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NEW LEADERSHIP AT FAIRVIEW CEMETERY



Michael Mulligan

Meet Michael Mulligan, the new president of the Fairview Cemetery Preservation Association. As you will see from his letter below, he has been a busy man since his election at the FCPA membership meeting last May. Mr. Mulligan recently concluded a career in NM state government, where he served in several state agencies, including as a grants manager, executive manager and chief financial officer. He also worked for a national association in Washington, D.C. and was an intern in the Washington office of U.S. Senator Jeff Bingaman. Mr. Mulligan attended graduate school classes in public administration at the University of New Mexico, earned a bachelor's degree from Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, AZ, and graduated from Cibola High School in Albuquerque. He spent his childhood on the Navajo Indian Reservation, Mr. Mulligan's interest in Fairview Cemetery stems in part from his membership in the local Montezuma Lodge of Masons and his deep interest in preserving the historic legacy of Santa Fe. He lives in La Cienega outside of Santa Fe and enjoys skiing, hiking, camping, power boating, traveling and collecting Native American art and antique tractors.

A MESSAGE FROM NEW FCPA PRESIDENT MICHAEL MULLIGAN

It's been a fairly, but not overly, busy year at the Fairview Cemetery since I was tapped to serve as president of the Fairview Cemetery Preservation Association. Thanks to David Mason for carrying the torch for many years and for agreeing to serve as vice president.

In all, we completed several clean-up projects over the summer, removing old lumber and telephone poles and taking them to the dump. We also relocated two piles of dirt and woodchips, graded irregular terrain near the new fence separating Fairview from the NM School for the Deaf and cut out and removed nearly 25 old metal water spigots that were part of the old and inactive irrigation system



The NM School for the Deaf replaced the fence along the northern boundary of Fairview, giving the FCPA an opportunity to remove dead shrubbery and improve landscaping along the fenceline.

As in previous years, cremains and full-casket burials continued at Fairview Cemetery in 2016. In addition, all of the cemetery's records were moved from the Mason family residence to the Montezuma Masonic Lodge, located next to the Scottish Rite Temple off of Paseo de Peralta. The Lodge was kind enough to donate secure space for the records, along with room to research and manage the records in a climate controlled, indoor environment.

I also have begun drafting policies and procedures to document and govern Fairview's processes to ensure transparency and consistency in management practices. Current draft documents cover burials, sale of plots, gravemarkers, rental of the residence, and financial management. These will be presented to the board for review and comment at the next meeting.

Of primary concern for the FCPA is the need of help in fundraising. Although we currently enjoy fairly healthy account balances, the maintenance and repair needs listed below will impact the association's finances. Members' assistance in identifying and developing new donors and additional sources of funding would be greatly appreciated. Please contact me if you are interested in serving in this initiative or can assist in any way. My email address is: mmulligan01@yahoo.com.

Progress is being made, but more work remains to manage and improve the cemetery in 2017. Please consider assisting in any way that you can, whether that means serving on the board, donating your time, making a financial contribution or all of the above! Thank you, and we look forward to seeing and working with you and to a successful 2017.

Here's Michael's project wish list for 2017

- ◆ Repair or replace windows in the historic cottage that once served as the caretaker's house but now is rented out to defray maintenance costs. The process has begun for required approval by the City of Santa Fe's Historic Review Board.
- ◆ Remove dead trees and trim dead branches in live trees. This will be done in stages to limit costs and ensure that no damage is done to headstones by falling limbs.
- ◆ Plant new trees to enhance the aesthetics of the cemetery. This should be done now given the time needed to grow mature trees and the declining health of the existing trees.
- ◆ Make repairs to the old adobe storage building behind the cottage. The stucco needs repairing, the dirt floor is highly permeable and should be replaced by cement, the base of the walls has been penetrated by rodents and repairs are needed to shore up the foundation..
- ◆ Replace the metal storage shed for cottage rental. The shed is in disrepair, is dented and may be leaking.
- ◆ Possible purchase of a new or used tractor, which is needed to prepare cremains burial sties, finish work for other burials and other miscellaneous dirt and landscaping work. David Mason has generously loaned his tractor to the cemetery for several years.

