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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

"Lighting the Way to a Better Community"

It's hard to believe, but Tosa's Night Out is right around the corner! The Wauwatosa Police Department's Community Support team has been busy working on this year's event. For the second consecutive year, Tosa's Night Out will be held at



the Milwaukee County Zoo. This year's event will be held on Wednesday, August 2nd. We received tremendous feedback after 2016's Night Out and are happy to return. Back by popular demand this year will be a flashlight walk through the zoo!

Is your block hosting a block party this summer? Leading up to Night Out, our Community Support Officers will attend every block party in our city on Saturday and Sunday July 29th and 30th. We'll bring McGruff, squads, motorcycles and maybe even K9 Addy!

In 2016 we also introduced Night Out in Your Neighborhood, a series of Police Department hosted block parties at several schools throughout Wauwatosa. Night Out in Your Neighborhood will continue to grow year after year. This year's parties will be at Madison, Roosevelt, Underwood and Wilson Elementary Schools. The events will take place from 6-8pm on Monday, July 31st. We will bring the officers, squads, motorcycles, fire trucks and games for the kids. This year Bunzel's Meat Market will provide hot dogs and brats. This is a great chance for you to meet the officers that work in your neighborhood every day!

Calendar of Events:

- Saturday, July 29th and Sunday, July 30th –Block parties
- Monday, July 31st –Night out in Your Neighborhood
- Wednesday, August 2nd Tosa's Night Out at the Milwaukee County Zoo

Everyone attending Tosa's Night Out at the zoo must pre-register for this event. All persons over the age of two must have an admission ticket to enter the zoo. There will be no on-site registration the day of the event. You can register online anytime at **www.tosasnightout.org** or stop by the Little Read Book on State Street. Your registration will include admission to the zoo, free parking, a 2017 Night Out t-shirt, and unlimited access to the zoo train, carousel, Body Worlds Exhibit and Sea Lion Show. A family of four can attend for just \$25. Registration is now open and we will deliver the shirts and tickets right to your home.

Recycling Event 2017

Tosa Green Summit and the Wauwatosa Crime Stoppers will host a recycling drive on Saturday, September 9th from 8:00AM to 1:00PM at the Wauwatosa City Hall parking lot.

MMSD will be on hand to collect Household Hazardous Waste.

Wauwatosa Crime Stoppers will provide "Shred-It" and Electronic Recycling.

Last but not least, Tosa United and the Wauwatosa Health Department will dispose of any unused, expired or unneeded medications you have.

Not all plans for this event have been confirmed, so please check in at www.tosacrimestoppers.com for updated information.



Home Security Survey

The Community Support Division offers **free** home security surveys. A specially-trained police officer will come to a residence or business free of charge and check for security strengths and weaknesses. Areas including lighting, landscaping, and locks will be addressed. For questions or to schedule an appointment, call the community Support Division at 471-8430.

Crime Mapping Is Here!

The Wauwatosa Police Department is happy to announce that we have contracted with a vendor to provide a crime mapping program. Now, anyone with an internet connection is able to see the type, number and rough location of nearly all calls for service the Police Department responds to. This free service will give everyone an idea of what is taking place around them. You are able to search by incident type, time of day, and many other criteria to make your search as beneficial as possible. The system has two years of data in it, allowing for greater searches. The only incidents that will not be displayed are sexual assaults, mental health matters and family trouble/domestic incidents. No exact addresses will be provided, rather listed by the hundred block (1700 N. 116th St). No incidents will be displayed for at least twenty four hours after its completion. Each visitor to the site can also set up their own email alerts for incidents around their home or business. Please visit the site www.crimereports.com for more information.

Have a home surveillance system? You can register your camera with our department, letting us know that if a crime were to occur in the area, suspects may be on your surveillance system. Our department will not have access to your surveillance system, but rather just the knowledge that you do have one should something happen nearby. That information will remain confidential and never shared with anyone outside of our department. Please visit Crime Reports and watch the welcome video for more tips and instructions.

