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March 2020 Pullman Civic Organization 614 E. 113th Street

From the President

Wyatt Ollestad

Thank you to everyone who attended our 5th Anniversary of the Pullman National Monument celebration party on February 19! It was great to see so many faces, both familiar and new, in the audience and to be able to celebrate this tremendous milestone with friends and neighbors. Thanks also to all of the groups and organizations that came together to make this an informative and fun event. Keep an eye out for even more exciting news as 2020 kicks into gear!

I don’t want to jinx it, but could it be that Spring has officially sprung, and in March no less? Ask me again when the snow’s still falling in April, but for now I’m going to remain optimistic that winter’s on the way out. And with the change in weather and shift to warmer temperatures, our neighborhood will once again come out of hibernation with activities and events happening all throughout the year. Be on the lookout for PCO events happening in the Spring, including our Clean & Green event, and be sure to mark your calendars for the annual Pullman Picnic, happening Saturday August 1. And speaking of the Pullman Picnic, its bowling event fundraiser is fast approaching, taking place on Saturday, April 4 at Lan-Oak Lanes in Lansing. So gather up a team, bring a couple of donations for the raffle if you’d like, and join in for a fun event in support of one of our biggest events of the year.

The PCO is always hard at work making the community as best as it can be, and it’s always relied on the strength and support of its members. We have Committees and groups working on such things as Memorial and Veterans Days events, our annual summer outing, honoring soldiers from throughout the community’s history that have yet to receive a public monument, and much, much more. Plus we have numerous Standing Committees in place to ensure Pullman is and will continue to be a safe, supportive, and dynamic place to live. So be sure to keep your PCO membership current, and always feel welcome to join us in our efforts. The future is bright, and we have the power to shape it. Happy (knock on wood) Spring, Pullman!

Pullman Picnic Bowling Fundraiser

Join us on Saturday, April 4 at Lan-Oak Lanes in Lansing, IL for our Pullman Picnic Bowling Fundraiser. \$25 gets you 3 hours of bowling, shoes, and dinner. Gather up a team of 5 and come on out for an evening of friends and fun in support of one of the biggest events in Pullman each year. And even if you’re not bowling, join us for the good times and help us make this year’s Pullman Picnic the best ever. RSVP through Facebook or by emailing pullmanpicnic@gmail.com. Lanes are first come, first served, and have sold out the past four years so be sure to RSVP early! And if you have any new, unopened items you’d like to donate to this year’s raffle, please contact pullmanpicnic@gmail.com – we’re always on the hunt!

Event starts at 5:00PM – food will be served at 5:15 and bowling will start promptly at 6:00PM, ending at 9:00PM. Raffle will start immediately after bowling. All ages welcome.

Save the date for this year’s Pullman Picnic – Saturday, August 1 at Arcade Park

PCO Welcoming Committee

Lisa Burback

The Welcome Committee is in the process of updating our welcome booklet for 2020. Please send any new additions or changes to local businesses that should be featured to: welcometopullman@gmail.com by March 30th.

Pullman’s Clean & Green

Andreas Morgen

Hello fellow Pullmanites, This year’s Clean & Green will be held on Saturday, April 25th. We are looking for volunteers to assist in sprucing up our neighborhood for about two hours. Come join me and your fellow neighbors in making it a memorable one! I am hoping that this year will be memorable because of the large amount of volunteers that will be meeting me at Arcade Park at 9:00 am. If you can’t make it, please at least take the time out to clean up your front yard & parkway. This is the day that residents all across Chicago come together in different neighborhoods to show their pride in their neighborhood. Complimentary coffee, donuts & bananas will be on hand to give you an energy boost. Please Facebook me or call me at 773-431-9081 if you will be able to attend so that I can plan accordingly for food, drinks & supplies.

Check the Mail: The 2020 Census Is on its Way

The 2020 Census is almost here! In mid-March households will begin receiving official Census Bureau mail with detailed information on how to respond to the Census online, by phone or by mail. If our communities are undercounted, we will get fewer federal resources!