Editor's note: Individual contributions to the FCPA were substantial in late 2015 and early 2016, largely due to gifts in memory of two past FCPA presidents—Amado Chaves Summers Jr. and Erik J. Mason. Amado's obituary was featured in the last newsletter. Following is Erik's:



ERIK J. MASON (OCT. 27, 1940 - JAN. 5, 2016) a New Mexico native, Santa Fe Living Treasure and a beloved brother, uncle, cousin and friend, died Jan. 5, 2016, at his home after lengthy illnesses. He was 75. Erik served as president of the Fairview Cemetery Preservation Association for seven years. He was buried in Fairview on May 22.

When honored as a Living Treasure in 2014, Erik was noted as having a "profound sense of fairness and justice pursuing his life's mission of helping, supporting, and advocating for those in need." Among his passions were: ending homelessness (St. Elizabeth's Shelter and the Interfaith Community Shelter); immigration rights (Santa Fe's immigration task force, Los Amigos del Parque advocacy program; No More Deaths in the southern Arizona desert and Border Links); advocating for peace (Veterans for Peace and as an accompanier to threatened human rights and religious leaders in Columbia through the National Presbyterian Peace Fellowship); and ending hunger and poverty (Food for Santa Fe, organizer of Crop Walk.) Other passions included playing bridge, gardening (Santa Fe Iris Society) and playing in several church bell choirs.

Erik returned to his family home in Santa Fe in 1983 after retiring from the U.S. Army as a lieutenant colonel. His numerous military awards included The Soldiers Medal, the highest award for non-combat bravery for rescuing accident victims while stationed at the U.S. Embassy in La Paz, Bolivia.

Among Erik's survivors are brother David Mason, another past president of the FCPA, and sister Kathy (K.C.) Mason, current FCPA board secretary and newsletter editor. One niece, Eileen Mason Gornall, also serves on the FCPA board.

Other Recent Burials

- ◆ Marilyn Adams, 89, of Santa Fe, died May 3, 2015, and interred at Fairview June 16, 2016. As a volunteer tour guide, Fairview was one of her favorite places to visit, according to her daughter, April Adams.
- ◆ Ramona Genevieve Romero Janecek, 83, of Sombrillo, NM, died Oct. 5, 2016, and interred in the family plot in Fairview Oct. 11, 2016. Her family says her life was her family and she was the glue that kept the family together.
- ◆ Thomas Williams Frank, 85, of San Diego, CA, died Dec. 10, 2015, and interred in the Hanna Mausoleum in Fairview in March. The grandson of Santa Fe businessman Thomas Hanna, Mr. Frank spent his early childhood in Santa Fe but never realized his dream of retiring to the "city different." (See Fairview Factoid on the next page for more information on the Hanna family history)
- ◆ Marilyn Francis Craig, 76, of Lake Havasu City, AZ, died Aug. 20, 2016, and interred at Fairview on Oct. 27, 2016. Fairview records show she purchased the plot for herself in 1975 to be net to that of her parents, Roy and Frances Craig
- ◆ Earnestine "Tine" Lawrence, 80, of Santa Fe, died Oct. 22, 2016 and was interred in Fairview on Nov. 6, 2016. Her latee husband, Robert Lawrence, was one of the original Tuskegee Airman, the first all-black flying unit in American military history and another past president of the FCPA. died next to that of her parents, Roy and Frances Craig.

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History at Fairview

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

March 18, 1916: For the second time within a week, the people of Santa Fe today paid a last tribute to a distinguished son. Two days following the impressive last rites for the late **Maj. Rufus J. Palen** [dc 1916 at age 73] the body of his close friend, the late ex-governor **William T. Thornton** [dc 1916 at age 73] was laid in the grave in the same cemetery and many of the same prominent citizens stood as the escort of honor.

July 25, 1916: **Arthur Seligman** [dc 1933 at age 62] chairman of the Santa Fe County road board, is now making a "drive" for the \$1,000 necessary for the board to raise, under an agreement with State Engineer **James A. French** [dc 1926 at age 60] in connection with the reconstruction and resurfacing of the Camino Real between here and La Bajada hill. When completed, the road will be in excellent shape and a delight to motorists making the trip between Santa Fe and Albuquerque.

Sept. 13, 1916: Headline: Judge **W.H. Pope** is Dead; End Came in Atlanta, GA. Body will be brought here for funeral to be held in this city on next Saturday. State Sustains a Great Loss.

