



July 2017 **Pullman Civic Organization** **11111 S. Forrestville Avenue**

PCO Bylaws
Rachel Kovarsky Smith

The Pullman Civic Organization was formed to promote the general welfare of the Pullman community and to preserve its historical significance. As a membership organization, the PCO assumes the responsibility of not only educating and informing community residents but also ensuring that their voices are heard. Earlier this year, the Bylaws Committee convened to conduct a thorough review of the bylaws. The last such review was conducted in March 2010. Special thanks to the members: Tom McMahon, Patricia Shymanski, Lorraine Brochu, John Cwenkala, Elizabeth Mishler, Beverly Ash-Larson, and Larry Lagadinos. As detailed in Article X: Amendment of Bylaws, Section 2, all members shall be notified in writing not less than thirty (30) days before action is taken on Bylaws changes. Therefore, suggested amendments are included in this month's flyer and will be submitted to vote at the August general membership meeting. For the full set of Bylaws as they read today, refer to <http://www.pullmancivic.org/>

Pullman Civic Organization

Bylaws Committee:

Rachel Smith Kovarsky, President; Tom McMahon, Vice President, Patricia Shymanski; Elizabeth Mishler; Larry Lagadinos; Beverly Ash-Larson; Lorraine Brochu; John Cwenkala

Suggested Changes:

Article III. Officers	Section 3.	Add: four in even years, four in odd years
Article IV. Election of Officers	Section 1.a	Change to: the current year
	Section 1.b	Change to: no later than the
Article V. Powers and Duties of Officers and Appointees	Section 1.b	Add: or co-chairpersons
	Section 1.b	Remove: Membership in said Committees shall be open to all members
	Section 1.b	Change: Chairman to Chairperson
	Section 1.b	Change: dereliction of duty to cause
	Section 5.f	Change: section 5a to Article 3, Section 1
	Section 6.a	Change to: There shall be eight (8) Zone Directors who shall be residents of the zones they represent. In the event that no candidate for a vacant position from this zone is forthcoming, candidates may be sought from other zones.
	Section 6.e	Remove: membership materials and
	Section 6.e	Add: and support the membership drive.
	Section 7.a	Add: and a member of the PCO in good standing
	Section 7.b	Change: is defined as to shall include but not be limited to
	Section 7.b	Change: To contact to Contacting
	Section 7.b	Change to: Welcoming new residents of the block
	Section 7.b	Change to: Communicating information and concerns
	Section 7.b	Change to: Encouraging residents to attend Organization meetings
	Section 7.b	Change to: Delivering the Pullman Flyer to all residents and businesses of his or her block.
	Section 8	Remove: Standing
Section 8.a	Add: Education	
Section 8.a	Add: House Tour	
Section 8.a	Remove: Nominating	
Section 8.a	Add: Safety	
Section 8.a	Remove: Ways and Means/Special Events	
Section 8.a	Add: Welcome	
Section 8.b	Add: Special and Ad Hoc committees shall include but not be limited to: Bylaws, Audit, Election and Nominating.	
Section 8.c	Add: Committees are expected to report regularly to the Board.	
Section 8.d	Add: Meetings shall be open to all members in good standing and invited guests.	
Article VI. Appropriations and Special Funds	Section 1	Add: The Board of Directors shall submit an annual budget to the General Membership for approval no later than the September General membership meeting. Committee chairpersons may submit budget requests to the Board in preparation of this budget. The General Membership shall have the authority to approve or amend this budget
	Section 2	Add: that are not budgeted
	Section 3	Add: to the Treasurer
Article VIII. Meetings	Section 3	Change: Special meetings, to consider a single emergency matter that requires an action prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting, shall be called by the President, by the Board of Directors, or by petition of 10% of the Membership or 60 members, whichever is the lesser amount.
	Section 3	Remove: Notice of the call to meeting shall be given no more than five (5) days after receipt of the request.
	Section 3	Remove: no more than five (5) days after notice.
	Section 3	Add: Notice of the member-initiated request shall be submitted to the Secretary with a copy to the officers.
Article IX. Dues	Section 2	Remove: and shall coincide with the fiscal year.
Article X. Amendment of Bylaws	Section 1	Replace amendments with changes
	Section 1	Remove: including proposed amendments
	Section 4	Add: Bylaws of the organization shall be reviewed every two (2) years.
Article XI. Parliamentary Authority	Section 1	Italicize: Robert's Rules of Order



Beman Committee

John Christie & Wyatt Ollestad, Email: pcobemancommittee@gmail.com

Summer is in full swing in Pullman and we can expect to see several great restoration projects in process throughout the neighborhood!

