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BUSINESS

YEAR-END NUMBERS. In 2011, FCA has income of \$7,670.00 - \$5,970 from dues and \$1,700.00 from sponsorships (advertising). After expenses of \$4,161.72, Treasurer Phil Sweetland reported year-end net income of \$3,508.28.

As of December 31, FCA had 292 members, including households, businesses and organizations, and life time.

The FCA Board hosted 10 business meetings during the year in the conference room at the Fauntleroy Schoolhouse Community Center. Members were encouraged to attend to bring perspective to agenda items and were invited to suggest timely topics for discussion and board action.

Members attending the Food Fest and Membership Meeting in March elected the proposed slate of officers and directors to one-year terms. The board expanded to a maximum of 20 to ensure that all major interests in the community could be represented. Director Brent Spraker resigned because of work and family obligations and Amanda Lee joined the board.

FCA published four issues of *Neighbors*, distributed lists of upcoming events by email, Joe's, and the Original Bakery, and continued FCA's website and Facebook page.

UPCOMING

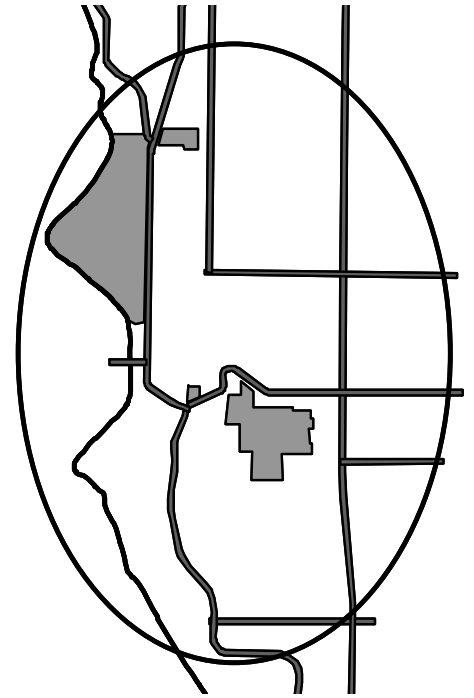
In addition to familiar programs and communications, the Board expects to have at least four interests/concerns on its plate in 2012:

- Progress on **combined-sewer overflow control** in the Barton and Murray basins will continue to bear monitoring.
- Directors Kathleen Dellplain and Gordon Wiehler will lead an update of the **neighborhood transportation study** done a decade ago to identify current problem points and how the Board and residents might advocate for solutions.
- FCA will keep a close watch on **construction near the Fauntleroy Ferry Terminal** to redo bus stops for RapidRide service, to upgrade and expand the wastewater pump station under Cove Park, and to rebuild the park.
- Through Director Vlad Oustimovitch, the Board is monitoring developments with the **Southwest District Council**. Community associations in West Seattle have valued the council as a forum for discussing issues and making recommendations to the Seattle Department of Neighborhoods. Reduced city support has put the council's viability in question and raised larger concerns about city officials' interest in having strong neighborhoods.

FAUNTLEROY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION 2011 ANNUAL REPORT

The word "community" got a workout in 2011 as Fauntleroy leaders and residents put their shoulders to improving and cultivating community in our corner of West Seattle.

This report documents the Fauntleroy Community Association's 31st year of bringing people together, standing up for the neighborhood, and enhancing quality of life. Read on for details and be sure to thank those whose interest and dedication made these accomplishments possible.

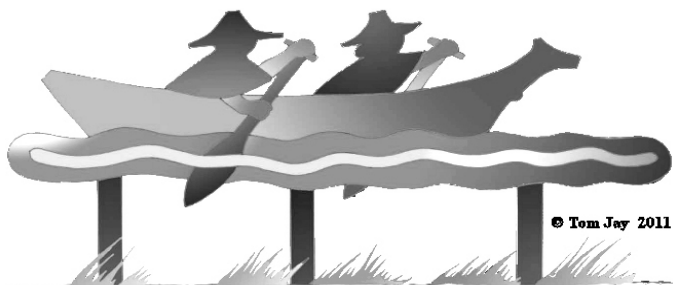


COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

ADVERTISING GIVING BACK. For the first time, FCA began accepting print and electronic advertising, with proceeds earmarked for community improvements. Advertisements by neighborhood businesses and institutions began appearing in June.

Vice President David Haggerty and Director Mike Dey took the lead in developing three levels of support and in soliciting ads. By year's end, a dozen advertisers had signed on.

In the fall, advertising revenue funded pedestrian safety flags at the crosswalk between Fauntleroy Church and the Fauntleroy Schoolhouse Community Center. Similar small but important improvements are to follow.



Proposed small-boat tie-up at rebuilt Cove Park

COMMUNITY HAS SAY IN PARK REBUILD. In 1999, community volunteers finished reclaiming a littered street end due north of the ferry terminal, transforming it with landscaping and art into a restful pocket park on the shore of Fauntleroy Cove. All they saw ahead was regular maintenance.

Then in 2010, King County Wastewater announced that it would expand and upgrade its pump station under the park. Much of what was there would be torn out and replaced.

FCA formed a Cove Park Committee, led by Mardi Clements, to make sure that the rebuilt park would continue to be a community asset. After brainstorming and site visits this year, the committee reported that it will.

The new Cove Park will retain a tie-up for small boats and existing art (native canoe, story rocks, and raven tree). Multiple pieces of new salmon-themed art created by sculptor Tom Jay will peek from landscaping atop the underground pump station and screen the station's above-ground utilities.

Salvaging of existing plants will happen in the spring, with construction in summer or fall.

