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FAUTLEROY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



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FCA'S FOOD FEST, ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING SET FOR MARCH 18

The Hall at Fautleroy will be abuzz on **Tuesday, March 18**, with the 2014 edition of the Fautleroy Food Fest and Annual Membership Meeting.

Doors will open at **6 pm** for this very popular event. You'll be able to renew your FCA membership or join, graze samples from eight local eateries, and learn more about a number of area organizations and projects. Most important, you'll be able to reconnect with friends and neighbors.

The fest is always a "green" event, so expect to receive one piece of flatware for the evening and sample from compostable plates and bowls.

At about 7:30 pm, FCA President David Haggerty will call the membership meeting to order to elect board members and a new president.

For those who wish to welcome the spring equinox with a quiet time of meditation, Tuxedos and Tennis Shoes will have its labyrinth available downstairs from the fest, starting at 7 pm.

Invite your neighbors and plan to bring the kids to this all-ages event. The fest will be free, with a no-host wine bar. A donation will be asked for walking the labyrinth.



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CHANGE COMING TO FAUTLEROY SCHOOLHOUSE

By Mary Gleason

In November, the board of directors of the Fautleroy Community Service Agency (FCSA) met to finalize a strategic vision for the future of the Fautleroy Schoolhouse, incorporating insights and opinions gathered during dozens of interviews with neighbors and other community members.

After careful deliberation about what these stakeholders had to say, the board decided to rework FCSA's vision to concentrate on developing a multi-faceted community center serving the surrounding neighborhood.

Key to this new vision is establishing separate boards for the Fautleroy Children's Center and the Fautleroy Schoolhouse Community Center. This decision will allow one board to focus on the Children's Center and a different board to focus on programming and community relationships for the building itself.

FCSA directors are now working with advisers to determine the best strategies for realizing this goal. No timeline has been set but the aim is to make the transition over the next three to five years.

Many decisions and challenges are ahead as the schoolhouse leadership navigates this change. Also ahead are *(continued p. 7)*

FCA INCREASES COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOR GRAYING RESIDENTS

Respondents to last fall's neighborhood survey expressed interest in having FCA do more related to aging residents. FCA Director Susan Lantz-Dey has been assessing ideas and pursuing those that seemed both beneficial for Fauntleroy families and doable by a community association. Read on about two of the results.

'LENDING LIBRARY' TO OFFER HOME MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

A "lending library" for medical equipment is close to being a reality for Fauntleroy residents.

"I'm pleased to announce that we've found storage space in the Fauntleroy Schoolhouse Community Center and that Synergy Home Care has agreed to manage the equipment," said FCA Director Susan Lantz-Dey. "We expect the library to be up and running early this spring."

Synergy Home Care opened in 2010 and has been a tenant of the schoolhouse for the past year.

"The alliance is a logical one," Susan said. "The staff at Synergy knows how to evaluate and maintain durable medical equipment and will make it available to Fauntleroy residents when they need it."

The lending process is simple: Call the Synergy office at 206-420-4934. If what you need is in the lending inventory, you'll be asked to come to the office, fill out a form, and take the equipment with you. The free loan is for the duration of your need, after which you return the equipment.

Call Synergy, as well, if you have durable medical equipment to donate. It must be in full working order, clean, and up to current safety standards.

The library can accept walkers (with/without seat), toilet seat lifts, portable commodes, wheelchairs, bath/shower swivels, and lift chairs.

The library cannot accept electric scooters, hospital beds, or oxygen breathing equipment.

GOING GREEN - AND GRAY - IN FAUNTLEROY

This is the first installment of a new column exploring many facets of living long and well in the community. If you have topics to suggest, please contact the editor at judy_pickens@msn.com or 206-938-4203.

By Irene Stewart

For years, Fauntleroy has been a "green" neighborhood. For the most part, we live green, environmentally sensitive lifestyles. From park and creek restoration to air quality to recycling events, time and time again Fauntleroy residents have demonstrated a commitment to maintaining and enhancing our natural environment.

