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NOVEMBER 2022

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SLN is looking to add Directors to the Board

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

To All of South Lakeview,

It's November. Halloween has passed. Hope it was fun for you and your family. Thanksgiving will be here in a few weeks. I hope you have much to be thankful for, but many are less fortunate. When you can, donate to those in need. Nourishing Hope, formerly the Lakeview Food Pantry, is such an organization, providing food for the needy. Before you throw out old clothes or household items that are usable, perhaps take a trip to the Salvation Army or Goodwill and make a donation. Also, as the clocks change and it gets darker earlier, continue to be vigilant, observing your surroundings and avoiding uncertain situations.

MEETING INFORMATION

VIA ZOOM MONDAY- NOVEMBER 14, 2022 7:00PM SHARP Go to SLN Website at: <u>www.slneighbors.org</u> for LINK to the ZOOM Meeting INK to the ZOOM Meeting INK to the ZOOM Meeting INK to the ZOOM Meeting State Sen. Sara Feigenholtz And State Rep. Ann Williams The New SAFE-T Act Crime Bill effective 1/1/2023. Main points/ Misconceptions and the recent Legislative Session in Springfield

We are sorry about canceling last month's Zoom meeting with Senator Feigenholtz. On November 14, a Monday, we will hear from both State Representative Ann Williams and Senator Sara Feigenholtz together, regarding current legislation moving through Springfield. There's a lot going on!

I am looking forward to in-person meetings in the new year at the newly renovated Paridiso Events space at the Athenaeum Center. I had the pleasure of seeing this space and it is beautiful! New lighting, new flooring... a bright airy space. And, there is a bar! I'd like to thank the staff at the Athenaeum for being so cooperative and welcoming to South Lakeview Neighbors. Lawrence Daufenbach, Vanessa Jungbluth and Ethan Avina have been more than cooperative as we formulate our meeting schedule.

We are trying to have our annual Xmas party after a 2-year hiatus. And we hope to have a forum for Mayoral candidates after the first of the year. We live in perhaps the greatest, wealthiest country in the world. No one should want for the basic necessities. No matter your race, religion, gender, sexual preference, marital status, we all should be respected and respectful. Our differences are lessened by the commonality that we are all Americans. "All men are created equal". Immigrants flock here because it's the best place to be. Being the oldest democracy in the world leads to our success. And this can only occur when all of our voices are heard. VOTE, VOTE, VOTE on Nov. 8, if you haven't already voted by mail. On the way to the polls, be kind, be thankful, be helpful, be generous.

Bob Blitstein

Co-President South Lakeview Neighbors

NOVEMBER 2022 MEMBERSHIP MEETING – PREVIEW

Fresh from there convincing November 8 election victories, State Sen. Sara Feigenholtz and State Rep. Ann Williams will address the membership regarding the controversial SAFE-T Act Crime Bill on its main points and the misconceptions that were being spread during the November elections on TV, radio and other media.

In addition, they update us on the current Legislative Session going on in Springfield.



SAVE the Date – SLN Holiday Party 12/13/2022

Last held in December 2019, due to COVID-19, the Holiday Party is on!! At Will's Northwoods Inn In the heated tent. Cozy.

At the OCTOBER 2022 MEETING

The October 2022 ZOOM Meeting had to be cancelled, due to a start time miscommunication with the scheduled speaker.

Sorry. We are doing the best we can. You are welcome.

CRIME, CRIME, CRIME

Various officers of SLN attended some recent Crime Meeting/Events. Here is a summary of the of those meetings:

CPD CAPS Meeting, Area 3 – attended in ZOOM by Mike Harring

The 19th District reported 2022 vs. 2021

- 1) Robberies increased by 47%
- 2) Burglaries increased by 22%
- 3) Life service calls (vandalism, package thefts, stolen checks, etc.) increased 14%

What is the current staffing for the 19th District? CAPS acknowledged there is a serious shortage of officers.

CAPS wanted to know what they could do to make citizens feel safe and more secure? Suggestions included more cameras and lighting and more patrols after dark.

CAPS asked for more Community assistance by:

- Call whenever one sees something suspicious
- Videos from home security system showing criminal activity be emailed to CAPS at

CAPS.019district@chicagopolice.org

Know that anonymous reports can be made through 911and 311.