William H Pope [dc 1916 at age 46] for the past four years, U.S. District Judge of New Mexico and formerly associate and chief judge of the Territorial Supreme Court, died of pernicious anemia at 3:30 o'clock this morning in Atlanta where he had been staying since a batter part of June.

Fairview History Comes to Life

The inaugural performance of **Fairview Cemetery Tales** was held on Friday, April 22, at the Woman's Club of Santa Fe. The event was the brain child of FCPA board member Evelyn McClure, who got the Women's Club on board and found a director in Kathi Collins, who in turn recruited a talented group of actors to play the roles of several Fairview "residents." Among them were:

- ◆ Former Santa Fe Mayor **Ralph Twitchell** [dc 1925 at age 67], who wrote numerous volumes of history of Santa Fe and New Mexico
- ◆ **Anna Mugler** [dc 1927 at age 70] whose millinery shop on the plaza was one of the first businesses in Santa Fe to be run by a woman.
- ◆ Architect **Willard Kruger** [dc 1984 at age 74] whose designs were used in the development of Los Alamos while the atomic bomb was being developed and the New Mexico state capitol (aka "The Roundhouse").
- ◆ **Mary Parsons** [dc 1921 at age 88], a pioneer African American woman in Santa Fe who helped nurse soldiers at the Civil War battlefield at Glorieta Pass.
- ◆ **Judge Wilson Parker** [dc 1932 at age 72] who was appointed Interior Secretary by President Warren Harding and whose downfall was the Teapot Dome Scandal.

Plans are under way for another Cemetery Tales in the spring of 2017.

The same organizers want to do it again with a new group of "residents." Scripts already are being written. Stay tuned for details!



Left: John Adams, financial advisor to the FCPA, took on the persona of Ralph Twitchell to narrate the evening's performances.



Right: FCPA board member Evelyn McClure and director Kathi Collins show off period dress during the afterglow reception.

FAIRVIEW FACTOID

The Hanna Mausoleum is one of three in Santa Fe's historic Fairview Cemetery. It is dated 1929, the year Belle Hall Hanna died. It presumably was erected by her sons, businessman Thomas Hanna (1881-1951) and lawyer Richard H. Hanna, on the lot she had purchased in 1908. According to the Fairview Cemetery records, the mausoleum contains the remains of Belle Hanna, Thomas Hanna and his wife, Willetta R. Hanna (c. 1885-1937), as well as Belle's husband, Isaac Bird Hanna (1857-1905), who also is commemorated by an earlier headstone nearby. Belle Hanna was a founding member of the Santa Fe Women's Board of Trade, which helped establish and maintain Fairview in the late 1800s. The Hanna sons also became prominent New Mexico citizens-- Thomas as a merchant and Richard as a lawyer and Supreme Court justice.

The family opened the mausoleum last March to place the remains of Thomas and Willetta's grandson, Tom Williams Frank. According to his daughter, Gretchen Frank, Tom spent his early childhood in Santa Fe where he enjoyed tramping in the hills with his shotgun looking for jack rabbits.

Gretchen said her father was especially close to his grandmother, Willetta. After she died in 1937, Tom's mother, Belle Frank, relocated to California where his father was stationed during World War II and Tom was enrolled in a military academy/boarding school. Although Tom never again lived in Santa Fe, the family chose to make Fairview his final resting place.

The FCPA wishes to thank April Adams and Veronica Cordova for arranging for a group of Girl Scouts to help with our annual cemetery clean-up in May. They were kept busy clearing dirt and debris from markers and helping fill holes that had been abandoned by rodents.

Progress continues to be made on the placement of headstones on unmarked graves. One new marker of note was for Britta Astrid Elizabeth Wetzel, a countess of Bethusy-huc in East Germany (now Poland). She married an American after World War II and died in Santa Fe in 1955 at age 28.

Several classes from the Santa Fe University of Art and Design have made use of Fairview's historic character and charm to shoot scenes for student-made movies. The students are always careful to respect the gravesites and clean up after themselves when they are done. And then there's this email from Arlyn Nathan, who teaches a typography class at the same school. His class took a field trip to Fairview in October as part of his lesson on letters. He writes: "The class trip was successful. The graveyard looks well maintained, even more so than it has in the past. The students were saddened by the number of babies, but they took some lovely rubbings. Thank you so much for your assistance"

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