While pandemic safety measures curbed public activities throughout 2021, FCA continued to



find many ways to enhance the quality of life in this West Seattle neighborhood we call home.

CULTIVATING COMMUNITY

EVENTS: In late March, we initiated a **community egg hunt** that engaged residents in searching for hundreds of wooden and plastic eggs with goodies inside. Organizers arranged drop-off locations to retrieve the plastic eggs for reuse.

The pandemic again dictated that our **annual meeting** on April 13 be online. The FCA Board reviewed the high points of 2020 and those members present voted to retain both officers and board members for another term.

The **Fauntleroy Fall Festival** returned on Oct. 24 as a drive-through event. Volunteers Reed Haggerty and Jenny and Gordi Mandt ably led the planning. Over three hours, 157 vehicles, plus bikers, strollers, and people on foot, circled the Fauntleroy Church parking lot to pick up goodie bags and take-home crafts, all to live music. FCA's stop featured free pedestrian-safety signs and membership information.



Mike Dey and David Haggerty staffed FCA's stop during the drive-through Fauntleroy Fall Festival. Photo by Jenny Mandt

POP-UP INFORMATION: With large events sidelined, the Board developed a pop-up table to take membership information to the people. Whether enjoying Lincoln Park or walking to the bakery, an inviting display (and treats!) drew attention.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

PUBLIC SAFETY: FCA organized an Oct. 12 webinar so residents could voice their concerns about **neighborhood traffic problems** to representatives from the Seattle Department of Transportation and Seattle Police Department. The board then summarized the concerns raised and began taking steps to address them:

- Secured commitments from the city to improve speeding enforcement, repaint ferry-queue lane markings, and explore traffic-slowing techniques at key trouble spots.
- Enhanced pedestrian safely flags at crosswalks.
- Provided speed-limit signs for residents to post.
- Published crime-reduction advice in our newsletter.

ENVIRONMENT: This year, the Fauntleroy Watershed Council marked two decades of citizen stewardship of Fauntleroy Park and the Fauntleroy Creek system. Over that span, volunteers have engaged nearly 13,000 students and thousands of adults in learning about and caring for natural habitat close at hand.

Opportunities for students to engage in real research included updating the **pet-waste study** in Fauntleroy Park that periodically documents and encourages dogwalker compliance with Seattle's scoop requirement.

Maintenance of restored habitat in the Kilbourne ravine continued thanks to donations to the **Fauntleroy Watershed Stewardship Fund**, including \$1,200 from Treo Organic Salon.



By year's end, total donations had reached \$26,317.10.

During the longest salmon watch since official counting began in 1999, volunteers documented a near-record 244 coho spawners in the lower creek in November. They also welcomed a record 400 visitors to see the show. The Fauntleroy Watershed Council used a variety of ways, including an upgraded website, to recruit more volunteers.

BUSINESS AREA: Volunteers maintained and added watering tubes to the **planter boxes** that brighten the Endolyne business area. Decals on the boxes now credit this community amenity to FCA membership in action.

ADVOCACY

FERRY CONCERNS: Under Frank Immel's leadership, the Fauntleroy Ferry Advisory Committee kept an eye on terminal activities, including staffing shortages during the pandemic. Bill Wellington and Chuck Sawyer also ably served.

A citizens advisory group began meeting to assist the state in planning a major rebuild of the terminal. Members include Mardi Clements and Frank Immel (resident interests) and Judy Pickens (Fauntleroy Creek and nearshore interests).

NETWORKING: FCA continued as an active member of the District 1 Community Network, a forum for advocating at the city level for neighborhoods on the Duwamish peninsula.

COMMUNICATION

FCA continued to keep information flowing to members and the wider community. Judy Pickens

edited our annual report and quarterly Neighbors newsletter, which included working directly with our



business partners on their print ads. This year, we began offering

members the option of receiving the newsletter electronically instead of by mail. Bill Wellington managed our website, Facebook page, and FCA Flash alerts and made simplified maintenance of our website.

TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS

MEMBERSHIP: As of Dec. 31, memberships totaled 261 - 235 households, 24 supporters, 15 government offices, and 2 complementary.

FINANCES: Funding support for FCA totaled \$11,605 -\$6,925 from household renewals, \$1,030 from new household memberships, and \$3,650 from business supporters. We continued to offer electronic payment via PayPal, which included the ability to renew on an automated annual payment basis.

Spending was reduced by pandemic cancellation of our food fest in March and conversion of October's Fauntlerov Fall Festival to a drive-through format.

Expenditures of \$6,078 included \$1,365 for planterbox materials, \$1,655 for newsletter/annual report printing, \$130 for newsletter mailing, \$419 for crosswalk flags, \$301 for administrative expenses, \$199 for PayPal fees, \$433 for website and Zoom hosting fees, \$176 for dues-renewal supplies, \$272 for new-neighbor mailings, \$48 for membership supplies for the festival, and \$1,080 for the 2020 community survey. Net cash as of Dec. 31 was \$29,289.

FCA is fiscal agent for the Fauntlerov Fall Festival, which received \$1.640 in donations and spent \$2,977, closing the year with net cash of \$2,844. Donations included \$640 from FCA members designated during

SUPPORTERS

Bruce Butterfield, Berkshire Hathaway Real Estate Cherie's Canine Casa ■ Crissey Behavioral Consulting Dance! West Seattle ■ Daystar Retirement Village DSquared Hospitality Company ■ Earnest Frivolity Endolyne Joe's Restaurant ■ Fauntleroy Church, United Church of Christ ■ Fauntleroy Community Service Agency & Fauntleroy Children's Center Friends of Lincoln Park ■ Garden Coaching Solutions HomeStreet Bank ■ Kamila Kennedy Homes Kimberly Terry, Evergreen Home Loans Pia VanHanen, Keller Williams Realty ■ Pilates at Fauntleroy ■ Sky Printing ■ South Tacoma Way, LLC Synergy Homecare ■ The Kenney Retirement Community ■ The Unsweetened Tooth ■ Treo Organic Salon LLC ■ West Seattle & Fauntleroy YMCA West Seattle Blog ■ Wildwood Market

dues renewal and \$1,000 from Chantille Henry at John L. Scott Real Estate Company.

MEETINGS: Except in August and December, the FCA Board had monthly Zoom business meetings open to all members. The April meeting also served as our annual meeting.

LEADERSHIP: During the year, Kimberly Terry resigned from the Board and Nils von Veh replaced Frank Immel as secretary.

ON OUR RADAR

Issues on the FCA Board's radar for 2022 include

- upgrade of the **Fauntleroy Ferry Terminal**.
- replacement of Fauntleroy Creek culverts under two streets and the church parking lot.
- input from our **business partners** as we update our advertising and other support.
- **public safety hazards** associated with ferry traffic.
- **crime** and police response times.

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