What about going gray? Considering that about 10 percent of our population is age 65 or older, and another 16 percent is age 45 to 64, perhaps we should embrace aging and our social environment, too.

The number of older Fauntleroy residents is growing. The 2010 U.S. Census reported 627 residents age 65+ living in 595 households in Census Tract 67, which includes Fauntleroy. That's an 11-percent increase over 2000.

Most people want to live a long, healthy life in their own home and never become a burden to anyone. If you address home, community, health, health care, finances, and final wishes now and develop a plan, you will increase your choices down the road, direct decisions that affect you, avoid feeling overwhelmed, and help your family and friends.

Last month, AARP and Aging and Disability Services had a "Women to Women: Living Longer, Living Smarter" workshop at Fauntleroy Church. More than 100 women attended to develop mid-life strategies and make personal plans to live on their own terms in the future.

For women who missed this workshop, two others are scheduled this month in Seattle (March 11 at Peoples Institutional Baptist Church near Garfield High School and March 26 at North Seattle Community College). Details are available now at www.agingkingcounty.org/calendar.asp.

For those who need help now, Senior Information & Assistance is the "front door" to services for people age 60+. Services include financial and legal counseling, Medicare and other health insurance advice, housing and transportation options, nutrition and fitness programs, in-home care, and caregiver support.

To contact a local, nationally certified advocate, call 1-888-4-ELDERS (353377) or 206-684-0500. Online, go to [www.elders.org](#) (continued p. 6)



WATER-RELATED CONSTRUCTION POISED TO PICK UP SPEED

Editor's note: Thanks to Kristine Cramer and Doug Marsano for keeping Fauntleroy informed about the following important infrastructure projects in our area.

Barton Combined Sewer Overflow Control Project

Construction has begun on roadside rain gardens in Sunrise Heights and Westwood. Trees that are too small, unhealthy, or otherwise unsuitable for transplant are gone from future swale areas, and crews are drilling the deep wells that will transport stormwater below ground after it's captured by swales. The water will then release slowly from these wells into soil deep underground.

Construction on the first set of swales will begin the first week of March on 34th Ave. SW between SW Othello and SW Webster streets. The contractor will do eight streets in 2014, with seven to follow in 2015. Each street will take about two months.

Once the swales and wells are in place, they will divert enough stormwater from the combined sewer system to reduce overflows at the Barton Pump Station during large storms and bring King County into compliance with federal and state regulations.

To learn more about the project, search for "Barton CSO-GSI" at www.kingcounty.gov or contact Kristine Cramer at kristine.cramer@kingcounty.gov or 206-477-5415.

Barton Pump Station Upgrade

Underground work will continue into spring on this project. Much of the underground structure for the new pump station, odor control/generator room, and utility tunnel is in place, and crews are now preparing and painting walls. Once that work is complete, they will install new equipment.

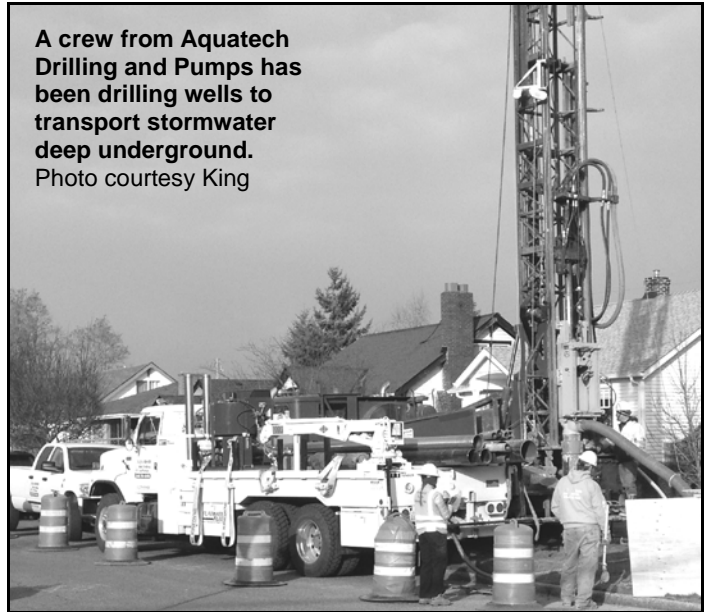
Neighbors can expect more truck traffic as the equipment arrives. With more daylight now, spring work hours are in effect Monday through Thursday, 7 am to 5:30 pm.

