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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 midsummer 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



Look for this sign to identify participating gardens!

garden walk committee for making this event possible.

Single Family Houses Proposed for Greenview Ave.

By Gary Bonikowski Planning & Development Chair

We have received a proposal for five single family houses at 3848 to 3858 N. Greenview. The developer is Bill Platt of Access Realty. The architect is Morgante-Wilson. 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. Greenview

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.

Southport Neighbors Association Board of Directors and Officers: 1997-1998

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.

Bill Lachman, Acting President 3722 N. Lakewood (847) 768-7010 Terrie Latino, Treasurer 3805 N. Wayne (312) 751-8000 x 2133

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Jackie Gelb 3921 N. Greenview (773) 281-5276

John O'Hare 3624 N. Janssen (312) 853-7454

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 & Develop-

ment 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!

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.

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, '(cut here)

and assessing and countering pest problems using the least toxic methods. He will be joined by Karen Koerth, Chicago Specialty Gardens's designer, and will answer questions from the group. Come learn how to grow a better garden!

Join Southport Neighbors Today!

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☐ Block representative ☐ Business Liaison ☐ Education	☐ Newsletter production ☐ Planning & Development ☐ Safety	Southport Neighbors Assoc. 3540 N. Southport Ave. Suite 1000
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