



# TOSA WATCH

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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 2016

On August 3rd, 2016, the Wauwatosa Neighborhood Watch Committee, in conjunction with the Wauwatosa Police Department, hosted our 22nd annual Night Out event at the Milwaukee County Zoo.



The change of venue to the zoo this year made for an exciting change to an already great event. Even with the hot and humid weather, nearly 2,000 people turned out for the exciting night! Special thanks to our Major Sponsor Froedtert and the Medical College. One of the biggest hits of the night was the introduction of the new animal kid's backpacks, sponsored by Waterstone Bank. For the first time, hundreds of kids took part in the zoo wide scavenger hunt sponsored by Home Depot. As usual, Dave and Busters provided plenty of activities for the kid's to partake in.

For the first time, we introduced "Night Out In Your Neighborhood" at four Wauwatosa Schools. Night Out In Your Neighborhood gave citizens a chance to spend some time with the officers that work in their neighborhoods every day. There were kid's games, adult sized games, food items and other displays. Officers were even seen playing a mean game of kickball at one stop!

Thanks to our many and wonderful sponsors we were able to offer many of the zoo's finest attractions, like the zoo train and sea lion show, to families at no additional charge. In addition to the activities at the zoo, we were able to provide a low cost food option through Bunzel's Meat Market, free ice cream and water.

The content and quality of Tosa's Night Out is dependent upon the support of our residents and the tremendous sponsors we have. A huge thank you to all those that showed up, donated, volunteered, or even spread the word to someone that hasn't attended before. Please see the final page entitled "Wauwatosa Thanks You" for a complete list of our sponsors and participating groups. Please patronize these businesses and tell them thanks for being a supporter of Tosa's Night Out. I hope to see everyone in 2017!



## Solicitors

The City of Wauwatosa has defined prohibited practices for door to door direct sellers which include:

- Making contact at a residence between the hours of 9 pm and 9 am except by appointment
- Attempting contact at a residence where a sign is displayed bearing the words “No Solicitors” or words similar in meaning
- Remaining on any premises after being asked to leave by a person having authority over such premises
- Misrepresent to make false, deceptive or misleading statements concerning the quality, quantity or character of any goods offered for sale
- No solicitation made at rear door when a usable front door is available

Companies that wish to solicit in Wauwatosa must apply for a permit and have the permit displayed on their person while actively soliciting.

Any employee, officer or agent of a nonprofit or charitable organization that engages in direct sales on behalf of said organization are exempt from the required permit provided they submit proof to the city clerk that the organization is registered under Section 440.41 of the Wisconsin Statutes. Any representative of a nonprofit organization must still comply with the above defined prohibited practices.



## School Resource Officer Roles

The roles of a School Resource Officer (SRO) are law enforcer, counselor, friend and guest speaker. In the school setting, problem solving involves the combined/coordinated efforts of administrators, teachers, students, parents, and myself in the role of SRO.

The number one priority in the school building is public safety, but I don't sit around and wait for something to happen. My goal is to be proactive and try to prevent criminal instances in our school community. I never want the students to feel that I am out to get them, or that I am only interested in arresting them. I am more interested in preventing them from making poor decisions and getting themselves into trouble. With that being said, I have to gain and maintain a level of trust in the building. The best way to accomplish this is to talk to students, staff, and parents. I take time to get to know them and allow for them to learn about me. These conversations can take place in the hallways, in the office, on the telephone, or in a classroom during a presentation.

The majority of my day is spent building positive relationships with students, staff, and parents. These relationships are developed and strengthened over time. Students seem more willing to trust and confide in someone that has taken the time to learn their name, has discovered what their interests are, and is looking out for their best interests. I have conversations about a wide array of topics with students. I also spend a lot of time answering their questions on law enforcement and life in general. We've even had many conversations about fantasy football!

They have become more willing to have conversations about personal issues. It is so exciting to be able to hear about exciting changes and events in their lives. Events that include: getting a driver's license, being asked to prom, doing well on a group presentation, etc. There also are some challenges that arise for them as well. They also feel comfortable enough to speak about a poor choice that they or a friend have made. By talking to students, I have been able to resolve a number of situations along with school administration before they became a larger concern. The students are a tremendous resource of information. They truly are the eyes and ears of the school and the community.