For project details, search for "Barton Pump Station" at www.kingcounty.gov or contact Kristine Cramer at kristine.cramer@kingcounty.gov or 206-477-5415.



In January, artist Tom Jay made molds of the hands of several Fauntleroy residents (including Gary Dawson shown here). Cast aluminum duplicates of the hands will be on a gate at the Barton Pump Station. Photo courtesy Mardi Clements

A crew from Aquatech Drilling and Pumps has been drilling wells to transport stormwater deep underground. Photo courtesy King



Murray CSO Control Project

Residents driving by will have noticed that the contractor has installed construction trailers and fenced off the project site within Lowman Beach Park. Crews have also cleared the site on the east side of Beach Drive SW of some trees and remnants of old buildings.

This clearing work is preparing for installation soon of "soil nail walls" into the hillside below Lincoln Park Way. The walls will stabilize the hillside and protect the integrity of the street during excavation on the site.

For the latest information about this project, search "Murray tank" at www.kingcounty.gov or call the 24-hour project information line: 206-205-9186.

RAINWISE REBATES
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This voluntary incentive program provides rebates for up to 100 percent of the cost of installing cisterns and/or rain gardens on your property. It's a great way to beautify your yard and help clean up Puget Sound at the same time!

In 2013, 23 residents in the Barton basin installed cisterns and/or rain gardens and removed nearly 34,000 square feet of roof runoff from the sewer system. Together, they got back more than \$60,000 in rebates.

RainWise is available to residents in the Barton basin through 2015, so look into joining today. To learn more, visit www.kingcounty.gov/rainwise. Check your eligibility for the program by visiting www.seattle.gov/rainwise.

COMMUNITY EVENTS BUSTIN' OUT ALL OVER WITH ARRIVAL OF SPRING



FOOD FEST: The 2014 Fauntleroy Food Fest and Annual Membership Meeting will be **Tuesday, March 18, 6 pm** at The Hall at Fauntleroy. See p. 1 for details.

LABYRINTH WALK: During and after the Food Fest, Tuxedos and Tennis Shoes Catering will have its labyrinth unfurled for a spring equinox meditative walk. Stop by the Vashon Room (lower level) at The Hall at Fauntleroy on **Tuesday, March 18, 7-9 pm**. Donation.



TLC AT LINCOLN PARK: Friends of Lincoln Park will continue their twice-monthly stewardship of natural areas on first Saturdays (**April 5, May 3, June 7**) and third Sundays (**March 16, April 20, May 18**) and invite all interested volunteers. Muster at the kiosk in the north parking lot at **9 am** with sturdy shoes, work gloves, and layers suited to the weather. Contact: Sharon Baker at 206-464-1068 or sabaker41@gmail.com.

ALL THAT JAZZ: The student jazz ensemble, Treble-Makers, will be the centerpiece of a late-winter **Sweet, Sweet Music** on **Friday, March 7, 7:30 pm** in Fellowship Hall at Fauntleroy Church. Joining the ensemble will be Andrew May, a student of classical guitar, and Caroline May, a student of violin. \$7.50 at the door includes dessert. Come encourage these developing musicians from area schools.



COMMUNITY BUSINESS: The FCA Board invites residents to the **Tuesday, March 11** business meeting, **7 pm** in the boardroom at the Fauntleroy Schoolhouse Community Center. Contact FCA President David Haggerty about the agenda at dh@tuxedosandtennisshoes.com or 206-932-1059.

SHAKESPEARE IN FAUNTLEROY: With Othello, Iago, and Desdemona at The Hall at Fauntleroy, can a murderous fit of jealousy be far behind? The Seattle Shakespeare Company will perform this classic drama on **Thursday, March 13**. Doors open at **6 pm** for dinner at 6:30 pm; the performance will start at **7:30 pm**. For tickets (dinner/ play or play only), go to [www.seattleshakespeare.org/shows/ othello-tour-2014](http://www.seattleshakespeare.org/shows/othello-tour-2014).




