

**NEXT MEETING:**  
Saturday, April 28, 10 a.m.  
Allentown Library

**Join us for the 8th Annual LANA Clean Up and Luncheon  
Event held rain or shine Saturday, April 28**

Come one, come all! Everyone is invited to the Library Area Neighborhood Association's 8th Annual Cleanup at 10 a.m., Saturday April 28 starting at the Allentown Library at 12<sup>th</sup> and Hamilton streets.

Each year, with the help of dedicated volunteers from Keenan House, we have sent teams out across our neighborhood to clean streets, alleys and adjacent parkland. Every year we have taken out big piles of trash. We are proud of what we've accomplished!

This year we will also help out around the Library, both on the grounds and maybe some other spots.

So join us for a neighborhood wide Spring Cleaning. Please bring work gloves, suntan lotion and a bottle of water. The City will provide tools and bags. Young people are welcome as are younger children with supervision.

After our clean up, which usually ends around noon or 12:30 p.m., we are invited to enjoy a luncheon at Lehigh Valley Presbyterian Church, 31 S. 13th St. Last year the food was great and we had a wonderful time talking with our friends at Keenan House.

If you have any questions or want to suggest areas that really need cleaning, contact Nick Butterfield at 610-770-1751 or Butterfn@aol.com.

Todos están invitados a la Limpieza Anual de la Vecindad a 10 de la mañana del Sábado 28 de Abril a partir de la Biblioteca de Allentown en las calles 12 y Hamilton.



Uniros a nosotros para una limpieza de primavera barrio de ancho. Por favor, traiga guantes de trabajo, bloqueador solar y una botella de agua. La Ciudad proveerá las herramientas y bolsas. Los jóvenes son bienvenidos como lo son los niños más pequeños con la supervisión.

Después de nuestra limpieza, que por lo general termina entre el mediodía y las 12:30 pm, se nos invita a disfrutar de un almuerzo en el Lehigh Valley Presbyterian Church, 31 S. 13th St. El año pasado la comida era genial y nos lo pasamos de maravilla hablando con nuestro amigos de la Casa Keenan.

Si tiene cualquier pregunta o quiere sugerir áreas que realmente lo necesiten, ponerse en contacto con Nick Butterfield al 610-770-1751 o Butterfn@aol.com



**Help Stamp Out Graffiti**

There is a new wave of graffiti going on in our neighborhood and we need your help to fight it.

When you see graffiti, whether on your property or anywhere else, report it! Provide the address to the Recycling Center at 610-437-8729. With the property owner's permission, the City will remove the graffiti for free. After hours, call the City's non-emergency line, 610-437-7751.

**CLIP & SAVE IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS**  
**\*GUARDE ESTOS NÚMEROS IMPORTANTES\***

Police/Fire/Ambulance	911
Police: Non-Emergency	610-437-7751
Loud Music/Noise/Working on Cars	610-437-7751
Chief MacLean	610-437-7777
Police:Vice Unit	610-437-7626
Gang Tip Line	610-439-5934
Crime Tip Line	610-439-5911
Mayor Ed Pawlowski	610-437-7546
Zoning Office	610-437-7630
Code Enforcement/Problem Properties	610-437-7695
Housing/Rentals	610-437-7697
-Roach, insect or mice infestation	
-No heat or water	
Recycling, trash & garbage	610-437-8739
-Special Operator (after 7 p.m.)	610-437-7571
Graffiti (to request removal)	610-437-8729
Tall Grass & Weeds	610-437-8729
Shopping cart pick up	610-437-8729
Streets	610-437-7638
Animal Control	610-437-7535
Animal abuse/neglect	610-797-1205
Overgrown shrubs	610-437-7589
Uncleared sidewalks	610-437-7589
Allentown Parking Authority	610-437-3366

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**Allentown in Cans Recycling Challenge**

Mayor Ed Pawlowski announced the city’s participation in the “Mayor’s Aluminum Cans Recycling Challenge.” Allentown will join other cities across the country in a U.S. Conference of Mayors contest that rewards cities for recycling aluminum beverage cans. For more info contact Ann Saurman at 610-437-8720 or [ann.saurman@allentownpa.gov](mailto:ann.saurman@allentownpa.gov)

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**Auto Theft Taskforce Provides Update**

Our speakers during the March LANA meeting were Sgt. Det. Sal Aprile and Det. Eric Brenner of the Lehigh County Auto Theft Taskforce.

In 2011, 598 cars were stolen in Lehigh County, including 397 cars stolen in Allentown. The most frequent cars lost are older models of the Honda Civic, followed by the Accord, Acura and Toyota.

Honda locks in the 90s wore down readily, but keys can easily be ground down to fit almost any particular model. Honda Civics are popular because their parts are often interchangeable. For a chop shop the parts are worth far more than the price of the entire vehicle. If the car is not recovered within a day, it will probably not be seen intact again.

Every new edition of Fast and Furious or Grand Theft Auto brings out a new round of theft.

There are also “owner give-ups”, where the owner owes too much and decides to have someone take the car or burn it for the insurance payment. A few owners have made false reports after “loaning” their car for drugs.

Lojack is the best device for recovering a stolen vehicle. Once reported as stolen, the car sends out a signal and can be found within hours. It is installed individually for a one-time payment, remains for the life of the car and is very difficult to disable. On-Star can easily be disabled.

The Taskforce also does VINgraving on windows – putting the car’s serial number on each window – at no charge. The next time VINgraving event will be held May 19 at Whitehall Municipal Center, 3219 McArthur Rd. Go to [www.watchyourcar.org](http://www.watchyourcar.org) for more information. Lehigh County Auto Theft Task Force can be reached at 610-264-8759.

Lehigh County District Attorney Jim Martin recently announced the successful prosecution of 15 people, adult and juvenile, for Honda auto thefts. (As a Honda owner I hope that means other cars will be more popular with thieves in the future.) - Nick Butterfield