



West Allis Police Department

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS

June-July-August 2014



Emergency: 911 Non-Emergency: 302-8000 Crime Prevention: 302-8050 Lt. Jeffrey Nohelty: 302-8054

WAPD - Neighborhood Partnership Meeting

Monday, June 23rd at 6:00 PM

City Hall, 7525 W. Greenfield Ave, West Allis, WI.

Since January 2009, Neighborhood Partnership Meetings have been extremely valuable in addressing neighborhood concerns, while updating citizens on current law enforcement issues, crime trends, and challenges that impact our quality of life. The next Neighborhood Partnership Meeting will be held on Monday, June 23rd, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 7525 W. Greenfield Ave, from 6:00 – 7:30pm. Chief Charles Padgett will discuss challenges facing the Police Department as well as addressing citizens' questions and concerns. As always, refreshments will be provided and door prizes will be awarded.

Chief Padgett will address the following topics and others:

- Current West Allis crime trends and information
- Updates on changes occurring within the Police Department
- Community support and assistance
- Addressing citizen's concerns and questions

Door prizes, including a 32" flat panel TV. Refreshments will be provided.

PLANNING TO ENJOY A BACKYARD FIRE THIS SUMMER?

Know the West Allis' Open Burning Ordinance

OPEN BURNING

- (a) Open burning is prohibited in the City of West Allis and no person, firm, corporation or other entity shall burn, cause to be burned, or suffer or allow to burn in the open air leaves, garden refuse, wood, refuse, or other combustible material.
- (b) This subsection shall **not** apply to:
1. A charcoal or gas grill used in the cooking of food.
 2. The smoking of tobacco products.
 3. A device for the burning of wood that is equipped with a metal hood and screen that completely encloses the area where wood is burned so as to prevent embers or sparks from exiting the device.
- (c) The exception allowed in Subsection 5.10(9)(b)3 shall not apply during such times as the West Allis Fire Chief declares a ban on burning due to dry conditions. Notice of such ban shall be published in the official City newspaper. After publication or after direct notice, no person shall use such a device until the West Allis Fire Chief declares that the ban is terminated.
- (d) The burning permitted in Subsection 5.10(9)(b)3 shall be subject to the following conditions:
1. Such devices shall not be used on porches or decks
 2. Such devices shall not be used between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m.
 3. Such devices shall be tended by a competent person at all times combustion is occurring. To constitute being "tended," the device must be within the direct observation of the competent person taking care of the fire.

Upcoming Events

2014 National Night Out

WA Farmers Market
W. National Ave. at S. 65th St.
Monday, July 21
5-9pm

NNO Neighborhood Block Parties

Tuesday, July 22
6-9pm

CAAD Tuesday Nights in the Park

WAPD-Substation
6900 W. National Ave.
June 17th, July 1st,
July 15th, August 12th
6:30-8:30 pm

Neighborhood Partnership Meeting

West Allis City Hall
7525 W. Greenfield Ave.
Monday June 23rd
6:00-7:30pm

Independence Day Celebration / Parade

July 2nd, 7:00pm
Parade begins at S. 77th St. / W. Greenfield Ave. and ends at Vets Park - S. 70th St. / W. National Ave.

9th Annual Settler's Weekend

West Allis Historical Society
8405 W. National Ave.
August 23rd, 10am-6pm
August 24th, 10am-4pm





CAAD TUESDAY NIGHTS IN THE PARK!!

The Community Alliance Against Drugs (CAAD) in partnership with the West Allis Police Department will once again be hosting Tuesday Nights in the Park. Yes, it's back for another year – bigger and better! In addition to the music, we will continue to have affordable pizza and soda for sale. So bring the entire family and enjoy the entertainment, inexpensive food and soft drinks. The first “Tuesday Night” kicks off on June 17th, from 6:30 – 8:30 at the West Allis Police Department Satellite Station, 6900 W. National Ave. Additional “Tuesday Nights” will be held on July 1st, July 15th, and August 12th. Mark your calendars!!!



9TH ANNUAL SETTLERS WEEKEND – Be a Part of History!!

Saturday, August 23rd, 10am-6pm, Sunday, August 24th 10am-4pm

The Historical Commission of the City of West Allis is hosting the 9th Annual Settlers Weekend at the Historical Society Grounds at S. 84 St. / W. National Ave. This annual event highlights the history of West Allis up to becoming a city in 1906. Visit with mountain men, trappers, and Civil War re-enactors. Enjoy the food, entertainment, local craftspeople, and the 1848 log schoolhouse. Admission and parking are free. For further information, call (414) 545-7679.

