

George Blakemore

George Blakemore grew up in the South and moved to Chicago's Gold Coast neighborhood forty years ago. He is a frequent visitor to Lincoln Park.

George is a regular attendee and speaker at the monthly Chicago Park District Board meetings. He also attends and speaks at the meetings of the Cook County Board of Commissioners, Water Reclamation Board, Forest Preserve and countless City Council committee meetings. He is a dedicated watchdog of city, county and state government and considers himself a public servant.

George has a strong interest in preserving the natural areas of Lincoln Park and feels strongly that the park needs more areas for passive recreation, more trees, and more grass and natural areas. He feels that the park needs less athletic fields and bike paths. He would like to see a moratorium on all new commercial activity and privatization in the park. He believes that all existing commercial areas should be examined to ensure that those areas provide adequate seating for the public at large.