

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. Community Policing meetings are held on the second Tuesday of odd months at 6:30 p.m. and the CLVN meeting will be held on the second Tuesday of the odd months at 7p.m. 2. CLVN Dues for 2017 are now due. 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. 3. Attend the Festival of Arts on Broadway from Belmont to Hawthorne on Sept. 9 and 10th, 2017. 4. CLVN Neighborhood Event at Barcocina, 2910 N. Sheffield from 4:30-7:30 p.m. \$20 donation includes drinks and food.

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

NEXT MEETING SEPTEMBER 12, 2017

Please bring school supplies to the meeting to donate to Agassiz School.

Agenda for SEPTEMBER 12, 2017
1. Second presentation and voting item for request by Bottega Ramos at 1134 W. Diversey for an incidental liquor license
2. Zoning request for 922-924 W. George from RT4 to RM5
3. President's Report-Marsalek
4. Approval of Minutes –July 2017
5. Treasurer's Report-Kerr
6. Committee Reports- Beautification, Nomination for officers for 2018, Planning and Zoning
7. CDDC Report-Poppy/Diamond
8. LVCC Report
9. Ald. Report
10. LVECC Report
11. Agassiz Report
12. New Business
13. Old Business
14. Adjournment

Up-Coming Events

9/9 & 10	Festival of the Arts at Belmont and Broadway
9/17/17	Bar Cocina event 4:30-7:30
10/21/2017	Agassiz Halloween Party

WHAT HAPPENED LAST MONTH

MINUTES FROM JULY 11, 2017 MEETING

CLVN President, Diann Marsalek, called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m. since we had a full

agenda and the CAPS meeting finished a bit early. Officers in attendance: Terry Diamond-Recording Secretary, Jeanne Saliture-Vice President, Area Director-Dorothy Klees, Sharon Williams, Jude Korol and Charley Wilcox. Excused officers were Ross Kerr-Treasurer and Mary Anderson-Corresponding Secretary. A quorum was present.

Presentation by Ald. Tunney in place of Chris Jessup: Ald. Tunney is collecting feedback from the Pride Parade. There will be a recap of the Pride Parade with the city service providers, parade organizer and the community representatives. There were fewer parking restrictions for CLVN this year due to the CTA changing the routes for the Belmont and Diversey buses. Ald. Tunney watched and assisted with the post parade clean up at 3:00 a.m. on Monday and wanted the streets cleaned for the morning rush. It was estimated the crowd was one million but the crowd seemed more dispersed this year over the parade route. There were two designs sent to the community for the proposed mural at Belmont and Kenmore. One design was chosen and work has started on the mural. The tax payers will fund \$10,000.00 toward the public art. There is no news about replacing the art piece at the CTA station on Diversey. Several new sculptures are now located in Lake View and Lincoln Park. There will be two murals in the area: one at Belmont and Kenmore and perhaps the second at the wall by Treasure Island on Broadway. A question was raised about the signs in the road to allow pedestrian crossing especially at Belmont and Seminary. The signs cost \$600.00 and the City will only pay for 3 signs. After the third sign it will require private funding to replace. Commercial spaces closed at 901-905 W. Belmont due to building inspections finding faulty wiring. The sidewalk replacement program of 50-50 is still in place with discounts for seniors. There is a requirement if the sidewalk has a defect or crack of two inches or higher it is a trip hazard and you should call 311 for an inspection. Most new construction provides for new sidewalks since they usually tear up the side walk for utilities access.

Presentation by Alicia Senior-Saywell of the Belmont Theater District: The Belmont Theater District was formed five years ago and is the largest theater district in Chicago. Approximately 150 shows play in our area during the week. The theaters in the area provide drama, improv, children's theater, musicals, late night cabaret and many other interesting venues. Visit the website at BTDchicago.com for more information and discounts for tickets. The venues also can host meetings or events at their locations. The Belmont Theater District looks for neighbors to patronize the theaters and also financially support the group. Theater month will be in October so watch for many exciting performances. You can also visit the facebook page for the Belmont Theater District.

Presentation by Advocate for their building at 3134 N. Clark: Jack Gilbert introduced his team of presenters: Lance Thies, Tom Lee and Peter Messina. Advocate Medical Group is developing the former Sports Authority site which will offer specialty and ancillary services at the building. The current zoning is B3-3 for business use. The zoning will remain the same and no zoning relief is sought. Currently, there are 106 parking spaces for the 45,000 sq. ft. building. They will add a drop off area, add green space, add an elevator and reconfigure the parking. There will be spaces for vans on the ground level and 107 spaces for other cars. The ADA accessible spaces will now be in the garage so individuals can take an elevator and not be exposed to any outdoor elements. There will also be glass windows added, more lighting and an effort to make the building more attractive. Trash will be collected from the rear in the alley. The hours will be 7a.m-8p.m. and they will have weekend hours. Some new employees might be added to the staff but most will be relocating from other parts of the hospital. A suggestion was made to have the Barry and Fletcher sides of the building have a living wall like the wall at the building to the west on Barry. Another neighbor asked if the community or businesses will be allowed to use the existing parking after the building closes daily. The hospital will look into this issue. There was a concern since individuals who park would have to exit the building and they would have to have security at the building for the after-hours parkers. Another neighbor asked the hospital to look at the length of the traffic lights and for the flow of pedestrian traffic. Another concern was raised about individuals using the rear door on Barry to consume alcohol, smoke and loiter. The hospital is aware of this concern and will look at many options including sliding doors to alleviate this problem. The medical group will be leasing the building for 15 years. Another neighbor suggested have art work or murals on the walls or in the area to spruce up the building. They hope to move in July 2018. Most neighbors felt this will be a nice improvement to the building and a good use of the space.