CAPS commonsense safety tips for travel on buses, subways and trains:

- 1) Stay alert and off phones and headsets
- 2) Secure purses and bags to yourself
- 3) Be aware of your surroundings

Participants requests from 19th District

- 1) Greater presence on social media
- 2) More foot patrols
- 3) More work with schools and juvenile delinquents
- 4) Safety presentations for the elderly

Finally, the District reported that CPD Officer presence will be increased in the areas of Halsted and Clark that have a large number of bars/taverns.

Please note that Co-president Sam Samatas has attended many CAPS meetings over the years and is always reaching out to the 19th District Commander

SEE UPCOMING CAPS ZOOM MEETING in this NEWSLETTER.

19th Police District Community Conversation to create the 2023 Strategic Plan for the 19th District – attended in person by Bill Haderlein on Thursday, October 27.

I attended a ZOOM meeting like this earlier this year. This time the email invite was specifically for a 2023 year Strategic Plan. The invite gave us the option of attending on ZOOM on Wednesday or live-in person on Thursday and I chose the live meeting.

The meeting was held at the 19th District Station at 850 W. Addison and was led by the District Sergeant (whose name I did not get, sorry). He explained the process as 1) breaking into small groups to brainstorm for Strategic Plan ideas or comments followed by the 2) harvest of those ideas. Prior to the start of the group break-outs, the new Commander, Amin Jessani, was introduced. Also in attendance, was Alderman Tunney and State Senator Sara Feigenholtz. Alderman Tunney gave a short speech noting his constant request for increased manpower for the 19th District. State Senator Feigenholtz reported on the funding she has received to install more police cameras in her district. She also commented that there is some restriction on placing cameras on the DuSable Lake Shore Drive as it is under IDOT control and not under CDOT control.

It was estimated that 30-40 people were in attendance, so three groups were made. Each group was moderated by two CPD officers. The premise presented was

- 1) what are your greatest crime concerns and
- what would you ask CPD for if there were no restrictions on getting it.

The main crime concerns presented were:

- 1) increase in violent crime
- 2) CTA and Rapid Transit line crime. Former public transit riders have stopped riding, for this reason.
- 3) Carjackings
- 4) Increase in on-street public drinking and partying, especially near the Clark St. bars after hours
- 5) The loud and dangerous increase of speeding cars and motorcycles on Lake Shore Drive, specifically on the weekend nights
- Criminals from other parts of the city coming to the 19th District to commit their crimes.
- 7) Criminals not being convicted.

What would you like to see?

- 1) Increased number of patrols and total officers in the District
- 2) Police responding to 911 calls, and contacting the people who call
- 3) Police getting out of their cars and interacting to the Community on foot.

- 4) Not relying on cameras (after the fact), but more patrols on the CTA.
- 5) Get the Police Community interacting with grade school and high school students to impress upon youth the dead-end life of gangs, crime and drugs.

Any new ideas from our Group?

- 1) Can cameras and technology be used to identify criminals as they or their cars enter the area?
- Can the stats presented by CPD (e.g. robberies increased 47%) be put in greater context. Such as, % by individuals, % by robbery team, % of people using cars vs. on foot.
- 3) A greater police presence at the Rapid Transit stops, Red and Brown line, to show criminals arriving in the area, that they will encounter resistance.
- 4) Can police cars cruise the streets at night, with their blue lights on, letting criminals and and law-abiding citizens know that they are present (similar to what the police were doing on the Michigan Ave. Gold Coast after the rioting).
- 5) Can residential streets near night-life areas be blocked off in some way (on the weekends) to prevent those non-residents from using those areas for after-hours partying.

Facing the facts, the people attending this meeting are concerned citizens, not criminologists with Ph.Ds..

Interesting crime observations from the group.

A man who lived on 3800 Lake Shore Drive. He stated that motorcycles and dirt bikes congregate almost every weekend on Recreational Drive (east of Lake Shore Drive) by Waveland Park popping wheelies and making disruptive noise all night long. Why can't CPD eliminate this activity as the Parks are closed after 11PM. The Group CPD officer stated that the motorcycles are so fast and nimble, that if CPD went in, they would just disperse, and no arrests would be made. A Group member noted that the motorcyclists bend up their license plates to avoid having them be read by cameras.

A woman who lived on Cornelia just west of the Wrigley Field Clark St. area noted the huge increase in on-street partying, drinking, loud music, etc. since the Covid-19 Pandemic. She calls 911, but it seems that CPD never shows up. She noted that when she moved into the area, that there was night-life in the area, and this is Covid-19 Pandemic phenomenon.

