

FRIENDS OF
PULASKI

The logo for Friends of Pulaski features the word "PULASKI" in a large, dark green, serif font. The letter "i" in "PULASKI" is stylized as a dark green vertical bar with a dark green dot above it. To the right of the "i", there are three stylized human figures in yellow and orange, standing side-by-side. These figures are enclosed within a circular frame that is dark green on the outside and yellow on the inside.

September 20, 2024

Agenda

- Welcome
- Board member and guest introductions
- Approval of August minutes
- Funding Requests
- Block Party recap
- Treasury Update
- Events
- Fundraising
- Update from Sonia and Nicole
- Public comments/concerns

Current Board Members:

- Garry Alderman, Projects and Procurement
- Michelle Carlson, Fundraising
- Sonia Copeskey, Co-president
- Trini Alvarado De Leon, Secretary
- Rachel Feinberg, Events
- Brian Ng, Treasurer
- Nicole Wood, Co-president

Recent Funding Requests

- Michelle Sherman/Athletics
- Already voted via email on RGC (\$300-500 for picnic at Holstein 10/5; open to all)

Block Party Recap

- Overall positive feedback. Will hold an official feedback / debrief meeting in the next couple weeks.
- Still analyzing the individual activities to see what worked well and what didn't.
- Donations from families and businesses kept cost down and allowed us to lower ticket prices for both food & entertainment without losing money.
- Electronic payment and traceability of items purchased was a huge improvement (bidpal for pre-sale & Zettle for day of credit card payments)
- Working on a playbook to make it easier for leads in the future.

Financial Summary:

Revenue		
Ticket Sales	\$8,772	
Kids Wristbands	\$7,150	
Adult Wristbands / Cups	\$5,550	
Swag	\$2,978	
Other Cash (collected day of and not categorized)	\$1,884	\$26,334
Costs		
Food / Drinks	\$4,816	
Entertainment	\$5,959	
Swag	\$2,115	
Labor	\$435	
Supplies / Printing	\$624	\$13,949
Block Party Income		\$12,385
Private Donations		\$3,850
Business Sponsorships		\$1,425
Total Income		\$17,660



Saber Soirée

2.22.25

SARABANDE

2726 W ROSCOE ST | 8PM - 12AM

OPEN BAR | DJ
HORS D'OEUVRES
SWEETS | PHOTO BOOTH
PADDLE RAISE | WINE PULL
SILENT AUCTION

Don't miss the biggest fundraiser of the year!

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Treasury: Update

- Cash position as of 9/18/24 is ~\$237,937
- Block Party Fundraising was much greater than expected in terms of inflows;
- Catching up on bookkeeping from March is progressing. Bookkeeper has been onboarding and we are working through categorizing expenses from past months. Aim is to be up to date by the next FOP meeting.
- Focus this past month was on activities related to the Block Party such as vendor payments, tracking contributions, and setting up Zettle as our digital POS tool for day of transactions. There were many compliments to the ease of payments by patrons.
- The ease of transacting with a tool like Zettle has shown it can really improve contributions that may be limited by congested lines.

Events



Fundraising

- **Block Party:** Raised \$5,275 between private and business sponsorships
- **YTD Annual Sponsorships:** \$14,500
- **MTD Bingo:** \$1,947

Upcoming Fundraising Events:

- Pizza & Concessions from Movie on the Turf (tonight)
- Bingo at Welcome back Lounge
 - 9/23: Grades 1-2
 - 9/30: Grades Pre-k & Kinder
- Saber Sprint: Sponsorships & Fundraising pages
- Dine out at Jersey Mikes: Oct 24/25
- Dine out at Art of Chicken: Nov 13

Annual Sponsor Name	2024-2025 Sponsor Amount
All Things Home Chi	\$500
Art of Chicken	\$500
Carlson Marketing Consulting	\$500
Chicago SMA	\$500
Haas Park	\$1000
Jasper Interiors	\$500
Jen Riccolo DeBower	\$500
Kelso Burnett	\$2,500
MK Construction	\$500
Red June	\$3,500
SEP Consulting	\$500
Stephan Zouras, LLP (Jim Zouras)	\$1,000
Sutton Legal Group	\$500
The Prinz Law Firm	\$500
V's Barbershop	\$500
Windy City Health Partners	\$1,000

****If you have any leads, please let me know! Deadline for inclusion on Saber Sprint shirts is 9/27****

Update from Sonia and Nicole

- Trophy cases installed yesterday; White Boards will arrive _____ and be installed (may need volunteers)
- Some project ideas
 - Tighten the bolts on the tables on the turf (Garry - do you have the tools to do this?)
 - Replace the soccer nets on big and little fields (do we still have extra nets or do we need to order). We have replacements for the big field (Mike Irons generously bought and installed them last year so we didn't need to use the ones we purchased. Thank you to the Crabtree-Irons family!). We will need to buy new ones for the little field.
 - Sink for 6th grade science teacher
 - New floor mats for entry
 - Discuss big projects that we may want to fundraise for:
 - Bathrooms? New stalls, paint, improve hand dryers, etc?
 - Anything else?
- 8th Grade DC trip funding request update

Update from Sonia and Nicole continued...

- 8th Grade DC trip funding request update
- Speaker Series
 - First event yesterday. About 15 attendees to learn about IEP and 504 Plans
 - Amanda Klemens from Equip from Equality
 - Principal Racasi and Ms. Chang attended, which meant a lot to us!
 - Quarter 2 presentation will be about “Taming/Understanding your Triggers while Parenting” given by Pulaski parent Shanta (Nishi) Kanukollu
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Public comment/questions

Next FOP Meeting Dates:

October 18

November 15