Presentation of Bodega Ramos of 1134 W. Diversey for an incidental liquor license: Mateo Ramos presented for his request for an incidental liquor license. His business located at 1134 W. Diversey has been open for 8 ½ years. The business is a retail wine and spirit store with some draft beers. He hopes to expand the business by offering deli food/cheese and include seating for 10-15 patrons. The space of the store would not change. He will add a small food prep area with a refrigerator. There will not be any grills or black top stoves. The food offerings will be cold items

such as cheese and appetizers. He hopes to bring a Latin flare to some of the food offerings. His current hours are Monday-Friday 1p.m.-9p.m.; Saturday 12 pm.-9p.m. and Sunday 12 p.m. to 6p.m. He would like to have the following hours: Monday-Wednesday 11 a.m.-9p.m., Thursday-Saturday 11 a.m. -11 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m.-6p.m. Marie Poppy asked if he would enter into a plan of operation and he agreed to do this. Charlie Wilcox asked about his garbage service. He may have to add more service or a second contain based upon the food items he intends to sell. He does do wine tasting and offers some light snacks at the tastings. He could serve 45 individuals at the store for a wine tasting. Marsalek noted he may reconsider the hours to close at 10 p.m. on Thursday –Sunday as 11 p.m. seemed a bit late for the residential area around the store.

President's Report: The Community Policing and CLVN meetings for 2017 will be 9/12/17 and 11/14/17. The outdoor summer movies have been very successful. Thanks to our sponsors-Ald. Tunney, Chicago Cubs, Lake View East Chamber of Commerce, Barcocina, Mad River and Hawthorne Neighbors. The next two movies are scheduled for July 14 (Finding Dory) and August 18 (Sing). We will be having a fall fest at Barcocina on Sept. 17th from 3:30-6:30. The Cook County State's Attorney is holding an open house on Aug. 1, 2017 at 5333 N. Western from 11:30 a.m. -2:30 p.m. National Night Out will be held Aug. 1, 2017 from 6-8 p.m. at Hamlin Park with many activities. Please send you comments whether positive or negative to CLVN concerning the Pride Parade. A Senior Health Fair will be held July 13, 2017 at Advocate in the patio area from 10 a.m.-2p.m. A safety walk will be conducted on July 21, 2017 at 11:50 p.m. with individuals to meet at the 7-11 at Halsted and Roscoe. South Loop Market had some paperwork issues and will be opening in August or September.

Treasurer's Report: Marsalek reported in the absence of Kerr that the CLVN balance is \$17,365.81. We had income from the flower sale, beer tasting and membership dues. Expenses were items for the flower sale, internet cost and for the summer movie. We have 171 paid individual members and 17 paid business members.

Lake View East Chamber of Commerce: Maureen Martino, Executive Director of LVECC, made a presentation. The LVECC manages SSA #17 which encompasses the boundaries of CLVN. Individuals should be seeing many positive changes. The main office for the chamber is 3138 N. Broadway with a second office at 3208 N. Sheffield. The Sheffield office also is the base for the security staff monitoring our area. They are focusing on making the area cleaner and have power washed the sidewalks. They hired a security firm for six figures, have 2 patrol vehicles on the street and alleys, review incident reports on crime and have begun beautification efforts by rearranging the flower pots on Sheffield. They also purchased trees for the area. They are looking into whether hanging flower baskets can be installed on the light poles on Belmont. We need to remind residents and businesses to lock doors and avoid walking late at night when you are alone. Holiday lights will be coming to Belmont. More improvements will be made to address trash, security and beautification. Christina Roberts from the chamber thanked the volunteers who bar tended at the music festival. A check was presented by LVECC to CLVN for \$1000.00 for the tips and an extra donation. On Sunday there will be a Wine and Sweet stroll from 3-6 p.m. A neighbor's night will be on July 18, 2017 at Sheffield's for \$5.00. Target plans a ribbon cutting ceremony on July 18, 2017 at 4p.m. at Belmont and Clark. On Aug. 18, 2017 Sing will be shown at Hawthorne. Terry Diamond thanked the LVECC for their work and for allowing CLVN to bar tend at the music festival. Another neighbor commented that the award ceremony by the chamber was great. Maureen pledged to work with the neighbors and complimented CLVN for their great work. Marsalek thanked Martino for all her efforts.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Terry Diamond to pass the minutes with the correction for the Lake View East Chamber of Commerce to reflect LVECC made no report at the May meeting because they were not aware they were on the agenda. They now know to report at every CLVN meeting. The motion to approve the amended minutes was seconded by Karen Gaus. The motion passed unanimously.

