

NEWSLETTER

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AMADO SUMMERS ACCEPTS UNPRECEDENTED FOURTH TERM, NEW DIRECTOR IS ERIK MASON - OTHER OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS REMAIN THE SAME

TOM FRANK DONATES ALL THE CAPSTONES AROUND HANNA MAUSOLEUM FOR HISTORIC OLD FENCE RENOVATION

COUNTY IS PAVING FAIRVIEW ROADS WITH COLD MILLINGS

BEAUTIFUL NEW GRASS IN SECTION E; THREE RED MAPLE TREES PLANTED

TWO HICKOX LOTS SOLD TO NANCY THORNTON DESCENDANTS; GOV. THORNTON LOTS SPOKEN FOR; DANNEVIK LOT SOLD; TWO COMPTON-LUCHINI LOTS AVAILABLE

ANONYMOUS DONOR OF \$1000 WAS ARTHUR WALTER FLOERSHEIM ESTATE

TOTAL \$1192.00 IN DONATIONS - THANK YOU

HEADSTONE INSTALLED ON BABY BEARD GRAVE

**INTERMENTS: GALLEGOS, MARKOWITZ, MARES, HUGHES, AND HOOVER
COUNTY BURIALS: RUTHANN VARNEY, MAIDA RODRIGUEZ, BENNY CHAVEZ**

OFFICERS REMAIN SAME; ONE NEW DIRECTOR

In late summer Amado Summers decided he hadn't quite finished the job he had started. He decided to accept the presidency again--the first time anyone has ever served four years. As the grass started coming up beautifully green and even on the newly planted area in Section E, he said he hoped to see the rest of that area looking just as good in another year or two. Of course the board members are pleased to work with him again.

Taylor McConnell, Catherine Thayer and Marian Meyer remain as Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, respectively. Remaining on the board with another year to serve are Andrew Gonzales, Kathy Roberts Gonzales, John Knick and Bob Lawrence. Re-elected to two year terms are Janice Matthews and Marian Karlson, who had been appointed to fill the vacancy left when Joe Roberts moved. We thank John Adams for his past service to the board. Our new board member is Erik Mason, whose father and brother are buried at Fairview. Erik is a fine gardener who has already answered some questions we had about the cemetery. Welcome to everyone, whether you're an old hand or new to Fairview's work.

SECTION E LOOKING BEAUTIFUL-3 MAPLE TREES PLANTED

With Amado directing the work, caretaker Vince Franco rotilled, raked, smoothed and planted a large section of Section E. It is a perfect example of how a fall lawn should be planted. The seed germinates very well in the cool fall weather if it is never allowed to dry out. It was watered 3 to four times each day and we were fortunate to have perfect growing weather for the first month it needed to set a good root system. Since the water was turned off the middle of October, Vince stretched many hoses to the frost-free faucet near the house and we have continued to water til the present time.

Section E is located between two sections where indigents have been buried by the County since 1978. They have never been given any care and have become an uncared for Potter's Field. We have always wanted to do something about it, so we hope our next project (aside from the fence restoration) will be planting grass on the remainder of Section E and at least part of the indigent sections.

We have some good and bad news on our trees. A total of seven of our young trees were inadvertently killed when the weed eater cord got too close while the trimming of grass was being done a year ago. The cambium layer was

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girdled and during the winter the trees died. We are just sick about it, but we will slowly replace them. We planted three beautiful maples this summer—one near the entrance and two along the middle road. Some of our trees were two and three years old, so these new replacements are bigger than we usually buy. They cost more, but we wanted to make up for some of those lost growing years.

HANNA CAPSTONES GIVEN TO US BY TOM FRANK OF THE HANNA FAMILY

After discovering the capstones around the Hanna plot, we wrote to Tom Frank in San Diego about the possibility of his donating them to us. He very kindly did and his note to us is quoted in our letters section. We thank him very much for his generosity. We think there are between 80 and 100 capstones surrounding the Hanna Mausoleum. Originally they served as a curbing along the Hanna plot, but in years past the grass overgrew them. At the Spring Clean-up Catherine Thayer and Bob Lawrence discovered them and using a shovel and pick, traced them from beginning to end, estimating the number. If there are as many as 100, that is a third of what we need to refurbish the fence. These can be put near the entrance and we can use the swimming pool tile we mentioned in an earlier newsletter for the remainder of the fence. It takes three pool tile to equal one capstone. Of course, we must determine if the many years in the ground have caused any deterioration. We rather doubt it because the capstones are highly glazed and do not absorb moisture easily. In the spring we will probably start digging them up.

