

Neighborhood News

June Meeting Highlights

Mary Lou Parry ran the meeting. Allentown Police Officer Jeffrey Rush was present to update us on criminal activity in our area. Specifically, daytime burglaries and door-to-door sales scams are on the rise. Phyllis Alexander, Allentown Neighborhood Coordinator was on hand to share ideas of how to get more people to come to meetings. Partnering with area churches and clearly marking our meeting place could help make people feel more welcome. Tom Mulligan reported that graffiti he reported on last time has been cleaned up. Gretchen Krasley has sent out eight letters to real estate agents reminding them about student overlay guidelines. At upcoming meetings, we'll collect questions from neighbors for representatives of the Building Standards and Recycling Departments. They will be with us at the October meeting. Also, on October 15th, we'll do a neighborhood walk with Mayor Pawlowski.

Why Is It Called Student Overlay District?

It is called an Overlay District because it imposes new regulations on top of the existing Residential Zone regulations. The purpose of the Overlay District is to "protect the single family owner occupied residential character of the immediate neighborhood surrounding an institution of higher learning, while permitting the residence of students 'off-campus' proximate to the institution. It is the intent of the district to protect the character of the area, and diminish those influences which infringe on the quiet enjoyment of single family owner occupied residences such as noise, litter, overcrowding, additional parking needs, and lack of maintenance of the structures and their grounds."

Grandfathered/Non-Conforming Student Residences

Address	Type	Owner (Mgt.)
1946 Chew	SF Twin	Berk
2145 Chew	SF Twin	M. College
2147 Chew	SF Twin	M. College
2127 Gordon	SF Twin	McCauley
2055 Liberty	SF Row	Link
2120 Liberty	SF Twin	Young
2201 Liberty	SF Twin	Hamati
2203 Liberty	SF Twin	Hamati
2227 Liberty	SF Twin	Abujabar (McCauley)
2251 Liberty	SF Detach	M. College
2305 Liberty	SF Twin	McCauley
2315 Liberty	SF Twin	M. College
2333 Liberty	SF Detach	M. College
2411 Liberty	SF Detach	M. College
2102 Allen	SF Detach	Miller
2303 Allen	SF Twin	Melandandri
2305 Allen	SF Twin	Melandandri
2415 Allen	SF Twin	McCauley
513 N. 21	SF Twin	Karaisz
323 N. 22	SF Twin	M. College
325 N. 22	SF Twin	Silsbee/Kunz
416 N. 22	SF Twin	Karaisz
418 N. 22	SF Twin	Silsbee/Kunz
420 N. 22	SF Twin	Silsbee/Kunz
430 N. 22	SF Twin	Baechle
436 N. 22	SF Twin	McCauley

If you see a house not on the "Grandfathered List," and you think it doesn't conform to the ordinance because more than two students are living there, call Code Enforcement 610 437-7661. If you are aware of a property formerly family-owned and now seems to be a rental property, notify Code Enforcement Rental



Our next meeting:

Wednesday, August 14

7:00 P.M

**Christ E.C. Church
2135 Tilghman St.**

Muhlenberg Area Community Watch meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. at Christ E. C. Church 2135 Tilghman St.

We invite residents of any neighborhood in the city to join us!

Future Meetings:

Wednesday, September 11

Wednesday, October 9

MAC Contact Information:

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Newsletter Publication:

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Conducting meetings: Rotating responsibility

Presidents' Council meetings:

Tom Burke 610 432-4079

Real Estate Sales Letters:

Gretchen Krasley 610 821-7716,
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527 N. 22	SF Twin	Neeler (McCauley)
423 N. Leh	SF Twin	Silsbee/Kunz
425 N. Leh	SF Twin	McCauley
423 N. 23	SF Twin	M. College
427 N. 23	SF Twin	M. College
439 N. 23	SF Twin	M. College

Citizens Helping Eliminate Crime **CHEC-MATE**

CHEC-Mate, designed by the Allentown Police Department gives Allentown residents a way of calling the police anonymously to report suspicious activity in their neighborhoods. Request a CHEC-Mate card by calling 610-437-7522 or attending one of our meetings. In 4-6 weeks you will receive your card with a number assigned specifically to you. When call the communications center, you give only your CHEC-MATE number on the card. CHEC-Mate is a confidential way of reporting crime to help make your neighborhood safer! Take extra care to protect yourself, your family and your property. Please report suspicious people, vehicles, or activity to the police. The police non-emergency number is 610 437-7751. In an emergency call 911.

