



President’s Article
Rachel Kovarsky Smith

“Community is much more than belonging to something; it’s about doing something together that makes belonging matter” ~Brian Solis

Last week, community members volunteered to support an initiative sponsored by the City of Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events (DCASE) and Alderman Anthony Beale which brought a very talented artist to Pullman to create a mural on the walls of the 111th street viaduct.

Joining the Chicago Police Department’s Area 5 CAPS office, members from PullmanArts and students from five local high schools, community volunteers did everything from paint the walls and supervise students to serving refreshments and documenting the events of the day. The mural provides stunning images that document and connects the history of the area. Although this project will continue for the next couple of weeks, last Saturday was a great example of how the Pullman community pulls together to make a difference.

Additionally, community members (including members of the PCO choir) have committed to perform in the Illinois Humanities and the Chicago Humanities Festival-sponsored U.S. premiere of Pulitzer Prize-winning composer David Lang’s crowd out, a public performance from a 1000-voice choir on Sunday October 1st.

Finally, over 90 members of the community (Pullman and Roseland primarily) participated in a community building hand casting experience with artist Sherri Gamble at the CPD 5th District co-sponsored by the CAPS team and PullmanArts. Participants got up-close-and-personal with one another to hold hands, create a plaster statute of their hands clasping together and get to know each other. Many were connected with police officers to encourage connection and to build bonds. Two participants who may never have gotten to know each other before were introduced at the hand held event and reconnected at the viaduct project.

Let’s all commit to focusing and participating in more activities that unite the Pullman community.

PCO Membership Drive
Beverly Carli, Chair

By the time you read this, our “accelerated” membership drive is over BUT that doesn’t mean you still don’t have time to join. Not only is your participation important to the PCO, but it’s important to you as well. Membership helps you to become better acquainted with other Pullman residents and keeps you abreast of what’s happening in your community. The Flyer provides a lot of pertinent information but we invite you....we urge you to attend the monthly meetings as well to become current with all that’s happening in this vibrant community we all call home.

Membership remains at \$10 for adults (18 and over) and you can enroll in whatever way is convenient for you. Contact your block captain or drop off your dues at the Visitors’ Center including name and address for each person enrolling. If you choose the latter, I’ll deliver your membership cards to your door. Please join the 300 residents who already have enrolled in your Pullman Civic Organization.

Ladies Luncheon Group Day Change

Beginning this month, the Ladies Luncheon Group will be meeting on Wednesdays instead of Mondays. We will kick off the fall season by eating at our own Pullman Cafe on Wednesday, September 27. All Pullman ladies are invited. Meet at the Pullman Cafe at 12:00 noon. For questions or to RSVP, please call Norma at 773-568-2441.

House Tour 2017
October 7th & 8th
Cindy McMahon and Pat Brannon

It’s fall and time for the 44th annual House Tour. It is a time when residents come together to welcome our visitors and show off our Pullman neighborhood. Eight homes will be open to demonstrate how unique and different they all are even though one may say “they all look alike from the outside”.

By the way, it takes a village to have a successful event. The homeowners are doing their part, now we need you. Ellen Kaulig is recruiting people to volunteer 3 hours of time in the homes. No special skills are needed. This is a great way to meet your neighbors and help put Pullman’s best foot ward. Volunteering gets you a free ticket to house tour, the opportunity to tour on Preview Night, Friday October 7th, and attend the Friday night wine and cheese event. Please contact Ellen at 312.405.6234 or email pullmanhousetour@gmail.com

Help us spread the word. Please stop by the Pullman National Monument Visitor Information Center, 11141 S. Cottage Grove, to pick up house tour posters and brochures. Ask your favorite businesses to post in their windows. Send brochures to friends, family (those you like and don’t like) and get everyone on your Christmas card list.

Thank you to everyone who has already helped in any way for this year’s tour. If you are unable to volunteer take a few minutes and spruce up the front of your home. Let’s rake the leaves, sweep the sidewalks and welcome the many visitors to our neighborhood.