FENCE FUND GROWING - HISTORIC RESTORATION STILL PLANNED FOR 1995

The Fence Fund now totals \$8392.00, which includes the sale of all lots in the last two years. That total is \$3000. The other \$5000 plus has been in donations large and small. It seems that Marian keeps having to make excuses for not getting started on the estimates, (wrought iron, brickwork, etc.) for the fence. She intended to have some of that done late this summer, but things keep happening beyond her control. In September her husband Lee had a heart attack, so that was the end of Fairview projects for the summer. Fortunately, Lee is fine. Through the miracles of modern medicine, Streptokinase dissolved the clot causing the heart attack, so no damage was done. Marian and Lee are back to normal, but the fence will have to wait til spring. If you are planning a year-end gift to Fairview, you may wish to earmark it for the Fence Fund.

COUNTY OFFICIALS DECIDE TO PAVE CEMETERY ROADS - PROJECT IS ABOUT ONE-FOURTH DONE

At the September board meeting, Amado appointed Marian Karlson as Roads Chairwoman, with the hope that we might be able to work with the County in getting some basecourse laid on the roads. There are times after heavy rains or snow when the roads are so muddy they are all but impassable, so thought maybe we could get some help.

The County had absolutely no gravel or basecourse (it is very expensive), but they called to ask if we would want pavement of cold millings laid down. We happened to be familiar with it because Marian's country road had been paved with it this summer. It is the stuff shaved off highways when they are getting ready to repave. It is laid down cold and then rolled. We figured it might solve our mud problem, so told the County to proceed. There is one-half mile of road at Fairview and they have done about a fourth of that so far. We are not sure what the delay is, but we hope the rest gets done before the snow falls. So far the back road and part of the middle road are laid but not rolled and leveled. We'll keep you posted.

THREE OF OUR LOTS SOLD; PART OR ALL OF GOV. THORNTON LOTS SPOKEN FOR; TWO LOTS AVAILABLE

When 102 year-old Mrs. Alice Mares died, her family bought the Dannevik plot given to us several months ago. The two Hickox lots have been purchased by Rosina and Harold Thomas. Rosina is Marian Karlson's daughter and the great-granddaughter of Nancy Thornton. The lots were spoken for from the beginning because they are adjacent to the Nancy Thornton plot. The four Gov. Thornton lots may be spoken for, but we must do some trenching there. One or both Compton-Luchini lots are available, \$700 each. The money from all lot sales goes into the Fence Fund.

ONE MORE HEADSTONE INSTALLED ON OLD GRAVE

When the six headstones were installed this summer, there was a seventh, but we had a small problem to resolve on it. It was finally done and was for Earl Eugene Beard, baby son of old-timer Earl Beard and brother of Joe Beard. The 11 month- old baby died in 1927. While meeting with the elder Mr. Beard, we had a good visit and learned a lot about old Santa Fe.

\$1192 IN CONTRIBUTIONS SINCE SEPTEMBER

Our sincere thanks to the 19 donors who gave a total of \$1192 to our maintenance fund. This is the lifeblood of our Association. We appreciate each of your contributions, large and small. They were in amounts ranging from \$10 to \$200.

Antink, Josephine
Baird, W. A.
Ball, Jean*
Benedetti, Julia A.*
Bennett, Howard, M. D.
Brown, Lois*
Duran, Jr., Gilbert
Dwyer, Sister Marie**
Egenhofer, Mrs. A. W.**
Frank, Thomas W.

