

The West Watch

Neighborhood Group

THE REPORTER

JULY 2011

WEST END YOUTH CENTER
20TH AND GREENLEAF STREETS
MEETING 2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, AUGUST 8TH - 7PM

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REPORT a POTHOLE
The "Pothole" hotline is
610.437.8775
to report a pothole.

Upcoming Block Party

Our Annual Block Party is approaching, scheduled for Saturday, September 17th. Volunteers are always needed, so please contact us to help in any way you can. Our bake sale is always a big hit, so please consider baking some items for our sale, or just buying all the goodies we'll have available! This year's planning is being coordinated by former board member Anne Gerber, and she is doing a fantastic job making our party bigger and better than ever!

NO MEETING IN JULY!

Please spread the word that we will not have a meeting this month. We're taking the month off for vacation! Please stay in contact with our group for information about next month's speaker, and check out our facebook page—just search "The West Watch" under groups in facebook.

- New email Address? Send it to us at Secretary@thewestwatch.org
- Donations may be mailed to The West Watch at 3140B Tilghman St #243 Allentown PA 18104

Recent News

Captain Morris reported to us this past month that there has been an increase in the amount of burglaries in our neighborhood. He reminds us all to lock all doors and windows, and remember that even though the weather is nice, and you may want your windows open, a screen in a window is not a deterrent to a would be burglar. Please close and LOCK all windows!

Meeting Minutes

Our K-9 Officers had to reschedule their appearance last month, but stay in touch to see when they will be presenting. Regardless, we had an informative meeting discussing current neighborhood issues, primarily the importance of calling in all disruptive conduct issues and telling the communications center that the reason for the call is "Disruptive Conduct". The city uses the 3 strikes you're out rule, and 3 disruptive conducts would be an eviction. This is an asset to our neighborhood, especially if you have a problem neighbor who is a renter, but only if you call it is as a Disruptive Conduct Report!

Numbers To Know

Police-Fire-Ambulance	911
Police –Non-emergency	610-437-7751
Chief Maclean	610-437-7777
Police—Vice Unit	610-437-7726
State Rep. Jennifer Mann	610-821-5577
State Sen. Pat Browne	610-821-8468
City Planning	610-437-7613
Recycling/ Graffiti Removal	610-437-8729
Code Enforcement	610-437-7695
Mayor Pawlowski	610-437-7546
Health Bureau	610-437-7760
Zoning office	610-437-7630

CHEC-Mate Program

Report all suspicious activity anonymously by becoming a CHEC-mate (Citizens Helping Eliminate Crime) Member. Come to our monthly meeting and ask for a card and/or get a few for your Allentown friends or neighbors. Please don't sit silent and expect others to call the police. Everyone has to take responsibility to report suspicious activity when they see it. We can only begin to clean up Allentown when good people come together and say we will no longer put up with illegal activity.

City Ordinance Awareness

Did you know...

All swimming pools, 24 inches or deeper, require a permit. This includes inflatable pools as well as permanent pools. To obtain a permit, please call the zoning office at 610-437-7630. Please note that many times electrical wires may run above the pool and this is a very common reason that permits are not granted!