I challenge the students to take pride in our school community and they are stepping up to that challenge! – School Resource Officer Griffin

**We'll be seeing frosty mornings before you know it.  
NEVER leave your vehicle running and unattended!  
The vast majority of the auto thefts in Wauwatosa are  
vehicles that were left running or with a spare set of  
keys inside. These are simple things everyone should  
be doing to prevent crime in our City.**

## 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.



## Crime Prevention Tips

Whether we want to admit it or not, fall has arrived. Fall means less daylight and cooler nights. Both of which can lead to crimes of opportunity.

As the sun sets earlier and earlier each day, the length of darkness each night increases. Darkness around homes and garages can help conceal a person's presence. Now is a great time to address your outdoor lighting and security issues. Motion lights, most of which are now energy efficient LED, use minimal energy and provide a tremendous amount of light.

The cooler nights allow for open windows to bring that cool night air inside. Don't leave any valuables, including purses, computers and car keys under that open window. Burglars have been cutting screens, reaching in, and grabbing those items off of counters and tables.

As always, if you need security ideas around your home, please contact the Community Support Division for your free home security survey.

## New Wisconsin Law

Starting Oct. 1, 2016, it will be illegal to talk on a handheld mobile device while driving in a Wisconsin road work zone.

The law is part of ongoing efforts to reduce distracted driving and increase safety for motorists and workers throughout the state. Drivers caught in violation face fines of up to \$40 on first offense and \$100 for subsequent offenses. Following the law is simple. Just remember: Orange cones – Put down the phones!

Mobile devices continue to be a leading cause of distracted driving throughout the United States. Given that Wisconsin sees an average of nearly 2,000 work zone crashes annually, the new law is a proactive step toward increasing safety and helping to ensure that drivers are giving as much of their attention as possible to the road. Wisconsin is one of 14 states with a full or partial ban on hand-held mobile devices while driving, according to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

Hands-free and Bluetooth devices are granted exemptions and remain legal to use. However, some studies are beginning to show that even hands-free devices can take a driver's attention off the road.

Please take this into consideration and always drive safely.

### What about emergencies?

The law grants an exception for drivers to use a hand-held mobile device if dialing 911.

### What about texting?

Wisconsin continues to have zero tolerance for texting while driving. Wisconsin law forbids driving any motor vehicle while composing or sending an electronic text message or an electronic mail message.

## 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](mailto:communitysupport@wauwatosa.net).

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## Help Save a Life

PulsePoint Respond is an innovative new location-aware phone application that empowers everyday citizens to provide life-saving assistance to victims of Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA). Wauwatosa can now use the application to dispatch CPR-trained citizens to major cardiac emergencies where the potential need for bystander CPR is high.

Notifications are made simultaneously with the dispatch of paramedics to anyone within the area that is CPR-trained and has indicated their willingness to assist during a SCA emergency. Notifications are only made if the victim is in a public place (the app is not activated for residential addresses) and only to potential rescuers that are in the immediate vicinity of the emergency. When notifications occur the intent is to target potential citizen rescuers that are within walking distance of the event.

Users that have opted-in will receive a push notification accompanied by a distinctive alert tone. The notification is followed by a map display showing the dispatched location of the emergency along with the precise location of the citizen rescuer –for easy navigation between the two. The map display also shows the exact location of the nearest AEDs. In many cases nationwide, nearby AEDs have not been used when they may have made a big difference. The application aims to address this type of failure by informing citizen rescuers where the nearest AED is located – in real-time and in context of their current location.

Downloads are available for PulsePoint Respond and PulsePoint AED apps for iOS and Android phones. You can make a difference, but, the choice is yours. If you’d like additional information, call the Wauwatosa Fire Department at 414-471-8490 or visit [PulsePoint.org](http://PulsePoint.org) for more details.

