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June 2022

Pullman Civic Organization

614 E. 113th Street

PCO General Meeting, Wednesday, June 15
HPF Exhibit Hall, 11141 S Cottage Grove

From the PCO President
John Lydon



Photo Credit: American Red Cross of Illinois

Last month the PCO, along with other community organizations and churches, partnered with the American Red Cross in a Sound the Alarm event. Together, we were able to serve 289 people by installing 364 smoke alarms in the 60628 and 60619 zip codes. The PCO team—consisting of Francine Williams, Margaret Kania, Susan Schoephoester, and myself—were able to support various residents in Pullman and beyond. Each stop sparked joyful conversation of neighbors either connecting for the first time or as longtime friends. The day was filled with fellowship and service.

This month, we celebrate LGBTQIA+ Pride Month, honoring the 1969 Stonewall Uprising and recognizing the incredible impact the LGBTQIA+ community has had and continues to have on our world, both individually and through collective action. As the great Harvey Milk once said, “Rights are won only by those who make their voices heard.”

Fellowship, service, voice. These are at the heart and history of the PCO. Expanding traditions and innovating structures to allow these principles to deepen in our community will guide my presidency.

Pullman is a special place because of its people. It is the main reason my family moved here and the driving force behind our engagement in community efforts, such as the PCO and Pullman Tech Workshop.

As a new membership year begins, consider opportunities to volunteer your talents and time through the PCO. From taking on the role of Zone Director or Block Captain to participating in one of our Committees, there are multiple ways you can join us in this work. Please reach out to me via email at pcopres@gmail.com or stay after a meeting to discuss ideas on how you can collaborate and contribute in strengthening our neighborhood.

Together, we can.

2022-2023 PCO Membership
Fernando Rosiquez

Our May PCO General Meeting was a great night to come out and visit with our neighbors over a delicious hot dog. This was the start of our Annual Membership Drive. The response was fantastic. Over 100 memberships were sold at the barbeque. It was great to see so many families and new neighbors come out. Thank you to all the volunteers that helped and participated. Our membership drive just started and we would like to invite you to renew your PCO Membership for the 2022-2023 year. See your block captain or pay via Paypal link on the Pullman Civic Organization website using: <http://www.pullmancivic.org> and click to join. Also you can drop your check or cash at the 614 E. 113 St. with your name and address and we will drop your membership card in your mail box.

The membership is important for the PCO to keep operating and supporting our community.

2022-2023 PCO Officers, Board, and Block Captains

Congratulations to the New PCO officers and Zone Directors, who were elected at the May General Membership Meeting. They will be installed at the June 15 General Membership Meeting. They are the following:
President: John Lydon
Vice President: Kathy Lynch
Secretary: Wyatt Ollestad
Treasurer: Elizabeth Mishler

Zone Directors:
Zone 1: Eva Villagomez
Zone 2: Harriette Burks-Watson
Zone 3: Susan Schoephoester
Zone 4: Beatrice Hardy
Zone Directors serving the second year of their two-year term:
Zone 1: Darrel Hill
Zone 2: Lynne Collins
Zone 3: Margaret Kania
Zone 4: Luanne Wethington

Block Captains	
11100 Langley (East)	Alexis Willis
11100 Langley (West)	Eva Villagomez
11100 Champlain (East)	John Cwenkala
11100 Champlain (West)	Patti Kraning
11100 St. Lawrence	Sheldon Nagelberg
11200 Champlain (East)	Beverly Ash-Larson
11200 Champlain (West)	
11200 Langley	Susan James
11200 St. Lawrence (West)	Harriette Burks-Watson
11200 St. Lawrence (East)	Lynn Smith
112th Street	Mary Bosman
11200 Forrestville	Claudia Flores
11300 Cottage Grove	Jason Jones
11300 Forrestville (West)	Jacob Hartman
11300 Forrestville (East)	Ann Alspaugh
11300 St. Lawrence (West)	Linda Feutz
11300 St. Lawrence (East)	Arlene Echols
11300 Champlain (East)	
11300 Champlain (West)	Sophie Phillips
11300 Langley (East)	Alexa Lawson
11300 Langley (West)	Mark Cassello
11400 Champlain (East)	Melissa Campos
11400 Champlain (West)	
11400 St. Lawrence (East)	Denise Alcantar
11400 St. Lawrence (West)	Katie Williams
11400 Forrestville (East)	John Lydon
11400 Forrestville (West)	Francine Williams
115th Street	C. J. Martello

Thank you to the block captains who pass out the Pullman Flyers to all residents on their block each month and who are available for you to join the PCO or renew your PCO membership during the PCO membership drive this summer.



