

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



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Member Notices

CLVN Dues for 2025 are now being accepted. Dues are \$20 per person, \$10 if you are a senior (60 years or older) and \$50 for a business. You can pay by check, cash or paypal. Our Treasurer is Jim Kink 3020 N. Kenmore.

CAPS meeting

The CAPS meeting will be in person on May 13, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. in the Olson Auditorium at Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital.

CLVN Meeting

May 13, 2025 at 7p.m. in person at the Olson Auditorium, Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital.

NEXT MEETING IN PERSON ON MAY 13, 2025

Agenda for In Person Meeting on May 13, 2025

1. President's Report-Marsalek
2. Approval of Minutes – March 11, 2025
3. Treasurer's Report-Kink
4. CLVN Planning and Zoning Report-Poppy
5. Government Reports-Aldermanic, State and Congress
6. LVECC Report - Martino
7. LVCC Report – Klees
8. Tubman School report
10. New Business
11. Old Business
12. Adjournment

Up-Coming Events

CLVN Wine Tasting on April 27th , 2-5 p.m. at Kirkwood's, \$10 suggested donation.
CLVN Flower Sale-Orders due May 16th and pick up May 23-24th

WHAT HAPPENED LAST MONTH

MINUTES FROM March 11, 2025 MEETING

CLVN President, Diann Marsalek, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Officers in attendance: Terry Diamond-Vice President, Mary Anderson-Corresponding Secretary, Jim Kink-Treasurer and Area Directors Dorothy Klees, Dorothy Mroski and Charles Wilcox. A quorum was present.

Presentation by Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital: Susan Nordstrom Lopez introduced Frank Nuno from the Hospital and the construction representatives-Aldona Jelinek and John Buckley. The Hospital will finish exterior work in August and hope to open the new building in October. The Hospital made a large effort to mitigate noise during construction. Construction workers are using the designated parking lots and are not allowed to park on neighborhood streets. It is anticipated that 120 tradespersons will be using the parking. If there are issues call Frank Nuno at 773-296-3917 or call the Hospital. The Hospital has challenges with getting ready for the building with deliveries and is requesting to take some parking spaces for a period of time to accomplish the Phase 2 of the construction. The Hospital is seeking 25 parking spaces for a 10 month period. The time for use of the spaces would be Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. until 2p.m. Flaggers will be present to assist in the traffic flow. Christopher Collins thanked the Hospital for the efforts during construction. Marsalek asked the Hospital to send their presentation so it can be posted on the CLVN website which was done after the meeting. The Hospital will follow up with us at another meeting.

President's Report: Marsalek reported the CLVN Wine Tasting will be on Sunday April 27, 2025 at Kirkwood's from 2-5 p.m. The next CLVN meeting will be on May 13, 2025 which will be in person at Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital in the Olson Auditorium. The CAPS meetings will be on the same schedule as CLVN with meetings on May 13, July 8, Sept. 9 and Nov. 11, 2025. Thank you to the River for a great Holiday Party. We are planning Summer Movies. The Flower Sale orders will be due May 16, 2025 and pick up on the afternoon of May 23 or the morning of May 24. We will call you when your order is ready for pick up. All proceeds will benefit the CLVN Beautification Fund.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Kink reported the balance in the accounts is \$18,180.44. CLVN has received membership and contribution donations with the membership renewal. The first movie sponsor has been received-Rep. Ann Williams. The beautification fund has \$3551.00. Planned expenses for the year include the movies and flower sales. We receive movie sponsors and sale profits from the flower sale which offset expenses. Poppy asked for some funding once the flower boxes at Tubman after they are reviewed by the chamber. Kink assured her there is money to give but this would need to be approved by the membership.

