

Two Major Construction Projects Set for Fauntleroy

Barton Pump Station Upgrade (Cove Park)

By Martha Tuttle

Perhaps as soon as summer 2005, King County will begin upgrading the Barton Pump Station at the Fauntleroy Ferry Dock by installing an emergency generator to provide back-up power to the pump station in the event of a power outage. Currently, if the pump station experiences a power outage, a mobile engine-generator unit is delivered from the South Treatment Plant to keep the pump station operating and avoid an overflow of sewage into Puget Sound. The power usually fails about two times per year.

The proposal includes construction of a 63 foot by 23 foot underground structure at Cove Park that will house the generator and a diesel fuel tank.

The new structure will be constructed below grade immediately east of the existing pump station. Surface features that will be demolished during construction include portions of the site's parking area/driveway, landscaping, a walkway

which provides pedestrian beach access, and the public artwork, the "streambed" embedded in the northern edge of the walkway. All surface areas disturbed during construction will be restored to pre-construction conditions except the "streambed." Unfortunately, the existing artwork cannot be salvaged, but there is money budgeted to construct a new one. Plans for the new streambed will be made with input from the community within the next year.



"Streambed" along walkway

King County Wastewater Treatment Division and the Fauntleroy Community Association have a solid history of working collaboratively and it is understood that the public art, the existing streambed, is an attractive focal point for the community that needs to be reconstructed since it cannot be restored.

Construction is expected to take six to nine months. (Martha Tuttle is with King County Waste Treatment Division)

Storm Drainage Improvements On 47th Avenue SW

By Martha Callard

Catch basins, maintenance holes, junction boxes, sections of storm drain pipe and asphalt-thickened edges are all within the scope of Seattle Public Utilities' upcoming storm drainage improvement project estimated to start this July, with completion date approximately September.

The affected area, approximately 2,600 lineal feet, runs south along 47th Avenue SW from SW 98th Street to the end of 47th Avenue SW, plus approximately 500 feet west along SW 98th Street.

The purpose of the project is to channel runoff stormwater to its discharge point in Puget Sound through a series of drainpipes and ditches. Storm-

water runoff currently "sheetflows" uncollected onto the hillside slopes to the west of the road. The project is designed to prevent erosion and other problems caused by "sheetflows."

Roadway access through the construction site will remain open, although there will be lane reductions and occasional delays during construction hours. Short term noise will result from regrading, paving activities, and other construction activities from about 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For information on this project, contact Bill Benzer at SPU by telephone at (206) 684-7845.

(See map on page 7 for affected location.)

Here's What's Happening On And Around Our Neighborhood Streets

City of Seattle Department of Transportation, Seattle Police Department, Washington State Ferries, and Washington State Department of Transportation published this pamphlet to announce traffic enforcement in the area of the Fauntleroy Ferry Dock. See Gary Dawson's Ferry Advisory Committee report on page 3.

The First Step, the pamphlet...



The next step, distribution to Ferry riders...



The Result



Officer Dean Shirey wrote eight tickets in his first 90 minutes on shift the day SPD enacted their special enforcement efforts on Fauntleroy Way. He says they'll patrol our streets heavily all summer.

Although enforcement is primarily aimed at ferry passengers, the effort is also "educating" local drivers along Fauntleroy Way.

On another transportation front, the **Elliott Bay Water Taxi** and the accompanying **DART shuttle** have been running since early May. New this year, you can take the shuttle to the Water Taxi from Fauntleroy! DART will pick you up at the Kenney Home or the Cat's Eye Café. Phone **1-866-261-DART (3278)** two hours in advance of your desired pickup time and the shuttle will arrive at either of those locations!



The Water Taxi loads at Seacrest Park seven days a week. Full schedule information is available on-line at <http://transit.metrokc.gov>

Ferry Advisory Committee

By Gary Dawson

For many years, residents of Fauntleroy and adjacent neighborhoods have suffered the many effects of thousands of vehicles arriving to and departing from the Fauntleroy Ferry terminal daily.

