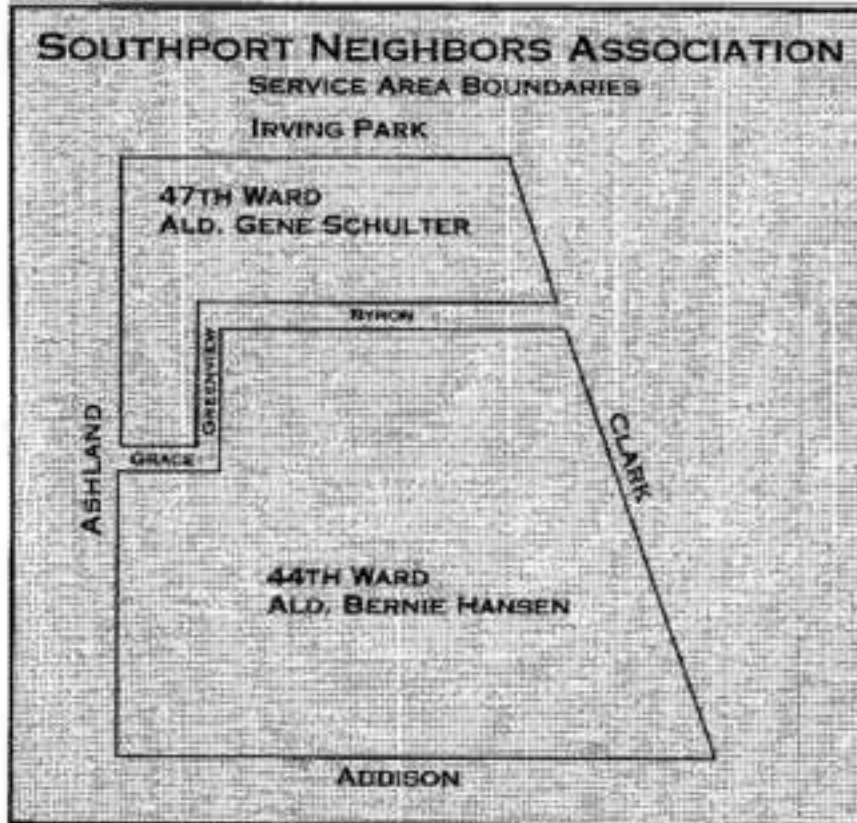


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Next Meeting:

**Tues., June 24, 1997
at 7 p.m.**

**Wrigleyville
Worship Center
1242 W. Addison St.**

Agenda

- Election of 1997-98 Board
- Library Update
- Zoning Approvals

3939 N. Ashland- It's back!

By Gary Bonikowski
Chair, Planning & Development

The community will hear a new proposal for the 3939 N. Ashland building at the June 24 meeting.

Forest City Auto Parts, which won the SNA's approval at the April Meeting, is out of the picture, as their schedule could not be met. The Brown Elephant is the proposed new tenant. It is a resale shop that benefits the Howard Brown Health

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It's time to renew your membership!

*All memberships expire in June.
Help keep your neighborhood organization strong. Renew today!*

An application is on page 6.



an affiliated branch of the Lake View Citizens' Council

SNA To Participate in Lakeview Community Network

The Lakeview Community Network was formed as a coalition of resident and business groups. Its sole purpose is to help obtain and share information among member groups on quality-of-life issues that affect the greater Lakeview community.

The first quality-of-life issue the Community Network will face is development. They have created a standard checklist for developers who seek the support of a Network member on a development pro-

posal. Many projects have a "ripple effect" which extends across community boundaries into adjoining areas. By joining together, the right questions will be asked early on in the project and member groups will get early notice of developments which may affect them. Other quality-of-life issues to be addressed in the future may include schools, transportation, traffic, parking, infrastructure, safety and crime, parks, and community diversity.

Zoning Update

by Gary Bonikowski
Chair, Planning & Development

3845 N. Ashland

The 15-unit building has been topped out. It presents an attractive courtyard facade to Ashland Ave. Our review efforts that resulted in the height being reduced from 5 floors to 4 have certainly paid off.

3918-24 N. Southport

The old buildings have been demolished. The foundation walls have been poured for the two new 8-unit buildings.

3842 N. Lakewood and 3827 N. Wayne

Construction has reached the 3rd floor level of these three-story, two-unit buildings. They appear to meet the requirements of the Special Conservation District.

3939-41 N. Greenview

A demolition permit has been issued for these properties. We have received no information on what will be built there. Within the past two months, the developer has been cited by the Building Department and fined twice by Streets and Sanitation due to the condition of the property.

Advertise here!

Advertise your local business in the SNA's newsletter. It's an inexpensive way to reach your neighborhood four times a year. For information, call Matt Gallagher at (312) 726-6670

12-Unit Townhouse Proposed for Wayne

A proposal for twelve townhouses at 3923-33 N. Wayne is under review by the SNA Planning & Development Committee.

