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FAUNTLEROY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



MARCH 2016

ANNUAL FOOD FEST COMING MARCH 15!

The Hall @ Fauntleroy will be abuzz with neighbors of all ages on **Tuesday, March 15**, for FCA's 10th Fauntleroy Food Fest and Membership Meeting. This year it's also a food drive, so be sure to bring a can of food for area residents who could really use it.

Expect to reconnect with long-time residents and newcomers while enjoying free food and coffee samples from 10 eateries. Also expect to learn



something at information tables hosted by area nonprofits and services.

FCA Board members will be there from **6 pm** to accept your cash or check to renew membership or join the association. The brief membership meeting will happen about 7:00 pm.

To keep this a no-garbage event, you'll receive one piece of compostable flatware for the evening and compostable dinnerware at each vendor table.

CITY, FCA IRON OUT DETAILS FOR TRAFFIC CHANGES AT ENDOLYNE TRIANGLE

By Marty Westerman

After 40 years of talking with city departments about traffic safety at the Endolyne triangle, 11 years of FCA's actively working with the Seattle Department of Transportation to solve traffic problems elsewhere in the neighborhood, the past year and a half working with SDOT on the triangle, and opportunities for residents to comment on proposals, Fauntleroy is now ready to see safety improvements implemented.

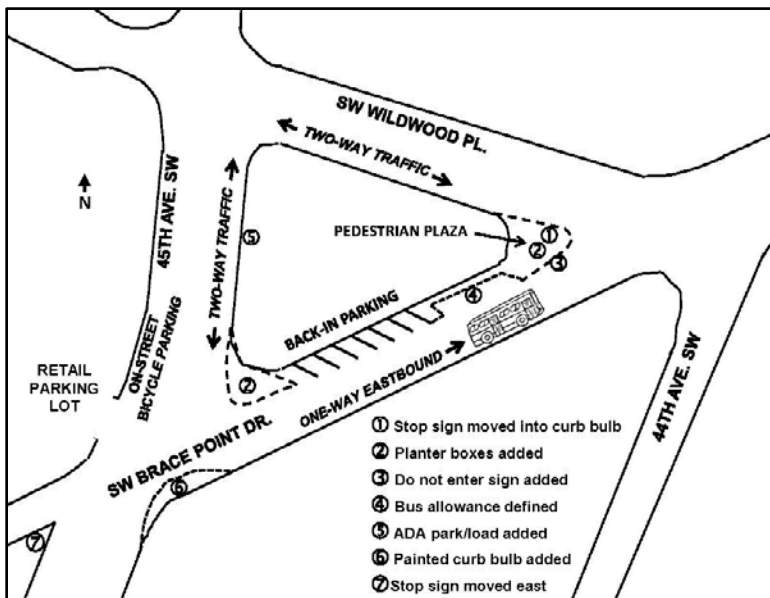
The plan calls for four changes since December:

- A more pronounced extension of the eastern corner of the triangle to better define the one-way eastbound lane.
- A more pronounced extension of the triangle's southwest corner to better enclose angle parking.
- A painted extension at 45th Ave. SW and SW Brace Point Dr. to help restrict entrance to the one-way eastbound lane of SW Brace Point Dr.
- An allowance for the Metro bus stop.

SDOT will provide concrete planter boxes and fill dirt to visually define these two corners for drivers and pedestrians. The community is to plant and maintain drought-resistant, low-profile shrubs (such as evergreen huckleberries) in the boxes.

The revised plan calls for seven back-in parking slots, and an ADA-accessible park/load space near the dental office entrance. One parking space in front of Endolyne Joe's will be converted to a bike corral.

The one sticking point was a reluctance by SDOT engineers to retain the stop sign from the eastbound lane along the north side of the triangle. FCA leaders made clear that, for safety reasons, removal is not an option for Fauntleroy. SDOT decided to leave the sign in place, collect turning data, and reassess after six months.



SDOT's Feb. 9 open-invitation meeting at the Fauntleroy Schoolhouse Community Center completed the city's public outreach requirement, and now SDOT can proceed with re-designing traffic flow around Fauntleroy's commercial core and implementing the design. Work could commence whenever we have two sunny days in a row.

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MEET DSQUARED: NEW NAME, FAMILIAR FACES

In 1999, when this newsletter first wrote about Tuxedos and Tennis Shoes Catering, co-owner David Meckstroth was quoted as saying, "We're in the middle of a growth spurt, where it's a lot of work, and trying to decide if we want to grow."

Grow it did and now the company is in the middle of another growth spurt, calling on what David recently described as "a solid foundation and talented team" to continue to grow and diversify.