One concern that many homeowners face regarding both the exterior and the interior of their homes is the presence of lead-based paint. The Beman Committee has recently compiled a Preservation Brief regarding lead-based paint that will be added to the Pullman Homeowner Guide (www.pullmancivic.org/beman/homeownersGuide.pdf), an excerpt from which reads as follows:

Lead compounds were an important component of paint used in the 18th, 19th and early 20th centuries. Lead-based paint was used extensively on wooden exteriors and interior trim work, window sashes, window frames, baseboards, doors, frames and metals. Since houses are periodically repainted, the most recent layer of paint will most likely not contain lead, but the older layers underneath probably will. Therefore, the only way to accurately determine the amount of lead present in older paint is to have it analyzed.

Hazards should be removed, mitigated, or managed in the order of their health threat, as identified in a risk assessment (with 1. the greatest risk and 8. the least dangerous):

1. Peeling, chipping, flaking, and chipped interior lead-based paint and surfaces
2. Lead dust on interior surfaces
3. High lead in soil levels around the house and in play areas
4. Deteriorated exterior painted surfaces and features
5. Friction surfaces subject to abrasion (windows, doors, painted floors)
6. Accessible, chewable surfaces (sills, rails) if small children are present
7. Impact surfaces (baseboards and door jambs)
8. Other interior surfaces showing age or deterioration (walls and ceilings)

Reducing and controlling lead hazards can be successfully accomplished without destroying the character-defining features and finishes of historic buildings. Methods that control lead hazards should be selected that minimize the impact to historic resources while ensuring that housing is lead-safe. It is also important in the Pullman neighborhood to never plant vegetables or herbs for human consumption in the ground. It is recommended to always practice container gardening given the high risk of lead in the soil.

9th Annual Pullman Reunions

REMINDER...Blanca's Bike Parade...Saturday, August 5th...

We will be kicking off the **9th Annual Pullman Reunion** with the kid's bike parade. Once again we will be dedicating the bike parade to Blanca Ortiz, former "Pullman Youth Group" leader. All bikes, strollers, etc. welcome! Please meet in Arcade Park at noon. Thank you!!

Ladies Luncheon Group

This month's Ladies Luncheon will be held at Country House Restaurant, 5400 W. 127th Street, Alsip on Monday, June 24. This is a family owned restaurant providing high quality, fresh homemade food in a family environment. All Pullman ladies are invited. We will leave Pullman at 12:00 noon. To RSVP and for car pooling arrangements, please call Norma at 773-568-2441.

PCO Welcome Committee

Beverly Ash Larson

The Pullman Civic Organization welcomes all our new neighbors! The PCO Welcome Committee has a welcome bag with information and goodies that we would like to present to new residents. If you are a landlord or block captain or other neighbor and know of any new residents, please notify me with their name, address and contact information. If you are new to Pullman and have not received a welcome bag, please contact me, Beverly Ash-Larson, at 773-568-5890 or bashlarson@gmail.com.

We're a welcoming community – and we invite you to become part of that. A good way to start is to join the Pullman Civic Organization.

From the Dining Car: Sadie's Fried Corn

Patty Lawson

My mom used to make fried corn for us every summer when the farm stands were bursting with newly picked ears and the cost was low. You can also make this recipe year round with canned corn, but nothing beats fresh!

SADIE'S FRIED CORN

Ingredients

6 shucked ears of corn

2-3 slices of bacon

1/2 - 1 diced bell pepper (depending on size)

1 cup of water

Salt and pepper

Cut kernels off the corncobs. In a heavy frying pan, cook bacon until crisp. Remove bacon, drain, crumble, and set aside. Fry bell pepper in bacon fat until just softened. Add corn and water. Cook at medium heat until tender. Stir occasionally, scraping the brown off the bottom of the pan, and blending with the corn and pepper. Add more water, if needed, a little at a time, to maintain moistness. Salt and pepper to taste. Sprinkle crumbled bacon on top.

TIP OF THE MONTH

Do not overcook your sweet corn! Bring water to a boil before dropping in the ears. Let the water return to a boil and boil hard for 3 or 4 minutes. Serve immediately. To microwave shucked corn, slather them in butter and wrap tightly in plastic wrap. Microwave on full power for 2 minutes per ear. If your corn is too long to fit in the pot or microwave, simply snap them apart with your hands. Using a knife to cut them will crush the kernels.

