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## Meet Our Quality of Life Officer

**Officer Richard Sasnett**, Quality of Life Officer for the NOPD 4th District attended the May 11 WB General Meeting. He brought copies of the April APAC (Algiers Police Advisory Committee) report, and discussed his duties and responsibilities.

When should you call the Quality of Life Officer? To report boats, 4-wheelers and abandoned cars parked on the street; loud music; barking and vicious dogs; basketball goals in the street and other nuisances. You can also report people living in abandoned houses.

Officer Sasnett said that blighted housing must still be reported to the city by calling 658.2299. He suggested submitting a picture to show the extent of the blight. The

process takes time, with the owner having 60 days to respond, 30-60 days to get up to code, and so on, but the process does work.

Algiers has experienced 3 consecutive years of crime



reduction, and the April APAC report showed that crime was down 18% in our area compared to a year ago.

Officer Sasnett encour-

ages residents to attend the monthly APAC meetings on the 2nd Wednesdays, 7PM, 4th District Police Station, 1348 Richland Rd. You can also contact Officer Sasnett with issues, or email WB's APAC rep Alan Delery at [adelery@cox.net](mailto:adelery@cox.net).

**Contact Officer Sasnett at 658-6480, or email**  
[rwsasnett@cityofno.net](mailto:rwsasnett@cityofno.net).

He also suggests that residents join the "NOPD 4th District Email Blast" group to receive up-to-date crime reports, APAC notices, etc.

To join, send Officer Sasnett an email or email NOPD4-EmailBlast@googlegroups.com. Visit this group at <http://groups.google.com/group/NOPD4-EmailBlast?hl=en?hl=en>.

### WALNUT BEND CIVIC ASSOCIATION JULY MEETING

Tuesday, July 13, 2010, 7:00 p.m.

Oak Park Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 1110 Kabel Drive

**GUEST SPEAKER: CYNTHIA RICO, Lakewood Country Club**

At our **July 13 meeting**, **Cynthia Rico**, Manager of **Lakewood Country Club** will talk to us about plans to enhance Lakewood as a mixed-use community.

- Other Meeting Topics:
- ⇒ Search for new webmaster (Volunteer needed!)
  - ⇒ Election of Officers in November
  - ⇒ Membership Drive

⇒ Aug. 3 Night Out Against Crime (Volunteers needed!)

To add other agenda items, contact Yvonne at [yvonnemg@aol.com](mailto:yvonnemg@aol.com).

**Cookie Social at 6:45 p.m.**

## NOPD 4TH DISTRICT CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

May and June 2010 criminal activity in or near Walnut Bend and reported via email blast are listed below.

If you have any information on these incidents, contact the Detective Unit at 658-6045 or call Crimestoppers anonymously at 822-1111 or 1-877-903-STOP. You may also report any suspicious persons by calling 821-2222. In an emergency, call 911.

5/16—Aggravated robbery 1800 block of JoAnn, arrest made  
 5/18—Simple robbery, 3400 block of Huntlee, warrant issued  
 5/18—Road Home Impersonator reported, check credentials  
 5/19—aggravated battery 600 block of Patterson, warrant issued  
 5/23—Increase in copper thefts, may be on foot or old work trucks  
 5/23—Homicide Vespasian and Wagner

5/24—Purse snatching 1400 block of Pelican  
 5/27—Suspicious door to door sales people, magazine scams  
 6/07—Armed Robbery 900 block of Homer  
 6/07—Secure porch furniture, chairs taken 300 block of Olivier  
 6/08—Armed robbery Fiesta/Valentine  
 6/23—aggravated assault 3500 block of Catalina

Go to <http://groups.google.com/group/NOPD4-EmailBlast?hl=en?hl=en> for complete list, more details and/or to join.

Emails can be sent to [NOPD4-EmailBlast@googlegroups.com](mailto:NOPD4-EmailBlast@googlegroups.com).

NOPD 4th District – Phone 658-6040 – Fax 364-4054

Quality of Life Officer Richard Sasnett 658-6480, [rwsasnett@cityofno.com](mailto:rwsasnett@cityofno.com)

**COMSTAT Meetings**—Superintendent of Police Ronal W. Serpas announced that effective June 11, 2010, the COMSTAT meetings that are open to the public, have been changed to Fridays at 8:30 A.M., and will be held at the Municipal Training Academy located at 401 City Park Avenue. The media and the public are encouraged to attend.

## Master Plan and Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Meetings

The City Planning Commission is holding a series of public meetings across the city to discuss the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance as it relates to the Master Plan ("New Orleans 2030: A Plan for the 21st Century"). The meetings for Algiers (Districts 12 & 13) will be held on Tuesday, July 20th, 6:30 PM at the Behrman Center, 2529 Gen. Meyer. Your input is important so make every effort to attend and have your voice heard.