David Haggerty started TNT in 1986 and David Meckstroth joined him three years later. The two Davids opened The Hall at Fauntleroy in the Fauntleroy Schoolhouse Community Center in 1994, cooking in the former elementary school's kitchen. Three years ago, they moved food-preparation and administrative functions to a 7,000 sq. ft. commercial kitchen and adjacent offices in Sodo. The school kitchen still comes in handy to finish food for Hall events.

From its base in Fauntleroy, TNT grew to become one of the most respected caterers in the city, hosting events at the schoolhouse and at client venues throughout greater Seattle. In recent years, TNT won concession contracts at ACT Theatre, the Cornish Playhouse, and Benaroya Hall and just leased another ongoing venue at Melrose Market Studios on Capitol Hill.

"After being so focused on making all this growth work, for clients and for our staff, we felt it was time to take a close look at our brand - how we want to be known and how we could visually pull all these parts of our business together," said David Haggerty.

TNT began working with NXT Creative this past summer and by late February was ready to roll out the following new identities for the parent company and each of its parts:

- **DSquared:** "Occasions With Soul" is the new name for the parent company. The company also operates its concessions business under this name.
- Venues in the schoolhouse are now "**Hall @ Fauntleroy.**"
- **Muse** at Benaroya Hall serves prix fixe dinners for Seattle Symphony performances.
- **Davids & Co** provides more casual fare for lunch and prior to performances at Benaroya Hall.
- **Tuxedos and Tennis Shoes To Go** prepares plattered food for host-your-own events, for delivery or pick-up.

Also big news at DSquared: In late February, the Greater Seattle Business Association honored the company with its 2016 Business of the Year award.



OTHER BUSINESS NEWS

Andrea Hachfeld became general manager of **Endolyne Joe's Restaurant** in January but her face may be familiar to frequent customers because she was operations manager here for almost three years before her promotion.

Long-time general manager Rich Gantner transferred with Chow Foods to open Cooks Tavern in April, its fifth restaurant and the first in Tacoma.

Andrea worked as a server during high school and through college in Minnesota. Shortly after graduation, she realized that she liked the industry, so much so that she and her then husband had their own restaurant in Bigfork, Montana, for five years. Next, assignments with a small chain of restaurants brought her to Seattle, where she now lives in Gatewood.

The first place she ate after moving to West Seattle was Joe's and she was soon drawn by more than the food.

"I was impressed with the business model at Joe's, by the fact that it's so kid friendly, which will generate business for years to come," she said. "I also like how hands-on the Chow owners are with their restaurants."

Look for Andrea at the March 15 Food Fest, where she'll be helping dish samples from Joe's.

Around the corner on Wildwood, Kara Krause recently opened **Innate Vitality**, a by-appointment wellness studio offering yoga, Pilates, strength training, barre, nutrition support, and Reiki in small groups and private sessions.

Experience working with the YMCA convinced Kara that health is deeper than a good workout and that she could coordinate with other practitioners to cater to clients seeking to increase their sense of health and well-being.

For details, pick up a brochure outside the studio at 4509 SW Wildwood Place or visit www.innatevitality.com. Reach Kara by calling 206-747-1680 or emailing kara@innatevitality.com.

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THE KENNEY PUTTING NEW ENERGY INTO GROWING ITS FOUNDATION

By Judy Pickens

In 2008 when The Kenney Senior Living Community sought to expand its campus along Fauntleroy Way SW, the timing couldn't have been worse from a financing standpoint. By 2011, the recession had forced a downscaling of plans and a search for new sponsorship for the facility.

Established in 1909 by Presbyterians Jessie and Samuel Kenney, The Kenney looked at several other retirement specialists that would retain a faith-based sponsorship. In May 2015, it implemented an agreement with Heritage Ministries, a provider affiliated with the Free Methodist Church, to put The Kenney on solid financial footing and bring economies of scale to administrative functions.

During this four-year transition, The Kenney Foundation effectively went dormant as board and staff focused on the new sponsorship. Now the foundation is very much back on the front burner, soliciting both funds and new members for its board.

According to Ellen Johanson, whose duties include directing the foundation, The Kenney is "doing well" in terms of occupancy. Its census can fluctuate up to a capacity of 184 in independent and assisted living, memory care, and skilled nursing/rehab. It's the only such facility in West Seattle that has such a breadth of services.

With growth in census over the years has come the need to help residents who for one reason or another exhaust their own finances.

"Fund-raising through the foundation is primarily for our resident-care fund," Ellen said. "People give restricted funds for specific programs such as music or the garden but we especially encourage unrestricted giving because it is essential for our residents who outlive their resources."

