlet
Jackson County Newport	99,324.43 53,409.28	Stephens	8,366.99 6,551.23	Strong
Tuckerman	12,013.84 2,994.91	Bearden	8,170.88 2,614.68	Van Buren County Shirley
Amagon	649.58	Louann	1,416.29 60,990.87	Damascus
Beedeville	717.96 1,559.00	Perry County	644.26	Fairfield Bay
Diaz Jacksonport	8,779.61 1,606.86	Bigelow	1,133.48 720.05	Washington County Elkins
Swifton	5,955.64 1,210.27	Fourche	203.27 547.79	Elm Springs
Weldon	683.77 641,077.94	Perry	1,081.80 5,023.14	Goshen
Pine Bluff	557,918.84	Perryville	126,579.27	Johnson
Wabbaseka	3,268.48 47,883.78	Elaine	9,733.12 5,974.90	Springdale
Redfield	11,707.85 12,062.02	Lexa Marvell	3,724.47 15,696.74	Tontitown
Humphrey	4,037.54 1,275.00	Helena-West Helena Pike County	168,917.40 108,118.06	Winslow Fayetteville
Johnson County	101,861.80 68.140.33	Antoine	929.28 702.92	Lincoln
Coal Hill	8,836.44	Daisy Delight	1,852.59	Farmington
Hartman	5,261.26 4,510.91	Glenwood	12,551.23 10,508.00	Rose Bud Beebe
Lamar Lafayette County	12,491.06 15,898.44	Poinsett County Lepanto	93,930.30 12,537.36	Bradford
Bradley	2,139.30 8,097.41	Fisher	1,557.62 12,884.15	Kensett Garner
Buckner	1,504.73	Marked Tree	16,457.86	Georgetown
Lewisville Lawrence County	4,882.77 100,193.06	Trumann	40,492.22 5,395.83	Griffithville
Walnut Ridge	21,458.12 631.76	Weiner Waldenburg	4,467.13 470.23	Judsonia Letona
Black Rock	3,123.95 1,172.03	Polk County	92,376.40 41,869.08	McRae
Hoxie	12,273.61	Cove	2,844.75	Pangburn
Imboden	2,980.17 1,372.45	Grannis	4,270.84 2,985.87	Searcy
Minturn	496.70 2,104.42	Vandervoort Wickes	891.31 5,013.59	Bald Knob
Powhatan	217.85 2,226.42	Pope County	273,119.15 270,877.28	Woodruff County Cotton Plant
Sedgwick	487.98	Atkins	32,918.88	Augusta
Smithville	318.06 1,233.02	Dover	15,201.25 5,787.68	Hunter McCrory
Lee County	22,888.03 18,633.39	London	10,580.25 14,537.84	Patterson
Aubrey	794.82 769.65	Prairie County Hazen	23,044.57 8,373.80	Yell County
LaGrange	438.77 866.75	Biscoe	2,434.90 9,887.94	Dardanelle
Moro	852.37	Des Arc	4,005.31	Danville
Lincoln County	37,384.50 9,062.80	Ulm	1,048.64 828,926.78	Belleville
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- INTERNAL AUDITOR-Jonesboro is accepting applications for internal auditor, responsible for protective, constructive audits of city depts, assessing effectiveness of controls, accuracy of financial records, efficiency of operations. Bachelor's in accounting and cert. as CPA and/or CIA, exp in COSO processes desirable. Sal. DOE, benefit pkg. Applications/resumes accepted at City Hall, ATTN: HR Director, 515 W. Washington, Jonesboro, AR, 72401, or Email shackney@jonesboro.org. EOE.
- CIVIL ENGINEER—North Little Rock Waste Water Utility is accepting applications. Sal. negotiable; excellent benefits. Applicants must have 5 yrs. exp. with wastewater or equiv., and ability to obtain a P.E. cert. M-F, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Send resume to the North Little Rock Waste Water Utility, 7400 Baucum Pike, ATTN: Human Resources. Applications at same address on the Old England Hwy. Exit #7 off the I-440 loop. EOE.
- CIVIL ENGINEER—Siloam Springs seeks apps. for civil eng. Oversees eng. design, permitting private and public projects, reviews development proposals and capital improvement projects. Knowledge of eng. principles incl. design, surveying, analysis, construction inspection, project eng. and mgmt., and contract admin. Computer proficiency req. BS in civil eng. and 2 yrs. exp. in a gov't. setting pref. Must have Ark. DL or ability to obtain, Ark. reg. as a pro. eng. in civil eng. or ability to obtain within 3 mths. Benefit pkg. incl. medical, dental, vision, LTD, life insurance, 457 Deferred Comp., vac. and sick leave. Apps. at City Hall, 400 N. Broadway, Siloam Springs, AR 72761; www.siloamsprings.com; pwoody@siloamsprings.com; or call 479-524-5136. EOE.