Aldermanic Report: Isaac Trancoso reported he addresses public safety, zoning and legislation for the alderman's office. Legislation that passed addressed converting store fronts into residential units on the first floor. This can occur on a street where 50% is residential. The process is faster and will be an administrative process. Also passed was a requirement that short term rentals have a plaque posted with contact information of the management or owner for 24/7. If there are large parties neighbors should call the manager/owner and the police. A propane restriction passed to ban propane on the streets to use for cooking. This will protect health and safety and not allow non licensed business to compete with licensed businesses. A ban passed to not allow individuals to have city jobs if they were involved in the incident at the United States Capital. Ald. Lawson voted against the \$830 million bond proposal. Ald. Lawson co-sponsored an ethics ban to prevent the

City Law Department from obstructing an ethics investigation. The owner of 4-Sided on Clark passed away and there was an honor in his name. Howard Brown will be celebrating its 50th anniversary. The new 44th Ward Community Plan is on their website and it will be in the newsletter. The Alderman's office has been following a case in which an individual has been harassing, spitting and battering individuals on Broadway. It is likely he will take a plea for 3 years and get some credit for time served. He will have to serve 220 days. The office has an infrastructure survey and residents are encouraged to complete the survey on their website. SSA 17 provides security, beautification to the area and they also have a survey for residents and businesses to complete

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Terry Diamond to approve the minutes from Jan. 14, 2025 which was seconded by Charley Wilcox. The motion passed unanimously.

Tubman School: Principal Tonya Hammaker presented on behalf of the school. She is promoting growth and proficiency. A school tour will occur on April 22 and the spring musical this year will be Mary Poppins on April 25th. The Friends of Tubman raised \$76,751.00. The enrollment is up by 60 students and the total enrollment for the school is 307 students. She feels Tubman has great teachers and staff. There is currently 1 pre-school class and she would like to expand to a second class. 50% of the students are from the neighborhood. The kindergarten class is 50% from the neighborhood. The culture and climate of the school are good with her focus this year on grades k-2 as she worked on grades 3-8 last year. Poppy asked for the maintenance to address areas of overgrowth and weeds. Members commented the children seem happy on the playground. The children are quieter and nicer when entering the school. Principal Hammaker wants the children to meet expectations to behave in school and on school grounds.

Lake View East Chamber of Commerce: No report as this was the night of their annual meeting.

Planning & Zoning Committee Report: Marie Poppy reported a text message was received that the owner of 2814 N. Halsted had a family emergency and would not be presenting at the meeting. Poppy gave an overview that there are currently three businesses on the first floor. The zoning requested is from B3-2 to B3-3. The owner wants to build three additional stories and add 12 two bedroom apartments with 2 baths. The first floor would remain commercial. There would be parking in the rear, bike racks and a rooftop deck. 20% of the building or 2 units would offer affordable housing. The pizza business would return to the first floor. The entire building will be demolished and the new building would occur for the 4 stories. CLVN suggested to the owner to change the front windows on Halsted and the color of the exterior brick to blend better with the other surrounding buildings. CLVN Planning and Zoning Committee is making the recommendation to the membership to support the zoning request. The Alderman's office informed the membership that the owner has not applied for the zoning change and there no notice (within 250 feet to the property) has been sent to the surrounding neighbors or a sign posted on the property for the re-zoning. It was decided to defer the vote to the May 13th meeting so the owner can file and get notice to the neighbors before the vote.

LVCC Report: Klees reported at the last meeting there was no quorum. 40 businesses have opened in Lake View and the number of empty businesses is going down. There are 2 concerts scheduled at Wrigley-Post Malone on May 22 and Stray Kids on June 26. LVCC is working with CLVN on Directors and Officers Liability Insurance

Chicago Cubs: No report

Old Business: None

New business: None.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Terry Diamond and seconded by Marie Poppy. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 8:08 p.m.

