

February 2016 Newsletter

A few words from our President:

Greetings South Lakeview Neighbors,

I am sad to note that our President Steve Stern needed to resign to prioritize his time to better attend to a family health emergency. Speaking for the board, our prayers and best wishes are with Steve and his family has he works through at his difficult time. In the interim, as the long time serving vice president. I am assuming many of Steve's duties and responsibilities until a new president is chosen later this spring. I am not anticipating any major changes or delays in decisions or positions since this organization has a deep bench of impressive folks handling various functions from meetings, membership, treasury, Neighborhood Development, etc. In the meantime I promise I will be accessible and open to suggestions. If you see me walking the neighborhood, at the Jewel or post office, in the Golden Apple or Starbucks feel free to stop and say hello and offer any comment you like.

In December we had a festive Holiday Party and I would personally like to thank GM Kevin Kruse and his fine Wills Northwood's staff. The food was great and plentiful and the drinks literally flowed freely and the raffle prizes were well received. Thanks again to Wills for hosting this event.

This month we have another interesting event. We are hosting a Primary Election Candidate Forum. We have invited and have confirmation from various candidates who are running in the March 15th primary election. Offices include US Senate, 5th District Congressional seat, Clerk of Circuit Court, Illinois State rep and Comptroller. The plan is to hear a brief individual introductory speech followed by some Q & A.

A couple of thoughts come to mind: "People get the government they deserve" - Come out, listen and challenge these folks and become an informed voter. Then on March 15th make the time to vote. Also, I think it was Chancellor Bismarck who once observed "The biggest lies are told after the hunt, before the marriage... and during the election". Let's all hear what the candidates have to say, judge and vote accordingly.

Also, it looks like we have some general membership zoning voting issues coming up in March/April time frame. A large building @ 2800 N. Lincoln and three condos near Barry/Ashland. Remember, you need to be a prior member in good standing to vote on these and other issues. If these are hot button issues for you and you are not a member, join now to be able to vote later

Take Care, Sam

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Meeting Preview Tuesday, February 9

Athenaeum Theater 2936 N. Southport

6:30 PM - Member Socializing 7:00 PM - Meeting begins

AGENDA

Candidate forum for March 2016 primary election

SLN Board Votes to Move Membership Meeting Start Time to 7:00 PM

The Blackhawks, the Bulls, the Cubs and the White Sox all start their games at 7:00PM. Based on some comments received from members, the SLN Board has voted to move the start time to 7:00PM for the remainder of the 2016 Spring Season, So..

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Got it.

FEBRUARY 2016 MEETING PREVIEW

The Illinois Presidential primary is looming. Trump, Clinton, Sanders, Rubio, Cruz, et.al.. However, many State and Congressional seats are also up for election and the Dems, Republicans and other parties are putting up their candidates. SLN has contacted primary election candidates for US Congress, U.S. Senate, State Rep, State's Attorney, Clerk of Circuit Court and State Controller.

The candidates will be given 3-5 minutes to speak on stage to the general membership. These SLN forums give the SLN members the opportunity to put faces with names and some non-incumbent candidates an opportunity to meet the public.

These SLN candidate forums have produced the areas first contact with current Alderman Scott Waguespack and State's Attorney Anita Alverez.

Many of the undercard candidates can be pretty controversial.

Shake off those Winter blues, get out of the house, meet the candidates.

HOLIDAY PARTY - December 2015 Recap

We had a great turn-out for the Holiday Party at Will's Northwoods Inn. Lots of new SLN member faces and families were in attendance. New business owners of Flo Restaurant and the newly renovated Gino's East Pizza made appearances and were acknowledged by the emcee. Held in Will's beer garden under the tent, Will's provided a great spread of mini-sliders, pasta, cheese curds and other Wisconsin favorites. The woodsy beer garden bar was a great drinking venue. Check it out.

The SLN Board voted to have the proceeds from the Party raffles be given to local causes. The liquor basket raffle generated a \$221 donation to Athenaeum Theater restoration fund. The liquor was donated by the SLN officers and directors and the baskets were assembled by Marge Fahrenbach and Joni Gatz. The spilt the pot raffle generated a \$62 donation to the Lakeview Pantry. The raffle tickets were cutely picked by the kids in attendance.



Many thanks to Kevin Kruse of Will's Northwoods and his crew for organizing another great party.

OTHER SLN INFORMATION:

Neighborhood Development & Review Committee (NDRC)

Pending Zoning issues referred to NDRC from Alderman Waguespack

1) Vacant lot at northwest corner of Diversey and Lincoln:

Developer proposes 6 story, 9 unit residential building with retail at ground level. Preliminary discussions have been started. The NDRC has suggested scaling back the project. Possible topic for the March 2016 meeting.

2) 1600 Block of Barry:

Developer requests zoning upgrade to RT-4 to build a 3 story condo building. Request rejected by the NDRC.

