From the PCO President Rachel Smith

"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, Nothing is going to get better. It's not." — Dr. Seuss, "The Lorax"

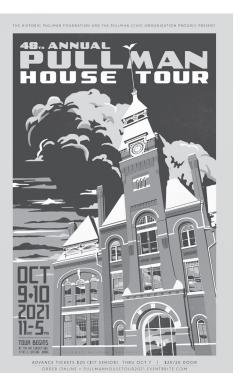
This month marks the culmination of decades of community advocacy, public-private partnership and good old-fashioned, South Side pride with the opening of the new Pullman National Monument Visitor's Center. As you saw from last month's special edition flyer, there was a tremendous amount of excitement generated by the opening, the potential for tourism, the educational programmatic opportunities and the appearance from local and national public officials. And the National Park Service, led by Superintendent Teri Gage, did not disappoint as the opening weekend, ceremoniously launched on Labor Day weekend, was unarguably a success.

But, while there is plenty to celebrate, I wanted to take the opportunity to thank and praise the backbone of this effort – the community volunteers who worked tirelessly over many decades to bring this project to completion. Much was said this weekend at various events, about the history of the Pullman town and about the residents who have carried the mantle. So, I would like to take a moment and thank all of the people who volunteered this weekend and every day in big ways (and small) to keep the boat afloat! Or at least – to keep the trains on the track (I couldn't help myself). Sometimes, it's very thankless work – picking up garbage, calling for city services to fix lights, streets and sidewalks, ensuring the public parks are weeded and watered – it all matters. And if no one thanked you today, please accept my thanks and gratitude for caring enough about this community that you did your part to make it shine (Jacqueline Resch, Jim Badali, Fernando and Claudia, Luanne and Andy Morgen come to mind).

Huge kudos to PCO representatives Tom McMahon and Lorraine Brochu who orchestrated the well-received car caravan through the entire monument, the block party near the newly renamed Exhibit Hall, appearances by local car clubs and entertainment by local vocalist Meagan McNeal and the Jesse White Tumblers. It was a heavy lift but a huge success. What a tremendous example of how Pullman's commitment of volunteering can make great things possible.

And with that, the PCO welcomes the time, talents and energy offered to help keep Pullman remain the magical place we call home. Please consider volunteering – not just at the big events (although this year's Garden Walk and House Tour events would love a large volunteer turnout), but also on a monthly basis by leading committees, planning special events and promoting all that's good about Pullman. It's our community and our responsibility so please consider rolling up your sleeves and joining us. We'll bring the coffee and Old Fashioned Donuts.





Pullman Grand Opening a Monumental Success Teri M. Gage

The National Park Service (NPS) in coordination with Illinois Department of Natural Resources officially opened the Pullman National Monument and State Historic Site today with a program and ribbon-cutting ceremony celebrating Pullman's ties to Labor Day, including remarks by U.S. Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland.

As Chicago's first national park, Pullman National Monument was established on February 19, 2015, by then-President Barack Obama to preserve and share key stories associated with George Pullman and his namesake Pullman Palace Car Company, including industrial and rail innovation, labor rights, urban planning, and civil rights. New exhibits and programming at the visitor center, as well as interpretive signage, walkways, and structures on the adjacent grounds will deepen visitors' connections to these stories.

"Pullman played an important role in shaping American history, and its stories are as meaningful to Americans today as they were in the company's heyday," said Pullman National Monument Superintendent Teri Gage. "Today we celebrate this nationally significant cultural resource and the opportunities it creates to connect these stories with new audiences."

The program also included remarks by Illinois Gov. J.B. Pritzker; U.S. Rep. Robin Kelly (Dist. 2); U.S. Sen. Richard Durbin; Chicago Mayor Lori Elaine Lightfoot; Robert G. Reiter, president of the Chicago Federation of Labor; Alderman Anthony Beale, 9th Ward; Dr. Lyn Hughes, founder, National A. Philip Randolph Pullman Porter Museum; Will Shafroth, president and CEO, National Park Foundation; and Gage.

