A few words from our President:
Greetings from Barry Avenue and a few thoughts for our readers:

Last month we had a busy meeting crossing all aspects of neighborhood living – politics, dining, street events and development. Donna Moore, candidate for states attorney spoke and later lost to Kim Foxx, a previous speaker. Restaurants Snaggletooth and Flo both introduced themselves and tempted our appetite with their unique offerings. A team from Heritage General Store presented plans for a one-day neighborhood wide bike racing event/ outdoor fair. Finally a very nice 4 story commercial/6 unit condo development was presented for the empty lot at Lincoln/Diversey and voted on and approved by the membership.

Also, I just came back from an impressive CDOT meeting regarding the controversial intersection at Lincoln/Belmont/Ashland. You can read the details elsewhere but basically the intersection is being reworked to increase the ease of throughput and left turns are eliminated pushing some traffic [2-16%] to side streets – Barry, Greenview, Paulina, School etc. Funding is being sought at the Fed and State levels. [A little bit like asking a panhandler for a loan]. Years 2018-19 is planned construction. See article in the Neighborhood News/Information section of the newsletter.

This month’s meeting on April 12 promises to be even more interesting to our local residents and members. The owners of Beef & Barley [formally The Temple Bar] Wellington/Ashland will introduce themselves. Punt and Plume, a wine bar/retail store just outside of our boundaries at Wrightwood/Wayne will also present their concept and provide some samples - liquids and solids.

Also, for us older mature folks who can’t stay out late, Mr. Correa, an Estate Plans & Trust attorney, will give a VERY brief talk on estate planning pros, cons and pitfalls. He will stay around after the meeting and will provide a free notarized “Power of Attorney Health Decisions” form.

THERE WILL BE TWO VOTING ISSUES ALSO PRESENTED.
First, the popular Farmbar restaurant at
South Lakeview Neighbors

Wellington/Lakewood is applying for an outdoor sidewalk café license. The owners will review their ideas and plans, take questions and a membership vote to recommend or disapprove will follow. Liz Gomez from Alderman Waguespack office will be on hand to clarify any issues that may arise. Judging by the flurry of emails and meeting comments, this “quality of life” topic will be of deep concern to many local residents.

The second voting issue deals with the proposed CHURCH CONVERSION at 3142 N Racine to seven rental units, one being owner occupied and 2 indoor and 1 outdoor parking spots. A zoning change and a possible variance will be required with regard to the number of dwelling units and limited parking provided. The NDRC is recommending a reduction to six apartments and 5 indoor and 1 outdoor parking spots.

As mentioned in earlier newsletters, you have to be a current member in good standing or an immediate neighboring resident to cast a vote for either of these important issues. Recommendations for approval or rejection will be transmitted to Alderman’s Waguespack office.

I look forward to seeing all at this topic packed meeting on the 12th - I PROMISE TO MOVE IT ALONG QUICKLY. SAM

Meeting Preview
Athenaeum Theater
2936 N. Southport

6:30 PM - Doors open
7:00 PM - Meeting begins

AGENDA
1. Farm Bar Street Café Permit
2. 3142 N. Racine-Church conversion
   Zoning change
3. Estate Planning presentation
4. Restaurant/business presentations :
5. Beef & Barley (B&B) @ Wellington/Ashand
6. Punt & Plume Wine Bar

Farm Bar Street Café Permit
Newly opened Farm Bar Restaurant @ 1300 W. Wellington has applied for an street cafe license to be located in front of the establishment on Wellington. As this is the initial application, the issue will be presented to the SLN membership and voted on. The immediate area will be flyered and non-members living near the issue will be able to express their views and vote on the issue. THIS IS A VOTING ISSUE.

3142 N. Racine - Church Conversion
zoning change

Developers are proposing converting (not demolishing) the current building, which is a somewhat dilapidated Church that is being used on a sporadic basis.

