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From: "LAKEandHALSTED.com" <lakeandhalsted@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: interested in a meeting - your letter
To: "Corey Rice" <crice@phatfolksproduction.com>

Corey Rice <crice@phatfolksproduction.com> wrote:

| please read attached letter

Hi Corey,

I genuinely appreciate your interest in making changes to improve the atmosphere around the Lake and Halsted nightclubs and agree that changes are indeed warranted. I'm not sure to which website letter you're referring, as there were 3 posted by viewers last week. The site has temporarily been removed while I rename and reorganize the files and embed them in the new site layout. The 3 letters will be reinserted on the new site.

Though you've stated you're a "promoter for several venues in the Lake and Halsted neighborhood", I've no personal knowledge of how you are involved. I phoned 2 of my Shadow Bar contacts, who also had no knowledge of you, by name. I can only assume that the venues you're promoting are for Chromium, as a Google search, using the other phone number from your <http://phatfolksproduction.com/> site, resulted in one link to a page on the Chromium website for "World Bar Saturdays".

I wish you no ill will, whatsoever, in your intent to promote events at **any** location, whether it be Chromium or elsewhere. Howbeit, the problems which my neighbors and I have been experiencing for several years, need to be addressed by the **clubs' management and owners**, whose ultimate responsibility it is, to determine how they conduct their businesses. I have been and will continue to report the problems I personally witness, as well as those witnessed by my neighbors, **regardless** of which club appears to be responsible. It's the **problems** that need to be exposed.

And please understand Corey, that **it's the problems we're trying to make go away...not the nightclubs** per se. If a particular nightclub is responsible for reoccurring problems that are **not** being addressed by the owner or management, and the only way to eliminate the problems is to eliminate the nightclub, it's the nightclub owners who are ultimately culpable.

If you're as sincere as I hope you are, about working with the community to bring about changes, there are avenues already in place for doing so:

- The **12th District has a Hospitality Subcommittee**, comprised primarily of business owners, who meet every other month.
- There are **monthly CAPS meetings** where the community residents voice their concerns. A great deal of last month's CAPS meeting focused on the nightclub problems.

I've spoken with the Director of the West Loop Organization, who shares my opinion that it is the club owners & management who need to get involved and be responsible for making changes. I urge you to work with the clubs' management where you will be promoting your events.

Good Luck and Best Regards,
Kathy
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