NATURE'S BUSINESS: The Fauntleroy Watershed Council will meet **Thursday, March 13, 7 pm** at Fauntleroy Church. Any resident interested in helping steward area natural resources is welcome. Details from Judy Pickens at judy_pickens@msn.com or 206-938-4203.

CHORAL MUSIC: South Seattle Community College's community choir will perform a free concert on **Sunday, March 23, 7 pm** in the sanctuary at Fauntleroy Church. Paula Herd will conduct a selection of music written by composers when they were under 30. Details at www.fauntleroyucc.org.

CHILDREN'S CENTER FUND-RAISER: The 27th annual dinner auction in support of the **Fauntleroy Children's Center** will be off to the races on **Saturday, March 22, 5:30 pm** at The Hall at Fauntleroy. Details and ticket information at 206-932-9590.






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WHALE EVOLUTION: The Whale Trail will host Jim Kenagy, emeritus curator of mammals at the Burke Museum, **Thursday, March 27, 7 pm** at C&P Coffee (5612 California Ave. SW), speaking on "Biology and Evolution of Whales: The Historic Return of Mammals to the Sea." \$5; kids free. Tickets advised from www.brownpapertickets.com starting early March.

FALL FESTIVAL FUND-RAISER: On **May 7, 5 pm-closing**, Endolyne Joe's will host the annual "dine out" fund-raiser in support of the Fauntleroy Fall Festival. Invite friends and family to join you for a meal off the menu and Joe's will donate a percent of sales to the festival. In addition to great food, expect more than a bit of silliness and a raffle.



RECYCLE ROUNDUP

The Green Committee at Fauntleroy Church will sponsor its semi-annual free Recycle Roundup on **Sunday, April 27, 9 am-3 pm** in the church parking lot. The crew from 1 Green Planet will be there to take tons of recyclables for responsible return to the resource stream. Watch www.fauntleroyucc.org for a very long list of what will be accepted and a very short list what will not.

EXPLORE THE BEACH: The Seattle Aquarium's free drop-in "Meet Us at the Beach" program kicks off soon. A beach naturalist will be at Lincoln Park (look for sign) on the following dates to help you explore at low tide:

- May 27, 9:30 am-12:30 pm
- May 28, 9:30 am-1 pm
- May 29, 9:30 am-1 pm
- May 30, 10 am-1:30 pm
- May 31, 11:30 am-2:30 pm



HOW TO REPORT ALMOST ANYTHING OF CONCERN

The City of Seattle encourages citizens to report incidents or concerns in the neighborhood. You may report by phone or, in many instances, use an online form. Because those forms tend to have long addresses, we've emphasized phone numbers on this list. Clip and keep it handy!

Abuse (suspected child or adult)	1-866-363-4276
Aircraft noise in excess of norm	206-433-5393
Animal bites, cruelty, excessive noise, or welfare concerns.....	206-386-7387
Building permit status (not yours)	http://web1.seattle.gov/DPD/permitstatus
Building safety (danger of or from collapse, failing retaining wall).....	206-615-0808
Building use not in line with zoning.....	206-615-0808
Building vacant and open to children or squatters	206-615-0808
Cars, abandoned vehicles on public property.....	206-386-9012
Cars, inoperable vehicles stored on residential property	206-615-0808
Chemical spill in street or storm drain.....	www2.seattle.gov/util/forms/surfacewater
After-hours, weekend, or can't get online.....	206-386-1800
Construction after posted hours, excessive noise, no permit posted	206-615-0808
Dumping on public property.....	206-684-7587
Electrical outage.....	206-684-7400
Flooding in street (stormwater, sewage, hydrant)	206-386-1800
Graffiti on bus shelter	206-263-6369
Graffiti on public property or persistent on private property.....	206-684-7587
Junk stored on residential property (inc. persistent litter).....	206-615-0808
Parking illegally on public property	206-625-5011
Potholes in street south of Denny Way.....	206-386-1218
Rental housing (poor conditions, illegal notice of eviction)	206-615-0808
Shoreline work without posted permit or blocking public access.....	206-615-0808
Sidewalk safety concern.....	206-684-7623
Street light outage	www.seattle.gov/light/streetlight/form.asp or 206-684-7056
Street sign damaged or down.....	206-684-7623
Tree cutting or topping on steep slope	206-615-0808
Tree hazard in or from public park in West Seattle	206-684-7457
Vegetation overgrown into street.....	206-684-7623
Water leak on public property or unaddressed on private property	206-386-1800