The most frequent complaint however, is excessive noise and high rates of speed from motorcycles leaving the terminal every morning,

The Fauntleroy Community Association and The Fauntleroy Ferry Advisory Committee have worked with Washington State Ferries, Seattle Police Department, and both the Vashon and Southworth Ferry Advisory Committees representing their respective commuter groups with limited success.

Recently however, Susan Harris of WSF (sharris@wsdot.wa.gov), and Sgt Steve Ameden of SPD Traffic and Motorcycle Division, have been working together to coordinate a more stringent enforcement policy.

On June 16, WSF and SPD started an awareness and enforcement campaign that includes a newly published summer 2004 sailing schedule for Fauntleroy/Vashon/Southworth.

The new schedule, released in the form of a pamphlet, includes a cover photo of SPD motorcycle patrol officers, a list of typical traffic violations, including speeding, and the penalty for violations. For example, 11-15 MPH over = \$132 fine.

The schedule is highlighted by an address to commuters identifying the program and the presence of SPD officers in Fauntleroy for surveillance and enforcement.

Schedules are distributed on WSF terminals and vessels.

Susan and Sgt Ameden deserve our thanks for their efforts in our behalf. Susan can be contacted through WSF web-site, and Sgt Ameden through SPD Traffic Division.

If you see motorcycle patrol officers working our community, stop and tell them thanks. And remember, **don't speed**. You might be the one they stop!

Work Continues on Traffic Woes

The FCA has been working diligently to improve the safety of Fauntleroy Way residents and Lincoln Park visitors using the athletic fields, wading pool and forested trails at the northern end of the park.

In a letter to Megan Hoyt, Pedestrian Safety Engineer with the City of Seattle, the FCA reiterated that the most serious traffic situation is "the evening commute, when the ferry traffic blocks the entire west side of Fauntleroy, [and] off-loading ferry traffic fills the northbound lane [while at the same time,] homeowners and park users are parking on the east side of Fauntleroy Way. This creates a virtually impossible situation for pedestrians to cross Fauntleroy Way into Lincoln Park and makes it difficult for residents to access their driveways."

The City has responded to our earlier requests for making it safer for pedestrians to cross Fauntleroy Way, but their proposals (install curb bulbs, medians, etc.) do not seem to address the heart of the matter.

Installing a crosswalk and a pedestrian-activated crosswalk light at northern Lincoln Park would stop the flow of traffic on an as needed basis, or somehow "pulsing" the ferry traffic to interrupt the steady flow of vehicles would make crossing Fauntleroy Way safer and easier

The FCA has offered to sponsor a community meeting so the City and interested neighbors can explore the best option/s for all concerned. Full text of FCA's letter to Megan Hoyt can be found on our website, www.fauntleroy.net. Click on "Traffic."

Do you have new neighbors? Need something to break the ice and get acquainted? We have just the thing to open the door to new friendships! Deliver an **FCA Welcome Bag!** It is full of information to help ease new neighbors into the community. In it you will find "Who to Call for Help," bus and ferry schedules, news and information on the YMCA, and many other informative publications, including a copy of **Neighbors** newsletter. To pick up your **Welcome Bag**, contact Barbara Burgess at 935-9167 or by email at bburgess@quidnunc.net.

Lincoln Park Annex P-Patch Is Growing

By Cindi Barker

Lincoln Park Annex P-Patch: The 98% completed P-Patch has officially been turned over to the



City of Seattle's P-Patch program, plots have been issued and the gardening has begun! We're still planning a grand opening ceremony for later in the summer, but we didn't want to lose a day of sunshine and so the transition happened as soon as the plots were completed. The Morgan Junction Community owes a great debt of gratitude to the P-Patch Management Team: **Marja van Pietersom, Bob Fernandez, Vlad Oustimovitch, Sandy Lennon and Sebastian Myrick** as well as **all the volunteers** who came out for the past two years. And we have two new volunteers to welcome aboard, **Sandra Whiting and Lisa Wichman** have stepped up to be the P-Patch site coordinators in conjunction with the City P-Patch program. Welcome!