- PROJECT ENGINEER-Rogers Planning and Transportation Dept seeks project engineer; \$50,000-\$60,000/yr; benefit pkg; Duties: coordination and expedite projects from concept to completion. Work with city staff, consultants and public daily to facilitate design and construction of projects; work on eng. rel. issues, incl subdivision and large scale development plan review as well as construction and hydrology review as it relates to development. Exp. w/ computer aided drafting, eng. design programs, ability to compute quantities and prepare con-struction estimates for eng. projects. Ideal candidate has min 4 yrs exp as civil eng. Application at www.rogersarkansas.com or call Gina Kincy, HR Director; Mail application and resume to at 300 W. Poplar, Rogers, AR 72756.
- FINANCE DIRECTOR—Fayetteville seeks finance director. Oversees complex fiscal system. Req. BS/BA in accounting, finance, rel. field. Postgrad work/deg. a plus. CGFM, CPFO, CPA or equiv. pro. cert. desired. Seven to 10 yrs. exp. in financial mgmt. and municipal govt. Sal. \$77,820-\$109,698 plus ben. Confidential resumes by close of business May 29 to James Mercer, The Mercer Group, Inc., 551 W. Cordova Rd. #726, Santa Fe, NM 87505. Voice 505-466-9500, fax 505-466-1274, E-mail mercer@mindspring.com, www.mercergroupinc.com.
- SENIOR PLANNER-Jonesboro seeks exp. senior planner to assist in administering planning and development. Employee processes apps for developments, conditional use and variances; reviews subdivision plats; inspects projects under construction; drafts reports for planning commission; assists in correction and update of maps, records; collects, organizes data; conducts analysis; performs research, interprets and presents findings, and responds to requests. Bachelor's degree in planning or rel. and 1-2 yrs. Exp. Sal. DOE. Send resumes to City Hall, ATTN: Human Resources Director, 515 W. Washington, P.O. Box 1845, Jonesboro, AR 72403 or E-mail to shackney@jonesboro.org. EOE.

 PLANNING/BUILDING SERVICES DIRECTOR—
- Prairie Grove is accepting apps. for planning and

- building services director. Resp. for planning, inspection and development incl. inspection of residential, public, comm. and industrial structures, inspection of public utilities, oversee planning and zoning, subdivision development, signs, code enforcement. Have knowledge of gen. buildpractices, computer/software planning/engineering exp., organization and communication skills, ability to coordinate with contractors, developers, agencies and engineers. Gen. office and field skills reg. HS or equiv. reg., college deg. pref. Sal. \$35,000 to \$45,000 DOE plus benefits. Contact Larry Oelrich at 479-846-2961 for app. EOE.
- POLICE CHIEF-Smackover is accepting applications for police chief. HS dipl. or equiv. req; Min. 8 yrs. exp. in law enforcement pref.; Sal. neg. DOE.; benefits incl. health, ret., uniform allowance, sick leave, paid vac., holidays. **Deadline 4:30 p.m. May 31.** Contact Mayor Don Lambert, P.O. Box 146, Smackover, AR 71762; 870-725-2258.
- PATROL OFFICER—Lake Village Police Dept. seeks cert. applicants for patrol officer. Good sal. (\$19,000 year for entry level cert.) and ben. incl.; 11 paid holidays; 3 wks. paid vac.; health, eye and dental insurance; uniform pay (\$1,720 yearly); and LOPFJ Retirement System. Call 870-265-5055 for application or mail resume and cert. to: Lake Village Police Dept., ATTN: Chief Percy Wilburn, P.O. Box 725, Lake Village, AR 71653. EOE.
- POLICE OFFICER-Coal Hill is accepting applications for police chief. Must be certified. Send resume to City of Coal Hill, Mayor Deborah Marvel, P.O. Box 218, Coal Hill, AR 72832
- POLICE CHIEF-Bono is taking apps. for police chief. Call 870-932-0100 for an appointment or send resume to P.O. Box 127, Bono, AR 72416.
- POLICE OFFICER-Haskell (Saline County) seeks full-time officer. Good sal., benefits incl. paid holidays, vac., health, LOPFI. Cert. apps. only. Send resume and certs. to: Haskell City Hall, 2520 Hwy. 229 Haskell, AR 72015. ATTN: Mayor
- POLICE OFFICER-Allport (Lonoke County) is seeking a full-time officer. Mail resume and cert. to: Allport Police Dept, P.O. Box 58, Humnoke,
- POLICE OFFICER—Marmaduke (Greene County) is taking applications for police officer. Cert. applicants only requested. Marmaduke City Hall, 870-597-2753, for info., or mail resume to Marmaduke Police Dept., P.O. Box 208, Marmaduke AR 72443, ATTN: Chief Steve Franks CERTIFIED POLICE OFFICERS—Forrest City
- Police Dept. seeks cert. officers. Good sal., benefits inc. paid holiday, health, dental, eye insurance, retirement, 3 wks. paid vac. and LOPFI. Call 870-633-3434 for more info. or send resume and copies of cert. to Chief's Office, c/o Forrest City Police Dept., 225 N. Rosser St., Forrest City, AR 72335. EOE.
