

May 2002

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**21st SPRING CLEAN-UP AND POTLUCK LUNCHEON  
SATURDAY, MAY 18 AT IOOF HALL, 9:30 AM—ELECTION OF  
OFFICERS FOLLOWS—COME IF YOU CAN**

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE  
THANK YOU TO ALL DONORS TO THE MOWER**

**WARNING--CITY WATER ALERT—STAGE THREE**

**CARETAKER BRETT TAKES ON TACO BELL  
BRETT ALSO BUSY WITH SEVERAL PROJECTS**

**WE HAVE A DUMPSTER NOW!**

**INTERMENT: MRS ESTHER NUSBAUM  
ORDER TOMBSTONES AT CLOSE TO COST**

**WE THANK YOU FOR A TOTAL OF \$4325.00 IN DONATIONS**

***THIS IS OUR 21<sup>st</sup> SPRING CLEAN-UP AND THE 18<sup>th</sup>  
POTLUCK LUNCHEON***

We hope you will join us. If you are past the age or inclination to do yard work, just come, visit and stay for lunch. It is Saturday, May 18, 9:30 am, with lunch at noon at the Odd Fellows Hall adjacent to Fairview. The annual meeting and election of officers will follow.

Luncheon Chairperson this year is again Joan Stotts with Marian Karlson assisting. She and her helpers will be there at 9:30 a.m. to take your food. Bring a hot or cold dish—salad, main dish or dessert. Joni says last year we had an over-abundance of desserts and salads; she would like a few more main dishes this year. (KFC chicken is popular and easy). Soft drinks, paper plates, and eating utensils will be provided. We could use another hand in the kitchen for the first hour or so. If anyone wants to help or has questions, call Joni, 471-2758.

Bring tools with your name on them. We always need more leaf rakes, particularly this year because the

lawns were not mulched in the fall by a mower as in past years and we still have an abundance of dead leaves. Trash bags will be in a box at the entrance.

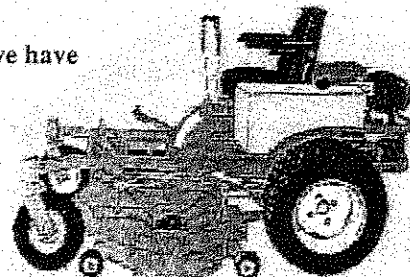
**MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT BRAD THOMAS**

It is that time of year again. Spring is here and we are gearing up for summer. The water is turned on and I hope we can use enough of it to keep Fairview alive. I want to thank all of you who sent donations for the mower. We have looked at several, studied brochures, and will come to a decision soon. We hope to demonstrate it to you on Clean-up Day. I just hope we will be able to grow enough grass to cut. Pray for rain.

**MOWER**

This is similar to what we have in mind. It will be a 48" deck, ZTR (zero turn radius).

**BRAD**



## DROUGHT IS ACUTE: STAGE THREE ACTIVATED

Our water situation is extremely serious. The city announced last week that we are going to Stage 3 watering, which is ONE DAY A WEEK. This will barely keep the grass alive. Last year we were at Stage 2, which is watering 3 days a week. If possible, our caretaker Brett is going to rig up a barrel to catch rainwater from roof-runoff. We still have our 55 gallon barrel which Gil Fincke retrofitted in 1986 to water small trees in the winter. He put a hose spigot on the barrel so a hose could be attached. He kept it in his truck bed, but of course filled it with a hose from a faucet. We may try keeping the barrel on our garden cart under the rainspout and wheel it around. This is a new metal, four-wheeled cart which will hold 1100 pounds. We could use it for trees at risk, IF we get any rain. Pray for rain or do a rain dance—we need every bit of help we can get.

Other rules of the Stage 3 Alert state that no planting is to be done: no trees, grass, *absolutely nothing*. This week there was an argument in the newspaper that said trees could be planted. We will keep watching. We had planned to apply Weed and Feed the first thing this spring. Several board members came to the same conclusion even before we discussed it. Fertilizer needs to be watered heavily after application or it will burn the grass, so the conclusion is that it should not be done this year. BE WARNED—This means the dandelions are going to be *terrible*. But there is nothing we can do except abide by the rules and hope our beautiful cemetery does not go down the tube.

