

South Lakeview Neighbors

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Membership Dues (per person) \$10.00 September 1 through May 31

Meetings held at Athenaeum Center, 2936 N. Southport every

Month (except December, January, June, July and August) at 7:00 p.m. (Doors open at 6:30 p.m.)

DECEMBER 2024

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

To South Lakeview Neighbors,

I hope everyone had a happy, satisfying Thanksgiving holiday, with good food and good company. As temperatures begin to drop, make sure your family is prepared with proper clothing. Make sure furnaces are working properly and filters are replaced. Check that your car is in tip-top shape and have a plan for snow removal when needed. If you have an elderly or disabled neighbor, offer assistance.

Our November membership meeting was quite informative. Brief presentations from "Queen Bee", a new coffee shop on Lincoln and Greenview, and from the Lakeview-Roscoe Village Chamber of Commerce bookended an impressive presentation from the Chicago Police Department. The serving officers are doing their best to keep us safe, but it's clear that we need more police officers in the city. Don't hesitate to say "thank you" when you encounter one of the men/women in blue.

The national elections are over. Donald Trump won a close election for President. Some of us are happy with the results, while others are not. We must all move on with faith that our system of government continues to make us the greatest nation in the world. Be aware of real information and disinformation and stay involved.

One cannot believe the items that people discard in their trash. Brand new toys, clothing and household items are regularly tossed into and on top of trash cans. My wife, a "professional recycler" regularly spots usable, often new, items in our alley and then makes a trip to the Salvation Army, making it

HOLIDAY PARTY TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2024

WILL'S NORTHWOODS INN
(in the Big Heated White Tent)
3030 N. Racine

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
NOTE NEW START TIME
FOOD WILL BE SERVED AT 6PM

Holiday Agenda:

- 1) Check in and Open Bar
- 2) Food - by Will's Northwoods Inn
- 3) Liquor & Gift Certificate Raffle and
- 4) Split the Pot Raffle - benefiting "Friends of Burley"

ALL SLN MEMBERS along with family and friends are invited.

NEW MEMBERS wishing to join SLN are welcome.

RECRUIT Your Neighbor to Join.

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available to those in need. In this holiday season, many organizations that help those with less need our assistance. Donations to the Salvation Army, Goodwill, the Chicago Food Depository and Nourishing Hope (formerly the Lakeview Food Pantry) are especially needed. And I can tell you, making charitable donations makes you feel mighty good.

Finally, in our present world, there is too much hate. This can be countered by continuous kindness and respect towards our neighbors. Treat others as you would like to be treated. And don't forget to extend yourselves to our local businesses.

Have a very happy, healthy holiday season. See you on Dec. 10 at 6PM at Wills Northwoods Inn for our holiday party.

Bob Blitstein

Co-President, South Lakeview Neighbors

HOLIDAY PARTY- Tuesday 12/10/2024

Will's Northwoods Inn - 3030 N. Racine

Tuesday, December 12: 6:00PM to 8:00PM

NOTE NEW START TIME!

Food will be served promptly at 6PM.

Open bar. FREE DRINKS !!!

Remember to TIP your bartender. YES YES YES

Gift Certificate Raffle from area restaurants and businesses and Split-the-Pot Raffle with proceeds benefitting "The Friends of Burley".

For SLN Members, family & neighborhood friends.

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New Joining Members are welcome. - \$10

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The Side Street Saloon

New donators:

Pizza Serio

The Denim Lounge (in Roscoe Village)

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AT THE NOVEMBER 2024 MEETING

19th District Chicago Police Department, Community Relations – Sgt. Angelo

Co-President Sam Samatas gave the Membership a bio of presenter Sgt. Angelo. He has been on the Police Force since 2006. Was a detective from 2017-2019 and has been a Sergeant since 2019. He has a B.S. in Criminology from Loyola University and a Masters in Threat and Response Management from the University of Chicago.

Sgt Angelo started out with some crime definitions, statistics and trends.

19th District Year-to-Date:

Robberies– taking or attempting to take anything of value from a person by force or threat of force. 359 up 1%

Burglaries- unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or theft. 606 up 26%

Aggravated Battery- intentional causing or attempt to cause serious bodily harm or threat of serious bodily injury or death. Includes aggravated assault, aggravated battery and attempted murder. 229 up 27%

Criminal Sexual Assault- Rape and includes when someone either touches another person in a sexual

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manner without consent or makes another person touch them in a sexual manner without consent. 111 up 6%

Theft- unlawful taking or attempted taking of property or articles without the use of force, violence or fraud. 1,478 down 7%

Motor Vehicle Theft- unlawful taking or attempt to take a motor vehicle. 818 down 21%

Murder- 4 no change

Shooting Incident- 21 up 17%

Sgt. Angelo indicated that arrests in the robbery and burglary areas have been good. Nevertheless, these crimes are spiking city-wide. He noted that the majority of these crimes are done by "spur groups" that during a night will hit several businesses with smash and grab burglaries and if the opportunity arises, will rob individuals walking on the street. The Sergeant noted that though the numbers in these categories are increasing, it is not more individuals committing the crimes, but the spur groups committing a rash of multiple crimes. He also noted that compared to gangs of the past they are smaller in number, no longer centralized, do not recognize former gang boundaries and are sometimes from out-of-state like from Milwaukee.

