A few words from our President:

Greetings South Lakeview Neighbors,

The ground hog seems to have called it right: Six more weeks of winter. I'm getting really efficient at shoveling snow, but I'd rather be grilling. Whether the weather heats up, it's clear that politics is the hot thing right now. Thank you to everyone who came to our Aldermanic Forum. I hope you found it informative. It also looks like the business climate is warming up a bit. We have a new restaurant on Southport, a cupcakery opening on Greenview and signs of activity along Lincoln Avenue, from Whole Foods at the north end to new construction at George and at the site of Powell's.

This upcoming meeting, we'll hear about the plans for Lincoln Avenue from the Lakeview Chamber and SSA 27. See you on the 10th.

Steve Stern

March 10 Meeting Preview

Athenaeum Theater
2936 N. Southport

7:00PM - Doors open
7:30PM - Meeting begins

AGENDA

1. Lakeview Chamber of Commerce - Neighbor development update
2. SLN By-law change

Lakeview Chamber of Commerce

Ms. Heather Way, Executive Director of the Lakeview Chamber of Commerce will update the membership on things going on in the local business world. Topics could include what is being built at Lincoln / Belmont / Ashland, beautification of the intersection at Lincoln / Wellington/ Southport and the entire strip of Lincoln from Belmont to Diversey, new businesses, retail spaces being rehabbed, vacant stores and LBA traffic studies.

SLN BY-LAW CHANGE - INSURANCE FOR COMMITTEES

For years, most committee members have also been officers and directors of SLN. However, in recent years, some committee members and chairpersons are not on the
Board and want to make sure they will be insured under SLN's Director and Officers Insurance. See the proposed changes to the by-laws later in the newsletter under the OTHER SLN INFORMATION.

South Lakeview Neighbors Activities

**AT THE FEBRUARY MEETING:**

**Aldermanic Election Forum**

The election is over and Scott Waguespack was reelected with 79% of the vote. That was the highest vote percentage of all the Aldermanic races. The Alderman had the endorsements and the incumbency. Voters say it is hard to defeat a sitting Alderman; however, Mr. Waguespack did defeat Alderman Matlak two elections ago and withstood an onslaught of candidates in the 2011 election.

SLN would like to thank both candidates for making themselves available for the Forum. Alderman Waguespack had to juggle his schedule in order to attend. Both candidates conducted themselves in a professional manner. Ms. Doody-Jones, who was running her campaign on a shoe-string budget, was overmatched by the Alderman but left us with an encouraging message that her overwhelming reason for running was that she felt all elections should be contested. We salute her for the courage to put herself out there. Many of Mr. Waguespack's comments were received with applause, especially his remark about being proud of being in a small group of Aldermen that have been standing up to Mayor Rahm and previously to Mayor Daley.

Congratulation to Alderman Waguespack and good luck for the next four years. SLN looks forward to continually working with your office to make our neighborhood a better place to live.

**Bike Race - Intelligentsia Cup (Summer 2015)**

Michael Salvatore of Heritage Bicycles, 2959 N. Lincoln Ave., and Heather Way of the Lakeview Chamber of Commerce and representatives of the Intelligentsia Cup made their first presentation for a proposed bike race in the Lakeview area.

The Intelligentsia Cup Series is an all-day competitive cycling event of up to 10 races lasting 30 minutes to 1.5 hours. The tentative date at this time is Friday July 17. Eight races will include kid races and amateur races. The professional race of 45 laps lasting about 90 minutes will be at 4:30PM. The pros will reach speeds of up to 30 miles per hour. Kid races will start at 6:00PM. Races will start at 10AM and the last race will start at 6:30PM.

The proposed racecourse will be on Lincoln, Southport, Barry and George St. These streets will be closed on the race day and no parking will be allowed on these streets. The course will be marked off by hard fencing. There will be designated crossing areas.

The event is free to the public for viewing. Stands will be erected in top view areas near the finish line. Races will stop for any emergency vehicles. The Event Organizer promises to leave the venue cleaner after the event than before. Other Intelligentsia Cup event venues in Chicago have been in the Beverley neighborhood on the South Side and West Fulton St in River North.

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Mirador Bistro - 2834 N. Southport (new restaurant)

The owners of the newly (February 1) opened Mirador, introduced their restaurant to the membership. The restaurant is described as a European-inspired neighborhood bistro. The owners described the menu as "non-intrusive, not huge but with a good selection." Currently the hours are Tuesday to Sunday from 5:30PM to 10PM. Eventually, the owners will open for lunch and weekend brunch. SLN wishes the new venture good luck. For more information go to: www.miradorrestaurant.com.