Reductions in Medicare and other reimbursements have put pressure on the foundation board to get creative in filling widening funding gaps so that no resident has to leave for inability to pay.



In August, the foundation staged The Kenney's first of what will be an annual walk-a-thon, with nearly 90 residents walking an average of one mile each around the garden. Together with a silent auction of donated items, the event raised \$3,300+ for resident care in a way that spotlighted wellness. It also engaged area businesses and drew public attention.

In addition to planning such annual fund-raisers, Ellen is updating the foundation's all-important packet of information about options available for planned giving.

"My job is building relationships, telling our story, connecting with the community, and presenting opportunities to support The Kenney through this foundation," Ellen said. It's presently also about recruiting more board members.

The foundation's board is drawn exclusively from the local area. Recruitment is on for more directors to enlarge the board and bring fresh perspectives.

"We are recruiting new members who have nonprofit and business backgrounds and who want to raise money for this senior community," Ellen said. If this description might fit you, contact her to find out more at 206-935-8285 or ejohanson@thekenney.org.

Look for information about the foundation at The Kenney's table during the March 15 Food Fest.

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Residents walked around and around the garden in August to raise money for resident care through The Kenney Foundation. Photo courtesy *West Seattle Blog*



Easter Season Services

Palm Sunday
10 a.m. March 20

Good Friday
7 p.m. March 25

Easter
9 & 11 a.m. March 27

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END IN SIGHT FOR RAINWISE REBATES

If you've been thinking about installing a rain garden or cistern through the city/county RainWise rebate program, you need to think fast. Rebate projects in Fauntleroy needs to be under way by **July 1**.



Stop by the RainWise table at the March 15 Food Fest to talk with a specialist and pick up a list of trained contractors. By

starting work this winter, you'll likely find a number of contractors with time available to help you plan.

Since the inception of RainWise in 2014, Fauntleroy homeowners and nonprofits have received rebates totaling \$331,383 on 69 projects. Another 100 projects are in process, all aimed at capturing rainwater where it falls so that it doesn't carry pollutants into Puget Sound.

If you can't make the fest, connect with a contractor through Sonja Sivesind, sonja@urbansystemsdesign.com or 206-678-2604.

COVERED TENNIS COURTS GOAL OF FCA-ASSISTED PLANNING

The six tennis courts adjacent to the Southwest Community Center on Thistle Ave. SW have been a great area asset for neighbors wanting to play and students wanting to learn the game. In dry weather, that is.


Southwest Indoor Tennis, a volunteer group headed by Lisa Corbin, hopes to turn the courts into a year-round asset. The FCA Board is serving as fiscal agent for funds being used to explore the feasibility of covering the facility.

A \$24,000 planning grant from the Seattle Department of Neighborhoods, backed by a campaign that matched the grant with volunteer hours from the community, is funding a consultant to determine

- if a building can be constructed over the courts
- land-use, building codes, and related considerations
- estimated construction cost
- estimated revenue generated over time by the facility.

Two community meetings will present these findings in late March and early April. For details, contact Lisa at llcorbin@gmail.com.

The facility would continue to be owned by the Seattle School District and managed by Seattle Parks and Recreation as part of the Southwest Athletic Complex on the former site of Denny International Middle School. The covered courts would serve Denny students, Chief Sealth International High School students, and the general public.



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CHILI COOK-OFF WARMS WINTER

Six area chefs did their best to warm winter for 150 chili lovers at the fifth annual Fauntleroy Chili Cook-Off in mid February at Fauntleroy Church. Diner Terry Gaddis (right) talks with chefs James Frounfelter and Erin Vogelphoh. Michelle and Don Porth's Wrong Stuff Chili won both the popular and chefs' vote. Photo courtesy Ben Ackers








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MURRAY CSO PROJECT ON TARGET FOR COMPLETION BY END OF YEAR

King County's contractor for the Murray Combined Sewer Overflow Control Project continues to make progress on the facility's building. In February, crews did electrical and mechanical work in the building to connect the million-gallon underground storage tank to above-ground operations equipment.

Street work on Beach Dr. SW began simultaneously to connect the new tank to the existing pump station and sewer system, using a five-foot diameter pipe under the street. This work is expected to continue through spring. Once the line is in place, smaller utility lines will be installed under Beach Dr. SW and nearby streets.

The project is on schedule to be complete by the end of 2016. It will be able to collect up to 1 million gallons of sewage and stormwater that would otherwise overflow into Puget Sound during heavy rains. After a storm has passed, the underground storage tank will meter flows back into the sewer system for transport to the county's West Point Wastewater Treatment Plant in Magnolia.

