



Meeting is on Monday, September 21, 2009  
 at 6:30 pm in the Public Library  
 basement conference room.  
 Invited guests: Walter Felton and  
 Ronald Manescu, both are  
 Candidates for District Justice.

**"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 Problem Properties	610-437-7695
Mayor Pawlowski	610-437-7546
Loud Music/Noise/People working on cars in street	610-437-7751
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 pm)	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

**Minutes continued:**

00 S 13<sup>th</sup> St: two properties seem to be rentals. *Refer to Building Safety & Standards*

Nick Butterfield has accepted a Retirement Incentive after 24 years with the City. His last day was on September 4<sup>th</sup>. Nick said what he has done best is to connect neighborhoods, police and City services and he will continue doing that for LANA. His new e-mail will be [Butterfn@aol.com](mailto:Butterfn@aol.com)

**Here are some tips to save energy and help protect the environment at home and at work:**

- Set your programmable thermostat to save while you are away or asleep. Using it properly can save up to \$180 per year in energy costs.
- Run ceiling fans in a clockwise direction to create a wind-chill effect that will make you "feel" cooler. Remember that ceiling fans cool people, not rooms -- so turn them off when you leave the room.
- Inspect your duct system for obvious signs of leaks and disconnections -- most houses leak 20 percent or more. Seal any leaks with foil tape or a special sealant called "duct mastic." Also, consider insulating ducts in attics, basements, and crawlspaces.
- Seal air leaks around your home to keep the heat out and the cool air in. The biggest air leaks are usually found in the attic or basement, but also come in around doors, windows, vents, pipes, and electrical outlets. Use caulk, spray foam or weather stripping to seal the leaks. And add more insulation to keep your home cooler this summer.
- Maintain your cooling system. Check your system's air filter every month at a minimum and change the filter every three months. Remove leaves, dirt and other debris from around the outdoor components to improve air flow and efficiency. Have a qualified professional tune-up your system with a pre-season maintenance checkup and, if it's time to replace your old system, look for models that have earned EPA's Energy Star.
- Turn off lights and equipment when not in use so they don't generate unnecessary heat.
- Replace incandescent light bulbs in your desk lamp with Energy Star qualified compact fluorescent light bulbs which use two-thirds less energy and generate less heat than conventional bulbs.

More tips on to how to save energy at home:  
<http://www.energystar.gov>

**Minutes from Saturday, August 22, 2009 meeting.**

With no speaker we talked about interests and concerns:

Is the Hotel Traylor for sale again? A Morning Call Article seemed to suggest that.

*No – it is not for sale.*

New restaurant – 4 Aces Grill opening at 13<sup>th</sup> & Hamilton – will serve kabobs & burgers.

'NERD' Graffiti writer sentenced to 1-2 years prison, community service and \$40,000 restitution – painted more than 1,000 graffiti tags.

Maple St between Madison & 14<sup>th</sup>: Latin Kings group holding meetings, initiation, making threats to other residents. Garage seems to have illegal repair and possible drug business. *Refer to Police.*

100 block S Blank St: persistent noisemaker. Police finally gave him a SWEEP ticket.

**Allentown Cares - Winter Coat Drive 2009  
Warming Hearts ...One Coat at a Time**

Starting July 15<sup>th</sup> and ending Sept. 30, 2009. All City Self Storage and the Salvation Army of Allentown; are collecting clean, reusable coats and jackets to distribute to those in need. When the weather is so nice, it's hard to about winter, but winter and cold weather are never too far off and no one should have to go without such a basic necessity as a coat! Coats of all shapes and sizes are welcome and children's sizes are most needed. Our Winter Coat Drive of 2009 is dedicated to distributing reusable coats, free of charge, directly to local children and adults. The program is a wonderful way for you, your family, or your organization to pass along coats and jackets that you no longer need.

The Salvation Army has made donating a coat simple. Just bring your clean, reusable coats and jackets to All City Self Storage, located at 728 W Linden St between July 15 and Sept 30. Coats can be dropped off between 9 am and 6 pm Monday thru Saturday and between 11 am and 4 pm on Sunday. All donated coats will be given to the Salvation Army for distribution to the community in need. Warm coats make warm hearts; let's make the Winter Coat Drive of 2009 a huge success.

**Another place for clothing & coats donation is: Bethany Evangelical Church** at 224 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Street also collects clothing, winter coats, food and Christmas gifts. They have a clothing bank for the needy in their area; last winter saw children walking to school without coats no matter how cold it was or how far the walk.

This church also has after school programs for the children. Please consider donating to either or both of these organizations, call the Church at 610-434-1477 for times that they are there to take in the donations. Bethany Church also does a Thanksgiving, Christmas dinner and give out presents to the children.

**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 [Butterfn@aol.com](mailto:Butterfn@aol.com).

**Electronics Recycling on October 10, 2009**  
from 9 a.m. to noon at Oxford Drive and Fish Hatchery Rd the main yard waste site.

There is a \$2 fee for each of the following:  
Computers & Accessories (\$2 for each component)  
Phones & Chargers                      Fax machines  
Scanners CDs, DVDs, etc.  
**NO batteries or fluorescent bulbs!**  
\$5 charge for each copier  
\$20 fee for each television.

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

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Dottie Anderson            610-435-6684  
Phyllis Alexander        610-437-3674  
Marie Reph                 610-433-1517

**Invitation to attend candidate night:**

The Library Area Neighborhood Association has invited our two candidates for Magisterial District Justice, Walter Felton and Ronald Manescu, to speak at our September meeting, Monday September 21, 6:30 pm at the Allentown Public Library.

Both Walter and Ron have long-term service as Allentown Police Officers. Walter retired from the force and is now with Northampton County Sheriff's Department; Ron is presently Chief of Detectives. Both have successfully completed the State's mandatory Judicial training.

I don't think the race has been given much publicity, but the work the DJ will do, and how he goes about it, certainly affects City neighborhoods. I don't think the public realizes the breadth of the work, nor the restrictions a DJ must contend with.

If our candidates have comments on what could be done about or as an alternative to harassment cases and neighbor disputes, I would be very happy for them to share that. Also those low level drug complaints which persist and tarnish a neighborhood.

So LANA members – bring your best questions and thoughts for the candidates.

Nicholas Butterfield, Coordinator  
Library Area Neighborhood Association

**Next meeting: Saturday,  
October 17, 2009, at 10 am**  
in the Allentown Library  
basement community room.

**Get Involved in the Community**

Report any crime or suspicious activities to law enforcement.

Join a Neighborhood Watch to help and look out for each other.

Work to change conditions that hurt your neighborhood; volunteer as a citizen patroller, tutor for children, ~~aid the police~~ or fire departments, mentor teens, or be an escort for individuals with disabilities or older neighbors.

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