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COMMUNITY MEETING

*Southport
Neighbors
Association*

*Monday
October 23rd
at 7:00pm*

*in the
Mercury
Theater*

3745 North Southport

MMMMmmmm Gooooood!!!!

The first 75 members and new members who join at the door at this Community Meeting will receive a "much talked about" Southport Grocery & Cafe cupcake. Join us!

THE AGENDA ITEMS

ALD. TUNNEY PRESENTS THE 44TH WARD MASTER PLAN

For the past 3 years the Alderman's Community Directed Development Council ("CDDC") has been working on a master plan for the Ward which is now ready for community feedback. You can download a copy off the 44th Ward website at www.44thward.org then click "Master Plan" or call **773.549.4000** and ask for a copy.

UNVEILING OF THE NEW \$20,000,000 JEWEL FOR SOUTHPORT WITH UNDERGROUND PARKING

Your concerns about the state of our Jewel store have been heard. A new store has been planned for Southport that is like no other in the country. Come and view the new plans; your questions and input are welcome.

3701-09 NORTH ASHLAND DEVELOPMENT

4 lots currently zoned commercial as C1-2 are slated for residential condo construction and rezoning to B2-3. The plans will be presented.

SNA DONATES \$9,000 TO BLAINE SCHOOL

SNA is pleased to announce it will donate \$9,000.00 to James G. Blaine School from the 'Summer on Southport' Festival proceeds. A check will be presented to Blaine's Principal, Gladys Vaccarezza at the Community Meeting.

CUBS UPDATE

At SNA's July 2006 meeting, Mike Lufrano announced the Cubs desire to plan a concert at Wrigley in 2007 much like the Jimmy Buffet concert. No specific plans concert plans have been announced to date. Mike will present a late season report and will be available to answer questions/concerns about future concerts as Wrigley.

TRAC UPDATE

Barb Head, of TRAC, writes the following on tax reform efforts: We are closing in on the Veto session which runs for only two weeks in late November. TRAC is hoping that all the phone calls to Speaker Mike Madigan's office at **773.518.8000** will encourage him to find the votes for the 7% cap, call the bill and pass it!

If it isn't called in this Veto session we are confident that the 7% cap will be taken up in the regular session that begins in January of 2007. Phone the Mayor now, at **312.744.3300** the Governor at **312.814.2121** and of course Speaker Madgian at **773.518.8000**—A VERY IMPORTANT CALL. Tell them to find the votes for the 7% cap and pass it. Remember it did pass in the Senate. We are now waiting for Madigan to stop playing politics with people's homes.

SNA FOOD & COAT DRIVE

Bring a grocery bag of dry and packaged goods and gently used coats you wish to donate to the Oct. 23rd meeting and SNA will deliver them to the Lakeview Pantry and area shelters.



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In Other News

SNA TASK FORCE SCHEDULES FIRST MEETING

A meeting of the SNA task force, organized to address community concerns about safety, traffic, parking, litter, noise, and bar-community relations, will hold its first meeting with Aldermen Schuller and Tunney, representatives from SNA, Clark Street and Southport bars, the police, Streets and Sanitation, and the Cubs. Please send all questions and concerns you would like this Committee to address to president@southportneighbors.com or call **312.458.OSNA**.

HALLOWEEN TRICK-OR-TREAT ON SOUTHPORT

Sunday Oct. 29th, Noon-3pm Join the Lakeview Chamber of Commerce and Standard Bank's trick or treat on Southport from Byron (to the north) to School Street (on the south end).



CAPS UPDATE

Two arrests were made at the end of July in relation to 2 of the 12 armed robberies in our area from June 15th to July 11th. While violent crime is down since summer, no arrests have been made in connection with the other incidents and a couple of purse snatchings and several garage break-ins have occurred since then. A neighborhood watch program is being set up in our area. Watch for details.

The next CAPS meeting is November 14th at 7pm at the Lakeview Baptist Church, 4100 N. Greenview.

Questions?

Please call the 19th District Community Policing Office at **312.744.5574**.



Sign me up! I gotta join Southport Neighbors Association (SNA)

Name _____

Address _____

Phone (H) _____

(W) _____

Email _____

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES:

- Individual • \$10 Family • \$15 Business • \$15 Senior • \$2
- Please send me the *Southport Neighbor* via email (*our preferred method!*)
- Please send me the *Southport Neighbor* via US mail (*no charge*)
- Also enclosed is my additional tax-deductible donation of \$ _____ to support the work of the Southport Neighbors Association.

Total enclosed: \$ _____ *Mail check payable to:*

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- Neighborhood Protection/Cubs Membership Business Liaison
- Block Representative Newsletter Traffic & Safety
- Property Tax Reform Preservation Public Relations
- Planning & Development Social Welcome Committee
- Summer On Southport Garden Walk Beautification



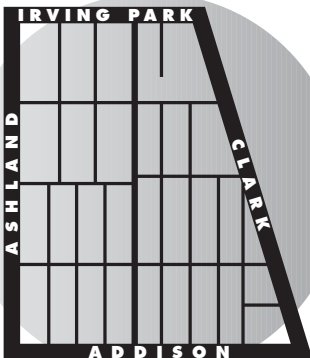
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