


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. Come to the CLVN Outdoor Movies on June 19, July 18 and August 16 at Hawthorne School at dusk. 2. CAPS meetings are now held on the second Tuesday of odd month's at 6:30 p.m. and the CLVN meeting will be held on the second Tuesday of odd months 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 MAY 12, 2015

Agenda for May 12, 2015
1. Presentation by Alderman Tom Tunney and 44 th Ward Streets and Sanitation Ward Superintendent
2. Presentation by Enterprise-address water issues
3. Second presentation by 3037 N. Sheffield for zoning change from B3-2 to B2-2. This will be a voting item.
4. New business intro- Healthy Results at 922 W. Diversey
5. Outdoor café license request for 2901 N. Sheffield-Barcelona
6. Liquor license request for 7/11 at 947 W. Wellington
7. President's Report-Marsalek
8. CLVN Website-Marsalek
9. Approval of Minutes –March
10. Treasurer's Report-Kerr
11. Committee Reports
12. CDDC Report-Poppy/Diamond
13. LVCC Report-Korol/Svendson
14. Ald. Tunney Report
15. CLMA Report
16. New Business
17. Old Business
18. Adjournment

Up-Coming Events

4/12/15	CLVN Wine Tasting at Kirkwood, 2934 N. Sheffield, 3-6 p.m. \$10
4/18/15	Neighborhood Clean Up 10 am at Wellington and Seminary
5/3/15	CLVN Flower Sale flower orders due
5/9/15	Pick up flower orders at Agassiz 9-11:30 a.m., 2851 N. Seminary
5/12/15	CAPS meeting 6:30 p.m.; CLVN meeting 7p.m.
5/18/15	Agassiz Wine Tasting Rose Angelis, 1314 W. Wrightwood
5/23 & 24	CLMA Music Fest and Belmont and Sheffield

WHAT HAPPENED LAST MONTH

MINUTES FROM MARCH 10, 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 and Jude Korol. Excused officers were Jason Osborn-Corresponding Secretary and Area Directors- Joe Ravelingen and

Rob Svendsen. A quorum was present.

Presentation for incidental liquor license for 1113 W. Belmont: Bill Collins made a second presentation for an Interactive Dinner Theater similar to Tony and Tina's Wedding. This is the site of the former Belmont Pour House. Shows would be held Thursday to Sunday and patrons would leave around midnight each night. The food will be catered. The capacity would be 198 seats. The cost would be \$60-\$70 per person with food, drink and the show. They are seeking a full liquor license. They hope to open in June 2015 and will offer valet parking. They may offer matinees or seasonal shows. The email address is www.wegotabingo.com. Saliture made a motion which was seconded by Diamond to approve the request for an incidental liquor license. The motion passed unanimously.

Presentation by Agassiz School: Mira Weber, Principal of Agassiz introduced a representative of Friends of Agassiz and a representative from the local school council, who also attended the meeting. Principal Weber started at Agassiz as a teacher and then became the principal. She just renewed her contract and will stay at the school for 4 more years. There are 500 students in the school this year with an expected 530 students next year. They offer Pre-K to 8th grade and have a diverse student population. Agassiz' goal is to prepare its students for life beyond school. After students graduate from Agassiz they go to Lincoln Park High School. Agassiz is in the process of being designated an International Baccalaureate (IB) School, similar to Lincoln Park HS. IB is an internationally recognized educational program that focuses on educating the whole person and incorporates languages, history, culture into math, science, literature and writing promoting global awareness and leadership. IB courses and assessment are more rigorous and challenging. Weber thanked CLVN for all we do for the school. This summer there will be an event to seek volunteers to help paint and do interior volunteer projects in the school. They also want the neighbors to come and see the school. When Weber started at Agassiz the student population was 5% from the neighborhood and now it is 25%. There are 3 more buses this year to accommodate the students with autism. The school is working with the Alderman's office to address traffic flow issues when parents pick up children at the end of the school day. Marsalek thanked Weber and Friends of Agassiz for notifying the parents and teachers of the CLVN events. CLVN will also promote Agassiz events to our membership. The Friends of Agassiz Wine Tasting will be held on May 18 at Rose Angelis at 1314 W. Wrightwood. Agassiz will work with CLVN to promote the CLVN Party on September 12, 2015. Marsalek indicated we have 4 estimates from \$4000-\$9000 to replace the flower boxes along George, Seminary and Wolfram. Marsalek has asked Friends of Agassiz to see if they will donate to this project to beautify the school and surrounding area. Weber is exploring a community garden in the front of the school in which the 3-5 grades would commit to work on the garden during the summer.

