

**Welcome to New
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Welcome to New Member

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Thanks to Sustaining Members

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Mr. Lee and
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generous support of
GRO**

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Coming up in December

For GRO's last monthly meeting for 2016 on Tuesday, December 6, we will be hosting Patrick O'Connor, Alderman of the 40th ward. As you probably know, since the ward map of the city of Chicago has been redrawn, GRO's boundaries fall within both the 40th and 47th wards. Alderman O'Connor will be joining us to speak on a host of topics of concern to the GRO membership.

As is our custom, there will be no monthly meeting scheduled for January of 2017. The first GRO meeting of 2017 will be on Tuesday, February 7. Please join us as we host Gary Morrissey and Terry Prorok of the West Ridge Nature Preserve who will be filling us in on the wild in our midst (Western near Petersen).

Please join us for these informative and entertaining presentations. Monthly GRO meetings are held at Luther Memorial Church the first Tuesday of the month. Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m.; speakers are scheduled for 8:00 p.m.

December Holiday Mixer

What: Holiday neighborhood mixer
Where: Red Lion 4749 N. Rockwell
When: Wednesday December 7, 7:00 p.m.
Who: GRO members and anyone in the neighborhood who wants to maybe find out more about GRO

Join us and meet your neighbors at the GRO Holiday Mixer. Feel free to bring a food donation for the Food Pantry to help our less fortunate neighbors over the holidays, but also feel free to not bring anything. We'll collect items and take them to the Food Pantry.

GRO will provide appetizers, so stop in and say hello to your neighbors. Wear your ugliest Christmas sweater and win a prize.

SEE YOU THERE!

Announcing: The first annual holiday decorations contest!

For the first time ever, GRO will be recognizing the top holiday decorators and exterior illuminators in our neighborhood. Imagine the elation of waking to find a sign on your front lawn declaring you a winner!

There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd places, with points given in these categories:

- Most Festive
- Most Technical
- Funniest

The boundaries are the GRO area; south side of Lawrence to Wilson and west side of Western to the river. Designs may be either outside, on front porches, roofs or in windows; anywhere you like as long as our crack staff of judges and estheticians can view them from the sidewalk. Judging will take place Wednesday, December 21.

COMMON PANTRY

Thanks to everyone who donated to the October food drive sponsored by GRO and the Ravenswood Gardens Homeowners Association. Approximately 143 pounds of food were collected. These donations will go a long way to putting food on the tables of needy families. You can further contribute by bringing a food item to the GRO mixer, or drop off donations at The Common Pantry, at 3744 N. Damen Avenue if you are so inclined. *For more information go to <http://commonpantry.org>*

Waters Annual Craft Market

Waters School
Campbell & Wilson

*December 3, 2016
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.*

Shop local and handmade

Calendar

November

24 Thursday, Thanksgiving

December

5 Monday, 7:00 p.m. Horner Park Advisory Council, Horner Park Fieldhouse, Montrose & California

6 **Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. GRO Meeting. Luther Memorial Church, Wilson & Campbell**

7 Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. GRO Winter Mix. Red Lion, 4749 North Rockwell .

13 Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. Gross Park Advisory Council. Gross Park fieldhouse, Lawrence & Washtenaw

21 Wednesday, First Day of Winter

25 Sunday, Christmas

31 Sunday, New Year's Eve

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Join us on Tuesday, February 7 for the first meeting of 2017 !