



From the President
Wyatt Ollestad

45 years of House Tour – stop and think about that for a moment. For 45 years, this neighborhood has voluntarily showcased itself to the general public out of little more than simple yet strong community pride. For 45 years, homeowners have willingly opened their doors so that crowds of complete strangers can come in and experience what life in a Pullman home was, is, and could be like. For 45 years, countless volunteers have given their time and effort to make sure things run as smoothly as they can and that visitors are treated to an enjoyable experience. And for 45 years, thousands of people have been privileged with the opportunity to see, hear, and feel what it’s like to be a part of the community we call home.

It’s amazing to see how each and every year the residents of this neighborhood can come together and work toward the common goal of making House Tour a standout weekend every Fall. And not just during House Tour weekend itself – throughout the entire year folks are working on preparation, coordination, and spiffing up their homes, all with the aim of making this event a success. That kind of dedication and commitment to a singular purpose, one which embodies the sense of community pride I think all of us here share, is what makes this neighborhood so special, and is perhaps the sentiment that sticks the most in visitors’ minds. How many times have you heard someone visiting Pullman for the first time say “I’ve never been anywhere like this”? That feeling, that sense of awe and amazement that an entire neighborhood can work in harmony for a common good, that a community can be so thoroughly friendly and hospitable, is what makes this a truly special place, one that’s sure to endure and continue to amaze for the next 45 years and beyond.

Although this year’s House Tour is now behind us (and in many cases, mercifully, at that), let’s keep in mind throughout the entire year just how much we as a community can achieve when we set ourselves towards a common goal, a goal that I think everyone can agree upon: making Pullman the absolute best that it can be.

Pullman Halloween Activities
Wyatt Ollestad

Trunk or Treat

Join us again this year on Wednesday, October 31, in the parking lot of the Visitor’s Center (11141 S. Cottage Grove) starting at 5:00PM for our annual Trunk or Treat event! Come equipped with candy and your best decorations for the trunk of your car as we welcome trick or treaters from Pullman and the surrounding communities to participate in the holiday festivities. It’s first come, first served, both for cars and for kids, so stop on by for an evening of fun with your neighbors as we celebrate the season with this family-friendly event.

5th District Halloween Festivities

Once again the 5th District is planning on hosting its annual haunted house attraction at the 5th District Police Station, 727 E. 111th St., on Wednesday, October 31. In addition to the Chicago Police Department’s other kid-friendly activities, Little Obie (of this year’s Labor Day Celebration fame) is scheduled to make an appearance! So bring all of your little costumed ‘terrors’ of any age for what’s sure to be a fun time for all.



Veterans Day Pullman Event
Tom Shepherd

The Veterans Day Program will be held this year on Monday, November 12, at 11 a.m. at George Pullman Elementary School, 113th & Forrestville Avenue. The ceremony will be in the school auditorium, thanks to Principal Romeldia H. Salter. November 12 has been designated a national holiday since Veterans Day falls on a Sunday this year.

There will be a special presentation by Pullman resident Andy Bullen regarding the 100 year anniversary of the ending of World War I, and the reason that November 11 exists as a holiday at all. WWI was a war that consumed so much of the Pullman neighborhood’s efforts, and Andy will describe in detail how the people on the monument lost their lives fighting in that war.

We have invited special guest speakers and will be laying a wreath at the war monument in front of the school following the program. Afterwards, refreshments will be offered at the Florence Lowden Miller building just down the street at 614 E. 113th Street.

Please come out to commemorate Pullman’s heroes who gave their lives for our country. Family members and Veterans are especially invited.

As always, neighbors are asked to bring a dish to share to make for a delightful lite lunch, and a pleasant social gathering. Food can be dropped off between 10:30-10:45 before the ceremony begins.

Property After Death Workshop

Presented by Cook County Recorder of Deeds
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Chicago Public Library - Pullman Branch
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Join Library staff and a representative from the Cook County Recorder of Deeds and learn how to protect your assets. The informational program breaks down the estate-planning process into 3 steps: Know Your Status, Develop Your Plan, Tell Your Heirs


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KIDS’ PUMPKIN DECORATING BASH (Free event)

Saturday, October 27th
1:00p.m. - 3:00p.m.