◀ *Lincoln Park Annex P-Patch is growing nicely!*

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Southwest Seattle Featured in Exhibit

By Ron Richardson

History House Museum in Fremont is currently featuring a **Southwest Seattle Exhibit**, covering the area from Alki to White Center, including four displays from Fautleroy. Included in the exhibit are wall displays, videos, computer, and table displays.

The museum staff was delighted with the many responses from Southwest Seattle residents to its request for stories and history about our area. The History House Museum is located at 790 N. 34th Street in Fremont, two blocks south of the troll. Parking is available across the street. The Museum is open 12 to 5, Wednesday through Sunday. There is no charge, but we ask a one dollar donation.

The Exhibit can be viewed through July 31.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

This calendar and FCA's Website publicize events that are solely or primarily of a service nature, organized to enrich or entertain residents, improve the neighborhood, or enlist support for the needy. Submit information at any time to the editor by email to news@fauntleroy.net.

WEST SEATTLE STREET FESTIVAL – July 9, 10, 11. This annual event features 160 vendors, 24 musical performances, and of course favorite festival as well as international foods.

FAUNTLEROY CHILDREN'S CENTER FAMILY PICNIC – Thursday, July 15, 5:30–7:30 p.m. Burgers, hot dogs, chips, etc. \$5/adult, \$3/child on the lower playground.

FAUNTLEROY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING – Second Tuesday of every month, **7 p.m. July 13, August 10, September 14.** in the conference room of the Fauntleroy Schoolhouse. All members are encouraged to attend. Come and meet your board and weigh in on the issues of the day.

SOUTHWEST COMMUNITY CENTER ADDITIONS COMMUNITY MEETING – You are invited to a presentation of the final design and plans for the Southwest Community Center additions project. **Wednesday, July 7, 7–8 P.M.** at Southwest Community Center, 2801 SW Thistle St. For information, contact Toby Ressler, Project Manager at 206 615-1482 or email toby.ressler@seattle.gov

ANNUAL PARKING LOT SALE - Fauntleroy Church will host this perennial bargain-hunter's delight on **Saturday, July 31, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.** Saleable donations gratefully accepted through July 26. Call 932-5600 for details to rent a sale space for yourself or your organization.

SEATTLE NIGHT OUT- Neighborhoods are encouraged to have block party-type gatherings outside on **Tuesday, August 3** from **6 p.m.-10 p.m.** to mark National Night Out, an event designed to show how neighborhoods can join together to prevent crime. Non-arterial streets may be closed off for the evening but require a permit. Apply for a permit on line at www.cityofseattle.net/police or contact the West Seattle Precinct.

MORGAN SUMMER FESTIVAL –Kids' area, five bands, beer garden and The Bubbleman will return to this popular event **Sunday, August 16, noon–5 p.m.** behind the Corner Inn/Beveridge Place Pub.

FAUNTLEROY FALL FESTIVAL –October 17 is the date for the much anticipated event, but **volunteer sign-up is NOW!** To put your name on the list, whether you are able to work for an hour or for the day, call Deb Kerns at 937-6709 or Martin Westerman at 938-3847. We need YOU to help make this event the great success it has been over the past few years.

ONGOING...

Second Sunday

FAUNTLEROY PARK - Weeding parties hosted by Friends of Fauntleroy Park will continue through the winter, weather permitting, on the second Sunday of the month from 1 to 3 p.m. For details, call Karen Farnsworth at **935-5313** or Lula Weatherwax at **938-1567**.

Third Thursday

TRANSPORTATION CONCERNS - The West Seattle Chamber of Commerce transportation committee meets the **third Thursday of the month at 7 a.m.** at the Charleston Street Café at California Ave. S.W. and S.W. Charleston in the Admiral District. For a preview of what's on the monthly agenda, call the Chamber at 932-5685.

First Wednesday

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT COUNCIL Meets monthly at 7:00 p.m. at the President's Boardroom of South Seattle Community College. Please feel free to attend!

