



Raub Area Community Watch

is a neighborhood group that provides a monthly meeting to discuss neighborhood concerns, 7 PM at the Lehigh County Sr. Center, 1st Thursday of the month. All are welcome!

June/July'11

June Dates

- 6/2 RACW Meeting 7PM
- 6/12 Chicken Dinner 12-2 PM
St. James UCC Church
S. 15th & Union Sts. \$8.50
- 6/14 Flag Day
- 6/16 Last Day of School
- 6/19 Father's Day
- 6/21 Summer Begins
- 6/30 Dan Schantz fundraiser
ends-use your coupons

July Dates

- 7/4 Independence Day
- 7/7 RACW Meeting 7PM

Featured Speaker for June 2, 2011 at RACW beginning 7PM will be Sal Aprile from the Lehigh County Auto Theft Task Force. He will have a slide show presentation about auto theft and VIN Etching.

Learn more about getting your car etched on June 11th.

RACW is thankful for:

- *New individuals attending RACW meetings and becoming active with group
- *The great turn-out by RACW at the Leonard Buck Banquet
- *Patt for using her social media skills to spread the word about RACW meetings
- *Lehigh County Senior Center for the wonderful meeting facility

RACW Officers:

- President – Gerry Traupman
- Vice Pres. – Patt Infanti
- Treasurer – Lynn Unger
- Secretary – Eileen Bernhard
- email: raubcw@yahoo.com

RACW – Month in Review

Lehigh County Auto Theft Task Force spoke at the April meeting. Residents had concerns about car part thefts (such as tires/rims) and vehicles being brought to our area to be stripped. Be aware during the night, look out your window, listen for activity, pay attention to the alleyways; call 911 if you see a crime in progress. Call non-emergency number 437-7751 if something is suspicious.

Mayor Pawlowski spoke at our May meeting to share positive things going on the city...city development, our great parks, crime prevention efforts, hockey arena, bridge & road improvements, planned bike paths

We met many political candidates at our April and May meetings. We hope you voted in May and plan to vote in November

Future Events

RACW RAFFLE-cash prizes. Ticket donation \$1.00. Drawing held 8/4/11. Ticket handlers are your neighbors please help support your neighborhood organization.

SOUTH FULTON ST.-is hosting a Take Back the Streets Block Party and Yard Sale on Saturday June 11, 2011 from 12-5 PM. The event will feature live music, Mrs. Pennsylvania United States – Kate A. Mack, bring your vehicle for free VIN Etching by the Lehigh County Auto Theft Task Force. Food and soft drinks will be available. Come to the RACW meeting on 6/2 to learn more about etching.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT-August 2, 2011, is designed to strengthen neighborhood spirit and partner with the police-community to send a message to criminals letting them know that neighbors are fighting back to keep their neighborhoods clean and safe! Please keep porch light on this evening. Meet at Raub Middle School, S. St. Cloud Street at 6PM. We will walk through the neighborhood, afterwards join us for a hot dogs and a potluck (please bring a snack, dessert or covered dish) @ 424 S St. Cloud Terrace between 6:30PM to 8PM. Those that are unable to walk please join us for the potluck.

ICE CREAM SUNDAES-create your own at the Raub Area Community Watch meeting on Thursday August 4, 2011. Lehigh County Sr. Center 6:00PM – 8:30PM. Cost is \$3 for a large and \$2 for a small.

SPAGHETTI DINNER-October 29, 2011 sponsored by Raub Area Community Watch. All you can eat... Spaghetti with meat sauce, tossed salad, bread & butter, cold & hot beverages, assorted desserts.

Cost: \$8.00, Children 6-12 \$4.00, Children under 6 free.

Where: Lehigh County Senior Center, 1633 Elm St., Allentown 4PM – 7PM

Help needed for bakers, set-up, serving & break-down.

Contacts for above events: Gerry 433-9363, Eileen 435-4315 or email: raubcw@yahoo.com

COMMUNITY YARD SALE – SATURDAY AUGUST 13, 2011

Please participate in the Raub Area Community Yard Sale. For a \$10 contribution Raub Area Community Watch will run the newspaper ad, advertise the sale on Craigslist, and distribute information about the sale in the community...