CAPS REPORT 19th District - Beat 1933 (boundary - Belmont to Diversey between Lincoln to Halsted): The Commander is Amin Jessani and his contact information is amin.jessani@chicagopolice.org. The CAPS Sergeant is Dean Angelo and his contact info is dean.angelo@chicagopolice.org. The CAPS meeting was held March 11, 2025. The next CAPS meeting will discuss the 19th District Strategic Plan. Numbers to post on your house or garage will be available at the next CAPS meeting. These numbers assist first responders to identify the location they are being called to and they request these numbers be posted on the buildings. The numbers for crimes committed since the last beat meeting on Jan. 14, 2025 were provided. There were 3 burglaries for the reporting of the last beat meeting and 15 occurred since Jan. 15, 2025 which is an increase of 12 crimes. There has been an increase in commercial and residential burglaries and the department is taking these crimes seriously. The burglaries occurred on Jan. 17 at 3 a.m. on the 1000 block of W. Diversey where a door was damaged and a cash register taken; Jan. 17th at 8 p.m. on the 2800 block of Sheffield where the glass on a front door was damaged and the cash register was broken; Jan. 17th at 10 p.m. on the 2800 block of Halsted the glass door was damaged; Jan. 19th on the 2900 block of Sheffield at 4a.m. a front window was damaged and multiple offenders stole liquor; Jan. 20th at midnight on the 2900 block of N. Halsted packages from a mail room were taken and this individual is now in custody as of Feb. 13th.; Jan. 20th at 10 p.m. on the 2800 block on N. Lincoln a front door was damaged and a cash register taken; Jan. 22nd at 5p.m. on the 1100 block of W. Belmont the back door handle was damaged and a safe damaged; Jan. 30th at 6 a.m. on the 1000 block of Oakdale a garage was burglarized and someone entered a car in the garage; Feb. 7th at 1p.m. on the 3000 block of N. Clifton a back door of an apartment was damaged and \$1500 in items, passport and social security card were taken; Feb. 11th at 2 a.m. on the 2800 block of N. Halsted \$3500.00 taken from a cash register; Feb. 14th at 5a.m. on the 3000 block of N. Clifton a rear door was damaged and \$3500.00 taken; Feb. 16th at 2 a.m. on the 2900 block of N. Sheffield multiple offenders attempted to steal a ATM; March 3rd at 3 a.m. on the 1200 block of Wellington a back door was left open and that is how the entry occurred; March 3rd at 3 a.m. on the 1300 block of W. Nelson a garage was left unlocked and a bike stolen; March 4th 1p.m. on the 800 block of W. Fletcher a garage was entered and a key to a car taken. Call 911 if you see anyone suspicious. Marsalek commented there has been a good presence of a police squad every morning at Diversey and Sheffield around 6:30 p.m. for at least 5 days. The District is responding to these crimes by having more tact officers, burglary team and undercover officers working the night and early morning hours in heavy hit areas for these crimes. There were 2 Robberies which is down by 4 since the last beat meeting had 6. The robberies occurred on March 5th at 3p.m. on the 900 block of Wellington where the victim was alone in an alley and 2 unknown offenders with masks had guns and took the victim's phone and backpack; Feb. 17th at 8 p.m. on the 900 block of W. Belmont where hair clippers and paperwork was taken. A meeting is being set up with bar owners on Clark St. to provide information for them to give to staff and patrons to be aware of surroundings and protect themselves when on the street. There was 1 domestic arrest since the last beat meeting. No notable arrests since the last beat meeting. There were many

reported crimes over the past weekend in the City and the District. The police are looking for video and encourage those with video to call 911 and link up with CPD. When you register they do not see the footage but know you have a camera so they can contact you to see if you have relevant footage of a crime. You can register your camera location with a city building database so the police can ask to view your footage. The police are also seeking to have businesses register their cameras. The police will be present for the St. Patrick's Day weekend in the District. The next CAPS meeting is May 13, 2025 in person. You can also enroll in www.smart911.com. 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. Gang and narcotics related calls can be made anonymously. 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 centrallakeviewneighbors@gmail.com. Attend the CLVN meetings to build a better and safer community.

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