



**Meeting is Saturday,
June 20, 2009 – 10:00 AM**
at the Trexler House
1227 Hamilton Street
Our speaker is Frank Whelan.

**“Clip and put this on your fridge.”
IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS**

To Report:	Number to call:
Police-Fire-Ambulance	911
Police Non-Emergency	610-437-7751
Call to report graffiti	
Chief McLean	610-437-7777
Police-Vice Unit	610-437-7626
Gang Tip Line	610-439-5934
Crime Tip Line	610-439-5911
Zoning Office	610-437-7630
Code Enforcement/Housing	610-437-7695
Problem Properties	
Mayor Pawlowski	610-437-7546
Loud Music/Noise/People	610-437-7751
working on cars in street	
Graffiti – to request removal	610-437-8729
Tall grass & weeds	610-437-8729
Property not recycling, incorrect	
storage of trash or garbage	
out before 6 pm	610-437-8729
Special Operator (after 7)	610-437-7571
Housing/Rentals	610-437-7697
Roach, insects or mice	
Infestation also no heat or water	
Over grown shrubs	610-437-7589
Shopping Carts pick up	1-800-244-2278
Animal Control	610-437-7535
Animal abuse/neglect	610-797-1205
Garbage	610-437-8729
Allentown Parking Authority	610-437-3366
Sweep Officer	610-437-8729

Garbage being tossed on 1100-1200 Willow St again!! There was a neighborhood clean up in April and a lot of garbage was found and disposed of by the volunteers from the neighborhood. A total of more than 35 bags of trash, two mattress & box springs, 5 tires, and 7 tall recycling containers were collected. These volunteers put in a great effort on a hot day so that our neighborhood would be a more attractive place to live.

You will often see Nick Butterfield out and about as he collects garbage from the Union Street and Jefferson Street hills. It is discouraging for him to see the amount of garbage that is left in the street, most times the area he has policed doesn't stay cleaned for two days.

Please have some consideration for you neighbors and place trash out on the correct nights, in the correct containers and in the correct place for pick up.

Garbage night and recycling.

Please put your garbage and trash out on the garbage night. Monday night is for garbage and recycling containers in the blue and green bins. Yard waste is to be put in a 30 gallon brown paper yard waste bag not a plastic garbage bag. This bag will only be picked up on Monday, our recycling night.

Then Thursday night is for garbage and 1 bulk item (carpets, mattress, furniture or 40 pounds maximum of construction materials (lumber, drywall or sheet rock). You must call to arrange pick up of metal appliances, siding, fence, pipes, bicycles, etc.

If you have questions about garbage or recycling, call 610-437-8729.

Allentown Fire Code

Allentown Fire regulations require that any grill, whether charcoal or gas when used must be 10 feet away from flammable surfaces – walls, floor, and ceiling. Your neighbors will not be happy with you if you burn down the block, as recently happened in Bethlehem.

Does not permit cooking - using charcoal or any open flame (propane grills) on a combustible balcony or within 10' of any combustible construction. Wood covered by sheathing or other covering constitutes combustible construction. Propane cylinders of 2.7 pounds or more shall not be located on decks, porches or balconies. Perform a leak check on all gas-fired units before use. Venturi tubes (the tubes that the propane mixes in) must be cleaned and checked for blockage. A problem here can cause the unit to catch fire. Perform a leak test using soapy water.

“KIDS CAN'T FLY CAMPAIGN”

The objective of the “Kids Can't Fly” program is to prevent children from falling out of windows. Nearly 20 children under age 10 die and another 14,700 suffer injuries annually from falling out of windows in the United States. Head injuries account for the majority of injuries sustained from window falls.

Since the majority of window falls (70 percent) occur during the spring and summer months, the Health Bureau offers copies of the Kids Can't Fly brochure to landlords and their tenants to make them aware of the potential hazards.

