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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

It's September again, and that means Fairmount is gearing up to show Fort Worth why we are the best neighborhood the city has. Committees are coming together right now to address the issues we all face.

Whether it is working with the city to ensure proper code enforcement or prepping the renovation of Fairmount Park, the neighborhood is busy.

As president of the association, I urge everyone to take time to volunteer to help improve Fairmount. If there is something you feel needs to be addressed, please let myself or any board member know. We are always looking for new challenges and people to take those challenges on. I firmly believe that we have been so successful because our members roll up their sleeves and help each other.

This year we need our members to help each other even more as the city cuts its budget. As less city services are provided, it will fall to neighborhoods to try to meet those needs.

The recent school supply drive for the Daggett Middle School Language Center is just one example of our neighborhood's ability to reach out and provide assistance where it is needed. We will continue to sponsor the language center and find new ways to support our local schools and the students who attend them. The FNA is better suited than many other organizations to find areas of need within neighborhood borders and address them quickly.

Finally, I hope you take the time to attend some of the activities we have this month. You can find many of these events listed in this newsletter. Be sure to check out the events listing on page 22.

The next general membership meeting is Sept. 27 at College Avenue Baptist Church. We will discuss and approve our budget for the next year. It is very important that everyone has the opportunity to review just how we are spending the association's hard earned funds. Please plan to attend. We will have the budget available online prior to the meeting.



Sean Lynch, President
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Take Care,
 Sean Lynch

On the Cover

Joe Plavidal takes a dive down a water slide during the Fairmount swim party held recently at Jason and Kelly Bowden's home. Adults and children participated in poolside fun and food during the annual neighborhood event. See more photos on pages 20-21.

Photo by Stacy Luecker

The Fairmount Beat

by Joel Stary, neighborhood patrol officer

Being on leave with a shoulder injury has given me an opportunity to catch up on what is happening in the world, Texas, and the community that my family and I live in.

Like many others, I get busy from time to time and forget to stop and ask others if there is something that I can do for someone else.

The drought we are struggling to get through right now, affects all of us. Whether you have family that makes their living off the land or you have noticed that prices are increasing at the grocery store, it has touched everyone in some way.

The reason I bring up the drought is because during the past several months I

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have heard the phrase 'Be a Good Neighbor' many times in regards to water usage.

I grew up in a part of the country where if you abuse your ground water supply for long enough, then your children's children will be left to deal with the shortage.

It is a little upsetting to me that we don't hear the phrase 'Be a Good Neighbor' in relation to so many others things more often and not just when something

bad has already happened or is happening currently.

I challenge everyone to 'Be a Good Neighbor' all the time, starting now! We are all very different and have different priorities, but being civil to one another and finding ways to help each other should always be one of our first priorities.

I know you are busy, but please take a few minutes to ask yourself how you can 'Be a Good Neighbor'!

I bet you will come up with several things you can do right now to brighten someone's day or help better the community you live in.

Until next time, be safe today and safer tomorrow.



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General Meeting

Tuesday, Sept. 27, 7 p.m.
1400 College Ave.

The next Fairmount Neighborhood Association General Meeting will be 7 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 27 at College Avenue Baptist Church, 1400 College Ave.

Matt Acuff will be discussing Open Streets, and Christy Lemon from the city of Fort Worth will be discussing redistricting. We will also discuss and approve a budget for the upcoming year.

The meeting is a great time to register/renew FNA memberships.

**Brew up some fun
at the Fairmount social**
Avoca Coffee
Saturday, Oct. 8, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
1311 W. Magnolia Ave.

A demonstration on coffee roasting will be given.

Historic Fort Worth 2011 Preservation Awards

Fairmount receives recognition for commitment to preservation

The 2011 preservation awards given by Historic Fort Worth, Inc. is an annual recognition given to projects, individuals and groups who show an outstanding commitment to preservation.

Awards were given in a variety of categories and two Fairmount properties received awards this year as a result of nominations submitted by the Fairmount Historic Preservation Committee.

An award for excellence in the restoration and adaptive reuse of a historic building was awarded to Ken Schaefer of Schaefer Advertising at 1228 South Adams St.

An award for residential rehabilitation went to Phil Bordeleau for 1912 Alston.

The Fairmount Historic Preservation Committee also received recognition for preservation leadership which was nominated by Bob Adams, Fort Worth Landmarks commissioner.

