A few words from our President:

Winter is coming.

Did you think that we weren't going to get slammed with a tax increase? It's been clear for a while that the city needs more money and it has only a few ways to get it. Alderman Wauguespack reminded us last month that Lakeview and Lincoln Park, because of their high average assessments, are the principal source of those new funds. Let's hope we can preserve our neighborhoods as it becomes increasingly expensive to live here.

This month Congressman Mike Quigley and State Rep. Ann Williams will be speaking to us. Can Washington and Springfield get their acts together and direct funds into vital infrastructure projects, education and other short and long term needs? What can we do, as voters and constituents, to break the logjams of dysfunctional politics? Is there a way to dig ourselves out of this hole?

OK, enough gloom and doom. Winter is coming, but fall is here and is probably the nicest Chicago season. Put it on your calendar so you make sure you set aside some time to enjoy it!

Steve Stern
President@slneighbors.org

Meeting Preview

Athenaeum Theater
2936 N. Southport

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

AGENDA

1. S&G Restaurant - liquor license request
3. U.S. Congressman Mike Quigley
4. Lincoln/Southport/Wellington intersection (Lincoln Hub aka Polka Dot Park) discussion and results of Survey

S & G Restaurant - liquor license request

The owners of S&G (the Boudouvas Family) are requesting a liquor license in order to serve beer and wine with their dinners. This is a special situation as the restaurant lies within a certain distance of the St. Alphonsus Church and the Alphonsus Academy school. This required the business to go through the State of Illinois to obtain permission for the...
city to decide on a liquor license.

**State Representative - Ann Williams**
State Rep. Williams will give an update on current legislation and her views on the stalemate that is occurring in the fine State of Illinois government.

**US Congressman - Mike Quigley**
As Congress is currently not in session, Mr. Quigley contacted SLN to request an opportunity to address the SLN membership on Washington D.C. happenings.

**Lincoln/Southport/Wellington intersection - Lincoln Hub aka Polka Dot Park: discussion and survey results**
The installation of the traffic calming-people space was presented and discussed at the May 2015 SLN Membership Meeting. At that meeting, though the comments were overwhelmingly negative, SLN felt that a more complete discussion should wait until the configuration could be finally altered based on SSA 27 observations and the neighborhood had a few months to hone their opinion.

SLN will flyer the membership boundaries prior to the October meeting requesting that neighbors respond by email as to whether they are in favor or opposed to the current configuration. Those attending the monthly membership meeting will able to present their opinions and also respond to the Survey in person.

If you have not filled out our survey, please do so soon. We'll be tallying the results, culling the best comments, etc. on Monday.

The survey can be found at [http://sstern.us/1JMjF9D](http://sstern.us/1JMjF9D)

**Member Socializing - 7:00 to 7:30 in the Athenaeum Lobby.**
The Athenaeum opens its bar for members to purchase some beer, wine or pop before the start of the monthly meeting. Come a little earlier to the meeting for some member socializing. Your purchase helps support the operations of The Athenaeum Theatre.

**AT THE SEPTEMBER MEETING**

**Alderman Scott Waguespack - State of the Ward**
SLN thanked the Alderman for his continued support of the SLN monthly meetings with his yearly updates on Chicago politics. The Alderman saved his updates on the City Budget and Real Estate Tax increase for last.

Here is summary of topics he touched on:

1) **Lincoln/Belmont/Ashland streetscape:**
the Alderman, the Lakeview Chamber of
Commerce and area businesses have been trying to regenerate activity on Lincoln Ave. The streetscape that was proposed about eight years ago has been waiting for funding. In the meantime, the Whole Foods Project at that intersection, while being good for the neighborhood, has disrupted the streetscape plan. So for now, the LBA streetscape has to go back to the drawing board.

2) Public Transportation. Before being shut down, the #11 Lincoln Bus was one of the few routes increasing in ridership. With Whole Foods going in, it makes sense to restart that route. Uncertain at this time. Express bus route on Ashland Ave is coming back.

The Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) for Ashland Ave. is on the back burner.

3) Transit Oriented Development (TOD): building higher, larger apartment buildings with minimal parking spots within certain feet of Rapid Transit is moving forward. One is currently being built at Lincoln /Roscoe/ Paulina near the Paulina Brown Line and one is being built at Southport/Newport at the Southport Brown Line. This is a very hot development topic. City Council is moving to extend the distance that TOD could be built. The City Council is also taking the decision for TOD's out of Alderman and neighborhood groups control and giving the decision directly to the Department of Zoning. At the September SLN Board Meeting, Alderman Waguespack’s Chief of Staff Paul Sajovic, reported that the City Council is looking at extending the area for a TOD to 1300-2600 ft. from a Rapid Transit stop.

He also noted that TOD has been a boon for Northside developers, but no such projects are currently being planned on the Southside.

4) Streets resurfacing and other street issues: These issues came out during questions from the membership. Go to the Alderman’s website for a schedule of street resurfacing. Take pictures and email the Alderman if you think your street should be resurfaced. Painting worn off street lanes and crosswalks. The Alderman is battling with CDOT as to whether this should come out the Alderman’s $1.3 mil budget or CDOT.