## 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
<b>Ages 4 and Under</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Luella Harrison
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Lorelei Rayman
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Isabella Rapczyk
	4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Myra Meha
<b>Ages 5 to 6</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Anna Lindgren
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Noah Shaffer
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Hannah Langebartels
	4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Scarlett Osborne
<b>Ages 7 to 8</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Caden Shaffer
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Williamina Shaffer
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Sam Rainer
	4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Elizabeth Langebartels
<b>Ages 9 and 10</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Benjamin Langebartels
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Corbin Shaffer
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Molly Prosen
	4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Allie Argabright

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Wauwatosa's  
"Lighting the Way  
to a Better  
Community"



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**NIGHT OUT**  
Lighting The Way To A Better Community.



## **WAUWATOSA THANKS YOU!**

On August 3, 2016, Tosa's Night Out was held at the Milwaukee County Zoo. Our 22<sup>nd</sup>-annual event was well attended by those helping to “Light the Way to a Better Community”.

The success of TNO is also 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.

### **FROEDTERT & MEDICAL COLLEGE OF WISCONSIN** *Our Major Corporate Underwriter*

#### **\* DAVE & BUSTERS \* HOME DEPOT \* WATERSTONE BANK \*** **True Blue Sponsors**

#### **TOSA'S FINEST SPONSORS**

- \* American Transmission Company \* The Chancery \* HartFest \* The Little Read Book \*
- \* Lutheran Home & Harwood Place \*
- \* Wauwatosa Business Improvement District \* Wheaton Franciscan \*

#### **GOLD LEVEL SPONSORS**

- \* Alioto's Restaurant \* Baskin-Robbins \* Catral Doyle \* Crowne Plaza Hotel \*
- \* Kiwanis Club of Wauwatosa \* Milwaukee County Zoo \* Roundy's Supermarkets, Inc. \*
- \* Schmidt & Bartelt Funeral Services \* Sendik's Food Markets \* St. John's Lutheran Church and School \*
- \* Target \* Uptown Ford – Lincoln \*

#### **SILVER LEVEL SPONSORS**

- \* Aurora Psychiatric Hospital \* C & G Printing and Promotions \* Colonel Hart's \*
- \* Cornerstone Security Group \* Fast Signs \* Great Clips \* Hector's – A Mexican Restaurant \*
- \* Vince Ingrassia & Sons Plumbing \* Leff's Lucky Town \* Luther Manor \*
- \* Marriott – Wauwatosa Residence Inn \* Mayfair Mall Properties \* Meijer \* Pick N' Save Wauwatosa \*
- \* Pro Media Streff \* Sport Clips Haircuts \* Tri-City National Bank \* Wauwatosa NOW \*
- \* Wauwatosa Chamber of Commerce \* We Energies \* Zilber Family Hospice \*

#### **PARTICIPATING GROUPS**

- \* AT&T – It Can Wait \* Be Seen Campaign \* Big Brothers Big Sisters \* BikeFed \*
- \* Children's Hospital of Wisconsin – Community Services \* Cornerstone Security Group \*
- \* Dave & Buster's \* Ebenezer Child Care \* FBI Milwaukee \* Friends of Hoyt Park & Pool \*
- \* Froedtert Hospital – Community Education \* Girl Scouting of Southeast Wisconsin \*
- \* Guardian of the Children \* Hart Park Senior Center \* Home Depot \* Impact Teen Drivers \*
- \* Interfaith Wauwatosa \* Kiwanis Club of Wauwatosa \* MADACC \* Mayfair Public Safety \*
- \* Milwaukee County Chargers Football \* Modern Woodmen of America \* Noodles & Company \*
- \* St. John's Lutheran Church and School \* Shielded Hearts \* Sojourner Truth House \*
- \* Target Corporation \* Tosa Farmer Market \* Tosa Skateboarders United \* Tosa United \* Uptown Ford \*
- \* WaterStone Bank \* Wauwatosa Crime Stoppers \* Wauwatosa Fire Department \*
- \* Wauwatosa Health Department \* Wauwatosa Lion's Club \*
- \* Wauwatosa Neighborhood Watch Committee \* Wauwatosa Police Department \*
- \* Wauwatosa Police Reserves \* Wisconsin DNR \* Wisconsin DOC – Sex Offender Registry \*
- \* Wisconsin Probation / Parole \* Wildcard Gymnastics \*

### **A SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO HELPED IN THE SUCCESS OF TOSA'S NIGHT OUT 2016!**