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GOING GRAY (CONTINUED)

www.4elders.org or www.seattle.gov/seniors. All advice, support, information, and referrals are free and confidential.

I encourage you to relish both the green and the gray! Celebrate healthy aging - it's what we were meant to do!

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MENDEL JOINS FERRY COMMITTEE

By Gary Dawson

After many years of wearing two hats - president of FCA and Fauntleroy Ferry Advisory Committee member - Bruce Butterfield recently resigned from the committee. His valuable contributions will be missed.

As an independent board of King County Boards and Commissions, the committee is authorized to have three members appointed by the King County executive for three-year terms. I am pleased to report that Alan Mendel has stepped forward to take Bruce's seat, joining Chuck Sawyer and me on the committee.

As a former chairman of the Vashon Ferry Advisory Committee, Alan brings a lot of knowledge about and experience with how such committees function as well as with operations at Washington State Ferries. He has worked with many advisory-committee members elsewhere in the ferry system's service area and with system staff and management.

Alan and his wife are welcome additions to the community and I appreciate his willingness to contribute by serving on our ferry advisory committee.

WATERSHED REPORT AVAILABLE

The 2013 annual report of the Fauntleroy Watershed Council is available at the council's website: www.fauntleroywatershed.org.

The report summarizes another productive year for the council, including stewardship of Fauntleroy Park, more habitat work along Fauntleroy Creek, and several education and outreach activities.

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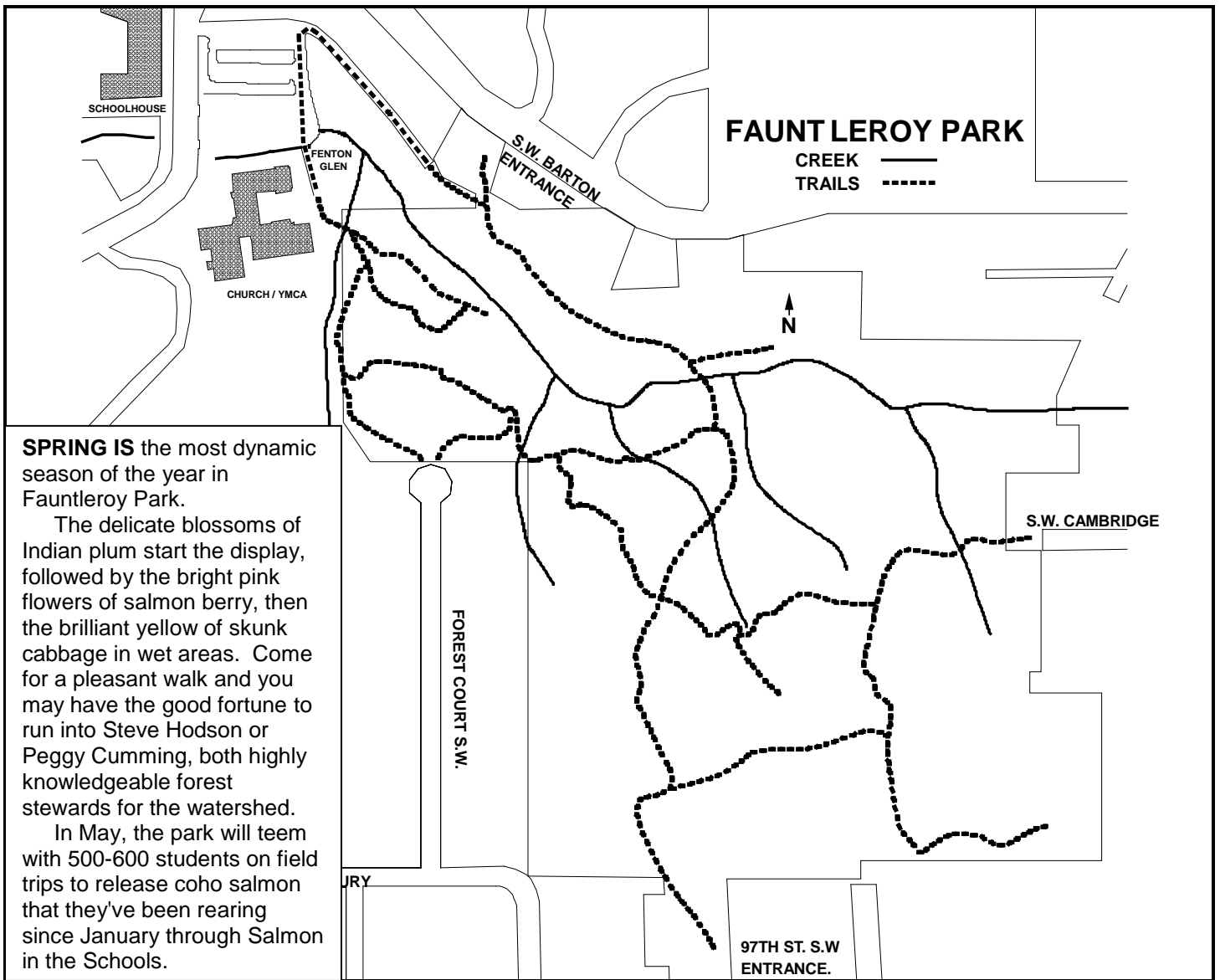
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SPRING IS the most dynamic season of the year in Fauntleroy Park.