Two Wheeled Patrol

One of the more common questions we get as the weather gets warmer is regarding our bike patrol unit. This summer there will be a large increase in the amount of time officers will spend on the bikes. Late last summer, we began researching e-assist bikes and even took some for a test ride. Over the winter, our department invested in four Specialized Levo electric assist bikes. E-assist bikes are a rapidly growing trend in the bicycle community, especially in Europe, only Police Department in the Midwest to invest in, and use these bikes for patrol. These bikes look and operate just like any other mountain bike you see on the road. The only exception is that these bikes provide a little extra boost when we need it most.

Wauwatosa is a great city to bike in. Over the last few years bike lanes have been added to city streets, bike sharing stations have arrived, and the paved trail network through our city has expanded. The e-assist bikes will help our officers cover more ground on a daily basis, increasing our interactions with people on the trails. If an officer has to bike up a large hill or travel a long way to help another officer or citizen, they will be in better condition upon arrival with the e-assist bike. The bike patrol unit is a great way for officers to be out, be visible, and interact with people where squad cars don't always go. Make sure to wave and say hi to the officers as they are out and about this summer.

THANK YOU

for your support with the **Crime Stoppers Pancake** Breakfast. We couldn't have done it without vou!

WaterStone Bank

Dave & Busters Metcalfe's Sentry SYSCO **Landmark Credit Union C&G Printing & Promotions** Woodman's Market Johnson's Cycle & Fitness **ALSCO** Locker's Florist **Metro MLS Hector's Mexican Restaurant Modern Woodmen of America Starbucks Coffee** Wauwatosa Neighborhood **Watch Committee Wauwatosa Police Reserves** Wauwatosa Parks & Forestry



771-TOSA or **Text Keyword** "Tosa" to "Crimes"

Cash Reward up to \$1,000

Wauwatosa Police Department

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Tosa Tonight Concert Series

Wauwatosa SOUNDS better than ever! Join your community for another summer of Tosa Tonight performances at the beautiful Rotary Performance Pavilion! Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, family and friends and of course an appetite and thirst! Your food and beverage purchases directly raise money for the on-going non-profit operation of the Rotary Park Pavilion and future Tosa Tonight concerts.

Tuesday, July 4

Wauwatosa Civic Celebration present **Dancing Oueen/ABBA Salutes** 6-9PM with Fireworks to follow

Wednesday, July 12

Meijer presents The Motels, with Hayward Williams

Wednesday, July 26 Miller Lite presents

Motherfolk, with Well-Known Strangers

Wednesday, August 9 American Transmission Company presents Sour Bridges, with Devil Met Contention

Wednesday, August 16 Milwaukee Irish Fest Foundation presents

Celtica Pipes Rock, with Aoife Scott

Wednesday, August 30 88Nine Radio Milwaukee presents Trapper Schoepp, with Mike Mangione

Opening act starts at 6:00pm, main act at 7:30pm. Concerts are held at the Rotary Performance Pavilion at 68th and State St. rain or shine, but may be cancelled due to lightning or severe weather.



Join MidTown's inaugural 5K and kids' dash through the picturesque Pasadena Neighborhood with proceeds to the Tosa Library Foundation. Afterward. head to the Midtown Madness Festival at, 8730 W. North Avenue, Saturday, July 22nd.

Block Party Banners

NOW AVAILABLE! Block Party Street Banners

- Easily attaches to street barricades or garbage carts.
- Prevents traffic flow during a block party.
- Advertises the block party with a 2½ x 10' banner.

Reserve your banners now...there 16 sets available distribution. Just check the box at the bottom of the block party application to reserve a set for your party, and remember there is a \$25.00 deposit that will be returned when the banners have been returned. If you have questions, call Maija Ptaszek at 471-8430, ext. 5129. Banners are available for pickup at the Police Department on the Friday prior to a block party. Please return by the following Monday so the banners can be re-distributed.

TOSA FEST 2017

continues with
Wauwatosa's 42 year
tradition of music, food,
and family fun. Come and
celebrate our historic
village and community
spirit.

September 8th & 9th

The Fest is back on State Street.

Have a fun and safe Summer!