The developer has the right to request an appearance before the SLN membership even if proposal is rejected by the NDRC.

Corresponding Secretary - Open Position

SLN still needs to fill this position. We are looking for an internet-facebook-social media savvy person to market SLN in these and other relevant manners. 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 the word out for the 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.

SLN on Facebook -

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

CAPS Meetings - submitted by Sam Samatas

CAPS meetings will now take place every two months and each meeting will have a specific theme as well as continuing arrest data review and strategies to address identified problems. The topics for 2016 are:

January - Theft from autos March - Garage burglaries



May - Residential burglaries July - Street Safety/Robberies September - Back to School safety November - Seasonal crime trends

Year-end crime stats for beat 1933 (Lincoln to Halsted, Belmont to Diversey)

	2014	2015
Robberies Burglaries	31 55	25 44
Thefts	387	318

Stolen Auto Wheels

CPD recommends residents purchase locking lug nuts for their auto wheels. The locking lug nuts will act as a string deterrent to thieves removing wheels and tires from cars and SUV's. Purchase at any auto store (Pep Boys, Auto Zone, O'Reillys, etc.) for \$12 to \$25 per set. CPD warns that all cars are at risk, old and new since there is no model/year pattern to past thefts.

CAPS meeting schedule - March 2016
Beat 1933 - east of Lincoln Ave and west of
Racine, Belmont to Diversey
Next meeting is Tuesday, March 8th at Illinois
Masonic Hospital, 836 W. Wellington, 7th
floor auditorium at 6:30pm.

Beat 1932 - east of Ashland and west of Lincoln, from Belmont to Fullerton Next meeting is Monday, March 14th at the New Life Church, 1110 W. Lill at 7:00pm.

Beat 1931 - west of Ashland, between Belmont and Fullerton, to the Chicago River. Next meeting is Wednesday, March 16th 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.

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Wellington (Greenview to Paulina) Water Main

Project Update

The Dept. of Water (DWM) recently installed a new water main in your area. The new pipe was tested to ensure leak-free operation, disinfected and approved for use by DWM's Water Quality Division. This testing ensures your home is receiving the highest quality of drinking water.

Please take the following actions after the service transfer:

- 1. Remove aerator screens located at the tip of your faucets.
- 2. Open all your water faucets and hose taps for 3 to 5 minutes in order to flush the water lines.
- 3) Close all your water faucets, hose taps and replace the aerators.

These actions will help maintain optimum water quality by removing sediment or rust that may have come loose from your property's water service line as a result of the water main replacement.

Once the services have been transferred, the street will be temporarily restored with concrete until complete restoration of the street with asphalt can be done. ADA-compliant sidewalk ramps will be repaired or installed where needed, along with repair of damaged parkway and sidewalk. The final restoration of the street will include milling the surface, placing new asphalt, and



painting the street markings.

The restoration schedule is subject to change and may be impacted by adverse weather conditions. Asphalt is not available during winter months. Final restoration will occur late spring.

Recycling Reminder

The City is undertaking a campaign to urge residents to stop using plastic bags to recycle materials in their blue carts.

Beginning Jan 1, 2016, all recyclables must be placed in the blue cart loose without a bag. Recyclables contained in bags of any kind will no longer be accepted. This will not only help our environment, but also reduce unnecessary costs incurred by the City as a result of contaminated blue carts. Plastic bags hinder the recycling process by:

- 1) Not allowing city-contracted private recycling haulers to see if other non-recyclable materials are in the cart
- 2) Contaminating the stream of otherwise good recycling material
- 3) Damaging the equipment at sorting facilities.

Currently, materials that can be recycled in Chicago blue carts include:

- 1) Plastic (plastic bottles and containers with 1,2,3,4,5 and 7)
- 2) Glass (jars and bottles)
- 3) Metal (aluminum, tin, or steel cans, foil and pie tins)
- 4) Cartons (milk cartons, juice cartons and aseptic containers)
- 5) Paper (flattened cardboard, office paper, file folders, magazines, catalogs, newspapers, junk mail, telephone books,etc.)

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS / INFORMATION

Michael Salvatore of Heritage Bikes honored by Crains Chicagol Business.

Crains Chicago Business featured Mr. Salvatore in its 40 under 40 issue for up and coming entrepreneurs and business persons. Michael opened Heritage Bicycles General Store on Lincoln Ave in 2011. For those who have not ventured over there, Crain's reports the store is a mash-up of the hottest trends around: bikes and coffee. Mike explained they are complementary endeavors-bikes are big business in warm months and coffee sales spike when it's cold. Crain's reports that Mike has landed a 60bike order from a Colorado company and is in the process of opening a coffee-only shop in Uptown. Congratulation to Mike on this recognition.