## The Annual Night Out Against Crime

will be held Tuesday, August 3  
on Fiesta Street  
(between Valentine and Prancer)  
6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Food, Bug Mobile, Games, Raffles,  
Energy Table, Membership Table

### Healthcare Survey

AEDF formed a Healthcare Study Committee to address the access to and the needs for healthcare services in Algiers. The committee representatives include Ochsner Medical Center - Westbank, West Jefferson Medical Center & Fitness Center, Tulane Univ. Heart & Vascular Institute, St Luke's Medical Center, Jefferson Neurobehavioral Group, Algiers Urgent Care, Algiers Charter Schools Assoc., and representatives AEDF and the community. The committee is seeking input from the Algiers community to assess what medical services are missing in Algiers.

Complete the survey online at

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/557R6T8>,

or go to [aedf.biz](http://aedf.biz) and look for the Healthcare Survey link on the right side of screen.

## Membership Contest Winner



### Membership has its privileges!

Ask Wodajo Welldaregay on Gallinghouse, winner of the Walnut Bend Membership Contest. His name was drawn for the **\$50.00 prize** at the May 11 general meeting.

Have you joined the WBCA? Send in your dues today, or pay at the Night Out Against Crime on Tuesday, August 3, 6:00 PM on Fiesta. This event is supported by membership dues.

## Garden of the Month

2401 St. Nick is the June Garden of the Month.

Homeowner Lilly Shevin, is a 17 year Walnut Bend resident and loves her neighborhood.

See the newsletter and the garden in beautiful color at <http://walnutbendno.org/cardinal.html>



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## Wednesdays on the Point

2010 Summer Festival Concert Series, June 16 – September 1, Every Wed. from 6-9PM **Free Admission!**

Contact: Bethany Lemanski, 504-339-2899, Email: [bethany@gwenentertainment.com](mailto:bethany@gwenentertainment.com), [www.wednesdaysonthepoint.com](http://www.wednesdaysonthepoint.com)

Wednesdays on the Point began two years ago and is expected to draw over a thousand guests each week. Local restaurants will sell specialty dishes and bars will offer beer and wine for purchase as part of the event. **Admission is free.**

Ferry service will be extended from Gretna directly to Algiers on Wednesdays during the 12 week concert series. At 5:30PM the Gretna/Canal Street Vessel will depart Gretna and proceed to Algiers Point, continuing service directly between Gretna and Algiers Point (at :15 & :45 minutes past the hour, respectively). The last ferry will leave Algiers returning to Gretna at 9:45PM.

Date	Location	Theme	Entertainment	Sponsor
7/14	Louie's Corner Bar 500 Elmira @ Eliza St.	University on the Point	Flow Tribe	Pat LeBoeuf Insurance & Arties Printing
7/21	Aunt Leni's Restaurant 323 Verret St.	Blues & BBQ	Little Freddie King	Ochsner West Bank Campus
7/28	Dry Dock Café/Vine & Dine 100 Delaronde@ Ferry Dock	Margarita Wednesday	Capt. Josh tribute to Jimmy Buffet	LeGlue & Company, CPA's
8/4	Old Point Bar 500 Patterson & Olivier	Party on the Point	Amanda Shaw	LBL Financial
8/11	Algiers Ferry Dock	Wine Down Wednesday	Jon Cleary	Bollinger Shipyards, Inc.
8/18	Algiers Ferry Dock	Music & Massage	Anais St. John	323 Morgan St. Apartments
8/25	Algiers Ferry Dock	Back to School	mynameisjohnmicheal	Marriott N.O. & Fidelity Homestead
9/1	Algiers Ferry Dock	Heart and Soul	The Iguanas	Tulane Heart & Vascular Westbank Clinic

### MAYOR LANDRIEU, CITY COUNCIL URGE CITIZENS TO SIGN UP FOR EMERGENCY TEXT MESSAGE ALERTS



Mayor Mitch Landrieu and the N.O. City Council encourage New Orleanians to register for the city's emergency text message alert system. Registered citizens will receive text messages with information and instructions from the New Orleans Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness during an emergency.

To sign up, log onto [www.nolaready.info](http://www.nolaready.info) or simply text message NOLA4U (665248).

Residents are encouraged to sign up to receive the text messages that will provide accurate information in real time during an emergency. Currently, only 12,000 people are signed up for this emergency alert system.

For residents without internet access, this is an important resource. When the internet is down or when folks are out of town without access to local media, text messaging is a very effective means of communicating critical information.

## Join the WBCA Today!

### Walnut Bend Civic Association Membership Form

Join us in becoming a **strong and active neighborhood** by filling out this form and sending it with your \$25 dues to:

Walnut Bend Civic Association P.O. Box 740022 New Orleans, LA 70174

New Member       Returning Member       Send a WBCA Decal  
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 Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number (s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address (es) \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to serve on the following committee(s):

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