



8th Ward Neighborhood Group The Patroller

Meeting the 2nd Tuesday of Every Month

St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church - 417 N 7th St.

MAY 2014

Leonard Buck Award

On Thursday, April 24th, 2014 our own President, Bonnie Wachter was given the Leonard Buck Award. Bonnie has been active with our neighborhood group for over 21 years. In Feb. 1993 with our former Neighborhood Police Officer Roger Johns and Carol Moyer they started a youth group together that met at the Pioneer Club at 8th & Tilghman Sts which now is a 4H Club that meets every other Monday at St. Luke's Church. She started as VP of our group in 1997 and became President in 2003. We are so proud that everyone got to celebrate Bonnie that evening. She really deserves our thanks and praise! **THANK YOU BONNIE FOR OVER 20 YEARS OF DEDICATED VOLUTEERISM TO HELP OUR NEIGHBORHOOD!**



Our Community Garden at 9th & Tilghman Sts. Needs YOUR help!

We are looking for a permanent fix to help keep the beautiful flowers and plants in our garden, so, if you or anyone you know might want to help, please have them call us as soon as possible. We need YOU to get involved!! Please call Bonnie Wachter 610-432-8280. We would like to get a group together to clean-up and weed the garden throughout every season - please help!



8th Ward Tropical Jungle 4H Club

Must call to join - Come have FUN!!

(Children must be 6 to 18 years of age to participate)
Meets at St. Luke's Church - 417 N 7th Street -
6:00pm to 7:30pm every other Monday evening
Crafts - Animals - Woodworking - Sewing
To join call Bonnie at 484-695-1967 or 610-432-8280

Congratulations go out to Allentown Police Assistant Chief Keith Morris for receiving the Ben Gress Distinguished Police Officer of the Year Award given to him at the Leonard Buck Banquet
Thank you very much for your many years of dedicated service to the citizens and visitors of Allentown. We really appreciate all of your hard work and commitment.

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GET INVOLVED -- IT'S YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD!

UPCOMING MEETINGS: Come join us!!

All Held at St. Luke's Church - 417 N. 7th St. Allentown
The Second Tuesday of every month at 7:00pm
Park on their lot or on the street, the door for our meeting is inside the courtyard. Please enter the first red door to your left. Bring your friends & neighbors...meet others who want to make our neighborhood a better place to live, work & visit.

Tuesday May 13, 2014

Allentown's New

Chief of Police Joel Fitzgerald

Next meeting - Tuesday June 10, 2014

Come meet Captain Glen Dorney & Allentown Police Dept. Officers
Bring your questions and bring a neighbor!

ILLEGAL PARKERS BEWARE -- Zero Tolerance Policy on Double Parking and Lazy Parker Provision in effect!!
Get two tickets of \$100 for each violation - Find a legal parking spot and pull ALL the way into it! Save money...also repeat offender provision -- if you get any future tickets the fines go UP!

Numbers to Know

- Police/Amb/Fire - Emergency - 9-1-1
- Crime or Graffiti in Progress - 9-1-1
- Police Non-Emergencies - 610-437-7751
- Mayor Ed Pawlowski - 610-437-7546
- SWEEP/Trash/Recycling/Graffiti - 610-437-8729
- Report Illegal Apts. - Zoning - 610-437-7630
- Building Standards & Safety - 610-437-7661
- Vacant Property Issues - 610-437-7604
- Vice/Narcotics/Prostitution - 610-437-7726
- Liquor Control Enforcement - 717-783-8250
- 8th Ward Neigh. Group/Bonnie - 484-695-1967

37th Annual Old Allentown House Tour

Saturday, May 10, 2014 12pm-6pm

\$15 non-members - \$10 members

Historic Homes Tour – Classic Car Show

Mothers Day Flower Sale – Street Festival – Vendors

8th & Gordon Streets – Allentown

Information or to get tickets – info@oldallentown.org
www.oldallentown.org

Happenings at **St. Luke's** 417 N 7th St. Allentown

29th Annual Community Block Party

Saturday June 7th from 1-6pm

Magic – Live Music – Dancing – Games – Prizes

Baked Goods – Balloon Sculptures – Face Painting

Get-Wet Tent and lots of Food & FUN!!!!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Monday June 23rd to Friday June 27th

6:00pm – 8:00pm

Dinner served to students at 5:30pm

Parents must sign child up, details next month



UPCOMING WORKSHOPS & CLASSES

Sat. July 12, July 19, July 26 & Aug 2 – 10-11:30am

FUN WITH THE JUNGLE BOOK

Allentown Public Theatre offers four free workshops for children ages 6-12 on Saturday mornings to tie in with APT's August production of The Jungle Book for children and families. In workshops children will learn speaking, movement and other performance skills, as well as make their own original masks and develop characters and storylines. Class size is limited to first come, first serve. Register early.

This is a four week program, all classes held at St.

Luke's Lutheran Church 417 N 7th St.

For advance registration, email:

APTYouth@allentownpublictheatre.com

www.allentownpublictheatre.com

St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Bring a friend to the next meeting!

FREE REFRESHMENTS!!!!

UPDATED INFO. FOR FARM SHARE

Reuben Demaster of Willow Haven Farm will be providing weekly deliveries of fresh vegetables this summer from his farm in New Tripoli to our community center. Half shares (\$15, feeds 2 people) and full shares (\$25, feeds 4 people) are available. Deposit is required (returned at end of season) - \$30 for half share, \$50 for full share. Cash or check only for deposit. SNAP benefits and FMNP vouchers accepted at weekly pickup.

PICK UP INFO:

Starting June 4th

Wednesdays 3pm-5pm

@ Simplicity Outreach

1101 W Tilghman St. Allentown, PA

(in the basement on the alley side)

For more info: Miriam 484-619-3321

Miriam@simplicityoutreach.org

Mark your calendar for some of our – 8th Ward Group upcoming events!

8th Ward Block Party – July 19 raindate July 26th

National Night Out – Tuesday August 5th

Details to come - - watch for next newsletter



Free Graffiti Cleanup for Allentown Property Owners

Graffiti is not a victimless crime or a harmless prank. It is a form of vandalism that encourages littering, loitering, crime, violence, and more graffiti.

Graffiti vandals "tag" or put their moniker or nickname "up" in multiple locations for fame and/or social rebellion. Gangs and drug dealers mark territory with graffiti. Some graffiti may be artistic, however, it is done without permission of the property owner and is therefore, a crime. Publicity encourages more graffiti.

The best way to fight graffiti is to remove it. Call the Hotline. The Allentown Graffiti Busters program removes or covers the graffiti (depending on the surface of the structure) at no charge to Allentown property owners.

In Allentown it is illegal:

- to sell spray paint and markers to minors
- for any minor to possess spray paint and markers
- for any person to possess spray paint or markers in a public park

Bust Graffiti – Report it immediately

- Call 911 to report graffiti in progress
- Call 610-437-7753 (Police Desk) to report graffiti
- Call the Hotline 610-437-8729 for graffiti cleanup