Presentation by CLMA: Jeff Briggs from CLMA showed the members the new edition of the CLMA magazine. CLMA also has a promotion if you eat a corned beef sandwich and email them a picture you will receive a free ticket to the Art institute.

Presentation by Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital: Susan Nordstrom Lopez, Rev Delois Brown Daniels and Gary Little attended the meeting. Lopez announced they are 47 days away from opening the new building. Ambulatory surgery will be on the top floors, level 1 will house the infusion center and the ground level will house the cancer center. The living wall located on Barry is doing great with the winter conditions and the area will be fully landscaped. Planters have been added to other hospital structures. This hospital is the second most energy efficient hospital in the nation. An open house will be held on April 1, 2015 from 4-7 p.m. at 900 W. Nelson. All are invited to attend. If you see any issues call 773-296-5300 which has staff to respond 24/7. Rev. Dee thanked the neighbors for their support, help and understanding. The hospital will look to illumination issues on the Barry side after the building is in use. They do not anticipate any issues or neighbors seeing into the building or the light being too bright. The building will close by 7p.m. daily. A member raised the issue of hospital workers still smoking along Barry and behind Sports Authority. The hospital is disciplining staff for smoking on hospital grounds and will continue to do this. They also asked when you see this to call them. They will monitor this issue and follow up at the next meeting. The hospital will use the current cancer center on Wellington and Mildred for another purpose after the cancer center moves to the new building. They have no plans to decommission any facilities yet. They have no funds for Phase 2. Hospital beds will stay in the Stone Building where they are currently located.

Presentation and zoning request for 3037 N. Sheffield from B3-2 to B2-2: Sara Barnes (lawyer), the owner and Bill Kokalias (architect) made a presentation to explain why they are seeking to rezone the property from B3-2 to B2-2. The owner could have sought a special use variance but decided to come to the community instead. Currently there is a 3 unit building and a coach house on the site with no parking. The owner wants to build a 3 unit residential building on the site but B3-2 does not allow for a residential use on the ground floor. B3-2 requires a commercial use on the first floor. The new building will decrease density since it will decrease from 4 units to 3 units. The owner originally went to the architect and had a permit to rehab the building. They encountered foundation problems. They decided to take down the building and build new. They will now have 3 parking spaces. The zoning they seek is B2-2. The building will be 4 stories being 22 feet wide and 83 1/2 feet deep. They will meet the set back requirements and seek no relief in that area. The owner contacted the neighbors on both sides of the property. The cost of the units will be \$556,000.00 to \$800,000.00. The look of the building will be contemporary and there will be greenery on the roof. Marsalek will refer this item to the CLVN Planning and Zoning Committee. They will return to the next meeting for a second presentation. CLVN Planning and Zoning will make a recommendation to the membership prior to a vote on this issue.

Presentation by Enterprise: Deferred to May 12, 2015 meeting as the Regional Manager is expecting a child during the time of our meeting.

Update on Med Mar request for medical marijuana dispensary at 2843 N. Halsted: On February 20, 2015 the Zoning Board denied the request of Med Mar for a medical marijuana dispensary at 2843 N. Halsted.

President's Report: The 2015 CAPS/CLVN schedule is May 12, July 14, Sept. 8 and Nov. 10. Lakeview Pantry is moving to a new home 3945 N. Sheridan and has purchased the building. Thanks to George Street Pub for hosting the CLVN Beer Tasting which was a successful and fun event. All funds raised are applied to neighborhood beautification. Plan to attend the CLVN Wine Tasting at Kirkwood, 2934 N. Sheffield from 3-6 p.m. You can also purchase wine and CLVN receives a portion of the sale. The CLVN Flower sale is May 9, 2015 with pick up at Agassiz School. Orders are

due May 3, 2015 and the order forms are on the CLVN website. The summer movie dates are Friday June 19-Paddington, Saturday July 18-Big Hero 6 and Sunday August 16-Mary Poppins. We are trying the movies on different nights to see how they will be received and due to the schedule of Hawthorne School.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Saliture to approve the January 2015 minutes and seconded by Kerr. Poppy abstained. The motion passed unanimously with one abstention.

