

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. CLVN Flower Sale with orders due May 8, 2017 and pick up at Agassiz School on May 13, 2017. 4. Come to the CLVN Beer Tasting at George St. Pub on May 21, 2017 from 4-7 p.m., \$10.

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

NEXT MEETING MAY 9, 2017

Agenda for MAY 9, 2017
1. Presentation by Ald. Tunney and 44 th Ward Streets/Sanitation Supt.
2. Second presentation and voting matter for package liquor license for 2955 N. Sheffield
3. Presentation by Robert D'Agostino for mosaic at Belmont and Kenmore
4. President's Report-Marsalek
5. Approval of Minutes –April 2017
6. Treasurer's Report-Kerr
7. Committee Reports- Beautification-Marsalek
8. CDDC Report-Poppy/Diamond
9. LVCC Report
10. Ald. Report
11. New Business
12. Old Business
13. Adjournment

Up-Coming Events

5/8/17	Flower orders due
5/13/17	Flower pick up at Agassiz
5/21/17	Beer Tasting at George St. Pub 4-7 p.m.
6/9/17	Outdoor movie at Hawthorne Moana (rain date June 10)
7/14/17	Outdoor movie at Hawthorne –Finding Dory (rain date July 15)
8/18/17	Outdoor movie at Hawthorne-Sing Aug. 18 (rain date Aug. 19)
9/17/17	Bar Cocina event 3:30-6:30

WHAT HAPPENED LAST MONTH

MINUTES FROM APRIL 3, 2017 MEETING

CLVN President, Diann Marsalek, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Officers in attendance: Terry Diamond-Recording Secretary, Mary Anderson-Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer-Ross Kerr and Area Director-Dorothy Klees and Sharon Williams. Excused officers were Jeanne

Saliture-Vice President and Area Directors: Jude Korol and Charley Wilcox. A quorum was present.

Presentation by Azteca Grill 847 W. Belmont for incidental liquor license: Marsalek received an email that the business is abandoning their request for an incidental liquor license.

Presentation by Heather Way Kitzes of the Chicago Cubs: Way Kitzes told us the off season for the 2016 World Champions has gone by fast. She thanked all the neighbors for enduring with the play offs and champion games in October and November. Also thanks were provided from the Cubs to Ald. Tunney, Chicago Police, Chicago Fire Department and many other agencies who helped with all the games. The 2017 home opener will be on April 10, 2017 against the Dodgers at 7:05 p.m. Fans are encouraged to come to all games early to navigate security measures. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony on April 10, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. for the new plaza "The Park". The World Series rings will be given out on Wednesday April 12, 2017 with a ceremony before the game. Hickory St. Capitol is coordinating the arrangements for the new plaza/park which will include a Crafting Cuisine on May 13-14, 2017 with local craft beers and food pairings. The Green City Market will host farmers markets on Thursday nights starting in June from 3 p.m. till dusk until October. Several movies are scheduled to be shown in this area and musical programs will be provided by the Old Town School of Music. A new and improved ice rink will appear around Thanksgiving. The Race to Wrigley will be held on April 29, 2017 which will mostly be in the area north of the park. Several concert are scheduled with the first being Tom Petty on June 29, 2017. Also the Cubs are matching school funding which is a personal cause to the Ricketts family as the mother of the Ricketts children was a former teacher. The Cubs will match \$25,000.00 per school which includes fifteen local schools. The Cubs will be donating up to \$475,000.00 to the local schools. The World Series Trophy has appeared at local schools and traveled over 20,000 miles. The trophy has 70,000 pictures in eleven states and two foreign countries. It is unusual for a trophy like this to travel as much as it has but the Cubs wanted the trophy to reach fans. A permanent home for the trophy will be at the Wrigley Field. The new office building will open at the end of April. Way Kitzes can be reached at neighbors@cubs.com. Marsalek thanked the Cubs for providing additional security for the neighborhood and working on sanitation to keep the neighborhood clean.

Introduction of the new staff at Advocate: Rev. Dee of Advocate retired in December. She was great to CLVN as she was responsive and very cordial to deal with on numerous issues. We congratulate her and wish her well with her retirement. Marsalek announced the Director of Public Affairs, Tonya Lucchetti-Hudson and other public affairs staff-Jaimie Oh and Brittany Bains Hunter will come to our next meeting and they look forward to working with us in the future.