Greenstone United Methodist Church
Fellowship Hall
11211 South St. Lawrence Ave.

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Pullman Arts
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Followed by the Greenstone UMC's Happy Harvest Party
3:00p.m. – 7:00p.m.



Solon Says...A Report of the PCO Beman Committee:
Revisiting Preservation and Restoration Standards
John Christie & Wyatt Ollestad, Email: pcobemancommittee@gmail.com

Given the amount of incorrect information regarding the historic preservation standards that exist and how they apply to our historic community, it seems a good time to provide a brief primer for both new and longtime residents.

The foundation and gold standard for historic preservation are the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties. The Standards are a series of concepts about maintaining, repairing, and replacing historic materials, as well as designing new additions or making alterations. The Guidelines offer general design and technical recommendations to assist in applying the Standards to a specific property. Together, they provide a framework and guidance for decision-making about work or changes to a historic property. The guidelines are in depth and links are provided below, should you care to learn more. At a high level, these standards call for the preservation and restoration of existing original features. If such features cannot be restored due to condition or are missing entirely they should be replaced with features that are of the same material and design as the original based on an in-depth analysis of the property.

The Chicago Landmarks Ordinance is based on these standards, but interpreted with an eye towards providing homeowners with a degree of flexibility and affordability. In turn the Landmarks ordinance is applied differently across all of the city’s Landmark Districts, based on their unique features. In Pullman the landmark standards apply only the portions of the house that is visible from the public way meaning, for most properties, just the front facade. For additions/changes which impact the roofline of a property, such an addition must not be visible from the sidewalk across the street from the property.

Chicago also recognizes the potential added financial burden of replicating original materials so they make allowances in the name of affordability. For example, slate was used on the majority of roofs originally, Landmarks has determined acceptable replacement materials to be slate, synthetic slate, or architectural asphalt shingles.

In other areas because of both the importance of the feature to the historic integrity of the façade and a lack of acceptable modern replacements, Landmarks will require in-kind replacement.

Windows are a prime example of this. They are a key design feature of both the individual houses and a unifying element to each row of houses and set the design rhythm for each block. The originals have extremely narrow mutton bars, much narrower than modern replacement windows. These factors mean there are no acceptable ‘cheap’ windows for use in the front facades of Pullman houses. Landmarks will review any window system a homeowner proposes, but to date has only approved one alternative window system which is a custom designed thermal pane system and has been installed in a number of Pullman houses. Important to note these are not ‘cheap’ replacement windows, these are purpose designed to fit Pullman requirements and achieve greater energy savings.

Link to Secretary of the Interior Historic Standards; www.nps.gov/tps/standards/four-treatments.htm
Link to Secretary of the Interior Guidelines; www.nps.gov/tps/standards/treatment-guidelines-2017.pdf
Link to Chicago Landmark Ordinance; www.cityofchicago.org/content/dam/city/depts/zlup/Historic_Preservation/Publications/Chicago_Landmarks_Ordinance_2014.pdf

Ladies Lunch Group
Carol Lagaginos

Craving good Mediterranean food? Then join us in October when we travel to Munster, Indiana. Shawarma, baba ghanoush, hummus, falafel, lentil soup, & other Mediterranean eats are the draw at this inexpensive, casual, family-owned eatery where the motto is “Eat Right, Eat Healthy. Eat Fresh.” The lunch special is a sampler plate that will leave you definitely satisfied as well as the several vegetarian entrees that are available. No alcohol is served but the hot mint tea and iced raspberry tea are both delicious.

When & Where:
Wednesday October 24, departing Pullman at noon.
Mishkenut’s Mediterranean, 221 Ridge Rd., Munster IN

There is plenty of free parking in the lot behind the restaurant. Car pool arrangements will be made. RSVP to carollagadinos@att.net or 817-598-8570

Considering Garden Structures: Green Spaces and Places
Lynn Smith

While our yards in Pullman are typically small, I have been impressed with the creative use of structures to both optimize and beautify living spaces. For example, pergolas, arbors, small conservatories/ cold frames, glasshouses and arches can be used to complement Pullman gardens.

