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FAIRVIEW COMMUNITY PRIDE & DIVERSITY DAY 2006

**DIVERSITY
IS OUR
STRENGTH**

Saturday, July 15th dawned cold and rainy, but even the weather could not dampen Fairview's spirit as the Neighborhood celebrated Fairview Community Pride & Diversity Day, as proclaimed by Mayor Mark Begich.

Ruff L's The Clown.

Congratulations to E Board Member and Neighborhood Plan Committee Chair Allen Kemplen, who received the Annual Fairview Citizenship Award from Senator Ellis, Representative Gara and Mayor Begich.



Guests enjoyed hot dogs, hamburgers, salmon burgers, chips, water, soda, and cake by Let Them Eat Cake! Kudos to our Chefs Extraordinaire from Chap-pie James American Legion Post 34.



It was great to see Assemblyman Allan Tesche out and about! Allan was honored by the Council with a Plaque of Appreciation for his service to Fairview, and was also granted Honorary Lifetime Membership in the Fairview Community Council. Only two persons have been so honored in the past 30 years,



The Neighborhood celebrated the day at it's Annual Fairview Community Block Party, moved indoors at the Fairview Recreation Center due to the rainy weather.

Over 600 residents and guests enjoyed the celebration, with music by DJ Rohan Stevens and face painting and balloon art by



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Tentative Agenda Items : August Membership Meeting

- An Update on the Neighborhood Plan
- Community & Committee Reports
- Community Comments & Concerns

"Treat people as if they are what they ought to be and you will help them become what they are capable of becoming."

Johann Goethe
(1749-1832)

Many thanks to Tesoro Alaska, which recently made a donation of gas cards to the Fairview Community Patrol. The company has a 36 year history of supporting community organizations that strengthen communities, protect the environment, and educate our youth.



FAIRVIEW'S JUNEAU TEAM IN ACTION!

Fairview's Legislative Team, Senator Johnny Ellis & Representative Les Gara, managed to get Fairview's Capital Budget requests included in the State Budget Signed by Governor Murkowski.

The Projects are:

- \$150,000 for the Fairview

Recreation Center

- \$65,000 for the Council's Project at 13th & Gambell
- \$50,000 for improvements to Fairbanks Park
- \$5,000 for books and technology for Fairview Elementary School
- \$3,200 for equipment for the

Fairview Community Patrol Many THANKS to Johnny & Les for working across party lines to get funding for these important Neighborhood Projects.

Thanks also the Assemblyman Allan Tesche, the Mayor and the Anchorage Assembly for getting the ball rolling: TEAMWORK!

MINUTES OF THE JUNE MEETING

Meeting called to order by Presiding Office Sharon Chamard at 7:05 pm.

Following introductions, the agenda was accepted as written.

Secretary's Report: Sharon Chamard:

Because there was no quorum, there was no vote on acceptance of the May 2006 minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Harry Deuber:

Balance Forward 04/14/06 **\$5,030.88**

Deposits

05/11/06 AK USA NHP Plan	\$1,000.00
05/12/06 Diverters:	
Ron Alleva	\$75.00
Dan Frank	\$75.00
Celeste Benson	\$50.00
Paul Kanitz & Birchwood Condos-Clean Up	\$125.00
Ron Alleva-Winter City Membership	\$57.50
Membership Dues	\$3.00
Total Deposits	\$1,385.50
<u>Expenses</u>	
03/15/06 #1042 Darrel Hess-NHP	\$59.90
04/22/06 #1043 Alaska's Best Water	\$31.00
04/22/06 #1044 ACS-Patrol Line	\$19.29
05/06/06 # 1046 Speedy Mail-NHP Mailer	\$341.36
05/06/06 #1050 MOA-Plants	\$375.00
Total Expenses	\$1,126.55
05/12/06 Ending Balance	\$5,289.83

Sharon Chamard reported that Assemblyman Allan Tesche is making a good recovery in hospital, and circulated two get well cards for members to sign.

Guests & Presentations:

Robin Alessi, Kodiak Café

This was a presentation to advise the council of plans to apply for a change in the conditional use for the liquor license at the Kodiak Café from a Beer and Wine license to a full license. The main reason for this is to accommodate a new dinner menu. The facility will continue to be non-smoking. It will be open until 2 am on weekdays and 2:30 am on Friday and Saturday nights. No neighbors have voiced any objec-

tions. Questions from the membership concerned racism in bars and the number of bars in the area. Ms. Alessi reported that the Downtown Community Council has been presented with the plan, and will vote on the change to the conditional use at a special Executive meeting. There was general support for the change in the conditional use; the Presiding Office said she would entertain a sense-of-the-body motion of support, but no member made such a motion.