See you at House Tour. . .

PullmanArts
Ann M. Alspaugh

We would like congratulate Tom McMahon for bringing to fruition his idea for a community mural on the 111th & Cottage Grove viaduct and organizing Harlan, Carver, Corliss and Gwendolyn Brooks high school students as volunteer painters. A big thanks to Tom for inviting PullmanArts to help sponsor and organize volunteers for the project along with Alderman Anthony Beale, the City of Chicago, Dept. of Cultural Affairs (DCASE), Chicago Neighborhood Initiatives, Pullman Civic Organization, Historic Pullman Foundation and the Pullman National Monument. Additionally, thank you to the many community members that gave the mural’s artist, Rahmaan Statik the feedback he requested to fine tune the content and images contained in the mural. It is truly a community collaboration. NOTE: Rahmaan plans to return on Saturday, September 23, 2017 for another 9am-5pm painting day to finish the north side of the viaduct, and will need volunteers. Thank you, Mr. Statik for your talent and patient direction of volunteers.

PullmanArts will be having a “pop-up” gallery of Pullman artists again this year at the Beverly Art Walk on Saturday October 7th from noon to 7pm. This year we will be located inside the Olivia’s Garden building located at 10730 S Western Ave. We will be sharing the space with the Blue Island Arts Alliance. Outside Oliva’s will be art vendors and live music as well. Thank you to the Beverly Arts Alliance and Sal Campbell for inviting us back, and to our own planning committee for bringing it all together.

PullmanArts can be contacted through our email: info@pullmanarts.org for questions, additional information or to be added to our email list. Website: www.pullmanarts.org



Autumnal Tasks in the Garden:
Green Spaces and Places
Lynn Smith

Fall is a wonderful time to be in the garden, both for us and our plants. . . temperatures are cooler and the amount of rainfall can be higher, which makes less stress for us in watering and less upheaval for plants. Due to the cooler temperatures overall many plants expand their root base in fall, a necessary change prior to the coming winter.

This is a good time to survey your overall planting scheme. Is the color scheme pleasing? Do you want to add more structure? Are you viewing enough seasonal interest out of your garden?

Gardening books report that fall is a good time to rework, or cultivate clay soil. They recommend digging in plenty of organic material to help the substance of the soil. Unworked soil, that is soil that has never been gardened here in Pullman, can have substantial amounts of clay in it. Gypsum (that you can get at a good garden center – it is a soil additive) – and coarse sand, peat moss, even small gravel, can be added to clay to improve drainage. Compost, particularly from your own bin, can be a good additive as well.

You can start pruning climbing roses now, when the flowers start to fade. However, if the flowers continue to be going strong, you can hold off another month. Remove any dead, damaged, or unhealthy looking stems.

This is also a good time to cut down and divide perennials, as well as collect seed from plants for the following year. There is some satisfaction from collecting your own seed for the following year as opposed to having to “go to the store to buy it.” Nature is the original seedbanka. . . and we’ll keep talkin. . .

Education
Cheryl Briscoe

Welcome Back Teachers and Students

George M Pullman Elementary School
We welcome interim Principal Donnell Rader and Assistant Principal Tiffany Hammond. Thank you and good luck to Dr Julious Lawson as he assumes his leadership role at Network 11. We will miss him at Pullman!

Edgar Allen Poe Elementary School
Best wishes to Dr Wilkens, language arts and social studies teacher. She moved to an assistant professorship at National Louis University. A community welcome to new teachers, Philicia Wheatley, Lawrence Prentice, Adam Hathaway, and Admin support, Margaret Tolbert.

