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Pullman Day Trip Wednesday, September 23, 2015

You’ve been to the Chicago Art Institute, the Museum of Science and Industry, but have you seen the Pullman Area? The DuSable Museum of African American Art? , the A. Philip Randolph Pullman Museum? Join us for a day of Chicago and American history.

The DuSable Museum of African American History is the first museum of its type in the country and is the only major independent institution in Chicago established to preserve and interpret the historical experience and achievements of African Americans

Historic Pullman: The Pullman Historic District is a unique community, built in 1880-1884 as a planned model industrial town for the workers of Pullman’s Palace Car Company. A step-on guide will tell us about the town’s history, its buildings and work going on in Pullman today.

Almost the entire original 1880’s housing still stands today and is interesting on many levels - transportation, industrial design, architecture, labor, urban and town planning and landscape design. Today residents take pride in preserving their historic homes.

Lunch at the delightful Harborside International Golf Center. Menu on the back.

The National A. Philip Randolph Pullman Porter Museum Randolph was the chief organizer and co-founder of the BSCP (Sleeping Car Porters) the first African-American labor union in the country to win a collective bargaining agreement which later led to many civil rights gains.

Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2015
Cost: Members $ 80.00 Guests $ 85.00
Deadline: September 10, 2015
Questions? Call Julie Friedman at 942-7113 or Frances Kavenik at 654-7570


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Any dietary restrictions?__________________________________________________________

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Menu: We will have a delicious buffet at the Harborside: Caribbean Jerk Chicken Breast, Grilled Flank Steak, Green Beans with Roasted Garlic Butter, Sour Cream Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Green Salad, Fresh Bread and Butter, White Chocolate Cheese Cake, Coffee and Hot Tea.

Some interesting information for you:

The years following the American Civil War saw the growth of a new profession – the traveling salesman who was often assigned a territory or quota of sales calls to make that necessitated traveling day and night by train. In order to meet their needs, Chicago inventor George Pullman helped to invent the sleeping car, a railroad passenger car whose seats could be converted into sleeping beds. In 1894 there was the bitter strike led by labor leader Eugene Debs. Later, with the growth of the automobile, salesmen and travelers began to drive themselves, and the sleeping-car business died.

As one of the very first planned industrial towns Pullman is distinct in that nearly all of this housing stands today, more or less as it did originally. The first permanent residents moved into the town on January 1, 1881. By April the Pullman car shops were in operation, and by May more than 350 people lived there. The Original Town of Pullman was completed in 1884. The average rent for three room apartments was $8.09 to $8.50. The rent for a five room row house (with basement, bathroom and water faucet on each of two floors) was $18.00 per month. Larger homes for professionals and company officers began at $25.00. All Pullman homes had indoor toilet facilities and running water – advantages unheard of in other working class areas of the city. Local clay became the source of the bricks manufactured by the Pullman Company to build housing. By 1885 30,000 trees bordered the streets and parks – six acres of land were used for nursery and greenhouse space to provide enough trees, shrubs and flowering plants for the community. The total cost to build the town was $8 million. Come see what was done some 135 years ago!

Guest Registration: The Pullman Trip, Sept. 23, 2015. Make checks to UW Parkside – ALL. Cost is $85 for guests. Members will have preference. Deadline: Sept. 10, 2015

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