The yard sale will be on **Saturday August 13, 2011** (rain or shine) 8AM – 1 PM

YES, I would like to participate in the Community Yard Sale on 8/13/2011. Enclosed you will find cash/check payable to Raub Area Community Watch for \$10.00

For more information contact Gerry at 433-9363 or email: raubcw@yahoo.com or drop this sheet at 407 S. 18th Street by 8/7. There is a mail slot on the front door.

Your address: _____ Your name: _____

I plan to sell (list some items of importance): _____

TRIPS AND VACATIONS

Helpful tips to protect your home while on summer vacation:

- Don't leave a note announcing your absence.
- Don't allow publicity of your trip (eg.-facebook, webpage)
- Cancel deliveries-mail, newspaper, etc.
- Install automatic timer on lights, don't forget bathroom/bedroom
- Do not close blinds-leave them as if you are home
- Make sure all doors, windows are locked
- Ask a neighbor/friend to check your home while you are gone
- You can notify police to do a courtesy check & they will drive by
- Turn the telephone ringer down while you are gone
- Arrange to have grass mowed or snow shoveled
- Do not leave your keys or any form of ID in your vehicle if parked while you are away-this includes airport parking lot

CAMPERS & RECRATIONAL VEHICLES

Helpful tips with campers or RV's:

- Keep valuables stored out of sight in compartments or close curtains when parked
- Do not keep RV's parked and ready to go outside your home
- Get the best door and locks possible. Lock them when away from your campsite
- Permanently install a lock box inside the RV
- Chain your camper to a tree or use a deadball hitch
- Paint your name on the vehicle. For extra security paint a large ID # or letter combination on the roof
- Carry vehicles registration with you, not in camper
- Avoid parking along isolated roads
- When not in use keep campers/RV's in a locked facility

BASIC GUACAMOLE Serves 6 – Prep. Time 15 Min. + 2 hours until serving

4 haas avocados (about 7 oz. each), preferably organic 1 serrano chile, stemmed & minced 1 small garlic clove, minced
 2 Tbsp. finely chopped white onion 2 Tbsp. finely chopped, seeded tomato 2 Tbsp. chopped cilantro, plus more for garnish
 2-3 tsp. fresh lime juice, plus 1 lime cut into wedges ½ tsp. salt 1 bag good quality tortilla chips

1. In a medium bowl, mash the avocado flesh with a fork until somewhat chunky (not smooth). One at a time, gently stir in chile, garlic, onion, tomato, cilantro, lime juice and salt. Cover with plastic wrap touching the surface and let sit for about 2 hours to allow flavors to develop.
2. Season with salt to taste (remember the tortilla chips are salty). Transfer the mixture to a serving bowl, garnish with a sprinkle of cilantro and serve with lime wedges and tortilla chips.

Courtesy of Rachael Ray Mag.

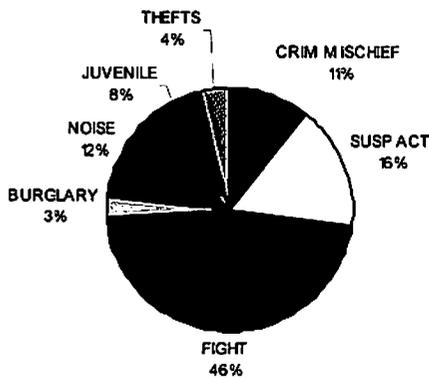
GREAT WAYS TO SAVE

Mix your own garden soil... Those "enriched" bags of soil boost flower and vegetable growth-at about \$8 a bag. Instead, for each one part of dirt or topsoil mix in about two parts of compost – shredded from leaves and branches. Often available for free at the main Allentown recycling center.

Just 10 seconds of idling your car's engine uses as much gas as restarting it. Two minutes uses enough fuel to drive a mile. So turn your engine off.

www.aarp.org/savemoney

Recent Crime Reports...If you see crime, report it! Non Emergency 437-7751, In Progress 911



This is a summary of information provided by the Allentown Police Department for incidents in our area from 03/01/11 – 04/30/11. More detailed information is available at the RACW Meeting.

Location	# of Reports
S. St. Cloud St.	33
Hamilton St.	8
Walnut St.	8
South St.	4
S. 16 th St.	3
S. 16 th St.	14
S. 15 th St.	8
Elm St.	2
S. 17 th St.	3
Union St.	10
Fulton St.	6
Other	4