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Dear Neighbor:

You may know us from dancing under the stars at our Evening on Astor event, the annual celebration of the end of summer. Or perhaps you and your children have enjoyed "Ghouly Halloween," our "frightening" transformation of Goudy Park into a Haunted Halloween wonderland. Or your "million dollar" view has been kept intact, due to our support of and involvement in key zoning issues. While these activities have helped to bring people within the neighborhood together, this is just a part of the Gold Coast Neighbors' overall mission, which is to help preserve and protect our unique historic neighborhood. The following are the ways that we execute upon this mission:

Safety: Work closely with our police and fire departments and with both aldermen to further improve upon the safety of our neighborhood.

Zoning: Promote manageable density and sound zoning decisions.

Neighborhood Character: Provide a forum to better understand issues that can impact the character of our neighborhood and represent the unique interests of our membership. These include issues surrounding noise, congestion, aesthetic, building usage, and other issues.

Beautification: Renovation of Goudy Park parkways, support of the restoration of the wooden alley near North Avenue and presentation of Beautification Awards to encourage unique landscaping.

Sense of Community: Host social and educational events including our Spring Celebration, Evening on Astor, Annual Meeting, and Ghouly Halloween. We also promote activities for area children and participate in projects aiding those with greater needs.

We believe that decades of our involvement and activism on behalf of the Gold Coast area has helped ensure that our beloved neighborhood remains one of the finest in the nation and worldwide! We look forward to having you join us at our upcoming events. If you would like to become actively involved, we have outlined our committees (on the membership application on the reverse side) and welcome your input and involvement. We also have provided space where you can identify additional areas of need.

The cost of membership is only \$40 and we encourage you to join us in our mission to make the Gold Coast a more enjoyable and better place to live!

Tom Thilman
President

John Gable
Membership Chair

(see reverse side)

OUR WORK: Listed here are recent GCN (formerly North, State, Astor LSD) projects and accomplishments. We welcome requests.

Safety:

Burton stoplight
CAPS meetings
Education re home security
Education re personal safety

Neighborhood Character:

3 Astor Street historic markers
Area paths north of North Ave
Charnley House gift
North Avenue cul-de-sac, curbing & fencing
North Avenue underpass

Sense of Community:

Andy Warhol MCA event
Education about area buildings
Educational annual meetings
Educational newsletters – 3 per year
Education re officer appreciation day
Evening on Astor block parties – 27
Firehouse kitchenware and TV sets
Ghouly Halloween
History / Education Committee
Hotline – 312.629.6046
Injured police officers help
Joy of Toys participation
Police color printer for CAPS
Spring Celebration receptions – 12
Three Arts gift
Website: GoldCoastNeighbors.org

Zoning:

Education re Illinois façade program
Elm Street / LaSalle Apartments
Latin school expansion
LSD fencing
LSD rental signage
Meetings with elected officials
Near North Preservation support
Zoning, fence heights

Beautification:

20 garbage receptacles
Beautification awards
Gift of five trees to City of Chicago
Goudy parkways planting and maintenance
Neighborhood education, wooden pavers
North Avenue "Piggyback" Lighting
Sidewalk, 1250 State
Sidewalk, Polish Counsel

THE WEB: www.GoldCoastNeighbors.org. Our "Home Page" leads you to over 20 separate pages, some 200 photos and 20 links which we trust will be of interest. Some of the topics:

Architectural interests – links
Beautification awards – photos
Board of Directors
Community issues, crime, zoning, CAPS
Community resources – links
Did you know? (area fun facts)
Evening on Astor - photos

GCN annual meeting
GCN membership form
GCN mission and goals
GCN sponsors
Ghouly Park Halloween – photos
History of your neighborhood
History of GCN/NSALSD Assn
Holiday awards

Map – historical
NDA'S Joy of Toys at Mario's
Near North Preservation (NNPC)
Neighborhood calendar
Newsletters, previous 3 issues
Our accomplishments, outreach
Project and committee list
Spring Celebration – photos

MEMBERSHIP FORM – PLEASE PRINT

If you are a new member, choose either a \$20 ChicagoLimosineService.com certificate toward your \$65 airport ride or two \$10 Mario's Ristorante gift certificates. Renewing members may select either the \$20 limo certificate or one \$10 Mario's gift certificate. Please also consider a donation for our General Fund! Kindly send this form along with your tax deductible check or charge card authorization to:

Gold Coast Neighbors (or GCN) • 307 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 1803 • Chicago, Illinois 60601

Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____
Card #: _____
Expiration Date: ____ (month) ____ (year)

Select a certificate: Limo Mario's

Membership Categories:

Neighbor, Building Association,
and Associate *(for those outside
GCN's boundaries)*

Annual Dues: \$ _____

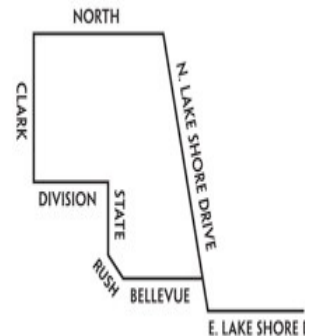
All categories are \$40 per year

(New option: 3-year renewal for \$100)

Signature: _____

General Fund: \$ _____

Total: \$ _____



• I would like to volunteer for the following Committee(s): *please indicate your choice(s)*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Annual Meeting | <input type="checkbox"/> Goudy Parkways | <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beautification | <input type="checkbox"/> Ghouly Halloween | <input type="checkbox"/> Police & Streets |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bylaws | <input type="checkbox"/> History/Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Spring Event |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communication/PR | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Website |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Evening on Astor | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning |

Please visit our website:
www.GoldCoastNeighbors.org
for more information about
our committees and the work
they do.

Questions? Please call GCN office at 312.629.6046. Please share your comments & suggestions: _____

