



# 8th Ward Neighborhood Group The Patroller

Meeting the 2nd Tuesday of Every Month

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

## MARCH 2014

### Leonard Buck Banquet Thurs April 24<sup>th</sup>

**GUEST SPEAKER – Allentown's New  
Chief of Police Joel Fitzgerald**

Make your reservation now – Call Bonnie

Payment must be made to the 8<sup>th</sup> Ward Neighborhood Group by Tuesday April 8<sup>th</sup> – Cost is \$23.00 per person, includes family style meal and you must purchase your tickets through a leader of a neighborhood group. Please call Bonnie 484-695-1967. Must be reserved and paid for by the April 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. No tickets available at the door. Also, if you reserve a ticket - You MUST pay for it - no refunds once reserved. Mark your calendar now!



### Our Community Garden at 9<sup>th</sup> & Tilghman Sts. Needs YOUR help!

An accident damaged a bed so we need your help. We need some able bodied volunteers to help rebuild the L shaped Butterfly Garden bed. 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! We are applying for a Grant to help rebuild the bed and need to get some people lined up to help make that possible, please call Charlie Seifert at 610-435-1880. We would like to get a group together to clean-up and weed the garden prior to more planting – please help!!



### 8<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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

### Thank you very much Friendly's on MacArthur Road

for allowing us another FAMILY FUN NIGHT to help us, the 8<sup>th</sup> Ward Neighborhood Group. The event was held on Mon Feb 17<sup>th</sup>. Thank you very much to Bonnie Wachter for running the bake sale and Carol Moyer and Patti Engler for baking. Thank you very much to our members, neighbors and friends for coming out to eat and take home some yummy goodies!!!

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## MEET SOME NEIGHBORS - MAKE NEW FRIENDS!!

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS: Come join us!!**

All Held at St. Luke's Church – 417 N. 7<sup>th</sup> 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 March 11, 2014

### **Assistant DA or Detective of the Lehigh County District Attorney's Office**

### **Next meeting - Tuesday April 8<sup>th</sup> 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

8<sup>th</sup> Ward Neigh. Group/Bonnie – 484-695-1967

## **2014 - 8<sup>th</sup> Ward Neighborhood Group Officers**

**Bonnie Wachter** – President 484-695-1967

**Brian Engler** – Vice President

**Jim Bast** – Treasurer

**Leslie Talago** – Secretary

**Charlie Seifert** - Board Member

**Carlos Bernardi** – Board Member

**Vivian Bernardi** – Board Member

**Carol Fiske** – Board Member

**Minnie Nathan** – Board Member

**George Maniatti** – Board Member

## **February Meeting in Review**

It was great to catch up with Ann Saurman, the Manager of Allentown's Bureau of Recycling and Solid Waste. She shared with us some important new information of the planned expansion of Allentown's Recycling Drop off. After experimenting with allowing citizens to drop off Electronic Items at no charge on a monthly basis, it became apparent that this service is needed more often and the plan is for it to be available weekly, what you need to bring is your ID (must be an actual City of Allentown resident). Free TV & Electronics Recycling will be offered at the yard waste site on Sat Mar 1 & 15 from 1-3pm. She also mentioned that they will be setting up immediate shredding services for important private documents. The expected expansion and move of the actual Recycling Drop-Off is expected to take place this summer. They will be moving to the area near the yard waste site at Oxford Dr & Fish Hatchery Road. The SWEEP office and Animal Control will still be located at 1400 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Don't forget that you can continue to get the Green and Blue Recycling Bins from them at 1400 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. until their actual move. Keep in mind that all bins and garbage cans **MAY NOT** be stored at the front of your property. Also, you can now recycle your Milk & Juice paper cartons in your blue bin. Additionally keep in mind that you can also take all of the items that you recycle at the curb and even MORE to the drop off site and place them into the appropriate bins. The Recycling Drop-Off site is open 24/7 to all, no ID needed. Go check out their website at [allentownrecycles.org](http://allentownrecycles.org) to see what you may take to recycle. Thank you very much Ann for joining us!

## **CRIME PREVENTION TIP OF THE MONTH**

E-mailed by Captain Gail M. Struss – Patrol Division PSA 2

### **Subject: Tire and rims thefts**

We have been having a rash of vehicles having their tires and rims stolen and the vehicle left on blocks. There were a few in the West end now we are starting to see them in all parts of the city. It is happening overnight and usually from vehicles parked in parking lots. Be on the lookout for a van that may pull in front of a vehicle in a parking lot to block the view of the vehicle. More than one person will get out and they will remove the tires. It only takes them two minutes to get all the tires and leave. If you see anything suspicious call the police immediately!!

**REMOVE THE SNOW AROUND YOUR CLOSEST FIRE HYDRANT -- HELP SAVE LIVES!!**

## **History of the 8<sup>th</sup> Ward Neighborhood Group**

Founded in December 1988 by a group of concerned citizens as The North 10<sup>th</sup> Street Patrol, we became 8<sup>th</sup> Ward Neighborhood Block Watch in 1995, and we renamed our group the 8<sup>th</sup> Ward Neighborhood Group about 6 years ago. We continue to meet monthly at our new location on the second Tuesday of every month. We celebrated our 25<sup>th</sup> Year in December 2013!

## **JOIN THE 60 DAY CHALLENGE!!**

### **It's not a Kickstart, it's a Lifestart!**

We are looking for individuals who are ready for a challenge! Those who are willing to embark on a 60 day journey to wellness. During this time, we will be conducting health seminars, cooking classes and exercise programs that will mark the beginning of a "lifestart" which will add years to your life and life to your years! Includes:

- Free 30-day pass to L.A. Fitness
- 8 Wellness Seminars
- 8 Exercise Classes
- Cooking Demonstration
- Personalized Consultation
- Blood Testing (Pre & Post)

WHEN: Intro class: Sun., March 9 @ 4 pm

Educational Courses: Tuesdays @ 7 p.m.

Exercise Class: Sundays @ 4 p.m.

WHERE: Simplicity Center (in the basement )  
1101 W. Tilghman St. Allentown, PA 18102

### CONTACT

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Thank you! **Miriam Bernstein** *Community Organizer, Simplicity Urban Outreach*

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## **St. Luke's Synoptic Players & the Dogwood Praise Band**

Present Musical Selections from

Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber's Classic Rock Opera

# **JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR**

Saturday April 12 - 2:00 PM

Sunday April 13 - 2:00 PM

*Doors open at 1:30 PM*

**417 N 7<sup>th</sup> Street – Allentown, PA**

**Admission is FREE** *Concessions and good-will offering benefit the free community programs of St. Luke's Neighborhood Center and St. Luke's Lutheran Church*

**St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church**

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