The awards were presented at a ceremony Sept. 14.

For additional information on the Historic Fort Worth, Inc. preservation awards, visit the website at www.HistoricFortWorth.org.



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Left to right: Marissa Salinas, Brenda Howell, FNA director of promotions, George Achziger and Ben Murrell work to box school supplies for the Daggett Middle School Language Center. The Fairmount neighborhood donated food, uniforms and school supplies.

Fairmount makes donation to aid local school

Daggett Language Center receives supplies through neighborhood sponsorship

by Brenda Howell, Director of Promotions

The Daggett Middle School Language Center consists of many children who are in Fort Worth seeking asylum from war, famine, and poverty in their home countries, and who are dealing with very limited resources.

These are children who not only live in our neighborhood and play in our streets, but they are also the future of our community.

As an organization that is dedicated to ensuring a positive future for our neighborhood, it is our duty to foster a sense of community for all of the chil-

dren living or going to school in our area, and show them that they can have a safe and friendly environment. This year Fairmount helped these children by collecting food, uniforms and school supplies for class.

Language Center teachers Blanca Salinas, Mary Anne Lambert, Laurie Williams, Cassie Murphy and Principal Deel would like to say thank you to everyone in Fairmount for their generous donations and also a huge thank you to the Waffle House for providing breakfast for the entire staff.

Fairmount looks forward to building a strong relationship with Daggett Middle School, and DMS looks forward to establishing a strong relationship with the community as well.

The long-term goal is to have Fairmount children attend DMS and not feel the need to go anywhere else.

If you would like to be involved with Daggett Middle School projects, or would like more information, contact Brenda Howell, Fairmount director of promotions, at promotions@historicfairmount.com.

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POLICE • COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Fighting crime goal of community gathering

by David Thrapp

You are invited to join us for the biggest block party in the city of Fort Worth, Tuesday, Oct. 4, 6-9 p.m. as we give crime in Fairmount a going away party.

This event is sponsored by the Fairmount Citizens Patrol, Fairmount Neighborhood Association and the Fort Worth police department.

The location this year will be the Trimble's huge yard at 1800 Washington Ave.

This event shows our neighborhood is organized and working to fight back against crime.

There will be a bounce house and prizes at the fish pond for the kids, and possibly police horses and a fire truck. Information will be available on how to get involved in the Fairmount Citizens on Patrol, the neighborhood crime watch program, the Fairmount Neighborhood Association, and great ways to make your home safe—plus a lot of fun for kids and adults.

Members of the police, fire, code and health departments always attend to meet and greet. The mayor, our city council representative, our state senator and state representative

**National Night Out in Fairmount
Oct. 4, 6-9 p.m.
1800 Washington Ave.**

have been known to drop by as well.

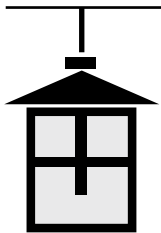
This is a covered dish event. We have a lot of hungry guests to feed, so quantity counts.

The Fairmount Neighborhood Association will supply chicken and tortillas for fajitas, lemonade, water and iced tea, ice, plates, cups and plasticware, but all of the sides are needed.

Please plan to bring refried beans, rice, salsa, veggies, fruit, desserts, cookies, salads, grilled peppers and onions, cheese, sour cream, guacamole, ice cream or anything else you can think of to go with the fajitas.

This is your chance to get involved and fight crime in Fairmount and meet some of the great neighbors that live in the Fairmount Historic District. So, turn on those porch lights, bring a neighbor and let's take a bite out of crime.

Operation Porch Light



The Fairmount Neighborhood Association is launching Operation Porch Light once again this year during the winter months. We would like to encourage all residents to install energy-saving fluorescent light bulbs in your porch lights and leave them on all night long.

According to crime prevention

statistics, increased lighting reduces both petty and serious crimes by as much as 60 percent. Furthermore, increased lighting makes it safer for our residents to walk and exercise in the evenings despite the early sunsets.

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Please turn on your porch lights at dusk and leave them on until the next morning.

Let's all work together to make Fairmount a brighter, safer place to live.



