

President's Letter: The Lights Are Going Out.

Hello Neighbors,

Street Lights Out: Our area has recently been targeted by copper wire thieves and many of our streetlights are not working. I am speaking with CD-13 which is working with Windsor Square on the same problem, the Bureau of Street Lighting for evaluation and repair, and LAPD to try to get it stopped and the criminals arrested. Nothing happens quickly and there are *Catch 22* scenarios wrapped around the procedures. Several residents have heard noises and frightened away the thieves when they went out to investigate. Be safe if you do this. If you call 911, be sure to tell the operator that it's happening **right now** so they won't transfer your call to the non-emergency lines.

Visiting Every Member: I've been out of town so there has been a pause in my visits, but I'll be out again this weekend. You can see where I've been by the map at www.ridgewoodwilton.com. I appreciate the smiles when I show up at the door and am very impressed with the almost universal willingness to reach into the wallet for the \$20 dues. Thank you!

Resolution at 215 S Wilton Pl.: I hope you saw Brian Curran's *On Preservation* article in the recent *Larchmont Chronicle* detailing the successful resolution/restoration at 215 S Wilton Place. Our appreciation to the Office of Historic Preservation and the City for standing firm against this terrible destruction. Now, if we could get the situation at 250 N. Wilton Pl resolved...

Cut-through Traffic on Wilton & Ridgewood: Alysoun Higgins continues to direct our efforts to curtail the cut-through traffic on Wilton Dr. and Ridgewood Pl. We hope to close the gentle right turn from southbound Wilton Place onto Wilton Dr, and prevent turning from Wilton Pl. to Council in the afternoon rush hour. No accidents or injuries yet, but given the impatience of drivers trying to save 45 seconds of drive time, it seems like only a matter of time. Reach out to her to add your voice.

Thanks for reading.

Bob Reeves

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