



OCTOBER 2016

NEXT MEETING:
Saturday, October 22
10:00 am
Allentown Public Library

Tuesday November 8 is Election Day – VOTE!

We have endured what seems to have been the longest campaign ever, finishing with the debates. Many are tired of hearing all the bombast. The candidates present very different ideas of how they would govern. The consequences – local, national and international – will affect our lives and our budgets for the next four years.

In addition to the Presidential candidate, we will also vote on our choice for the US Senate, US Representative, and our State representative. There are also several PA constitution questions to be voted on.

Your vote counts! Many election races come so close that just a few votes make all the difference.

Don't throw your vote away by staying home. On Tuesday, November 8, **come out and vote!** Many (not all) LANA residents vote at the Allentown Public Library.

FREE Electronics Recycling for City Residents

FREE electronics recycling is offered MONTHLY on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays from 9 am to noon at the Allentown Yard Waste Site located at Oxford Drive and Fish Hatchery Road.

These items are accepted for recycling: computers, keyboards, monitors, electronics, printers, scanners, laptops and televisions (only one large TV at a time). Users bringing electronics will have the convenience of drive-through service. These electronics recycling events are open only to city residents who must provide identification.

ELECTRONICS MAY NOT BE PLACED AT THE CURB FOR COLLECTION.

October 19, 2016 LANA Meeting Notes

Our guest speaker, **Tamara Dolan of the Allentown Parking Authority (APA)**, spoke to us about parking downtown in the APA parking decks. With the exception of the Morning Call lot, the first half hour of parking is free and the rest is \$1.00 per hour. This is to encourage drivers to use the garages rather than the downtown meters which are \$2.00 per hour. You can use a credit card at the gate for a quick exit from garages.

Neighborhood parking problems: For cars parked too long in one space, call the city non-emergency line, 610-437-7751. A message will be relayed to the Parking Authority. The vehicle can be ticketed if it has remained there 3 days after APA checked it.

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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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Next LANA Meetings:

Saturday, October 22, 10 am

Monday, November 21, 6:30 pm

Saturday, December 10 Holiday luncheon

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Large trucks such as box trucks over 12,000 pounds are not allowed to park in a neighborhood.

The Allentown Parking Authority has started to use windshield covers in place of boots for cars with continuing violations. The covers are safer for the APA employees to apply.

The LANA neighborhood suffers from too few parking spaces in nearly every block. Also, cars and trucks park too close to corners and block the view.

Are the excess vehicles from this neighborhood or outside it? Tamara Dolan suggested that LANA request a parking survey for the APA to check which cars are registered in this neighborhood. She cautioned that many renters may be registered elsewhere with a past address or relatives' address, even though they reside here. The survey would be a needed first step to create a parking zone, such as presently exists along parts of Walnut and Spring Garden Streets.

Nick Butterfield asked attendees if this would be helpful. They agreed he should request a parking survey.

Captain Vangelo: Ongoing problems occur with thefts from cars, either unlocked or with items left visible. He has requested two additional cameras for the area. A suspect believed responsible for robbing the beauty salon on South Jefferson Street has been arrested.

Councilperson Candida Affa was an unexpected and most welcome drop-in to our meeting. She praised the help and protection she has received from police at her bar on North 12th Street.

Other events: Lehigh Valley Presbyterian Church will hold its 5th annual block party on S. 13th Street on October 8. It will include a program to help children get a photo identification card.

Donato and Joan Giaquinto have agreed to check possible places to hold LANA's holiday luncheon on Saturday December 10. Stay tuned!