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S NOTEPAD

WANT TO GET INVOLVED IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

By President Bruce Butterfield

Sometimes we get requests from new Fauntleroy residents or those who've lived here awhile, saying, "How can I get involved?" It seems this place grows on people. Once we get a taste of what's offered here, some want to "give back," others just want to know what's going on.

If nature attracts you, the Fauntleroy Watershed Council meets the third Wednesday of most months at the church. The watershed and creek run from about 37th Avenue SW and SW Cambridge behind homes on the south side of Barton Street, under Fauntleroy Church's parking lot, to the mouth of the creek next to the ferry dock. We have "fish counter" training at the end of each summer. Counters monitor spawners as they make their way home in late October or mid-November. (Judy, 938-4203 or Sherry, 935-8991)

Have you discovered Cove Park? It is the little park volunteers re-invented from a neglected public access north of the dock. We cleaned like crazy in the nineties and by the end of the decade, had a big and rewarding grand opening with the Mayor, city and county officials, and dozens of proud neighbors. FCA is charged with maintaining the park. We have an annual Spring Clean and other events throughout the year. It's a great place to get your toes wet in the Sound, picnic, or launch a kayak. (Ann, 937-7163)

About a dozen years ago, some parents were fed up with dilapidated playground equipment in Lincoln Park. Don't get in the way of determined mothers and fathers! Soon they were working with the Parks Department, lining up resources, volunteers, and applying their creative energies to the task. Before long, a playground emerged in the south part of the park. Check out the sea serpent story embedded in the walkway!

Speaking of kids' fun, the Fauntleroy Fall Festival started as a way to celebrate families working and playing together. What a way to build community. *Hundreds* of neighbors of all ages enjoy food, games, crafts, more food, big band music, and most of all, each other, at the festival held at the YMCA and the Hall at Fauntleroy. Volunteers are

needed as we plan a third exciting year. (Deb, 937-6709 or Martin, 938-3847)

FCA volunteers hear about great community building ideas but ideas take *people* to make them happen. Whether you want to see the effects of traffic, ferry service, or crime improved, we can help you and you can help us. Every newsletter is filled with stories about initiatives and ideas that started with *one person* wanting to make something better. FCA Board meetings are open to the public, casual, and even fun at times. To see how ideas turn into action, join us at our monthly meetings held the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the conference room just inside the entrance to the Fauntleroy School House. Bring a friend, too, if you'd like. (Bruce,

932-2400)

Speaking of our *NEIGHBORS* (newsletter, that is), it's written, laid out and mailed by those willing to put in just a little time. If you have a flare for writing, editing, or formatting this publication – or you want to learn how, give us a call. The mailing parties only take about an hour when we work together and it's a great way to meet neighbors. (Martha, 932-3236)

Another way to meet folks is to distribute FCA Welcome Bags to someone you know who has recently moved in nearby. You don't even need their name... just delivering a bag (we've already put them together) can make you a new friend. (Barbara, 935-9167)

There's more, too; the Ferry Advisory Committee, Southwest District Council, the Christmas Ship at Lowman Beach in December (can you say "party?") or that odor in the cove during August low tides (yes, we even have a Stench Committed). So, from odd odors to fragrant flowers in a park, to making new friends year-round, call us at the Fauntleroy Community Association if you want MORE from YOUR home community.

STAY INFORMED VISIT OUR WEBSITE

WWW.FAUNTLEROY.NET





'BAG IT!' MAKES A DIFFERENCE

This team from KapKa Cooperative Primary School did the last survey in a year-long study to document pet waste in Fauntleroy Park. In May, 11 students reported to the Fauntleroy Watershed Council that ready access to plastic bags from their milk-jug dispensers appeared to reduce the amount of pet waste sending harmful bacteria from the park into Fauntleroy Creek and cove.

FCA FOOD FESTIVAL AND ANNUAL MEETING REPORT

By Renee Graham

What a great Fauntleroy Food Festival and Annual Meeting we celebrated this Spring! Thank you to all who attended, and a special thank you to the vendors who provided such good food and door prizes. Over 25 new members joined the Fauntleroy Community Association! Your membership lends support to the community and furthers FCA efforts to keep this area all that we want it to be for ourselves and our families.