MORE IMPROVEMENTS

SAFETY CONCERN AT TERMINAL. Traffic management at ferry terminals by State Patrol officers fell victim to budget cutting in July, heightening concerns about safety at the Fauntleroy terminal. Fauntleroy Ferry Advisory Committee members knew the cut was coming and asked nearby residents for help in monitoring traffic flow and pedestrian safety.

The officers' principal job was to expedite unloading and loading of vessels. Because the Fauntleroy terminal is the only one in the state's system located in a residential neighborhood, officers here were also called on to look out for pedestrian safety.

Through committee chairman and FCA director Gary Dawson, the state invited any and all ideas from the community about ways to help ensure safety without an officer present.

Also during the year, our committee had three four-hour working sessions with ferry officials and the Washington Transportation Commission's tariff committee to suggest a tariff strategy for presentation to the 2012 legislative session. And on 10 separate occasions, our committee members met with ferry officials, heads of other ferry advisory committees, and the public at joint committee meetings on Vashon Island and at Southworth.

STEWARDS IMPROVE FAUNTLEROY PARK.

Three advocates for healthy city parks signed on as forest stewards in 2011 to improve Fauntleroy Park as a community resource.

Steve Hodson, Peggy Cummings, and Annabelle Lota enrolled in the Green Seattle Partnership's program to monitor conditions, plan restoration, recruit volunteers, and encourage responsible enjoyment of "their" park.

A volunteer steward of the park for many years, Steve gave an estimated 360 hours in 2011. Together, Peggy and Annabelle added another 100, focusing on recruiting neighbors and groups for two work parties that cleared thousands of square feet of English ivy and other invasives.

CULTIVATING COMMUNITY

FOOD, FOOD, FOOD. Nothing cultivates that warm feeling of community as readily as food, and Fauntleroy residents had three food-centric opportunities to gather in 2011.

The Hall at Fauntleroy was abuzz on March 15 as an estimated 100 people attended FCA's **Food Fest and Membership Meeting**. Seven area eateries offered free samples and a dozen groups staffed information tables. The sign-in process emphasized renewing FCA membership or joining.

Chris Bath, Esther Bath, and Kim Suyama catching up at the Food Fest. Photo by Gail Ann Photography



Rev. David Kratz, FCA Director Kim Petram, and FCA Treasurer Phil Sweetland with raffle basket at the Fall Festival fund-raiser at Endolyne Joe's. Photo courtesy West Seattle Blog

Endolyne Joe's opened its doors wide on May 17 for the first of two **Fauntleroy Fall Festival fund-raisers**. The restaurant wrote a check for half the proceeds (\$1,189.84) to help keep the festival free. Chances on raffle baskets added another \$975.

On Sept. 17, members of the festival steering committee flipped jacks for a pancake breakfast at The Hall at Fauntleroy, boosting the festival account by \$551.49. Additional donations during the festival created a healthy excess over 2011 expenses to begin funding a big 10th anniversary event in 2012.

FAUNTLEROY FALL FESTIVAL. Mild fall weather and dozens of free activities and performances drew an estimated 1,500 people of all ages to the ninth Fall Festival on Oct. 16.

FCA Vice President David Haggerty and Director Kim Petram were members of the steering committee that worked for months to pull off the event. FCA also provided \$1,000 in financial support.



Music by the Five Buck Band, sustainable urban goats from the Seattle Farm Co-Op, and a custom chef's hat prize for cake-decorating creativity at the Fall Festival. Photos by Cindy Hegland

WELCOME. FCA continued to provide welcome bags to new residents, thanks to neighbors who reported move-in activity to coordinator and FCA Director Ann Dunbar. She made sure every bag was chockfull of worthwhile information, plus a homemade goodie and a gift certificate to sample an area business.

At year's end, Ann transferred coordination of the welcome program to FCA directors Susan Lantz-Dey and Mike Dey so that she could focus on neighborhood safety.

SEATTLE NIGHT OUT. Although none of the Night Out events on Aug. 2 was sponsored by FCA, we did encourage residents to plan and register a street party with the Seattle Police Department. The nationwide program promotes public safety by neighbors knowing neighbors.

LEADERSHIP

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS. In October, FCA Director Gordon Wiehler led an emergency communication drill from the Fauntleroy Church parking lot. The church will be this area's official emergency meeting place for the greater Fauntleroy community and communication hub in the event of a widespread emergency.

Using the scenario of a major windstorm with freezing temperatures, Gordon led other volunteers in role-playing how they would communicate within the neighborhood and with the city, as well as monitor emergency radio broadcasts for reliable information.

WATERSHED. In September the Fauntleroy Watershed Council marked 10 years since residents banded together to steward Fauntleroy Park and Fauntleroy Creek and encourage enjoyment of these natural neighborhood amenities.

Enjoyment was uppermost in the minds of a record 641 students who came to Fauntleroy Creek in May to release coho fry and learn more about habitat stewardship. Council members Judy Pickens and Dennis Hinton led them in 19 release field trips, preschool through fifth grade.

Residents and salmon-watch volunteers got to see 14 spawners in the fall. They included what may have been returning fish, as well as hatchery fish who, like other parents, decided Fauntleroy was a good place for the next generation.

FAREWELLS. The Board honored three long-time leaders who stepped down during the year.

Martha Callard stepped down after nine years as a director; she and her husband, Bob, edited the FCA newsletter for most of that time and will continue to help with special projects.

Chris Nack resigned as FCA's webmaster, a task she ably performed for nine years; she continues web services for the watershed council.

Lynn Olson resigned after 11 years as the Board's administrative consultant. Her many contributions ranged from ordering banners to coordinating the annual Food Fest.