

SUMMER 2018 NEWSLETTER



Presidents message for the Spring
Newsletter:
Olmsted Society President Cathy Maloney

"It must be very hot here in summer. At the hottest, mercury above 110 degrees, the breeze if there is one gives no comfort. It seems to come out of an oven." -FLO, 1863

In his above letter to wife Mary, Frederick Law Olmsted was writing about Mariposa, California but could have been writing about Chicago during a hot July day. Then, as now, his tonic for the unsavory weather was a walk through cool glens and glades. Aren't we lucky to have such leafy shade in Riverside!

Voting is open! We had many fine entries in FLOS's first garden and landscape contest. Go to the FLOS Facebook page and "like" your favorite. The contest will help us document the ephemeral gardens and landscapes of our beautiful village. A winner will be chosen based on popular vote, and on how the photo best captured Olmstedian design principles. Thanks to all who entered, and to photo contest committee members John Farneda, Dan Murphy, and Cindy Kellogg.

Don't forget to buy your tickets for HopStop which will be held Saturday, August 25. We are delighted to partner with the Riverside Arts Center this year and bring HopStop to Quincy Street. HopStop is the major fundraiser this year for both organizations, so you can have fun, sample some brews, and support two great local organizations. Hope to see you there!

Did you spot those tie-dyed shirts during the 4th of July parade? FLOS members and friends walked in the parade adorned in the fashion of the psychedelic 1960s and 1970s when FLOS began. Thankfully (?) fashion changes, but the mission of the Olmsted Society has not – to preserve Olmsted's vision and design for Riverside.



Hopstop Tickets are now on Sale!

Purchase your tickets for Hop Stop on August 25, 2018 from 5-8pm here:

Hop Stop 2018 Tickets













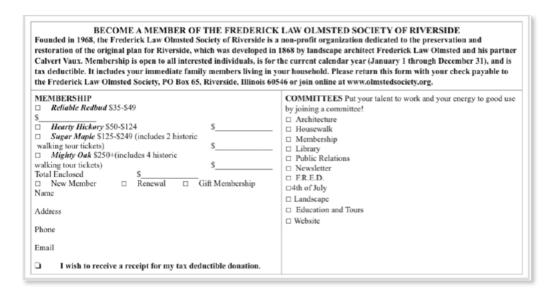
CBS 2 Features Riverside's Water Tower and Our Own Board Member Michaelangelo Sabatino!

Check out the link to see watch this here



Join FLOS or Renew Your Membership here:

Or Just print and mail this form to:



Frederick Law Olmsted Society of Riverside PO Box 65 Riverside, Illinois 60546



Landscape Committee Special Report with Cindy Kellogg and Holly Machina 2018 Landscape Workdays Schedule Please join us to help restore a landmark of Riverside!

Catalpas and Cake Tour was held on April 27th:





We celebrated Riverside's Arboretum, Arbor Day and a birthday on Friday afternoon, April 27th in Guthrie Park.

Catalpas and Cake Tour was a joint venture with the Village Forester, Michael Collins, Ames School, and the Landscape Advisory Committee.

Docents provided information about the several Arboretum trees and how they are valuable to the village and individual home owners. In celebration of Arbor Day, Ames students planted a bitternut hickory tree on the eastern side of Guthrie Park.

Our educational and fun day was topped off with cake in honor of Fredrick Law Olmsted's 196th birthday.

Future Landscape Workdays:





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Aug 11 th	9am – 12pm	Scottswood Commons –
		Weeding & mulching
Sept 8 th	9am – 12pm	Riverside Road – Plant
native		grasses & sedges
Sept 15 th	9am – 12pm	Riverside Road – Rain date
for		planting
Oct 13 th	9am – 12pm	Riverside Road – Native
seed		collecting
Nov 3 rd	9am – 12pm	Longcommon & Downing –
		Weeding & mulching



Experience
Riverside with a
walking tour as
Frederick Law
Olmsted designed
the parks
in Riverside to
provide changing
vistas for
pedestrians.

Jim Petrzilka 2018 Walking Tours:

The September 23 tour has been moved to September 30







WALKING TOURS OF HISTORIC RIVERSIDE

2018 Is Our Golden Jubilee - Celebrate with a Tour!



<u>Docent-led Walking Tours offered on the following S</u>undays:

North Division Tours – May 27, July 29, September 30

South Division Tours – June 24, August 26, October 28

2-4 PM, \$20, \$15 for Seniors (62+) and Olmsted Society Members.

Meet at Riverside Train Station, east side of main platform.

Special Custom Tours available \$25+ per person based on requirements

Call 708-442-7675 or email tours@olmstedsociety.org

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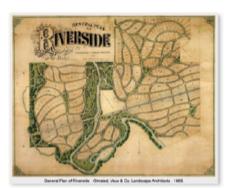
Membership Report - Linda LaBelle

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Please consider renewing your membership or becoming a member. The Olmsted Society invites residents and visitors to join us in learning, protecting the environment and preserving our cultural and physical heritage.

Membership is open to all interested individuals for a \$35.00 tax-deductible contribution by check or you can pay online through this PayPal link:

Join or Renew Your Membership Here

Or simply fill out the form included on the last page of this newsletter, and mail in to:

Olmsted Society PO Box 65 Riverside, IL 60546

Thank you for your continued support!!



Lecture Reports with Lois Kimmelman: September Lectures at the Riverside Public Library:

Elsa Anderson, What's New (& Old) in the Cook County Forest Preserves, Wed. Sept. 12, 7:00 p.m.:

In this talk, Elsa Anderson, a Stewardship Program Aide with the Cook County Forest Preserves, will take us through the history of the Forest Preserves, highlight some of the natural treasures found in the preserves today, and provide insight on how to become involved and get active in our local preserves.

Ms. Anderson is also a Ph.D. candidate in urban ecology at the University of Illinois at Chicago. She has been involved in Chicago-area ecological restoration efforts since 2011.

Melinda Pruett-Jones, *A Bird's Eye View of Riverside*, Thurs. Sept. 27, 7:00 p.m.:

This lecture (rescheduled from a previous date) on how to attract birds to your garden and landscape will be presented by birder and native gardener Melinda Pruett-Jones. She is the current executive director of the American Ornithological Society and was formerly the executive director of Chicago Wilderness.

Ms. Pruett-Jones, a Riverside resident, will discuss how specific plantings can be used to help sustain migrant and resident birds. She will also review successful restoration techniques that attract wildlife to Riverside's parks.

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The FLOS 4th of July Parade Float:





The FLOS 4th of July Parade "float" worked with tie dye and amazing balloons to send the message that:

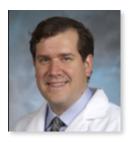
Nature Never Goes Out of Style!



Many thanks to all of our Volunteers and a special shout out to Abby Randall and Aberdeen Ozga for their original float design!







Webmaster (Dr.) Tim Ozga A Big Thank you to our Webmaster Tim Ozga, for all of his efforts in managing the web site and the emailed newsletters!

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Check out our Social Media links for information on upcoming events: facebook.com//RiversideFLOS
twitter.com/RiversideFLOS

"We can reduce flooding by planting the native plants of Illinois, such as Sorghastrum nutans (Linnaeus) Nash (Poaceae) also known as *Indian Grass*, shown here:



