



The Fairview Press

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2003: A YEAR OF ACCOMPLISHMENT

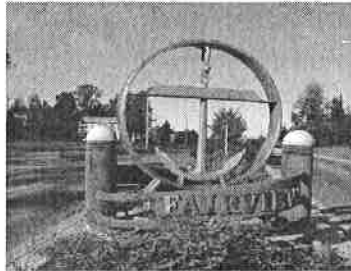
FAIRVIEW COMMUNITY PRIDE DAY CAPS A YEAR OF PROGRESS

Anchorage Assembly Resolution # 2003-291, designating Thursday September 25, 2003 Fairview Community Pride Day in Anchorage, is merely the highpoint in a year of community progress and achievement.

After slumbering through the winter, our community kicked into high gear Saturday March 22nd, with an Emergency Fairview Windstorm Clean Up Day. Dozens of volunteers spent the morning picking up after the spring winds that blew through town with a vengeance. Volunteers picked up enough debris to fill a large roll-away dumpster (and roof a couple of houses).

On Saturday April 26th, more than 100 area residents attended a Meet & Greet for Mayor-Elect Mark Begich at the Fairview Rec Center. The function, just three days after a recount of the recount, gave Mayor-Elect Begich an opportunity to meet Fairview residents and listen to their concerns and expectations.

Fairview's long anticipated Education Summit was held at Fairview Elementary School on Saturday May 3rd. The Summit was well-attended and laid the foundation for further exploration of educational opportunities in our community.



Rain showers could not deter our community's Annual Spring Clean Up Day on Saturday May 10th. Residents picked up enough trash to fill two large roll away dumpsters. Having worked up an appetite cleaning their neighborhood, Fairview Elementary Student Volunteers enjoyed hot dogs, chips and sodas as a reward for their efforts.

Fairview residents and Change Point Church teamed up on Sunday May 25th to Help In The Hood, an afternoon of community projects. Teams worked on several projects that ranged from planting flowers at the Senior Center to cleaning the wrought iron fence at Anchorage Memorial Park.

The Annual Fairview Community Block Party, our celebration of Diversity and Community Pride, took place at Fairview Lions Park on Saturday July 12th. Nearly 1,000 residents, along with honored guests, enjoyed

food, beverages, music and live entertainment! During the program the FVCC presented certificates of appreciation to those organizations and individuals who have made a positive difference in Fairview. The Council also named Senator Johnny Ellis as the recipient of the 1st Annual Fairview Citizenship Award, and Claris Syren received the 2nd Annual Fairview Beautification Award.

Through the hard work of volunteers and the generosity of area businesses, the Harry B. Hanson APD Substation at 1341 Fairbanks Street was completed in early September. An Open House was held the evening of September 24th, followed by a Dedication Ceremony on Thursday September 25th.

Nearly 200 people attended the Ceremony, including many honored guests and members of the Anchorage Police Department. In conjunction with the dedication, the Assembly designated September 25th Fairview Community Pride Day in Anchorage. The Hanson Substation has already made a positive difference in the area around 13th & Gambell.

As we celebrate our community's achievements in 2003, we ponder 2004 and the challenges and opportunities of a new year. **Thanks to all of you who made a difference in 2003.**

**DIVERSITY
IS OUR
STRENGTH**

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Agenda Topics for the November 13th Meeting

- APD Sergeant Joe Masten, the new APD liaison to the FVCC will be introduced and answer member's questions.
- A wrap up report on the Harry B. Hanson APD Substation, at 14th & Fairbanks, including the dedication ceremony.
- New Business & Committee Reports.

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FAIRVIEW PENNY CARNIVAL A TREAT

Over 300 little ghouls & goblins celebrated a fun, warm & safe Halloween at the Fairview Rec Center's Fall Festival Penny Carnival.

Fairview children of all ages enjoyed games, souvenir photos, and of course CANDY from 6 to 8 pm. The Rec Center's Trick-or-Treat alternative proved to be a big hit with our community's children.

A BIG THANKS to the Rec Center

Staff, and all of businesses & volunteers who made the carnival possible!

Special thanks to APD Capt. Tom Nelson, who allowed himself to be "dunked" to raise funds for youth activities.

The Carnival demonstrates once again just how important the Fairview Recreation Center and its staff are to our community!

APD SERGEANT ASSIGNED

In an effort to improve communications between Community Councils and the Anchorage Police Department, APD has assigned a Patrol Sergeant to each Community Council.

Sergeant Joe Masten, a former K9 Officer, has been assigned as liaison to the Fairview Community Council. Sgt Masten has been invited to attend our November 13th council meeting, and answer members questions.

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN
YOUR COMMUNITY BY
JOINING THE FAIRVIEW
COMMUNITY COUNCIL
AND BY REGISTERING
TO VOTE, AND VOTING!**

FAIRVIEW SCORES IN "HEART" NOMINATIONS

Fairview has chalked up two nominations for the 2003 Heart of Anchorage Awards. The Fairview Flower Patrol and Anchorage Memorial Park Cemetery have both been nominated in the Beautification category. Award winners will be announced during a luncheon November 5th at the Hilton Anchorage.

The annual awards are presented by the Anchorage Downtown Partnership and the Municipality of Anchorage. The Heart Awards recognize individuals and businesses for their commitment to im-

proving the quality of life in Anchorage.

The Fairview Flower Patrol is being recognized for its hard work and commitment in making Fairview a more attractive community. The FVCC extends its congratulations and thanks to Harry Deuber, Claris Syren, and all of the members of the Fairview Flower Patrol. This recognition is long over due.

The Council also extends congratulations to Don Hanson and his team at Anchorage Memorial Park for the wonderful landscaping improvements this year.

CARRS GAMBELL REMODEL NEARS COMPLETION

The \$2.5 million interior renovation of the Carrs Store at 1340 Gambell Street is nearing completion. The Bakery, Deli and Produce Departments have been completely revamped, as well as the Customer Service/Video counter. In addition, a Pharmacy waiting area has been added for customer convenience.

Last week s crew from the company's Store Stocking Department finished a product reset, which added over 3,000 items to the store's selection. Several Natural sections were added, including cereals, juices, teas and dinners. The Hispanic food department was expanded to 24', and the selection of gourmet food items was increased.

Store Manager Denise Janson expressed her thanks to the community for their patience during the remodel & reset. Denise and her crew are extremely

proud of their "new look" and expanded product selection.



In a recent interview Denise noted: "We are so happy to be able to offer Fairview's residents the first class shopping experience that they deserve. Our store, like our customers, is second to none!"

Congratulations to Denise and her entire team!

The Fairview Community Council

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7. At-Large-Denise Janson
8. At-Large-Noel Rea
9. At-Large-Daretha Tolbert

ZONING COMMITTEE

Fairview Community Council President Darrel Hess has disbanded the Council's Zoning Committee, effective Saturday November 1, 2003. Effective that date zoning issues will be handled by the Council's Executive Board.

Darrel noted that "Zoning is one of the most important issues facing our community, and the Council through its Executive Board should put a greater emphasis on zoning issues".