Support our Farmer's Market, every Wednesday, 7:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M., Arcade Park.

"There are two food groups in the world: the one you put cheese on, and the one you put chocolate on." – Jewels

Do you have a favorite recipe for the stove, oven, or microwave you would like to pass along? Got a useful kitchen or household tip? How about a quick fix for a cooking catastrophe? Simply email me at fromthediningcar@yahoo.com, or place it in my mailbox at 11122 South Champlain. Please include your name, phone number and/or email address. I may have questions.

This n' That

Patti Oyervides – 773-264- 6581 & Nancy Gahan – 773-899-5835

LONG TIME NO TALK TO PULLMAN! Let us start off with a birth announcement – DRUM ROLL please, for Simon Henry Hooker, who arrived just in time for Mother's Day. His parents, Alida and Michael, are elated.

Alexis Gahan-Lopez graduated from Marist High School with two art scholarships. She will be attending Elmhurst College in the fall.

Congratulations to Robert Czajkowskyj who graduated from DePaul University with honors.

We wish to extend our July Happy Birthday Wishes to: Brian McCarrin, Bob Vroman, Theresa Kerr, Carroll Kerr, Kelly Starchevich, and Jacque Resch.

We lost one of Pullman's own, Ray Spanier and he will be greatly missed. Our deepest sympathy to Ray's family and many friends.

Luanne Wethington's mother, Mary Lou, died last month. A celebration of her life was held and Reverend Michael Hooker spoke eloquently in her honor. Our thoughts and prayers to Luanne and family.

Now that we are back in the swing of things – please contact us with any news that you may have. Happy Fourth Pullman!



Some Like It Hot: Green Spaces and Places Lynn Smith

In writing this, I am not referring to the 1959 classic movie with Marilyn Monroe, Tony Curtis, and Jack Lemmon, wonderful though that movie might be. Now that we are headed into the so called "dog days of summer," though the days are now getting shorter, I am calling your attention to some plants that actually like it hot, both perennial and annuals. Illinois being the "Prairie State" we naturally have numerous perennials which handle heat well, in particular with their tough root system. Plants in this category might include Rudbeckia, both tall and short varieties which constitute: Black Eyed Susans; Rattlesnake Master--interesting foliage, not flower as we know it; Queen of the Prairie, a large perennial with a pink plume; Baptista, in shades of blue and white--this can grow up to four feet tall; Ironweed, blue / purple flower; Butterfly Weed, or asclepias; Joe Pye Weed; Gayfeather-- the list goes on and on.

In a second category are plants that have adopted to a Mediterranean climate and can take intense sun. These include lavender, rosemary, nepeta, and many of the herbs. Finally we have plants which are bulbs or annuals which perform astoundingly well if, however, they receive a good watering on occasion in relentless heat. These plants include the following: Cannas, tall, with their trademark colorful plume and often colorful foliage. These are a bulb which must be dug up if you want to save it; zinnas, annual non-perennial geraniums, pelargoniums, actually; and last but not least, petunias. Petunias also smell wonderful on a summer night--the white and purple ones seem to have the most scent. And, we'll keep talking . . .

Garden Club Susan James

We thank Brooks High School students, who came out on June 14 to contribute some cheerful labor in the gardens, especially in renewing the Hotel's Rose Garden with their weed work. This year their school-wide Student Day of Service honored the 100th Birthday of Gwendolyn Brooks, whose daughter also visited us.

On Saturday June 24, we hosted our 23rd Annual Garden Walk and Tea, with the help of our members, many neighbors and our host gardeners, including Jim and Mary Bosman, Catherine Leeney, Jacob Hagan and James Gray, Andy and Linda Bullen, Tom and Cindy McMahon, and Marc Korton. Also on display were the Greenstone Church Rain Garden and the garden at Argus Brewery. The Bullens also hosted the Boutique and Tea portion of the event in their yard. With excellent weather to round out the day, we received many compliments on our community, as visitors toured the neighborhood.

We now look forward to working again this season with GreenCorps Chicago. This summer program for teens promotes environmental stewardship through practical field experience on service projects, such as in our Pullman green spaces.

