

FAIRVIEW CEMETERY PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION

P. O. BOX 5958

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87502

NEWSLETTER

April 2011

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**Annual Workday & Annual Meeting!
Saturday, May 14th, 9:00 a.m.**

**Please join us and bring your ideas for the
cemetery--New Blood and New Ideas Solicited!**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Saturday, May 14th, has been set for 2011's **Annual Spring Cleanup and Annual Meeting**. Please, put this date on you calendar now! We'll begin at 9 a.m. Bring your yard tools—rakes, leaf rakes, shovels, pruners—with your name on them. Trash bags will be provided. Even if you're not physically able to do the yard work, we want you there for the fellowship, the potluck luncheon and the Annual Meeting at the Odd Fellows Hall on Cerrillos, adjacent to and just south of Fairview. Association members will be at the Odd Fellows Hall at 9 a.m. to receive your potluck offerings, hot or cold, salad, main dish or dessert. Soft drinks, paper plates and eating utensils will be provided.

As stated in the previous newsletter, a committee of board members Rhonda Paynter, David Mason, John Barker and Jean Eddy has been appointed to develop and prioritize both short term and long term goals for Fairview. We hope to have a report from this committee at the Annual Meeting. We have also discussed at length the need for diversification and "new blood" on the board. Most of us are in the "Social Security" era of our lives—some have been in this status for many years!—and we need more young people to bring fresh ideas to the table and to insure the preservation of Fairview for years to come. Our Nominating Committee consists of Stephen Hughes, David Mason, and Ron & Jean Ball, all of whose telephone numbers are listed on this newsletter. They would be glad to hear from anyone who has suggestions for board members (three of whose 3-year terms are expiring). Because of major health problems, a new treasurer and a new president are required.

Because of the extremely dry winter and spring, and despite several nights of hard freezes just last week, we've taken a chance and turned on the irrigation system at the cemetery. Some breaks in the lines occurred during the winter but are being repaired so that we can get much-needed water to the trees and shrubs. Although some of the new trees are leafing out and blossoming, it is still too early to tell how many didn't make it through the winter. We should know by workday.

And, as always...

Our members have two ways to contribute financially to Fairview. (1) We continue to need your donations to our **maintenance** efforts and checks may be sent to our PO Box above, made out to "Fairview Cemetery Preservation Association," or (2) Add to our **endowment** by sending checks written to the Santa Fe Community Foundation annotated "Fairview Cemetery Endowment," and send to:

Santa Fe Community Foundation
PO Box 1827
Santa Fe NM 87504.

Stocks and securities may also be sent to our endowment at the Community Foundation.

Fairview's "residents" 100 years ago, from the *New Mexican*

April 5, 1911. *Leo Hersch* [dc Feb 2, 1920 at age 51], *the well-known merchant, has entered the list of benzene buggy enthusiasts and will have a new E.M.F. car here in a few days.* [Leo Hersch was a prominent businessman whose father Joseph, also buried at Fairview, had arrived in Santa Fe in 1847. In 1907, Leo was building a "pretty modern cottage" on the southwest corner of Washington and Marcy streets. In 1911, the number of E.M.F. cars assembled was second only to Ford, but the firm lasted only from 1909-1912 and was taken over by Studebaker]

December 27, 1910. *Governor Mills has ordered the Mounted Police to enforce the Sunday closing laws as to saloons in Santa Fe. Mayor [Arthur] Seligman* [dc Sep 1933 at age 62] *has served due warning upon every saloon keeper and if any saloon is open tomorrow, there will be a sequel after next Sunday in which the Mounted Police will play a part.*

August 31, 1910. *Crossing an arroyo near Nambe yesterday, Hon. T.B. Catron [Thomas Benton Catron dc 1921 at age 80] was thrown out of his carriage....He picked himself up smiling, however, unhurt by the accident. This is the third similar accident he has experienced since he was 60 years of age.*

Recent Burials.

Esther M. Nutter died on 18 December 2010 at age 91 and was buried in the Nutter Family plot alongside her husband Daniel Nutter Jr. who died in 1996.

Lifetime New Mexican **Margaret Jane Smith Livingston** died 16 January 2010 at age 78 and was buried with her sister Virginia Smith Guthrie.

Native Santa Fean, Living Treasure, and longtime supporter of Fairview Cemetery, **Laughlin Barker** died 9 February 2011 at age 89. He is survived by his wife Rene and many children and grandchildren, including son John Barker who is a member of Fairview's Board of Directors. He was interred with the other generations of Laughlins and Barkers in the family plot.

UNMARKED GRAVE? Approximately 1,500 of the 3,500 graves at Fairview remain unmarked! We will coordinate marking graves with flat granite headstones with a text including name, dates of birth and death, and a short sentiment of 2-3 words. Albuquerque Monument has recently almost doubled the prices for these headstones, and the standard size of 12" x 24" now costs us \$500, including installation, which is still considerably below the retail price. Call Erik Mason (505) 982-1258 to make arrangements for these stones. And remember, Fairview now again permits installation of upright headstones, one of the great visual delights of the cemetery.

Contributions to the Fairview Endowment Fund at the Santa Fe Community Foundation (4th Qtr 2010)

David Howard
Tom L Moore
Martin F. Nolan
Abe Silver

Contributions to Fairview's Maintenance Fund (Dec 2010 – Mar 2011)

Tark Cook	In memory of Mary B. Cook
Sharon VanderSys Mason	In memory of Bill Mason
Helen Myers	In memory of the Comstock Family
Burton & Betty Kahn	In memory of Benedict Kahn
George Donoho Bayless	In memory of Marian Meyer
Victor R. Ortega	In memory of George & Frances Cross
George Broome	In memory of Tom, Keith & Edith Barnette Broome
Janet Guarini	In honor of Edna & John and Clara & Paul Walter
Kay Lewis	In memory of Dorothy & Enos Strawn
Jean Eddy	In memory of John N. Eddy
Alice Bullick	In memory of the Marsh Family
Martha Maxwell	In memory of Robert & Lynette Maxwell
Joyce Martin	In memory of Marian Meyer
Nancy Jean Wahl	In memory of Artur C. Wahl
Henry & Peggy Pick	In memory of Laughlin Barker
Stephen E. Watkins	In memory of Laughlin Barker
M/M Thomas Catron III	In memory of Laughlin Barker and Stephen E. Catron
M/M George C de Baca	In memory of Laughlin Barker
Alexa C de Baca	In memory of Laughlin Barker

Jim & Laverta Moore
Cerrillos Lodge #19 AF & AM
Rev & Mrs Taylor McConnell
Marcia Muth & Jody Ellis
Laughlin & Rene Barker Family Fund
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Many, many thanks to all of the above!

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