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'Evening on Astor', sponsored by the Gold Coast Neighbors Association, will be celebrating its 26th year. Guests will enjoy live entertainment by the Michael Lerich Orchestra, 10" margherita pizza's from Mario's Ristorante and will be able to purchase beer, wine and soft drinks from Lodge Management. Games and prizes will be available for children and there will be raffle prizes for adults. Please...no dogs or skateboards to ensure a pleasant and safe evening for everyone!

WEDNESDAY,
 SEPTEMBER 3RD
 5:30 ~ 8:30 PM
 ASTOR STREET
 BETWEEN BANKS
 AND GOETHE
 RAIN DATE ~
 SEPTEMBER 4



What is now a cherished, annual neighborhood tradition, the 'Evening on Astor' block party was started by the late Mary Lou Maher, former President of the neighborhood organization then called the *North State, Astor, Lake Drive Association*. In 1983, the party was to 'provide entertainment for the whole family, to increase our visibility among our neighbors, and to kick off a membership drive for the coming year'. Mary Lou promised 'clowns and caterers, dinner and dancing, fun and frivolity, music and muffins, popcorn and prizes, raffles and relaxation, tents and tables'.



Noted society orchestra leader Stanley Paul provided the music for the first ten years of EOA and was quoted in a Chicago Tribune article in 1987:

"Stanley Paul, Mr. Orchestra himself called the night of street dancing 'a kick'. 'All the old people who can't get out anymore are lined up at their windows to see me. The ones who remember me from the old Pump Room tell me they look forward to this because they can't make it to the benefits anymore, and this is the night I come back to my old stomping grounds."

Over the past 25 years the Evening on Astor party has changed, evolved, grown and we are certain that Mary Lou's vision for a neighborhood block party held on Astor Street for the enjoyment of both adults and children has been accomplished!

See inside for Reservations

In this issue ~ 26th Evening on Astor • Donations to Firehouse • Doggy Wine Tasting • Neighborhood Improvements • Antique Cars at 'Days Gone By' •

On paper, the "Keep Our Neighborhood Clean" event using a wine tasting to fund the supply of doggie waste bags in the GCN area may have seemed like an odd pairing. Its absolute success however could make this beautification effort an anticipated annual event.

The delightful soiree at the Saddle & Cycle Club in May raised a net profit of \$3,000, which is slated to help fund the \$800 cost per year, per box dispenser. The program designed to provide dog owners with "Emergency Use Only" plastic bags for waste has experienced some challenges. Unfortunately much of the supply is being used for a demand other than its purpose. Still the GCN remains committed to the effort and would like to thank Tom Gariti for his efforts maintaining the program to date. GCN would like to further thank Tom and the rest of the Event Committee; Joyce Saxon, Maureen O'Brien, Sean Hunter, Sarah Robertson and Dianne Zaubi.



Doggy Wine Tasting Party-goers

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2007 Evening On Astor



EVENING ON ASTOR

Be an Evening on Astor Sponsor, reserve your table.

Premier 8-top	\$250
Standard 8-top	\$150
4-top	\$75

If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation, please be:

An Angel	\$200
A Benefactor	\$100
A Good Neighbor	\$50

Please call Larry Gard to make your table reservation at 312-787-9620. Forward your check payment to GCN Association, 307 N. Michigan Ave., Suite 800, Chicago, Illinois 60601. for more information, visit our website - www.goldcoastneighbors.org

GCN Donates TVs to Firehouse 98



Chicago Firestation 98

The Gold Coast Neighbors Association salutes the dedicated Chicago Fire Department professionals who help protect our neighborhood. Members of GCN's Outreach Committee presented a flat panel television to our friends at fire station 98 on Chicago Avenue. From left, Firemen Hector Lujano, Patrick Looney, Gaines Strader, Captain Bill Madden, GCN members Mary Beth Meyer, Beth Zonarini and Bill Staples.

Calendar of Events

Wednesday, September 3rd, 2008 – 26th Annual 'Evening on Astor' block party – Read newsletter front and inside page story for more information on this fabulous event!

Monday, October 20th, 2008 – GCN Annual Meeting – Maxims •

Friday, October 31st, 2008 – Ghoully Park Children's Halloween Party – Goudy Park

Saturday, December 6th, 2008 – 'Joy of Toys' event - Mario's Ristorante



John Coletti, Tom Baur and Lee Blackwell



Stephen Murphy, Julia & Jerry Mickelson, Yolanda Hernandez

DAYS GONE BY

Any reminiscence of "Days Gone By" will now conjure up pleasant memories for GCN members who attended a roaring evening at the Richard Driehaus Antique Car Collection on Wednesday, June 4th. The impressive and extensive Driehaus collection includes a 1927 Pierce Arrow, a 1966 Chevrolet Corvette 427 and one of the original Tucker cars built in Chicago. GCN is grateful to Mr. Driehaus, rarely available for private events, for hosting the event and allowing our membership a vehicular trip through the past. GCN also extends a very warm "Thank You" to the sponsors of 'Days Gone By' who steered GCN into a vintage affair: Lodge Management, Blue Plate Catering and staff, Diamond Bank, the House of Glunz, Old Town Gardens and the many event volunteers.



Dianne Zaubi, Karen Kammer, Maureen O'Brien

Latest Gold Coast Improvements



Above - Alley entrance off of Burton Street
Below - "Floating Wall" by Michael Brown



Above - The Gold Coast Neighbors flowerbox program helps to beautify the neighborhood.



Right - Our friends at 1550 N. Lake Shore Drive have done a terrific job of landscaping the cul-de-sac at the east end of North Avenue. GCN applauds this outstanding example of neighborhood beautification and volunteer spirit!

