

NOTES & NEWS: A CLVN publication highlighting membership meetings and events

 <p>Visit our web site at www.clvn.org</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Member Notices</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Save the date of September 12, 2015 for the CLVN Community Party at the 1000 block of George. \$10 per person includes food, refreshments, live band and children activities. 2. CAPS meetings are now held on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. and the CLVN meeting will be held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7p.m. 3. Dues for 2015 are now due. Dues are \$10 per person, \$5 if you are a senior and \$40 for a business.

****At Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital-Olson Auditorium-1st Floor, 7:00 p.m.

NEXT MEETING SEPTEMBER 8, 2015

<u>Agenda for September 8, 2015</u>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Request from Barcocina, 2901 N. Sheffield, for an outdoor patio license for 2016. 2. Presentation on zoning for Halsted by Alderman Tunney's office 3. President's Report-Marsalek 4. Approval of Minutes –July 5. Treasurer's Report-Kerr 6. Committee Reports-Summer Party, Beautification, 7. CDDC Report-Poppy/Diamond 8. LVCC Report-Korol/Svendsen 9. Ald. Report 10. New Business 11. Old Business 12. Adjournment

Up-Coming Events

9/8/15	CAPS meeting 6:30 p.m.; CLVN meeting 7p.m.
9/12/15	CLVN Party 1000 block of George

WHAT HAPPENED LAST MONTH

MINUTES FROM JULY 14, 2015 MEETING

CLVN President, Diann Marsalek, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Officers in attendance: Jeannie Saliture-Vice President, Treasurer-Ross Kerr, Terry Diamond-Recording Secretary and Area Directors: Mike Canning, Jude Korol and Rob Svendsen. Excused officers were Jason Osborn-Corresponding Secretary and Area Director- Joe Ravelingen. A quorum was present.

President's Report: The 2015 CAPS/CLVN schedule is Sept. 8, 2105. There will be no CAPS meeting in November due to the Veteran's Day holiday for the City of Chicago. We had a very successful movie night on June 19 with about 200 attending Paddington on a chilly night. The feedback was individuals liked having the movie on a Friday night. The next 2 movies are July 18 (Big Hero 6) and August 16 (Mary Poppin's) at dusk at Hawthorne. We also had a donation jar at the movie and CLVN made \$40.00. Advocate is sponsoring a Farmer's Market every Tuesday during the summer from 3-7 p.m. at their patio area located off Wellington with local and organic produce. Weisman Park will hold a summer activity on Aug. 3 which will be a music performance from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. aimed at children ages 4-10. Family Block Party will be held on Sat. July 18th from 10-2 p.m. at Donahue Park on School Street. Marsalek sent out an email to see the response to the Pride Parade staying in the area or should it be moved. The overwhelming