Crime Reports

Our Community Watch receives a crime report of activity in our area from the Allentown Police Department. The reports give the date, location, and type of incident. Nuisance crimes like carrying open alcohol or underage drinking do not appear on this list. Neighbors have requested that this information be included in the newsletter. The location will be given by block only.

03-01	Vandalism to Residence	2200 Blk Allen St.
03-02	Noise Complaint	2000 Blk Liberty St.
03-06	Vandalism	2100 Blk Liberty St.
03-07	Noise Complaint	1900 Blk Allen St.
03-08	Suspicious Auto, Noises, Person	2200 Blk Liberty St.
03-09	Disturbance other than Family	2000 Blk Liberty St.
03-09	Disturbance other than Family	2000 Blk Chew St.
03-10	Suspicious Auto, Noises, Person	500 Blk 23rd St.
03-11	Theft From Auto	2700 Blk Tilghman St.
03-13	Vandalism	500 Blk Lafayette St.
03-15	Noise Complaint	2300 Blk Allen St.
03-16	Juvenile Complaint	2000bl Allen St.
03-17	Disturbance other than Family	2100 Blk Liberty St.
03-17	Theft From Buildings	2200 Blk Liberty St.
03-17	Disturbance other than Family	2100 Blk Liberty St.
03-18	Noise Complaint	1900 Blk Tilghman St.
03-20	Theft Of Bicycles	600 Blk St Elmo St.
03-21	Suspicious Auto, Noises, Person	600 Blk St Elmo St.
03-23	Noise Complaint	2200 Blk Gordon St.
03-27	Suspicious Auto, Noises, Person	2400 Blk Chew St.
03-27	Vandalism to Vehicles	2300 Blk Allen St.
03-28	Vandalism to Vehicles	2400 Blk Liberty St.
03-30	Noise Complaint	2000 Blk Allen St.

Phone Numbers to Know

- City Information Desk 610 439-5999
- Code Enforcement 610 437-7661
- Code Enforcement Rental Licensing 610 437-7694.
- Community Problems (neighbor disputes) 610 437-7773
- Crime Prevention Unit 610 437-7719
- Emergency Medical Services (paramedics) 610 437-7531
- Emergency Medical Services (non-emergency) 610 437-7751
- Garbage Complaints 610 437-8729
- Graffiti Busters 610 437-8729
- Graffiti in Progress 9-1-1
- Housing Compliance/Inspections 610 437-7697
- Leaf Pickup 610 437-7587
- Police Calls (non-emergency) 610 437-7751*
- Rental Unit Inspections 610 437-7695
- Sewer Back-up 610 437 7639
- Sewer Emergencies after hours 610 437-7751
- State Representative Michael Schlossberg 610 821-5577
- SWEEP (Bureau of Recycling and Solid Waste) 610 437-8729
- Weeds/Grass Overgrowth 610 437-8729
- Yard Waste Recycling 610 437-8729
- Zoning 610 437-7630

*When calling 610 437-7751, remember that anything that impairs the peace, dignity, and decorum of the neighborhood is considered "disruptive conduct."

Tip for calling 9-1-1

If you hear an intruder in your home, stay where you are and call 9-1-1. You don't have to say anything, just leave the line open and don't hang up. This works with land lines and cell phones alike.

New Neighbor Tip Sheet

We have a new up to date tip sheet with area guidelines about trash, parking, street cleaning, property maintenance, noise, and neighborhood resources.

Maybe you'd like one even if you've lived here for a long time. Just ask for a copy via email (Gretchenkrasley@aol.com).

