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## Greystone Joins Local Historic Register

**Once again, with your continued support, the College Hill Association has been able to maintain one of the primary pillars of our mission, historic preservation, by sponsoring the nomination of United Presbyterian Church (aka "the Greystone") to the Pullman Register of Historic Places.**

The Pullman Register is the city's official list of protected historic resources. While the National Register of Historic Places (on which the building earned designation back in 1989) is an important honor, only properties on the local register of historic places are protected by local ordinance. Designation on the Pullman Register means that the building cannot be demolished or altered without review by local government and that future building rehabilitation expenses can qualify for a range of financial incentives.

Designed by notable local architect William Swain, the Greystone is a striking and distinctive presence in the neighborhood, one that deeply embodies Pullman's history. The church building dates its conception back to Enoch Bryan, an early and influential president of what was then the State College of Washington. It was Bryan who anticipated a need and helped raise funds for the church that would become the home of the Pullman's Presbyterian community.

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# What's Happening...

## Continuation of Greystone Church Joins Local Historic Register...

After the first phase of construction for the United Presbyterian Church was completed in 1898, the building was subsequently remodeled and re-dedicated for its growing congregation in 1914. It served as a center of worship not only for the Pullman's Presbyterian Church (now located on Stadium Way) but also for the first St. Thomas More Catholic Newman Center (now at the edge of the WSU campus on C Street). After these congregations moved to their present locations, many concerned citizens formed the Greystone Foundation and worked to secure the building's future during a long period of vacancy. Eventually, the church was slated for demolition until, under the guidance of Glen Petry, G & M properties bought the building and renovated it into an apartment complex, which was subsequently purchased by the present owner, Horizon Realty Advisors. In 2018, HRA, deeply invested in the neighborhood, gave consent to have this property added to the local register.

Standing at the prominent intersection of Maple Street and Maiden Lane, the current Greystone Church Apartments is a perfect example of historic preservation as community building. Preservation of the century-old church building is a testament to vision of President Bryan, multiple religious congregations, the Greystone Foundation, realty companies, city leaders, concerned citizens, and the neighborhood that's seen it all and still endures.

Thanks to your generosity, the College Hill Association maintains a supporting membership in the Washington Trust for Historic Preservation, the basis for its successful application for a grant from the Valerie Sivinski Washington Preserves Fund to produce the Historic Preservation nomination for the Greystone. For more information, see <https://dahp.wa.gov/grants>.

## WSU Students Collaborate with CHA, City of Pullman



### 3rd Annual Earth Day Clean-Up

The United Greek Council of multicultural fraternities and sororities and volunteer student workers, with aid from the City of Pullman Parks Department and the CHA, remove litter from the College Hill Climb and the western bluff of Pullman's walking trails loop.

Your support of these events and the longstanding Adopt-a-Block program (a collaborative clean-up effort with ASWSU and the WSU Center for Civic Engagement) demonstrate how cooperation among neighbors - students, long-time residents, business owners, ASWSU, WSU, the City of Pullman, and the CHA - helps build and maintain College Hill's diverse and productive community.



### Yard of the Semester

Yard of the Semester award from the CHA's rejuvenated recognition program is presented by Pullman Mayor Glenn Johnson to honor the Sigma Phi Epsilon chapter house at 610 NE Colorado Street on April 22, 2018.

# In Remembrance...

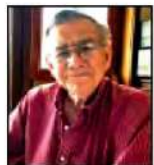
## Donald R. Heil, 1930 – 2018



To paraphrase Don Heil's long-time colleagues on the Pullman Civic Trust, the community lost a beloved and vital member of its shared civic life when this remarkable resident of College Hill passed away in his 87th year, dying peacefully after fifty years of living in the Reaney Park home that he built, landscaped, and shared with his partner Mark Firebaugh. Don came to Pullman in 1958 as a faculty member in design and construction in Washington State College's department of Architecture, from which he retired in 2000. Remembered by students as an "out-standing teacher, architect, and environmentalist," Don was a long-time member of the board of the Washington Trust for Historic Preservation; helped preserve and, in 1986, list on the National Register of Historic Places the 12-sided Leonard Barn on the Old Moscow Highway; and, in 2006, was the first-ever recipient of the Chairman's Award from the governor's Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

Don was a founding member in 1983 of Pullman Civic Trust, which especially valued his designs for its Riverpark, the Downtown Riverwalk, and the Three Forks Wayside along the Grand Avenue Greenway Trail. An early supporter of the founding and work of the CHA, Don will long be remembered for his un-stinting labor in maintaining the beauty and landscaping of the trails that provide pedestrian and bicycle access to College Hill.

## David McClure Scott, 1930 – 2017



The College Hill Association lost a much-valued supporter and advisor with the death of long-time College Hill resident Dave Scott on November 11, 2017. Dave's connection to Pullman and its university community was extensive. He received the B.A. degree from WSC in architecture in 1953. Following Fulbright study in urban and rural planning in England and taking the M.A. in architecture from M.I.T., Dave joined the faculty at WSU in 1960, where his career included serving as professor and chair of the Architecture Department and Assistant Dean of the College of Engineering—as well as design advisor for school districts and architect and construction manager for many private residences, including houses

on College Hill. When he retired in 1994, the alumni of the School of Architecture established a scholarship in his and his wife Louise's honor. A Fellow of the American Institute of Architects and member of the American Society of Landscape Architects and the American Underground Construction Association, Dave had a long and professionally active retirement, which included work on the project that led to the earth-sheltered home at the Wawawai County Park.

Dave is survived by four children and six grandchildren. We are especially grateful that oral interviews with Dave are available at WSU's Manuscripts, Archives, and Special Collections, which preserves something of the wit and perspectives of the Indiana St. neighbor whose voice CHA members last heard at our BBQ in June 2017.

# Connect with us...



Pullman residents and members of the CHA celebrating community at the College Hill Association Summer BBQ of June 2018.



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