

Gier Area Neighborhood Watch #158 Newsletter

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#### **IMPORTANT**

Find out what crimes are being committed in our neighborhood or in Lansing by calling the Crime Tape telephone number/s. You can also check it by going to the nationwide website if you have a computer.

Crime Tapes Numbers:
-North Precinct
483-4322
&
-South Precinct
483-4035

Nationwide Crime www.citizenobserver.com

City of Lansing www.cityoflansingmi.com

Making Lansing Safe, One block at a Time

## Hello Neighbors,

Here is a quick brief of the topics that we discussed during our NW meeting which was held last Thursday. We had (11) in attendance which included Officer Jeromy Churchill and Carol Wood.

- Certain fireworks are illegal and will be seized if caught by the police/fire department. You can report your concerns to the police department and sign a complaint. The vendors are fighting to legalize fireworks that are illegal. If you are against the legalization of these fireworks, you can send your letters of concerns to your Michigan legislators.
- Schools Closing. St. Therese School is officially closed. The church will remain open. Uncertain what will be done with the building. Otto School is still uncertain.
- Rocket/pocket/mini motorized bikes. The ordinance was passed and will be enforced by the police department. Continue to report it and file a complaint.
- Animal Control. Concerned about how many animals you can have in your house and letting them run loose at night. Can be reported to Animal Control and City Attorney's office.
- Drug raid. No information at this time nor locations available
- Gier Elementary School. City is not doing a good job in keeping the school grounds clean. There is a lot of trash all over, mowing uneven, poison ivy, etc. Carol said that she would mention it, but It didn't seem like we can do much due to city cuts. She did suggest that our NW group could adopt the school and clean it up. If I can get a group of committed members, I'd be willing to "help" get it started.
- 14 year old teenager has been harassing our neighbors and was recruiting younger kids to join. Looks like he is a habitual offender and always getting into trouble. The police are in the process of arresting him or something to the affect. Carol Wood to keep us informed so that anyone/group can sign a letter expressing their concern which could help in deciding his arraignment.
- Sex Offender was caught advertising a class to be held at Letts in Facebook. An alert was issued to the parks and recreational facilities with a temporary procedure to follow.
- Officer Jeromy Churchill's special assignment as our neighborhood watch officer ends this year. He will be back on the road, patrolling the neighborhood (not too sure which area).

#### **Dates to Remember**

Neighborhood Watch Meetings are held from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. at the Gier Community Center. If you have a concern and would like it addressed, please give me at least 2 weeks advance notice so that I can organized the speakers to attend one of the meetings below. Otherwise, I will not be prepared and will only concentrate on the event planning as previously scheduled.

- Thursday, July 22 Neighborhood Concerns/Follow-up & event planning
- New date: Tuesday, August 10 Neighborhood party & National Night Out Event