See Joni G’s restaurant review later in this newsletter.

Other SLN Information

By-law changes to be voted on at Membership Meeting:

1) Article V-Officers/Directors
To be included in this section will be: Para(c) Committee Personnel - In all instances, appointed committee chairmen and appointed committee members shall be considered officers of South Lakeview Neighbors for the purposes of carrying out their committee duties and responsibilities.

2) Article IX - Liability Insurance
South Lakeview Neighbors shall carry sufficient Liability Insurance to insure all Officers and Directors from any liability in carrying out their duties of the organization.

South Lakeview Neighbors shall indemnify all Officers and Directors from any losses occasioned by the performance of their prescribed duties.

1424 W. Diversey Zoning Change Update
As previously reported, the zoning change from RS-3.5 to RS-4.0 was approved at the January 6, 2015 meeting by a vote of 24 Yes to 15 No. A letter was sent to Alderman Waguespack announcing the results. At this time, the zoning change is on hold pending resolution of the issue of what should be built between the current owner, the developer, the residents of the 1400 Wolfram group that opposed the zoning upgrade and Alderman Waguespack.

Block Captain Program - 17 blocks covered, looking to cover more blocks
The block captains have been getting the meeting information out despite the Super Bowl snow storm and February being one of the coldest on record. However, the current roster is only covering about 50% of the SLN territory. Some prime blocks that need covering are: 1200 Barry, 1200 and 1700 Wellington, 1200, 1300 and 1500 George St., and 1400 and 1500 Oakdale. If your block is already taken, you can be assigned to a close neighboring block.

The Block Captain will get the membership meeting information out either by flyering or some are emailing neighbors. The idea is to get the message out to our non-member neighbors that all meetings are open and all can attend and eventually join SLN. Contact Bill Haderlein at the SLN email address = info@slneighbors.org.

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SLN on Facebook
If you are on Facebook, consider joining our Facebook group. Within Facebook, search for South Lakeview Neighbors – Chicago and ask to join the group to get started participating in the discussions there.

DIAG food and Cocktail lounge open
Thanks to DIAG manager Tim McCauley for supplying a variety of appetizers for the meetings and thank you to Jeff DeLong from the Athenaeum for having the bar open for the meetings. Members should arrive earlier than the 7:30 start time to enjoy the food have a beer or wine and mingle with the members.

FROM OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS & CAPS

CAPS Meetings
Beat 1933 - east of Lincoln Ave and west of Racine
Will meet every two months instead of every month. The next meeting is on Tuesday, March 10th at Illinois Masonic Hospital, 836 W. Wellington, 7th floor auditorium at 6:30PM.

Beat 1932 - east of Ashland and west of Lincoln
Next meeting is on Monday, March 9th at New Life Church, 1110 W. Lill at 7PM.

Beat 1931 - east of Ravenswood & west of Ashland
Next meeting is Wednesday, March 18th at the 2452 W. Belmont Police Auditorium at 7:00PM.

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

Police Commander Voulgaris wants all to know that he can be contacted directly on his email and he will return your message. elias.voulgaris@chicagopolice.org.

Alderman Waguespack 32nd Ward News Office located 2657 N. Clybourn, 773-248-1330
www.ward32.org, info@ward32.org

Blue Cart Recycling
The Alderman's office has been getting calls from people who have had their blue carts tagged for being in violation of recycling rules and the carts have been taped shut with orange Waste Management tags. One reason for this is that Waste Management will not pick up carts that have contents in plastic bags. Putting your recyclables in black or opaque bags will get your cart tagged since the workers can't tell what is inside. Please dispose of your recyclables loosely.

State Representative - Ann Williams. Office located- 1726 W. Belmont, 773-880-9082
www.repannwilliams.com
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New Chief of Staff
Rep. William's Chief of Staff, Mike Reever, is moving on to a new position after three years working on behalf of the residents of the 11th District. The new Chief of Staff is Colleen Smith. Most recently Colleen held
the position of Women's Outreach Coordinator for the Quinn campaign, where she interacted with elected officials and community advocates throughout the city and suburbs on an array of issues. She can be reached at colleen@repannwilliams.com or at 773-880-9082.