A pergola, that is a structure which is either rustic or more refined, extending out from a wall as a semi enclosed space, joins the house with the surrounding outdoors. People can plant vines on top, such as wisteria , ivy or grapes, but others leave it fairly open, preferring to notice the patterns of light for those sitting under it. Some people hang a creative light fixture from a pergola , over for example a back porch or deck.

Arches can be effective in creating a focus for the garden and – in our confined spaces, drawing the eye upward. The use of verticality, a common element in many of these features is an effective strategy in enlarging our sense of space, in much the same way that our high ceilings in Pullman houses add to a sense of graciousness.

Raised beds, another garden structure, have both a practical and aesthetic value. By lifting the planting surface off the ground, shade is reduced. Beds are also then more accessible and the soil is more easily modified.

Small does not need to mean boring. Some of the most creatively interesting gardens I have seen are relatively small. . .and we’ll keep talking. . .

Pullman Garden Club:
TREE PLANTING DAY IN PULLMAN
Tom Shepherd

The Pullman Garden Club, in partnership with Openlands, and with a grant from that organization, will be planting trees in parkways throughout Pullman on Saturday, October 27.

A number of residents were contacted where there was a bare spot on the parkway, and they agreed to have a tree planted in the parkway in front of their home- mostly to replace trees that have been cut down due to disease or age. This is part of the city’s “Restore the Tree Canopy” effort.

We look to those homeowners and to any additional volunteers to assist with the tree planting on that day, by beginning with coffee and lite breakfast at the Pullman Visitor Center at 8:45 a.m. We hope to work until roughly 12 noon, when we have completed the plantings. We are asking for help for any portion of the morning. Come on out and help plant a tree with us!

For further information, contact Susan James, 773-980-8536 or Tom Shepherd 773-370-3305.

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From the Dining Car:
Trick or Treat, Here Is Something Good to Eat!
Patty Lawson

Kids will love this very “Halloweeny” recipe; the filling oozes out and looks like blood! It is also very easy to make, so let them have a hand in making this holiday treat.

BLEEDING CUPCAKES - Ingredients:

- 1 egg
- 8 oz. softened cream cheese
- 1/3 cup of sugar
- Red food coloring
- 6 oz. chocolate chips
- 1 box cake mix (any flavor)

Preheat oven per the cake mix directions and line muffin tins with cupcake liners. (Halloween-themed would be nice!) Beat the egg in a medium bowl, add the softened cream cheese, and beat until smooth. Add the sugar and beat until smooth. Add the red food coloring, making it several shades darker than desired, as the color will lighten as it bakes. Fold in the chocolate chips. Prepare the cake batter according to the box instructions and fill the cups 2/3 full with the batter. Put about 1 ½ teaspoonfuls of the filling in the center of each cupcake. Bake, cool, and frost as desired.

TIP OF THE MONTH:

To extend the life of your jack o’ lantern, after cleaning the pulp out of the pumpkin and carving your design, soak the pumpkin a couple of hours in a solution of 1 teaspoon of bleach to one gallon of water. Dry thoroughly, and then rub inside and out, and along all cut edges, with vegetable oil or petroleum jelly to prevent shriveling. If you are going to light your jack o’lantern with a candle, sprinkle the bottom side of the pumpkin lid with cinnamon, nutmeg, or cloves so your pumpkin will do double duty as an air freshener.

You may be too old for Halloween if someone admires your Keith Richards mask -- and you’re not wearing a mask!

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 So. Champlain. Please include your name, phone number, and/or email address. I may have questions.

PullmanArts
Ann M. Alspaugh

As you may have noticed, work on the Pullman Artspace Lofts site has begun! The board of PullmanArts would like to give a big thank you to every resident, org and group in our Pullman community that gave their unwavering support of the project over these past eight-years. Whether you were involved in the initial research, feasibility studies, site scouting or attended any of our open monthly meetings while we were a committee of the PCO. Or, simply gave words or letters of support. Thank you!

It is truly inspiring how a grass-roots group of dedicated neighbors can come together in their community, volunteer their time, share their knowledge base and moved forward to save and restore two long vacant historic buildings and bring a lot, vacant since the 1930’s, back into use with not only new construction, but a building that meets the Secretary of the Interiors Standards for new construction. Thank you! It is our belief that this project will not only bring in vibrant & creative new residents but inspire other neighbors to come together to save more historic structures in the Pullman National Monument. Thank you!

