



Board Reports for November 2020

I. Sponsorship – Julie Humphreys and Tracy Stein (1st V.P.)

A PDF copy of the Fall newsletter was sent to all of the scholarship winners so they can see their write-ups. Do we have any hard copies to send if they are interested?

We received a note from Kate Charco that she has not received her check. Her correct address was on the envelope that was sent, so not sure what happened.

Craig reported that there are 3 checks still outstanding (including Kate Charco). We will ask the other 2 winners to see if they have received their checks and then figure next steps.

II. Beautification Committee - David Buster and Chris Switzer (2nd V.P.)

Sarah Mae Downie Park

On Friday, November 6, 2020 we had a very successful clean-up day in Sarah Mae Downie Park. The crew consisted of Jerri Cunningham, Ashley Goltz, Kathy Pierson, Susan from Heliotrope, Denise Silva, Nanci Zinngabe, Gene Andres, and Chris Switzer. In addition to cleaning up weeds and leaves, we fertilized the citrus trees, camellias and azaleas and planted lettuce, chives, onions and sage in the herb garden. Come to the park with sharp scissors and cut a bowl of greens for you next salad.

The second day of the clean-up was postponed because of the rain. We will meet again on Saturday, November 14. We will clean up additional beds and plant some “color” for the holidays.

Entrances and Exits

The city was contacted regarding fall/winter planting in November.

Heart Stones – Nanci Zinngabe, Lead

- Heart Stones have gone on-line. Encourage folks to buy a heart for a gift.
- We discussed a “buy a heart stone campaign” – Jeff volunteered Marc to help design a flyer to be distributed by hand and eblast advertising “buy a heart stone for a holiday gift – to honor a friend, a birthday, an anniversary, etc. **Question – do we still need a flyer or just talk about it in the newsletter?**

Infrastructure – David Buster

Discussion resulted in concerns regarding broken sidewalks. David to research who is responsible for repairing the sidewalks and how we can help identify problem areas.

III. Tree Maintenance Project Subcommittee to the FPNA Beautification - Angel Barnes and Ellen Koldewey

Reforestation:

1) *FPNA 2020-2021 Tree Reforestation Order:* The Tree Maintenance Project submitted a request to the City Public Works Agency (PWA) for 9 parkway, entryway, and median trees. The estimated cost to FPNA will be \$5,820 paid from previously allocated sponsorship funds reauthorized by the Board to the reforestation project. PWA plans to put the order in for the trees this month and work with West Coast Arborists (WCA) to set up a site visit once the trees arrive at the WCA lot. WCA will invoice FPNA directly after the planting is completed. This is expected to be between November 2020 and January 2021. The FPNA order is supplemented by the contribution of \$1500 for five neighborhood trees from City funds.

2) *Joint Neighborhood Tree Maintenance Project/City Tree Services Program:* The City's Fall planting citywide is planned for cool weather starting in November 2020. The City has committed \$1500 to replant 5 trees in our neighborhood this Fall. This is reflected in our current request to PWA.

3) *Vacancy Infill Project:* The goal of the Neighborhood reforestation or "vacancy infill" project is to work with PWA to replant or "fill in" City trees in all of Floral Park's current suitable vacant sites on the City Arborist's list. These suitable vacant sites currently include residential parkway trees, median, and entryway trees. FPNA only plants residential parkway trees where they are wanted by the homeowners. FPNA generally pays for one parkway tree per yard per planting. The City or homeowner may pay for additional trees. PWA notified FPNA of new suitable vacant sites in October 2020. FPNA has inspected all sites, contacted the homeowners of all eligible sites, and included all requested parkway trees in the current replanting order. The FPNA plan with the City is now to replant new trees starting in November when the weather cooled down. FPNA has notified all homeowners who are scheduled to have trees planted in their parkways that planting has been rescheduled to Fall.

Other Activities in Progress and Upcoming Events/Discussions:

1) *Irrigation:* Monitored PWA irrigation of entryway and median trees, particularly new trees.

