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In 2005, the Fauntleroy Community Association completed 25 years as the neighborhood's voice on matters of common interest and concern, as a catalyst for uniting residents in community and as a focal point for enhancing quality of life and environment. To learn more about activities of our 501(c)4 non-profit organization or about this West Seattle neighborhood please visit our website www.faultleroy.net.

ADVOCACY

FCA board members, along with interested community members continued the work of addressing pedestrian safety on Fauntleroy Way S.W. The FCA coordinated multiple meetings with city and park officials regarding safety concerns with a successful outcome of the first City of Seattle radar sign installed along Fauntleroy Way. As well, the FCA successfully advocated for and received authorization for an additional pedestrian activated crosswalk light to be installed near the ball fields and wading pool at the North end of Lincoln Park in 2006.

Three FCA board members continued to advocate for the Fauntleroy community by serving on the Ferry Advisory Committee in representation of neighborhood interests related to the Washington State Ferry System. The FAC worked constructively with the WSF in providing input into the selection of the new director of the ferry system. Specific focus and attention was given to the WSF proposed 10-year long-range plan. FAC Chair Gary Dawson was appointed by the Governor of Washington State to the newly formed joint legislative Passenger Task Force to assist in defining the most appropriate passenger service line for Puget Sound.

FCA committee members advocated for the Fauntleroy community by collaborating with the FAC, City of Seattle leadership and the Seattle Monorail Board in opposing the proposal to extend the monorail from Morgan Junction to the Fauntleroy ferry dock.

As well, the FCA advocated for community members involved with various

COLLABORATION

In collaboration with Seattle Public Utilities, the Fauntleroy Watershed Council worked with community volunteers on the annual salmon watch in Fauntleroy Creek. As well, grant funds solicited in 2004 continue to be used for on-going restoration of Fauntleroy Creek with the FCA acting as fiscal agent. The fourth edition

of the Fauntleroy Creek watershed brochure was utilized which includes information about restoration activities and tips for responsible stewardship. The annual Drumming Ceremony was held in late October at the fish ladder viewpoint to mark the return home of the salmon with drumming and singing.

For the second year the FCA provided the community an opportunity to explore Fauntleroy Park on the first day of spring by hosting a nature event in the park. Volunteers staffed stations allowing exploration of the natural features and wildlife that exist in the park. Naturalist Willie Campbell from Discovery Park led an ethno-botany tour for participants.

The Cove Park committee organized and hosted spring and fall work parties in the park for clean up and planting. As well, the committee began collaborations with the City of Seattle in preparations for the park closure in winter of 2006 for the pump station modifications and replacement.

The Southwest District Council has representatives from most West Seattle neighborhoods and business communities including the FCA. FCA board member Vlad Oustimovitch is also an active member of the SW District Council. The FCA actively collaborated with the SWDC on numerous public issues related to West Seattle and Fauntleroy including the proposed waste transfer station at Harbor Island, the proposed replacement of the Alaskan Way viaduct, ferry issues, opposition of SW Airlines proposal to move to Boeing Field and various issues related to the monorail project.

The FCA participated in the decision process to cancel the Fauntleroy Fall Festival slated for October of 2005 due to lack of volunteer and leadership support. The FCA agreed to take a more active part in the support of the Fall Festival with Vice-President Kim Petram agreeing to chair the committee for 2006.

The FCA worked with the Department of Neighborhood Service Center related to issues of neighborhood/city concern utilizing the services of Stan Locke, Coordinator.

The FCA collaborated with the organization MegaWatt in the second annual resource fair and expo.

TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS

The number of dues paying members as of December 31, 2005 was 213.

FCA finances are managed by volunteer Phil Sweetland with a balance in the FCA treasury as of December 31, 2005 of \$7,491.67.

Kirk Hopkins continued to volunteer to manage the e-mail listings for the FCA as well as manage e-mail outreach to the community regarding information of common interest and concern to the community.

Martha Callard continued to volunteer as the editor of the Neighbors Newsletter, which had four publications in 2005 with a circulation of approximately 250 recipients including complimentary copies sent to city officials, neighborhood vendors and businesses supportive of the FCA.

The FCA hosted many guests including Seattle City Council member Richard Conlin and representatives from various organizations such as the American Cancer Society, Seattle Monorail Board, King County Waste Water Management, MegaWatt and EarthCorps.

The FCA web site is managed by volunteer Chris Nack with approximately 7,000 hits per month to the site.

FCA outreach to new members is managed by volunteer Renee Chatalas with complimentary gift bags distributed on a quarterly basis to all new neighbors in the Fauntleroy area.

The FCA Board met every second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Fauntleroy School conference room. This meeting schedule continues and everyone is invited to attend.