- POLICE OFFICER-Wilmot (Ashley County) is taking applications for police officer; cert. applicants only. Wilmot City Hall, 870-473-2603 for info.; or mail resume or copies of cert. to P.O. Box 67, Wilmot, AR 71676, ATTN: Mayor Harris.
- POLICE OFFICER-Fordyce seeks cert. apps. for police officer. Good sal. and benefits incl. paid holidays, health, dental, eye insurance, 3 wks. paid vac. and APERS ret. Call 870-352-2178 for app. Or send resume to Fordyce Police Dept. 101 S. Main St. Fordyce, AR 71742, or E-mail cityofordyce@alltel.net.
- PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN—Barling is accepting application for a working foreman. Desired qualifications: Min. 5 yrs. exp. in public works construction; able to operate backhoe, loader brush chipper, tractor with mower or blade; have ability to prepare, analyze and use reports and records; Must have Ark. driver's lic., Ark. Class II or above wastewater license and Class

- I water treatment distribution license; sal. negot., based on exp. Send resume with sal. req., work exp., and refs. to City of Barling, Public Works Director, P.O. Box 23039, Barling, AR 72923-0039. Position requires background check and drug test.
- WATER/WASTEWATER MGR.—Bryant is accepting applications for water/wastewater mgr. Sal. \$37,674-\$40,570 DOE. Must hold Class 4 Arkansas wastewater lic. and Class 3 water lic. Pref. 10 yrs. exp. City has an activated sludge plant. Must have Ark. DL, good driving record, HS dipl. or equiv., and physical stamina. Job description and applications at HR office, 210 S.W. 3rd St., Bryant, AR 72022. Deadline: **5 p.m. June 15**. No resumes accepted. EOE.
- WATER/WASTEWATER OPERATOR—Marshall (Searcy County) seeks a water/wastewater operator with Class II license. Salary neg., DOQ, exp. Contact Mayor James Busbee, 870-448-2543 or 870-448-7506; or P.O. Box 1420, Marshall, AR 72650; FAX, 870-448-5692.
- WATER OPERATOR—Damascus Water Dept. seeks water operator. HS dipl. or GED req. Ability to operate backhoe and do physical labor. Send resume to P.O. Box 309, Damascus, AR 72039. End date May 19.
 WATER/WASTEWATER OPERATOR—England
- seeks licensed operator to supervise water/wastewater facilities, distribution. Submit resume, references and past 5-year annual sal. to ATTN: Amanda Reynolds, P.O. Box 37, England, AR 72046. Apps. available at 110 N.W.
- WATER/WASTEWATER **OPERATOR**—Amity seeks a licensed water and wastewater operator with 3+ yrs exp. Min. req.: Class III or above water distribution, production, and Class III wastewater. Qualifications: ability to prepare and analyze reports/records, knowledge of state and fed. regs., ability to operate backhoe, willing to relocate. Sal. commensurate with exp., licensure. Send resume, sa. expectations, references to City of Amity, ATTN: Chester Clark, P.O. Box 197, Amity, AR 71921 or amitymayor@alltel.net.
- WASTEWATER OPERATIONS FOREMAN-Bentonville is taking applications for a wastewater operations foreman. Sal range: \$18.73/hr-\$28.09/hr. Responsibilities include: supervision of 7-10 employees; efficient maintenance, operations, management of equip, vehicles, bldgs and grounds of the wastewater treatment plant. Apps. at www.bentonvillear.com, or City Hall. Mail resume to City of Bentonville, ATTN: HR Dept, 117 West Central, Bentonville, AR 72712 or fax app./resume to 479-271-3105. EOE.
- POLICE DOG FOR SALE-Young multi-purpose trained police dog trained in tracking, all drugs and attack on command; custom-built cage for Crown Victoria will transport dog and prisioner; must sell as a pkg. with cage for car incl., \$6000; for more info, Chief Biscamp at Cave Springs, P.O. Box 36, Cave Springs, AR 72718 or 479-248-1040.
- PUMPER TRUCKS-Plumerville Fire Dept. selling 1973 Ford F700, 750 GPM and '79 Ford, 1000 GPM. Equip. neg. Call 501-354-3936 or 354-
- PUMPER TRUCK-1970 International, 750 gal. tank, 1,600 mi., no equip., front-end pump and discharge, \$2,500. Pumps, runs well. Call Mayor Kosienski or Police Chief Elliott, 501-384-
- STREET SWEEPER-Paris is selling a 1988 Elgin Crosswind Street Sweeper. Contact Street Supt.,479-963-2450.
- MOWER-John Deere model 350 cycle mower, good condition, \$750. Contact Brinkley Municipal Waterworks, 870-734-1721.
- **WANTED**—Slightly used 20 cubic yard, rear load, trash compactor truck. Must be low hours. Contact the Paris Street Supt. at 479-963-2450.

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