The program was the culmination of a weekend of public events celebrating Pullman's stories. With the ribbon-cutting, the Monument will now be open daily to the public.

The historic Administration Clock Tower Building at 111th and S. Cottage Grove Avenue in Chicago was the heart of Pullman's factory and the town built to house company workers. Since 2019, \$34 million in federal, state, and private funding has been invested to renovate the iconic building and rehabilitate the adjacent historic factory grounds. The clock tower building serves as the monument's Visitor Center, managed by NPS. The Illinois Department of Natural Resources owns and operates the surrounding 12-acre grounds, including several remaining factory buildings and historic Hotel Florence, as Pullman State Historic Site.

The Visitor Center features exhibits about Pullman's role in American labor history, including the 1894 Pullman Strike and Boycott, and the 1937 African-American Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters union winning the first successful contract with a major company. Visitors can get a glimpse of almost a century of evolving workforce and rail equipment production, learn about the lasting design and architecture of the 1880 Town of Pullman, and how a community works together to preserve an historic district.

As a partnership park, Pullman National Monument works with numerous organizations to help welcome visitors to the monument, preserve the history and land, and extend the benefits of the park to the surrounding community. Interpretive partners include Historic Pullman Foundation, Bielenberg Historic Pullman House Foundation, National A. Philip Randolph Pullman Porter Museum, and Pullman State Historic Site.

Those who missed the event can watch the livestream at Pullman National Monument's Facebook page. For more information about visiting Pullman National Monument, visit www.nps.gov/pull.



Caption: Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland addressed the audience at the Labor Day dedication ceremony for the new visitor center and factory grounds at Pullman National Monument & State Historic Site.



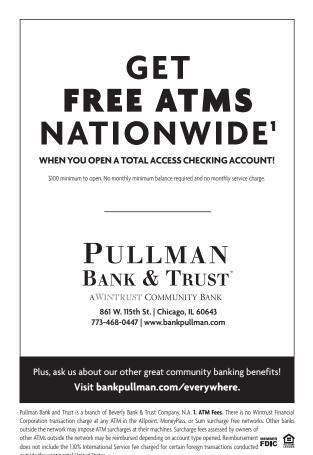
Solon Says: A Report of the PCO Beman Committee Megan Lydon and Wyatt Ollestad Co-Chairs pcobemancommittee@gmail.com

As the building season is coming to an end, now is the perfect time to start planning work free of permit fees for next spring. One of the perks of living in a Chicago Landmark District is the opportunity to waive all City Permit fees. This includes permits for all work being done to buildings within our district – both interior and exterior, including work to the rear of a property such as new garage construction, fences, etc.

The application forms themselves can seem rather daunting upon first glance, however, the process is fairly simple if you follow the steps outlined below. It is important to note that a bit of planning is required. The process includes the submission and review of the Principal Profile information and the Economic Disclosure Statement by the Departments of Finance and of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection; notification to the alderman about the application by the Department of Planning and Development (DPD), Historic Preservation Division; submission by DPD of materials to legislative staff for introduction to City Council; and the preparation of permit fee waiver correspondence for the applicant to present to the Department of Buildings after the City Council meeting. This entire process may take the City between 60 and 120 days to finalize before a permit can be pulled and work can begin.