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October's Open Streets events offer the opportunity for community-minded businesses and institutions to gain publicity through their support of an exciting, first-of-its-kind event. All partners will receive publicity and benefits for both the Oct. 23 and Oct. 30 events. All partner levels will be publicized by category in an informational flyer distributed the day of the events. Partner levels 1-5 will receive additional benefits:

- Publicity in all ads, event cards, online notices and other marketing materials
- Space for a table or booth at the event
- Level-specific benefits detailed below

PARTNER LEVELS

1. **Presenting Partners**—\$5,000 (2 available). Additional benefits: Ten banners with "Open Streets presented by

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4. **Pacers**—\$500 (5 available)
5. **Food Vendors**—\$200 participation fee (covers both events; no alcohol allowed).
6. **Community Partners**—\$100 or any amount

We're looking for up to 50 volunteers for each event to monitor intersections and provide general information to participants. Volunteers will receive a free volunteer T-shirt.

Another opportunity to participate is by coordinating a roadside activity that adds fun and interest to Open Streets. Activities must be consistent with the wellness and community-building goals of the event. Examples could include fitness and yoga classes, kids activities or other game areas. There are plenty of opportunities to get creative. Activity providers will be able to publicize your business or organization at no charge.

For more information, contact Michel Stebbins at Fort Worth South, Inc. by e-mail at michel@fortworthsouth.org or call 817.923.1343.

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1401 6th Ave.

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September Yard of the Month

The September yard of the month is 1401 6th Ave. Guests to this lovely residence are greeted by an arbor covered with Lady Banks roses. In early spring, a profusion of yellow blooms announces the season.

The yard has been a work in progress since Willie and Laura Hunt moved into their new home six years ago and committed to organic gardening.

This year's highlight is the sweet potato vine that serves as a ground cover, while smaller recently transplanted nandina shrubs grow into the space. The vines provide a cool backdrop for hot-colored zinnias and marigolds, all of which thrived in triple digit heat, as did the lantana that flank the steps.

Red hot poker plants with dramatic late spring spikes occupy the northwest corner as the bed curves around the porch. Anchoring the northwest corner is a white-blooming crepe myrtle with day lilies and Shasta daisies underneath for spring and summer color.

On the north side of the Hunts' corner lot, the hostas and even the Texas columbine did not meet the challenge of the intense heat, but cotoneaster shrubs, cannas, yarrow and more sweet potato vines have held their own.

If you are out in the neighborhood be sure to drive by 1401 6th Ave. to catch a glimpse of this beautiful Fairmount yard.

Thank you to CC's Touch of Nature for the \$35 gift certificate that Willie and Laura will receive.

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Fabulous Porches

Understanding the benefits, styles
of this architectural asset

The porch of the Benton House at 1730 6th Ave. exhibits turned posts and balustrade, and intricate detailed woodwork. Some of this decoration has survived, but much of it has been replaced as styles changed and the time and patience for taking care of such details waned.

Photo by Stacy Luecker



Left: This home on Fairmount has wide brick piers with prairie style detail, and in stark contrast, a turned spindle balustrade rail. The railing appears to be original, as are the criss-cross design Queen Anne windows.

Below left: A cast stone concrete block made to mimic aged limestone is known as rusticated stone. This porch on 5th Avenue also has wing walls flanking the steps. The rail forms a continuous wall from the ground up. This style was known as a closed rail.

Below: Wide round columns top brick and rusticated stone pedestals across the front of these large foursquare homes lining the east side of 5th Avenue.

Photos by Mike McDermott



by Mike McDermott

Think for a moment as you read this in air conditioned comfort, what it would be like to be living in your same house through the recent record three month heat wave in 1910. Starting to sweat a little?

We love our wonderful front porches in Fairmount, but in the blast furnace that North Central Texas became this summer, we'd rather sit in a sauna than outside on our porches these days. Although in a normal summer, when nights

normally dip into the mid-70s and evenings cool off below 100 degrees, we'd still be having evening visits with our neighbors or just rocking away on our porch swings—maybe while reading our iPads? Back to reality. For most of us, it has just been too hot.

Imagine your porch and a working ceiling fan were your only refuge from the oppressive heat. You'd soon understand why the shade and occasional breeze the front porch offers would make

it such an important part of your home's architecture.

Designers and builders of American homes began to understand the benefit of porches about 175 years ago, especially as the U.S. expanded westward and into the South where summers were longer, and there was a need to protect the home's exterior from the hot sun and provide shade for the interior as well.