The developer is seeking a zoning from C-1 (commercial) to B2-3. The plan is for 7 unit apartment configuration. There would be 2
AT THE MARCH 2016 MEETING

2800 N. Lincoln Ave (vacant lot) - zoning change

Developers presented plans for the vacant lot located at the northwest corner of Lincoln and Diversey. The developers purchase of the site is contingent on getting the appropriate zoning change from B3-2 to B-3-3. The project is a four story, six unit condo building. The height will be 47 ft. with the staircase to the roof deck being 56 ft. The ground floor will be retail at the corner and inside parking for nine cars for the residents. The units will be around 2,000 square feet, which the developer believed are large enough to attract families with kids. Each unit will have a private terrace and there will be a roof deck. The garbage containers will be enclosed within the building. It will be an elevator building with the doors opening directly to the owner units. The exterior of the building will be solid brick masonry with a more traditional look. The developer believes the market price will be around $800,000 per unit. A hand vote was held by the membership.

Do you support the zoning change for the proposed project. YES=29, NO=3. A letter was sent to the Alderman reporting the SLN membership vote.

During the discussion on the zoning change, a question was raised as to why the proposal for this site did not have more density as it is
located on a busy 3-way intersection and within walking distance of rapid transit. A motion was made to take an unofficial, informative vote on the density issue.

Motion: Do you support higher density projects for property located on the 3-way intersections within the SLN boundaries. YES=13, NO=15. SLN intends to bring this issue back to the membership in a future meeting for more discussion and input.

Lakeview Bike Race

Mike Salvatore of Heritage Bicycles is resurrecting his bid to bring the Intelligentsia Cup Lakeview Cycling Challenge to the SLN neighborhood. The Intelligentsia Cup is multi-day series of bike races held around the Chicago area. In previous years, races were held in Beverley, West Fulton St. area and Lake Bluff. Mr. Salvatore intends to bring a leg of the bike race to the SLN area. The race is an all day event, planned for Friday or Saturday in mid July. There are several levels of races culminating with professional cyclers from all over the USA and Europe. The races would be held on a course laid out over Lincoln, Wellington, Greenview and Lakewood. The races would be run from 10AM to 8PM. All cars would have to be moved off the course the day of the race. No parking signs would go up about a week in advance. Special Events Management (runs many of the weekend street fairs and St. Alphonsus Octoberfest) is being brought in to manage the event. The race will be partnered with family-friendly fun, kids activities, food and beverage in a festival atmosphere. Mr. Salvatore indicated that St. Alphonsus has supported the event. Mr. Salvatore was looking for approval from the neighborhood group to get the ball rolling on the planning process.

A voice vote was held. Do you support the Lakeview Cycling Challenge coming to the SLN area. YEH=vast majority, NA=a few.

Flo Restaurant located at 2901 N. Ashland

The owners of the newly opened Flo Restaurant, Leonard Sanchez and Amy Larea, introduced the Flo concept to the members. The menu is based on an Albuquerque, New Mexico Spanish/Mexican mix. The items are fresher and cleaner than traditional Mexican with chiles shipped directly from New Mexico to the restaurant. The restaurant is family friendly. Open six days a week from 5 to 10 with a Sunday brunch. $17 is the most expensive entree.

Flo has applied for a liquor license and a renewal of its current side indoor/outdoor patio on the north side of the building. The restaurant has been favorable reviewed by Joni G. in SLN's January newsletter and this editor and lovely wife had a great meal there a few Saturday nights ago. Welcome to the neighborhood and good luck.

Snaggletooth Restaurant located at 2819 N. Southport

The owners/chefs of this newly opened breakfast and lunch restaurant dropped into
the SLN meeting and got some free face-time in front of the membership. See Joni G's review at the end of the newsletter for this unique eating concept.

**March 15 Primary Election - candidates**

Ms. Donna Moore Democratic Candidate for Cook County State's Attorney presented her case for her election to this highly contested position sought by incumbent Anita Alvarez and Kim Foxx. Though Ms. Moore did not prevail in the election won by Ms. Foxx, the SLN membership appreciated her acceptance of our invitation to appear before our association.

In all, 11 candidates vying for U.S. Senate, U.S. Congress, State Representative, County Clerk and a judgeship spoke at the SLN February and March meetings.