Garrand, Josephine Zucal
Hawkins, Robert*
Hillyer, John & Perle
Ley, Delfina & Happy
Peck, M/M James L.
Santheson, Maree
Seth, Jean & Oliver
Walter, M/M Carl M.
White, Mrs. Gladys K.

*MEMORIALS

We apologize to Mrs. Lois Brown for not listing her summer donation in memory of her parents, Dr. & Mrs. Wallace Livingston, in the September newsletter. Other memorials were to Dr. A. W. Egenhofer from Jean Ball; to Max and Modena Goodman from Julia A. Benedetti; Dorothy Scott from Robert Hawkins.

**FENCE FUND

Mrs. A. W. Egenhofer
Sister Marie Denise Dwyer

\$1000 ANONYMOUS GIFT IN LAST NEWSLETTER WAS FROM ARTHUR WALTER FLOERSHEIM ESTATE

When the Arthur Walter Floersheim Estate was finally settled, the Personal Representative decided that recognition should be given to Mr. Floersheim for the \$1000 anonymous gift in the last newsletter. This editor agrees. He was a gentle, quiet man who had a great feeling for Fairview and visited it regularly. We got to know him and his concerns when the grass was not properly watered or cut. He was never critical, simply concerned. So thank you to the late Arthur Walter Floersheim.

INTERMENTS SINCE LAST SEPTEMBER

We mistakenly omitted listing a burial last May. It was the ashes of Patrick Edward Gallegos, 33, who was buried with his grandmother, ~~Cona~~ *Cona*.

Alice Mares, who died at 102, was buried in Section B, where her family bought the lot given to us by the Dannevik family. She was pianist for Co-Nik-Ta-Ha Sunday School Class at St. John's United Methodist Church for many years. Her husband, Edward, who died in 1949, is also buried at Fairview.

The ashes of Marvin Markowitz, of New York, were brought to Fairview by his wife Julia and interred with her relatives, Delia McKenzie and Margaret Abrams.

Antony Hughes of El Paso, was buried next to his father, Levi A. Hughes, Jr.. His grandfather was Levi Allen Hughes, called "Santa Fe's Foremost Citizen" by *The New Mexican* in 1934.

Norma Louise Wright Hoover, 86, was buried next to her parents, Edward R. and Eleanor Wright. Mrs. Hoover worked for the N. M. State Health Department and served from 1947 to 1949 as a representative in the New Mexico Legislature.

Santa Fe County buried **Malda Rodriguez** and her 3 year-old grandson, **Benny Chavez**, following their accidental deaths after being struck by a car while crossing St. Francis Drive. The County also buried **Ruthann Varney**, a longtime resident of both Colorado and Santa Fe.

VISITS AND REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

We are always glad to get calls from descendants of those buried at Fairview because frequently we get good information back. As many of you know, Marian continues (albeit slowly at the present) to research the tenants at Fairview and Oddfellows Cemeteries for her next book, to be titled *Who Was Who in Santa Fe*. We heard from Esther Lemmon of Hanford, CA, who is a niece of Fairview tenants James and Margaret Porter. Their daughter Annie Porter was well known to anyone who did business with Santa Fe Builders and Supply Company. Annie Porter was ahead of her time. Before Women's Lib became a household word, Annie was a power at Sanbusco. Marian once heard a prominent local businessman say that if you didn't get Annie Porter's approval, you didn't get credit at Sanbusco. That was quite a statement to make in the 1940's and 50's. When she has time, Marian plans to look up the obituaries for Annie's parents which Mrs. Lemmon does not have.

A visitor of interest recently was Lucy Dix of South Carolina, descendant of the Angus MacGillivray and the Charles Easley families. She was pleased to get some information she did not have and will send us photo copies of some of the old-timers in her family.

LETTERS FROM YOU TO OUR ASSOCIATION IN 1994 - THANK YOU FOR WRITING

As we began doing sometime ago, we are devoting our historical sketch space in our December newsletter to letters from you.