Historic Pullman Garden Club

GARDEN WALK 2022

“The bees and the birds”

**Saturday
June 25th**

10:00 am to 4:00 pm



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

Throughout the years, the Beman Committee has received many inquiries from both new residents and long-timers alike. Below is a brief list of questions we often receive, which can serve as a good introduction for newcomers as well as a refresher for those who’ve lived here for years. Be on the lookout for a more comprehensive list of frequently asked questions on the PCO website soon!

Q: What does the Beman Committee do?
A: The Beman Committee is a standing committee of the Pullman Civic Organization (PCO), and is tasked with helping property owners preserve and restore the historic features of their buildings’ facades. Like the PCO itself, the Beman Committee is comprised entirely of volunteers, some of whom have professions in architecture and historic preservation. The Pullman Homeowner Guide, Façade Legacy Project, and Façade Reimbursement Program are just some of the accomplishments we’ve achieved since the Committee’s formation in 1968.

Q: What is this ‘Landmarks’ I keep hearing about?
A: The Commission on Chicago Landmarks is part of the Department of Buildings, and oversees the preservation, maintenance, and rehabilitation of Chicago’s historic buildings. The southern part of Pullman was declared a City Landmark District in 1972, the northern part in 1993, and then both were merged into one in 1999. Unlike many other Landmark properties in the City, the entirety of Pullman constitutes a singular District, which means each and every building within the District falls under Landmarks purview.

Q: I know there are rules about what I can do to the front of my building, but does the Commission on Chicago Landmarks or the Beman Committee have any say over the inside of my property?
A: No, the Commission on Chicago Landmarks and the Beman Committee are really only concerned with the street-facing facades of buildings, as they connote the historic architectural significance of the neighborhood. Property owners are free to do with the inside of their buildings as they see fit – so long as any applicable work is permitted. The interior of Pullman buildings is guided by the Chicago Building Code, so any major structural, electrical, plumbing, etc. work needs to be permitted. Which is to say, the same standards apply to the interior of Pullman buildings as the interior of any other building in the city.

Q: Building permits are expensive. Do I really need to get one?
A: Ensuring that any proposed work meets with the requirements of the Chicago Building Code is important to preserve the structural integrity of buildings and safety for its occupants. Moreover, much of Pullman’s noteworthiness is because of its architecture, so making sure no improper work is done to the facades of buildings is equally important. Fortunately, by virtue of living in a Landmark District, the fees for building permits – even those pertaining only to interior work – can be waived! The process to apply for a waiver can be quite daunting, so if you need help, feel free to contact the Beman Committee!

Q: Will the Beman Committee fine me if I don’t get a permit?
A: The Beman Committee cannot levy any fines or otherwise penalize property owners - only the City of Chicago can do that. In addition to fines, unpermitted work leaves the property owner open to liens being placed upon the property. The violations review process by the City can often take a long time, so just because it seems a property owner ‘got away with’ not acquiring a permit, that doesn’t mean they’re in the clear. It’s always a safer choice to seek a permit rather than try to avoid having to get one, and the Beman Committee is always here to help! When in doubt, reach out!

Save the Date for the 49th Pullman House Tour
October 8 and 9, 2022
Patrick Brannon and Cindy McMahon
Co-Chairs, 49th Pullman House Tour

April showers bring May house tour planning. The Pullman House tour is held on the on the SECOND weekend in October, the 8th and 9th. Many exciting events happen in Pullman and House Tour is definitely one of them. Becoming one of the oldest, most successful, annual house tours in the Chicagoland area, is due to the planning and hard work of our dedicated residents. With that said, our first house tour meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 27 @ 5:30pm at the Florence Lowden Miller Center at 614 E. 113th Street. We can use your help, ideas and homes. Without houses we can not host a house tour. Please join us.

