

Fairview Cemetery Preservation Association

P.O. Box 5958

Newsletter

Santa Fe NM 87502

Spring 2012

Much to do.... Much to talk about

Please plan on attending the FCPA's annual spring meeting and workday, **Saturday May 5**. We'll work on sprucing up the grounds from 9 to 12, then have a potluck lunch and meeting at the Odd Fellows Hall just south of the cemetery. Bring the children/grandchildren and take a history tour. Invite any history buffs you know. Much of the Protestant and Jewish history of Santa Fe is told among the headstones of this historic site. New board members and officers will be elected during the meeting, which is open to anyone desiring to attend. The all-volunteer board needs YOUR help to preserve this treasure for all of Santa Fe and New Mexico.

FAIRVIEW FACTOID

Did you know?

Three New Mexico governors: are buried at Fairview: **William T. Thornton** (1893-1897); **Miguel Antonio Otero** (1897-1906); **Arthur Seligman** (1931-1933) and acting governor **Dr. Benjamin Morris Thomas** (1889). [Thomas is the great-grandfather of FCPA board member Forrest Thomas.]



Prairie Dog Barrier Wall

With help from a special fund-raising letter, the FCPA received about half the estimated \$60,000 needed to build a concrete wall, extending four feet below ground and three feet above, along the western border of the cemetery. The picture to the left shows a portion of the fence that will be replaced in an attempt to stop the extensive damage that prairie dogs are doing to the cemetery. It is hoped that once new prairie dogs are prevented from migrating into the cemetery, the existing animals can be removed and we'll finally have a solution to this ongoing problem. Donations to the barrier wall are still being sought. (See page 3 of this newsletter). The more money that comes in for the barrier fund, the less will have to be taken from our savings. (See page 2 for a list of donors to the barrier fund.)

History at Fairview

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

Jan. 13, 1912: **Otis Seligman** [dc March 1943 at age 45, the son of **Gov. Arthur Seligman** dc 1933 at age 62] *assisted by John K.S. Walter* [dc 1987 at age 89], *has manufactured an aeroplane of the glider type and the two boys yesterday tried out the machine successfully. It is large and strong enough to carry one of the boys. The flying machine was on exhibition yesterday to the envy and marvel of other boys.* [There are 3 generations of Seligmans and 3 generations of the Walter family buried at Fairview. Descendants of both families are members of the FCPA..]

Feb. 12, 1912: **Angus MacGillivray** [dc 1917 at age 61] *is erecting a 12-room bungalow in Santa Fe. It will be ready for occupancy about the first of April. The cost of his residence will be about \$12,000. August Reingardt* [dc 1937 at age 84] *is the contractor and builder.*

NOTE: The "bungalow" still stands as the "Victorian" at 644 Don Gaspar, now the law offices of the Berardinelli family. Fairview Board of Directors member Lucy Dix comments: "Angus was my grandfather and the woman he married, **Julia Ethel Easley** [dc 1915 at age 32] was a musician. Angus built her a ballroom on the top floor so that she could play the piano and people could dance. The amount of money for the home was quite a lot for the year 1912."

Feb. 19, 1912: *The confirmation of William H. Pope* [dc 1916 at age 46] *as U.S. district judge for New Mexico was recommended by the Senate Committee.... Judge Pope was on the bench in the Philippines when President Taft was governor general of the islands and later served as judge and chief justice of New Mexico. The contest over the office brought out numerous charges that the committee investigated, all of them of a flimsy nature.*

For more on Fairview, its history and association activities, visit our new website (still under construction) at:
www.fairviewcemeterysantafe.org



A big FCPA thanks to all the following contributors to the Prairie Dog Barrier Fund. This is the most critical of the cemetery's needs, but new board members and volunteers are a close second.

