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**JOIN THE FUN!**

AT THE

**GRO Yard & Garage  
Sales**

**Saturday & Sunday  
June 13 & 14**

**10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS!**

**SCORE A TREASURE!**

Call 773-562-0794 by June 7 to sign up for  
your own sale.

## **Coming Up At The June GRO Meeting**

In addition to our usual business at the June GRO meeting on Tuesday, June 2, we will be hosting a discussion regarding the possible acquisition by the Chicago Park District of the parcel of land adjacent to the Jacob Playlot at Leland and Virginia, which currently belongs to the CTA, and possible uses for the parcel — a bigger playground? a seating/picnic area? a dog park? We can dream, can't we?

Also under discussion will be the update of Jacob's current layout and playground equipment. Joining our discussion will be Tom McManamon, Park Supervisor at Horner Park and John Lyman of the Horner Park Advisory Council. For those interested in seeing a contemporary Park District installation of playground equipment, check out Revere Park (2509 W. Irving Park Rd.)

## PLAYGROUP, ANYONE?

The Little Lincoln Logs is a playgroup for anyone who lives in Lincoln Square or surrounding area and has one or more children between the ages of 0 – 5. Our members have access to our privately hosted calendar with a wide variety of local and Chicago-wide activities. We meet at parks, visit museums, go for walks, eat at local restaurants, host and attend home-based playdates, and much much more! If you are looking to connect with other moms in your neighborhood and get involved in your community, we would love for you to join our group. We are looking for active members; this is not an internet forum. If you are interested, send an email to [littlelincolnlogs@gmail.com](mailto:littlelincolnlogs@gmail.com) or visit our website <http://www.LittleLincolnLogs.com>. Dues are \$5.00 yearly. All prospective members will need to meet with a group organizer before joining the group and being granted access to the website.

## REMINDER: CITY STICKERS EXPIRE ON JUNE 30!

*City of Chicago Vehicle Registration stickers will be available at the 47th ward office on Saturday, June 6 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.*

### *Cost:*

*Passenger - \$75*

*Large passenger - \$90*

*Senior passenger - \$30*

*Motorcycle or Moped - \$45*

*Residential permit parking stickers and guest passes will also be available.*

GROnews is published by the Greater Rockwell Organization (GRO), a community group dedicated to making our neighborhood a safe and pleasant place in which to live. Tenants, homeowners, landlords, and business owners are welcome to join us in improving our community.

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## Concerts in the Parks

What says summer more than outdoor concerts and neighborhood festivals?

### Summer Concert Series

Join your neighbors and meet new friends at local venues for free summer concerts.

**Lincoln Square, Giddings Plaza. Thursdays; 7:00 p.m.**

June 11: Sons of the Never Wrong

June 18: Doko Benjo

June 25: The Flat Cats

**Welles Park Gazebo. Tuesdays; 6:30 p.m.**

June 2: Hoyle Brothers

June 9: School of Rock

June 16: Bonsoir Catin

June 23: Kevin Flynn and The Avondale Ramblers

June 30: Nelson Gill

### Ravenswood Manor Park

June 7: Horner Park Jazz Band, 7:00 p.m.

June 19: Shakespeare's Twelfth Night, 5:30 p.m.

June 20/21: Romeo and Juliet, 5:00 p.m.

June 21: Highlights from Grand Opera by Petite Opera Productions, 7:00 p.m.

June 28: Breakers Broken, 7:00 p.m.; The Broderick, 8:00 p.m.

## Neighborhood Festivals

### Raven Fest

Chase Park - 4701 N Ashland

June 5 — 7

This fundraiser for Chase Park features live music, children's activities, and local restaurants. Admission \$5. <http://www.chaseparkplayground.org/raven.html>

### Ribfest Chicago

4000 N. Lincoln

June 12— 14

Ribs, music and fun!

### Family Fest

2600 W. Irving Park

June 24 — 29

borhood Boys and Girls Club which offers athletic, social, recreational, cultural, computer, tutoring, leadership and scholarship program for boys and girls 6-18 years old.

<http://www.nbgc.org/>

## Corner Garden Update

Thanks to everyone who volunteered to help with the corner gardens. Corner garden assignments are being worked out, so if you haven't yet been contacted, you soon will be.

Compost for the corner gardens is available at Jacob Playlot at Leland and Virginia. This is the only dropoff point for compost this year.

## May Calendar

- 1 Monday, 7:00 p.m. Horner Park Advisory Council. Horner Park Fieldhouse, Montrose & California
- 2 **Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. GRO Monthly Meeting. Luther Memorial Church, Campbell & Wilson**
- 9 Tuesday, 6:00 p.m. Gross Park Advisory Council. Gross Park Fieldhouse, Lawrence & Washtenaw
- 14 Sunday. Flag Day
- 20 Saturday, noon - 3:00 p.m. Cat Adoption at Ruff Haus Pets, 4652 Rockwell
- 21 Sunday. Fathers' Day

***Farmers' Markets begin in Lincoln Square Tuesday June 9!***

### SAVE THE DATE!

**GRO 30TH ANNIVERSARY**

**BLOCK PARTY!**

**SATURDAY AUGUST 8!**

### For Sale: 2006 Mini Cooper

Tons of options. \$16,000. Hyper (bright) blue. Automatic. Tan leather upholstery. Premium and cold weather packages, chrome exterior package, 16-inch alloy wheels, iPod connector, Harmon Kardon audio, front and rear fog lights. Fully serviced. 37,000 miles. 312-405-8447. Must sell to make room for new Mini.

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/Welcomes Newsletter Public Safety

Streetscape/Beautification Streetscape/Greening Urban Development

**Make your check payable to GRO and bring it 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**