The project will be developed by Access Realty Group, 3738 N. Southport, which is owned by Bill Platt, a neighborhood resident (Platt is running for the SNA board of directors at the June 24 meeting). The architect is WRZ Design Group.

Plans call for two buff-colored brick and limestone six-unit buildings facing a center court, with 24 enclosed parking spaces. The buildings will meet the height & density requirements of the Special Conservation District, although not required to because it is not within the covered territory. The builders are requesting zoning exceptions for the depth of the front and rear yards. The developer will make a proposal at the June 24 meeting.

What's New on Southport Ave.

News from the Southport
Business Association

Blackout Records at 3729 N. Southport is closing June 30. Owner Jillian Matson's next venture will be putting up a Web site under the name Blackout Chicago.com. The new tenant at 3729 N. Southport will be **P.O.S.H.**, opening in August and offering a range of tableware products – dishes, glassware, silverware and table linens. It will also offer a range of vintage silver once used by hotels, restaurants and steamships.

Watch where you put those yard sale signs! Did you know that it is illegal to "post, stamp, tack, paint or otherwise fix...any notice, placard, bill, card, poster, advertisement, ... to any lamppost, electric light, telephone pole, shade tree or tree box?" Violations can result in fines from \$10.00 to \$200.00 per occurrence.

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Uptown Recycling Offers New Reuse Programs

Uptown Recycling (UR), who for several years worked with SNA to provide curbside recycling service to the community, has established a new "reuse program" to collect and redistribute reusable goods which are no longer of use to the present owner. Working with a number of northside social service agencies, UR's Urban Resource Warehouse program will also provide work training and job opportunities for people in the community.

UR would be happy to provide free pick-up of your reusable household goods. Collected items are to be

reused and thus, at the present time must be in decent and usable condition. Acceptable items include: household items (furniture, kitchen utensils); equipment (furnishings, typewriters); appliances and tools (indoor and outdoor); and building materials (cabinets, hardware). UR reserves the right to decline certain items at the time of collection. UR is a charitable organization, and thus donations may be tax deductible.

Call UR at (773) 769-4488 to arrange for a free pick-up or to learn more about other on-going environmental education programs.

Summertime Pet Etiquette Tips

Summer is here! It's time to clean up and be proud of our neighborhood. Think of your neighbors and control your pets! If you love your dogs and cats, don't let them run wild and be a nuisance to your neighbors. Keep them on a leash or in your yard. Clean up after your pets -

it's against the law not to! Avoid leaving pets in cars in the hot sun - it is dangerous to their health. A sheet with further tips will be available at the June 24 meeting. For information about stray animals, call Animal Care and Control at (312) 747-1406.

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Center. They have an existing store at Halsted and Waveland, which will remain open. Rezoning of the 3939 N. Ashland property would be required.

The other element in this puzzle is the temporary library. The Chicago Public Library Facilities Committee voted on June 11 to recommend the 3939 N. Ashland building as a home for a 2500 square-foot tem-

porary library. The Chicago Public Library Board is expected to accept this recommendation at its June 17 meeting. However, building owner Frank Freedman does not want to tie the rezoning for the resale shop to the library proposal, as he did at the April meeting when the auto parts store was under consideration.

A complete proposal will be made at the June 24 meeting, and the community will have an opportunity to voice its concerns.

SNA Establishes Gardening Contest To Honor Late President Gary Osborne

The SNA is establishing a gardening competition to recognize the efforts of avid gardeners in our community. The beautiful gardens established by many of our neighbors provide enjoyment to everyone who walks by.

The competition was established to honor the memory of the late Gary Osborne, a dedicated gardener and an active participant in making the neighborhood a better place to live.

Participants will compete in each of the following categories:

1. Single family homes and two flats;
2. Corner gardens and parkways; and
3. Three unit or more buildings.

Details of the competition will be announced at the June 24, 1997 general meeting at the Wrigleyville Worship Center.

Remaining Cubs Night Home Games

Special Parking Restrictions are in effect on the following dates:

- Thu June 26
- Mon July 14
- Thu July 31
- Sun August 3
- Tue August 5
- Mon August 25
- Tue August 26
- Tue September 2
- Mon September 15
- Tue September 16

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Join Southport Neighbors Today!

Yes! I'm interested in joining/renewing* as a Southport Neighbor.

Enclosed is a check for \$ _____ for the following membership:

Name: _____

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Chicago, IL 60613 - _____

*all memberships expire on one year anniversary date

Phone: (h) _____ (w) _____

- individual (\$5)
- family (\$8)
- business (\$10)
- senior (\$2)

I'd like to help! I'm most interested in the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising | <input type="checkbox"/> Meetings Support |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beautification | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Block representative | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter production |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business Liaison | <input type="checkbox"/> Planning & Development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Safety |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising | <input type="checkbox"/> Social |

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