- The Permit Fee Waiver Form should be read first since it outlines the process and references the other documents that should be submitted.
- The project architect or engineer should provide the scope of work details, the timeline, the project cost and the proposed permit fee waiver amount. Please note that some of this information will be incorporated in the Order/Ordinance that will be submitted to the City Council.
- The Principal Profile Form is needed for vetting by the Departments of Finance and of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection to ensure that the principals (e.g., property owner per the deed or board member/officer of an entity) do not have outstanding financial obligations to the City of Chicago.
- An Affidavit is usually needed for everyone who is a principal and must be manually signed and notarized. The personal information is required for members of boards of directors, trustees, etc. of entities. If there are more than five persons, multiple pages of the Principal Profile Form should be used rather than the Affidavit.
- The Economic Disclosure Statement (EDS) is needed for the project as well. Please give special attention to the following sections: Page 1, Sec. F, briefly state the work that is being performed; Page 1, Sec. G, write Planning and Development; Page 2, Sec. B.1, list the names of all persons who are principals associated with the project.
- The DPD asks that you please DO NOT complete the forms longhand. Use a computer to complete the editable Adobe forms, save, and print before signing those that require your signature and those requiring a Notary Public signature and seal.
- DO NOT pay for permits prior to receiving a "Pre-Approval Memo" from DPD. The Department of Buildings will not reimburse payments made in advance of the applicant's receipt of the memo. The Pre-Approval Memo will be sent to the applicant within a day or two after the Permit Fee Waiver Order/Ordinance has been submitted to the City Council. The document must be presented at the time that permits are to be paid for.

All forms can be requested by contacting the Department of Planning and Development, Historic Preservation Division at (312) 744-0012 or by reaching out to the Beman Committee.



The Pullman Flyer

Pullman National Monument Preservation Society Mark Cassello

On May 12, 2021, National Park Service (NPS) officials met about creating a General Management Plan (GMP) for the Pullman National Monument. Work on the GMP is scheduled to begin in 2022.

While much attention has been focused on the exciting transformation of the factory site into a welcoming visitors center for the monument, it is the General Management Plan that will provide the long-term vision for what the Pullman National Monument will become in the next 20 years.

The good news is that the NPS welcomes robust public participation, so all of us can have a voice in this planning process. According to the NPS, "Public participation in planning and decision-making will ensure that the [National Park] Service fully understands and considers the public's interests in the parks, which are part of the public's national heritage, cultural traditions, and community surroundings."

All national park units are required to have a General Management Plan by federal law. A General Management Plan for PMN will

- identify the monument's "fundamental resources and values" in accordance with its establishing legislation,
- set forth the desired resource conditions for Pullman's many historic buildings, structures, and sites,
- define "management zones" to identify how different areas within the monument can be managed for preservation and use,
- compile resources with detailed information about Pullman's history and its cultural resources.

To be an informed participant in this process, use the intervening time to familiarize yourself with Presidential Proclamation 9233, the monument's establishing legislation. You should also review the Foundation Document (2017), Archaeological Overview and Assessment (2017), and Historic Resource Study (2020).

The National Park Service has also offered to share the planning documents of other similar "partnership parks" with the public. These documents should be identified and made available before the end of the year and will serve as a valuable resource as the general management planning process gets underway in 2022.

PullmanArts and Culture Fest Board of Directors

PullmanArts and Culture Fest: We're currently planning for PullmanArts & Culture Fest, an extension of the annual Pullman Art Walk, which will occur on Saturday, October 16th and Sunday, October 17th, 2021. If you would like to participate, please email info@PullmanArts.org. All arts, including performance, visual, music, paint, sculpture, photography and so on are welcome.

We've received a \$30,000 grant from Chicago's Department of Culture and Special Events (DCASE) initiative of "Arts77", a citywide arts recovery and reopening plan for all of Chicago's 77 community areas. Along with artists set up though out the neighborhood, we will have several musical performances throughout the weekend, food trucks, porta-potties with hand wash stations (!), four artist live painting Pullman garages, Beverly Art Walk, the Arts & Culture Lab and Roseland Chamber will have collective artist tents. AND because this is now a DCASE supported event, they will be advertising extensively to the greater Chicago area and beyond.

Block House Gallery: We are proud to host the first solo show of Fantasia Ariel, a born and bred South Side artist. Her work is focused on portraiture, where she tries to capture the essence of who someone is. You can stop by the gallery to see Fanni's work, Thursdays 4pm-6pm & Saturdays Noon -2pm through October 31. Follow us at www.facebook.com/PullmanArts and Instagram @blockhousegallery for up-to-date events.