Gwendolyn Brooks College Prep
Principal: Shannae Jackson. Early Registration taking place now. New stadium will host track & field, football/soccer field and new bleachers and will be ready by October 2017. Roseland Hospital awarded two Brooks students prizes for designing logos for Breast Cancer Awareness Campaign Brooks College Prep was awarded \$280,000 in recognition for efforts to personalize learning for every student. Total amount of grant for this project \$330,000. LEAP Innovations is granting \$1.96 million to seven Chicago-area schools, as part of the Breakthrough Schools Chicago Program.

Chicago State University
CSU accepts donations to fill buses going to Houston in the Hurricane Harvey relief effort.

***As a side note: those of us who remember D’andre Weaver (past principal at Brooks), we received an Instagram from him informing that he and family survived Hurricane Harvey. They live in Houston. ***

Students! Have a 2017-2018 safe and productive school year.

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

House Tour weekend is almost upon us, and we hope Pullman is ready to put on another great two-day showcase of our beautiful homes! As a reminder (and introduction for new residents), half of the net proceeds from each year’s House Tour fund the PCO Beman Committee Faade Reimbursement Program, which helps homeowners offset the costs of improvements made to the fronts of their homes. Each year the Program provides funds that improve the appearance of our community, in turn making Pullman an increasingly beautiful place for visitors to tour each House Tour weekend.

The success of the Faade Reimbursement Program depends upon the success of House Tour, and so, we hope anyone who has received a reimbursement in the past or is thinking about applying for one in the future will consider volunteering some of their time to this (and every) year’s House Tour. It’s a great way of saying “Thank You!” to the hard-working committees and neighbors who put in countless hours making each year’s House Tour better than the last.

From the Dining Car: Peter Brady’s Favorite Meal
Patty Lawson

If you were a fan of “The Brady Bunch”, you already know Peter’s favorite meal was pork chops and apple sauce. But Alice didn’t have a slow cooker and I do, so we’re going to do this my way.

- Slow Cooker Pork Chops and Onions
- 2 lbs. boneless pork chops
- Cooking oil (your choice)
- 2 tbsp. Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tbsp. apple cider vinegar
- 2 tbsp. brown sugar
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. pepper
- 1/4 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/8 tsp. red pepper flakes
- 1 large sweet yellow onion, sliced
- 1/3 cup butter, sliced

Set a skillet on the stove top over medium high heat. When the pan is hot, pour just enough cooking oil to coat the bottom of the pan. Brown the pork chops on both sides. (Don’t worry about cooking the chops all the way through. The slow cooker will do that.) Remove from pan and set aside.

Combine the Worcestershire sauce, apple cider vinegar, brown sugar, salt, pepper, garlic powder, and red pepper flakes into the slow cooker, stirring together with a utensil that won’t scratch your slow cooker.

Add the browned pork chops, onions, and butter slices.


Cover and cook on Low for 6 hours without opening the lid during the cooking time. (Man, that’s the hardest thing to do once that glorious aroma starts to waft through the kitchen!)


Oh, and pick up a jar of applesauce. Peter would want it that way!

TIP OF THE MONTH
Don’t forget to toss your reusable grocery bags in the wash after every few shopping trips.

“Sign of a serious gardener: You delight in the harvest of that first carrot. The \$25 and 20 hours of work to produce it seems irrelevant.” - University of Illinois Extension

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 fromthedining-car@yahoo.com or place it in my mailbox at 11122 South Champlain. Please include your name, phone number and/or email address.





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With the help of volunteers, we will be conducting an inventory of the public trees in the historic Pullman neighborhood.

All volunteers and CRTI members are invited to join us afterward for a reception with drinks and hors d'oeuvres to celebrate the accomplishments of the past year.

► Please go online to ChicagoRTI.org/PRC to register for the inventory and/or reception and to nominate someone for an Urban Forestry Award.

..... *October 12, 2017*

Inventory from 12–4 p.m.
Reception and Awards from 4–7 p.m.
Historic Pullman Foundation
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This n' That

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

Our Darling September Birthday Kids are Katie Lira-Luna, Bernadette Tucker-Duck, Emily Schulman, Wally Estrado, Armando Del Real, Steve Martin, Maria Elena Sulin and Bobby Roberts.

