

THE BULLETIN



October 2003

Special Note: At our September meeting, after more than six years of faithful service, Council Chair Katherine Gardner announced that she is stepping down. All of us in the Capitol Hill neighborhood who have benefited from her tireless work on our behalf extend our gratitude and sincere thanks to Katherine.

Peter Von Sivers has agreed to serve as acting Chair until our regular elections at the November meeting.

At our meeting on October 15, nominations will be received for the offices of Chair, two Vice-Chairs, Secretary, and Treasurer (current officers are listed on p. 2.) Anyone interested in serving is welcome to be nominated. Elections will then be held at the November 19 meeting. Please join us for both meetings!

COMMUNITY COUNCIL AGENDA

15 October 2003 - 6:30 p.m.

Washington School Library
Peter Von Sivers, Acting Chair

- 6:30 Minutes, announcements - Elections in November.
- 6:45 Police report.
- 7:00 Pugsley House Regularization - Ruth Ann Matts.
- 7:10 Presentation on Water and Fluoride - Bob Spurling
- 7:25 Presentation on Leonardo Program - Lisa James
- 7:40 Discussion of UDOT Traffic Plans, Main Street and Columbus.
- 8:00 Adjournment.

Next Meeting: November 19, 2003

CAPITOL HILL NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Downtown Alliance Offers Much to Capitol Hill Residents

Alison Sheffield, Program Manager, The Downtown Alliance

We're happy to take this opportunity to educate the Capitol Hill residents about all that the Downtown Alliance has to offer our residential neighbors. We encourage you to get involved and take advantage of your proximity to the activities and amenities located in downtown Salt Lake City.

The Downtown Farmers' Market is happening every Saturday until October 18th, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., in Pioneer Park (300 South & 300 West). As the season changes, so do the offerings from 100+ local growers and farmers, with the addition of squash, pumpkins, and apples. Fresh baked breads, coffee vendors, unique food vendors, yard art, and handmade arts & crafts are available throughout the season. The Market is a great way to keep in touch with neighbors and friends from around the city, and to support local farmers, artists and merchants.

Stay tuned to the marketing and promotional projects run by the Downtown Alliance, such as the Downtown Token, a universal parking and transit validation program designed for downtown merchants and customers. When you shop at the participating downtown merchants, you receive Downtown Tokens, which can be used as validations in 3 different ways: 1) for up to 1 hour of parking at all Salt Lake City meters, 2) \$1 off parking fares at participating garages and lots, and 3) one full fare on UTA's TRAX and regular bus service. It's a great way to facilitate getting around town. Visit the website at www.downtowntoken.com for a list of businesses and parking lots.

The Live It Up! Downtown lifestyle marketing campaign promotes all downtown events and activities, from the Gallivan Center to the Delta Center to The Gateway. Check out the website, www.liveitupdowntown.com, for a complete listing of what's happening in town on a monthly basis. The Live It Up! Downtown bi-monthly email newsletter is designed to keep the downtown population aware of what's coming in the next 2 weeks. Sign up for the email newsletter on the homepage of www.liveitupdowntown.com.

The Downtown Alliance is also constantly seeking national and local tenants to add into the city's mix of shopping, restaurants, and cultural offerings. We'd love to receive your feedback and ideas, so feel free to email us at info@downtownslc.org.

This Old House

The Morrison Meat Pie Bakery - 261 West Reed Avenue

Question: In the late 1880s, what Utah-produced comfort food was particularly preferred by the famous Shakespearean actor Edwin Booth (older brother of the infamous John Wilkes Booth) whenever Edwin performed at the old Salt Lake Theatre?

Answer: Morrison Meat Pies.
Honest!

And the venerable old Scottish pie company was based in the Capitol Hill neighborhood, at 261 West Reed Ave. for much of its history.

When Thomas Henry Morrison immigrated from New Zealand to Utah in 1882, he brought with him an old family recipe for Scottish meat pies. He soon began selling the pies from a pushcart at Main and First South, and then opened a basement restaurant nearby. It was here that Edwin Booth discovered the pies and as time went by, so the story goes, whenever Booth was in town, Morrison would

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This Old House (cont.) appear at his dressing room at the close of each performance with a bag of hot pies. (Further information about the Morrison Meat Pie Company, still going strong, is available at their website, www.ljones@morrisonmeatpies.com.)



The Morrison Meat Pie bakery in the old days

As the business continued to expand, the family built the bakery at 261 West Reed Ave. in about 1907. The building is a one-and-one-half-story hipped-roof structure with a dormer facing Reed Avenue. Later expansions were added on the west and north sides.

The bakery's central feature was its massive brick oven, built into the west wall. The oven was never turned off from the day it was first heated until the company's move in 1997. Many who grew up on Capitol Hill have fond memories of buying meat pies at the bakery, hot from the oven. Stan Olsen's recollection is typical: "Morrison meat pies were a frequent part of meals at the Olsen house. They were best with tomato soup, gravy, or ketchup. The thought of one of those brings back wonderful memories." (Eventually Thomas Morrison brought his son Dan into the business, and it was known for many years as Dan Morrison Meat Pies.)

