

SECRET MILLIONAIRE ADDS TO GIFT

Steve Kaplan, a suburban millionaire, who recently donated \$225,000 to Kids Off the Block, after working for a week at the South Side nonprofit, increased the gift when he hosted a fund raiser for the organization at Moe's Cantina in River North.

screening of the show, of which Kaplan was one of three millionaires featured. Individual and business donations since the showing have registered at roughly \$40,000 and there is still more money pledged, according to a Kaplan employee.

Kaplan was part of the ABC Network show "Secret Millionaire." Millionaires from around the country volunteer to work at an organization that has financial

Since the show's taping last summer, Kaplan meets every week with the Kids Off the Block founder Diane Latiker for up-



STEVE KAPLAN AND CROWD watching ABC's "Secret Millionaire."

concerns without the administrator's knowledge. After the end of their tenure, the millionaire reveals who he or she really is and makes the cash donation.

dates on the organization's progress. He said he hopes to work for the organization for several years.

"I know the show is over, but I hope this is the start of the awareness and help for my friends at these charities. I am so fortunate

Kaplan's fundraiser at the Tapas restaurant attracted more than 400 people. They watched the



(L-R) BRUCE OTTO (H.O.M.E.), Diane Latiker (KOB), Steve Kaplan, Philister Sidigu (H.O.M.E.) and Judson Kinnucan (Bin Donated) at the screening of the Secret Millionaire featuring Kids Off the Block.

to be a "Secret Millionaire" but even more so to have met and helped these amazing organiza-

tions," Kaplan said. Besides Kids Off the Block, he donated time to Bin Donated of

River North, Housing Opportunities and Maintenance for the Elderly (H.O.M.E.) of Rogers Park.



NEARLY 500 PEOPLE ATTENDED the viewing party at Moe's Cantina.



KAPLAN SPEAKING to viewing party crowd at Moe's Cantina.