Neighborhood Reminder
Cheryl Briscoe

It is Summertime and dog walkers (and their fur babies) are sharing area public parks and sidewalks with neighbors. This is a reminder ... Municipal Code (#7-12-030) states all dogs shall be on a leash.

Failure to comply could result in a fine of \$300. If there are damages or injuries, the fines could go from \$1,000 to \$10,000 with incarceration. Keep your dog leashed and remember to ALWAYS pick up after.

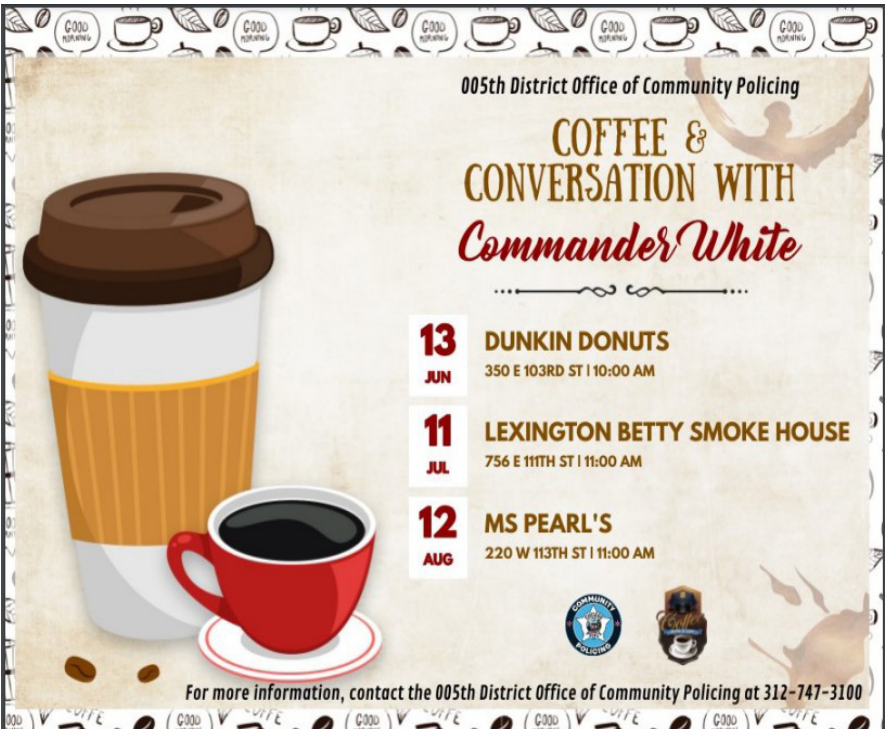
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Green Spaces and Places:
Small Trees of Note - The Dogwood
Lynn Smith

In historic Pullman one is always looking for a small tree or large shrub which will offer four season interest, interesting branching patterns, berries and or flowers, and some Fall color. By those criteria, there are three Dogwoods that deserve special attention. They are , in no order of importance, the Cornelian Cherry (Cornus Mas), Kousa Dogwood, and Pagoda Dogwood. The first two types of Dogwood have an Asian connection, while the last Dogwood is native to the US. They all do well in partially shaded areas, need good consistent watering especially in the first year to get established, have interesting berries – or drupes- and in the case of Cornelian Cherry- have edible berries that can be made into jam. All of these types of dogwood do well with some mulch (though not piled up against the tree trunk) and are not reported to grow taller than 25 feet. All of these trees have a horizontal branching pattern so do well in providing screening.

Cornelian Cherry is the earliest blooming , with cheerful yellow blossoms in early Spring, and Summer red berries, and Pagoda and Kousa Dogwood generally bloom sometime in June in this area- for several weeks- with Kousa Dogwood showing bracts (which look like flowers) of pink or white – and are very showy. Pagoda Dogwood has a more naturalized look than Kousa Dogwood , with creamy white flowers , and interesting berries as well.