SCRAP METAL THEFTS – PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY

An upsurge in the market price for aluminum, copper, and other metals is driving an unusual crime wave in cities across America, including West Allis. Scrap metal thieves are stripping aluminum siding and gutters from houses, copper coils from air conditioning units, and even stealing aluminum patio furniture and cast iron lawn ornaments. The hundreds of dollars that thieves can receive by cashing in your stolen property can cost you thousands of dollars to repair or replace. Please consider these tips when securing your property:

- Secure central a/c units with a padlock and chain so thieves can't steal the entire unit or reach the valuable metal.
- Record you're a/c unit's serial number in the case of theft – While this won't prevent the crime, it could help solve it.
- Install motion sensors on your outdoor lighting. This is an inexpensive way to deter burglars – when the lights come on, they will think someone is coming.
- Lock garages and sheds that contain tools and ladders that thieves can use to steal your property.
- Keep plants around your gutters and downspouts trimmed. That way, passersby will be able to spot the thieves at work.
- Scrap metal thieves are taking catalytic converters out of cars. When possible, park your car in a garage or well-lit area.

Thieves also continue to target metals, including copper, in abandoned / foreclosed homes- If you see suspicious activity inside or near a home you know is vacant, call police at 302-8000.

CONCERNED PARENTS PROGRAM

Are you worried your teenagers might have a party while you are not home?

Are you going on vacation this summer and leaving your underage children behind? The goal of the Concerned Parents Program is to prevent property loss or damage, personal injury, liability, underage alcohol consumption as well as other illegal activity.

The way our current laws are written, the police can enter a residence in the event of an emergency or if the occupants or property owner grants permission. Underage drinking does not constitute an emergency and underage occupants can, and often do, deny police entry to a home.

Many underage drinking parties begin as innocent social gatherings and quickly grow out of control. To prevent this, a parent can enroll in the Concerned Parents Program. Parents sign a consent form and leave a key at the Police Department allowing West Allis Police Officers to enter their home during the dates and times specified. Once enrolled in this program, police may enter the home if:



- Receiving a citizen complaint of illegal activity within the residence to include suspected alcohol consumption by underage people, drug activity, or other criminal activity.
- A police officer's observations lead the officer to believe illegal activity is taking place within the home.
- The safety and well being of the occupants needs to be verified based upon citizen information and/or officer observations.

The occupants will be given every opportunity to open the door and no force will be used to enter the home. When entry is gained to a residence, the West Allis Police Department will notify, in a timely manner the adult enrolled in this program or the listed alternate adult. If interested in enrolling in this program, a consent form needs to be filled out in person at the West Allis Police Department, 11301 W. Lincoln Ave. Please supply a house key to be held at the police department until your return.

Join us for Coalition Meetings in 2014!

Come to the West Allis-West Milwaukee Coalition Meeting to:

- **Learn** about alcohol and drug abuse issues in the community
- **Inform** the coalition about your concerns regarding youth
- **Eat** great food from Culver's West Allis
- **Enter for a chance to win** a \$10.00 gift certificate from Antigua's Mexican and Latin Restaurant – 2 certificate raffled at each meeting
- **Network** with our community partners and members.

Meetings are held from 5:00pm - 6:30pm. Mark your calendars for the remaining dates and locations in 2014.

July 16th – WAWM School District Administration Building, 1205 South 70th Street

September 17th – North Shore Bank, 10533 West National Avenue

November 19th – West Milwaukee Community Center, 1345 South 47th Street

Please call 414-604-3506 to register or for more information. Hope to see you there!



**The West Allis – West Milwaukee
Community Coalition wants
WA-WM youth to have a SAFE
graduation season!**

**Go to www.wawmcc.org to join the
Coalition or for more information.**





**WEST ALLIS POLICE DEPARTMENT
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2014**



Community Festival

**Monday, July 21st from 5:00 to 9:00 pm
West Allis Farmer's Market, S. 65th & National**

*National Night Out is a citywide event involving residents learning about and interacting with services available through the West Allis Police, Fire, Public Works and Health Departments.
National Night Out is an annual Crime Prevention celebration held nationwide.*

Aurora West Allis Medical Center is the major sponsor and will again team up with the West Allis Police Department for our National Night Out on Monday, July 21st at the West Allis Farmer's Market. This year's event will have the addition of a Health Fair with many community health care providers, including behavioral health, primary care, pharmaceutical, chiropractic, women's health, physical therapy, and more! This is the ninth year the Health Fair is promoting good health and wellness to the West Allis community. Free blood pressure screenings and giveaways will also be offered. We encourage you to join us at National Night Out and help support healthy lifestyles, personal safety, and family fun!