The meeting ended with the Sergeant emcee stating the information from the Meeting will be "Harvested" and the results will be presented and reviewed at the next meeting.

My Conclusion: until CPD gets its staffing up to and/or beyond pre-Pandemic numbers and criminals fear being arrested, we can meet all we want. Nobody in the group mentioned defunding the Police and nobody said they were moving out of the area. All in attendance are concerned citizens willing to take 2+ hours out of their free time maybe make a difference

NEIGHBOR NEWS AND INFORMATION

New Businesses

Lakeshore Physical Therapy 3101 N. Greenview NOW OPEN No Doctor referral needed 773-270-1898

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Check Washing Scam

This scam is on the increase as Post Office workers are being robbed of their mailbox and apartment mailbox keys, as reported on the evening TV news or reading the newspaper.

The Scam:

- 1) Checks are stolen from Post Office mailboxes, your personal mailbox or multiunit apartment/condo mailboxes.
- 2) Criminals erase the ink using household chemicals
- 3) They then rewrite the check to a different person for a larger amount and cash the altered check at an ATM or Currency Exchange.
- Normally, the criminals are stealing mail deposited into the Blue Post Office Boxes after the last collection of the day or during Sundays and federal holidays.

The U.S. Postal Service recommends the following:

- 1) Use the retail Post Office Service desks or the inside wall drops.
- If you use the outside Blue Mail Boxes, do not deposit your mail after the daily pick-up time to sit overnight or through the weekend.
- 3) Don't let your delivered mail sit in your mailbox.
- 4) Also, it has been reported that "indelible black gel" ink cannot be erased by the criminals.

Lakeview Roscoe Village Chamber of Commerce

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Southport Holiday Stroll & Cocktail Crawl Friday Dec. 2nd – Enjoy holiday decorations, caroler, photos with Santa, holiday-themed cocktails, treats, special offers and other festivities. More information to be released soon.

Roscoe Village Winterfest – Dec. 3rd & 4th Stop by for the tree lighting, caroling, holiday treats, and more! More information to be released soon.

Gallagher Way at Wrigley Field – 2022 Winterland and Christkindlmarket

Starting Friday, November 18.

The Winterland and Christkindlmarket will be expanded for 2022. The skating rink will now be located inside Wrigley Field. In addition, inside Wrigley Field will include the Wintertube Ice Slide and the Infield Express rides. The Christkindlmarket will be able to expand with the ice rink inside the ballpark.

www.gallagherway.com

COMMUNITY RELATIONS STRATEGY MEETING (previously called CAPS) on ZOOM

19th District CAPS Meetings – Until further notice, all Beat meetings will be virtual.

1931 (Roscoe Village/Lincoln Park- Cornelia to Fullerton, Western to Ashland) - Tuesday, November 22nd at 6:30 pm. Meeting ID: 848 3987 1419 and Passcode: 486209

1932 (South Lakeview/Lincoln Park- Lincoln to Ashland, Belmont to Fullerton) – Monday, November 14th at 6:30 pm. Meeting ID: 860 9608 5141 and the Passcode is 556236

1933 (South Lakeview- Racine to Lincoln, Belmont to Diversey) -Tuesday, November 8th at 6:30pm Meeting ID: 859 0869 4509 and the Passcode is 907989

Volunteer to be a Board Member

It has been difficult recruiting new Board members during the Pandemic and ZOOM meeting era.

Board meetings are normally on the 3rd Tuesday of the month, about 8-10 months during the year. No real official duties other than helping to plan the SLN monthly meetings or getting involved in various operational SLN issues. If you are interested in joining the Board and would like some more information, please send SLN some information on yourself and SLN will get back to you.

To become a Board Member, you must be a SLN member for at least one year.

Contact SLN at email = info@slneighbors.org for more detailed information

OTHER SLN INFORMATION

Attention Advertisers – Ad Space for 2022-2023 9 monthly newsletters.

The newsletter is mailed or emailed to over 800 people and posted to the SLN Facebook page which has 1,500 members. From \$50 for a small business card ad to \$310 for a ½ page. Support your volunteer not-for-profit neighborhood organization. Individuals are welcome to take an ad space announcing their support of SLN.

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Block Captains – WANTED

SLN is looking for volunteers to circulate flyers to their Block neighbors announcing the SLN Monthly Meeting and Agenda.