response was to move out of the area based upon safety concerns, traffic, congestion and a variety of other reasons. Marsalek will be attending a meeting with Alderman Tunney and other community groups to discuss the future of the parade in the area. Members offered their views at the meeting which included that the parade has outgrown the neighborhood. The police did a great job and the private security helped their efforts. The crowd was pushed west toward Belmont and Sheffield which presents a problem for that area. Also the 46th Ward had problems with shootings at the parade and Montrose Harbor was packed. The concern is after the parade when the crime occurs. Some businesses had to close as their patrons were not able to reach the businesses. The Alderman's office will be holding a post parade meeting with the police, business chambers and community representatives. A motion was made by Jeanne Saliture and seconded by Karen Gaus to write a letter to Alderman Tunney with the finding from the feedback on the parade. A petition is being circulated to address the changes made to the intersection at Lincoln, Wellington and Southport <http://www.change.org/p/alderman-alderman-scott-waguespack-ssa27-south-lakeview-neighbors-redesign-rethink-rescind-polka-dot-park-aka-the-lincoln-park-hub>. A motion was made by Karen Gaus and seconded by Terry Diamond to write a letter to Ald. Waguespack to let him know the concerns of the membership with the current design of the intersection. Neighbors have contact Marsalek about Gino's East on Lincoln at Diversey (2801 N. Lincoln) reopening with a liquor license and having tables in the parking lot during the summer. This business is located in the 32nd Ward and was previously a BYOB. Beautification at Agassiz will wait till the construction is done in September to replace all the tree boxes on George, Seminary and Wolfram. Renderings will be provided to the membership for comment in August. The CLVN Executive Board met and discussed various items. The CLVN Nominating Committee will be co-chaired by Karen Gaus and Jackie Price. If you would like to serve as an officer please contact them at jackieprice62@yahoo.com. The election as per our By-Laws will be held at the November 10, 2015 meeting and names of those running for office will be announced at the September meeting. CLVN also needs to update their website since we are getting hacked and it is subject to virus attacks due to the age of this system. We have found an individual who can update for us to have a more modern and user friendly site. We need to spend about \$1000.00 to get this done. A motion was made by Terry Diamond and seconded by Jude Korol to spend up to \$1000.00 to get a new website, get estimates and let the CLVN Executive Board decide the best provider for this service. Items of interest will be posted on the CLVN facebook page if the website goes down. Please tell your neighbors and friends about the CLVN facebook page. We also discussed some future fundraisers to increase revenue as the summer party is a big expense for us or look to future sponsorships for this event. Marsalek received a notice from the neighbors about the grease truck at Advocate. A response was requested from Advocate. They changed the date of the procedure and the individual who notifies us of these dates was on vacation. A back up person is now in place for the notification. Also they were not aware the vendor was going to use 2 trucks. They will go back to the procedure using 1 truck. The hospital is looking at other vendors and seeking input from people in that industry on how to eliminate the smell during this process. If you oppose the proposed flyover by the CTA in our area there is a petition you can sign at <http://petitions.moveon.org/sign/dont-waste-taxpayer-on>. CLVN has asked Ald. Tunney's office to address rat situation at 3016 N. seminary and motorcycle noise on the same block by an individual repairing motorcycles in his garage and using the alley to test the bikes.

Treasurer's Report: Kerr reported the accounts hold \$11,351.00. CLVN made \$732 in tips from the beer tent at the CLMA event. In 2016 we would like to increase revenue. We will spend money on the website and the Agassiz beautification project. We spend money on the movie about \$1800 a year and the summer party.

Presentation by Chicago Cubs: Heather Way Kitzes, Manager of Government and Neighborhood Relations came to make a presentation. The season is already at the mid point. The cubs addressed the sound issues at the beginning of the season. Charter buses now load and unload on Irving Park. The Cubs had fireworks at Wrigley for the 4th of July and a concert over the weekend for 2 hours after a game. The bleachers are open and a vendor now sells hot dogs by the bleacher area. New amenities have been installed. The construction is moving along. There will be four concerts Billy Joel Aug. 27, Foo Fighters Aug 29, Zac Brown Sept. 11 and ACDC September 15. Information will be provided to the neighbors prior to the concerts. The Cubs thanked the neighbors for their support. We thanked the Cubs for providing a port a john for the movies and our neighborhood party.

Presentation by Elevate Energy: Presentation by Elizabeth Corrado. This is a non for profit group which addresses home energy loss and ways to improve. It is structured as a think and do tank. They want to cut energy cost and protect the environment. Most energy is lost through cracks in the basement and leaks in the roof. They partner with new builders to make energy efficient buildings and homes. They also can provide visual inspections to correct energy loss. They look to see if appliances are properly vented, look at windows, doors, roofs and basement areas. There will also be a service offered by Com Ed for reduction of energy during peak times and you will receive credits for 2-6 p.m. during the week and on weekends. They will provide their contact info to Marsalek.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Terry Diamond to approve the May 2015 minutes and seconded by Charley Wilcox. The motion passed unanimously.

