8th Ward Neighborhood Group

The Patroller

Meeting the 2nd Tuesday of Every Month

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

OCTOBER 2013

NERC CASINO NIGHT

North End Republican Club

8th & Tilghman Streets

Saturday, October 19th

8:00 pm – 11:00 pm

$5 to Play – Free Snack Food – Cash Bar

Must be 21 yrs or older - Doors open at 7:45 pm

Prize Auction to be held at 11:00pm

*** * OPEN TO THE PUBLIC * ***

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Mark Your Calendar

2013 8th Ward Holiday Party

Tuesday Dec 10th

Watch for info. in the next newsletter

FREE - just bring a side or dessert to share !

Watch for and Please Help Volunteer

We are seeking volunteers to help distribute the neighborhood newsletters - help get the word out!

We are also looking for some strong people to help rebuild our two flower beds at the Community Garden at 9th & Tilghman – they're splitting apart. We are also looking for some able bodied folks to help weed and keep the garden up for many years to come – so please call Charlie 610-435-1880.

If you are interested in helping to assist in any way, please call Bonnie at 484-695-1967.

Thank you very much Little Apple Market for distributing hundreds of copies of our newsletters to your customers!!

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MEET and GREET our Interim Chief of Police!

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 October 8th - 7:00pm

Chief of Police Joseph Hanna

Tuesday November 12 – 7:00pm

To be announced . . . **Nominations of 8th Ward Group Officers to serve 2014**

Come meet Captain Glen Dorney & Allentown Police Dept. Officers

Bring your questions and bring a neighbor!

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

2013 - 8th 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

History of the 8th Ward Neighborhood Group

Founded in December 1988 by a group of concerned citizens as The North 10th Street Patrol, we became 8th Ward Neighborhood Block Watch in 1995, and we renamed our group the 8th Ward Neighborhood Group about 5 years ago. We continue to meet monthly at our new location on the second Tuesday of every month. We are celebrating our 25th Year in December 2013!

Our Community Garden Still "Growing Strong" at 9th & Tilghman Sts. for 16 Years!! We need VOLUNTEERS!!!

As designed in 1997 by our volunteers and 8th Ward Tropical Jungle 4H club members and leaders, with help from a Master Gardener, we are looking to keep it beautifully maintained and need your assistance. The site features a two L shaped raised beds, an octagonal bed, a compost box, and a watering jug. It features a beautiful butterfly garden, made mostly of perennials, a yew, a carpet rose, spearmint tea (in abundance) and of course all of those beautiful flowers that you first see in spring are daffodils, tulips and iris's.

We need YOU to get involved!

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!!

8th Ward Tropical Jungle 4H Club Starts up again - Call to JOIN!!

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

Come have some FUN!!!

To join, you must sign up, please call Bonnie at 484-695-1967 or 610-432-8280.

2013 Lehigh County Open Gate Farm Tour – 20 Different Farms!

On **Sunday, October 20 from 1:00 to 5:00 pm**, take advantage of this once-a-year opportunity to learn about local agriculture in Lehigh County. This annual event has been conducted in Lehigh County for over 40 years. There is no charge to go to any of these sites. Bring your family, dress casually and enjoy the day talking with local farmers and learning how your food is produced. To find out more, please go to:

http://extension.psu.edu/lehigh/events/2013-lehigh-county-open-gate-farm-tour

Happenings at St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church 417 N 7th Street:

FREE ESL Classes (English for Speakers of other Languages) started in September.

English speakers are needed to volunteer to help for two hours a week. Call 610-434-3943 for information.

Friendly's

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Take off the night from cooking, meet friends and family for a Fundraiser for

The 8th Ward Neighborhood Group

Please Join Us – for dinner, Treats or carry-out!

(Bake Sale for desserts too!)

Monday November 11, 2013
5 pm - 8 pm

At Friendly's Restaurant
Located on MacArthur Road
(near Lehigh Valley Mall) 610-820-8655

Friendly's will donate 10% of all sales between 5pm-8pm to the 8th Ward Neighborhood Group
All dine-in and carry-out sales are included

(Call Bonnie to sign-up to bake – 610-432-8280)