

**GOLD COAST NEIGHBORS MISSION** - Our mission is to enhance the beauty and protect the heritage of our historic area for the benefit of the neighbors, the City of Chicago at large, and for all those who visit our lakefront and parkways.

We accomplish the above by educating neighbors about our history, providing information on current matters of importance, serving as a public voice, contributing to area beautification and sponsoring forums to exchange ideas.

We are an all-volunteer organization and we do these things because we are passionate about our unique neighborhood.

**CALENDAR**

- Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Maxim's
- Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> Ghoully Halloween
- Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> NDA's Joy of Toys at Mario's

**MEMBERSHIP EXPIRATION** - Check the label below and renew if you are not current or want to extend your current membership. In return, you will receive a \$20.00 Mario's Ristorante gift certificate.

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**Boundary Lines: A Reminder:** Alderman Daley's 43rd Ward includes the area bordered by the park side of North Avenue, then the east side of State to Division, then the north side of Division between State and Lake Shore Drive and Lake Shore Drive back up to North Avenue. Alderman Natarus's 42nd Ward represents the rest of our neighborhood area.



**PRESIDENT**  
Abby Didrickson Zanarini

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**Executive Director**  
Barbara Boden

**SUMMER 2005 NEWSLETTER**

This year's "Evening on Astor" is our 23<sup>rd</sup> annual block party and fundraiser. Over 1,000 should attend. It's a great way to meet friends and neighbors. Please save the date, September 7<sup>th</sup>, and

spread the word. Tom Gariti is our great Chairperson. We hope you will support your association by attending and also by contributing financially.

*"Evening on Astor"*

*Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> (Rain Date 9-8)*

*5:30-8:30 PM*

*On Astor, Between Banks and Goethe*

*Music by Michael Lerich Orchestra*

*Food by Mario's Ristorante and  
Wine, Beer, Soft Drinks by Lodge Management  
Announcer Leslie Hindman*

*Free Admission, Free Children's Games*

*Dancing, Ice Cream, Fun, Clown Magic Shows*

We would appreciate your financial participation. Entertainment and admission are free. Please become an "Angel", "Benefactor", or "Good Neighbor" by returning the coupon below with a check or charge card authorization by August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Your name will be listed in the evening's program brochure.

**I would love to donate:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name to be printed in program)

Angel — \$200      Benefactor—\$100      Good Neighbor—\$50

**Please make (tax-deductible) check or charge card authorization payable to:**

**GCN or Gold Coast Neighbors Association**  
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**WEB UPDATE** - Your site has now been up for 11 months and your feedback has been great. There is new information every month, new photos of the area, member renewal forms, and much more. Please visit [www.goldcoastneighbors.org](http://www.goldcoastneighbors.org).

**CAPS** - You can talk directly to our Police about problems and questions at 7:00 P.M. Tuesday, September 27, Ambassador East Hotel, second floor.

**TREES** - Planting by the Bureau of Forestry is done twice a year. They will plant 4,000 trees throughout the City of Chicago, including for our parkways. Trees are planted at the request of homeowners, who must have their parkway site inspected. The list of tree types that may be planted include many different varieties of maples, oaks, catalpa, lindens, disease resistant elm and honey locust. If interested, call 311. Forestry staff will investigate your planting site. For more information, call The Association, ask for Dori.

**ECHOES** - Chair Beth Zonarini reports that on 05/05/05 Gold Coast Neighbors Association (GCNA) celebrated the 10th Anniversary of Echoes. With the theme of Cinco de Mayo, the Echoes event gathered 175 members and friends to celebrate spring and raise monies to benefit our neighborhood. The Three Arts Club provided the perfect venue for all to enjoy hors d'oeuvres, refreshments, live entertainment by Gustavo Lopez and an array of silent auction items. Record proceeds help fund GCNA beautification and education initiatives.