The delicate blossoms of Indian plum start the display, followed by the bright pink flowers of salmon berry, then the brilliant yellow of skunk cabbage in wet areas. Come for a pleasant walk and you may have the good fortune to run into Steve Hodson or Peggy Cumming, both highly knowledgeable forest stewards for the watershed.

In May, the park will teem with 500-600 students on field trips to release coho salmon that they've been rearing since January through Salmon in the Schools.

SCHOOLHOUSE *(CONTINUED)*

many opportunities for community input. More about those to come.

At the same time, work continues to replace the roof and make safety and fire-system upgrades. The Children's Center and private donations have covered expenses for replacing nearly 80 percent of the roof.

Still in need of replacement is the north wing, which houses Dance! West Seattle, the Lincoln Park Co-Op Preschool, and the Children's Center. Needless to say, the relatively dry winter has been a godsend but counting on dry weather in Seattle is not a good long-term strategy! The remaining work must be funded and done.

If you would like more information about the strategic plan or how you can contribute to the "Raise the Roof" campaign, contact Kim Sheridan at 206-932-9590, ext. 301, or Denise Wallace at 425-445-4064.



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FROM THE PRESIDENT

OH, THE THINGS I HAVE LEARNED THIS YEAR!

I have been involved for many years with the Fautleroy Community Association as a board member. Even with that background, I confess to learning

SO much working with FCA over the last year as your president.

I never knew how much time our immediate past president, Bruce Butterfield, put into this volunteer job. Bruce, you made it look so easy!

Neither did I realize how often we “touch” many different local, city, and state organizations through

this volunteer association. A week never went by during my term that I didn't sign a letter to our state's legislative delegation, talk on the phone with my counterparts in other neighborhoods, or meet with city officials.

What I did know was that Fautleroy is a community of tremendously committed individuals. Some were honored this past year with public recognition. Most continued in the background, though, setting up for events, keeping abreast of specific issues, balancing our books, and generally stepping up when asked.

As I end my term, I look back with gratitude for the clearer understanding of this community that I will be taking into my new role as past president.

Thank you, neighbors, for allowing me to grow this past year.

- David Haggerty

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