As homes heated up during the day, the porch was a place to sit and enjoy

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Martin and Lynda Dahl enjoy a moment on their textbook example of an Arts and Crafts style porch that adorns their beautiful bungalow on S. Henderson. The simple but hefty posts are paired along the expanse of the porch but tripled at the corners, topped by large flaring capitals that simulate a “through tenon”, the popular form of Arts and Crafts furniture construction of the period.

those precious evening breezes while the interior cooled off enough to make sleeping tolerable.

In Fairmount, walk a few blocks of any street and you will find as many different porch designs as there have been styles of architecture up to this point. Some exhibit true Arts and Crafts styling to compliment the bungalow they shade. Others may have Classical and Colonial Revival elements in contrast to their Craftsman architecture. And a few are decorated with the intricate woodwork of the late Victorian age.

What is hard for many to understand, especially the builders of our newest additions to the district, and many investors too, is that not all bungalows and four-squares had the same three or four porch designs created with the same two or three ingredients.

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There is even evidence of a bungalow on College Avenue, recently purchased for redo, that the porch railing was actually a heavy chain with huge links draped from one brick post to the next. Catalogues of early house kits have shown evidence of this in other states (but very unusual for anything found around here.)

We love the diversity of our porches and they are just one of the ingredients in the mix of this historic district that make it and our old homes so special.

Maybe by the time this article is published, the weather will have cooled off just enough to call you out to the front porch in the evening, and with a cold beer or glass of iced tea at your side, sit lazily on the porch swing as you read this article and ponder your little bit of heaven.



Large fluted Doric columns support an early enclosed sleeping porch on this 6th Avenue four-square. The 1x2 railing is very appropriate for the style.

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FNA membership payments due by Dec. 31

by Ashley Paz, Director of Membership

It's October, and as always that means it's the best time to join the Fairmount Neighborhood Association.

Until the end of the year we are extending the offer to anyone who would like to join now for next year, to receive membership privileges for October, November and December free.

As an FNA member you will receive the monthly Fairmount newsletter which includes neighborhood news, contact numbers for the association board, city, police, fire and code enforcement and features on neighborhood events and residents.

Fairmount is one of Fort Worth's most active neighborhood associations, and being involved with the organization is a great way to give back to the community and get to know your neighbors.

If you are already a member, the time to renew your FNA membership is rapidly

approaching. All memberships expire on on Dec. 31 regardless of when you initially signed-up or renewed in the previous year.

If you wish to continue receiving the newsletter and enjoy all of the perks that come along with membership, then dues must be received no later than Dec. 31 of this year.

You may join or renew your FNA membership at any neighborhood social event, the holiday party or by mailing in payment to: Fairmount Neighborhood Association, P.O. Box 12348, Fort Worth, TX 76110.

A membership form is available to download on the Fairmount website at www.historicfairmount.com.

Please make all checks payable to Fairmount Neighborhood Association and write "membership dues" on the memo line.



Photo by Patti Randle

Eric Paz stands on the shoulders of Sean Lynch, FNA president, while placing flags on poles for 9-11. The flag program is one of many programs sponsored by the FNA.

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Fort Worth League meets, addresses concerns

by Susan Harper

The Fort Worth League of Neighborhoods held its quarterly meeting Thursday, Sept. 1 at University Christian Church.

Mayor Betsy Price gave an overview of her first 55 days in office. She advised those attending the meeting of a number of issues that are currently being addressed including pension funding for city staff and police and fire departments.

The city has hired a negotiation expert to mediate discussions set to begin in October.

The council has moved to dismantle the swimming pool funding bundle so that pools can be addressed one at a time, improving the possibility of them opening again one by one. A public/private partnership is under consideration to facilitate pool projects. No libraries will be closed.

Price expressed concern that voter turnout among young people is low. Citizens' concerns are important, she said. To contact her by e-mail, please direct concerns or comments to Betsy. Price@fortworthgov.org or MayorBetsy@fortworthgov.org.

Dana Burghdoff, deputy director of planning and development, was also on the agenda and presented an overview of redistricting at the city level.

The initial discussion will be whether to continue with eight

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districts as created by city charter, redrawing the lines to accommodate the city's nearly 39 percent growth, or amend the city charter to create new districts.

During Phase I, which ends Sept. 30, citizens may comment on the number of districts thru the city secretary's office.

During Phase II, citizens may submit opinions on district boundaries.

To comment or review the information, go to the city website at fortworthgov.org (*beginning Oct. 1 the new address will be fortworthtexas.gov*).