Presentation by Maureen Martino on SSA#17: Martino reported the chamber has been busy with programming the entire area from east to west including in our area Racine to Halsted and Diversey to Irving. Maintenance in the area will be provided five days a week with poles being painted and power washings for the sidewalks. Landscaping will be improved. The existing planters are being moved to strategic locations. Seasonal planting will begin in May. Holiday decorations were ordered for Belmont light poles to offer a festive feeling. A second full time office for the chamber has been opened at 3208 N. Sheffield. Private security has been hired and they will work out of the Sheffield office. The security personnel are armed and unarmed either on foot or driving to patrol the area mostly along Sheffield and Belmont. The Commander of the 19th District has agreed for foot patrols and asked the officers on beats to walk some of the beat. Attention will be provided to the night and areas with late night bars. The security is working Thursday, Friday and Saturday and one day during the week. The private security contract was for a six figure amount. The hours mostly will be 8:00 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. The CTA is also still using the canine unit at Belmont and working with the security. Marsalek thanked the chamber and the Cubs for being sponsors for the summer movies. The annual Memorial Day fest will be held on May 27-28, 2017 at Belmont and Sheffield with bar tending opportunities for CLVN and Hawthorne Neighbors.

Presentation for 2955 N. Sheffield for a package liquor license: Moe Hammad, Chief Operating Office of SouthLoop Market Group, made a presentation with two colleagues. SouthLoop has five locations they operate and seek to have 2955 N. Sheffield as their newest location. The SouthLoop Market Group consists of accountants who decided to bring these businesses to neighborhoods. They want to bring fresh products to the area including nice produce, organic products and be a great reflection of the community. The proposed hours would be Monday-Thursday 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. till midnight for Saturday and Sunday. They will be selling liquor

consisting of craft beers and wine. They will not sell half pints or 40 ounce beers. They will sell higher premium liquor and want to be an asset to the neighborhood. Liquor sales are 15-20% of their sales. They have signed a lease with the owner of the property and begun work on the interior. They will open the store with or without the sale of liquor. Certain equipment need to be removed and they are selling old fixtures if anyone is interested in purchasing. Deliveries will mostly be in the front at current loading docks but some deliveries may be in the rear. Current deliveries occur between 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. with no night deliveries. A neighbor to the south was concerned that a delivery truck would block parking spaces in the rear of their building. A neighbor inquired if they would change the exterior colors and they indicated they would to an upscale look. They plan to offer food from a small deli in the shop and pizza from the existing pizza ovens at the location. They have other locations at 1720 S. Michigan Avenue, River North, Van Buren and Marina Towers at 300 N. State. All of their stores are located in high rises and this will be their first stand alone store. They do sell liquor in their other locations. They will enter into a plan of operation with the Alderman's office. The proposed plan would be reviewed by the police and CLVN before the Alderman would sign off on the plan. Concerns from the neighbors were late night liquor sales when there are two other locations on Sheffield that already sell liquor. They stressed they will not sell any liquor to minors. They do not intend to be a volume liquor store and will not have any seating in the store. A neighbor was concerned their website made the store look like it was heavy sales in liquor. The other stores sell liquor behind the counter. They are proposing to have liquor in a separate area in the store on Sheffield. An ATM would be located in the store but not by the door. They use video security with ADT. They do not have any intention to hire security for the location. The price point on their products will deter individuals from coming to purchase any cheap liquor as that will not be sold at the location. A neighbor asked if they would provide exterior lighting or security cameras. They would look into this and the landlord would need to get involved in this aspect. Also the City has some regulations on cameras that they would have to review. Another neighbor reminded the group that the CPD camera is at Wellington and Sheffield. They were unsure if they would seek any outdoor seating. CLVN reminded them that Ald. Tunney usually requires a business to operate a year before and sidewalk permits could be applied for by the business. They might consider a curbside café. They would like to hold wine and cheese tasting in the shop. The store floorplan is 5000 sq. feet.

President's Report: The Community Policing and CLVN meetings for 2017 will be 5/9/17, 7/11/17, 9/12/17 and 11/14/17. The CTA held a meeting on March 16, 2017 at Ann Sather's to introduce the artist responsible for art work at the Diversey El. Thanks to Jeanne Saliture for attending a Chicago Park District meeting to hear comments about the north side parks. The CLVN Beer and Food Pairing at Matilda's was cancelled due to slow ticket sales. The CLVN Wine Tasting will be at Kirkwood April 9, 2017. The Police are sponsoring a Keepin It Real forum on April 11, 2017 at 7p.m. at Sheil Park in which former burglars talk about how they committed crimes. The outdoor summer movies are scheduled for June 9 (Moana), July 14 (Finding Dory) and August 18 (Sing). The CLVN flower sale will be held on May 13, 2017 with orders due May 8, 2017. We also will be having a beer tasting at George St. Pub on May 21 from 4-7 p.m. and a fall fest at Bar Cocina on Sept. 17th from 3:30-6:30.

