



# Midway Manor Vibes

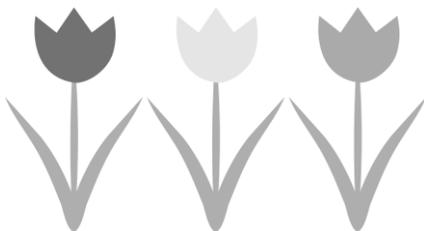
April, May, June, 2016 Edition  
www.midwaymanor.org

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## Message from the Board

A very happy Spring to all our residents and members. A few thoughts, thanks, and reminders as we witness our neighborhood "blossom".

- A big thanks to Serena Davis for running our Easter Egg Hunt in March; also to our volunteers who "hopped" in to make it a success;
- Welcome to the new families who moved into our neighborhood;
- Let's keep an eye out on our senior neighbors;
- Thanks in advance to Faith Evangelical Free Church, 6528 Hamilton Blvd, Allentown, PA for volunteering to spruce up the park on April 24<sup>th</sup>
- If you are concerned about the well-being of a senior neighbor or relative you can contact the Lehigh County Information Referral for assistance; the number 610-782-3200;
- Special thanks to Carol and Janet for running the "Meals to Seniors" program;
- With the crows tearing up the garbage (especially white plastic bags) we recommend using a garbage can when placing trash at the curb;
- Thanks to all who fly the American flag at their homes; remember to replace torn or worn flags when needed;
- Thanks to the Lou Ramos Center for hosting our monthly meetings;
- Thanks to our VIBES deliverers, without you the word does not get out;
- We are excited about our new program **OPERATION SANTA**..... more details to follow;



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# APRIL 26 – ELECTION DAY

The polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m.  
Polls located at Faith Fellowship Church –  
Corner of Ulster and E. Pennsylvania Sts.



**Be sure to vote**



## MMCA Events in 2016

### Monthly Association Meetings

The Midway Manor Community Association meets the first Monday of the month at 7 PM at the Lou Ramos Center, 1344 N. Tacoma St. Meeting dates for 2016 are:

April 4th	September 12th (nomination of officers)
May 2nd	October 3rd (election of officers)
June 6th	November 7th
July 11th	December 5th
August 1st	



Articles for the next Vibes can be submitted to [ritaandtom@gmail.com](mailto:ritaandtom@gmail.com) by June 15<sup>th</sup> and are subject to approval and editing.

### Other Midway Manor Events

April 23	Opening Day
Sept 10	Yard Sale
Sept 24	Barkfest
Oct 29*	Halloween Parade
Dec 10	“Operation Santa”

\*Tentative dates

### Meal Delivery Dates:

**April 11**  
**May 2**



2016 Midway Manor Easter Egg Hunt  
**Volunteer Recognition**

I would like to express my appreciation and gratitude for our wonderful volunteers that gave their time, blood, sweat and tears in this year's Annual Egg Hunt. Without your suggestions, attention to detail and commitment, we would not have had a successful event. Please help me acknowledge and thank these dedicated Midway Manor residents and friends.

Volunteers include:

**Anna Claudio, Christine Hill and Amy Hanna** ~ Egg stuffing and event prep

**Doreen Dolan, Laura Vito, Joseph Davis** ~ Egg hiding and event setup

**Yolanda Davis** ~ Egg Basket arrangement creator

**Katie Posko** ~ Face Painting

**Christine Hill, Laura Vito, Yolanda Davis, Joseph Davis** ~ Group Supervisors

**Devon Lewis** ~ Easter Bunny

**Dick Wilburn** ~ Sign-In and Information

**Thank you!**



Sincerely,  
Serena Davis  
2016 Easter Egg Hunt Event Coordinator

“Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; *they have the heart*”  
- Elizabeth Andrew



## Another Good Reason to Join the Midway Manor Community Association Facebook Group

Finding your lost pet! Our FB page has been very effective in tracking lost neighborhood pets. As a member of the group (you do not have to be a member of the association to join) you can post alerts for missing pets. If you don't have a FB account you may email the lost pet information to [info@midwaymanor.org](mailto:info@midwaymanor.org) and we'll post it for you.

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### FIELD WORK PLANNED

Mark your calendars – Sunday, April 24 will be a clean-up/work day on the field. A group of volunteers from Faith Evangelical Free Church will be here to help us work on projects. The church has promised 1000 volunteers that day to help with projects throughout the city. We have asked for volunteers to help paint tables and benches, weed beds, spread mulch and do general cleanup on the fields. Please come down to the field to lend a helping hand. The shed will be open to provide free drinks to all volunteers.

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### Midway Manor on the Web and Facebook

For updated Midway Manor Community Association news visit our website at [www.midwaymanor.org](http://www.midwaymanor.org).

