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GRO Potluck

Once again, we tried to mark the end of winter with a Potluck. Although we did not succeed in chasing winter away, about 30 neighborhood (and other) residents had a good time sampling various dishes and enjoying each other's company, as well as participating in the traditional raffle.

Some of the prizes: Dining Certificates from (in alphabetical order) Cafe Selmarie, Chicago Brauhaus, Red Lion and the Rockwell Grill.

Additional prizes were received from Beans & Bagels consisting of a coffee maker, filters and two packages of coffee. GRO members Frank and Maria Bappert, Sara Dell, Sara Spitz and B.J. Tersch also donated items for the raffle.

Many thanks to all of our donors.
GRO Pot Lucks are the best!

COMING UP AT GRO

Featured Speakers for April and May

April

Julie Liska RA, AIA, LEED AP, the founding Principal of Liska Architects, specializing in renovating vintage residential properties, will be addressing GRO at our April meeting (April 7, 7:30 p.m.) The topic will be, "TheReal Cost of Replacement Windows And How to Make Your Vintage Windows Energy Efficient". This talk is a must for all owners of vintage homes and condos in our neighborhood.

May

On May 5, Congressman Mike Quigley will be joining our group to report on his activities in the 114th Congress. As many of you know our guest speakers typically begin their presentations about 8:00 p.m., but because of scheduling conflicts, Congressman Quigley will be opening the meeting at 7:30. We're changing the meeting time to 7:15 to make sure everyone is in place to welcome Congressman Quigley.

RECYCLING REMINDER

Top 10 Blue Cart Contaminants:

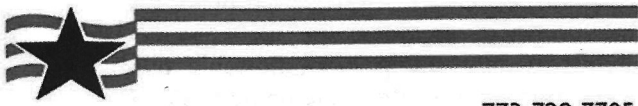
To make sure your recycling has the best impact, keep the following top 10 recycling cart contaminants OUT of your Blue Cart:

1. Needles & Medical Waste
2. Bagged Recyclables - EMPTY the contents of the bag into the cart - do NOT include the bag in the cart. Do NOT tie bags shut.
3. Loose Plastic Shopping Bags
4. Flammable Liquids: Oil, Antifreeze, Paints
5. Food Waste
6. Metal Tanks, including Propane and Helium
7. Yard Waste
8. Textiles.(Clothing, Carpet, Blankets, Shoes)
9. Bulk Materials - Ex. Hoses, Extension Cords, Ropes, Toys, Hangers, Holiday Lights
10. Wood

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Indoor Flea Market
Saturday, April 18, 2015
9:00 am – 2:00 pm
Luther Memorial Church
2500 W. Wilson Ave.
Chicago, IL 60625
773-539-3018

We are looking for people who have 'stuff' to sell and would be interested in renting a table space at our indoor flea market. Tables are six feet and eight feet , first come first choice. We will do the advertising, furnish a table with chairs, and arrange to have any leftover items you do not want to take home with you picked up after the sale. All you have to do is put them in a box and carry them to the designated spot. We will not have space for furniture. If you bring a TV, computer, printer, etc. you will not be able to leave those items if they do not sell.

There will be a bake sale and lunch served in a separate room.

Please complete the form below and return it to the above address with your table fee of \$20. Checks may be made out to WELCA.

NAME _____

ADDRESS OR EMAIL _____

PHONE _____

The church will open at 8:00 am for check-in and set-up. Registration forms should be submitted on or before April 10, 2015. Please contact Linda Miranda (linda.miranda912@gmail).

Broken lamp?
Wobbly chair?
Holes in your pockets?

If you are thinking about tossing your broken household items, consider an eco-friendly alternative: the 47th Ward Repair Café! Repair Cafés are free meeting places that are all about repairing things together.

At the 47th Ward Repair Café, you'll find volunteer repair coaches including one to two general handy folks, one jewelry repair expert, and one seamstress who have the tools, materials, and know-how to help you repair your beloved items. Even if you don't have something to repair, stop in for a cup of tea or coffee and fun conversation with your neighbors, or lend a hand with someone else's repair job. I attended the February café where Lenore helped repair a favorite necklace of mine.

The 47th Ward Repair Café takes place the second Saturday of every month from 10am-12:30pm at the Lincoln Square Friendship Center at 2733 W. Lawrence.

The next repair cafes will be held on April 11 and May 9. For more information, visit greencouncil47.org/repair-cafe/ or [facebook.com/repaircafechicago](https://www.facebook.com/repaircafechicago).

Tracy Bartholomew



Summer's coming – watch that bike!

One of the problems brought up at the last Community Policing Meeting on March 17 was that, with the weather becoming warmer, bicycle thefts have increased. Police Officers urged everyone to get their bikes registered so that they could be identified if they are stolen and somehow miraculously recovered.

Bicycle registration forms are available at the 19th District Headquarters at 850 W. Addison Street. For more information, please call 312-744-0064.

Maria Bappert

April Calendar

- 5 Sunday. Easter
- 6 Monday, 7:00 p.m. Horner Park Advisory Council Horner Park Fieldhouse, Montrose & California
- 7 Tuesday, 6:00 a.m. -7:00 p.m. The Great Mayoral Runoff!
- 7 **Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. GRO Monthly Meeting.** Luther Memorial Church, Campbell & Wilson
- 15 Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. Gross Park Advisory Council, Gross Park Fieldhouse, Lawrence & Washtenaw
- 20 Monday, 7:30 p.m. Manor Garden Club . Luther Memorial Church, Campbell & Wilson
- 21 Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. Beat 1911 Meeting, Kindred Hospital, Montrose & Rockwell
- 22 Wednesday. Earth Day
- 24 Thursday. Arbor Day

COMING UP IN THE 'HOOD'

Sunday, May 17; 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m
Ravenswood Manor Garage Sales

Saturday June ????
rudGRO GARAGE & Yard Sales

July 17 -19
Common Pantry Food Drive

Memberships run from October 1 through September 30

New member _____ Renewal _____

GRO MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____ Address _____

Home Tel. _____ Work Tel. _____ E-mail _____ Occupation _____

Categories (circle one): Individual \$20 Family \$30 Senior (65+) \$10 Senior Family \$15 Sustaining \$50

Business \$20 Friends of GRO \$20 (living outside GRO service area)

I'm adding \$5 or \$_____ for the Corner Gardens

I would like to see GRO address the following issues:

I would like to participate in the following committees (please circle):

Fundraising/Special Events Member Services/Welcome Newsletter Public Safety

Streetscape/Beautification Streetscape/Greening Urban Development

Make your check payable to GRO and bring it to a meeting, drop it off at Ruff Haus Pets, 4652 N. Rockwell (just north of the el tracks), or mail it to GRO Membership. P.O. Box 25561, Chicago IL 60625-0561