Doe Anderson, Northwest Parks District Manager:

There will be about 20 youths in Fairview July 11th and 13th to work in the parks on Clean and Green activities-cleaning-painting-and so on. Community volunteers are needed on these days as well. Allen Kemplen asked about the graffiti on the shelter at Fairview Park. It need to be repainted completely.

Dave Lundebly, George Janssen, and Elise Huggins, Merrill Field:

This was a presentation regarding the landscaping plan for the two new hangers soon to be constructed in the general area of the 1400 block of Orca Street. The four-plex that was there has been relocated. The Urban Design Commission will review the plan on July 21st. Elise Huggins from Earthscape showed renderings of the proposed landscaping that will serve as a visual buffer between the hangers and the residential property on the west side of Orca Street. There was discussion about the color selection for the hangers. The FVCC ad hoc committee had chosen white, but the builder has already chosen a more neutral beige color. Allen Kemplen suggested that the committee have a say in color selection. The buildings will be a maximum of 16 feet high. Maintenance of the new landscaping was also briefly discussed/

Allen Kemplen moved, seconded by Claris Syren, that the FVCC support the landscaping design as presented for the sought side hanger (Lot 4-A). There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Allen Kemplen suggested that the presenters return to the FVCC Executive Board with samples of the possible building colors. There was agreement on the idea.

Allen Kemplen, Fairview Neighborhood Plan:

Progress is being made on the NHP. The first three chapters can be viewed on the FVCC website (<http://www.communitycouncils.org>).

Work is in progress on chapters 4 through 6. The APU class project to update the commercial parcel data will be incorporated into the plan. The NHP Committee includes an architect who will illustrate some future design ideas. Winter City concepts, traffic issues, an economic plan, and an overlay zone will be discussed and included in the plan. Some more specific issues and recommendations include;

- The Highway To Highway Connection (The Fairview Parkway)-include green spaces above and alongside the freeway
- West Fairview-more urban/dense
- Gambell Street-"Main Street" for Fairview with two-way traffic
- Merrill Field impacts-flight patterns, noise, accidents
- Pedestrian Safety-provide pedestrian and bicycle grid, Creek-to-Creek connections, and a greenbelt around the urban core
- Karluk Street and the Fairview Parkway will have trails linking to downtown
- Grid to link east/west and north/south connections
- Sports Entertainment District in conjunction with a Sports Complex and Neighborhood Center.

Katsumi Kenaston asked about an arts and market district for Fairview. Allen said this would not be a recommendation in the plan, because both Downtown and Mountain View are developing these sorts of districts. General discussion about a truck route through Fairview focused on the idea of moving forward with the Fairview Parkway Connection to funnel truck traffic on the freeway and out of Fairview and Downtown.

Community & Committee Reports:

Beautification, Harry Deuber

The Flower Patrol's Plant Sale on May 27th was successful and raised about \$1,200. On June 6th, about 1,500 plants were planted in the diverters. "Thank you to the people who donated money for the diverters."

Education, Dale Myhill

The Community BBQ on June 1st at Parkview Manor was a big success. The committee met on May 16th. Issues discussed included a lack of communications among groups (parents, business, community, etc) and an action plan. An ad hoc committee will be formed in July.

MINUTES OF THE JUNE & JULY MEETINGS

Fairview Elementary PTA, Dan Loring

There has been resistance from the school officials about being included. Meetings of the PTA have not been encouraged. Allen Kemplen suggested that Dan write a council resolution regarding concerns with the school over the lack of cooperation with the PTA. The new PTA President is Dorothy Reddick, and Dareth Tolbert is the vice-president.

Fairview Recreation Center, Dave Brossard

Renovations are almost complete and the center will be reopened soon. A container gardening class for ages 12 and older is being planned. At the same times as these classes, there will be games in the gym for younger children. The Volunteer Program for those aged 15-18 will be run at the Spenard Rec Center. The Food Bank of Alaska has set up a mobile food bank at the Fairview Rec Center every second Saturday of the month.

Public Safety, Sharon Chamard

At the last meeting of the committee, the two main topics discussed were loud care stereos and problems with improper use of dumpsters. The committee plans to contact Solid Waste Services and Code Enforcement to work on a possible strategy.