Pedestrian walk safety signs - $600 per sign. Last year laminate peeled off during Winter. The Alderman is trying to get the City to fund more money for street safety. Lakes at curbside after big rains - contractors for street repaving give a one year warranty. Then they are off the hook.

Police: The Lakeview area has seen a spike in robberies and burglaries in the last 3 to 4 weeks especially east of SLN. Our District has the lowest number of police officers in 19 years. There are less police covering a larger area. Crimes such as garage burglaries are considered low priority and are put on the back burner. The Alderman is still battling the Superintendent McCarthy over overtime for police versus hiring more officers.

Traffic: Damen/ Elston/ Fullerton is moving faster than planned. Lane configurations will
change every few weeks or so. Western Ave bridge demolition is scheduled for late Summer 2016.

5) CITY BUDGET (Tah-dah): The Mayor is pushing his $500mil property tax increase. Real estate tax increases for owners in our neighborhood on a $750,000 assessed value home could increase $1,500 per year. Some less affluent areas in the City will receive lower increases of maybe $250 per household. Again, the Northside will be footing the bulk of the tax increase. The Alderman has proposed several ideas to the Council to keep taxes down or shift them to the appropriate parties.

Three of the Alderman's ideas:

- Downtown buildings are under-assessed due primarily to legal and political connections and do not pay their fair share of real estate taxes. This has been going on for years according to the Alderman. Assessments need to be adjusted or downtown buildings have to pay some sort of Alternative Minimum Property Tax.
- $2,000,000,000 (that's billion) is sitting in TIF (Tax Increment Financing) accounts. The Mayor controls the TIFs. There has to be a release of some of these funds.
- Uber/Ridershare - proposing $1 ride tax

In addition to the Alderman’s proposal, the Alderman reports that the Inspector General has given City Council a long laundry list of ways to save money that have not been implemented.

The Alderman feels the Mayor is putting all of his eggs in the City Casino Basket Solution.

5) Education: Regardless of the ongoing financial problems of CPS, Burley Grammar School on Barry is considered one of the top-rated schools in the city. Prescott School on Ashland and Wrightwood was slated for closing a few years ago and has made a tremendous comeback. Both results are directly tied to very high parental involvement in the schools.

OTHER SLN INFORMATION:

Renew your Membership
Please use the renewal form in the newsletter or go SLNs website at www.slneighbors.org where you can renew by PayPal. As a not-for-profit organization, SLN still incurs expenses for the newsletter, flyering, meeting rental, insurance, etc. A tremendous amount of volunteer time is put in by the officers, directors and block captains to run an organization like this.

Corresponding Secretary - Open Position
SLN still needs to fill this position. It was intentionally left open at the year end. We are looking for an internet-facebook-social media savvy person to market SLN in these and other relevant manners. Lisa Voigt, who had been doing this for the last several years has moved downtown and is no longer on the Board.

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Anyone looking to volunteer or wanting more information should contact SLN using the general email address: info@slneighbors.org.

Block Captain Program - 18 blocks covered
The block captains get word of monthly membership meetings to non-members the old-fashioned way, by putting flyers in mailboxes. Some also use email to reach their immediate neighbors. This has worked in recruiting new SLN members. However, the current roster is only covering about 50% of the SLN territory.

Contact Bill Haderlein at the SLN email address = info@slneighbors.org. If you are interested in becoming a block captain. I will then tell you in private the huge benefits of being a block captain.

SLN on Facebook - updated information
If you are on Facebook, consider joining our Facebook group. The URL to access the group is

https://www.facebook.com/groups/southlakeviewneighbors/

Looking forward to interacting with you online.

FROM OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS & CAPS

There have been a rash of “drive-by muggings” in the surrounding areas.

Common elements include two to three black youths sitting in a car, usually in an illegal spot, waiting for target walking home from a bar/party between 10pm and 4am. The police urge that you call 911 with a description of any suspicious vehicle or persons. All local residents are also urged to watch your neighborhood and turn on your porch light at night.

CAPS Meetings
Beat 1933 - east of Lincoln Ave and west of Racine
No meeting in October
Illinois Masonic Hospital, 836 W. Wellington, 7th floor auditorium

Beat 1932 - east of Ashland and west of Lincoln
No meeting in October
New Life Church, 1110 W. Lill

Beat 1931 - east of Ravenswood & west of Ashland
Next meeting is Wednesday, October 21st 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.
Twitter = chicagocaps19
Email = caps019district@chicagopolice.org

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

Flu shots: The 32nd Ward office will be giving out flu shots on a first come-first serve
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Thursday, October 8 from 10AM-3PM at the 32nd Ward office.

State Representative - Ann Williams.
Office located- 1726 W. Belmont, 773-880-9082
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Chief of Staff Colleen Smith email = colleen@repannwilliams.com

Rep. Ann Williams forms Neighborhood School Advocacy Council. Working with local parents and community members, Rep. Ann Williams has created a Neighborhood School Advocacy Council to provide perspective on education issues and, in particular, the many challenges facing Chicago Public Schools. The group will be comprised of people who serve on local school councils as well as others committed to public education.

