

Monthly meetings held every 3rd Monday of the month at B'nai B'rith Apts-Comm Room West

Neighborhood #7 Newsletter

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12TH West to 20th St. & Gordon north to Tilghman St.

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NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION:

Would you like to have the Newsletter emailed to you? We are very low on residential carrier volunteers, so if you would prefer to have it emailed to you every month, you can contact Kay at 610-437-7160 or email her at Crime-prez@aol.com.

West End Alliance News:

Mark Your Calendars for Oktoberfest The 2nd Annual West End Oktoberfest is set for Saturday, October 3rd. The event will be held from Noon - 10 PM on 19th Street between Tilghman and Liberty Streets. Enjoy live entertainment, authentic German cuisine, local crafters and other vendors, and fun activities for children and families. Visit www.westendoktoberfest.com for more information. We will update the website as musicians and vendors are confirmed during the next two months. If you're on Facebook, please become a friend of the West End Alliance. We will post information about the neighborhood and share updates on the various projects and advancements in the area

KEEP DOORS AND WINDOWS LOCKED. Call 610-437-7751 to report suspicious activity.

Chec-Mate -CALL THE POLICE ANONYMOUSLY

If you have felt that you often wanted or needed to call the police, but were afraid you would have to give your name, you need to see me about getting a CHEC-MATE number. Apply and become among the thousands of Citizens Helping to Eliminate Crime. All you need to do, is come to our meeting to get an application. You can also call 610-437-7160 and I'll drop one off at your house. Fill out the requested information and I will forward it to the police dept. They will assign you your own personal number. Then when you call the police you just give the chec-mate number to the dispatcher instead of your name.. This also speeds things up. Don't let fear hinder you from quality of life.

Monday, August 17th, 2009 7:00 PM
B'nai B'rith Apts. 1622 W. Liberty St.
 Speaker will be **Katie Bohri**
Allentown Community and Economic Development
Public meeting about community gardening!
 This is an excellent opportunity to learn how to activate your neighbors while greening, beautifying and increasing the safety of your streets Whether it is a personal plot, a flower garden or a garden created specifically to produce food for a local food bank, any garden – no matter how small – can make a difference in a community.



We will also be planning for our upcoming Annual Sale!

ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD YARD & BAKE SALE

Saturday, September 12th 9 to 1 PM

Rain Date will be Sunday September 13th

Location: 16th and Liberty Street



Has the clutter overrun your house? Sell your own merchandise or donate it to Neighborhood 7 Crime Watch!

Tables for Rent at only \$10 each
 call 610-821-0207 to reserve

Donations needed for Neighborhood 7 Crime Watch flea market and bake sale tables. Call 610-437-7160, leave message. This is our only fund raiser of the year.

Grilled hot dogs, ice cold Sodas, coffee & pastries will be available

Please help your neighborhood by making a donation. All proceeds benefit Neighborhood 7 CW and related activities. Help needed day of sale. Storage also needed until Day of Sale.

**Crafters Welcome
 Get Involved
 Make new friends**

Call 610-437-7160 to make a donation!

**THANKS to the following local Merchants:
 AHART'S Grocery: WILLY JOE'S: 15th & Gordon
 WAWA: MARY ANN DONUTS**

West Park Concert series:

- August 14th, 7:30 pm – Marine Band at West Park
- August 14th, 8:00 pm – Royalties, Dancing Under the Stars at Cedar Beach
- August 15th – 7:00 pm – Midway Manor at West Park
- August 16th – 7:30 pm – Municipal Band at West Park
- August 21st – 7:30 pm – Allentown Band at West Park
- August 22nd – 7:00 pm – Martine Band at Irving Park
- August 23rd – 7:30 pm – Marine Band at West Park
- August 28th – 7:30 pm – Allentown Band at West Park
- August 28th – 8:00 pm – Royalties; Dancing Under the Stars at Cedar Beach.
- August 29th – 7:00 pm = Municipal Band at Daddona Terrace (previously known as Union Terrace)
- Last concert of the summer is on Sunday, Sept. 13th at 3:00 pm – Allentown Band at West Park – Bert Meyers Concert.