Zoning, Dan Loring

There is little interest in zoning issues. There have been a few new zoning applications and few people attending the committee meetings. Title 21 is being rewritten. Dan Coffey and Debbie Ossiander meet every Wednesday to go over the draft report. Mixed-use zoning would require all buildings in that zone to be mixed-use; this might create problems. The committee meets the first Wednesday of each month.

Sgt. Cindi Stanton, APD

This is her last meeting as she is returning to patrol duty. Prior to making her report, Sharon Chamard that Sgt. Stanton for her services to the Fairview Community. Sgt. Stanton will remain our point of contact until someone else fills the slot of community liaison officer. Dan Loring said that the neighborhood is having graffiti problems. Sgt Stanton encouraged the calling of Graffiti Busters. Dan commented on gang and social problems at Chester Park Estates, and asked if APD is tracking gang and graffiti in Fairview. Sgt. Stanton replied that the Gang Task Force works city-wide and not specifically in Fairview. Dan asked if we can have proactive police work to deal with gangs and graffiti. Sgt. Stanton said that APD is short-staffed. There are difficulties covering all

shifts. There is a high dropout rate at the Police Academy and many officers retiring. Another question concerned cars parked on sidewalks. Sgt. Stanton said the best thing to do is to call APD dispatch with a description of the vehicle; Community Service Officers can respond.

Community Comments & Concerns:

Sharon Chamard reported that she has received a report from Kinney and Associates regarding the 16th Avenue Terrace Study. The FVCC copy was given to Allen Kemplen; other copies are available for viewing at the Anchorage Senior Center and the Fairview Community Recreation Center.

Dan Loring said when we had community policing in the past we had a very visible police force with connections to and knowledge of the neighborhood. Sharon Chamard said that community policing can take many forms. Many of the same police work in Fairview, and they do indeed know the neighborhood and the criminal element here, even if they are not always well-known to other residents. Cindi Stanton said that other neighborhoods have more problems than Fairview, and suggested that residents go on a ride-along with an APD officer. Also, community policing is in the strategic plan for APD when resources allow its implementation.

Old Business:

No Old Business

New Business:

A resolution relating to the fiscal impacts associated with the proposed Knik Arm Crossing was read for the first time.

The Meeting adjourned at 9:07 pm.

Submitted by Harry Deuber and Sharon Chamard

July Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by Presiding Officer Sharon Chamard at 7:06 pm.

Following introductions, the agenda was accepted with an amendment to include Bill Day as a presenter.

Secretary's Report, Sharon Chamard:

Because there was no quorum, there was no vote on acceptance of the May 2006 minutes.

Treasurer's Report, Harry Deuber:

Beginning Balance 5/12/06 \$5,289.83

Deposits

5/22/06	AK Sales and Service NHP	1,000.00
5/22/06	Tim Potter Adopt-a-Garden	200.00
6/5/06	Flower Patrol plant sale	1,238.00
6/5/06	City Electric NHP	500.00
6/5/06	Flower Patrol plant sale	117.00
6/5/06	Mug sales	<u>20.00</u>

Total Deposits \$3,075.00

Expenses

5/18/06	Check #1052	
	ACS Patrol Hotline	19.32
5/19/06	Check #1051	
	AK Best Water – substation	31.00
6/1/06	Check #1047 Sharon Chamard –	
	SOA Non-profit Biennial Report	15.00
6/1/06	Check #105 Sharon Chamard –	
	NHP	64.91
6/5/06	Check #1048 M.O.A. Park rental –	
	Fairview Lions Park	60.00
6/7/06	Check #1045 Dan Loring – Fairview	
	Student Council	100.00
6/12/06	Check #1054 Harry Deuber – Flower	
	Patrol Expenses	217.26
6/13/06	Check #1055 ACS Patrol Hotline	
		<u>19.46</u>

Total Expenses \$526.95

6/14/06 Ending Balance \$7,837.88

Guests and Presentations:

Bill Day, Elmendorf AFB Environmental Public Affairs Office:

This was a presentation about the new F-22 squadron that will soon be deployed at Elmendorf. The planes are now visiting from Langley. The Air Show will be on August 12 and 13, and is now an every-other-year event. The gates open at 8 am. Admission is free. Those wishing to drive their vehicles onto the base must be able to show proof of insurance. The website <http://www.elmendorf.af.mil> has more information.