Rep. Williams’ office wants to make you aware of self-defense classes provided by IMPACT Chicago. In light of attacks in Lincoln Park, Lakeview and other neighborhoods, some of your members may be interested in these services. IMPACT Chicago teaches empowerment based self-defense classes to women and girls to provide them with the tools they need to prevent, minimize and stop violence. Upcoming programs to take place on Nov.14, 15, 21 and 22. Learn more about this program at www.impactchicago.org or contact Rep. Williams’ Chief of Staff Colleen Smith at 773-880-9082

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS / INFORMATION

Lakeview Pantry - Community Shopping Day Fundraiser : Tuesday October 20
On Tuesday October 20, Whole Foods at 3300 N. Ashland will host a Community Giving Day to benefit The Lakeview Pantry. 5% of all net profits for that day will be donated to the Pantry. The Lakeview Pantry has provided emergency food assistance to the Lakeview Community for more than 45 years. Please consider doing your shopping at Whole Foods Market on October 20. For more information, contact Sarah Carson at Lakeview Pantry sarah@lakeviewpantry.org or 773-525-1777.

Lakeview Chamber of Commerce –
Sunday Spots on October 4, 11 & 18.
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Sunday Spot is coming to Lakeview transforming a block of Paulina into a fun-filled pop-up plaza. Located on Paulina between Roscoe and Henderson, the Sunday Spots will be themed as follows:
October 4 – Art including painting, architectural, breakdancing, chalk drawing and other activities
October 11 – Music. Jamming by the Chicago Music Exchange, pumpkin painting and art installations
October 18 – Play. Total body workouts, Zumba, Little Gym among other activities
Visit www.LakeviewSundaySpot.com for a detailed list of all of the activities.

Chicago Architecture Foundation - Open House Chicago
Open House Chicago is the City’s annual architecture tour. On the weekend of October 17-18, you can explore 200 of Chicago’s most iconic and unique architectural treasures in 48 hours for free. The following is a short list of locations selected in the Lakeview area:
- Athenaeum Theatre - 2936 N. Southport
- Chicago Photography Center - 621 W. Belmont
- Lake View Presbyterian Church - 716 W. Addison
- Music Box Theatre - 3733 N. Southport
- Old Chicago Inn - 3222 N. Sheffield
- St. Alphonsus Church - 2950 N. Southport
- St. Peter's Episcopal Church - 621 W. Belmont
Go to the website at www.openhousechicago.org for the 200 listed sites and times.

Lakeview High School - Capital Improvements and Awards
Lakeview HS welcomed students to a large-scale capital effort including the renovation of dozens of classrooms, the Counseling Center, a new College & Career Lab and a new "Wildcat" (school mascot) room.

Awards and other: The University of Chicago awarded Lakeview HS a top rating in school performance.

The 2015 graduating class had an average of three university acceptances per senior. 41 Lakeview students have been nominated for four-year, full tuition Posse Scholarships, awarded to students with outstanding academic and leadership credentials.
Lakeview Open House on October 24 from 9AM to 12Noon or visit www.lakeviewhs.com.

Restaurant Review by Joni G

Wishbone Restaurant, 3300 N. Lincoln Avenue
Now that our neighborhood Wishbone has decided to resume evening dinners, we could not wait for an evening available to enjoy easier access to Cajun and Southern Comfort food, without traveling far. Seems that not everyone has heard, because we
were there on a Friday evening and the
place was almost empty, except for 5-7 other
tables being occupied.

Our friendly wait person was busy with most
of the tables, however quite efficient with
service. She had assist from the hostess
who seemed a bit out of place at what used
to be a family restaurant from my memory.
This evening, albeit Friday, had not one child
present. This made for a quiet dining
experience and seemed to make everyone
relaxed. The restaurant itself has a homey
feeling and unlike the original Wishbone on
Washington Street in the West Loop, our
Wishbone is much quieter, without loud
music and throngs of loud customers.

The food is something other than healthy,
although they do offer fish dishes, which if
not smoked or blackened, should be the
good conscience choice available on this
menu. We went knowing we were going to
consume fat and salt.

We began with the Seafood Chowder which
was very good and hearty with a wee bit of
spice. Also as an appetizer we indulged in
Fried Green Tomatoes. Firm, thick and crisp
with a nice coating accompanied by a lightly
spiced dipping sauce.

I indulged in traditional Jambalaya with
chicken and andouille sausage served over
rice. Overpowering spice, however the
smokiness leaned out as the best flavor for
this diner, who considers herself a
Jambalaya expert. I have made it yearly for
Mardi Gras. My dining partner agreed that
his evening special of Meat Loaf with a Red
Tomato Gravy served with mashed potatoes
and collard greens was by far the tastiest,
however not the healthiest.

The biggest surprise was the arrival of the
Greg Brown family, an officer of South
Lakeview Neighbors Association. They were
celebrating his wife’s 25th birthday! He
proclaimed that my Jambalaya appeared to
be the healthiest, and said he would order
the same. You will have to check with him
on his evening dining experience at the
Wishbone Restaurant.

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