2) *Tree Maintenance:* FPNA surveyed the neighborhood and reported a neighbor's complaint of parkway tree damage to PWA following recent windstorms. We also reported two trees that appear to be dead. FPNA continued to communicate with PWA to update the City's suitable vacancy list.

3) *Joint Neighborhood Project/ City Tree Planting Program:* Neighborhood leaders have received notice from PWA of the rescheduling of the tree planting program.

4) *Education and Outreach:* FPNA will work with PWA and WCA as needed to instruct neighbors how to water new parkway trees planted. At FPNA request, PWA is now checking with City tree experts/Arborist

on best watering practices for the neighborhood parkway trees with the gator bags. As helpful, FPNA will continue to provide PWA guidance on watering and caring for City trees to neighbors in the FPNA newsletter, the website, or other appropriate media.

5) *Membership*: The Subcommittee welcomes new members interested in tree maintenance. (Please contact emkold@aol.com or beautification@floralpark.com) Thanks to the members of the Beautification Committee and the neighborhood who have expressed interest. We will invite members of the Beautification Committee to the WCA site to inspect new trees ordered. We will keep the Beautification Co-Chairs informed of changes in our membership.

Recommendations to the Committee and the Board:

1) *Reforestation Funding Reauthorization*: The Tree Maintenance Project anticipates that PWA will submit the FPNA order for new neighborhood trees to WCA this month. WCA will invoice FPNA following completion of tree planting. We will submit all orders, invoices, documentation, and letters of request or proposals for project funding and expenses for review and approval by the Beautification Committee Chairs, Treasurer, and Board.

2) *Education and Outreach*: FPNA will serve as a liaison for PWA assistance and guidance to residents on tree maintenance. We request continued publicity for www.Santa-ana.org/green/TreeProgram.asp as well as the “Tree Maintenance Department” at the (714) 647-3380 Public Works Dispatch line, and the “mySantaAna” app for reporting tree maintenance requests.

3) *Irrigation*: FPNA will monitor medians and entryways, particularly new tree sites, and report problems to the Beautification Committee and PWA.

IV. Membership Committee - Tammy Heider & Kevin Shuler

As we draw close to the end of the year in the midst of a pandemic, membership donations are sorely down. There are many contributing factors as to why donations are down, so to remedy that, Kevin has been working closely with Jeff, Craig and Marc to secure a viable way to attract past donors and entice new donors through an opportunity to give through a monthly avenue in addition to an annual gift. Kevin will provide details during the Board meeting.

From September to present, there are thirteen new residents. Tammy has delivered welcome letters to each new resident and gift baskets will be delivered by November 20. It is a process to hand paint the wine glasses, but worth the time to create a special memento for our new neighbors.

New residents include:

Boyd Joyer – N Park Blvd

Chad Barker – N Flower St

Lamberto & Shelia Valiente – N Flower St

Janna Middel – Greenleaf St
Jose Herrera & Ashley Rosas – N Flower St
Ryan Crowdis – Heliotrope
Christopher Cecil & Brittiny Froemmling – W 19th St
Marc & Allyson Thompson – W Riviera
Joaquin & Dianna Martinez – W 18th St
Ben Aviles & Greg Cornwell – Ross St
Christian Gaarenstrom – N Flower St
T & H Baker – Bonnie Brae
Peter & Evan Jackson – N Heliotrope

Walk of Lights is scheduled for Thursday, December 17th from 6-8 PM. Kevin is taking the lead on securing homes to host a beverage station. We will discuss our thoughts with the Board regarding safety protocols including social distancing and expectations to serve beverages safely. We will instruct hosts not to serve food & snack items this year.