In closing, continue to consider using a variety of plant types and species to give both the best ornamental and practical purpose. With changing temperatures, ongoing issues with pests, and potentially some changes also in precipitation, we need to arm ourselves – and the planet, with the best green practices... and we’ll keep talking....





From the Dining Car
Astrid Fingerhut

My mother was a health food nut when I was growing up. Along with the “no processed food or sugary drinks” mandate, she and my dad packed our school lunches, which were typically all-natural peanut butter (either really oily or BONE dry, since it was never properly stirred) and honey on the homemade, nuts-and-seeds bread my brothers called “acorn bread”1 and a piece of fruit. No one ever traded lunches with us.

But, occasionally, there was that miraculous overlap of “good for you” and “good tasting” and my favorite of these was on cold winter nights my mother would serve homemade bread, hot from the oven, covered in a thick layer of butter and topped with a big dollop of still-frozen strawberry freezer jam. That jam transported me back to summer-- warm sun, bird song, long days, and fruit picking.

June is strawberry season—the first of the big U-pick fruits. While my back prefers that I opt for the “someone else-pick” variety these days, I still feel that bubbly, blissful, beginning-of-a-long-summer feeling biting into a local strawberry. And I want to preserve that happy, hopeful feeling for when I really need it—in the middle of our dark, cold winters.

Jane Baxter, maker of some of the best jams I’ve ever tasted, has allowed me to share her recipe for low sugar strawberry jam. Jane also sent a wealth of information on strawberry farms near Pullman, canning tips, and a delicious-looking recipe for strawberry lemon marmalade. If you would like a copy, email me at fromthepullmandiningcar@gmail.com.

I’m more of a freezer jam cook myself—but as Jane says “any jam can be freezer jam if you have a canning fail.” So, aim high, freeze it if you get frustrated, and save a jar or two for late January!

Low Sugar Strawberry Jam - Makes 8 half-pint jars

- 8 Cups of washed, hulled, and crushed strawberries
- 1/3 cup water
- 1 Cup Sugar
- 1 Tablespoon lemon juice
- 6 Tablespoons LOW SUGAR/NO SUGAR Pectin
- ¼ tsp butter to reduce foam (optional)

Directions

- 1.If you are going to be preserving by canning, prepare the water bath canner, lids, and jars- find instructions online- they are everywhere.
2. Wash, hull, and then crush strawberries to whatever consistency you prefer. I use a pastry cutter to leave some chunks of berry, others like to use a hand blender to make it smoother.
3. Put all the ingredients for your recipe EXCEPT THE SUGAR into an 8 quart pan and gradually stir in the pectin.
4. Bring the mixture to a full rolling boil over high heat. (NB: Rolling boil is a boil that cannot be stirred away- this is important for the jam to set. Be patient).
5. Add the sugar and return to a full rolling boil. Boil for one minute stirring constantly.
6. Remove from heat and skim the foam as needed.
7. Ladle hot jam into hot jars leaving ¼ inch headspace in each jar.
8. Wipe the rims and jars of any spillage and place the lids on the jars, tightening the bands to fingertip tight.
9. Place jars in the canner making sure they are completely covered with water and boil for 10 minutes.
10. Remove jars onto a cutting board or towel to let them cool. You should hear the lids “pop” into place over the next 24 hours. Check lids for a seal. If the seal is good- the jam will keep for over a year. If a seal didn’t take- just put in the fridge or freezer and enjoy.

Billee Wunder-Chiagouris
Tom McMahon

Wilma “Billie” R. Wunder-Chiagouris, longtime resident of the Historic Pullman Neighborhood passed away on May 22, 2022 with family by her side. She was the restaurant manager for the Hotel Florence for over 20 years. She started at the Hotel as a waitress and later took on the responsibilities of restaurant manager. While at the Hotel Florence, she initiated a number of events that helped keep the doors open:

- Friday Night Fish Frys/Saturday Morning Breakfasts
- Breakfast with Santa/Breakfast with the Easter Bunny
- New Year’s Eve Parties and Themed Victorian Dinners

At the Greenstone Church, she along with Marge Ryan, initiated the monthly dinners as a source of income and community spirit for the church. Billie lived at 11261 S. Forestville for over 60 years where she raised her family.

