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Wreck leaves at least 8 injured

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At least eight people, including several small children, were injured following a three-vehicle accident in the 5700 block of Highway 270 west of Hot Springs on Wednesday.

The injuries were not life-threatening, and the patients were transported to CHI St. Vincent Hot Springs and National

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MULTIPLE INJURIES: Emergency personnel work a three-vehicle wreck that injured at least eight people in the 5700 block of Highway 270 west of Hot Springs on Wednesday.

Local man on parole arrested for battery

STEVEN MROSS
The Sentinel-Record

A local man on parole from a 2012 manslaughter conviction was arrested Tuesday afternoon on felony and misdemeanor charges after allegedly attacking his estranged wife and stepdaughter.

James Lamont Matlock, 31, who lists an address of 108 Bailey Place, Apt. F-3, was taken into custody at the apartment of the alleged victims in the 100 block of Caraway Terrace in Pearcy shortly after 2 p.m. and charged with two counts of third-degree

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Rotary club keeps pushing for downtown revitalization

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REVITALIZATION ROLE: Kirby Williams, right, listens as attorney Clay Farrar speaks about the Hot Springs National Park Rotary Club's role in the 1985 revitalization effort of downtown Hot Springs.

DON THOMASON
The Sentinel-Record

After almost 30 years of pushing for revitalization and change in downtown Hot Springs, Hot Springs National Park Rotary Club is still leading the charge to bring about change in the downtown area.

"The Hot Springs National Park Rotary Club has a rich, rich history of being an integral part of moving downtown forward," Les Warren, club president, told members at their noon meeting Wednesday at The Arlington Resort Hotel & Spa.

"We have had presidents of this club who have worked diligently on different projects and right now we're at a place that we have a lot of focus on what is happening in downtown, and a lot of good things are happening, not just in downtown, but in Hot Springs," he said.

Three of those past club presidents, Eric Jackson, Mark

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EXPLAINING HISTORY: Eric Jackson, left, Oaklawn Park general manager and a past president of Hot Springs National Park Rotary Club, explains some of the club's history in the efforts to revitalize downtown Hot Springs as Mark Fleischner, also a past president of the club, listens.

Giving Circle considers grant proposal

ALISON B. HARBOUR
The Sentinel-Record

The Hot Springs Giving Circle on Wednesday heard a grant proposal from representatives of Hot Springs Documentary Film Festival at The Greater Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce.

Nonprofits such as HSDFF present their needs in the community to members of the Giving Circle in hopes of receiving funding support for their organizations.

"We have given close to $450,000 since our inception in 2007," philanthropist Dorothy Morris, co-founder, told *The Sentinel-Record.*

"We have no operational costs as the fund is handled by the Hot Springs Area Community Foundation."

The meeting was a chance for the Giving Circle's board members and new members to hear the presentation by HSDFF at an informal luncheon.

"Specifically, we will hear what they have done and hope to do and how they would apply any monies we would provide to them," John Simpson, president of the Giving Circle, said prior to the meeting.

"They will go over what they do and what they plan to do with the grant and later on, six to eight months, we will request to see how they would apply the grant. It doesn't have anything to do specifically with the festival, just their need and how they would apply the grant, obviously to help promote the festival, but it's not directly for the festival."

The Giving Circle is comprised of a small group.

"We generally have eight to 10 partners, a like-minded group of individuals or couples, who want to better the living conditions in Garland County and who care about the community and

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Mobile home burns

The Sentinel-Record/Mara Kuhn

Firefighters work to extinguish a mobile home fire at 106 Clingstone Way, off McClendon Road, early Wednesday evening. Morning Star and Lake Hamilton fire departments responded to the scene. Additional information was not available at presstime.

Terroristic threatening complaint filed against Watkins

DON THOMASON
The Sentinel-Record

City Manager David Watkins said Wednesday that he plans to consult an attorney regarding a terroristic threatening complaint filed against him by a Garland County resident.

"I'm going to be consulting with an attorney. That's all I can say right now," he said Wednesday afternoon.

The complaint was filed with the Garland County Sheriff's Department Monday by Barry Wright, 58, alleging that Watkins had made threatening telephone calls to him.

According to the complaint, Wright alleges there has been a long, ongoing, volatile relationship between him and Watkins and he is "worried for his own safety." Wright said in the complaint that he wants a no-contact order issued against Watkins, who allegedly "used his authority as city manager to 'turn down' water connections" on property he had sold to Wal-Mart.

The property referenced by Wright is believed to be several acres located on Pittman Road.

On Tuesday, Watkins told *The Sentinel-Record* that a team reportedly representing Wal-Mart had been told last week that a proposed Supercenter on Pittman Road and a Neighborhood Market on Central Avenue near Amity Road would not be approved for municipal water.

Watkins said the Hot Springs Board of Directors' policy, which they have asked him to implement, is that people inside the city limits are given prefer-

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