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

**Member Notices**

1. 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 7 p.m.

2. Dues for 2016 are being accepted by CLVN. 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. CLVN Beer Tasting March 6, 2016 at Matilda’s, 3101 N. Sheffield, tickets $40, 3:30 p.m.

4. CLVN Wine Tasting at Kirkwood, 2934 N. Sheffield, on Sunday April 10, 2016, $10, 2-5 p.m.

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**NEXT MEETING MARCH 8, 2016**

**Agenda for March 8, 2016**

1. Presentation by the Chicago Cubs-Heather Way Kitzes
2. President’s Report-Marsalek
3. 501 c 3 status-This will be a voting matter
4. Special Election to vote for an Area Director
5. Approval of Minutes –January 2016
6. Treasurer’s Report-Kerr
7. Committee Reports- Beautification
8. CDDC Report-Poppy/Diamond
9. LVCC Report-Saliture/Tavel
10. Ald. Report
11. New Business
12. Old Business
13. Adjournment

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**Up-Coming Events**

3/2/16 Benefit for 19th District John Barleycorn, 3524 N. Clark, $30, 6-9 p.m.
3/6/16 CLVN Beer Pairing 3:30 p.m., Matilda’s, 3101 N. Sheffield, $40
3/8/16 CAPS meeting 6:30 p.m.; CLVN meeting 7p.m.
4/9/16 Free paper shredding, 3223 N. Sheffield, 9-12 noon
4/10/16 CLVN Wine Tasting at Kirkwood, $10
4/13/16 Agassiz Local School Council Elections
4/16/16 Annual Clean and Green of Neighborhood 10 a.m.
5/14/16 Agassiz Casino night, 7p.m., 1111 W. Diversey

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**WHAT HAPPENED LAST MONTH**

**MINUTES FROM JANUARY 12, 2016 MEETING**

CLVN President, Diann Marsalek, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Officers in attendance: Jeanne Saliture-Vice President, Treasurer-Ross Kerr, Terry Diamond-Recording Secretary, Mary Anderson-Corresponding Secretary and Area Director: Jude Korol. Excused officers were Area Directors-Rob Svendsen, Charley Wilcox and Sharon Williams. A quorum was present.

President’s Report: The 2016 CAPS/CLVN schedule is March 8, May 10, July 12, Sept. 13 and Nov. 8. Thanks to Mad River for hosting a great holiday party for CLVN. We had many members attend and everyone commented on how nice the party was this year. Also thanks to CLMA and Genacelli for donating goodies for the party. We had over 50 members in attendance. Captain Bill Looney from the 19th District Police Department has been promoted to
Commander with a transfer to the 16th District. We congratulate him and wish him well with his new assignment. Commander Looney was always very helpful to CLVN and attended many of our meetings. Marsalek has been working with the Alderman’s office to address construction issues at 1034-36 W. Wellington including double parking on the street and blocking the intersection. We are planning a CLVN party and would like input if the neighbors want August 27 or Sept. 10 for the party. We also will look for sponsorships for the party. The CLVN beer tasting will be Feb. 28 at Matilda’s and our wine tasting will be held on April 10, 2016 at Kirkwood. CLVN is working on obtaining our own 501 c 3 non for profit status. We also need two volunteers to serve as the CLVN representatives to LVCC. This would require you attend a few meetings a year at LVCC and report back what happened at the meetings. We are planning the outdoor movies and are considering having all the movies on Friday nights. We will have a flower sale with pick up on May 7, 2016. Marsalek thanked the 2015 officers-Jason Osborn, Mike Canning and Joe Ravelingeen for their service to CLVN. The Executive Board looks forward to working with the new Board in 2016.

**Beautification Committee Report:** Marsalek is meeting with the contractor in February or March to go over the work needed to replace the 15 tree boxes surrounding Agassiz School. The contractor will start work in April. All 15 tree boxes located on George, Seminary and Wolfram are part of the project. The total cost for the project is $7500. CLVN has two events scheduled to benefit this project.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Kerr reported an income of $3138 from the last meeting which included donations and dues. The CLVN dues collected so far are $1540 for 2016. Over 25 members have paid their dues on pay pal. There is $15,700.00 in the CLVN bank accounts. CLVN is hoping to get 501 c 3 non for profit status. Marsalek explained in the past we used LVCC 501 c 3 status. No one seems to be sure the future of LVCC and CLVN decided to pursue our own 501 c 3 status. This will benefit and encourage donations to CLVN and save us the cost of sale taxes when we need to purchase items.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Karen Gaus to approve the November 2015 minutes with a correction under the CDDC report to reflect the rent for a one bedroom apartment at 450 W. Belmont as being $1000 a month and not $100 a month. The motion was seconded by Jeanne Salture. The motion passed unanimously.