## BRETT TAKES ON TACO BELL

Our new caretaker quickly discovered something we've known for years. Approximately 90% of our trash is generated by Taco Bell across the street. The wind picks it up at their dumpster and swirls it back across the street into the cemetery. Several years ago we asked the manager to control it better and things improved for a time—(probably until he was transferred.) It was likely inertia and lack of time that we didn't follow up on it, but Brett is a take charge guy. After talking to the board, he called the corporate office. It filtered down locally and the manager met with Brett. What we wanted was for them to keep their dumpster closed or put a wire covering over it. Neither of those were acceptable, but he said they would send an employee over every Monday morning to pick up the trash! They do a pretty good job, but Marian was at Fairview on Thursday, talking and following Brett around while he picked up more trash. There was quite a bit since Monday. But we figured it was a battle nicely, if only partly won. Thanks, Brett.

## BRETT TACKLES OTHER PROJECTS

Brett spent part of the winter redoing our newsletter list. The one Marian had been using was set up for her by Computerland in 1987. Now on her third computer, she found the list and labels would no longer merge. A couple of

board members with computer smarts jerry rigged it for a couple of years. Brett re-did it completely and now it is correct and up to date. But with well over 400 names on the list, there may still be a glitch or two. If you have one, let Marian know. Thanks again, Brett.

## NEW EQUIPMENT

In the years during the changeovers from one County caretaker to another and during the actual transfer of the cemetery to us, some of our tools disappeared. We inventoried them every year and all had the cemetery name on them, but these things happen. We now have a new shovel, rake, hoe, etc.. Brett has been busy putting together some other new and badly needed equipment. The items "needed some assembly," including the garden cart, a wheelbarrow and a small gas-powered mower.

## LOCATOR BOOK IN KIOSK TO BE REDONE

We had hoped to do a new copy of the locator book in the kiosk this winter or spring, but there wasn't time. Joni did get a copy of the disk it was on, but she had to reconfigure the disk to an Excel program to work on our computers. A number of visitors to the cemetery have made corrections and additions in the pages of the book. Also, someone ripped out all the pages from SL to V from the book. The board decided to try to have a metal cover made to protect the book from the elements and if we can afford it, we would like to have the pages encased in plastic. We have another copy of the list and we will try to put it in the present (warped) cover, until we can get a new cover and a corrected list done.

The information windows above the locator book apparently were attacked with rocks. They are break resistant, but are badly damaged. When we have them replaced, we will use Lexan, which we understand is stronger. It had to have been done in the daytime, because the gate is locked at night.

## DUMPSTER GREAT ADDITON

The new dumpster was also Brett's idea. Pickup of plastic garbage bags at the curb has long been a hit or miss affair and this solves the problem. It costs the same as the bag pickup charge, but we do have to pay when we call them to come empty it. It is 6 cubic feet and costs \$38.00, but we doubt it will have to be done more than 3 times a year. It will be wonderful for the clean-up.

## NEW SEWER LINE IS NECESSARY

We had to have the sewer rootered out twice in 2001 and early this year Brett had a really nasty emergency. It was eleven o'clock on a Saturday night when the toilet overflowed with no warning. What a mess! After three tries, Brett finally found a plumber who would come out. He got it unplugged, but said we should have a camera run through the old pipe to find out it's condition. It was totally deteriorated, made of the old Orangeburg composition pipe

which was only used for a few years because it wasn't durable. We don't know when it was installed, but more than likely it was after the addition was made to the house in 1948, because Orangeburg wasn't made until the 1950's. It cost us a whopping \$2500.00, but the board had no choice. We're hoping we have no more failures of *anything* for a long time.

#### HERSCH FAMILY VISITS

Two great-granddaughters of Rosalie and Joseph Hersch came with their families this spring. Marian dug out the poster from the 1984 Centennial to put on the Hersch plot, and had a little more information. They already had most of it from when their parents came about 20 years ago and Marian met them at the archives. They visited the Jewish Pioneer exhibit at the Museum of New Mexico. Joseph Hersch was the wealthiest man in New Mexico in the last part of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. At the time of his death in 1902 he had a suit pending with the U. S. government for \$10,000.00 for Indian depredations which wiped out an entire wagon train. We enjoyed meeting the family.