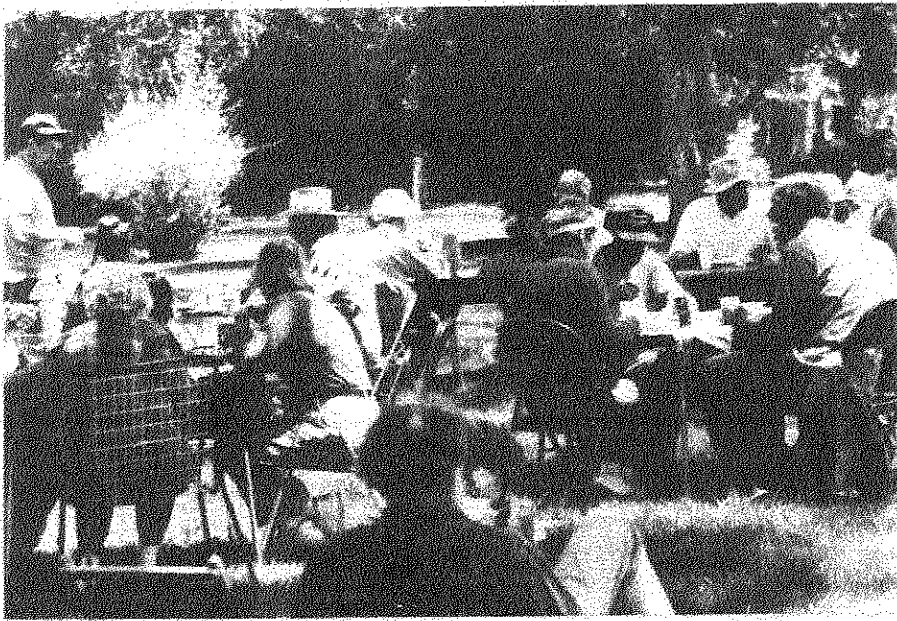
Tom Frank of the Hanna Family, wrote from San Diego: Yes, of course, the Preservation Association may dig up the brick capstones in the Hanna plot at Fairview...I have enclosed a check to cover the cost of reseeding the grass after recovering the capstones is completed...Thank you for the information about the Association. It is certainly reassuring that you take such kind and considerate interest in Fairview.

From Howard A. Bennett, M.D., Bartlesville OK: Thanks for your newsletter report on Fairview Cemetery. Your excellent stewardship is greatly appreciated...Best regards to you fine "caretakers."

With a check to us, Sister Marie Denise Dwyer wrote offering to give us any empty plots her family might still have at Fairview. (There are none, but we appreciate the offer).

Lores Candelario, widow of the famed late photographer, John Candelario, has been corresponding with Marian for the past year, exchanging information and memorabilia. In one of her many notes, Lores writes: *Your interest and dedication in obtaining and preserving historical information is to be commended... Thank you again for your time and interest.*

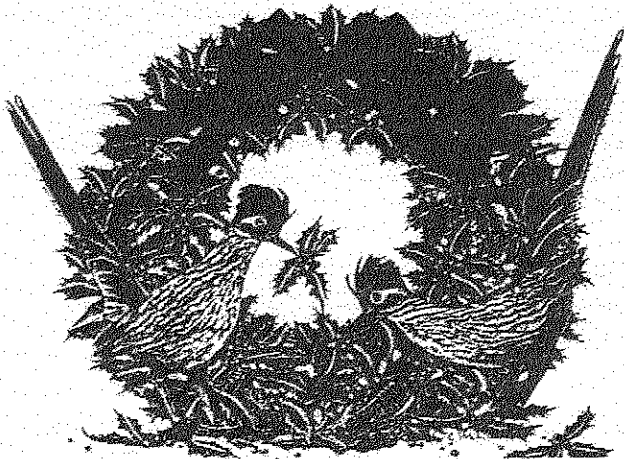
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CAMARADARIE AT THE SPRING CLEAN-UP - Left, several tables of our workers relax and enjoy lunch following the Spring Clean-up. Right, young Kaitlin Gonzales, daughter of Becky and Andy Gonzales, works with an arrangement of flowers. Kaitlin has a number of relatives buried at Fairview, including two great-grandfathers - Adolph Seligman and Demosthenes Legits, and a great-grandmother, Carmen Legits.

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