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FNA General Meeting Minutes Tuesday, August 23, 2011

Welcome new members representing Henderson Street, Lake Street, Fairmount Street, Hawthorne Street and the Bastion.

Safety: NPO Matt Collingsworth reported that NPO Joel Staryis on the mend but still in recovery following rotator cuff surgery. He will be available for light duty in approximately one month, but is answering e-mails daily. Fairmount has seen four building burglaries to date in August, with copper and refrigerator units being targets. Nine thefts were reported to date, ranging from copper to potted plants to bicycles. The one sure way to prevent theft is to bring things in at night. Theft of gas may become an issue in the future, so using locking gas caps and parking cars in garages are good deterrents.

New Board members elected:

Director of Administration (one year appointment)—Shari Beers Phoenix
 Director of Membership—Ashley Paz
 Director of Promotions—Brenda Howell
 Director of Infrastructure—Jason Amon
 President—Sean Lynch

Directors reports

a) **Finance**—Jane W: current balance is \$60,400 with all bills paid and all deposits accounted for. Next month's meeting will entail the budget review.
 b) **Promotions**—Brenda H: Two socials this month, the first on Sept. 14 social at Spatenaeity (South Jennings), and the

second on Sept. 29 at the Amphibian Theatre. The second social will also serve as a fund raiser for our Daggett Middle school project (see item 5 below).

We need to create an identity for volunteers in the neighborhood who promote our increasing involvement in neighborhood functions. We are having a naming contest for this group of volunteers—the name must include the word Fairmount, and must be submitted to Brenda by Sept. 3.

The annual Fairmount Swim Party is being held at Jason and Kelly Bowden's home (1714 S. Henderson) on Saturday, Aug. 27. Family swim is from 5-7 p.m., open swim starts at 7 p.m.

c) **Membership**—Ricky P: no report

d) **Administration**—Greg T: no report

e) **Public Safety**—Geri C: Reminder that National Night Out is the first Tuesday in October—this year's activity will take place at 1800 Washington.

f) **Infrastructure**—Sean L: new street sign toppers are up, but new street lights are held up in the city's legal department.
 g) **Communications**—Stacy L: last month's request for newsletter photos was well received—we will be doing similar activities in the future.

i) **Historic Preservation**—1716 Washington—request for vinyl window replacement was denied, but the addition of a gabled front porch was approved by HCLC. 2120 Fairmount—chimney approved for removal in 2005 with require-

ment for replacing a false chimney on the roof was rescinded. 2200 6th Ave.—secondary driveway on the 6th Ave. side of the house was granted. Our Council District Commissioner, Bob Adams, was named Chair of HCLC. 1228 Adams won Historic Fort Worth's 2011 Preservation Award for excellence in the restoration and adaptive reuse of a historic building and 1912 Alston the Residential Rehabilitation Award. Fairmount's Historic Preservation Committee will be given an award for Preservation Leadership at the awards ceremony Sept. 21.

Blanca Salinas—representing Daggett Middle School, spoke of how the Neighborhood Association is helping the school and its Language Center. The staff at the school is dedicated to raising the rating of the school which is the smallest middle school in the FWISD, but which has the largest Language Center. The 50 students at the Language Center represent many different countries such as Mexico, Iraq, Burundi, Bermuda, Congo and Honduras. Many are refugees, meaning that they have extraordinary stories of hardship that required them to leave their native country to escape persecution. These students must, in a very short time, learn enough English language to help them in all of their other classes at the school. The Fairmount Neighborhood Association has already raised money and has donated supplies to the school.

Vin Fiz Landing Centennial Commemoration Saturday, Oct. 15, 4-8 p.m., Ryan Place Park (3001 5th Avenue)

Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and coolers for a FREE fun-filled evening! Calbraith P. Rodgers, pilot of the first transcontinental flight landed the "Vin Fiz" in Ryan's pasture on Oct. 17, 1911 at 4:45 p.m.

A proclamation from the city of Fort Worth and resolutions from the State Senate and House of Representatives will be presented. Ryan Place is a giving community. Program donations of canned goods and/or adult or children socks will benefit the Tarrant Area Food Bank and Presbyterian Night Shelter.

FNA Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 6, 2011

Call to Order 7:05 p.m.

