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TOSA WATCH provides useful information for citizens who participate in the Wauwatosa Block Watch Program. Reader comments and contributions are welcome.

Tosa's Night Out 2017

On August 2nd, 2017, the Wauwatosa Neighborhood Watch Committee, in conjunction with the Wauwatosa Police Department hosted our 23rd annual Tosa's Night Out. The week of events culminated with a celebration at the Milwaukee County Zoo.

What started as a lone evening event twenty-two years ago, has turned into a four day extended weekend of fun, families, and crime prevention. Community involvement in these events grows every year and this year was no exception. Overall participation increased over twenty-five percent over last year! We are already excited for next year and looking at ways to make the events even more enjoyable. We would not be able to put on such a great event without tremendous sponsors. Our major sponsor in 2017 was Waterstone Bank.

One of the Community Support Division's favorite things to do throughout the year is to attend block parties. Who wouldn't want to stop by, hang out with kids, talk with parents, and sample some of the best food in the City! We stopped by nearly twenty block parties on the weekend leading up to Night Out.

In 2016 Night Out in Your Neighborhood was launched at schools throughout the city. While it was a new idea, the community came out and shared the evening with us. Maybe it was the free food from Bunzel's Meat Market, but this year's attendance blew away all expectations! Over 1,000 people came out for the two hour community events in their own neighborhoods. Displays from the Police and Fire Departments, games through the YMCA and of course free food and drink were the main attractions.

The week finished strong with our wrap-up event at the zoo. Back by popular demand this year was the fan favorite Flashlight Walk. The walk meandered through the zoo at twilight. What a great way to see the animals as we walked by. With the financial support of Froedtert and Medical College, Home Depot, Dave and Busters, and many, many more, we were able to once again offer free train rides, carousel rides, admission to the sea lion show and Body Worlds exhibit. Please see the final page entitled "Wauwatosa Thanks You" for a complete list of sponsors and participating groups. Please patronize these businesses and tell them thank you for being a proud supporter of "Tosa's Night Out". We hope to see everyone on August 1st, 2018!



Lighting The Way To A Better Community.

Trick or Treat

It's hard to believe that Trick or Treat is just around the corner.

Wauwatosa will celebrate City Trick or Treat on Sunday, October 29th from 1 – 4 PM.

As with past years, the Wauwatosa Police Department would like to know when your Neighborhood Association is planning on having your ghosts and goblins out collecting treats. We'd like to make a schedule so we can have extra patrol that can keep an eye on the little ones and help everyone have a safe and fun evening.

If you're in charge of your Night Time Trick or Treat activities, please give Laura Laurishke with the Community Support Division a call at 414-471-8430 ext. 5111 or email llaurishke@wauwatosa.net with the following information:

- Name of Neighborhood Association.
- Location of the area that will be involved with Night Time Trick or Treat.
- Date
- Times
- Contact Information
- Anything special that tells us which homes are involved in the evening events.



Are You Missing Any Mail?

Many residents of Wauwatosa have noticed that they are missing some mail deliveries. Greeting cards and personal notes are not getting into the hands of the intended recipient.

As you probably know, the Wauwatosa Police Department is not responsible for mail that is misdirected or not delivered. Mail issues are investigated by the Post Master General. In the past few months, residents of Wauwatosa have been filing complaints on postal services and or the lack thereof. This article is to give you an update on what is happening on the behalf of the Post Office.

An active investigation, related to the 53213 and 53226 areas of Wauwatosa, is under way. The post office is asking that any ongoing missing mail be reported to either of the following; Office of the Inspector General Hotline at 800-409-9926 or www.uspsog.gov/hotline.

Information that will be most helpful in tracking the individual(s) responsible will be the following:

- Type of Gift Card (Best Buy, Boston Store, etc.)
- Gift Card ID Number, this should be on the purchase receipt.
- Cash Amount on the Card, this will aid in tracking.

Informed Deliver is a new consumer-facing feature offered by the United States Postal Service (USPS) that provides users with digital previews of their household mail that will be arriving that day or in the near future. Users will receive a morning email with grayscale images of the exterior, address side of incoming letter-sized mail-pieces. Images can also be viewed on a dashboard at informeddeliver.usps.com. The Informed Delivery app can also be installed on your Android or I-Phone device for your convenience.



Keep in mind that if you need to send cash or gift cards in the mail, you may want to check with the USPS and see what options they have that will ensure safe delivery, some may even be relatively inexpensive.

Did you know that this summer our School Resource Officers biked over 2,000 miles patrolling Wauwatosa?



FREE Home & Business Security Surveys

The Wauwatosa Police Department offers **free** Security Surveys to all Wauwatosa residents and business owners. The survey takes an objective look at your property and its security measures. The Community Support Division has been through extensive training in crime prevention, security measures, and safety techniques that can be used to protect one from the criminal element.

A Community Support Officer will come to your property and inspect the inside and outside of your home or business for security deficiencies. A survey is filled out by the officer on scene which will list the problems observed and give you recommendations as how the problem can be rectified.

If you are interested in having a security survey conducted at your property, you can call the Wauwatosa Police Department, Community Support Division at 471-8430.



