

# Neighborhood News



## August Meeting Highlights

Gretchen Krasley ran the meeting. Allentown Police Officer Lee Henry was present to update us on criminal activity in our area. Specifically, daytime theft of tires from cars is on the rise. He advised us that door-to-door salespeople have to have a peddler's license from the city. Neighbors shared complaints of garbage being thrown into sewers, trees down across neighbors' fences, and pesticides sprayed around base of trees in parks. Gretchen Krasley has sent out ten letters to real estate agents reminding them about student overlay guidelines. Neighbors brainstormed for questions to ask representatives of the Building Standards and Recycling Departments when they are with us at the October 9th meeting. Also, on October 15th, we'll do a neighborhood walk with Mayor Pawlowski.

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| <b>Citizens Helping Eliminate Crime</b> | <b>CHEC-MATE</b> |
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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. Note that this report covers two months' time.

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| 05-01 | Disturbance other than Family   | 20th & Allen Sts.    |
| 05-01 | Disturbance other than Family   | 2000 Blk Allen St.   |
| 05-02 | Graffiti                        | 2100 Blk Early St.   |
| 05-03 | Noise Complaint                 | 2000 Blk Liberty St. |
| 05-03 | Theft of Bicycles               | 1900 Blk Allen St.   |
| 05-04 | Suspicious Auto, Noises, Person | 2100 Blk Liberty St. |
| 05-04 | Noise Complaint                 | 400 Blk 22nd St.     |
| 05-04 | Forcible Entry                  | 500 Blk St Lucas St. |
| 05-05 | Noise Complaint                 | 2200 Blk Liberty St. |
| 05-05 | Disturbance other than Family   | 1900 Blk Allen.      |
| 05-06 | Noise Complaint                 | 2000 Blk Allen St.   |
| 05-09 | Suspicious Auto, Noises, Person | 23rd & Allen Sts.    |

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## Our next meeting:

Wednesday, September 11

7:00 P.M

Christ E.C. Church  
2135 Tilghman St.

Muhlenberg Area Community Watch meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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, October 9

Wednesday, November 13

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## MAC Contact Information:

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### Newsletter Circulation:

Gretchen Krasley, Lud Schlecht

### 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, Gretchenkrasley@aol.com

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| 05-09 | Noise Complaint                 | 2200 Blk Allen St.     |
| 05-11 | Theft from Buildings            | 2200 Blk Liberty St.   |
| 05-11 | Noise Complaint                 | 600 Blk 22nd St.       |
| 05-12 | Noise Complaint                 | 600 Blk 22nd St.       |
| 05-12 | Theft from Buildings            | 2400 Blk Chew St.      |
| 05-17 | Suspicious Auto, Noises, Person | 2400 Blk Chew St.      |
| 05-19 | Suspicious Auto, Noises, Person | 400 Blk 23rd St.       |
| 05-19 | Disturbance other than Family   | 1900 Blk Allen St.     |
| 05-25 | Forcible Entry                  | 500 Blk Muhlenberg St. |
| 06-01 | Noise Complaint                 | 600 Blk St Elmo St.    |
| 06-03 | Suspicious Auto, Noises, Person | 200 Blk 27th St.       |
| 06-03 | Noise Complaint                 | 2400 Blk Liberty St.   |
| 06-09 | Disturbance other than Family   | 600 Blk N St Lucas St. |
| 06-09 | Vehicle Alarm Ringing           | 600blk St Lucas St.    |
| 06-09 | Disturbance other than Family   | 500 Blk 22nd St.       |
| 06-11 | Theft of Auto Accessories       | 500 Blk 24th St.       |
| 06-11 | Noise Complaint                 | 2100 Blk Liberty St.   |
| 06-12 | Suspicious Auto, Noises, Person | Ott St & Parkway Blvd. |
| 06-13 | Suspicious Auto, Noises, Person | 2400 Blk Liberty St.   |
| 06-14 | Noise Complaint                 | 2000 Blk Allen St.     |
| 06-14 | Theft of Bicycles               | 2600 Blk Allen St.     |
| 06-16 | Noise Complaint                 | 2000 Blk Liberty St.   |
| 06-16 | Other Vandalism                 | 2000 Blk Liberty St.   |
| 06-18 | Vandalism to Vehicles           | 600 Blk 20th St.       |
| 06-20 | Suspicious Auto, Noises, Person | 2300 Blk Tilghman St.  |
| 06-21 | Noise Complaint - Loud Radio    | 2400 Blk Liberty St.   |
| 06-22 | Suspicious Auto, Noises, Person | St Elmo & Allen Sts.   |
| 06-23 | Disturbance other than Family   | 400 Blk 22nd St.       |
| 06-23 | Theft                           | 2700 Blk Gordon St.    |
| 06-23 | Forcible Entry                  | 2000 Blk Tilghman St.  |
| 06-26 | Suspicious Auto, Noises, Person | 600 Blk 25th St.       |
| 06-27 | Disturbance other than Family   | 2200 Blk Liberty St.   |
| 06-27 | Disturbance other than Family   | 1900 Blk Allen St.     |

### Know Your Newspapers

Every month, newsletter carriers volunteer to deliver your newsletter to residents all over our neighborhood (grand total, 1100). They deliver newsletters faithfully without ever complaining. Let's give them a round of applause! They are: Mildred Carr, Ev Habecker, John Stribula, Paul Krajcirik, Mike and Gretchen Krasley, Jeanne Faylor, Barbara Mulligan, Jeff Hanselman, Jeff White, Lud Schlecht, Matt Slifer, Alice and Bill Schaffer, Terri Ruth, , Chris Kruk, Tom Williams, Cindy Kelly, Pat O'Brien, Ethel Lawless, Elizabeth Galarza, and the Curry Family. Lud Schlecht and Gretchen Krasley take turns distributing the newsletters to our newspapers.



Would you like to get emails with city/neighborhood news in between newsletters? Join our network by emailing Gretchenkrasley@aol.com. All emails are blind copies to protect your identity.

### 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).