For more about this project, call the 24-hour hotline at 206-205-9186 or visit www.kingcounty.gov/murraytank.

NEWS FROM THE WATERSHED

In early February, the Fauntleroy Watershed Council issued its 2015 annual report, available for reading online at www.fauntleroywatershed.org.

Highlights of the year include hosting 750 children - a record number - to release coho fry in Fauntleroy Park as part of the Salmon in the Schools program, advocating to retain the city's natural areas for passive enjoyment, and continuing a six-year project to restore native vegetation in the Kilbourne ravine, which shapes and provides habitat along the middle reach of Fauntleroy Creek

In late February, a crew of EarthCorps trainees under contract with Seattle Parks did extensive revegetation on the eastern boundary of Fauntleroy Park, near 37th Ave. SW. The steep slope was heavily infested with invasive plants until weeded in late 2014. EarthCorps added nearly 2,250 native trees, shrubs, and ferns on the 2.5-acre site.



This photo, taken in January by King County Wastewater, shows the building and equipment on the lower left being used to control groundwater while work is under way.

CITY TO UPGRADE 'PUMP STATION 70'

If you thought Fauntleroy was done with pump-station work, think again.

The city will soon begin four months of construction to upgrade its wastewater pump station on the south side of the ferry terminal. Similar to work recently finished, on a much larger scale, at the county's Barton Pump Station on the north side of the dock, the city will upgrade mechanical and electrical components within the existing footprint.

Pump Station 70 (as it's officially known) receives wastewater from neighborhoods to the south and pumps it across to the county station, which sends it on for treatment at the county's West Point plant on Magnolia. The \$1 million project is part of efforts throughout the region to reduce overflows from combined-sewer systems into Puget Sound during heavy rain.

What project neighbors will notice most will be closure of the vanpool parking lot and relocation of those vehicles to designated street parking along Fauntleroy Way SW and SW Wildwood Place.

The contractor will keep all ferry-traffic lanes open during weekday commute times, then close the lane adjacent to the work site between 9 am and 3 pm.

Neighbors began receiving information from Seattle Public Utilities in early February. If you have concerns as the project progresses, email grace.manzano@seattle.gov or call her at 206-233-1534.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS STEP UP THE PACE HEADING INTO SPRING

COMMUNITY BUSINESS: The FCA Board invites residents to its monthly business meeting on **Tuesday, March 8, April 12, May 10, and June 14 at 7 pm** in the boardroom at the Fauntleroy Schoolhouse Community Center. For agenda information, contact FCA President Mike Dey at 206-661-0673 or msdey50@aol.com.

VOLUNTEER NATURALISTS: Seattle Parks has scheduled training at Camp Long for residents interested in becoming the volunteers who provide hands-on learning experiences, from kids on playgrounds to adults on beaches. Application deadline is **March 8**. Read more about it at www.seattle.gov/parks/environment/naturalists.

NATURE'S BUSINESS: The Fauntleroy Watershed Council will meet **Thursday, March 10, and again May 12 at 7 pm** in the library at Fauntleroy Church. Any resident interested in helping steward neighborhood natural resources is welcome. Details from Judy Pickens at 206-938-4203 or judy_pickens@msn.com.



FOOD FEST: The 2016 Fauntleroy Food Fest and Annual Membership Meeting will be **Tuesday, March 15, 6 pm** at the Hall @ Fauntleroy. See p. 1 for details.

LGBTQ CAMP: Camp Colman will be hosting its first-ever weekend for lesbian/gay/bisexual/trans/queer families and allies **March 18-20** in south Puget Sound. Details and the registration form at www.campcolman.org or call 206-382-5009.

CHILDREN'S CENTER FUND-RAISER: Guests at the 29th annual dinner auction in support of the **Fauntleroy Children's Center** will return to the Roaring Twenties on **Saturday, March 19, 5:30 pm** at the Hall @ Fauntleroy. Dinner, dancing, silent auction, and a live auction with former mayor Greg Nickels, assisted by Michael King from King-TV's *Evening Magazine* wielding the gavel. Details and ticket information at www.fauntleroychildrenscenter.org or 206-932-9590.

TLC AT LINCOLN PARK: Friends of Lincoln Park will continue their twice-monthly stewardship of natural areas on first Saturdays (**April 2, May 7, June 4**) and third Sundays (**March 20, April 17, May 15**). All interested volunteers are asked to muster at the kiosk in the north parking lot at **9 am** with water, sturdy shoes, work gloves, and layers suited to the weather. Contact Sharon Baker at 206-464-1068 or sabaker41@gmail.com.

