



The Fautleroy Community Association reached a milestone in 2015, having served this special place in West Seattle for 35 years. Since 1980, the association has been bringing people together, standing up for the neighborhood, and enhancing quality of life.

This milestone year was marked by taking several steps forward and continuing to support the many services and events that make Fautleroy a great place to live.



Hosting City Councilmember Tom Rasmussen to talk traffic.



Celebrating the reopening of Cove Park with songwriter Tomo Nakayama.



Dancing with bubbles at the Fautleroy Fall Festival.



Restoring traffic direction at the ferry terminal.

2015 ANNUAL REPORT

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

TRAFFIC SAFETY: In response to residents listing traffic safety as their top concern, FCA worked with the Seattle Department of Transportation and City Councilmember Tom Rasmussen to implement long-delayed traffic improvements, including

- a guardrail installed by SDOT along a segment of Marine View Drive SW.
- a traffic mirror installed by FCA at 45th Ave. SW and SW Roxbury; other safety options for this hazardous intersection are being explored.
- refined plans ready for public review to alter the flow of traffic and make other improvements at the Endolyne triangle, Fauntleroy's commercial area.

FCA also worked with multiple local and state entities to achieve restoration of state funding for uniformed off-duty Seattle Police officers to direct traffic at the ferry terminal.

PUBLIC SAFETY: The FCA Board provided timely feedback to the Seattle Police Department on its draft community policing plan for the neighborhood. A representative of the Southwest Precinct regularly participates in FCA's monthly business meetings.



The mirror at 45th & Roxbury enables drivers to see who's coming. Other options for this location are being explored.

ACCESS: FCA contributed \$2,000 toward fabrication of two pairs of handrails installed in March at steps leading up to the main entrance of the Fauntleroy Schoolhouse Community Center, greatly improving safe access to the building.



Workers installed more safety guardrail along Marine View Drive SW as a result of FCA and resident advocacy.



Dennis Hinton and Pete Droughon safely head to the creek with young salmon from the Fauntleroy Children's Center.

HABITAT RESTORATION: EarthCorps crews completed four days of field work in the Kilbourne ravine as part of a six-year project to (1) improve water quality in the middle reach of Fautleroy Creek, (2) reclaim the ravine as wildlife habitat, (3) stop the spread of invasive plants into the neighborhood, and (4) keep invasive plants out of area landscapes.

The work included treating 200 new plants with mycorrhizal fungi to improve their survival in drought conditions. Seattle Parks continued restoration of the Kilbourne Park portion of the ravine.



Kailyn Jasonowicz, an EarthCorps trainee from Michigan, was among crewmembers who uprooted ivy, morning glory, and clematis in the Kilbourne ravine this year. Crews also planted native shrubs in the wetland.

COVE PARK: Cove Park reopened in July after three years of construction to upgrade and expand the Barton Street Pump Station under the street-end park. Fautleroy volunteers worked with King County Wastewater to enhance the park with more art by Tom Jay and landscaping to make it an inviting beachfront space next to the ferry terminal.



Posters made by youngsters at the Fautleroy Children's Center invited residents to the celebration.

CULTIVATING COMMUNITY

COMMUNITY SURVEY: The FCA Board conducted its second online survey to understand what's important to neighborhood residents and glean ideas for what more the association might be doing. Crime prevention topped the list for the 300-plus respondents, followed by environmental stewardship and traffic issues.

COMMUNITY EVENTS: Getting together is a tried-and-true way to cultivate community and Fautleroy residents do it in a big way. FCA was instrumental in staging four major events in 2015 and promoting Seattle Night Out.

In March, an estimated 200 residents of all ages attended FCA's annual **Fautleroy Food Fest and Annual Membership Meeting** at the Hall at Fautleroy. Ten local eateries provided food samples and several agencies and programs had information tables.

Food was again the draw in May for **Endolyne Joe's annual dine out** to raise \$1,831.02 for the annual **Fautleroy Fall Festival**. The festival's steering committee, led by FCA Director Debbie Kerns, produced a fun-filled Sunday afternoon in October for an estimated 1,500 people of all ages. Fund-raising, major donations by FCA, the West Seattle and Fautleroy YMCA, and Fautleroy Church, and lots of volunteer energy made the annual event possible.

The second annual **Swing Into Summer dance** filled The Hall at Fautleroy in June with dancers, watchers, and the retro music of the West Seattle Big Band. FCA was a co-sponsor, with proceeds benefiting music in area public schools.

In August, residents gathered for **Seattle Night Out** potlucks and conversation to encourage neighbors to look out for neighbors.

OTHER SERVICES: FCA continued to take donations for the neighborhood's "lending library" for durable medical equipment. Maintained in the Fautleroy Schoolhouse Community Center by Synergy Home Care, the free library is open to all residents.

Susan Lantz-Dey kept FCA's welcome bag program going during 2015, letting newcomers know that they chose an alive and involved community.

ADVOCACY

GREEN SPACES: Under the direction of Shannon Ninburg, the FCA Board continued exploring the feasibility of securing surplus City Light property in the neighborhood for a pocket park or other green space. Led by Trileigh Tucker, the Board also advocated for continuing to limit use of natural areas and greenbelts in the Seattle Parks system to passive activities, such as walking and bird watching.

TENNIS: The Board agreed to serve as fiscal agent for a \$24,000 grant-funded community project to cover the six tennis courts adjacent to the Southwest Community Center. The all-weather courts would serve a broad area, including Fautleroy.

COMMUNICATION

ONLINE: Irene Stewart continued as FCA's online editor, managing our website, listserv, presence on social media, and *Fautleroy Flash* email alerts.



PRINT: Judy Pickens edited FCA's quarterly *Neighbors* newsletter in March, June, September, and December. She also edited FCA's *2014 Annual Report* and kept FCA's "Upcoming Events" table tents at The Original Bakery up to date.

LEADERSHIP

MEETINGS: The FCA Board hosted business meetings on the second Tuesday evening of every month (except August and December) in the Fautleroy Schoolhouse Community Center.

OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS: The board welcomed Michael Lieberman and Jewel Von Kempf as new directors. Trileigh Tucker moved to an on-call role regarding Lincoln Park issues. The board hosted a gathering in March to thank key volunteers and get acquainted with residents who might consider board service. One outcome was development of a new-director packet with biographical information, bylaws, and recent publications.

TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS

MEMBERS: We had 280 member households as of Dec. 31, plus 20 businesses.

FINANCES: FCA opened 2015 with \$15,712.47 in the bank. After income of \$6,998.94 and expenditures of \$7,460.15, we closed the year with a balance of \$15,251.26. Expenses included \$2,000 for design and construction of two sets of handrails leading to the Fautleroy Schoolhouse Community Center. The Board added Pay Pal as an option for paying dues.

FCA's Business Support Fund generated by paid advertising opened with \$3,414.03. After income during the year of \$1,550 and expenditures of \$708.12, the closing balance in this account was \$4,255.91. Expenditures were \$208.12 for crossing flags replacements and \$500.00 for the Fautleroy Fall Festival.

FCA was fiscal agent for five community projects (with closing balances): Fautleroy Fall Festival (\$950.70), Cove Park (\$1,602.78), Southwest indoor tennis (\$5,315.20), Fautleroy Watershed Council (\$0), and Fautleroy documentary (\$0). We closed out the Fautleroy documentary project this year.

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