Block Party, You Should Have One

As block party season comes to an end for this year, one should consider assembling a team to plan a block party for 2018. A block party is an opportunity for neighbors to get together and meet one another in a comfortable and relaxed setting.

A block party can be planned for many reasons, some of which may include:

1. Just to have fun, no reason needed.
2. As stated above, meet you neighbors in a relaxed setting.
3. To get a sense of neighborhood, who's who and learn where everyone lives.
4. To make connections, learn what your neighbors do. There may be someone on your block that has a particular skill that you may need to utilize in the future.
5. One may be able to establish car pools, book clubs, and baby-sitting opportunities with your new acquaintances.
6. Free reign of the street, kids can ride their bikes, skateboard or even play basketball without the worry of vehicles disturbing the activities.
7. Meeting residents that have lived in the neighborhood for many years can be quite a history lesson.
8. Play some music, barbecue, dance, set-up a movie projector and have popcorn.
9. Positive interaction between young and old, it doesn't get much better than that.

As you can see, it doesn't really matter why, but one can get a real sense of community by getting out and meeting those that live near you.

Once you've picked a date and time, you'll need to fill out an application for the street to be closed. Applications can be printed from the www.wauwatosa.net website or by contacting Mary Weger at 414-471-8430. It really is simple and you only need signatures to close a street for a day. Banners are also available to help with street closures for a \$25 deposit that is returned when the banners are brought back. So, think about it, have some fun with your neighbors, get out there and do what you'd like, options are limitless.

Just a reminder, Crime mapping is available in Wauwatosa. With an internet connection, you can have access to the past two years of data which allows for great searches. The only incidents that will not be displayed are sexual assaults, mental health matters and family trouble/domestic incidents. No exact address will be provided, incidents will be listed by the hundred block (1700 N. 116th St). New incidents will take twenty four hours after completion to be displayed. Visitor to the site can set-up email alerts for activity around their home or business. Visit www.crimereports.com for more information.

Looking for a Few Good People

The Wauwatosa Neighborhood Watch Committee (WNWC) is a group of citizens who formed a partnership with the Wauwatosa Police Department to promote neighborhood block watch throughout Wauwatosa. This working committee also helps to produce and promote our annual Tosa's Night Out event. The success of Tosa's Night Out gives the WNWC the ability to award grants for many community-based programs, such as "Block Party" street banners, police safety equipment, community safety programming and literature, neighborhood Block Watch signage, "Slow Down" yard signs, playground equipment, and senior safety programming and materials.

If you are interested in joining this group or just have questions, please contact the Community Support Division at 414-471-8430 or send your inquiries to communitysupport@wauwatosa.net.

Wauwatosa Police Department

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Officer Dan Kane
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SRO Jim Morrill
Laura Laurishke - Administrative Support Specialist

Please Register Your Camera

Do you have a home surveillance system? Costs are dropping and their popularity is higher than ever. Personal surveillance footage has been used to solve several high profile incidents in our city over the last year. The footage alone was enough to prosecute the offenders. Did you know you can register your exterior surveillance cameras with the Wauwatosa Police Department? Don't worry, we can't tap into your surveillance feed, we will merely know you have an exterior camera system and would be willing to show Police images. The Police department encourages citizens to register exterior cameras in case something happens in the neighborhood. If an incident occurs close to your home, we can check an internal map, see which residents have registered cameras, and stop by your home and ask if any images were captured. This is a new initiative brought forth with our new crime mapping program. The information provided is only available to Wauwatosa Police Department staff and is never shared with anyone else. It is a voluntary program that can help in the fight against crime.

To register your cameras visit www.crimereports.com and click on "Register your camera"



TNO Coloring Contest Winners

As always, it was difficult for the judges to make a decision, but the winners have been selected for the Tosa's Night Out Coloring Contest. Each winner received a Mayfair Mall gift certificate for their efforts. Baskin Robbins donated certificates as consolation prizes to all other entrants. WaterStone Bank sponsored the coloring contest.

Category	Place	Name
Ages 4 and Under	1st Place	Scarlett McNamara
	"	Joe Atkins
	3rd Place	Fernando Rivera
	"	Orla D
Ages 5 to 7	1st Place	Anna Lindgren
	"	Abby Wagner
	3rd Place	Sarah Gamble
	"	Cainmarr Schutz
Ages 8 to 10	1st Place	Bella Yare
	"	Maeve D
	3rd Place	Camiah
	"	Caden Schaeffer
Ages 11 and 12	1st Place	Vishisht Khare
	"	Dakota Smallwood
	3rd Place	Jacob Wright
	"	Samuel Stieter

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Hope to See You All in 2018!

WAUWATOSA THANKS YOU!

On August 2, 2017, Tosa's Night Out was held at the Milwaukee County Zoo. Our 23rd-annual event was well attended by those helping to "Light the Way to a Better Community".

The success of TNO is dependent upon the many businesses, organizations, and individuals who donate financially, with products or services, or with their time. We would like to recognize these supporters and encourage you to patronize their businesses.

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WI Department of Corrections – Sex Offender Registry ♦ WI Probation & Parole ♦ Wildcard Gymnastics

**A SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO HELPED IN THE
SUCCESS OF TOSA'S NIGHT OUT 2017!**