PLUG THOSE LEAKS: If you suspect your vehicle is leaking oil or other fluid that rain is washing into Puget Sound, get it checked out, for free, on **Saturday, March 26, 9 am - 1 pm** at South Seattle College, 6000 16th Ave. SW. You'll learn how to identify and prevent leaks, plus how you can plug minor ones yourself. Register with Seattle Public Utilities at www.seattle.gov/util/autoleaks or 206-615-1222.

CAMP COLMAN ALUMNI: If you've ever been a camper or staffer at Camp Colman, the annual **goop breakfast** is your chance to reconnect over the historic pancake, share your ideas with the directors, and learn what's happening these days at camp. **Saturday, April 2, 9 am** (breakfast served at 9:30) in Fellowship Hall at Fauntleroy Church. Free. RSVP by **March 25** to 206-382-5009 or colmanorkilainfo@seattlemca.org.



RECYCLE ROUNDUP

RECYCLE ROUNDUP: 1 Green Planet and the green committee at Fauntleroy Church will host the spring **Recycle Roundup on Sunday, April 24, 9 am - 3 pm** in the church parking lot. The long list of what to bring and the short list of what not to will be posted a few weeks ahead at www.fauntleroyucc.org or see it on the *West Seattle Blog*. Free; donation optional.

SHAKESPEARE IN FAUNTLEROY: On **Thursday, May 19, 6 pm**, the Seattle Shakespeare Company will stage a performance of "The Tempest" at the Hall @ Fauntleroy. Details at <https://seattleshakes.secure.force.com/ticket>.

LOW TIDE AT THE BEACH

Volunteer beach naturalists will be out this spring on area beaches to offer free low-tide explorations. Look for the sign at **Lincoln Park on May 23, 10 am-1:30pm and May 24, 10:30 am-1:30 pm**. If you want to get out there even sooner, try these weekend times at **Me-Kwa-Mooks:**

May 7: 11 am-12:30 pm June 4: 10-11:30 am
May 8: 11:45 am-1:15 pm June 5: 10:45 am-12:15 pm



TASTE OF WEST SEATTLE:

Samples of delectables from up to 40 restaurants, breweries, and bakeries will be on the menu on **Thursday, May 26, 6:00 pm** at

the Hall @ Fauntleroy to benefit emergency services provided by the West Seattle Helpline. Watch <http://tasteofwestseattle.org> for details.

SWING DANCE: Last year's Fauntleroy swing dance was so popular that the West Seattle Big Band is eager to do it again! Mark your calendar for **Friday, June 17, for the third annual Swing Into Summer**



dance at the Hall @ Fauntleroy. Lessons at **6:30 pm**, then dancing from **7 pm**. Not a dancer? Plan to come anyway to enjoy the best swing-era music you'll ever hear! Watch the *West Seattle Blog* for more information as the date approaches.



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FROM FCA PRESIDENT MIKE DEY

ALL AREAS OF CITY WOULD FEEL PROPOSED ZONING CHANGES

Greetings neighbors,

We start a new year with a sense of accomplishment for tasks finished in 2015 and optimism about tasks that are yet to be finished, plus a new list of items to take on.

Topping carry-over tasks from 2015 is completion of traffic revisions around the Endolyne triangle. Given the infrastructure we've built with the Seattle Department of Transportation around this project, we fully expect to have these changes in place by the end of April (see p. 1).

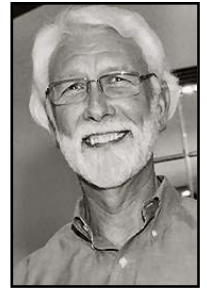
Remaining issues from last year include getting safe pedestrian crossings along Fauntleroy Way SW at SW Rose Street and excessive noise from cars and motorcycles coming off ferries in the morning and back onto ferries in late afternoon.

New items we foresee taking on this year include gathering community input about proposed changes to the city's zoning laws for Additional Living Units (ADUs) and Detached Additional Living Units (DADUs). As drafted,

these changes have the potential to alter housing density, on-street parking, and available green space throughout Seattle.

While the major focus is on affordable housing, especially in areas identified as urban villages (such as the Alaska Junction and Morgan Junction), the zoning changes as proposed make no distinction. They would apply to all areas, including Fauntleroy, the Arroyos, Arbor Heights, etc. Our main concern is that residents be made aware of the proposals and understand the importance of commenting on them to the City Council.

We look forward to your continued interest and input this year and to your active participation in this member-driven organization.



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