Swimming Tips:

- Check the pool - is the water clean and clear? You should be able to easily see the bottom. Cloudy water is a sign of a maintenance problem. Only swim in a clear pool.
- Is there a strong chlorine odor? This indicates a water quality problem exists. A well maintained pool has little odor.
- Don't swim when you have diarrhea. You can spread your germs to other swimmers.
- Practice good hygiene. Shower before you swim. The pool is not a bath tub.
- Don't swallow the pool water. Do you want another swimmer's germs?
- Check your kid's diapers frequently and change them in a bathroom not at the side of the pool. Fecal matter can end up in the pool. Make sure you wash their rear end thoroughly before sending them back in the water.

You can enjoy the sun, the pools and the food with confidence if you pay attention to these summertime safety tips. For more information on keeping safe while swimming and picnicking, call the Allentown Health Bureau at (610) 437-7759.

The NEXT Electronics Recycling will take place on Oct. 10th, 2009. 9AM to 2 PM. Drop off at Oxford Dr. & Fish hatchery Rd (at main Yard Waste Site.). \$2 each for computers, phones, fax, scanners, cd, dvd, chargers. \$5 each for copier, \$20 for TV. Cash only. No batteries/fluorescent bulbs. 610-437-8729 for info.



Bike Allentown and the Lehigh Wheelman Association invite you and your family to their monthly bicycle ride and ice cream social. The ride starts at 7:00 pm on Friday Night's August, 14 and Sept. 11th. Meet at the Ritz's Barbecue at 17th & Chew Streets for a 9 mile ride through town ending back at Ritz's for ice cream!

Riding Rules:

- Children must wear helmets.
- Adults should wear helmets.
- We obey ALL traffic rules.
- Tail lights are recommended.
- Please arrive at the Ritz's by 6:45 pm.
- If there is heavy rain, the ride(s) will be canceled.
- For more information you can contact BikeAllentown@gmail.com or lehighwheelmen.org.

Lehigh County Senior Center Basket Social

cash give aways - some high-end items - Food.
Thursday, September 10, 2009 7:00 PM
 Doors open at 6:00 PM Donation \$5.00
 plus \$20.00 for additional drawings
 No smoking permitted Children not permitted

We need your **HELP** in serving on the committee, working that evening, and gathering new items as well as baskets. Items and baskets may be dropped off at the Center any weekday. This is a new event. If interested in helping, please contact Diane at 610-437-3700. Check out their Web site. <http://www.lehighseniors.org>

Lehigh County Senior Center will be having the 49th Annual Picnic on Thursday, August 27, 2009 at

the Schnecksville Pavilion, Route 309 At the southern entrance to the village of Schnecksville Time 10:00 a.m. to ?
 Bingo, 50/50 Drawings, Cards, and Bean Bags!!
 Entertainment by the Lehigh Valley Folk Music Society
 Catering by Wegman's from 11:30 AM—1:30 PM
 Menu and time reduced due to the current economic climate
 Partially Sponsored by Aaron Health Care
 Tickets are \$10 for members and \$14 for non members. Must be purchased by August 20th at the Center. No tickets sold at door. The Schnecksville Fire Company Pavilion is located just off Route 309 at the southern entrance to the village of Schnecksville.

Selling Your Property?

All residential properties and units in the City of Allentown must be inspected by the City as soon as you offer your property for sale. Contact the City to order your inspection by calling the following numbers: Owner occupied home: 610-437-7690. Rental Properties: 610-437-7694. Website- www.allentownpa.gov

Thinking of a Swimming Pool?

State regulations require that all swimming pools over 24" (including in-ground, above ground, on ground, hot tubs, spas, fixed-in-place wading pools) must have the proper permits and inspections. For more information call 610-437-