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Guardian Angels To Patrol Neighborhood Where Two Police Officers Were Shot

Event Saturday Will Also Announce Group's Milwaukee Headquarters, New Officers

The Guardian Angels will patrol the near south side neighborhood where a shootout last week involving rival gang members left five people wounded, including two Milwaukee police officers.

Ald. Tony Zielinski, who has been working to assist the Guardian Angels in opening a new chapter in Milwaukee, said Guardian Angels from Green Bay and Chicago will patrol the neighborhood near S. 13th St. and W. Greenfield Ave. on Saturday, November 17, 2007, after holding a brief news event. **The news event – which will include Ald. Zielinski – will take place at 1 p.m. at S. 13th and W. Greenfield. Media coverage is invited.**

Ald. Zielinski said the Guardian Angels will announce the appointment of a Milwaukee chapter leader, Derek Smith, and a chapter spokesperson, Willie Brooks. Both men were members of the original Milwaukee Angels chapter in the late 1980s. “The Guardian Angels will also be providing details about their recently acquired headquarters and training facility on the city’s north side,” said Ald. Zielinski.

“I’m very pleased that the Guardian Angels have decided to accept the challenge and the possibilities of helping Milwaukee fight crime and improve public safety, and I’ll continue helping them get a firm foothold here,” the alderman said.

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Guardian Angels Patrol Event/ADD ONE

In September Ald. Zielinski hosted Guardian Angels founder Curtis Sliwa in Milwaukee as he met with aldermen and other officials to explore the feasibility of establishing a Guardian Angels chapter in the city. A nationally known figure and activist, Sliwa accepted an invitation to Milwaukee extended by Ald. Zielinski, a proponent of stepped-up public safety efforts who has sponsored measures to add additional Milwaukee police officers.

Ald. Zielinski has said the red bereted Guardian Angels have demonstrated an ability to “get in touch with people in tough neighborhoods and to get people in the community involved in trying to make a difference.”

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