The old bakery will soon bow to progress. The City's Redevelopment Agency has purchased the property and will soon raze the building to make way for residential development, and the fragrance and taste of hot meat pies on Reed Avenue will remain only a memory. As Edwin Booth

in his heyday, playing Hamlet, might have said, "Sweets for the sweet: farewell!" (*Hamlet*, act 5, sc. 1)

Volunteer Service Opportunities — October

Service Activities

- **Utah Food Bank** always welcomes volunteers to help sort food at their warehouse at 1025 S. 700 W. Please call Christine Thomas at 908-8660.
- **Primary Children's Medical Center** needs volunteers for its information desks, gift shop, and other areas. Call 588-2446 for more information.
- **Capitol Hill Kiwanis Club** continues its service to our community. Join us each Thursday at 7:00 a.m. for breakfast and a speaker at the Inn at Temple Square. For more information, call Moyle Anderson at 364-7294.
- Help the **Neighborhood Watch** for two hours or more monthly. To help, or for more information, please call Joan Legge, 355-8396.
- **LifeCare** (1025 S. 700 W.) needs volunteers to help homebound seniors and persons with disabilities by delivering food boxes or helping with yard work. For more information, call 978-2452.
- **TreeUtah** would like help hand watering. Visit www.treeutah or call 364-2122 if you do not have internet access.

Food, Clothing, Other Donations

- **The Road Home** is in need of volunteers at its community shelter, 210 S. Rio Grande St. Donations of personal hygiene items, socks, underwear, diapers, and any other items are needed. Call 359-4142 or go to www.tasslc.org.
- **The LDS 19th Ward Relief Society**, located at 225 W. 500 N., sponsors a **clothing exchange** on the second Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. *Everything is free!* Come and look, or bring something along to pass on to someone else. All are welcome!
- **Crossroads Urban Center**, 347 So. 400 E., helps feed the homeless in our neighborhood. This month they have a special need for **pork & beans and canned pasta (spaghettios)** Their **Thrift Store**, 1385 W. Indiana (850 So.), needs dishes, silverware, pots and pans, and small groups for sorting. Please call Linda Hilton at 364-7765 for more information.

Literacy, Reading, and Children

- **Become a foster parent** and strengthen a family! Right here in our Capitol Hill neighborhood are children in need of safe, stable, loving homes while their families heal. You can be married or single, with or without children, renter or homeowner. Visit www.utahfostercare.org or call 994-5205. Volunteer opportunities are also available.
- **The Children's Museum of Utah** needs energetic, fun-loving seniors, and others to volunteer for work in the galleries, at the front desk, and behind the scenes. Call 328-3383.
- **Washington School** needs volunteers to read to a child one hour a week. Call Ann Pendell, 578-8140, Tuesdays or Thursdays for details.
- **Literacy Volunteers of America-Wasatch Front** is seeking volunteers to teach English to adult refugees and immigrants. Training is provided. Call Barbara or Denise at 328-5608.

If you have items for the Bulletin or questions about the mailing list, or would like to help produce the Bulletin, please call Illona Stuehser (533-0678), Autumn Cook (596-9729), Christine Wade (918-0114), or Stephen or Corinne Sorenson (364-3838).

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When Mary Corporon's father was nearing retirement from his auto dealership in northern California, he, his wife, and Mary drove through Utah on a vacation. Her parents so liked what they saw that they "decided it was a great place, and we moved here," Mary says. She shifted from small-town life in Oroville, California (population about 10,000 – "a little tiny rural community" as Mary remembers it) to the somewhat larger environs of Provo, where Mary graduated from Provo High.



She then attended the University of Utah, earning a degree in English and excelling on the debate team. In the latter activity she discovered a love for preparing and presenting a well-crafted argument, and for the challenge of shifting sides on an argument at short notice. This in turn led her to the Law School at the University, where she graduated with a Juris Doctor degree.

In the twenty-three years since, Mary has practiced continuously in a small office with the same partner (Kellie

Williams) – a rare achievement in the legal community, where small partnerships are generally temporary and many attorneys shift offices several times during a career. Mary's practice has focused almost exclusively on family law and on criminal defense work. She especially enjoys defense work and the ability to give guidance in the criminal justice system to those in the greatest need and, often, the deepest trouble. "It's sort of the razor's edge," Mary relates, "very important to everyone involved. It's never boring." She has no exact count, but has represented several thousand criminal defendants in her years of practice.

She and her husband, Ford Hightower, have lived on Capitol Hill since 1995. "We're downtown people, city people, and we really like the neighborhood," especially their "great view." Mary and Ford also operate Moriarty's Antiques in downtown Salt Lake City, where they "learn more each day" about the limitless field of antique buying and selling. Their business is the namesake of their eight-year-old parrot, Moriarty, a military macaw. Moriarty has a large and varied vocabulary and, noting the traditional impressive longevity of parrots, Mary laughs, "We'll eventually have to set up a trust for this creature."

FREE COMMUNITY EVENTS - OCTOBER

Temple Square Concert Series* 7:30 p.m.

- 10 - Tanya Bannister - Pianist
 - 11 - Utah All-state Band
 - 17 - Chorale and Orchestra
 - 18 - Relief Society Music Festival
 - 24 - Orchestra of Sandy City
 - 25 - Orchestra at Temple Square Concert
- 100-voice Wasatch Chorale
- (Assembly Hall)
- 31 - USU Chamber Singers

* Certain programs require tickets. For info., call 240-0080.

Madeleine Choir School

The American Boy Choir from Princeton, New Jersey, will perform November 1, 8 p.m.

Bonsai Exhibit, sponsored by the Wasatch Bonsai Society, Provo Arts Center, 425 W. Center, Provo, October 6-8, 10 a.m. This exhibit features many bonsai trees in tokoname style.

Downtown Farmers' Market continues each Saturday, 8 a.m., through October 18.



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- and in November for elections.

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