September was quite a month in Pullman. Many, many activities during the Labor Day Weekend. House Tour is just around the corner–remember, volunteer early and often!



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Pullman Calendar for September-October 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 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
Sat 10:30am-12:30pm	Tiger & Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts	Greenstone Fellowship Hall
Email to arrange	Beginners bridge class	kristoferthomsen@aol.com
Tues-Sun 11am-3pm	Pullman National Monument Visitor Information Center open to public	773-785-8901
MONTHLY MEETINGS AND SPECIAL EVENTS		
Day	Event (\$ if charge)	Place/Contact
Sun 9/17 11:30am	Third Sunday Factory Tour ~ 1 hr	PSHS - Factory Complex 610 E 111th gate
Mon 9/18 7:30pm	Mindful Restorative Yoga at Hotel Florence - Christina	314-550-4384 text/call
Tues 9/19 7pm	5th District CAPS Meeting - Beat 531	Greenstone Fellowship Hall
Wed 9/20 7:30 pm	PCO General Meeting (3rd Wed)	Visitor Center 112th St
Tues 9/26 10am	5th District Court Advocacy Program/Meeting	Carol White bcarol01@msn.com
Tues 9/26 7pm-8pm	9th Ward Community Meeting (Ald. Beale) @ Pullman Presby Church,	550 E 103rd St
Wed 9/27 Noon	Ladies Luncheon - The Pullman Café	RSVP with Norma 773-568-2441
Wed 9/27 7:30 pm	PCO Beman Committee Meeting (4th Wed)	Historic Pullman Center 614 E 113th
Thur 9/28 10am-2pm	9th Ward Community Resource Fair	Palmer Park 201 E 11th St
Thur 9/28 6 pm	State of the District with Cmdr Douglas at 5th District Police Station	727 E 111th
Sun 10/1 1:30 pm	HPF - First Sunday Walking Tours ~ 1.5 hr	Visitor Center 112th St pullmanil.org
Sun 10/1 11:30am	First Sunday Factory Tour ~ 1 hr	PSHS - Factory Complex 610 E 111th gate
Wed 10/4 7:30 pm	Garden Club Monthly Meeting	Historic Pullman Center 614 E 113th
Fri 10/6 7-10pm	Volunteer & Homeowner Reception - Bring a dish to share	HPC (614 E 113th St)
Sat/Sun 10/7 & 10/8 44th Annual Pullman House Tour (\$) Starts at Visitor Center 112th St		
Homes open 11am-5pm Volunteer and receive a FREE ticket!! Call Ellen 312-405-6234		
Sat 10/7 2pm-6pm	Argtoberfest 2017 (\$) at Argus Brewery	11314 S Front St
Sun 10/8 9am-4pm	Pullman Nat'l Monument Antique Vehicle Show	Visitor Center 112th St
Wed 10/11 7:30 pm	PCO Exec Board Meeting (2nd Wed)	Historic Pullman Center 614 E 113th
Thur 10/12 12-4pm	Chicago Region Trees Initiative's Pullman Inventory	Meet at Visitor Center
Thur 10/12 4-7pm	CRTI's Annual Parter Recognition Celebration (Volunteer Reception and Awards)	
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Tues 10/24 10am	5th District Court Advocacy Program/Meeting	Carol White bcarol01@msn.com
Wed 10/25 7:30 pm	PCO Beman Committee Meeting (4th Wed)	Historic Pullman Center 614 E 113th
Sat 10/28 8pm	Theatre-Hikes presents Nightfall with Edgar Allen Poe (\$)	Tickets 872-202-4963
Sun 10/29 8pm	Theatre-Hikes presents Nightfall with Edgar Allen Poe (\$)	Gather at Visitor Center
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