**Response to Gov. Rauner's Budget Address**

State Rep. Williams appreciates and supports the components of the proposal that increase funding for elementary and secondary education, as well as restore the Child Care Assistance Program. However she is concerned about:

1. Severe budget cuts to health and human services. While these cuts might "save" money in the very short term, at what cost to our most vulnerable citizens?
2. Proposed cuts to higher education - they are extreme and will add significant financial hurdles for parents and will lead to huge increases in tuition costs.
3. Proposed cuts to mass transit - they are drastic and would decimate the already-underfunded public transit system.

**NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS / INFORMATION**

**S&G Restaurant to be featured on WGN Chicago's Best - Sunday March 8 @ 10PM**

WGN's Chicago's Best features, as the name indicates, the Best of Chicago. The program features Brittany Peyton, the late Walter Peyton's daughter and Elliot Bambrough, a chap from England formerly with The Travel Channel. The show will be featuring the Best Breakfast Places in Chicago. S&G is known not only for its great Greek restaurant family banter, but also its great breakfast skillets. Those skillets earned S&G a slot on the show. The filming took place a couple of Tuesdays ago at the restaurant and will air on Sunday, March 8 at 10PM on WGN, Channel 9.

Congratulations George, Johnny, Franny and Maria Boudouvas. This show is rated PG-13 due to scenes of adult language. S&G Restaurant is an SLN newsletter advertiser and member.

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House of Blues Entertainment presents a concert featuring Seth Avett and Jessica Lee Mayfield performing the songs of Elliot Smith on March 20th.
Lisa Lampanelli is known as comedy's Lovable Queen of Mean. This equal opportunity offender is a regular on Howard Stern's Sirius satellite radio shows and has appeared on many late-night talks shows. Not recommended for all ages due to strong language. Appearing March 21st.

St. Alphonsus Knights of Columbus 5th Annual Lenten Friday Fish Fries March 13th w/ Trinity Irish Dancers March 27th - Sports Night

Serving fried cod, chips, mac 'n' cheese and slaw. BYOB. Games and prizes for the kids. $10 for adults and $6 for children ages 3-12. All proceeds benefit local charities. From 6:00pm until 9:00pm.

Restaurant Review by Joni G
Mirador, 2834 Southport 773-904-7431

Wow, I am still very impressed. I wondered what Mirador really means and why the youngest restaurant in our neighborhood is called such. Mirador is a turret, window, or balcony designed to command an extensive outlook. Without going overboard and not having too many offerings, Mirador is providing the diner with an extensive outlook of good food and service.

The Friday evening that my dining partner and I feasted, there were more than a few tables taken, however not several, so we had our choice. We took a four-top so we could spread out, although there are a couple of romantic looking two-tops, one that I would like to sit in on our next visit. As the evening progressed, several more tables filled, along with diners seated at the bar and on high top tables near the front. This evening, as most have been this winter, was brutally cold. Mirador has installed two electric heaters near the front door, to keep us nice and toasty.

After perusing an ample selection of wines by the glass and bottle, and asking for a taste of two, we chose a dry California Rose. We began with a salad to share. The spinach salad with chopped eggs, warm bacon and white balsamic vinaigrette was very good and yes it was warm. I could have eaten the whole thing myself. For entrees, my partner ordered the pan seared chicken fricassee with wild mushrooms in natural pan drippings, served on a bed of parmesan risotto, alongside French green beans. This hands down was the winner of the two (you can only have one winner). I ordered the special offering, seafood paella, and did not go hungry. It was loaded with shrimp, mussels, and clams on a paprika flavored rice bed. This dish was tasty however the clams were not done. Most were still closed and the couple of clams that I did open were briny. Also, with that many small bits to clean out of their shells, a seafood fork would have been a welcome tool. We were complemented our choice of dessert (which I must disclose was because my complaint of the clams). The dark cherries soaked in brandy and served on top of vanilla bean ice cream was delightful, even more uniquely so with chopped basil on the top.

On weekend evenings and holidays Mirador will have live music. This evening was a wonderful acoustic guitar playing vocalist, who took requests and entertained the crowd without interfering in table conversation. Before we left, looking around there was quite a mixture of ages represented. Upon asking, I was told that there is a kids’ menu

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as well. To date, the two co-managers present, one serving as the bartender, told us that 75% of their business has come from the neighborhood. Keep it up folks. I love this place and want to be able to return often. We will be there again in early March to try the appetizers, any of the featured cocktails and more dessert.

I recommend that you all come soon while you can sit down without a reservation. The way Mirador is taking care of their customers and serving excellent food, this open door policy may not last. And if it does take a reservation, so be it. You can salivate while waiting for your dinner. I know I am. Only 3 weeks young and other reviews have given Mirador all 5 stars!

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