Present: Sean L, Sue M, Ashley P, Jane W, Brenda H, Jason A, Geri C, Shari P, Stacy L, Ricky P (partial meeting)

Phil Bordeleau did a presentation to create a future pictorial addendum to the Historic Guidelines for Fairmount. Information will include appropriate doors, windows, siding, columns, etc along with suggested paint colors. It was suggested there be a brochure along with an online version. It was also suggested that the library have more historic reference books available for residents to check out. A committee will be formed to assist Phil as he chairs the newly formed committee under Sue M. Others suggested to be part of this group were John S, Susan H, Stacy L, Mike M and Robert W.

Director's reports :

Director of Administration - Shari

By Laws Committee is under Administration with Shari as the chair.

Director of Infrastructure - Jason

Jason will get information to Stacy about litter stomp on Sept. 17 at 9 a.m. and will also get article to Stacy about importance of leaving on porch lights and the low costs of electricity to do this along with the safety advantages it provides.

- 1) Code Committee is under Infrastructure with Fred as the chair.
- 2) TAD Committee is under Infrastructure with Rodney Wade as the chair.
- 3) Traffic Calming is under Infrastructure with Patrick Caddou as the chair.

Director of Historic Preservation—Sue

1704 Washington—garage demolition
2229 Alston—cover 117 wood sided house with Hardie board siding.
1824 Adams—restoration including opening enclosed wrap-around porch

and rear addition.

1314 Alston—has a zoning meeting on Sept. 14 at 10 a.m. Representation at the meeting would be nice. City and school districts are aware of 300 ft. closeness to proposed liquor license request at this property.

Director of Public Safety—Geri

National Night Out—Oct. 4 at Kathy and Terry Trimble's house at 1800 Washington Ave. Printed fliers on this event were requested to be passed out.

Director of Communication—Stacy

September newsletter deadline is Sept. 10. We need to make sure the newsletters are being delivered to Fairmount members.

Director of Membership—Ashley

- 1) Ashley wants to add new brochures to "Welcome Packets" once the brochures are published.
- 2) We need to make sure new residents are invited to our monthly meetings and get them involved in Fairmount and our activities.
- 3) Inventory of signs was briefly discussed. Stacy has one bulk trash and Ricky has one meeting sign. Need to add to inventory of signs.
- 4) Block Captain Program is now under membership.

Director of Finance—Jane

Audit of books needs to take place. Need asset audit as well. Table budget vote until Jane redoes numbers. Jane will get Chart of Accounts and Budget to match.

Director of Promotions—Brenda

- 1) Outreach Committee is under Promotions with Brenda, looking for a chair person.
- 2) Mid-Month Socials—suggestions to change time to 6 or 6:30 p.m. Also discussion of changing night from Wednesday to Thursday. Morning coffee on Saturday was also discussed.
- 3) Fairmount Social flag was discussed.

Getting quote from Eric—free flowing, easy to carry, get template for design.

- 4) Open Streets—Oct. 23 and Oct. 30.
- 5) Arts Goggle—will be Oct. 8. Briefly discussed some type of "give away" item. Suggested we set up booths or canopies to promote Fairmount. Jason has considered offering his office as main headquarters. Discussed idea of giving away drinks and different displays of art. Sean to talk with his Dad about glasses for drinks.
- 6) Daggett Middle School—Sean and Brenda met with principal. Stressed importance of FNA getting involved with middle school, attending football games and possibly sponsoring some of their concession stands at the games. Attending PTO (Parent Teacher Organization), not PTA. Design mentoring programs for parents and kids. The new principal and Blanca are both great assets to DMS. Talked about an open house for FNA as a possible social or Saturday event.

Other Discussion Items:

- 1) CURB PAINTING monies to be moved to 7th Street since curbs and sidewalks on 6th Street are still being worked on. MOTION from Jane, second by Ashley.
- 2) SAMARITAN HOUSE Backpack School Program to be given \$300. Motion from Brenda, Second by Jason.
- 3) Fairmount Park Committee is chaired by Sean Lynch.
- 4) Greg Taylor with FBI, said the McDermott Grant says that they gave Fairmount \$20,000 in December 2010. Needs to be researched.
- 5) Paul Payne questioned if Fairmount residents in the Magnolia and Allen areas were interested in car stickers.

10 p.m.—Motion to close by Geri, seconded by Jane.