#### CONTRIBUTIONS WERE \$4325

We thank each of the generous donors of this wonderful amount. 22 contributions ranged from \$10.00 to \$800.00 for a total of \$4325, OVER HALF THE COST OF THE MOWER. A good number of these were earmarked for it, and we talked to some of the donors in the December newsletter and they said we could use theirs for the mower also. Whether large or small, we appreciate every cent you send us. Donations were as follows:

Barker, Rene & Laughlin	Miller, Kajean
Barth, Alfred	Montezuma Lodge
Brinkerhoff, John	Naranjo, Maria & Juana
Alice Marsh Bullick*	Ortega, Victor
Catron, June Ellis	Pick, Henry
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Fletcher, Betty*	Silver, Marian & Abe
Kahn, Burton	Stamm, Allen
Kalangis, Ike*	Stevens, Betty Jeanne*
Matthews, Janice	Wiley, Tom
McConnell, Taylor & June	Wright, Barbara*
Meyer, Marian*	

#### MEMORIALS\*

From Alice Marsh Bullick to the Marsh Family; June Ellis Catron to her son, Stephen Ellis Catron; from Lucy Dix to M/M Angus McGillivray; from Betty Moore Fletcher to her parents, E. L. & Grace Moore; from Ike Kalangis and Marian Meyer in Memory of Esther Nusbaum; from Heidi Remy to her mother, Aileen Harms; from Betty Jeanne Stephens to her grandmother, Jennie Cantelou. We want to mention that Montezuma Lodge gave us another generous

contribution of \$1500.00. They have always been a solid rock for us to lean on. Thanks.

We mention the subject of memorials in the newsletter from time to time. If your family loses a loved one, it can help the cemetery immensely if memorials are directed to Fairview in lieu of flowers.

#### ONLY ONE INTERMENT

The ashes of Esther Nusbaum were interred next to her husband in the Nusbaum plot. She was 99. She is the mother of Janice Matthews, our former president and longtime board member. Mrs. Nusbaum was the generous lady who gave \$10,000.00 of Bank of America stock to our Association two years ago. We are grateful and send our condolences to the family

#### TIME TO ORDER A HEADSTONE FOR THAT OLD (OR NEW) GRAVE

Every summer we make an offer to mark graves at a price close to cost. They are plain gray granite, with text including name, dates and a sentiment if wanted. We had a price increase this past year. A small 8" x 16" costs \$155 and standard size 12"x 24" is \$340. This includes installation and a mileage fee from Albuquerque. Call Marian Meyer, 982-5635.

#### FOUR GENERATIONS OF LAUGHLIN-BARKERS

Born in Illinois, Napoleon B. Laughlin fought in the Civil War, then graduated from the University of Missouri with a law degree. Joining five other men, he prospected for silver at Cripple Creek, Colorado. At Cerrillos, NM, he ran out of money and walked to Santa Fe with 50 cents in his pocket.

Katie Kimbrough came from Dallas in 1882 as his bride. Katie 's English ancestors were among the earliest settlers of Virginia. President Cleveland appointed Laughlin to the New Mexico Territorial Supreme Court in 1894 and he served as a delegate to the Constitutional Convention for statehood. They had two daughters, Helen and Ruth. Their home was at the corner of East De Vargas and Don Gaspar, where the State Library stood for years.

Ruth graduated from Santa Fe High School in 1905 along with Henry Dendahl, James Harvey and Ernest Slaughter. Well traveled, Ruth studied in Europe and worked on archaeological sites in Guatemala with Edgar L. Hewett and Sylvanus Morley. She married William Barker, and later, Dr. Henry S. A. Alexander. She is best known for her historical novel, *The Wind Leaves No Shadow*.

The four generations buried at Fairview are N. B. Laughlin, Ruth Laughlin Alexander, Bonnie Marshall, and Laughlin McClatchey Barker

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**COME TO THE CLEAN-UP**  
**SATURDAY, May 18, 9:30 a.m.**