**Block Heads Needed for Our Neighborhood
Call us to volunteer!**

Nick Butterfield: 610-770-1751
butterfield@allentowncity.org
Dottie Anderson: 610-435-6684
Phyllis Alexander: 610-437-3674

Pools - Drownings Happen Quickly and Quietly

With many private and public pools opening up this month, CPSC is strongly advising that homeowners and parents use layers of protection around the pool to prevent children from becoming a drowning victim. These layers including physical barriers, such as a fence with self-closing, self-latching gates completely surrounding pools, to prevent unsupervised access by young children. If the pool is accessible from the house, use alarms on doors or a power safety cover over the pool. Each year, there are about 260 drowning deaths of children younger than 5 in swimming pools, and an estimated 2,725 children are treated in hospital emergency rooms for pool submersion injuries – mostly in residential pools. There is also a growing danger with inflatable or portable pools, which range in size from small kiddie pools to pools up to 4-feet deep and 18-feet wide. Between 2004 and 2006, CPSC received 47 reports of deaths of children related to inflatable pools. It is important to always be prepared for an emergency by having rescue equipment and a phone near the pool. Also, all parents who own pools should learn cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR). In addition to barriers and constant supervision, CPSC offers these tips to help prevent drowning deaths:

Since every second counts, always look for a missing child in the pool first. Precious time is often wasted looking for missing children anywhere but in the pool. Don't leave toys and floats in the pool that can attract young children and cause them to fall in the water when they reach for the items.

For above-ground and inflatable pools with ladders, remove or secure the ladder when the pool is not in use. Even if children can swim, it doesn't make them drown-proof. Always supervise children using the pool. Any swimming pool more than 24" high, whether portable or not, requires permits with the City. Swimming pools less than 24" do not require a permit. Always keep pools away from electrical outlets.

The City of Allentown is partnering with LCCC to provide summer employment and academic enrichment to 18-24 year olds.

Youth must complete a CareerLink application and indicate the City of Allentown on the application as the "employer". Youth will work as City of Allentown Summer Youth Playground staff. Youth will work full time during the months of June and July. Youth will work part-time in August and attend LCCC classes half time and receive assistance with math and reading. Completed applications are due ASAP. This is a fabulous opportunity for our youth, many of whom are interested in making a little money. Please contact Lauren Giguere if you have questions at 610-437-5965 or Giguere@allentowncity.org. Let's help some of our youth make some money!

Would you like to be on our calling list? Call Dottie Anderson at 610-435-6684 and she will add you to the list or to receive e-mail notice of events, send an e-mail to Nick at butterfield@allentowncity.org.

Rescheduled Zoning Hearing

Monday June 29, 7 pm, City Council Chambers:

1018-1024 Walnut Street Appeal of Program for Women & Families, Inc. for variance for Habitat For Humanity of the Lehigh Valley to SUBDIVIDE PROPERTY INTO 8 LOTS AND CONSTRUCT 8 SINGLE FAMILY TWIN DWELLINGS (15' x 41'), 3 sty. each, having insuff. rear yard setback (35' req., 19' each proposed), with lots 2 thru 6 having insuff. minimum lot area per dwelling unit (1,800 sq. ft. min. req., 1,760 sq. ft. proposed), insuff. building width per unit (18' req., 15' proposed), & off-street parking only permitted to occupy a maximum of 50% of a required front yard (Lots 2 thru 7 @ 77% & lots 1 & 8 @ 58% proposed), located in a High Density Residential (R-H) District.

This proposal is for the parking lot along the east side of the 100 block of S Howard, between Walnut and Spring Garden to be developed as 8 units, with no off street parking for the units.

West Park is having Art in the Park, on Saturday, June 20th, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., with a concert by the Allentown Band at 3 pm. Then the ANNUAL WEST PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT HOUSE TOUR is on Sunday June 21st, from noon to 5. p.m.

2009 Summer Concert Series – most concerts are on Friday night this summer, you can check the city website for the schedule of dates, times and places; at information@allentownrecreation.com. The Allentown Band will be giving a concert on Friday, July 3rd at 7:30 pm – this is the Sousa Concert and the whole park fills up, so take chairs with you or a blanket to sit on.

Old Allentown Preservation Association
6th Annual National Neighborhood Week Street Festival
Saturday, June 20, 2009, 10am–4pm If you want to experience a fun day, go to this block party. There are always interesting things to do and see. The party is in the 200 block of North 11th Street, between Turner & Chew. There is only street parking and that is limited, so walk if you can to the block party and enjoy the day.

Our next meeting is on Monday July 20, 2009 at 6:30 pm in the Public Library basement conference room. Our speaker will be Tamara Weller, Director of the Allentown Parking Authority.