If you would like to receive neighborhood alerts via email send a request using the **"Email"** link on the website. Email alerts will not display email addresses in order to protect the privacy of our members.



Also join our  
facebook group  
"Midway Manor Community Association".

### E.A.R.N. (East Allentown Rittersville Neighborhood Assn)

On occasion the EARN newsletter is delivered to homes in Midway Manor. EARN is another neighborhood association on the east side of Allentown. They are not affiliated with Midway Manor but deal with many of the same issues that affect our quality of life.

Their meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month at 7 PM at St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1933 Hanover Ave., Allentown, PA 18109.

MMCA Board

## Membership Dues

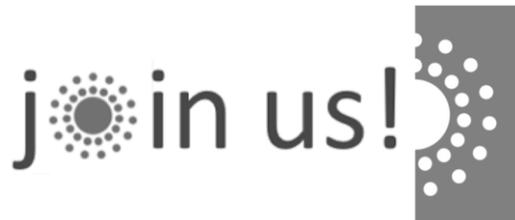
If you haven't paid your 2016 dues it's not too late. Only \$15 per household (\$10 for residents age 60 and up).

Send your check **payable to MMCA** c/o Sandra Wilburn, 1039 N. Van Buren St., Allentown, PA 18109.

By joining you are entitled to participate in association activities, enjoy discounted membership at BJ's Wholesale, and support our children's programs and other activities that make Midway Manor special.

Detailed financial transactions are reported at the monthly association meetings and subject to approval by the members.

Thank you to Tom and Rita Schweyer for delivering membership cards in the community.



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## MIDWAY MANOR MEAL OUTREACH



Thanks again for the time and talents of our volunteers, Janet Laubach Carol Yenik, and Dolly Spade for preparing and delivering the meals. Midway Manor's Community Outreach began last year and has provided a hot meal once a month from September thru April. Currently, 18 to 20 individuals are receiving these meals. Meals are paid for by your Community Association.

January offered a Baked Chicken Dinner, February was Roast Beef and March was Chicken Parmigiana. Each dinner come with two sides, a salad, dinner roll, and dessert. Desserts are always homemade.

The meal for April will be Lasagna and in May we will offer Meat Loaf. No meals are planned for the summer months but will begin again in September.

These meals are provided FREE of charge. Midway Manor does accept donations to offset the costs of the Meal Outreach program. Any donations should be mailed to Tom Schweyer, Treasurer at P.O. Box 4236 Bethlehem, PA 18018. Make checks payable to Midway Manor Community Association.

Meals are provided to those residents who may have a difficult time getting out or are alone and have no family nearby. If anyone has an individual or household they think should be considered for our list please bring the name and address and phone number to our next association meeting.



*“Kiwani is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community at a time.”*

**The Kiwanis Club of Allentown Northeast meets Wednesday at 12:00 Noon and last Wednesday of the month at 5:15 pm at Denny’s Restaurant, 1871 Catasauqua Road Visitors are always welcome!**

Contacts can be made with:

Cathy Kane, President  
610-776-8270

Andrea Naugle, Secretary  
610-740-9391

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- \* Students of the Month at Ritter Elementary School
- \*Midway Manor Community Assn.
- \*Roberto Clemente Charter School Key Club and K-Kids Club
- \*Lehigh Valley Children’s Center

# DISCOUNTED BJ's WHOLESALE CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Midway Manor Community Association members are eligible for discounted BJ's memberships. (All paid MMCA members are eligible, not just residents.) The discounted membership price is \$25, and the membership will run from November 2015 – November 2016. The \$25 covers an individual membership not family. Contact Patty Wilburn at 610-439-3469 or at [looneytunefan@rcn.com](mailto:looneytunefan@rcn.com) to obtain an enrollment form. If you currently have a membership through Midway Manor you only have to renew your membership, you do not need a new enrollment form.

## ALL YOU CAN EAT

Pancake and Sausage Breakfast

**Allentown Northeast Kiwanis Club**

**Saturday – May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**8:00 am to 10:00 am**

Applebee’s Restaurant,  
Catasaqua Road

\$7.00 per person -- \$5.00 children under 10

## On a Personal Note...

Having a baby? Birthday? Anniversary? Graduation? Contact Tom Schweyer at [ritaandtom@gmail.com](mailto:ritaandtom@gmail.com) and we will announce your special event in the Vibes.

