FAIRVIEW CEMETERY PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION P. O. BOX 5958 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87502

NEWSLETTER

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FUNDING CAMPAIGN FOR CEMETERY RENOVATION NETS \$64,000 BUT NOT YET COMPLETED \$11,000 STILL NEEDED IN DONATIONS

Primarily through the fundraising efforts of Association members Ike Kalangis and David Matthews, to whom we are all extremely grateful, and to the very generous gifts from these and other members, we have raised all but \$11,000 of the \$75,000 we need to raise to pay for the Restoration Project. The project was well underway, with some of the trees planted and much of the drip irrigation installed, when a record-breaking two feet of snow just after Christmas brought all of Santa Fe to a screeching halt, blanketing the cemetery and making it impossible to continue the work. Santa Fe has continued to be blessed by, thankfully much smaller, snowfalls since then, but the snows and the freezing temperatures have also prevented completion of the landscaping project. It will be completed by Spring! and we eagerly look forward to the budding and blooming of all of the new trees lining Fairview's roadways.

It would be wonderful if we were able to raise, through your donations, this final \$11,000 before the final bills are due this Spring. If we are unable to raise this amount, it will be necessary to tap into our trust funds, which we have not been required to draw upon since the horrendous \$35,000 water bill four years ago. You can contribute to the Restoration Fund by sending checks written to the Santa Fe Community Foundation, annotated "Fairview Cemetery Restoration Fund" The address is

Santa Fe Community Foundation PO Box 1827 Santa Fe NM 87504

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Late last year, Fairview received yet another very large donation from the "anonymous" benefactor who has so generously supported us in the past with very large gifts that have enabled us to build the information kiosk, renovate the wall, and remove dead trees. In accordance with the wishes of the donor, this last gift of almost \$25,000 in stock was placed in the "use-interest-only" portion of our trust fund, moving us closer to our goal of becoming self-sufficient with enough income to pay for the basic maintenance costs of the cemetery. Wouldn't it be great if these newsletters didn't always have to include your President begging!

But my begging does produce results! Your very generous donations in December and January have provided us with a healthy checking account balance that will insure our ability to maintain the cemetery at the current level for the immediate future and perhaps even fund part of the other work that needs to be done. We have obtained, for example, a \$19,000 estimate on grading and surfacing all of Fairview's roads, which

badly needed work even before they were excavated to install the new drip-irrigation system. You can help us fund this necessary work by sending donations to Fairview Cemetery to the Post Office box on the letterhead.

As you will recall, some years ago the generous donations from our members funded a renovation of Fairview's historic, brick & wrought iron wall along Cerrillos Road, built well over 100 years ago. The renovation included fabrication of new gates to match the beautiful "carriage" gate, re-installed at Fairview when the downtown cemetery and its burials were moved in order to build the Scottish Rite Cathedral. Unfortunately, at the end of January I received a telephone call from our caretaker that there was an SUV suspended on top of the wall near the vehicle gates! Two of the 8-foot wrought-iron sections were badly damaged, along with about 15 feet of the brick and capstone base, but luckily we are insured (with a \$500 deductible). Repairs are in progress.

Saturday, May 19th, has been set for 2007's Annual Workday and Annual Meeting. Put it on your calendar now!

Fairview's Families. Lots of "characters" at Fairview! Last Fall we received an interesting letter (with a wonderful donation!) from John W. "Jack" Broome of Oregon, whose father Bertram C. Broome was buried at Fairview in September 1941. Jack writes that his father "was an old-time cowboy, worked as a surveyor on the Elephant Butte Dam, worked on the Hurst Ranch in old Mexico, and was a bullion conductor before he landed a job as a cartographer with the NM State Highway Department. He learned Hopi and Navajo and Spanish, was an interpreter in the Courts, and was a good friend of Governor Baca."

I've received some very interesting information from descendents of our historic, and related, Hurst & Gold families, among the earliest of our influential Jewish families in Santa Fe. I've done some research of my own, to add to that already done by Marian Meyer, but it will have to wait for a future newsletter.

Recent Burials.

Juana Vivian Romero Naranjo died at age 90 on 10 December 2006 and was buried next to her husband Gaspar Naranjo who died in 1973. Born in Llano Quemado in Taos County, Vivian attended the Allison James Presbyterian Boarding School in Santa Fe from 1929-1936 and was a very active and much beloved member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church.

The perpetual blanket of snow over the frozen grounds at the cemetery since Christmas has prevented any other burials from taking place. Readers of the "Contributions" section at the end of this newsletter will note, however, donations in memory of Dorothy Strawn, a long-time friend of and generous donor to Fairview.

UNMARKED GRAVE? 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 The larger standard size of 12" x 24" costs \$350; the smaller 8" x 16" stone costs \$250, including installation. 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. Although Albuquerque Monument twice increased the cost of their stones in 2006, we will continue to coordinate the placing of the flat headstones for the same prices quoted above.

Contributions to the Renovation Fund (Nov/Dec 2006) A total of 35 of our

members have now contributed to the Renovation Fund!

Frances M. Jockle Dorothy D. Grosvenor Wesley Swope
Louann C. Jordan Jeane Ann Thornburg Thomas B. Catron III
Martin F. Nolan George D. Bayless Martha L Maxwell
Albert H. Clancy George B. Broome Thomas B. Wiley
James Koch

Contributions to the Fairview Endowment Fund at the Santa Fe Community Foundation thus far (thru December 2006)

Erik Mason Joanne Legits Frances M. Jockle Stephen G. Hughes David & Iana Mason Ike Kalangis Albert H. Clancy Lucy Dix Ted A. Smith

Ernest & Marian Karlson Maria E. Naranjo John F. Brinckerhoff

Wonderful Contributions Since November Newsletter (thru Jan 2007)!

Christine G. Simpson

Karen Mason Hilgenkamp

Victor R. Ortega

In memory of James and Mattie Simpson

In gratitude to her brother, Erik Mason

In memory of George and Frances Cross

Jean Livingston In memory of Dr. & Mrs. Wallace H Livingston

Fabian Chavez Jr. In memory of Coral Jeanne Chavez

Mrs. Marybelle Foster In memory of Lillian, Harper & Kathryn Duncan & others

Lilyan M. Moix In memory of Barby Robertson
Mary G. Boykin In memory of Juana V. Naranjo
Gaspar & Elizabeth Naranjo
Tark Cook In memory of Mary Brownlee Cook

Brigid Stoeckel In memory of Katherine and Betty Zook
Burt & Betty Ann Kahn In memory of Benedict Kahn
Betty Fletcher Mast In memory of Grace & E.P. Moore
Julie McGowan In memory of Dorothy Strawn

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The Noble Family In memory of Dorothy Strawn
Jean & Harvey Armus In memory of Dorothy Strawn
Mark & Janet Krause In memory of Dorothy Strawn

Jeane Thornburg In memory of Sam Thornburg & Cynthia Thornburg Johnson

George Donoho Bayless In memory of Lee Meyer
Paul B & Ann L Mossman In memory of Lee Meyer
John & Lois Sherman In memory of Lee Meyer

Robert W. Bowman

In memory of Harry S., Bertha C. & Robert D. Bowman

Mr & Mrs Thomas B. Catron III In memory of Stephen Ellis Catron and Lee Meyer, and in

Kitty P. Nesbit honor of Marian Meyer
Conchita Lopez

Ernest & Marian Karlson

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