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OCTOBER, 2013



A FEW WORDS FROM OUR PRESIDENT ...

Greetings south Lakeview Neighbors,

Thanks to all of you who attended last month's meeting! It was great to hear from our Alderman and now I hope to hear from you.

My big message to all of you and the mission statement of our organization is "community". In building our community, we need to connect in real-time (not only via texting, emails, etc.) and communicate. Let's use our meetings to leverage our time together in real-time, to speak, listen, solve the problems of and develop our community.

I am looking to all of you to bring key topics to our agenda, with suggested speakers. Please provide a summary of the topic, time needed and the name of the speaker. We will do our best to accommodate as many as we can given our time constraints. We all know there is a lot to do and a lot of opportunity if we work as a community effectively.

MEETING AT A GLANCE October 8, 2013

Location: Basement - St.Alphonsus Church,1429 W. Wellington Agenda: 7:00PM – Doors open 7:30 – Meeting begins

- 1) State Rep. Ann M. Williams
- 2) Dog training center Barry & Ashland Special Use Permit

In closing, most of you know that I like to say hello to everyone and get to know my neighbors. I encourage all of you to do the same and say hello to yours. When we gather - there is time before, during and after our meetings to do just that - there is always an opportunity to make a new acquaintance. That's what a community is all about!

It was nice to see many of you at October Fest!

Perry

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OCTOBER 2013 MEETING PREVIEW

State Representative Ann M. Williams

Now in her 2nd term, Ms. Williams will update the membership on various issues including:

- * Education budget cuts and available TIF funds
- * Marriage equality bill and of course
- * the \$100 million unfunded pension liability (bring your check book, eventually)

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Dog Training Center - Special Use Permit at Barry/Ashland strip mall.

Murguia ZR Chicago.LLC, d/b/a Zoom Room Chicago has applied for a special use with the Zoning Board of Appeals for the property located at 3055 N. Ashland Ave., so as to allow the property to be used as a self-contained dog training facility. The surrounding blocks will be flyered. This a voting issue. The results will be forwarded to the Alderman.

SOUTH LAKEVIEW NEIGHBORS ACTIVITIES

Block Captain Program

SLN is recruiting members to deliver an emailed monthly membership announcement to mail boxes on your block. The idea is to get the message out to our non-member neighbors, that meetings are open and all can attend and eventually join SLN.

At this time, 15 members have volunteered. You would be responsible for your block or if it is already taken, a block nearby. There are about 36 to 40 houses per block (both sides).

Contact Bill Haderlein at the SLN email address = info@slneighbors.org.

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Volunteer to Examine SLN Financials

SLN is looking for a qualified individual to "go over the books" for the year ended December 31,2012. The IRS tax return and the State of Illinois Annual Report have been filed.

The SLN bylaws require that a 3rd person examine the Treasurer's records for accuracy. The financial consist of bank statements reconciliations, paid invoices by check and cash and income consisting of membership dues and advertising fees. This would be about a two hour project at the Treasurer's house at time convenient to both parties. Volunteer should have a financial or business background. If interested, contact our email at info@slneighbors.org.

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AT SEPTEMBER MEETING

Alderman Scott Waguespack - Annual Address to the Membership

About 60 plus members attended the Alderman's annual State of the Ward talk. Here are the highlights:

CRIME: With the closing of the Belmont Station and officers reassigned to the Town Hall at Addison and Halsted, and the Districts expanded, the Alderman still feels that Area Commander Voulgaris is trying to police our neighborhood but is undermanned. In addition, police officers and firemen are reassigned for portions of the day to the South and West Sides for the Chicago Elementary Public School Safe Passage Program which exacerbates the initial police shortage in our area. Call times for crimes in our area are increasing. The City has already blown through \$60 million dollars in police overtime, because of the officer shortage. The Alderman believes it is time for voters to write, call or email the Mayor directly to express our dissatisfaction with the number of police in our area.

STREETS and SANITATION: Here's a kick in the head, Lakeview's Streets and San. personal are also being reassigned or pulled to other areas of the city in the morning and the afternoon for the Safe Passage Program. By the time they commute to other areas of the city, return to Lakeview, go back for Safe Passage in the afternoon, little work is getting done in our neighborhood. Bulk garbage pickups (for tenants moving out, etc.) are running way behind normal service times we are used to. Be prepared to rake the leaves in your curb yourself this Fall.

TAGGERS: Convicted taggers are now sentenced to Community Service and are the people in those yellow vests cleaning up the neighborhood.

DIAG BAR: Complaints from neighbors are on the increase. Some residents have gone to the bar at night in their pajamas to complain to management about late night noise. The Alderman told us that complaints have to be handled by the Department of Business Affairs. Well lo and behold, DIAG was paid a visit and found to be in violation of several licenses including its retail food license, outdoor patio license and the use of sound equipment in the beer garden. A hearing was to be held on September 20 regarding these issues.