CDDC Report: Marsalek reported for Poppy that the May 27th CDDC meeting had one agenda item which was a presentation by the CTA on the proposed brown line fly-over expansion. The presentation was met with many questions. Individuals questions if there a need for this expansion if the point is to shave a few minutes off the wait time for a train. The general view was that millions and millions of dollars were recently spent on the brown line improvements just a few years ago. The CTA presented a redevelopment plan for the area that would be impacted. Alderman Tunney shared his and his constituents concerns that the CTA promised this before, but there are parcels of land that still remain vacant, some with trash and no development plans. Further public meetings are to be scheduled. The next CDDC meeting will be on July 22, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at Ann Sather's, 909 W. Belmont.

Planning & Zoning Committee Report: Marsalek reported we are working on getting the filed covenant for 3037 N. Sheffield.

Ald. Report: Duffy reported the 44th Ward will be holding an event on July 23 at Advocate for seniors. Com. Gainer will be at their office on July 16 from 9a.m.-noon to work on property tax issues. New benches are being installed along the lakefront.

CLMA report: Isacson reported their Art Institute tour was very successful. The new edition of their magazine will feature health clubs. A new coffee business is opening at Roscoe and Racine. They will be at the movie on Saturday. They will hold a holiday party the first Thursday in December at the John Hancock Center. The building owner where Oberweis is located provided positive compliments for the CLVN corners to CLMA.

LVCC Report: No report. A member asked the LVCC reps to let LVCC know their website needs to be updated from 2013.

Old Business: The petitions to expand permit parking hours are at Alderman Tunney's office and more petitions are being delivered to him.

New Business: CLVN asked Ald. Tunney to recognize our member, John Reigler who is 93 and a longtime member of CLVN which the Alderman agreed to do. The 1000 block of George will be named after him. Terry Diamond made a motion and Karen Gaus seconded to support this effort. The motion passed unanimously. Charley Wilcox brought up the issue of signs not being adequately posted for street cleaning and that the signs need to provide more notice. Sheffield is missing street sweeping as cars are not moving for the cleaning. Duffy will address this issue. Just a reminder the CLVN party is Sept. 12, 2015 on the 1000 block of George.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Terry Diamond and seconded by Jackie Price to adjourn the meeting. The Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

CAPS REPORT 19th District - Beat 1933 (boundary - Belmont to Diversey between Lincoln to Halsted): The 19th District's Commander is Robert Cesario and his contact information is robert.cesario@chicagopolice.org. There were 2 robberies of cell phones on July 8, 2015 around 4a.m. on the 900 block of Cornelia and the 900 block of George. There have been bikes stolen from buildings so make sure you lock up your bikes and register them with the police department. Pride Parade was briefly discussed that the additional 90 security personnel made a difference. Most had good comments about the police presence. Some complaints were raised from individuals who lived near the end of the parade as to noise and congestion. Neighbors on Kenmore raised concerns that they were forced to stay in their homes during the entire day and after the parade. There was drinking in Kenmore Playlot and in the alleys around that Playlot. The CPD Arson Unit is addressing the fire in the alley on the 3000 block of Kenmore. A complaint was raised about the use of fireworks. Call 911 if this happens and call the CAPS office if the problem persists. Marsalek relayed complaints she has been receiving about individuals accessing the gate area between the VIC and Bank of America on Sheffield. The Alderman's office and the police will address to make it secure. Remember to lock doors, windows, houses, cars and take valuables out of cars. Call 311 if you see graffiti. A neighbor wanted to thank the beat officers on George Street during the midnight shift for looking with their lights into the houses, gangways and alleys. The next meeting will be held on September 8, 2015 in the Olson Auditorium (first floor), Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital, 836 W. Wellington. There will be no November CAPS meeting as this is a City Holiday when our meeting was scheduled. Sign up for CLEARpath at www.chicagopolice.org to find the latest news and communicate with the police. Also you can text the police and receive cash rewards for tips on crime see www.chicagopolice.org/txt2tip. The 19th District CAPS phone number is 312-744-0064.

Questions about your membership? Know neighbors that want to join? Go to www.clvn.org to download a copy of our membership form or contact Diann Marsalek at Marsalek722@gmail.com.

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