Community and Committee Reports:

Beautification, Harry Deuber

MINUTES OF THE JULY MEETING

Volunteers are busy doing watering and maintenance of the five diverters and various planters. A large youth group recently did a big clean-up at Fairview Lions and Fairbanks Parks. Planning for safety improvements to Fairbanks Park is underway.

Education, Dale Myhill

There was no June committee meeting. The next meeting will be July 25th at 6 pm at the Gateway Learning Center at 801 Karluk Street. The committee is planning an Education Summit, which would involve the Fairview Community Council, Anchorage School District, Fairview Elementary School and others in the community. The committee is also working on an Education Plan to partner with the Neighborhood Plan. Nine Star will be giving away free kids' books at the Block Party.

Fairview Recreation Center, Dave Brossard

Parks and Recreation is looking at the feasibility of resurrecting programs now defunct because of the closing of the Community Schools program. Things have been quiet at the Rec. Center; there is not much in the way of programs other than Alaska Basketball Development programs which run from 6-10 pm on weeknights and 1-6 pm on the weekends. Amy Danz is leaving the Rec. Center. Her position will be filled in another month or so. The computer lab has been staffed by a volunteer from

Americorps (sponsored by Nine Star). His tour of duty is up; they are trying to find other resources to keep the computer lab open.

Public Safety Committee, Sharon Chamard

The neighborhood has been relatively quiet. Problems with 1244 Hyder Street should soon be resolved. The owner has until mid-September to make improvements to the property or the city will seize it and demolish the building. There was a general discussion about gangs and whether crime is going up in Fairview. One member said he thinks the situation is a "train wreck waiting to happen." He said the community has to get involved because the police can't solve the problem themselves. A representative from the Mental Health Consumer Web said outreach to the street people is important, and we need to bring people back into the community and try to integrate them. Another member agreed, while adding that the street people need to understand that what they are doing in the community is not welcome.

Community Comments and Concerns:

Sharon Chamard reported that funds that benefit Fairview have been allocated in the recently signed state capital budget: \$150,000 for the Fairview Recreation Center, \$65,000 for 13th and Gambell Improvements, \$50,000 for safety improvements to Fairbanks Park, \$5,000 for books and technology for Fairview Elementary

School, and \$3,200 for equipment for the Fairview Community Patrol.

Sharon Chamard reported on plans for the Block Party, scheduled for July 15th. The proclamation is ready, Marc Robinson will be singing the national anthem, the DJ and clown have been booked, the awards have been ordered, the folks from the American Legion will cook, the grill has been arranged, extra picnic tables will be delivered, and donations have been received (from First National Bank, Affordable Used Cars, Bill Webb, Barry's Baranof Lounge, Carrs Gambell, and VF Grace).

Sue Ann Hamilton Bailey commented on how dangerous it is for pedestrians at the Lake Otis and Tudor intersection. She suggested putting up "No right turn on red" signs.

Old Business:

No old business.

New Business:

No new business.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Submitted by Sharon Chamard.

CITY TARGETS GANG VIOLENCE

A citizen's group is recommending a number of strategies to help families which have been touched by gang or youth violence. The Community Youth Violence Gang Response Team released a report Friday with 10 recommendations, including finding alternatives for students who are expelled from school and more ways for young people to be involved in school, sports and church. The recommendations from the 11-member committee are part of Mayor Begich's anti-gang initiative launched in coordination with the Anchorage Police Department a year ago. Mayor Begich also met with several pastors and chiefs from the Polynesian community to talk about ways to stop gang violence in the city. The community group's recommendations are available on-line at www.muni.org. A public hearing is scheduled for 5-7 p.m. Aug. 10 in the Wilda Marston Theatre of Loussac Library

Allan and former Governor Tony Knowles.

Northwest Parks District Manager Barbara "Doe" Anderson was presented with this year's Fairview Beautification Award by Representative Gara, Senator Ellis and Mayor Begich.

FVCC Chair Darrel Hess was surprised by Les and Johnny with a Citation from the Alaska Legislature, in recognition for his community service. Darrel was proud to accept the citation on behalf of the "World Series Caliber Team" that he coaches: The Fairview Community Council.



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Lounge, VF Grace and Bill Webb & Anchorage Markets. Thanks to our in-kind donors: Pepsi Cola, Let Them Eat Cake & Frito Lay. Thanks to Dr. Marc Robinson for the stirring rendition of our National Anthem, and to all of you for attending! See you next year!



AROUND FAIRVIEW!