Census results are used to distribute more than \$675 billion in federal funds every year. If there’s a major undercount, Illinois could lose up to \$1 billion in federal dollars. To put it another way, we will lose \$1,400 per person per year for every person not counted in the 2020 Census. That means funding cuts for Medicaid, student loans, food stamps, highways and more than 100 critical programs across the state.

As a reminder, there will be no citizenship question and the Census Bureau is legally bound to strict confidentiality; it cannot share your answers with anyone—not the IRS, not the FBI, not the CIA, not any government agency. Your individual information is secure. Your participation will impact federal investments in our community and your voice in Congress. For more information, please visit <https://2020census.gov/>.

A Resident’s Guide to 9-1-1 Caller Anonymity

As a matter of policy, Chicago Office of Emergency Management and Communications 9-1-1 call-takers are required to ask callers reporting gang- and drug-related incidents whether they would like to remain anonymous.

In addition, any person reporting a crime – who is not a victim – may inform the call-taker that he/she wishes to remain anonymous.

- If someone requests to remain anonymous, the 9-1-1 dispatcher and the officer receiving the call do not see the caller’s name or address.
- While residents who witness serious crimes have an obligation to come forward and cooperate with law enforcement authorities, it is the policy of the Chicago Police Department and the Office of Emergency Management and Communications to honor requests to remain anonymous whenever possible.

HOW TO REQUEST TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS:

- Clearly state your request to remain anonymous to the 9-1-1 call-taker.
- The call-taker will note this on the event record, which will make your information unavailable to a police dispatcher. The dispatcher will not have the caller information to pass along to police field personnel assigned to investigate the incident.
- If you call 9-1-1 again with additional information, you must request to remain anonymous again, as another call-taker may take your call.

Do not mistake basic police investigative techniques as ignoring your wish to remain anonymous. Police officers have a duty and an obligation to canvass crime scenes for potential witnesses. Without knowing you called and requested to remain anonymous, police may knock on doors in the surrounding area attempting to locate potential witnesses, including yours.



A Beman Committee: Looking forward to Spring
John Christie and Ann Alspaugh
pcobemancommitte@gmail.com

Spring heralds the warm weather, lengthening days, the return of green to the landscape and lots of exciting restoration projects in Pullman. Work will recommence on the National Monument visitors center, finishing touches will occur on the Artspace project. In addition many of us will continue to act as good stewards to our historic houses and invest money and sweat equity in restoration projects large and small.

The Beman Committee is privileged to get a preview of some of the projects homeowners plan when they apply for the Façade Reimbursement Program in February. This year we had 12 projects submitted. The end result of these projects will be meaningful historically accurate restorations which will improve the entire neighborhood. On Forrestville the homeowners plan to completely restore the key bay front feature of their house, which will involve removing asphalt shingles, restore window openings to the original size and installing all new replica windows. The end result will be to match the award-winning restoration of the neighboring bay feature. Another homeowner plans on stripping paint from their brick façade and repointing the bricks. A number of other projects will see non-original windows removed and replaced with historically accurate replicas.

2020 Façade Reimbursement will also be the first year homeowners who have put their houses on the House Tour will have their projects automatically funded, we have several such projects. Come to the PCO General Meeting in March to see a preview of these projects and watch the spine tingling lottery as we pull the balance of the projects for funding. In all we have \$5,500 in funds from House Tour to award.

March Ladies Luncheon
Carol Lagadinos

Asian Harbor was the February selection but many in the group were not able to attend so a return visit was suggested since those who did attend rated it 4.0.

Asian Harbor is a stylish, low-lit spot serving a mix of Asian fare focusing on Thai and Japanese. Everything on the website looks and sounds fabulous!!! The \$8.99 Thai lunch menu offers several entrees as well as a few Thai fried rice options. The \$8.99 Japanese lunch menu includes lunch boxes (bento boxes) and many sushi options. The full menu, including an extensive sushi list is also available at lunch. There is a full bar with reasonably priced wines by the bottle and also by the glass, as well as beer, sake and creative martinis. Presentations are beautiful, reviews are excellent. Asian Harbor has even been featured on Check Please!