**CDDC Report:** Marsalek reported for Poppy that the CDDC met on December 1 with the only agenda item being the request for special use zoning by Med Mar-Medical Cannabis Dispensary at 3812 N. Clark Street. There were some concerns raised by the community. First, its close proximity to Wrigley Field and that there might be issues with over served baseball fans trying to walk into the dispensary. Management of the dispensary discussed the safety and security measures that will be in place to prevent this from happening. The next concern raised by the community was should medical cannabis open the door to the legalization of the substance that this location would not extend their business beyond being a medical facility. The management and owners did commit to this point. Since the CDDC met the ZBA has granted special use zoning and Med Mar will be operating the dispensary. The next CDDC meeting is January 27, 2016 at Ann Sather’s.

**Planning & Zoning Committee Report:** No report as the Committee has not had a need to meet.

**Aldermanic Report:** Chris Jessup reported for Julie Levar of Alderman Tunney’s office. Sougata Deb has left the office and Dan is his new replacement. The tenant who held the party at 1141 W. Wellington where there was a huge fight and shooting has moved. The landlord pledged to use better screening practices in the future. One person was arrested from this incident and the next court date is Jan. 20, 2016. There was a home invasion at 3600 N. Magnolia in which the victim is recovering and three individuals were arrested for the crime. The police are investigating to see if this trio was responsible for other crimes. There was a public meeting for a new police superintendent the night of the CLVN meeting. There are new recycling rules as of Jan. 1, 2016. You can not place any bags in recycling cans. Shredded paper must be in a paper bag. Christmas trees were recycled on Jan. 9th. You can still buy guest parking passes in their office with credit cards or checks. They are not able to accept cash as per the Chicago City Clerk’s rules. The new parking passes for 383 are blue. Marsalek asked the status of the 383 petitions that were submitted by CLVN to change the parking hours from 5p.m. to 9 a.m. Jessup informed us we did not have enough signatures as you need 75% of city sticker holders on a block to sign the petition.

**Agassiz School report:** No report.

**CLMA report:** Isacson reported that they have a new publication involving 60 businesses. They also published a dining guide and gave out free copies of other publications. CLMA had a successful holiday party at the John Hancock Center. They are sponsoring an ice rink in the parking area at 2901 N. Sheffield next to Barcocina. There will be open skate daily from 3-10 p.m. until 2-14-16 or long weather permitting. You can go into Barcocina for free hot chocolate when you skate. They will hold their music festival at Belmont and Sheffield over the Memorial Day holiday. CLMA received two grants to work on marketing.

**LVCC Report:** No report.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** There was discussion of CLVN future events. We are looking to do a beer tasting at Matilda’s on Feb. 28 in which there would be food paired with beers. The cost of the event would be $40 per person and we would only sell about 60 tickets. We would still like to do a beer tasting at George Street Pub sometime between March and September with a cost of $10 per person. We need to promote these events to get individuals to attend. The money raised goes toward our neighborhood or the summer movies. Each movie costs about $1200 and there is also licensing fees that need to be paid. We had 4 sponsors in the past. We are working on sponsors for this year. Donahue Park wants to show movies in their park. The Cubs may also show movies in their new space but individuals thought they would charge a fee for entry. The Executive Board will meet to go over these items. The next meeting will be held on March 8, 2016 and the Chicago Cubs will make a presentation at the meeting.
Adjournment: A motion was made by Terry Diamond and seconded by Jude Korol to adjourn the meeting. The Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

CAPS REPORT 19th District - Beat 1933 (boundary - Belmont to Diversey between Lincoln to Halsted): The CAPS meeting was held on Jan. 12, 2016. The numbers given by the police for crime in our beat was 31 robberies in 2014 and 25 robberies in 2015. There were 55 burglaries in 2014 and 44 burglaries in 2015. There were 387 thefts in 2014 and 318 thefts in 2015. The total index crimes are down 16% and total crime was down 4.26%. The crime at 3600 N. Magnolia has been classified as a home invasion which means there was a burglary when someone was present and force was used. If you see construction trucks parking in the lanes of traffic and blocking the intersection at 1034-1036 W. Wellington call 911 to request the police to come and issue a ticket. The topic covered at the meeting was theft from autos. Remember to lock your car doors, remove all valuables from the car and place lock lug nuts for your tires. They are stealing items such as loose change and car chargers. They are also stealing tires and rims from cars. A car was stolen on the 1100 block of George. The owner told police the car was parked at 4p.m. on Friday Dec. 28 and when he went to the car on Monday the car was gone. The late night shift has the most staff dedicated to this shift which starts at 9 p.m. There is also an entertainment team on this late shift. The next CAPS meeting is March 8 and the topic to be addressed will be garage burglaries. The CAPS dates for 2016 are March 8 (Garage Burglaries), May 10 (Residential Burglaries), July 12 (Street Safety), Sept. 13 (Back to School Safety) and Nov. 8. (Seasonal Crime Trends). The focus of the beat meetings in 2016 is back to the basics to problem solving and above listed topics. The 19th District’s Commander is Robert Cesario and his contact information is robert.cesario@chicagopolice.org. The next meeting will be held on March 8, 2016 in the Olson Auditorium (first floor), Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital, 836 W. Wellington. 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 centrallakeviewneighbors@gmail.com.

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