V. Social Committee - Suzee Katz and Allison DeMark

Doggies and Donuts: Event postponed due to scheduled rain. Doggies and Donuts will be held this upcoming Sunday, November 15th from 8:30-10:30

Holiday Event: Saturday, December 5th from 3:00 -5:00PM. The event will be held in the North Park cul-de-sac. We will have opportunities for holiday photos and neighborhood cheer! The Caroling Connection will be returning to fill the air with songs of holiday joy.

Santa will once again make his way to Floral Park. This year, he will bring his sleigh so that we can visit and take a picture from a distance. You can visit the links below to download a Letter to Santa template or create your own!

<http://bit.ly/BigKidSantaLetter>

<http://bit.ly/LittleKidSantaLetter>

And finally, we will end the evening with a holiday movie for all to see. Bring your chairs and blankets and some snacks for your family to enjoy. We will be showing The Santa Claus on a big screen at the end of the North Park cul-de-sac beginning at 5:00PM

VI. Home Tour Committee - Bev Schauwecker

We have not had any official meetings but keeping everyone engaged with activities.

Halloween/Fall Decorating contest went well. We are planning on making this an annual event.

Next up is the Home Christmas Decorating contest. We will once again have judges outside the neighborhood, and will coordinate, so a list of the winners can be published for the Walk of Lights. Judging will be on the 15th of December.

Scheduled for Saturday Nov. 14th is a tour by the Model T Club of Orange County thru our neighborhood. We will be encouraging neighbors to sit out front, wave/greet as they drive by, and also display vehicles in the driveway, if they choose. We will furnish the club with a description of some of our homes on the Santa Ana Register.

Plan Ahead, Home Tour Week will start on April 17, and culminate on April 24 and 25 with Home Tour. 2021 may not be your regular tour, but WE WILL HAVE A TOUR.

VII. Historic Resources Committee - Bev Schauwecker

National Register Historic District

We have not submitted the answers/explanations to the questions submitted to us. Julie has finished her part and it is now with Dylan, goal to be submitted prior to the end of the year.

Dylan's Father died, and he is needing time to take care of his younger sister, and family matters. Dylan sent the following message:

I have been in talks with SHPO over the last few months. With everything going on, the pandemic, politics and civil unrest it's been a skeleton crew up there. It wasn't in the cards for this to happen by November. I am taking one last swipe of the document to cross Ts and dot Is and make final submission.

For an effort that has been in the making for over a decade, this is solid progress. It will happen in 2021.

I just ask for more of your patience during this time. I have my father's estate to settle out and my little sister to console and do big brother stuff for.

The Committee is currently considering how we are going to archive our information, and what format we will use to electronically save the documents for reading/use by our neighbors. Dylan and Ed M are discussing and working on this effort. I have asked Dylan to submit a bid, if he is interested in handling the electronic conversion, etc. We need to determine our costs before we plan to spend money for a celebration.

Irrigation Gate

Awaiting a response from the owners of the property.

No Board action required at this time.

VIII. By-Laws Committee - Bev Schauwecker (Parliamentarian)

We need a short discussion as to the Board reports. Committee Reports, and attachment to the minutes.

We are a small board and we should decide how we as a board want to handle these reports.

Suggestion:

Committee Reports – these stay with the committee, have lots of details, and are turned over to the next chair, when appropriate.

Board Reports – Highlights of Committee meeting, short sweet and to the point. At bottom of report a sentence stating whether Board action is needed on any item. These should not be attached to minutes. Unless all Board members agree to write their reports knowing they will become a permanent part of the minutes.

The secretary can summarize from the reports and/or any oral presentation.

These reports are mostly to coordinate with activities of other board members, and to keep the Board as a group informed of all activities.

IX. Legacy Committee

Sherri, on behalf of the Legacy Committee, would like to request the amount of \$1,000.00 for the committee in the Budget. This should cover, the pavers needed for 2019, 2020, 2021. The Committee will submit plans/suggestions for replacement pavers.

X. Communications Committee – Marc LaFont

See attachment.

XI. Treasurer's Report – Craig Kalthoff-Patti

See attachment.