Jack Telander and Mario Stefanini



Chair Beth Zonarini with Echoes Committee Members

**MEMBERSHIP UP, CHARGE CARDS** - As some of you know, we did a major mailing in February to attract new members and have members renew. Membership is now up 30%! Thank you.

Also, we now have the ability to process charge card payments for membership, our spring Echoes event, the Evening on Astor Block Party, and any general contributions which are made.

Check the mailing label and if you want to renew or extend by 12 months your current membership, we will send as a thank you a \$20 Mario's ristorante gift certificate.

**OFFICER APPRECIATION** - GCN was proud to make a \$500 contribution to the 18<sup>th</sup> District's DAC Officer Appreciation day, held on April 21, 2005. This annual event provided meals for 500 sworn and civilian personnel during the day long event which also honored two retired officers, 25 year partners, Nick Kitowski and Mitch Masalski...fondly named the 'ski patrol'!



L to R: Officer Mitch Masalski, Chris Ryan, GCN Director/Lodge Mgmt. Group, Officer Nick Kitowski, Cynthia Bathurst, 18th Dist. DAC Chair and Jan Muller.

**NORTH AVENUE CUL DE SAC SCULPTURE**  
The 43<sup>rd</sup> Ward, Vi Daley, has art sculpture in eight neighborhood locations including our circle. Artist John Adduci is on the Art Institute faculty and his work "Wacko" is a great one year addition to the neighborhood.



"Wacko" by John Adduci

**NORTH OF NORTH AVENUE** - We need some feedback. The area just north of North Avenue is Chicago Park District (CPD) and we are concerned about its run down look as well as safety issues: sidewalks are broken, benches are too low, there is serious soil erosion, and the old 55 gallon drums look terrible. Do you agree we should ask the CPD to develop a program with us and neighbors to upgrade the area? Please call or write.

**GOUDY PARKWAYS** - Chair Karen Herman has raised \$25,000 to date to beautify the parkways. We will be raising an additional \$25,000 to complete the project. With the support of Ald. Vi Daley, a permit for the work has been secured. Phase 1 includes the completion of the ironwork framing the parkways. When the weather and funds permit, landscape elements will be installed. Future monies will complete installation and create our maintenance fund for the parkways. Thanks to all who have generously contributed. Forward your donation, marked "Parkways", to Gold Coast Neighbors, address on back page.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** - We can use your expertise! As GCN continues to grow, we find that our organization benefits from tapping the enormous talent that resides in our neighborhood. We're always looking for people who can lend a hand on committees, help out with our events throughout the year, or contribute specialized skills (e.g. proficiency with photo-editing software, marketing). We want to make it easy and fun for you to get involved. Contact President Abby Zonarini to talk about how you can play a role.

**P.O.B. FLOWERS, MAYOR** - Summer on the Gold Coast! Cedar planter boxes filled with blooming flowers, on newly created metal supports, hanging on green storage mailboxes! So beautiful they caught the eye of Mayor Richard Daley who loved them and requested his staff research the feasibility of a similar beautification project citywide.



Planter Box

**NEAR NORTH PRESERVATION COALITION**  
Tom Begel, President, requests donations for our continued zoning fight at Banks/LSD. Checks should be made payable to NNPC and sent to 980 North Michigan Ave., Suite 1000, Chicago, IL 60611.

**NEW DIRECTORS** - We elected 3 new directors last month, Larry Gard, Joe Gromacki, and Beth Zonarini. All have been extremely active as GCN members and we look forward to their participation as directors. We currently have 2 other openings!

If you are not current, (see the address label on next page), please use this form and renew.

**Dues for 12 months ending August 31, 2006**

Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMBER CATEGORIES**

Neighbor.....	\$30.00
Building Association.....	\$40.00
General Fund Contribution.....	\$ _____

Please send this form and your TAX DEDUCTIBLE check or charge card authorization to:

**Gold Coast Neighbors or GCN P.O. BOX 11579, CHICAGO, IL 60611**

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