P.S. Mike is also an SLN member and appeared last Spring before the SLN membership promoting bike racing in the SLN area.

CTA announces No.11 Bus on Lincoln Ave. is Coming Back - as Pilot Test

The CTA has announced there will be a "pilot" (test) return of the No.11 Lincoln Bus between the Western/Lawrence L stop and the Fullerton L stop.

The "pilot" bus service is expected to start in Spring 2016. CTA President Dorval Carter clarified that this does not mean the route is back for good. The CTA will work with the community and Alderman Pawar (47th Ward) to determine what service will be provided during the pilot.

Iconic Southport Bars close after New Year's Day

Justins at Southport and Roscoe and Mystic Celt just down the street both closed without any warning after the New Year's weekend. Justin's was the original yuppie bar on Southport and started the gentrification of Southport. For us long-timers, Justin's replaced The Hansa Club, a low-key German bar with a deli in the next room. I had my first tavern beer in Hansa's at the tender age of 17. Things were simpler in the 1970's. If you were tall, you could get served in a bar. From Bill Haderlein - Editor

S&G Restaurant reopens for dinner

Commencing January 2016, Johnnie, Franny and Maria, along with Mom and Dad (George) have reopened there evening dinner operations. Stop on by to visit an old neighborhood friend.

Muskies Hamburger site plans revealed.

Celebrated chef Paul Kahan, the mastermind behind Blackbird. Avec and Publican restaurants has developed the recipes for Left Coast Food & Juice to be located in the combined space at the old Muskies and Dry Cleaners 2000 buildings at the triangle at Lincoln, Lakewood and George St. Left Coast Food & Juice will be a healthfocused, fast-casual restaurant. The menu will range from cold-pressed juices and smoothies to bowls, wraps and salads. The site is being transformed into a take-out counter, a small bar and a 55-seat dining room. 50 patio seats will be added in the warmer months. Expected opening is late March 2016.



Restaurant Review by Joni G

Farm Bar, 1300 Wellington

Nice feeling of homey, mixed with a touch of Wisconsin Woods, without the supper club atmosphere. This is how we felt after two previous attempts of entering when the wait lines were out the door.

Libations are abundant, offering beer, cider, draft beer, cocktails, wine and even draft wine! For the cost of \$11 for a big glass, I had to try my first draft wine and would order again unless wanting to try other offerings.

The menu is specific to locally sourced offerings from what to drink to all to eat. Sources vary, coming from Michigan, Wisconsin, Indiana and Illinois. On this Tuesday evening, we were offered the Autumnal menu which was right on the cusp of the winter solstice. My dining partner ordered the Pasture Raised "Classic" burger served to preferred doneness. It came laden with Mighty Vine Tomato, Red Onion slice, White Cheddar, served on top of a butter bun alongside Hand Cut Fries. I must say the beef tasted "healthy" if that can be described. It was fresh and even though the fries were definitely the best part to me, not being a burger lover, I thought this may be one of the best I have taken a bite of.

I had the open-faced meatloaf seasonal sandwich. Beef raised in an Indiana pasture, and only grass fed was served on brioche topped with caramelized sharp cheddar, Giardiniera, drizzled with rosemary gravy alongside house-made kettle chips.

The seating at the long row of tables is close

enough to make new friends if you are the out-going sort. Our neighbors offered their opinion of what choices they made with all thumbs up. Highlighting the lamb burger as moist and the beet salad was very good. 70s music mix was kept at conversational level and service was gracious and attentive. The only two improvements we would recommend is to raise the light level and fix the very large antique clock over the bar. Until that happens, we will bring cheaters and a light source on our next week night visit.

Patronize our SLN advertising restaurants:

Lots of new restaurant choices moving into the area. Let's not forget to patronize those fine establishments that have been supporting SLN with their ads for many years.

- 1) **The Art of Pizza** just give in and have the daily special for dinner for a whole week. Full Slab BBQ dinner for \$11.95 that really feeds two. We are all sick of cooking.
- 2) **Will's Northwoods Inn** not just a bar. Fantastic Friday night Fish Fry and great bar menu all week. Have a Leiny's and transport yourself up North.
- 3) **Golden Apple** still 24/7 all year. Editor prefers chili mac after a big night of drinking. Hangout of SLN VP Sam Samatas.
- 4) **HoneyBaked Ham** great soup and sandwich lunches with a cooler full of sandwich condiments and deserts for home.
- 5) **S&G Restaurant** now open again for dinner. Most tender open-faced reuben sandwich around. Be crazy and have a Greek salad in the Winter. Bill Haderlein sitings



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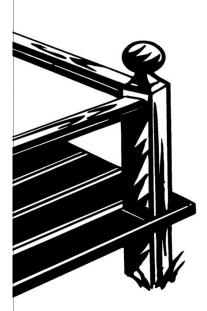
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