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Pullman Calendar for July-August 2017		
WEEKLY ACTIVITIES		
Sun 7 pm	Pullman Morris and Sword Practice	773-297-6714 for info/location
Sun 9 am	Pullman Disc Golf @ Factory Site	773-568-5890 for information
Sun 7-9 pm	S C R A B B L E	773-568-5890 for info/location
Mon 4-7 pm	9th Ward Residents Night w/ Ald. Beale	34 E 112th Place 773-785-1100
Tues 10am-12pm	Chgo Park District Mobile Park Activity Van for the kids at Langley Playlot	
Tues 6 pm	Pullman Disc Golf @ Factory Site	773-568-5890 for information
Wed 7am - Noon/1pm	Pullman Farmers Market	111th Place at Cottage Grove
Wed 4pm-7pm	Pullman Game Night - all are welcome!	Pullman Café 11208 St Lawrence
Wed 8 pm	Walking Group - meet at Arcade Park	Group email list: astrid@uchicago.edu
Thurs 10am-12pm	Chgo Park District Mobile Park Activity Van for the kids at Langley Playlot	
Sat 10:30am-12:30pm	Tiger & Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts	Greenstone Fellowship Hall
<i>Email to arrange</i>	Beginners bridge class	kristoferthomsen@aol.com
<i>Tues-Sun 11am-3pm</i>	Pullman National Monument Visitor Information Center open to public	773-785-8901
MONTHLY MEETINGS AND SPECIAL EVENTS		
Day	Event (\$ if charge)	Place/Contact
Sun 7/16 11:30am	Third Sunday Factory Tour ~ 1 hr	PSHS - Factory Complex 610 E 111th gate
Sun 7/16 3pm-4:30	Weed Walk & Talk (with hydration/sunscreen-if weather permits)	Co-Op 657 E 114th
Tues 7/18 6pm-7:15pm	Dance in the Parks (free show)	Palmer Park 201 E 111th St
Tues 7/18 7pm	5th District CAPS Meeting - Beat 531	Greenstone Fellowship Hall
Wed 7/19 7:30 pm	PCO General Meeting (3rd Wed)	Visitor Center 112th St
Sat 7/22 2pm-3:15pm	"The Art of Work " presents Tatsu Aoki (talk, dance, music)	at the Factory Site
Mon 7/24 Noon	Ladies Luncheon Group - Country House Rest. in Alsip	Carpool 773-568-2441
Tues 7/25 10am	5th District Court Advocacy Program/Meeting	Carol White bcarol01@msn.com
Tues 7/25 6:30pm-7:30pm	9th Ward Community Meeting (Ald. Beale) @ Pullman Presby Church, 550 E 103rd St	
Tues 7/25 7:30 pm	House Tour Committee Meeting	Historic Pullman Center 614 E 113th
Wed 7/26 7:30 pm	PCO Beman Committee Meeting (4th Wed)	Historic Pullman Center 614 E 113th
Sat 7/29 3pm-5pm	"Richard Nickel & the Lost Drawings of the Town of Pullman"	Greenstone Church
Sun 7/30 3pm-4:30	Weed Walk & Talk (with hydration/sunscreen-if weather permits)	Co-Op 657 E 114th
Tues 8/1 4pm-8pm	NATIONAL NIGHT OUT with the CPD 5th District @ Gately Park District 744 E 103rd St	
Wed 8/2 7:30 pm	Garden Club Monthly Meeting	Historic Pullman Center 614 E 113th
Sat 8/5 Noon-8pm	9th Annual Pullman Reunion	Arcade Park (aka Little Green)
Sun 8/6 1:30 pm	HPF - First Sunday Walking Tours ~ 1.5 hr	Visitor Center 112th St pullmanil.org
Sun 8/6 11:30am	First Sunday Factory Tour ~ 1 hr	PSHS - Factory Complex 610 E 111th gate
Wed 8/9 7:30 pm	PCO Exec Board Meeting (2nd Wed)	Historic Pullman Center 614 E 113th
Sat 8/12 2pm-3:15pm	"The Art of Work " presents Carlos Mejia (talk and marimbas)	at the Factory Site
Tues 8/15 7pm	5th District CAPS Meeting - Beat 531	Greenstone Fellowship Hall
Wed 8/16 7:30 pm	PCO General Meeting (3rd Wed)	Visitor Center 112th St
Sat 8/19 Noon-10pm	11300 Champlain Block Party -	Info contact Chris Campagna 708-829-6069
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