Note to DIAG: Look out your front door. You are surrounded by a residential area. This is not Rush Street or the 2200 block of Lincoln Ave. There are several bars operating in our SLN boundaries with no issues. The Deleterious Impact-Public Nuisance ordinance has been in effect since April 11, 2007.

DIVVY BIKES: CDOT pays a not-for-profit (someone is making money) to run the program. DIVVY pretty much put docking stations where they pleased. Some sites are being reviewed, for example in front of St. Alphonsus Church which directly conflicted with some funeral processions. Maybe the grieving can bike it to the cemetery.

LATHROP HOMES: CHA has settled on 1,200 units. There will still be some type of high-rise at the south end. Plans have not addressed the increase in potential students at area schools. Go to the Alderman's website for the most recent version of the plan.

BUDGET/PENSION UNDERFUNDING: Ha. Thought the pension mess was a State issue. What about all those city employees, police and firemen. The Alderman says they are waiting to see what the State is going to do. In the meantime, Chicago's bond rating is decreasing and the probable end answer is higher real estate taxes.

INSPECTOR GENERAL: The Alderman is looking to strengthen the IG's powers for audits and investigations. For example, is the garbage grid system really saving any money? Many agencies like the Park District and the CHA receive tax dollars and have little or no oversight as how those funds are expended. Ever hear of a "no-bid" contract.

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QUESTIONS from the MEMBERS:

CRIME: several questions, comments and complaints on response time and lack of officers.

BRT Bus Rapid Transit: Coming on Ashland. \$160 million to move people on double long buses up and down Ashland from 95th to Irving. Ashland was picked because it connects to seven L stations, two Metra Stations, 37 bus routes, UIC and Depaul University, 99 grade and high schools and The Art of Pizza (thank you for your double page on Ashland Ave Plans neighborhood call for one lane dedicated to the BRT, one lane of curbside parking and two lanes, instead of four, for cars. At least we won't get any speed tickets going 11 miles per hour.

RATS: The Alderman basically said, don't rely on the City. Maybe an SLN rat-killing committee should be formed. How about that Norway rat that can climb up the sides of buildings. I'm closing my window.

This editor was recently confronted by two rats on the 3300 block of Southport at 9PM. My scream was somewhat muffled, so as not to cause too much alarm to the neighborhood.

SCHOOLS: a member and CPS teacher related how they know of several families that are moving to the suburbs due to the decrease in all school funding. Burley took a big hit and the STEM program at Lakeview was being reduced. The Alderman believes that our tax money is adequate, but it is being spent in the wrong areas or wastefully. A group of

Alderman are pushing back against the Mayor and his rubber stamp council. Time will tell.

IN CONCLUSION: This all sounds bad. But long-time SLN member Joe Florence noted to the crowd that Lakeview was rated one of the top 10 urban neighborhoods in the U.S.A by Money Magazine. The andouille sausage meatloaf at DIAG's is pretty good too.

FROM OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS & CAPS

CAPS Meetings

Beat 1923, 1925 and 1934

Next meeting is November 6th at the 10yh District Station, 850 W. Addison at 7:00 pm

Future meetings will be held on the 1st Wednesday of every month.

Beat 1933 and 1924

Next meeting is October 10th at Illinois Masonic Hospital, 836 W. Wellington, 7th floor auditorium at 7PM.

Future meetings will be held on the 2nd Thursday of every month.

Dates/times may change and you can call the office at 312-744-0064 with questions.

Community Alert - October 1, 2013

Police issued a Community Alert for strong-armed occurred robberies that around Belmont/Sheffield/Racine. The offenders will attack, hit, kick and pepper spray their victims before stealing their property consisting of smart phones and wallets. The offenders are described as African American males and females varying in age from late teens to 30. Some men may be dressed in drag wearing long hair wigs and dresses. The offenders may ask to use your cell phone before disabling the victim and removing items from their pockets. Offenders may be on foot or may exit a nearby car that will probably have other African Americans waiting for the getaway. The crimes occur mainly very late at night or AM during bar closing times; however, they have occurred as early as 7:30PM.If you have any information, contact the Bureau of Detectives at 312-744-8263.



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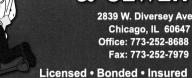
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If you missed the guys at the intersection, you can still contribute by check at the St. Alphonsus Rectory. Make your check payable to the Knights of Columbus and note ID Drive in the memo section. 100% of these funds, less the cost of the tootsie rolls, goes to the charities.

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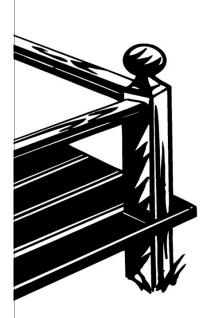
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