The duties are as follows: A Block Captain will receive a PDF flyer for an upcoming membership meeting. The Block Captain will print off 25-50 flyers and distribute them in mailboxes on their block alerting people to the upcoming meeting. Seems archaic? But that is how most of the new people find out about the SLN meetings. Block Captains can also email the flyer to neighbors. There are seven meetings per year (Sept, Oct, Nov, Feb, Mar, April & May). Can't do every month. Just do the best you can and your assistance will be appreciated.

To volunteer contact Bill Haderlein at the SLN email: info@slneighbors.com.

Neighborhood Development and Review Committee (NDRC) is recruiting Committee Members

The NDRC is the most visible Committee of SLN. Working with Alderman Waguespack, the NDRC receives building zoning requests from the Alderman reviews, suggests revisions and and then recommends an approval or a rejection of the zoning change before the issue is brought to the SLN membership for a vote. This process has helped ensure that quality zoning change requests are being presented in our SLN neighborhood. The NDRC is looking to expand the Committee. The NDRC deals with very experienced developers, attorneys and architects, so some qualifications in dealing in those areas would be helpful. Contact SLN at our email address: info@slneighbors.org with some information about yourself if you are interested.

NOTE – you must be a SLN member for at least one year to qualify for a Committee position.

SLN on Facebook - Get on It!

If you are on Facebook, consider joining our Facebook group. The URL to access the group is https://www.facebook.com/groups/southlakeviewneighbors/

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TUESDAY

Italian Meatball Sandwich 6.00 Half Fried Chicken Dinner 10.00

WEDNESDAY

Beef & Sausage Combo Sandwich 8.00 Chicken Parmigiana with Spaghetti 12.00

THURSDAY

Cheese or Meat Ravioli Dinner 9.00 Full Slab BBQ Rib Dinner 17.95

FRIDAY

Shrimp Dinner 11.95 Baked Mostaccioli Dinner 8.00

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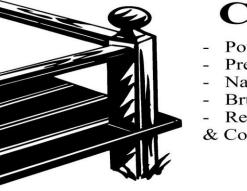
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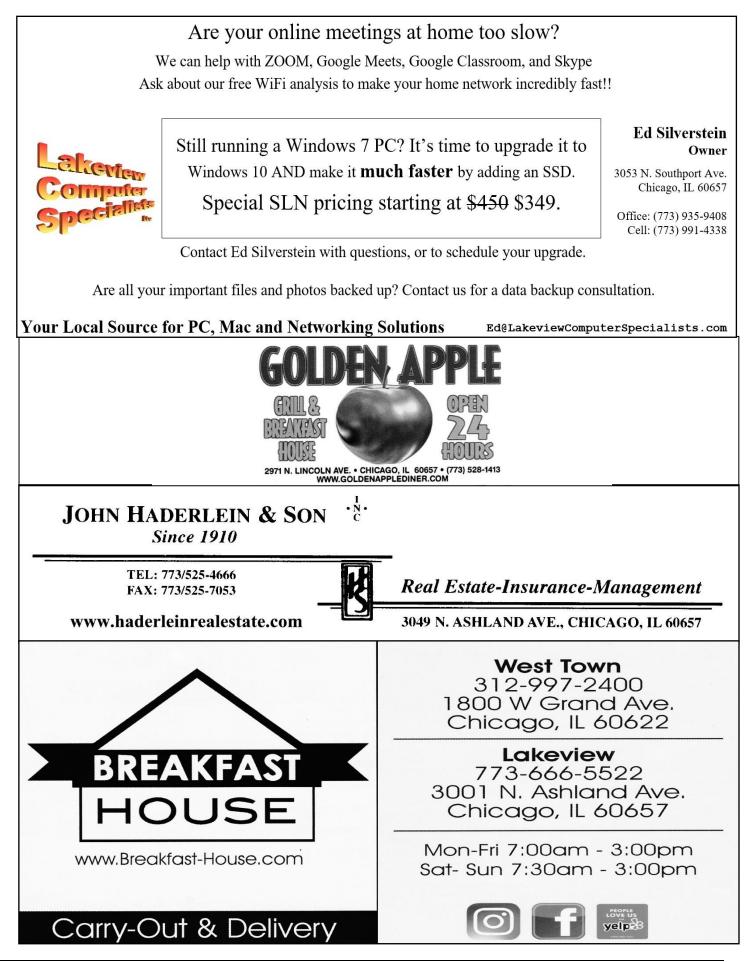
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