PullmanArts Presents KIDS’ PUMPKIN DECORATING, co-sponsored by PullmanArts, Greenstone UMC, and Pullman Urban Gardens. Please join us for this free kids’ event on Saturday, October 27, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the Greenstone United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 11211 S Saint Lawrence Ave. Bring your imagination and we’ll provide the rest for a fantastic no-carve pumpkin creation. Please stay for the Greenstone UMC’s Happy Harvest Party from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. to enjoy games, treats, and fun for the entire family.

Email info@pullmanarts.org for questions, additional information or to be added to our email list.

Pullman Calendar for October-November 2018					
WEEKLY ACTIVITIES					
	SUNDAY Disc Golf 10am Morris Dancing 7pm Scrabble 7pm	MONDAY Ald. Beale Resident Night (office) 4-7pm	TUESDAY Choir 7:30pm	WEDNESDAY Walking Group 8pm Arcade Pk	SATURDAY Tiger & Boy Scouts 10:30am
Email to arrange		Beginners bridge class		kristoferthomsen@aol.com	
Tuesday - Sunday		Pullman National Monument Visitor Information Center open to public 773-785-8901			
MONTHLY MEETINGS AND SPECIAL EVENTS					
Day	Event (\$ if charge)			Place/Contact	
Tues 10/16 7:00pm	5th District CAPS Meeting - Beat 531			Greenstone Fellowship Hall	
Wed 10/17 7:30 pm	PCO General Meeting (3rd Wed)			Visitor Center 112th St	
Thur 10/18 10am-2pm	9th Ward Resource Fair			St John MB Church, 211 E 115th St	
Sun 10/21 11 am	3rd Sunday Factory Site Tour (~1 hr)			PSHS Factory Site	
Tues 10/23 2 pm	5th District Court Advocacy Program/Mtg			Carol Lagadinos 817-598-8570	
Tue 10/23 6:30-7:30pm	9th Ward Community Mtg w/ Ald. Beale			Pullman Presbyterian 550 E 103rdSt	
Wed 10/24 Noon	Ladies Luncheon - Mishkenut's (Munster IN)			RSVP to Carol 817-598-8570	
Wed 10/24 7:30 pm	PCO Beman Committee Meeting (4th Wed)			Lowden Miller Center 614 E 113th St	
Sat 10/27 8:45am-Noon	Parkway Tree Planting throughout Pullman			Meet at Visitor Center	
Sat 10/27 1pm-3pm	Property After Death Workshop			Pullman Library, 11001 S Indiana	
Sat 10/27 1pm-3pm	Kids Pumpkin Decorating with PullmanArts			Greenstone Fellowship Hall	
Sat 10/27 3pm-7pm	Happy Harvest Party with UMC			Greenstone Fellowship Hall	
Wed 10/31 5pm	Trunk or Treat (bring candy & decorate your trunk)			Visitor Center Pkg Lot	
Wed 10/31 TBA	Haunted House and "Little Obie" train rides			5th District Police Station 727 E 111th	
Tue/Wed 11/6 & 11/7	City of Chicago Street Sweeping Scheduled - Please move your vehicle(s)!				
Wed 11/7 7pm	Garden Club Monthly Membership Meeting			Lowden Miller Center 614 E 113th St	
TBD	PCO Veterans Day Program			Pullman School	
Wed 11/14 7:30 pm	PCO Executive Board Meeting (2nd Wed)			Lowden Miller Center 614 E 113th St	
Tues 11/20 7:00pm	5th District CAPS Meeting - Beat 531			Greenstone Fellowship Hall	
Wed 11/21 7:30 pm	PCO General Meeting (3rd Wed)			Visitor Center 112th St	
Wed 11/28 7:30 pm	PCO Beman Committee Meeting (4th Wed)			Lowden Miller Center 614 E 113th St	
Sun 12/9 4-7pm	Annual Candlelight Holiday Home Tour (\$)			Visitor Center 112th St	
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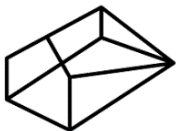
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