In memory of Gordon & Gladys Street Doll And Charles E. Doll

Carolyn S. Austin

In memory of Marian Meyer

George D. Bayless

In memory of Martha Barnes Morgan

Debi M. Edwards

In memory of Guy Watson

Karen Klinefelter

In memory of Harold & Maxine Milligan

James H. Milligan

In Memory of Chaves & Summers Family

Mr. & Mrs Amado Chaves

Others

Ronald and Jean Ball

Barker Properties

Dr. & Mrs. Charles Boatright

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas B. Catron (2)

Albert & Elizabeth Clancy

Mr. & Mrs. Fred DeCastro

Louann C. Jordan

Ike & Suzanne Kalangis

Thee Keros & Katherine Hertz

Mr. & Mrs. William H. Kersting

Bruce & Cynthia Kohl

Alexandra Kolkmeier

Marcia Muth Miller & Jody Ellis

Margaret Brunk

John Bloom

Blair Cooper

Tark Cook

Lucy Dix

Wilmer Easley

Jean Eddy

Eleanor A. Gossen

Frances Jockle

Louann C. Jordan

Conchita Lopez David Mason

Erik Mason

Martha L. Maxwell

Lynn Miller

Helen Myers

Maria Naranjo

Virginia T. Nydes

James L. Peck

Henry Pick William S. Pick

William Sauter

Mrs. Jean Seth

Ted A. Smith

Consuelo Sproul

John L. Stump

James B. Taylor

Mary Martha Weigle

Mary Wahl

Nancy Wahl

Sandra Taylor

Steven F. Tucker

Kristaan Villela

Ingrid Vollnhoffer

**Contributions to the Fairview Endowment
Fund through 4th Quarter 2011**

David Howard
Abe Silver

Frances M. Jockle
Ted Smith
Eugene Still

**Contributions to Fairview's Maintenance Fund
(Oct.-2011-Mar. 2012)**

In memory of Laughlin Barker

Ike Kalangis

In memory of the Comstock family

Helen Myers

In gratitude of Erik Mason

Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Hilgenkamp

In memory of John and Lydia Stump

John L. Stump

In memory of Spitz/Gardesky Families

Gretchen Klein

In memory of Carolyn Berleth & her son

Patricia L. Witthauer

In memory of Lynette Maxwell

Ronald Dean Simmons

In memory of Sam Pauley

Stephen Wasser

In memory of Lowell Chambers, Eve Wientge,

Leo & Charlotte Manker and

Anastacia & Anna Mugler

Charles Chambers

Others

Barker Properties

Tim Burch

Kathy Mason

David Mason

Chris Candelario

Venus & Robert Stafford

Wilmer Easley

Joseph Petrano

Dorothy A. Brylinski

James Peck



**3 ways to support
Fairview Financially**

—Maintenance Fund: Please mail checks to PO Box 5958, Santa Fe, NM, 87502, made out to “Fairview Cemetery Preservation Association.”

—Endowment Fund: Checks written to “Santa Fe Community Foundation” should be annotated “Fairview Cemetery Endowment” and mailed 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.

Interest from the endowment also helps to fund maintenance expenses.

—The Prairie Dog Barrier Fund.

Checks written to the FCPA Prairie Dog Barrier Fund should be mailed to the Association at PO Box 5958.

Burials and Markers

While there have been no recent burials at Fairview, the Association is making progress in identifying, and possibly acquiring, hundreds of plots that may be available for sale at some point in the future. We hope to have more information on this project in time for the fall newsletter.

An estimated 1,500 of the 3,500 graves at Fairview remain unmarked. Unfortunately, the monument company through which the Association obtained a small discount for markers has closed its doors, and a new resource has not been located. Both flat and upright headstones are allowed at Fairview



Help us go green!!

While we still are willing to send a hard copy of the newsletter to those who specifically ask for it, we want to transition as many of our faithful supporters as possible to receive the newsletter via email. More valuable information about Fairview and the FCPA can be found at our new website: www.fairviewcemeterysantafe.org.

If you would like to receive the newsletter via email please send your email address to: kcmason@q.com. Otherwise, you will continue to receive a hard copy of the newsletter via snail mail.

Newsletter editor: Kathy (K.C.) Mason

720-371-0126

**FAIRVIEW CEMETERY PRESERVATION ASSN.
P.O. Box 5958
SANTA FE, NM 87502**

Board of Directors

Officers:

President: David Mason
505-988-2551

Vice President: Jo Bloom
575-382-0722

Treasurer: Cynthia Kohl
505-982-4125

Secretary: Blair Cooper
505-988-2314

Historian/Burials: Erik Mason
505-982-1258

Members:

John Barker

John Bloom

Fletcher Catron

Lucy Dix

Jean Eddy

Stephen Hughes

Raymond Kersting

Leveo Sanchez

Forrest Thomas