To register:



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PCO Vision Committee Report

15 months. 22 meetings. We heard your voices. The VISION COMMITTEE Report is ready. This report opens opportunities for fresh, important conversations. Check it out at the PCO website, www.pullmancivic.org. Look under the "Resources" tab. You do not have to be a PCO member to read the report. You will see dozens of ideas about the major topics of Membership, Structure, Communication, and Quality-of-Life. The report also includes a powerful tool about racism, an illuminating summary of current census data, and a quick review of the results of the previous Vision Committee. GO TO THE PCO WEBSITE!

Community Safety Lynne M. Collins

September is National Preparedness Month. Here in the great Pullman National Monument, our community doesn't need to worry about a hurricane or wildfire; we have had an occasional tornado in Chicago. However, much can be learned from the experiences of others.

When was the last time that you examined your homeowner's, renter's, or automobile insurance policy to be sure of flood or fire damage coverage? Is your coverage sufficient to meet your needs? If you are a renter, please know that your landlord's coverage does not cover your possessions and a renter's insurance policy is a small price to pay, if a fire or flood should occur (consider the damage from a broken water main, or a burst interior water pipe). Your insurance agent has the duty and responsibility to answer your policy questions and will be happy to discuss your coverage. If you don't have insurance, ask your trusted friend, neighbor, or family member to recommend a company or insurance agent, and make an appointment to discuss new coverage. Now is the time to protect homes from the wind, rain, and snow, that we know is coming soon. Examine your windows and frames for air leakage and repair with caulking and paint before October temperatures and inclement weather makes such repairs more difficult.

Did you experience leaking last winter when ice dams formed on your roof? It is time to be pro-active about such matters and take action to prevent such occurrences. Contractors are winding up their busy summer seasons and HVAC contractors are gearing up for your call (hopefully it will be a maintenance call, and not an expensive repair). Which brings me to.... When you make that call to your HVAC professional for a furnace check and maintenance, be sure that you have enough furnace filters to get you through the winter. Change your filters once a month to keep your inside air fresh and your furnace running cleanly.

Finally, when was the last time that you purchased a smoke or fire detector? A carbon monoxide (CO) detector? These safety items save lives. In the case of smoke and fire detectors, they alert you to fire, and to leave your apartment or home, when you are most likely to make it out safely. A CO detector warns of dangerous levels of carbon monoxide from a faulty furnace, water heater, or other fuel burning appliance. These detectors should be replaced according to manufacturers' guidelines. We have much to be proud of here in our unique National Monument. Our grand opening was just that, GRAND, and SAFE!

Careful: Creating Beauty Can be Contagious! Green Spaces and Places Lynn Smith

I was recently speaking with two neighbors, separately, about both the continued "greening up" of the neighborhood and the lovely landscaping at the Factory Complex /Pullman National Monument area just north of 111th. Both the individual efforts of homeowners and the greening of the factory site are wonderful developments with the landscaping surrounding the Pullman National Monument referencing both some of the more formal and informal elements of the original town of Pullman.

Although I do not pretend to be an authority on Nathan Barrett, Pullman's original landscape architect, I do know that he liked to juxtaposition both formal (stone work, hedges, more rigidly shaped landscape elements) and informal elements (shrubbery, native perennials, etc.). We currently see some of these characteristics in the current plan north of 111th, done by the Atrium Company.

Among the plants featured are juniper, hydrangea, cotoneaster, ornamental onions, grasses, sumac, and both deciduous and evergreen trees. Some plants are very columnar, to signify that you are coming to a different place (ie. some of the plants close to the very pretty gatehouse) – others reference what would have been the more naturalistic landscape of the surrounding area.

In closing, we look forward to experiencing the newly transformed landscape of the Pullman National Monument. And we'll keep talking...

Calendar of Events

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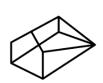
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