Aurora West Allis Medical Center

www.AuroraHealthCare.org

This year's National Night Out will feature: Music by Eagle Entertainment, carnival games, the West Allis Police Department bicycle registration / helmet giveaway, the West Allis Fire Department target spray challenge, the Milwaukee County Sheriffs Department armored SWAT vehicle, inflatable Moon-Walk, Giant Slide, C.P. Rail Kiddie Train, rock climbing wall, an inflatable obstacle course, face painting, and several informational booths.



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In addition to the many games and activities, food items will be available at a small cost. Nachos, hot dogs, corn on the cob, chicken on a stick, soda, lemonade, bottled water, snow cones, popcorn, candy and slices of Topper's pizza. Most of these food items can be purchased for two, three or four tickets. Tickets will be sold four for just one dollar!

**The Farmer's Market is an excellent location in the event of inclement weather.
There is plenty of shelter, so all activities will go on as scheduled rain or shine!**

MORE FREE STUFF...

Free Helium Balloons

Free Coloring Contest with BIG Prizes

Free Fire Dept. Hose Demonstrations

Free Bike registration, be one of the first 75 and receive a **FREE** bicycle helmet!

Register your bicycles (NO CHARGE) by filling out the registration form on this page. Bring it to National Night out at the West Allis Farmer's Market. Turn in the completed registration form at the West Allis Police Dept. Bicycle Patrol booth.

WEST ALLIS POLICE DEPARTMENT BICYCLE REGISTRATION

License #:

Name: _____ Date of Birth ___/___/___

Address: _____ Phone _____

Bicycle Make _____ Serial # _____

Color _____ Tire Size _____ Boys or Girls _____

Signature _____ Date ___/___/___

NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK PARTIES: One night only - Tuesday, July 22nd 6pm-9pm

The neighborhood block parties will begin at 6:00 p.m. and last until approx. 9:00 p.m. A police officer and McGruff the Crime Dog visit every neighborhood that participates in National Night Out. Young children will receive a Junior Police badge.

Neighborhoods **DO NOT** have to be involved in the Neighborhood Block Watch program to participate in West Allis National Night Out. However, if you want McGruff to visit your area, you *must register* by Thursday, July 17th with the Crime Prevention Bureau at 302-8050. Remember, if your party runs late, please respect your neighbors.



ORGANIZED NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH GROUPS: Your Block Captain will know the approximate time of McGruff's visit to your neighborhood. This time may vary by 20 minutes, depending on the number of groups that register.

Neighborhood gatherings are a vital part of National Night Out. The best line of defense against crime in your neighborhood is communication amongst yourselves. These gatherings promote this communication through unity and friendships. Again this year we have made special arrangements with local businesses to sell food at discounted prices. This year's food sponsors are: COUSIN'S SUBS and TOPPERS PIZZA.

Block Watch Captains: The West Allis Fire Department will also offer neighborhood block party visits. If you would like the WAFD to visit your block party, please contact Lt. Dan Becker at 302-8911 by noon on Thursday, July 17th.



NEIGHBORHOOD PARTICIPATION AWARDS

SPECIAL AWARDS are issued by the City of West Allis for NEIGHBORHOOD PARTICIPATION, THEME and the NUMBER OF HOUSE PORCH LIGHTS TURNED ON. Each neighborhood participating in NNO will be eligible for these awards. A total of 6 neighborhood watch groups will win National Night Out award winning signs to be posted on the light poles in the area. 2 Block Captains whose blocks participate will also be registered in a raffle for a \$20 Gift Card.

McGruff COLORING CONTEST: 1st prize is \$50 Gift Card!!!

A coloring contest for children 12 and under is once again sponsored by **Bevsek-Verbick Funeral Home**, located at 10210 W. Lincoln Ave. Copies of the coloring contest forms are available at the POLICE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, LIBRARY, AND COUSINS SUBS.