Treasurer's Report: Kerr reported the balance in the treasury of \$13,523.38. CLVN paid its share to LVCC of the Officer's Director's and Liability insurance which was \$413.00 and this covers the cost for 2 years. We are looking into obtaining a policy from an insurance company instead of using the LVCC policy for next year.

CDDC Report: Poppy reported at the January CDDC meeting the only topic of discussion was the new Whole Foods that will be built at the corner of Belmont & Ashland. The store will move from its current location on Ashland and School. The new site will double the size of their store. While the project was most welcomed by the community Whole Foods' design/development plans fell short and was not endorsed as presented. There are too many blank walls to the street and the entire advisory group plus Alderman Tunney asked to see additional design renderings to add more life to the streets of Belmont, Ashland and Melrose. Further work needs to be done on traffic control/flow including traffic light signals. The next Community Directed Development Council meeting will be March 25, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at Ann Sather's.

Planning & Zoning Committee Report: Poppy reported there were no new active requests (until this evening) so the Committee did not meet. Poppy reported there are a number of new construction projects in various stages of built out occurring. There is a new 3 units condo building being built on the 1000 block of Diversey, new 6 flat on the 800 block of Wolfram, two new SFH on the 1000 and 1100 blocks of Wolfram, a renovation from a 2 unit to a SFH on the 1000 block of Wellington. There are 2 projects on Oakdale 1025 (SFH conversion from a two unit) and 1037 (existing multi unit grey stone) "gut rehab". There is a new SFH on 800 block of Barry. As you heard last month, the Sheffield Lofts (rentals) near the Vic is waiting on permits and 25 high end apt rentals to be built where Sappano's Paint store once stood. Then there is the gut rehab of the apartment building on the 900 block of George which is now underway. There are several other projects which have recently been completed. This is a very good sign that our community is thriving and seeing a good variety of new and rehab housing stock being added to our neighborhood.

LVCC Report: Korol reported the LVCC Annual meeting is March 12, 2015 with 8 candidates seeking 5 Board seats. You can pay your LVCC dues of \$10 on the LVCC website. LVCC is looking to hire a consultant to help them find direction for the future. LVCC is looking to partner with a non for profit law partner to do seminars. Individuals are asked to call 311 to report rat problems. Cubs opener is April 5, 2015.

Old Business: Marsalek indicated the petitions to change the parking zone hours were presented to Alderman Tunney's office.

New Business: Marsalek thanked Pompei for donating some desserts for the meeting. Alderman Tunney and the 44th Ward Streets and Sanitation superintendant will be the speakers at next month's meeting.

Ald. Tunney: Duffy reported the 44th Ward Annual Shredding Day is March 28, 2015 at the Alderman's office. Early voting starts March 23, 2015 to April 4, 2015 at the Merlo Library on Belmont. Stans Donuts is coming to Diversey and Clark. Michael Diversey closed and will reopen as a restaurant on Diversey which is part of a South African chain. A new bakery will open on Broadway. The restaurant at Sheffield and George will be opening soon. If you saw individual's not shoveling snow call 311 or the alderman's office as fines can be issues. A member indicated that the BP ay Belmont and Racine did not shovel the sidewalks making it difficult to walk on the snow and ice at this busy intersection.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Diamond and seconded by Saliture to adjourn the meeting. The Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

CAPS REPORT 19th District - Beat 1933 (boundary - Belmont to Diversey between Lincoln to Halsted): The Commander's contact information is elias.voulgaris@chicagopolice.org. Our beat is 1933 which meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month. A meeting was held on March 10, 2015. Beat officers attending the beat meetings change as the staff have days off on the beat meetings. A concern was raised about traffic flow at Agassiz when the school is over for the day. There was a robbery at the 7/11 at Diversey and Sheffield. The clerk did not report the incident to the police and waited till the owner arrived. The owner then called the police. An arrest was made for a home invasion at Diversey and Mildred. There was a robbery at 810 W. Fullerton. The police are meeting with the bar owners to prepare for St. Patrick's Day celebrations. Some bars open early as they have a food license. Another individual indicated there has been a problem with dog waste not being picked up at 1428 W. Barry. The police will address the issues raised at the meeting. The next meeting will be held on May 12, 2015 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 Marsalek722@gmail.com.

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