Ald. Tunney Report: Jessup reported the staffing levels for the 19th District have increased from 333 to 394 staff. There is more security in the area due to various groups hiring private security. The Cubs, Advocate, Presence St. Joseph also have security assisting the area. The Alderman's office has been in communication with the Center on Halsted about safety issues. A security conference will be held at the end of April to include all private security, CPD and organizational security to review issues and ensure they are all on the same page. A meeting was held with various agencies to discuss the late night hours of 1000 Liquors. The owner of 1000 Liquors died and has left the business to his sons. The business was given a list of seven items to comply with in a short period of time. The State's Attorney's Office has a late night business task force and they have been meeting with businesses along Belmont and Sheffield. 1000 Liquors has been attending Hawthorne Neighbors meetings and every community meeting they have been asked to attend. Street sweeping starts in May. The City Clean and Green is April 22, 2017 and the City will provide tools for individuals to use. A review of tree work in CLVN was done for Clifton, Seminary and Kenmore. On Seminary 5 trees were removed, Kenmore had 3 tress removed and Clifton had 7 trees removed. Some will be replaced with new trees. Ald. Tunney supports trees in the ward and is asking new businesses to plant trees. Ald. Tunney is working with the business chambers to have them plant trees or match funding for trees. Ald. Tunney will speak at the May 9, 2017 CLVN meeting.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Terry Diamond to approve the minutes which was seconded by Sharon Williams. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Marsalek reported for Kerr that the balance in the CLVN accounts is \$17,554.92. Income from January to March 13, 2017 was \$1,608.96 with no expenses.

Beautification Committee Report: Marsalek reported the flower sale will be May 8 with orders due and pick up on May 13, 2017. Order forms are at the meeting and on the CLVN website. We will also begin to look for volunteers to get the corners ready for planting and then will start our planting in May. Marsalek has also contacted the landscaper to finish the three remaining corners on Wolfram and George at Agassiz.

CDDC Report: Diamond reported from the last meeting. The Cubs presented along with the CTA about the flyover. A CTA task force is working to have a vision for any vacant properties including the bundling of properties. A garden is proposed for Fletcher east of Sheffield with a ribbon cutting ceremony on May 1, 2017.

Planning & Zoning Committee Report: Diamond reported that neighbors and Ald. Tunney are reviewing the former Anderson Storage building concerning the proposed mechanicals height and exterior appearance.

LVCC Report: Tracey Klees reported she attended the meeting along with newly elected Board of Directors members. They hope to review the current By-Laws, tackle the crime issue and review new developments. The current Master Plan will be reviewed and see if any edits are needed. The next meeting is April 7, 2017.

Agassiz School report: Mary Anderson informed the group of the Agassiz School fundraiser on May 6, 2017 at Mini cooper at 1111 W. Diversey. The school will also have a silent auction via the web. The survey to change the name of the school was close with 52% in favor of a change and 48% against a name change. Usually for a name change a school would want the names of three individuals or a large contributor to be considered.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None

Adjournment: A motion was made by Terry Diamond and seconded by Sharon Williams to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

CAPS REPORT 19th District - Beat 1933 (boundary - Belmont to Diversey between Lincoln to Halsted): The CAPS meeting was held on March 14, 2017. Aldermen Tunney and Waguespack attended the meeting. The police recapped the top 10 crimes. In 2016 we had 7 robberies and to date this year we have 8, burglaries are down but theft (total incidents) is up from 45 to 50 compared to this time last year. The Police encouraged all community members to attend "Keeping It Real" a Burglary Workshop on Tuesday, April 11, 2017 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Sheil Park 3505 N. Southport. Individuals talked about several incidents where people looked suspicious and were asking them for money or came up behind them suddenly and unexpectedly. Call 911 when you see suspicious persons. The Police discussed the difference between 911 and 311 calls. Call 911 for police and fire emergencies, crimes in progress, immediate threat to an individual, major property damage or to dispatch a squad car if you see any suspicious individuals. Most robberies in our area are for cell phones and money. The police answered questions about two recent sexual assaults on and robberies in the area. On February 28, a 25-year-old woman was sexually assaulted and robbed on the 1200 block of West Barry shortly after midnight. On March 9 a 24-year-old woman was leaving a garage in the 3700 block of North Fremont Street about 8:20 p.m. when a man walked up with a handgun, sexually assaulted, robbed and forced the woman into the trunk of her car. The woman was able to escape from her trunk when the offender drove the car into a tree on the South Side. (The offender was arrested and charged after the CAPS meeting.) To avoid becoming a victim, the Police emphasized to stay aware of your surroundings, pay special attention to suspicious people loitering in the area, and report them to the police. If confronted by the offender, try to remain calm, and remember the offender's unique features for identification purposes, and call 911 immediately. Last walk in pairs, don't walk alone. Individuals talked about the effect of good street lighting as a deterrent to crime. The Alderman reported about the use of menu money and City resources to install new lighting. The Alderman also talked about 19th District being large and difficult to cover. The Aldermen and Police confirmed the police staff is increasing slowly and SSA 27 security will help. Southport neighbors and businesses are funding an effort to provide additional security. Many of the bars have hired more security. Many individuals at the meeting thanked the police for their service. The Commander is Marc S. Buslik

and his contact information is marc.buslik@chicagopolice.org. The next CAPS meeting will be held on May 9, 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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