The first 150 kids who return their completed picture to the police department will receive a certificate for a West Allis Police Department free gift and a certificate from Cousin's Subs. Children can redeem their coupon at National Night Out at the Farmer's Market to receive their prizes. If you cannot attend, please contact the Crime Prevention Bureau at 302-8050, to make other arrangements. The 1st place winner in each age category will receive \$50 gift card, 2nd place will receive \$30 gift card, and 3rd place will receive \$20 gift card. Age groups are as follows: 1) 6 yrs and under, 2) 7 yrs-9 yrs, 3) 10 yrs-12 yrs.

DESSERT CONTEST WITH GREAT PRIZES: Judging at the NNO Festival

Prizes (gift certificates for Rupena's Fine Foods) are awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in the following categories: **CAKES & TORTES, PIES, COOKIES, BARS, AND CHEESE CAKE. YOU WILL BE LIMITED TO TWO ENTRIES PER CONTESTANT. PREVIOUS WINNING ENTRIES ARE NOT PERMITTED**

*** HOW TO ENTER ***

1. You will need to complete an entry form that will be turned in with your entry on the evening of the NNO festival (call the Crime Prevention Bureau at 302-8050 for an entry form).
2. You must submit one copy of the recipe along with your entry form.
3. Bring your entry to the Community Festival at the Farmer's Market, Monday, July 21st between 4:30 P.M. and 5:15 P.M. **ALL ENTRIES WILL BE JUDGED AT 5:30 P.M. SHARP.**
4. The remainder of your entry will become part of the National Night Out Bake Sale with all proceeds benefiting crime prevention efforts in West Allis.
5. All containers, platters, etc. must have your name and phone number on the bottom and must be picked up by 7:30 P.M.

NNO RAFFLES

This year we will be holding two raffles, one for the Grand Prize and another with various prizes. We will be selling raffle tickets for the Grand Prize (prize to be determined) at \$2.00 each or 3 tickets for \$5.00.



Raffle tickets for other great prizes, such as area business gift certificates, will still be sold for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Tickets may be purchased from your Block Captain, in Crime Prevention at the WAPD, or on Monday, July 21st at the Farmer's Market. The drawings will be held at 8:00 PM. **WINNERS NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN.** The Block Captain selling and turning in the most tickets by 4:00 PM on July 18th, will receive a \$20.00 gift certificate. One winner only-if there is a tie, the winner will be determined by a drawing. Proceeds from the raffle and other National Night Out events will be used to further crime prevention efforts in West Allis.

FOOD SPONSORS for NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2014

Rupena's Fine Foods, located at 7641 W. Beloit Rd., has been a loyal sponsor of National Night Out since 1989! Each year, Rupena's donates food for many events throughout the community. Rupena's has once again donated **1,500** hot dogs, buns, and all of the condiments for National Night Out at the Farmer's Market. Stop by their store or see them at the 2014 Wisconsin State Fair.



Toppers Pizza, located at 1676 S. 108th St. is again a sponsor of our National Night Out event. Toppers is offering discounted pricing for the National Night Out block parties on Tuesday, July 22nd. To order your pizza or hear about current Topper's promotions, call Toppers Pizza at 727-7007. See the full menu in store or at www.Toppers.com.

We will also be serving Toppers Pizza at our community festival event on Monday, July 21st at the West Allis Farmer's Market. You can purchase single slices for \$1.00. Thank Toppers for their sponsorship and order some of their delicious pizza for your block party.



Cousins Subs, has been a great supporter of National Night Out in West Allis and is once again an official sponsor. Contact your Block Watch Captain or the Crime Prevention Bureau for National Night Out Block Party Night discounts at West Allis Cousins locations:

- 9124 W. Lincoln Ave.
- 10716 W. Oklahoma Ave.
- 1469 S. 108 St.



West Allis Police Reserve Chicken Barbecue,

On Monday, July 21st, and in conjunction with the National Night Out festivities, the West Allis Police Reserve Unit will be holding its' 41st Annual Chicken Barbecue at the Farmer's Market (Chickens supplied by American European Foods). Dinners include: 1/2 spit roasted chicken, baked beans, potato salad, roll or bread & a pickle for \$8.50. Chicken dinner sales will be available with drive-thru service from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (enter S/B on 65th St from National Ave.). Walk up service will begin at 5:00 p.m. **Come early--these dinners sell out every year!!!**

