



APRIL 2016

NEXT MEETING:
Saturday, April 16, 10:00 am
Allentown Public Library
Parking Lot

Neighborhood Clean up

LANA's 11th Annual Neighborhood Clean up will take place **Saturday April 16, 10 am**, starting from the Library parking lot. Keenan House will come out again to help. Call Nick Butterfield (610-437-1751) for a street, alley or lot that needs cleaning.

Lehigh Valley Presbyterian Church, 31 S 13th St, will hold a luncheon afterwards. Call Joan Giaquinto at 610-770-1370 if you can bring a side dish.

Faith Church of Trexlertown will bring its congregation again to Allentown on Sunday April 24, 9 am and 12:30 pm helping to clean City parks such as along Martin Luther King Jr Drive. Call or e-mail Nick Butterfield if you would like to take part.

Presidential Primaries April 26

Your vote counts. Our Presidential Primary election is Tuesday, April 26

March Meeting Notes

LANA was pleased to have Allentown Police Chief Keith Morris as our speaker at the March 21 meetings, attended by 19 persons.

Police Chief Morris has served 21 years with Allentown Police in Patrol, Criminal Investigations and Vice. He also served as Captain of the PS2 area that LANA is a part of from 2010 to 2013, then became Captain of Criminal Investigations, followed by Assistant Chief. On October 19, 2015 he was sworn in as Allentown Police Chief.

Chief Morris said Allentown has a young police command going in a good direction. He stressed the need for positive police and community relations. He told us we are the eyes and ears of the City.

New programs include a 13 week leadership program for students, and a community forum scheduled for Saturday April 28 at Sacred Heart Hospital.

Captain Morris talked about the drug epidemic. Police officers are taking drug prevention education and will soon take overdose and detox training. Morris serves on a task force that includes hospitals so that an overdose discharge will lead to treatment programs. Allentown School District, after initial resistance, is also coming on board.

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CLIP & SAVE IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS
GUARDE ESTOS NÚMEROS IMPORTANTES

Police/Fire/Ambulance	911
Police: Non-Emergency	610-437-7751
Loud Music/Noise/Working on Cars	610-437-7751
Police Chief	610-437-7777
Police: Vice Unit	610-437-7726
Gang Tip Line	610-439-5934
Crime Tip Line	610-439-5911
Mayor Ed Pawlowski	610-437-7546
Zoning Office	610-437-7630
Code Enforcement/Problem Properties	610-437-7695
Housing/Rentals	610-437-7697
-(Infestations, no heat/water)	
Street light out	610-437-7735
Recycling, trash & garbage	610-437-8729
-Special Operator (after 7 p.m.)	610-437-7571
Graffiti (to request removal)	610-437-8729
Tall Grass & Weeds	610-437-8729
Shopping cart pick up	610-437-8729
Streets	610-437-7638
Animal Control	610-437-7535
Animal abuse/neglect	610-797-1205
Overgrown shrubs	610-437-7589
Uncleared sidewalks	610-437-7589
Allentown Parking Authority	610-437-3366

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2016 LANA Meeting Dates

Monday May 16, 6:30 pm

Saturday, June 25, 10:00 am – Frank Whelan
tours LANA

Monday July 18, 6:30 pm

March Meeting Notes, *continued*

Lehigh County Drug and Alcohol (610-437-3555) provides counseling and referrals for those with or without insurance plans.

Allentown Health Bureau will hold another HOPE (Heroin Opioid Prevention Education) at City Hall, Monday, April 11, 9:30 to 11 am. Call 610-437-7708 to register.

The State will stop funding the City's Communication Center in a few years, requiring consolidation with Lehigh County and Northampton County. Morris does not think that will work well for Allentown. He does not think Lehigh County will pick up Allentown's camera system, now with 173 cameras. The multiple street names throughout the two counties (Main, Church, New, etc.) will present difficulties.

Captain Stephen Vangelo describes the symptoms of an overdose: The person may have no breathing, or very slow breathing and loud snoring, may pass out or fall in unnatural positions. You may find spoons next to the person as that is used to heat and dissolve the heroin. Many start with pain medication in the medicine cabinet, then move on to heroin which is cheaper.

The Patrol station at 10th & Hamilton is open 24/7 to receive unused medication. On April 30 National Drug take Back Day will be observed at Giant (30th St) and Supremo (7th St) grocery stores.

This month there were two robberies out doors at night – 00 blocks of 11th and 12th Streets. A resident asked about shots heard at 11th and Walnut St – no report had been made. ***If you think you have heard shots – call 911.***

Regarding gang violence and activity – the structure appears much looser as many of the biggies have been arrested. Allentown Police are working with the Regional Intelligence Center.

Other complaints: Parking on Hickory St blocking residents. Need for a litter container at Maple and Jefferson.