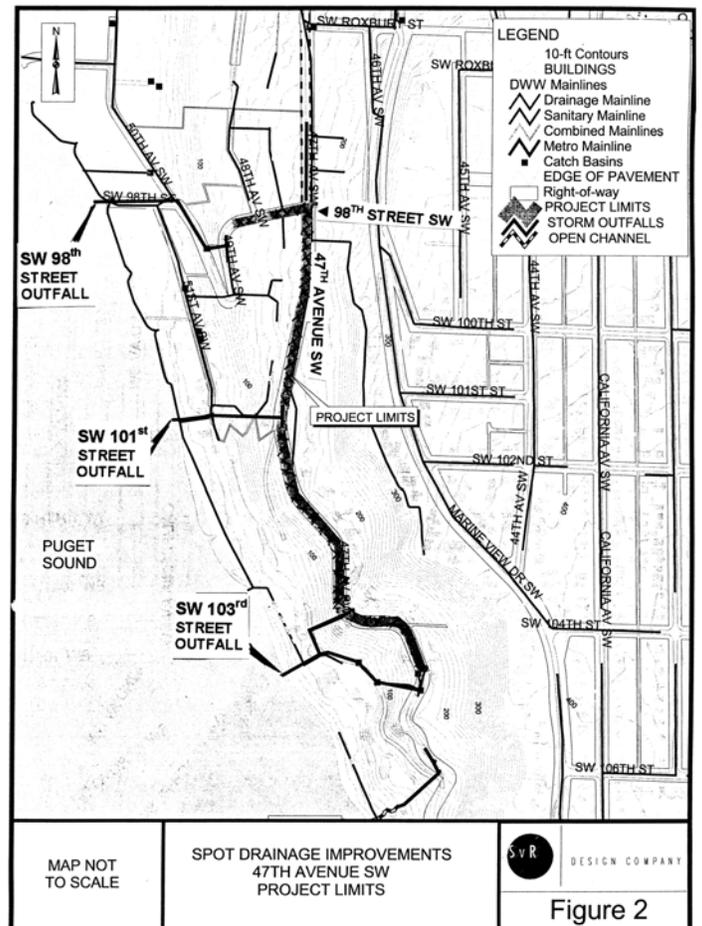
Tuxedos and Tennis Shoes donated the use of The Hall at Fauntleroy and provided delicious food samples. Cat's Eye Café and Bird On A Wire Espresso were new participants, while Original Bakery

On Safari Foods, and Endolyne Joe's came back to enjoy another very successful event. A variety of community organizations provided up-to-date information on their goods and services they offer.

A heartfelt thank you to all vendors, information providers, and the many volunteers who gave their time and energy to make this event a huge success!

Storm Drainage Improvements Map 47th Avenue SW and 98th Street

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⌘ Also on 47th Avenue SW, speed bumps are due sometime this summer. 83% of neighborhood citizens on 47th Avenue SW between SW 98th & SW Brace Pt. approved the request by petition.⌘

Fauntleroy Creek Restoration and SW Cambridge Street Trail Project

Seattle Public Utilities has proposed one additional construction project for the neighborhood. The first phase of the project is scheduled for this summer, it will address two problems, excessive sediment and insufficient coho salmon rearing habitat, along Fauntleroy Creek in Fauntleroy Park and Kilbourne Park.

The second phase is dependent on grants and includes adding 200 to 250 logs to Fauntleroy Creek, adding approximately 4 cubic yards of cobbles to a section of steep eroding creek bank, improving a trail on SW Cambridge Street, and removing invasive plants and native trees and shrubs adjacent to work areas.

Trail improvements will mainly address erosion-related runoff that reaches the creek. The work will be done by EarthCorps, a non-profit international training program for young adults.

Sections of the creek similar to this can easily transport sediment downstream. Work will focus in these areas



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