

Neighborhood News

February Meeting Highlights

Mary Lou Parry ran the meeting. Jackson Eaton, candidate for U.S. House of Representatives spoke to us about his background and goals. Neighbors expressed their appreciation for continuing Allentown Police presence in our area both in cars and on foot patrols. They also noted more Allentown Parking Authority boots on cars parked illegally. Late night noise, people walking with open containers of alcohol, and trash thrown in yards are quality of life issues that we are still dealing with. We received thank you notes from Christ E.C. Church for our donation to the church and from Ev Habecker for our donation to the American Cancer Society in Al's memory.



**Our next meeting:
Wednesday, March 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., Main Floor

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

**Future Meetings:
Wednesday, April 11
Wednesday, May 9**

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.

Leonard Buck Dinner is on the Horizon

The Allentown Crime Watch Presidents' Council will be hosting its 28th annual Leonard Buck Awards Dinner and Fundraiser on Thursday, April 19th at the Fearless Fire Company, 1221 S. Front Street at 6:45 pm. Tickets can be purchased at the March meeting at \$23.00 per person. Last year over 200 people from all over the city attended. Awards for Officer of the Year, Neighbor of the Year, and individual neighborhood awards will be announced. It's a great chance to enjoy a delicious homestyle dinner with your neighbors, talk with members of other community watch groups and hear about their successes and activities.



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Got a house for sale or rent in your neighborhood?

Gretchen Krasley sends out letters to realtors and owners about the student overlay guidelines. If you see a For Sale or For Rent sign, call Gretchen at 610-821-7716, or email her at Gretchenkrasley@aol.com. Thanks, Gretchen for helping to preserve the residential character of our neighborhood.



Stay online and informed

Want to check public assessment records (type of house, owner, etc.) of any house in Lehigh County? Go to <http://www.lehighcounty.org>. Click on "Assessment Records," select "Property Address" in the Search Method Window, then follow the instructions for entering the address.



Join our email network

Keep informed about city announcements in between our meetings. All emails are sent as blind copies to protect your email address. Contact Gretchen Krasley @ gretchenkrasley@aol.com if you're interested.

Help Allentown Celebrate its 250th Anniversary



Volunteers are needed in many areas. Visit the website, www.allentownpa.gov/250 for complete information about this year long celebration and upcoming events.

We Need Newsletter Carriers!

Is one of your New Year's resolutions to get more exercise? There's a way to honor that resolution and help the neighborhood at the same time. Most of our routes take less than an hour each month. We need help on the following blocks:

Allen between 19th & 20th

Allen between 21st & 22nd

Lafayette between Liberty & Tilghman

Liberty between Lafayette & 21st

21st between Liberty & Tilghman

If you're interested, call or email Gretchen Krasley (610 821-7716) gretchenkrasley@aol.com.



I will prepare resumes for returning military personnel from Iraq and Afghanistan free of charge.

Contact me at mikekrasleype@aol.com.

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 Jennifer Mann

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.