

SOUTHPORT NEIGHBORS ASSOCIATION

(FORMERLY NORTHWEST LAKEVIEW NEIGHBORS)

IMPORTANT MEETING!

PROPOSED 1989 WRIGLEY NIGHT GAME PARKING CHANGES

**TUESDAY, FEB. 21,
7:30 P.M. AT**

**PHILLIPINE AMERICAN
ECUMENICAL CHURCH
3848 N. GREENVIEW**

HELLO NEIGHBORS !!!

SOUTHPORT NEIGHBORS ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES NEXT MEETING, EXTENDS BOUNDARIES

The Southport Neighbors Association (SNA), formerly known as Northwest Lakeview Neighbors, is holding its next meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 21 at 7:30 P.M. at the Philippine-American Ecumenical Church, 3848 N. Greenview.

The featured speaker at the meeting will be Chester Kropidowski, Engineer of Traffic Operations for the City of Chicago, who will discuss proposed changes in traffic and parking regulations for night baseball games during the Cubs' 1989 season.

Due to the interest expressed in our organization by our neighbors to the east, we have extended our eastern boundary to Clark Street. The area now encompassed by the organization runs from Clark Street on the east to Ashland Ave. on the west, and from Addison Street on the south to Irving Park Rd. on the north. Everyone living within this area is encouraged to attend our Feb. 21 meeting. Our goal to unite area residents and to work to make a difference in our neighborhood remains unchanged.

JUNIPER PARK PLAYLOT RENOVATION UPDATE

The Chicago Park District is in the middle of a multi-year program in which every city playlot will be renovated. Because of the community interest mobilized by our group, Juniper Playlot has been designated to be renovated in June.

As a result, the Park District has allotted \$27,500 for the renovation. In addition, your Southport Neighbors Association raised another \$10,000 from the Tribune Charities. More funds are still needed and we welcome your fund-raising suggestions.

The Juniper Park Playlot belongs to the community and we need your ideas to make this a Playlot for everyone to enjoy. Design meetings with the Park District will be held in March. Your ideas and input are needed in this process. All interested persons should contact Carol Anzai Spreitzer at 472-2684. Playlot committee representatives will also be available at the Feb. 21 meeting.

BLAINE SCHOOL PLAYGROUND REDEVELOPMENT PLANNED

SNA is very excited about working with the Blaine School PTA on a community-wide project to transform the dangerous and unattractive asphalt surface that currently serves as a school yard into a beautiful, landscaped playground. Our goal is to create a parklike setting that gives the children a safe, creative environment in which to play.

We urge you to become involved and help us transform the only piece of open land in our area into a resource for the entire community. Mark your calendars now for the April 18 neighborhood meeting to "kick off" this project. Please call Ann Collins-Dole at 477-3583 with any questions or to volunteer your time and talents.

CITY ANNOUNCES NEW NIGHT GAME PARKING REGULATIONS

HOLY COW!!! Members of the SNA attended the public hearing held by the Department of Public Safety on 1989 Wrigley parking proposals. The City is proposing to extend the boundaries of permit parking (see attached map) and to formally place last year's parking arrangements under city ordinance. If you had problems or concerns about last year's parking situation, our February 21 meeting is one of the last chances to be heard.

IF YOU HAVE A LAKEVIEW PERMIT FOR THE '88 SEASON, IT WILL BE GOOD AGAIN IN '89

The biggest change in parking regulations that affects the neighborhood is a proposed change in the handling of guest passes. Under the proposal, a permanent guest pass, good for the entire '89 night schedule, would be issued to each household upon written request. Another important issue is how to keep the businesses in our community from being hurt by the parking restrictions. The city will detail these proposals at the SNA meeting. Since none of these changes have been formally adopted, your views can affect how these issues are decided. Think of the Feb. 21 meeting as spring training for your neighborhood team.