The Vibes can be found on the City of Allentown’s web site, in the neighborhood groups section at:

<http://www.allentownpa.gov/Community/NeighborhoodGroups/tabid/195/Default.aspx>



# PAW PRINTS

Happy Spring!! As we all get out to enjoy the weather, clean up from the winter season and resume outdoor activities, a big shout-out to the community members of Midway Manor for the repeated show of support and call to action they show when a neighbor's dog gets loose or decides it's time for a walkabout. The effective tool that social media has become in our lives has benefited our four-legged friends as well! Within minutes of an owner posting of a lost dog, the neighborhood calls to action with repeated shares on the Facebook page of Midway Manor Community Assoc., heightened awareness as they go about their day outside, and even the selfless act of stopping whatever is currently on their agenda to go out onto the streets to help search for the lost pooch. A huge thank you to Tom and Rita Schweyer for their repeated efforts to assist in searching for lost dogs in the neighborhood!

This brings to light an important request to all of our dog owners in the Manor. Please ensure that your dog has his or her collar with home information at all times. While your dog may normally not leave your yard, it only takes one instance of not latching a gate or door as we exit to allow our family member to sneak out and be gone. Even if there is nothing more than an accurate phone number on the collar or tag, it can mean the difference when your pet is found by neighbors or others. Simple tags can be purchased locally at Petsmart in the Giant shopping center and the selection is sure to match your dog's personality!

So, shake off the winter dust, dig out the spring dog toys, get out on the sidewalks to stretch your legs and paws!

Dan and Mooch





The broadest, and maybe the most meaningful definition of volunteering: Doing more than you have to because you want to, in a cause you consider good.

- Ivan Scheier

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 Email: [info@midwaymanor.org](mailto:info@midwaymanor.org)  
 Facebook: Midway Manor Community Association  
 Address: P.O. Box 4236, Bethlehem, PA 18018

### Midway Manor Committees

Athletic Director – Eric Wilburn	610-439-3469
Audit – Lynn Lewis	484-201-5812
BARKFEST – Christine Hill	610-821-4229
Bulletin Board – Patty Wilburn	610-439-3469
Children’s Activities –	
Membership – Sandy Wilburn	610-435-2678
Security Patrol – Charles Harris	484-347-9114
Shed -	
VIBES – Tom Schweyer	610-439-0550
Welcoming – Ruth O’Connell	610-432-5022
Yard Sale – Tom Schweyer	610-439-0550

## NEW NEIGHBORS

Do you have ne neighbors on your block? While you were out walking, have you seen a moving van in front of a house? If you have, please let the Welcoming Committee know. We would like to give these new neighbors a bag containing pamphlets about Allentown recycling, and other helpful information. Please call me with the address of the new residents.

Ruth O’Connell  
610-432-5022

Don't invite someone to break into your vehicle. Don't leave items visible. Lock your vehicle at all times.



# NEIGHBORHOOD SECURITY PATROL

## Protect your property    Protect our neighborhood

1. When working in your yard:
  - a. Make sure your house doors are locked
  - b. Make sure your garage door is closed
  
2. When you are in your home:
  - a. When people are soliciting ask if they have a permit. City ordinance requires that anyone soliciting must have a permit.
    - i. No permit—DO NOT speak with them. Get a good description of the person and call the POLICE NON-EMERGENCY number 610-437-7751 use you Chec/Mate number give com/center the information.
  - b. If anyone comes to your home and asks to use the phone, tell them you will dial the number and hand them the phone outside.
  - c. If someone says your neighbor wants to put a fence in their yard or put a shed and they need to show you something, get your house key and lock your door while you are with them in the yard.
  - d. If someone says they are from a utility company and need to check something in your house, ask them for ID
    - i. Take their ID and call the company.
  - e. Get your neighbors phone number, (next door and across the street) and give them your phone number. During the day and evening keep a look out for any suspicious activity or suspicious vehicle around their property. Call them and see if things are OK. If no answer Call the POLICE NON-EMERGENCY number 610-437- 7751.
  - f. If your car is in the driveway or parked in front of your house, remove any valuables from sight and lock your vehicle DAY AND NIGHT.
  - g. If someone asks to use your bathroom, tell them your spouse is sick and you can't let anyone in the house.
  - h. Keep your outside light on during the evening hours.
  
3. When you are away from home:
  - a. Be sure your valuables are out of site. Lock your car.
  - b. When you are at a sports event, be sure your car is locked. (inside your car is your garage door opener)
    - i. Your home information is in your glove compartment. The person knows you will be at the event for a period of time and they go directly to your home, ring the door bell to see if anyone is home, then use the garage door opener to get into your home.
  - c. Going to 7-11 or to the store for something quick LOCK YOUR VEHICLE.
  - d. When walking your pet keep a pen and paper with you and mark down anything suspicious then contact the proper city department.

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Keep a pen and paper near your phone. When you report anything to the police or city departments, mark down the dispatcher number or the person to whom you spoke, the date, time and any information you gave them.