**OTHER SLN INFORMATION:**

**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 - 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/](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:
May - Residential burglaries
July - Street Safety/Robberies
September - Back to School safety
November - Seasonal crime trends
CAPS meeting schedule - March 2016:
Beat 1933 - east of Lincoln Ave and west of Racine, Belmont to Diversey
Next meeting is Tuesday, May 10th 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, May 9th 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, May 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.
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Alderman Waguespack 32nd Ward News
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Western Avenue Bridge Demolition and Reconstruction Update
Starting Monday, March 28th, the Western Avenue project contractor will begin sewer work between Addison and Roscoe. The sewer work extends down the center of the roadway. This will limit the ability for Western Ave motorists to make left turns for approximately a 4 - 6 weeks. The contractor will be patching the roadway and constructing the new raised medians behind the sewer work. Signs will be installed indicating that left turns are prohibited across the work zone. Left turns will still be able to be made at Addison and Roscoe.

Belmont Theater District
Belmont Theater District (BTD), located in the 32nd and 44th wards, wants to give you FREE tickets to shows and events. Free and discounted (under $15) theater tickets are available in the Belmont Theater District - Chicago's largest theater district with over 30 theaters located within a one mile radius. Visit BTDChicago.com to find the perfect show and enjoy exclusive discounts and packages from neighborhood businesses within walking distance of your theater. Join their mailing list at BTDChicago.com to be the first to know about ticket offers, exciting BTD events like their recent sold-out BTD Open House Tour, and insider theater info!

Street Sweeping Begins
City street sweeping starts April 1st. Please help by clearing off garbage, leaves, and
landscaping debris from the curbs and sewers before the sweeper hits your street. Landscaped parkways need to be designed to keep landscaping debris out of the curbs and gut.

**Chicago’s Citywide Clean & Green**

Mark your calendar for the annual Citywide clean & Green. On Saturday April 16th you and your neighbor can make an immediate difference in your community by volunteering for Chicago’s Citywide Clean & Green Day of Service. Clean & Green is an opportunity for residents, school group and community organizations to team up and beautify areas in their neighborhood. The City will provide the brooms, rakes, shovels and bags needed for clean-up projects, as well as white paint and painting tools for cleaning projects. Deadline for registration in Wed, April 9. For more information, or to register, call 311. You can also visit www.cityofchicago.org/dss

**Alderman Tom Tunney 44nd Ward News**

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Alderman Tunney recently met with Interim Superintendent of Police Eddie Johnson and restated his expectation for more police, and the need for additional resources in the 19th District. Superintendent Johnson acknowledged the gradual increase in officers since October, and plans to fulfill the commitment by continuing to send officers our way.

Mayor Emanuel and now-former Supt. Garry McCarthy had pledged to add 33 additional officers by the end of March. Since October, 26 officers, including eight sergeants, have joined the Town Hall District which covers Lakeview and parts of Uptown. That means the district is seven short of the 33 additional officers pledged. Officials also promised 10 more officers would be hired by the end of 2016, for a total net increase of 43 officers.

**State Representative - Ann Williams.**

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS / INFORMATION

Lincoln / Belmont/Ashland Reconstruction - public meeting @ St. Lukes on 3/29/2016

The Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT) made its initial public presentation on Tuesday, March 29 to approximately 100+ residents and Channel 7 Eyewitness News cameras. Aldermen Tunney and Waguespack gave introductory comments. Ms. Janet Attarian made the presentation for CDOT.

Three Task Force meetings were held prior to this public meeting. The Task Force consisted of representatives from the SLN, West Lakeview Neighbors, Roscoe Village Neighbors, the Lakeview Chamber of Commerce and Aldermen Tunney, Waguespack and Pewar (47th ward). Representing SLN and critiquing various plan iterations in these meetings were Steve Stern and Bill Haderlein.

The final plan settled on by CDOT is more of an upgrading and slight reconfiguration of the intersection. The Whole Foods project, going in at the intersection, required several restarts on the planning.

