Goodman Steve "Lincoln Park Pirates"

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Lincoln Park Pirates

from the Steve Goodman LP "Somebody Else's Troubles"

The streetlamps are on in Chicago tonight,

And lovers a'gazin' at stars;

The stores are all closin', and Daley is dozin',

And the fat man is counting the cars...

And there's more cars than places to put 'em, he says,

But I've got room for them all;

So 'round 'em up boys, 'cause I want some more toys,

In the lot by the grocery store...

To me, way, hey, tow them away,

The Lincoln Park Pirates are we,

>From Wilmette to Gary, there's nothin' so hairy

And we always collect our fee!

So it's way, hey, tow 'em away,

We plunder the streets of your town,

Be it Edsel or Chevy, there's no car too heavy,

And no one can make us shut down.

We break into cars when we gotta,

With hammer and pickaxe and saw;

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And they said this garage had no license;
But little care I for the law!
Our drivers are friendly and courteous;
Their good manners you always will get;
'Cause they all are recent graduates
Of the charm school in Joliet.
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So it's way, hey, tow 'em away,
We plunder the streets of your town,
Be it Edsel or Chevy, there's no car too heavy,
And no one can make us shut down.
And when all the cars are collected,
And all of their fenders are ruined,
Then I'll tow all the boats in Belmont Harbor
To the Lincoln Park Lagoon;
And when I've collected the ransom,
And sunk all the ones that won't yield;
I'll tow all the planes that are blocking the runways
At Midway, O'Hare, and Meigs Field!
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So it's way, hey, tow 'em away,

Now citizens, gather around,

And I think it's enough, let's call his bluff,

Let's throw the bum out of town!

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