Photos by Stacy Luecker

Roxie Plavidal (left) shares a popsicle with her dad, Joe Plavidal (right), during the Fairmount swim party at Jason and Kelly Bowden's home on S. Henderson. Children and adults enjoyed food and fun at the annual event which also provided a great way to avoid the summer heat.

by Brenda Howell, Director of Promotions

Fairmount's annual swim party was a blast this year with fun for all and a great way to cool off on a hot summer night. It was great to see new faces from the neighborhood at the party.

Adults and children ate hot dogs, chips, cookies and more cookies making it a fun and festive night.

Thanks to Jason and Kelly Bowden for opening their pool for the event and arranging for a water slide.



Annie Bradshaw swims in the pool during the Fairmount swim party recently.

Fairmount Swim party

Annual event offers neighbors opportunity for summer fun



Jared Brinker (left) swims with his son, Oliver Brinker (right), on his back.



Kate Bradshaw plays with a beach ball.



Above: Jane Wedding, Fairmount director of finance, sits with Brenda Howell, Fairmount director of promotions, during the Fairmount swim party.

Left: Allison Helt splashes into a pool of water at the bottom of a water slide. Children took turns on the slide and in the pool.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sept. 27 (Fourth Tuesday).....Fairmount Neighborhood Association general meeting
- Sept. 29 Fairmount fund-raiser - Amphibian Stage Productions, *VIGIL*
- Oct. 3.....FNA Board Meeting
- Oct. 4.....National Night Out
- Oct. 6.....Historic Preservation Committee meeting
- Oct. 7 (First Friday) Buddy's Big Band at Southside Preservation Hall
- Oct. 7 (First Friday)First Friday on the Green
- Oct. 8 (Second Saturday)..... Fairmount Community Garden work day
- Oct. 8.....COP training class
- Oct. 8..... Social at Avoca (11 a.m.-1 p.m.)
- Oct. 8..... Fall Arts Goggle (4-10 p.m.)
- Oct. 10.....Newsletter submission deadline
- Oct. 10 (Second Monday).....Landmarks hearing
- Oct. 15..... Vin Fiz Landing Centennial Commemoration (see page 18)
- Oct. 17 (Third Monday)Bulk trash collection
- Oct. 17 (Third Monday)Landmarks filing deadline (5 p.m.)
- Oct. 25 (Fourth Tuesday).....Fairmount Neighborhood Association general meeting

COP class to be held Oct. 8

A Citizens on Patrol (COP) class will be held Oct. 8 from 8 a.m. until approximately 3 p.m. If you are interested in attending, please contact Geri Cotten at safety@historicfairmount.com.

Fort Worth South, Inc. offers music, art venues

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Arts Goggle is a community art event featuring some of the area's best musicians and artists.

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day night, you might want to check out First Friday on the Green, Oct. 7 from 7-10 p.m. The musical performance will feature Stella Rose Oil Boom, and Skelton Coast.

For more information on these events, visit the Fort Worth South, Inc. website at www.fortworthsouth.org.

Fund-raiser scheduled to help buy school supplies for Fairmount children

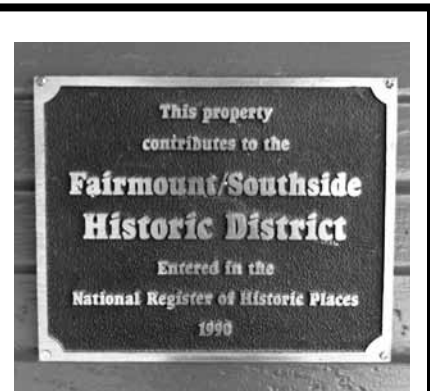
Amphibian Stage Productions and the Fairmount Neighborhood Association are partnering for a night of dark comedy, wine and hors d'oeuvres Thursday, Sept. 29.

The theater company will present *VIGIL* by Morris Panych. Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served at 7 p.m. with a performance at 8 p.m.

If FNA members and their friends purchase at least 40 tickets, there will be a post-show champagne cast party.

Purchase tickets and learn about the show online at www.amphibianproductions.org.

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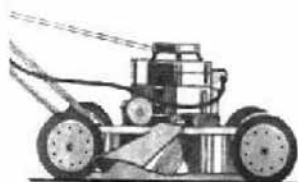
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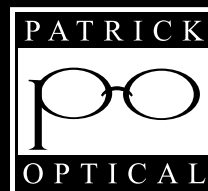


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