**We need neighborhood residents to patrol during the day and evenings hours. If you are available and are interested, contact Charles Harris at 484-347-9114 to volunteer your time.**

Our Police Service Area (PSA1) Captain is Captain Daniel Wiedemann – 610-437-7713 or [DANIEL.WIEDEMANN@ALLENTOWNPA.GOV](mailto:DANIEL.WIEDEMANN@ALLENTOWNPA.GOV)

**HELP KEEP OUR**  
**NEIGHBORHOOD SAFE**  
**GET INVOLVED**



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**ALL RESIDENDS OF MIDWAY MANOR**

The Allentown Police Department has reported a rash of daytime burglaries on the South Side recently where the individual is breaking in through sliding patio doors. They suggest anyone having these type doors use a metal or wood bar in the track to prevent the door from sliding.

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Keep your  
outside light  
on at night



**Monthly Crime Report**

**Monthly crime reports have not been available because of staffing changes at the Allentown Police Department. We have been informed that an officer has been appointed to the position and we will be receiving the reports in the very near future.**

## Reporting Suspicious Vehicles

If you see a suspicious vehicle please report it to the Allentown Police Department using the non emergency number (610-437-7751). Suspicious vehicles include those continually driving around the neighborhood and ones parked and occupied for long periods of time. Most of us know which vehicles belong on our streets.

When calling, please provide as much information as possible including; vehicle make and model and license number. **Under no circumstances should contact be made with vehicle occupants.**



- Police Contact Numbers
- Emergency 911
- Non Emergency 610-437-7751

When calling police provide the dispatcher with a detailed description of the person or persons and description and license plate number of the vehicle. (If you have a checkmate number you do not have to provide your name, just your checkmate number. If you do not have a checkmate number, contact someone on the board for an application.) Make a note of the activity, time and date called, and the dispatcher's number.

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## Join the Midway Manor email alert system

Many participants in the Midway Manor email system have commented on how helpful these alerts have been. The alerts are used to warn of criminal activity, reminders of upcoming meetings and events, trash pickup changes, and other time sensitive issues affecting our neighborhood.

If you would like to join the email alert system, email your email address to [tom.schweyer@midwaymanor.org](mailto:tom.schweyer@midwaymanor.org).

The alerts **do not** show the email addresses of the members.

Another source for timely information is our facebook page, Midway Manor Community Association.

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**The smallest good deed is better than the greatest intention.**

# **Dieruff High School Alumni Association**

*Husky Pride... Unleashed*



## **Dieruff Fandangle**

### **A Mega-Reunion For All Classes**

Join fellow Dieruff Alumni (All Classes) and Friends for an afternoon of great fun, music, drinks (beer, soda, water), and all-you-can-eat catered food.

**Saturday, July 30, 2016**

**2:00 PM to 7:00 PM**

**East Side Youth Center**

**1140 East Clair Street, Allentown, PA**

**\$20 Per Person**

**July 30th**  
**Save The Date**  
Watch for details

**[www.dieruff-alumni.org](http://www.dieruff-alumni.org)**

# ANIMAL CONTROL

**VACCINATION AND LICENSING** Dogs & cats 3 months and older **MUST** be vaccinated against rabies and dogs **MUST** also be licensed by Lehigh County. Information must be provided to the Animal Control Officer upon request.

**BARKING** Pet owners must take measures to prevent their pets from excessive barking, and annoying noise

**WALKING YOUR PET** All animals must be secured by a leash. Animal droppings must be picked up immediately.

**AT YOUR HOME** Animal owners must provide adequate water, food and clean and proper shelter both indoors and outdoors. Pet owners are required to pick up all animal droppings on their property daily.

**Please call Animal Control at 610-437-7535 with any questions. SWEEP tickets are issued for violations of the Animal Control Ordinance.**

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## 2016 CITY OF ALLENTOWN YARD WASTE PROGRAM

### Curbside Yard Waste Collection:

Yard waste is collected at the curb on your recycling night (Friday). Curbside yard waste collection begins the week of April 3 through the week of Thanksgiving, November 20.

**PLEASE DO NO USE PAPER LAWN BAGS.** Use containers with yard waste stickers. Stickers can be obtained from any board member or at any Association Meetings.

Yard waste such as hedge trimmings, weeds, branches, grass, etc. should be put in your yard waste container or any durable container (no lid) and placed out for collection.

### Allentown Yard Waste Drop Off Site Hours

1401 Oxford Dr.

Saturday, April 2 – Saturday, Nov. 19

Monday	10:00 – 4:00
Wednesday	8:00 – 6:30 (or dusk)
Fridays	12:00 – 4:00
Saturday	8:00 – 3:00