Wednesday March 25
Depart Pullman at noon / 12:30 reservation
Asian Harbor-1930 Ridge Road, Homewood
RSVP & for carpool info- contact carollagadinos@att.net, 817-598-8570

Condolences

Condolences for recent passings are extended to the friends and families of former Pullman residents Jacob Morandi and Gino A. Testolin, to Pullman residents Larry & Carol Lagadinos for their son-in-law Patrick Murphy, to the friends and family of Pullman Choir accompanist Dan Surma, and to the friends and family of a friend to the Pullman community Glenn Ruff. Mr. Ruff was a security guard at US (formerly Pullman) Bank for over 46 years, was a tireless advocate for and fan of the community and always greeted visitors with a smile.

To report a passing, email PullmanCivicOrganization@gmail.com or contact your Block Captain.

Black History Month Events a Success!
Tom Shepherd

The Black History Month Committee supported by the Pullman Civic Organization hosted three events in February to mark Black History Month. A committee consisting of Lynne Collins, Cheryl Briscoe, Patty Lawson, and Tom Shepherd planned and worked to put on the events on three successive Sundays during the month.

The first event in February hosted by the Black History Month Committee was titled “Traditions in African-American Cuisine.” Participants brought samplings of recipes handed down from their ancestors. They provided recipes and spoke a bit about their dish and the personal stories associated with it. The Committee thanks those who participated by preparing their one-of-a-kind, delicious dishes to kick off Black History Month. Plus, an extra special thanks to the students of Poe Classical and Pullman Elementary who submitted essays on the origins of various traditional African American foods. Bravo to all!

The following two Sundays, two PowerPoint presentations were held at the Pullman National Monument Visitor Center: “The Underground Railroad South of Chicago” and “Black Cowboys and the Wild West,” were standing-room-only affairs. Larry McClellan presented a well-received lecture on the Underground Railroad through Illinois and the Midwest. Art T. Burton took us back to the Old West as he taught us about the adventures and exploits of the black cowboy, from sheriff to outlaws. Both are retired professors and authors of numerous books featured during their time with us.

The Committee is also grateful to the National Park Service, the Historic Pullman Foundation, the A. Philip Randolph Pullman Porters Museum, and the 5th District Police (CAPS) for their contributions to these successful events.

Sincere gratitude goes out to our fiscal sponsors: National Parks Conservation Association, Chicago Neighborhood Initiatives, Pullman Bank & Trust, State Representative Nick Smith, and Ald. Anthony Beale.

Also, a big thanks go out to Rev. Luther Mason; Principal Eric Dockery and Mr. Hathaway from Poe Elementary School, and Principal Romeldia Salter (and staff) from Pullman Elementary; 5th District Police: Commander Joel Howard, Sgt. Bridget Robinson, Officers Samantha Smith, Victor Keneard; Mike Shymanski and his HPF team; Susan Bennett and staffers VeAmber Miller and Stephanie Schneider; for photos and graphics, Tony Dzik and Hurley Green III; and our pop-up volunteers Sydney Kovarski, Craig Pfnister, and Mike Juhasz

Bamboo, A Sometimes Taboo Plant:
Green Spaces and Places
Lynn Smith

There is a reason that gardeners are wary of bamboo. It has a reputation for steadily taking over gardens. Indeed, many non – clumping, “ running “ bamboos should be avoided. They have value however as an accent plant and as a plant which can help define boundaries/give privacy.

One variety of bamboo, called “ Fagesia “ (of which there are several varieties, among them nitida, growing up to eight feet, F. robusta, Pingwu, “ green screen “ , growing to ten feet , and F. Demudata, growing to 10-15 feet) , that could be considered . These bamboos are native to the forests of China where they evolved on the sides o f mountains, interspersed with rhododendron and hydrangea, along with mahonia.

So, while exercising caution with bamboos is always a good idea, there are some varieties of bamboo that are winter hardy in Pullman and could be considered for an accent plant or screening – provided that you recognize that even clumping bamboo will need to be cut back. Also these plants can grow relatively quickly and need to be kept watered well. They will grow in sun to part shade. Like grasses they are normally cut back in late winter. And we’ll keep talking....



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