PULLMAN CALENDAR FOR JUNE-JULY 2022		
WEEKLY ACTIVITIES		
PNM Clocktower Visitor Information Center - Open 7 days a week, 9am-5pm		
The Block House Gallery Open Thurs 4pm-6pm / Sat 12pm-2pm 11137 S Langley		
Tues - Sun	11am - 3pm	HPF Exhibit Hall 11141 S Cottage Grove
Beginning July 6th Wednesdays 7am - 1pm Pullman Farmer's Market 111th Pl & Forrestville		
MONTHLY MEETINGS AND SPECIAL EVENTS		
When	Event (\$ if charge)	Where/How
Wed 6/15 7:30pm	PCO General Membership Meeting (3rd Wed) Exhibit Hall 112th St	Everyone is welcome!
Fri 6/17 10a-12p	Free Food/Produce Distribution	Dollar Tree Lot, 209 E 103rd St
Sat 6/18 Noon-8pm	Taste of Chicago In Pullman (\$), with Summer Dance Chicago	111th Place and Forrestville
Mon 6/20 11am-10pm	Pullman Porter Museum Juneteenth Celebration	10406 S Maryland
Tue 6/21 6pm	005th Beat 531 Meeting Virtual via ZOOM	Meeting ID: 824 4979 0148 Passcode: 844817 +1 312 626 6799
Wed 6/22 7:30pm	PCO Beman Committee Meeting	pcobemancommittee@gmail.com
Sat 6/25 10a-4p	Pullman Garden Club Annual Garden Walk (\$)	Exhibit Hall grounds
Mon 6/27 5:30 pm	House Tour Committee FLM Center	614 E 113th St
Sun 7/3 1:30 pm	First Sunday Walking Tours Exhibit Hall	www.PullmanIL.org
Wed 7/6 7 pm	Pullman Garden Club Monthly Meeting	FLM Center 614 E 113th
Mon/Tues 7/11& 12 9am	Street Cleaning - Look for signs	MOVE YOUR VEHICLES!
Wed 7/13 7:00 pm	PCO Executive Board Meeting (2nd Wed)	Exhibit Hall 112th St
Tue 7/19 6pm	005th Beat 531 Meeting Virtual via ZOOM	Meeting ID: 824 4979 0148 Passcode: 844817 +1 312 626 6799
Wed 7/20 7:30pm	PCO General Membership Meeting (3rd Wed) Exhibit Hall 112th St	Everyone is welcome!
Sun 7/24 2pm	Designing the Gardens at the PNM with Rob Reuland	PNM-Clock Tower
Wed 7/27 7:30pm	PCO Beman Committee Meeting	pcobemancommittee@gmail.com
SAVE THE DATE - SATURDAY AUGUST 6TH - ANNUAL PULLMAN PICNIC		
Submit your Pullman / local community event details to pullmancalendar@gmail.com		

Community Improvement
Andreas Morgen

If you have any problems that needed to be addressed please let me, Andreas Morgen, know after notifying 311. I will follow up with my contacts at Alderman Beale’s office. I can be reached at 773-431-9081, Andreas.M.Morgen@gmail.com or on our several Facebook sites.

*All Beat meetings will be conducted via Zoom until further notice.

005th District is inviting you to Beat 531 Community Zoom Meeting



Passcode: **844817**

531 beat meetings are held every month on the third Tuesday at 6pm.

★ Mar 15, 2022	★ Aug (sector meeting, date TBD)
★ Apr 19, 2022	★ Sep 20, 2022
★ May 17, 2022	★ Oct 18, 2022
★ Jun 21, 2022	★ Nov 15, 2022
★ Jul (sector meeting, date TBD)	

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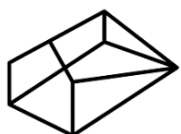
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