Wauwatosa Police Reserves

Over the years, the Wauwatosa Police Reserves have put in hundreds of thousands of hours and have been involved in many of our most historical incidents. As mentioned earlier this year, the Police Reserves were started in 1942 as air raid marshals during WWII. After the war, their main function was responding to a possible nuclear attack on our city. Fortunately, the attacks never came. But what have the Reserve Officers been doing since then? A look back at newspaper articles from the 1950's, 60's 70's and 80's provides a fascinating glimpse of who these officers were, and what they did. Current traffic in the Village of Wauwatosa makes us think of days gone by when Harwood Avenue crossed the river and railroad tracks. Each evening, Reserve Officers were out there helping with traffic direction. During the periods of civil unrest that occurred in the 1960's, the Reserve Officers were there supporting the officers on the streets. More recently, the Reserve Unit played a large role with the Sebena family, escorting the family to Washington DC for the National Law Enforcement Memorial. The Reserve Officers have also been responsible for the Hunter Safety program, bicycle safety programs and CPR classes. Many of the same functions are carried out by today's Reserve Officers. If you are interested in joining the Wauwatosa Police Reserves, contact Officer Mike McDermott, he can be reached at 414-471-8430, ext 5113 or mmcdermott@wauwatosa.net.



Address the Problem

Is your house or apartment address clearly visible from the street? Could emergency responders find your home quickly when seconds count? If you answered "no" or "maybe" to either of these questions you may want to read on.

Wauwatosa City ordinance 12.38(g) requires all City of Wauwatosa properties have address numbers conspicuously placed and at least 3 inches in height. The numbers should be distinctly legible, and "easily seen" from the public right-of-way *and* alley if applicable. Light colored and scripted decorative addresses can be difficult to read when seconds count. Trees and shrubs can also grow over time to cover a once visible address.

The best solution is to use standard 3" address "tiles" that have a white background with black letters or numbers. Mount your address above or near a door that faces the street with which your address is associated. Also use any existing lighting to illuminate the address at night (i.e. a porch light).

If you have a medical emergency, fire, or police emergency, seconds count! First responders can be delayed if they have a difficult time finding your home. Don't take the chance. ξ

Wednesday - August 2, 2017

4:00pm to 8:00pm (Rain or Shine)

Major Sponsor:

Registration Locations



Little Read Book Store 7603 W. State Street / 774-2665



TNO 2017 Event Highlights at the Milwaukee County Zoo

4:00 – 8:00 PM: Family activities including: health and safety displays, live music, coloring contest, family flashlight walk and full access to the zoo grounds and more!!!

Paid registrations include admission to the zoo and free parking.
All attendees over the age of two must register for this event

For safety reasons, the following are prohibited from TNO: animals, skates, rollerblades, skateboards and bikes.

Visit us at: www.tosasnightout.org to register online

Tosa's Night Out Registration Form Wednesday – August 2, 2017 4:00 – 8:00 PM

Victilities COMMEMORATIVE T-SHIRT SPONSORED ITEMS AND ADMISSION TO THE ZOO

INCLUDES COMMEMORATIVE T-SHIRT, SPONSORED ITEMS AND ADMISSION TO THE ZOO!!						
1	Last Name	First Name		T-Shirt Size (Check One) ADULT S M L XL XXL CHILD 6 10 14 \$12.00		
Emai	l Address		Address			
Additional Family Members			City	ST Zip		
Zoo	logical Society Member? Y	es 🗌	School and Teach	her		
2	Last Name (if different)	First Name		T-Shirt Size (Check One)		
3	Last Name (if different)	First Name		T-Shirt Size (Check One)		
4	Last Name (if different)	First Name		T-Shirt Size (Check One)		
5	Last Name (if different)	First Name		T-Shirt Size (Check One) ADULT S M L XL XXL CHILD 6 10 14 SIZES		
	KE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: V.N.W.C." (Wauwatosa Ne	Check Cash Total: \$				
Consent and Liability Waiver (PLEASE READ): I attest and verify that the above named adults/children may participate in this event. In consideration of your accepting this entry, I, the undersigned, intending to be legally bound, hereby, for myself and family members listed, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the City of Wauwatosa, and their affiliates, agents, servants, employees, assigns, successors, and heirs and any other sponsors and / or participating groups and their representatives, successors, and assigns for any and all injuries suffered by me in this event.						

Signature of Entrant / Parent / Legal Guardian: ______ Date _____

I also understand that electronic images of the above named adult(s) / children may be captured and used for promotional purposes while attending TNO.

PROCESSED: