



FALL 2007

FAUNTLEROY FALL FESTIVAL IS BACK!

Save the Date, October 14!!

By Kim Petram

The 5th annual Fauntleroy Fall Festival will be held Sunday, October 14, 2007. As in past years the free community festival will be held at the "heart" of Fauntleroy, the church parking lot and surrounding area. This year's festival will begin at 2 PM and finish around 6 pm with dancing to the West Seattle Big Band at The Hall at Fauntleroy. Local vendors will be offering food items for sale



as well as a more substantial meal at The Hall at Fauntleroy. There will be fun crafts and a special hydroplane woodworking project as well as pony rides and a climbing wall plus much more. Multiple community performance groups will be showcasing their best work throughout the afternoon. The very popular teen room where teens make their very own

personalized "record art" will be back!

The free popular community festival started in 2002 in response to the events of 9/11 as a way to celebrate, support and honor the special community that we live in. Core community sponsors include the Fauntleroy UC Church, Fauntleroy YMCA, Tuxedo's and Tennis Shoes, Fauntleroy Children's Center, Endolyne Joe's and your Fauntleroy Community Association.

If you have time to help volunteer on the day of the event or talent to provide volunteer assistance with planning please contact the festival organizers at fallfestival@fauntleroy.net or at 206-938-6903.

Event organizers are specifically looking for assistance from adults who can help lift children onto ponies, control traffic at the Barton Street cross-walk and/or be available as a runner filling in where needed. **JOIN US FOR THE FUN!**

THANK YOU TO OUR FOOD FEST FEAST PROVIDERS!

Once again we are indebted to our local eateries for putting on a fine array of food samples at the May 23rd Annual Meeting and Food Fest. Each has been not only willing, but enthusiastic about their participation in this event. So, a big thanks to Abbondanza Pizzeria, The Original Bakery, Guadalajara Mexican Restaurant, Tuxedos and Tennis Shoes/The Hall at Fauntleroy, Endolyne Joe's and Bird on a Wire Espresso.

We had a larger crowd than ever at this year's meeting that included election of officers and board

members. Bruce Butterfield continues in his role of president, Kim Petram, vice president, Kathleen Dellplain has taken on the duties of secretary and Phil Sweetland is once again our treasurer.

At Large board members are Martha Callard, Gary Dawson, Vlad Oustimovitch, Vicki Schmitz-Block, and Martin Westerman. Kirk Hopkins continues in his role as email outreach (neighborhood_news@Fauntleroy.net) and Chris Nack (Cnack@seanet.com) is our Webmaster. Board meetings are open to all neighbors on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.



NEIGHBORHOOD NIGHT OUT CELEBRATIONS



Fauntleroy was "party central" as many of our blocks held gatherings for this annual national event. The 9200 block of 47th Ave. SW quite possibly

lays claim to being the oldest annual gathering having

held parties every year since the Night Out program began. They even have a banner. They are proud to proclaim they have had an organized Block Watch program for 16 years and, in keeping with the theme of Neighborhood Night Out, they hold disaster preparedness meetings and instruction every year as a regular part of their festivities.



9200 Block 47th Ave SW



4500 Block SW Henderson



9600 Block 47th Ave SW



9200 Block 46th Ave SW

Take this newsletter to your non-member neighbor and encourage them to join. New members bring new life to the organization as a whole. Also, remember our monthly board meetings, held the second Tuesday of each month at the Fauntleroy School, are open to all. Should you have an issue you would like to introduce, please contact Bruce Butterfield at BruceButterfield@PNWrealty.com

WHO TAKES CARE OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD PUBLIC SPACES?

Did you ever wonder how our public spaces are maintained? Thanks to these folks, our neighborhood looks good! Keep up the good work!

- Traffic Circle at 45th and Director -- Paula Waters
- Area between upper and lower Fauntleroy -- Brian Scatena, Gary Dawson and John Garner
- Fish ladder, Overlook and surroundings -- Phil Sweetland
- Kilbourne Park -- Seattle Parks Department
- Traffic Circle at Brace Point and 47th -- Mark and Mary Forster
- Cove Park -- Cove Park Volunteers

WE ARE GRATEFUL TO . . .

our local businesses for their support of the Fauntleroy Community Association and for donating gifts for the FCA Welcome Bags: Endolyne Joe's, Salon Fauntleroy, Fauntleroy Massage, Guadalajara Restaurant, Original Bakery, Fauntleroy YMCA, Bird on the Wire Espresso, and West Seattle Herald!

Membership Matters: Encourage your friends to join the FCA!

ARE YOU CONNECTED?

The FCA wants to keep all neighbors informed about the issues affecting the Fauntleroy area. We depend on this newsletter (three times each year), regular business meetings (the second Tuesday evening of each month at 7 PM at the Fauntleroy School), and occasional e-mail notices. Are you receiving our e-mail notices?

Printing and mailing special notices take a lot of volunteer time and FCA dollars, so the most efficient

way to communicate is by e-mail. We do not sell or trade addresses and we only send out a note or two a month to keep the community up-to-date on events and issues of community interest. If you don't receive our e-mail notices or want to confirm or update your e-mail address to insure you are informed on ferry, park, Fauntleroy School, and traffic issues as well as FCA events, please send your e-mail address to Kirk Hopkins at Kirk@cnkh.net and get connected.

PLANTING LAST STEP IN RESTORING REACH TO BEACH

by **Judy Pickens**

More than 1,300 native shrubs, groundcovers, and grasses are on order to complete the reach-to-the-beach restoration project on Fauntleroy Creek.

Two years in the making, the project enhanced 40 feet of partially restored channel and rebuilt 160 feet of severely degraded channel to the beach due south of the ferry pier in Fauntleroy Cove. Objectives were

- to restore a natural meander and diversify the channel for natural flow control and health instream habitat, and
- to revegetate with native plants for runoff filtration, erosion control, and health riparian habitat.

The challenge was to achieve these objectives within a closely built residential site, with the full cooperation of property owners and support of adjacent neighbors.

Construction took place in late August and early September. After an excavator dug the new channel, a crew from EarthCorps (a Seattle-based conservation training program) followed with hand placement of logs, root wads, and river rock to diversify instream habitat for aquatic insects and coho spawners. These

features, plus plants with strong root systems, will reinforce the new stream banks during normal and high flows - an especially important consideration with houses so close to the channel.

Most noticeable for beach walkers is the repositioned creek mouth, which was moved a few feet north. When plants are mature, the area will be one of the few estuarine habitats in the city.

Principal funding for the \$83,000 project was from the State Department of Ecology's Coastal Protection Fund and City of Seattle's Aquatic Matching Grant Program. Smaller grants from the King Conservation District and King County's Community Salmon Fund fleshed out the budget. Volunteer grant writing, project administration, and construction oversight added substantially to the total value of the project.

The EarthCorps crew represented the United States, Columbia, China, and Madagascar. In addition to funders and EarthCorps, principles in the project were Natural Systems Design for engineering, Jones and Jones Architects for landscape planning, the Fauntleroy Watershed Council, and property owners Elizabeth Butler and Chris Kim.

CALLING SALMON WATCHERS

The salmon watch on Fauntleroy Creek will get under way in late October and you're invited to participate. Fishers off the beach at Lincoln Park are seeing a few coho (as opposed to none last year) and so watchers may have fish to watch!

Volunteers sign up for half-hour shifts to count spawners near the fish ladder at SW Director St. and

upper Fauntleroy Way SW. Training will be provided during your first shift. High school students and older may watch on their own; younger youth should bring an adult.

For more information or to sign up, call 938-4203 or email Judy_Pickens@msn.com.

NEW MEMBERSHIP FORM

A new member form is enclosed, please give it to your neighbor and suggest they join the FCA

ANNUAL DRUMMING OCT. 21

The annual drumming to call in the spawners to Fauntleroy Creek will be Sunday, Oct. 21, starting at 5 p.m. at the fish ladder viewpoint (S.W. Director St. and upper Fauntleroy Way S.W.). This year's emphasis will be on gratitude for all that the salmon bring to

Fauntleroy and the entire region.

Bring a drum, rain stick, or noise maker for an hour of drumming, singing, and storytelling. For more information, call 938-4203 or email Judy_Pickens@msn.com.

COVE PARK NEEDS A HAND

The beautiful park just north of the ferry dock, Fauntleroy Cove Park, has a devoted crew of helpers who have spent many hours this spring and summer keeping it maintained. It's time to do a final clean up and weeding before winter and we would love your help! We're planning a work party on October 20th

from 10:00 until noon. If you can lend a hand for even an hour we would be delighted. Bring the kids and your favorite weeding tools. The more the merrier. Please call Ann Dawson at 206-937-7163 or send an email to garyann@quidnunc.net if you need any more information. Hope to see you there!

WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS

by Ann Dunbar

This past winter, Judy Pickens and Phil Sweetland delivered a FCA Welcome Bag to their new neighbors across Fauntleroy Creek, Susan and Trevor Greenwood, and their two small sons, Wyatt and Leo and also their dog, Bear. The Greenwoods live on the south side of the fish ladder, overlooking Fauntleroy Way. Their home was originally built by Loiusa Boren-Denny, and has a history of other owners since. The Greenwoods did some remodeling to the house prior to moving in, updating and making it their own home. They fell in love with the house because of where it is situated, overlooking the water and the ferry dock. They had been looking to buy in the area because it was one of the neighborhoods with a strong sense of community.

While they were remodeling last fall, Endolyne Joe's became a regular Sunday hangout. After enjoying breakfast, they would check on the progress of their home. They finally were able to move in February 20 and are now well settled. Susan says that

the whole family enjoys water activities, whether out in their sail boat or at Cove Park searching the tide pools under Colman Dock at low tide. They also enjoy reading together and are learning to play the piano as a family. Getting to know the neighborhood, and the local history, has also been fun for them. Welcome to the neighborhood!

Have you been planning on visiting a new neighbor on your street? Maybe you wanted to bring them a little welcome gift? Now is the time to go visit that neighbor and FCA will provide the welcome gift! Our welcome bags contain information about the FCA, area businesses, the Fauntleroy Creek and local public transportation. It also includes a home made gift, such as note cards, jars of jam, honey, or soap which are made by FCA members. All you need to do is contact Ann Dunbar, at 933-5575 or dunbar@zipcon.net and ask for the welcome bag! Thank you to all the folks who delivered bags this last Spring and Summer, 25 total!

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Sunday, October 14th: FAUNTLEROY FALL FESTIVAL – between 2:00 PM and 6:00 PM at the Fauntleroy Church Parking lot and surrounding facilities. To volunteer to help, email kim@petram.org.

Saturday, October 20th: Fauntleroy Cove Park season final clean up and weeding party, 10:00 AM to Noon. Bring the kids and your favorite weeding tools. Please call Ann Dawson at 206-937-7163 or send an email to garyann@quidnunc.net

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and upper Fauntleroy Way SW. Training will be provided during your first shift. For more information or to sign up, call 938-4203 or email Judy_Pickens@msn.com.

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Ongoing...

Second Sunday of each month: Friends of Fauntleroy Park weeding parties. The next meeting is October 14, 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM. Gather at the

entrance on SW Barton Street. Questions? Contact Karen Farnsworth at clairee9@earthlink.net

Second Thursday of every other month: The Fauntleroy Watershed Council at Fauntleroy Church. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 13th, at 7:00 pm and is open to all watershed residents. For more information contact Judy Pickens

TRAFFIC UPDATE

Last Spring the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) announced the Neighborhood Street Fund Grant Program, which will make money available for local street and pedestrian improvements throughout the city. A number of potential projects in our area had been identified through a series of FCA community meetings on traffic issues in 2003, and this new program presented an opportunity to put several of these forward for consideration by SDOT. The City held an Open House on September 19 and invited West Seattleites to review a number of project proposals and vote for their favorites. The City will now take the comments and review the proposals to determine which will be funded. The Fauntleroy community was well represented at the Open House, and we are hopeful that our proposal will be one of those selected, despite stiff competition from other communities.



The projects we submitted include:

- **Reconfigure** the business triangle at Endolyne to improve safety by making Brace Point SW between 44th and 45th one way eastbound and changing parallel parking to angle parking on the north side only.
- **Add** a textured crosswalk crossing 45th SW at Brace Point SW.
- **Continue** the sidewalk on the west side of 45th

at judy_pickens@msn.net

First Saturday of each month: Friends of Lincoln Park and the Green Seattle Partnership work to save the forest from invasive species. The next gathering is Oct. 6, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Meet at the kiosk in the south parking lot. Questions? Contact Sharon Baker at sbaker@u.washington.edu

Ave. SW from its end approximately 30 feet to Brace Point SW.

- **Install** a traffic circle at 45th Ave. SW and Trenton Ave. to slow traffic and reduce traffic volume.
- **Install** a curb bulb at the SE corner of 47th Avenue SW and Brace Point to force traffic around the circle.
- **Replace** what is now an unmaintained paved pathway leading from Fauntleroy Place to 46th Ave. SW with a sidewalk and steps for improved pedestrian access and safety.



Thank you to our Fauntleroy neighbors who took the time to review the various proposals and attend the open house. The review process is lengthy and complicated and no construction will begin before 2009. We hope to hear that our projects receive the go-ahead.

FERRY ADVISOR COMMITTEE

By Gary Dawson

The Washington State Ferries Long Range Plan and proposal to reroute Southworth from Fauntleroy to Colman Dock downtown has been put on a temporary hold by the Legislature. When a WSF official presented the plan to the Joint Transportation Committee during the recent session of the Legislature he was told that there was not enough funding in the transportation budget for implementation of the plan.

During the session, ferry financing became a heated topic as demands for better ferry service have increased throughout the system.

In an effort to resolve the long-time issue of insufficient ferry funding and establish a revised WSF Long Range Plan, the Legislature passed bills ESB 2358 (ferry bill), and ESB 1094 (budget bill). The bills can be read, in summary or in entirety, on the Legislature's web-site www1.leg.wa.gov/legislature and click the "Bill Search" link.

These bills authorize and implement a series of study groups, workshops, and audits. The results of which will be presented to the Legislature at the start of the 2009 session.

This allows the Legislature to take action to determine a consistent and secure funding source for WSF to implement the approved portions of the Long Range Plan.

What does this all mean for West Seattle and Fauntleroy? Primarily we have to wait and see if portions of the plan diverting Southworth service to downtown is approved and funded. This would include funding required to develop and construct a new Colman Terminal.

Equally important for us is to continue the ongoing

effort to assure that the Legislature as well as the Mayor's office understands that West Seattle desperately needs the implementation of the reroute plan which could reduce existing ferry traffic by up to 40%. As previously reported in this newsletter, the Mayor has been critical of the reroute which would bring more vehicles direct to downtown in lieu of many ferry commuters traveling there by car through West Seattle.

Neighbors can help by contacting our 34th District Representatives, the Mayor's office, the FCA, or undersigned with your comments.

In other events this summer regarding ferry traffic issues, in response to neighbors' complaints about motorcycle speeds and noise on neighborhood streets during the morning commute, flyers were distributed suggesting calls to Seattle Police traffic unit and WSF for more surveillance and enforcement of offenders.

A letter was also sent to the Mayor and other officials as a result of a near tragedy that occurred *within the stoplight activated crosswalk* to Lincoln Park. While traffic stopped for a pedestrian, the ferry queue refused to stop and a child was nearly struck. The letter is an attempt to alert the Mayor of a hazardous situation as he pursues his citywide program for improved pedestrian safety.

This issue was also addressed to WSF (and the Southworth and Vashon Ferry Advisory Committees) asking them to remind commuters to observe and comply with traffic safety at our crosswalks. No response to either correspondence has been received by press time.

YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICE CENTER

Do you know about the many services available at the West Seattle Neighborhood Service Center at 4205 SW Alaska Street? We have the good fortune to be served there by Stan Lock, West Seattle Neighborhood District Coordinator. He is always happy to be of help and is a wealth of information about what is going on in and around the city. Stan can be reached by phone at (206) 233-2045 or by email at stan.lock@seattle.gov.



In addition to Stan, Sue Harig (206) 684-7495 is the Customer Service Representative at West Seattle Service Center. Sue processes passport applications for first-time applicants and for renewals, accepts

Seattle City and Combined Utility payments, as well as payments for parking and moving violations tickets payable to the Seattle Municipal Court. Sue also issues new pet licenses and renewals. Expedited passport processing is available Tuesday to Friday, 9 AM to 4 PM. You can download a passport application from their website <http://www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/nsc/westseattle.htm>.

Are you looking for information on neighborhood events and services? City and other job opportunities? Community and neighborhood organization contacts? Crime prevention and block watch materials? Metro bus schedules? All this and much more is available. Check the website or stop in.

FIRE TRAINING EXERCISE

by Bob Callard

In July, the Seattle Fire Department went door to door on 47th Ave SW to advise the neighborhood of fire activity during the latter part of July. SFD was going to hold training exercises for their new recruits. The owners



Briefing the Recruits



The Training Exercise

of the run down house in the 10000 block of 47th Ave SW offered their house to SFD so it could be set ablaze to help train recruits. It was quite a spectacle. Neighbors on 47th Ave SW, family and friends of the recruits and the construction workers on the new house next door turned out to watch. Several ferry passengers arriving from Vashon or Southworth saw and reported the fire south of the Ferry Dock only to find out it was a training exercise. The recruits passed their test and contained the fire.

Also at the end of the exercise, the recruits had a picnic at the site. The site now has been cleared and is awaiting the construction of two new homes.

STREET LIGHTS, TRAFFIC SAFETY

Are your street lights out or going on and off? If so, for safety in our neighborhood, call 684-7056 or go to <http://www.seattle.gov/light/streetlight/> to report the outage. You will need the four-digit number on the light pole and the nearest address or cross street. It will be repaired in 4-6 weeks from the call so the sooner you call, the better!

The City of Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) has numerous programs and staff to address neighborhood traffic speed and safety issues. Residents interested in addressing traffic safety matters in the Fautleroy neighborhood should feel free to call Mike Hendricks (206) 684-0353. To report a parking violation, residents should call (206) 625-5011. During any emergency situation, however, residents should call 911.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Pass this newsletter along to your neighbors.

Attend a Board meeting.

Let us know what is on your mind.

Visit our website at www.Fautleroy.net.

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The FCA Board meets on the second Tuesday of the month (except August and December) at the Fautleroy Schoolhouse starting at 7 p.m.

All Fautleroy neighbors are invited. Mail:
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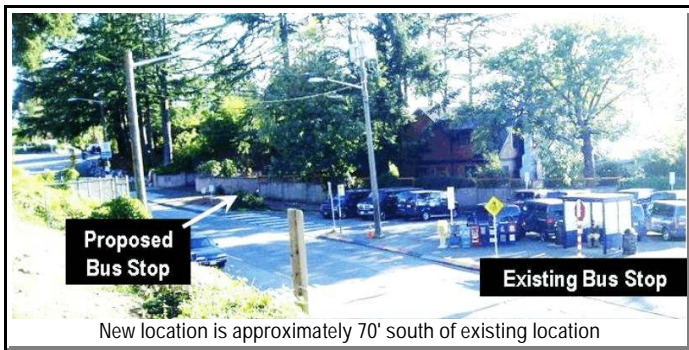
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FERRY DOCK METRO BUS STOP RELOCATION PROPOSAL

King County Councilman Dow Constantine's office recently alerted the FCA and Fauntleroy Ferry Advisory Committee that Metro intends to move the existing southbound bus stop and shelter at the ferry dock 70 feet south adjacent to local residents' properties by the end of 2007. The news comes as a complete surprise to most of the community as no public outreach seems to have been done. SDOT reports the plans are not firm as yet as the city has to issue final approval of the plan.

The relocated stop will block access to the car pool lot,



displace the accompanying trash zone in front of private residences, and locate the start-up noise and exhaust in front of homes on both sides of the street.

News of the Metro plan was received during the South Sound Ferry Advisory meeting of September 18. Strong objections arose from commuters and bus riders from both Vashon and Southworth. Both FAC's intend to issue their inquiries and objections as well.

The FCA and FFAC have sent a letter to Metro management stating objections to the planned move and are asking them to abandon the plan, or at the very least, conduct public outreach at Fauntleroy, Vashon, and Southworth. No response had been received from Metro at press time.

You are urged to register your concern about the planned move by contacting Sharon Slebodnick, Supervisor of Transit Route Facilities by phone (684-1321) or email at Sharon.Slebodnick@metrokc.gov and/or Victor Obeso, Manager of Service Development (263-3109) or email at Victor.Obeso@metrokc.gov. Let your voice be heard on this important issue.

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