SNA Garden Walk
Set for July 19th

By Jacki Gelb

We're very excited that forty of our neighbors have agreed to share their gardens with the community for the first Southport Neighbors Association mid-summer garden walk, on July 19, 1998 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Maps listing all the gardens will be available at each participating garden and at the corner of Southport and Grace, near Blaine School. Come and meet your neighbors, old and new, and share in the lovely gardens. Our thanks go out to all the gardeners, neighborhood businesses, and the

Single Family Houses
Proposed for Greenvie Ave.

By Gary Bonkowski
Planning & Development Chair

We have received a proposal for five single family houses at 3848 to 3858 N. Greenvie. The developer is Bill Platt of Access Realty. The architect is Morgan-Williams. The Planning & Development Committee has met with the architect and reached a tentative agreement, pending resolution of some minor design issues and on finalizing a restrictive covenant with the developer. We expect that these items will be resolved and that the project will be presented to the community at the July 20, 1998 meeting.

There are two important issues that the community needs to consider. First, four of the houses have garage doors facing the street. You will have to decide whether you agree with the committee that this is an acceptable trade-off in order to get five single family houses rather than a denser project. Second, we have a continuing problem with this developer's last project. We are attempting to make the restrictive covenant strong enough to prevent similar problems on this project. These issues are important to the community. Please come to the meeting, see the proposal, and voice your opinions or concerns.

Next Meeting:
Mon. July 20, 1998
7:30 p.m.
Philippine-American Church
3858 N. Greenvie

On the agenda:
• Urban Landscape and Gardening
• Garden Walk Follow-up
• Special Conservation District
• Board Membership
• Toons Sidewalk Cafe
• Fundraising Committee

SNA Board
Members Needed
The Southport Neighbors Association is looking for committed and energetic candidates for its 1998-99 Board of Directors. Board membership requires a time commitment of 8 to 10 hours per month, and involves attending bimonthly general and board meetings, chairing one or more committees, and contact with local government, merchants and residents. If you are interested, mail a letter explaining your interest to Nominating Committee, 3540 N. Southport, Suite 1000, Chicago, IL 60657 to arrive by Monday, August 17.

Join or Renew Today!
SNA is your community's voice. A membership application is on pg. 2.

*An affiliated branch of the Lake View Citizens' Council*
The following neighbors are members of the Board of Directors of the Southport Neighbors Association for 1997-98. All officers are elected by the Board in accordance with the Bylaws of the SNA.

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Toons Requests Sidewalk Cafe
Toons, located at 3857 North Southport Avenue, has requested community support for a sidewalk cafe. The cafe would be located on the Southport side of the building, located at the corner of Byron and Southport. It would have six tables with four seats each, with a total capacity of twenty-four people. The owners plan to open up the front of the building with French doors or folding doors.

The SNA Planning & Development Committee has reviewed the request and has voted to support it. At our July 20 community meeting, you will be able to see the proposal, ask questions or give comments, and then vote on the request. The SNA is your voice, and July 20 will be your only chance to be heard on this issue. If you have any opinion, pro or con, please make sure to attend the July 20 meeting!

Urban Gardening & Landscaping
At the July 20, 1998 meeting, SNA will focus on urban gardening and landscaping. Phil Cleland, of Chicago Specialty Gardens, will speak to us on urban garden spaces, including tips on soil improvement, attracting wildlife to the city, and assessing and countering pest problems using the least toxic methods. He will be joined by Karen Koeth, Chicago Specialty Gardens’s designer, and will answer questions from the group. Come learn how to grow a better garden!

1997-98 General Meeting Schedule
The SNA will hold general meetings in the Blaine School Auditorium, at the corner of Southport and Grace, on the following remaining dates in 1997-98:

Tues, September 22, 1998
Mon, November 16, 1998

Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. sharp and end before 9 p.m. At the September 22, 1998 meeting, elections will be held for the new board of directors.

Meetings of the board of directors will be held on the third Mondays of December, February, April, June, August and October.

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: ________________________________________________
Address: ______________________________________________
Chicago, IL 60613 -

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

☐ Advertising
☐ Beautification
☐ Block representative
☐ Business Liaison
☐ Education
☐ Fundraising
☐ Meetings Support
☐ Membership
☐ Newsletter production
☐ Planning & Development
☐ Safety
☐ Social

☐ individual ($5)
☐ family ($8)
☐ business ($10)
☐ senior ($2)

*all memberships expire on one year anniversary date

Make your check out to “Southport Neighbors Assoc”.
Mail the check, along with this form, to:

Southport Neighbors Assoc.
3540 N. Southport Ave.
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Chicago, IL 60657-1436

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