CDOT's overall goal to the plan was to provide more 1) Safety, 2) Walkability, 3) Reducing the "Barrier Effect of the long crosswalks, 4) Upgrading the infrastructure, lighting and street lights and 4) Support public transportation (including the #11 Lincoln Bus trial) and biking transportation.

The major traffic changes proposed were:

1) Straighten out, though not totally, Lincoln Ave. through a series of bump-outs on each side of the intersection, 2) eliminate left turns off of Lincoln onto Belmont to increase flow through the intersection and reduce accidents and 3) introduce left turn lights on Ashland. 4) No right turn off of Ashland to Lincoln as it is too tight. The elimination of the left turn on Lincoln may send some additional traffic through the neighborhood on Greenview north of Barry, on Barry west of Lincoln, and Paulina heading south of from Lincoln.

The major pedestrian and bike changes would be:

1) Tighten up the intersection by adding sidewalk bump-outs that would reduce the length of the crosswalks, 2) add a crosswalk east and west along Belmont so walkers do not always need to make two crosswalk trips from one side of Belmont east and west, 3) dedicated bike lanes on Lincoln including a bike stop light cluster at the intersection and

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dotted bike lanes through the intersection. The bump-outs, especially by the Bank of America, could create some people spots to be used for mini-events such as a farmers market.

Public transportation changes: all buses will have far-side stopping with a generous in and out area for the buses to pull in.

The whole intersection will landscaped adding planters and trees.

The Whole Foods project includes a stoplight at Melrose and Ashland and cul-de-sacing Melrose east of Ashland to prevent customers from driving east on Melrose through the neighborhood.

The Question and Answer session dealt mainly with complaints about parking spaces lost in front of St. Luke's Senior Building on 1501 Belmont, the Whole Foods traffic issue and the Lincoln Hub traffic issue on Southport at Wellington.

**Lincoln Hub (Lincoln/Southport/Wellington):**

CDOT's permanent plan for the intersection is:

1) return the width of Southport and Lincoln to its original distance to allow cars to pass around cars turning left, 2) have two dedicated lanes on Wellington heading east into the intersection, one dedicated to a left turn to Lincoln or Southport and one going straight or right onto Lincoln and Southport.

**Timing of Project:**

Funds for the project have been approved by State and Federal agencies.

1) Summer/Fall 2016 engineering presentation to various government agencies

2) 2017 - Design approval

3) 2018 - Construction begins.

**Restaurant Review by Joni G**

**Snaggletooth, 2819 N. Southport**

On a relaxing Friday morning, we ventured a couple of blocks from home for breakfast at Snaggletooth, finally! On a few previous attempts the “sold out” sign had been hung as early at noon.

Bill Montagne and Jennifer Kim, both chefs and now new restaurant owners, have made a grand entrance to our South Lakeview neighborhood, albeit in a tiny (only 17 seats) space, which was not full on our successful visit. A friendly greeting is made by both, as you enter. Bill is in the front of house, personally making each cup of fresh brewed Sparrow coffee. Jennifer is in the back, however visible and contributes to the conversation while hearing what everyone orders and prepares.

I indulged in Pastrami Trout on bagel with a schmear of a tomato cream cheese. YUM! My partner ordered a special of the day, Tuna nicoise with fresh greens, mustard seeds, shaved beets, and cured olives, topped with...
a delightful extra virgin olive oil simple dressing. This dish was soooooooo good.

Snaggletooth is definitely fish centered with bagels hanging on the wall, and schmears available for the taking. The music is at conversational level, although a lively mix was playing this particular morning. Upstairs is adorned with eclectic art and big comfy cushions on the bench, along with several chairs and tables.

I quite enjoyed my casual Friday morning at Snaggletooth dictating me to take my time, both with ordering, enjoying my food, beverage and the company of the owners. Although you take your time ordering, there was not a wait to receive our orders and taking them to a table upstairs.

Recently added to Snaggletooth’s website is Brunch @ home package for a minimum of 4 people. Certainly orders have to be made in advance, however you may never have to wait in line on a busy Sunday or show up to find the “sold out” sign and walk away with sadness in your belly.
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