Ald. Tunney Report: No report as this was covered by Ald. Tunney earlier in the meeting.

Beautification Committee Report: No report.

CDDC Report: Diamond reported that Advocated presented at the last meeting for their plans for 3144 N. Clark. The next meeting is July 26, 2017 at Ann Sather's at 6:30 p.m.

Planning & Zoning Committee Report: Poppy reported a follow up is being done for the property on the 800 block of W. Oakdale.

LVCC Report: Klees reported 4 Star Restaurant has become an institutional member of LVCC. There will be a task force meeting concerning improvements on Lake Shore Drive on July 12, 2017 at DePaul from 3-7 p.m. One suggestion is to make the road three lanes in each direction north of Montrose.

Agassiz School report: No report-summer vacation.

Old Business: None.

New Business: LVECC informed us that WGN News will be at Trader Todd's at 7:45 a.m. tomorrow to broadcast about the Jimmy Buffet concert at Wrigley Field.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Terry Diamond and seconded by Jeanne Saliture to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

CAPS REPORT 19th District - Beat 1933 (boundary - Belmont to Diversey between Lincoln to Halsted): The CAPS meeting was held on July 11, 2017. The police visited the property at 1055 W. Wellington concerning a complaint from the last meeting for loud parties. If you hear a loud party or are concerned for the integrity of a porch with a party, call 911. The police have a good working relationship with DePaul University and the students must follow a code of conduct which applies to them living in the neighborhood. There were 12 robberies in June: Armed robbery on 1300 block of W. Fletcher on June 2 at 2:00 a.m.; June 5 robbery at Belmont El at 4:00 a.m.; June 11 armed robbery at 7-11 at Diversey and Sheffield at 11:50; June 11 attempted robbery at Walgreens at Halsted and Barry; June 18 2:00 a.m. at 2800 N. Sheffield made a person buy items for a group and then robbed the person used a knife as a weapon; June 21 at 2:00 a.m. at 945 W. Belmont a cell phone was stolen and the offender arrested; June 25 at 3:00 p.m. (Day of Pride Parade) at 900 W. Belmont a person was arrested for stealing 2 chains from another person's neck; June 26 at 2:00 a.m. 2900 N. Halsted a cell phone was stolen; June 30 at 2:00 a.m. a person was robbed after exiting a bar; July 4 at 3:30 a.m. at 1300 W. Barry but did not make a report to 6:00 p.m. that night. The police also reminded individuals using Uber to make sure the car you enter has a matching license plate to the vehicle being sent to you. There have been several thefts of items from cars and bikes stolen. Please remember to register your bike with the police. Also do not have packages delivered when you are not home. Have them delivered to an address where someone can receive the package. There were 7 forcible burglaries in May and June. Individuals are leaving doors to their homes, windows and garages unlocked. Reported Burglaries were: 1000 block of W. Wolfram a ladder was stolen; 3100 block of N. Clifton a laptop and ipad were stolen and the 1300 block of W. Fletcher a bike was stolen. There were 4 forced entries to steal items at the 800 block of W. Oakdale a door was kicked in and a laptop stolen; 2900 block of N. Racine a bike was taken after a door was pried open and 3000 block of N. Sheffield in which sunglasses were stolen from a commercial location. The police recommend installing good quality cameras, security systems and lights. A member asked about what outreach is done for homeless. The police have a car that is daily making stops to talk to the homeless and let them know if social services that are available. The police will follow up with a concern for a homeless person living in the alley behind Kenmore playlot. National Night Out will be held on August 1, 2017 from 6-8 p.m. at Hamlin Park. If you see individuals with dogs sitting on the street and if they are blocking the public way call 911. If someone is suspicious are acting strange call 911. If you tell the 911 staff the individual is having a mental issue that will increase the priority of the call. Ald. Tunney reported the number of staff at the 19th District decreased by 4-6 staff. A group of the Belmont businesses are working with the police and Cook County State's Attorney to share information and increase more signage for no trespassing. The Commander is Marc S. Buslik and his contact information is marc.buslik@chicagopolice.org. The next CAPS meeting will be held on September 12, 2017 in the Olson Auditorium (first floor), Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital, 836 W. Wellington. CAPS meetings are also scheduled for 7/11/2017, 9/12/2017 and 11/14/2017. 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 centrallakeviewneighbors@gmail.com.

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