Battling crime. The Sergeant told how increased technology can help increase the arrest rate. License plate readers and individual home front door ring cameras or security cameras are used. Contact the 19th District to integrate your security system into the CPD program. Sgt. Angelo noted that upper management CPD officers attend seminars held by the FBI or other law agencies and share information with other police departments

Lt. Lohse then took the podium. He addressed how CPD is analyzing crime data statistics in order to deploy officers to the higher crime areas and at times that crimes are more likely to occur. CPD is offering overtime pay to officers to entice them to work at night when crime is naturally higher instead of the day when crime is lower. The Lieutenant described a recent burglary arrest where a business was burglarized, a security video from inside the store was blast emailed to officers on duty and the Lieutenant was in the area and able to identify the perpetrators on the street and make an arrest. He also described a "burglary mission" group that works from 2AM-7AM and is supported by the CPD helicopter.

The Board of SLN would like to thank Sgt Angelo and Lt. Lohse for taking time for their informative presentation and for taking the time to appear at the monthly membership meeting

Lakeview/Roscoe Village Chamber of Commerce – Holiday Programs

The Chamber's Executive Director, Becca Girsch, presented the schedule for the upcoming Holiday season.

Southport Holiday Stroll and Cocktail Crawl – Friday, December 6 from 5-9PM.

Tickets for the Cocktail Crawl need to be purchased in advance on the Chamber website.

Holiday Community Raffle –

December 2 – December 16

Submit a photo of valid receipts proving \$25 spent at 1 of 26 Lakeview Business Locations and be entered to win gift baskets featuring thousands of \$\$\$ worth of gift cards, vouchers and merchandise. See Chamber website for how to enter and contents of gift baskets.

Complimentary Gift Wrapping –

Saturday December 7 from 12Noon to 3PM at Bitter Pops (3357 N. Lincoln) and

Saturday December 21 from 12Noon to 3PM at Sheil Park (3505 N. Southport).

Limit 3 gifts per person. Suggested donation \$10 to the Common Pantry which = 30 free meals to those in need during the Holiday Season

Holiday Carolers at Southport & Paulina CTA stations

Saturday, December 7,14,21 from 11AM to 2PM

Menorah Lighting Ceremony –

Wednesday, December 25, the first night of Chanukah from 6PM to 7:30PM

Intersection of Lincoln & Marshfield.

Holiday festivities, treats and gift bags

New Business – Queen Bee Café at 3072 N. Lincoln Ave.

Located in the former Starbucks space at the triangle of Lincoln/Greenview/Barry. The owners provided some samples to the Membership and presented a review of the operations. The space has been totally rehabbed. Featuring specialty coffee, freshly baked Greek pastries. Brunch and lunch featured on the weekends. Free Wi-Fi. Open from 7AM to 6PM.

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THURSDAY

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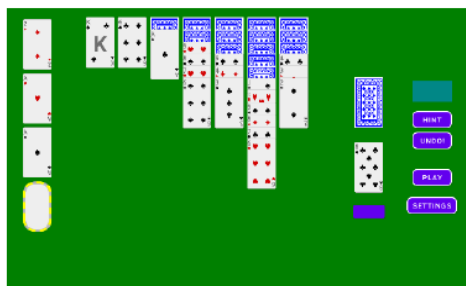
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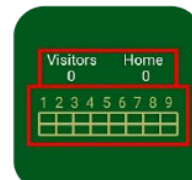
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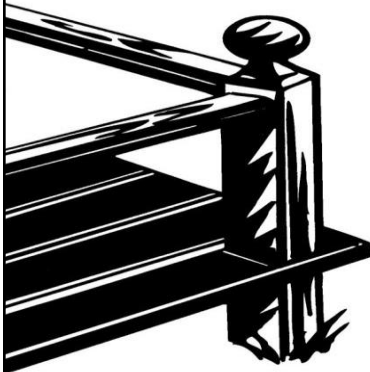
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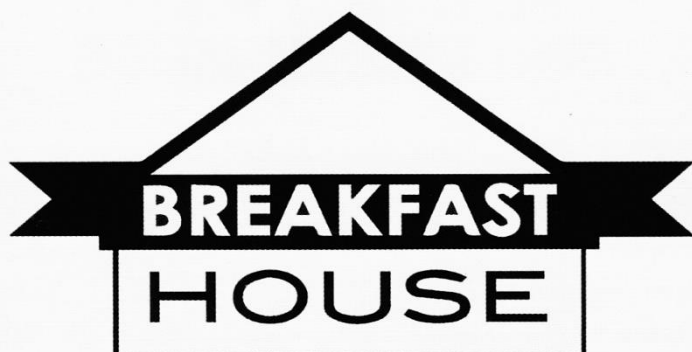
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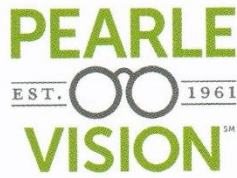
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