

The Pulse of Pine Bluff

“The Heart Beat of the City”

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Town Hall Meeting

Our quarterly Town Hall Meeting will be held on May 9th at 5:30pm in the Pine Bluff Convention Center Main Banquet Hall. This meeting's topics will include: Mr. Dwight Dicus from Waste Management, speaking on improved customer service; “Slam Dunk the Junk,” a new children's and youth initiative highlighting the proper place for litter; Chief Jeff Hubanks

speaking on a new Domestic Violence Task Force and much more. This Spring Town Hall Meeting will cover a great deal of information and resources so we encourage everyone to attend this upcoming Town Hall as we need everyone to become a part of the solution for our wonderful community. As Mayor Debe Hollingsworth has wholeheartedly stated, “Pine Bluff is better together.”



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3rd Annual Prayer Luncheon

The 3rd Annual National Prayer Month Pastor's and Community Prayer Luncheon will be held on May 18, 2016 - 11:30am at the Pine Bluff Convention Center in the Main Banquet Hall. The Keynote Speaker will be Dr. O. Fitzgerald Hill of the Arkansas Baptist College in Little Rock. The admission and lunch are free to attendees with open seating as you arrive. A large turnout is expected so early arrival is encouraged. This luncheon is sponsored by the Church Outreach Committee of Pine Bluff and the City of Pine Bluff to inspire unity in our spiritual community and the surrounding area.



Mayor Hollingsworth Reports:



It is with great pleasure the Church Outreach Committee and the City of Pine Bluff are holding their 3rd Annual National Prayer Month Pastor's and Community Luncheon. This event has become a tradition in our spiritual community as it calls together the city's collective clergy and all attendees to lift up the needs of our nation, state, city and communities.

because of this we assemble together, encourage one another and pray in numbers for the grace of God to intervene, creating a way where there has been no way. I encourage everyone to join us on May 18th at 11:30am at the Pine Bluff Convention Center to make one sound, lifting our voices as one people to petition for peace and the revitalization of our country.

As times and trends change we must keep our spiritual resolve and strength. It is

Mayor Debo Hollingsworth



Be A Dinner Winner



The 11th Annual Be A Dinner Winner, sponsored by the Pine Bluff Convention Center & Visitors Bureau, will be held from April 1 through May 31, 2016. Every time you dine in any restaurant within the Pine Bluff city limits, you get a chance to win gift certificates from your favorite restaurants. The Grand Prize will be \$500.00*, 2nd Prize of \$300.00*, or a 3rd Prize of \$100.00*. (*Dining certificates from your favorite Pine Bluff restaurants.) Just save your restaurant receipts, showing the restaurant's name and the date of the purchase. On the back of each receipt, legibly print your name, address and phone number. Bring or

mail your receipts postmarked no later than June 1, 2016 to:

**Pine Bluff Convention & Visitors Bureau
Be A Dinner Winner One Convention Center
Plaza Pine Bluff, AR 71601**

**In lieu of purchase, you may enter by mailing a post card with your name, address and contact phone number. The drawing will be held on June 3, 2016. Tune to KTRN 104.5 FM at 9:30 a.m. on June 3 to hear the winners announced. For a complete list of rules and regulations, call 870.536.7600.



UAPB Commencement Ceremony



The University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff Commencement Ceremony will be held on Saturday, May 07, 2016 at the Pine Bluff Convention Center, located at 500 E. 8th Ave. Pine Bluff, AR 71601. The ceremony will begin at 3:00 p.m. thru 7:00 p.m. This is a special time of year for our city as we are able to witness children, friends and family members come into their

own as they begin a new chapter in the pages of their life. It is accomplishments such as this that shape and mold our city and it's future. We are proud of our city and the young professionals it births each year.





Pine Bluff Business Expo



It's time once again for the Pine Bluff Business Expo. Advance tickets are available for the Business Expo Breakfast, which will include the announcement of the Business Person of the Year and the Non-Profit of the Year.

The Business Expo Breakfast will be held on Thursday, May 5, 2016 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. in the Pine Bluff Convention Center Banquet Hall.

Tickets will be \$15 each and are now available or you can purchase a sponsor table for \$200 which will seat 8 people. The Expo will open VIP (exhibitors and invited guests) from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. and the general public will be admitted from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

General admission will be \$5 per person. For more information regarding the Business Expo, please call Nancy McNew at 870-535-0110 or email



SEARK College Graduation Commencement Ceremony

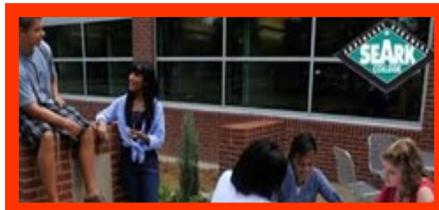


SEARK College will be holding their Graduation Commencement Ceremony at the Pine Bluff Convention Center's Arena, on May 13, 2016 from 7:00pm - 9:00pm.

SEARK College is a great supporter of Pine Bluff and proudly presents their graduating class of 2016 which developed the young professionals of today and many years to come.

We congratulate our upcoming graduates and look forward to watching them blossom in to seasoned experts in their field of

study. Prior to their big day, we hope each one of them reflects on the experiences they enjoyed and the ones they learned from. Always remember; commencement day is when life begins and it's what is done with today that launches someone into greater success. We can become pioneers to a great future.



Black Pilots of America / Operation Skyhook



The Black Pilots of America will hold the 20th Annual Fly-in during the three day Memorial Day weekend. Each year the Black Pilots of America come from all over America to Pine Bluff to have fun, compete, entertain and introduce aviation to future pilots. The competition will begin at Grider Field, 10:30 a.m. on Friday, May 27 with the Flour Bomb Drop. On Saturday, May 28 at 10:30 a.m. the Pilot Proficiency & Formation Flying Competition will take place. On Sunday starting at 9:30 a.m. they will have the Balloon Burst and Spot Landing Competition. Each

day scheduled at 3:00 p.m. there will be free airplane rides for the "Young Eagles" or future pilots as they are called, weather permitting. Come out and enjoy all that they have planned for this weekend.



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Quote for the Month of May

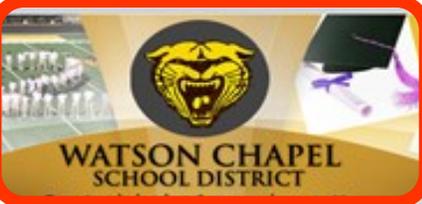


We're on the Web:
www.cityofpinebluff.com

The City's High School Graduation Schedules



Pine Bluff High School Graduation
Location: Pine Bluff Convention Center Arena
Time: May 20, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.
Contact: Dr. Michael Nellums Principal, 870.543.4300



Watson Chapel High School Graduation
Location: Pine Bluff Convention Center Arena
Time: May 19, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.
Contact: Dr. Connie Hathorn Superintendent, 870.879.0220



Dollarway High School Graduation
Location: UAPB Hyper Complex Health, Physical Education & Recreation Bldg.
Time: Tuesday, May 17, 2016 - 7:00p.m
Contact: Mrs. Threet 870.534.3878



Ridgway Christian School Graduation
Location: First Assembly of God Church
Time: Friday, May 13, 2016 - 7:00pm
Contact: Tammy Cummings-Smith 870.850.0116