Celeste Benson Honored:

Mayor Mark Begich recently congratulated Celeste Benson, winner of the 2006 Ron Hammett award for advocacy for Anchorage's seniors. Benson is executive director of Fairview's own Anchorage Senior Center and a long-time active member of the Fairview Community Council. They were joined by Senior Citizens Advisory Commission Chair Anna Bell Stevens.

Fairview Elementary School Staff Win Denali Award:

Congratulations to the Staff of Fairview Elementary School for being selected as the recipients of the Anchorage School District Denali Award for Outstanding Team. This is a well-deserved honor and recognition, not only for the Staff, but also for the School and the Neighborhood! It reflects well on the efforts of the Staff to "raise the bar" at the school, and also on the leadership at the school. "Quyana" from the Fairview community. We appreciate all you do for our children

Fairview's Award-Winning Family:

Adam Kozeal is a 5th grade student at Fairview Elementary School. After being nominated by his teacher, Mary Jean McCall, and writing a short essay describing how the Read 180 reading intervention program allowed him to overcome personal and academic obstacles and improve his school performance, Adam was one of nine students selected in the entire country as a Read 180 All-Star!



He has only been at the school since the beginning of the academic year. In the minority as a Yupik, and with little knowledge of life outside of Alaska, Adam strug-

gled to open up to other students and his teachers. Through reading intervention, Adam began to blossom and learned to read. Adam excitedly states, "I used to have a hard time in school, but now, I like to read! My grades in other classes have gone up as well." Adam says he likes living in Fairview because there are lots of other children to play with.

Adam's mother, Rose Roehl, was just recognized by Carol Comeau for her volunteer efforts at Tyson Elementary. This Mountain View school was named for Rose's father, Chief William Tyson. The whole family recently traveled to Washington, D.C. to see Mark Roehl, Adam's father, receive the 2005 Indian Health Service Director's Award for his work at the Alaska Native Medical Center.

Fairview Community Supper:

The annual Park View Manor Community Barbeque, held June 1st on the corner of 9th and Karluk in the heart of Fairview, Anchorage's Neighborhood of Choice, was another smashing success. The Fairview



Community Coordinator from Nine Star Enterprises coordinated the celebration and Nine Star supplied staff members from its ATAP case management program and Career Development Center as crossing guards for children crossing 9th Avenue for the free pony rides and children's games.



Other staff from Nine Star's Youth Employment and Education Services, Mature Alaskans Seeking Skills Training, and AmeriCorps Members provided face painting and food service. Alaska Housing Finance Corporation supplied a tent and grills and most of the food including hamburgers and hotdogs with all the fixings for the estimated 400 people in attendance. AHFC and Department of Public Services employees cooked and served chips, salad, and drinks. Anchorage Parks and Recreation programmers provided children's games, and the Fairview Recreation Center made room on its parking lot for the pony rides.



Alaska Youth and Family Network staff supplied lively music and gave away dozens of free children's books. It was a wonderful blending of the efforts of the Partners who offer services at Park View Manor's Gateway Learning Center. The weather was beautiful with a slight breeze to keep away any bugs. As always, the best part of the celebration was meeting and visiting with the residents of Park View Manor and their neighbors, because in Fairview, **People make the Difference.**

Senator Johnny Ellis Honored:

Congratulations to Fairview's own Senator Johnny Ellis, who in March received the Legislator of the Year Award for the South-central Region from the National Association of Social Workers Alaska Chapter.

The National Association of Social Workers Alaska Chapter is an organization of professional social workers with close to 500 members in Alaska and 150,000 members in the United States and abroad.

Senator Ellis was recognized for his dedication to raising awareness about human service issues that concern Alaskans. Senator Ellis was proud to receive the award.

SENATOR JOHNNY ELLIS: HONORING THOSE WHO MADE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE

By State Senate Majority Leader Johnny Ellis:

In June Representative Berta Gardner and I visited the Vietnam War Memorial Moving Wall in Eagle River. During our break between special legislative sessions, we wanted to take time to pay tribute to the men and women who gave their lives for their country.

As I looked over the names of



those who did not return from Vietnam and thought of my father who did return from Vietnam; I was reminded of the solemn promise we make to the servicemen and women who do return.

In addition to our respect and gratitude, we owe them the support they need to carry on as productive citizens. They deserve nothing less.

America is not like a blanket-one piece of unbroken cloth. American is more like a quilt-many patches, many pieces, many colors, many sizes, all woven together by a common thread”

Reverend Jesse Jackson

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