



The Fremont Chamber of Commerce strengthens the business climate and improves the quality of life in the Fremont community.

Fremont Chamber History

This overview was begun by Jim Daly and furthered by Kirby Lindsay following Jim's passing. The history was updated by Fremont Chamber Board members to mark 40 years of keeping Fremont Funky in 2022.

1982

Fremont Chamber of Commerce was founded by Suzie Burke, Jim Daly, Jim Freeman and George Heideman – with 25 people at the 1st meeting who signed on.

Biggest issues: Zoning, especially N. Northlake Marine. After many meetings on how to face issues of our struggling business district.

Meeting Place: King's Row Restaurant on 39th and Stone Way

Dues: \$10/year

Officers: Jim Daly, the only founding member late for the first election, was chosen as first president in June and served four terms

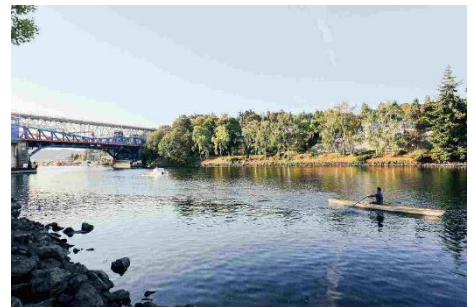
Communications: Mostly phone tree, Jim Daly first published "The Bridge" newsletter in late 1982.

Membership: 50

1983

Biggest Issues: the location of the Burke-Gilman Bike Trail through Fremont was a controversial issue. The Chamber did not favor this. They chose to ask for a white paper for a route thru downtown Fremont off 34th! Today, the mile of the Burke-Gilman running through Fremont is arguably the best and most scenic. Photo by On the Grid.

Organization: A post office box gave the Chamber an official address, and regular monthly meetings kept businesses informed about public safety and zoning issues. Jim Daly continued as president.



1984

Biggest Issues: Improvement to the retail core of Fremont including support of the American Music Theater at the Old Odd Fellows Hall. Voters selected the paint color of the Fremont Bridge at the Fremont Street Fair Chamber booth, with blue & orange beating out green. Fremont Mayor Armen Stepanian campaigned for orange as a write-in candidate, but Canal Blue won, and the painting was scheduled for 1985.

Dues: \$25 for companies and \$10 for individuals.

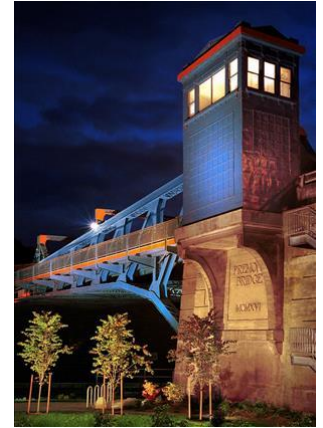
Membership: 100+

Organization. Jim Daly continued as president.

1985

Achievement: Chamber co-sponsored the Irregular Fremont Neighborhood tour! On October 25, 1985, Fremont Neighborhood Council president Liz White, Fremont Chamber of Commerce president Jim Daly, Bridge Maintenance Manager Bill Couch, and over 50 local residents met at the newly painted bridge to dedicate “the paint of compromise.” Photo from Fremont Historical Society.

Organizational: Established its current Board composition. The Fremont Economic Development Council was born again to design a five-year working plan. Morrey Bell who worked in our area for Seattle Police helped us put together a booklet of 185 businesses contact numbers to help us all communicate. Jim Daly continued as president.



1986

Officials: Marc Jones was elected president and served three terms.

Organizational: Vic Warren of WBA designed the Chamber's logo for free.

Achievements: Community and business leaders, organized by the Chamber, successfully fought closure of B.F. Day Elementary School. We were the only Chamber of Commerce to ever attend school board meetings and demand continuation of their local school. Once the school was saved Jim Daly and Suzie Burke met with principal Carol Williams and teachers to raise money to fund summer camp for all the 5th graders. Opened in September 1892, the B. F. Day Elementary School, is the oldest continuously operating elementary school in the Seattle School District. Photo by Seattle Times.



1987

Events: First running of the Briefcase Relay race with the Fremont Chamber Pot of Commerce trophy created by Mike Peck of Fremont Architectural Pottery. Margie Freeman threw up in the Briefcase at the finish of the race.

Organizational: September reported a balance of \$1700 in treasury. Marc Jones continued as president.

1988

Issues: The Chamber supported keeping floatplanes on Lake Union – our International Airport!

Achievements: Participation in the first annual Bite of B.F. Day, with food vendors at the school and an entrance fee of \$10. One BF Day child who lived in a motel on Aurora Avenue managed to sell \$185 of tickets.

Membership: 170

Organizational: Marc Jones continued as president.

1989

Officers: Suzie (Burke) Groves first female President.

Achievements/Retail: The Revitalization Plan for Fremont got a grant and generated a report in 1990, called the Fremont Revitalization Project. Prepared by Gilmore Research, it proposed upgrades, a ten-year plan and a list of businesses needed for a viable Fremont retail core, including needed Fremont improvements! The list of project goals was accomplished within 5 years. There was also a list of F words to describe Fremont. The project included extensive public involvement including voting at the Fremont Fair, art project at the Fremont Foundry and a community celebration on the day the Fremont Troll was dedicated on Halloween 1990. The first 19th Annual Fremont Oktoberfest fundraiser was organized by Ken Saunderson.

1990

Officers: Mike Peck took over presidency for two terms. Suzie Moredon the Dept of Neighborhood found \$\$ for Troll.

Achievements: The second 19th Annual Fremont Oktoberfest fundraiser, featured the first closing of boating season ceremony. Fremont received its 1st neighborhood matching grant – and Boeing gave a grant to help train teachers and volunteers to promote the family school – BF Day – When it reopened! The Fremont Sunday Market was established in 1990 and has evolved into a thriving, diverse European-style, canal-side open-air street market that goes year-round. Photo by Jon Hegeman.



1991

Achievements: In 1991 B. F. Day Elementary School re-opened after an extensive remodel by our own Tully Gordon Construction.

Programs: Popularity, among attendees and political speakers, grew for the June Picnic In the (Gasworks) Park. Margie Freeman and Suzie Burke continued to run an annual book sale to support the Fremont Library.

Organizational: Mike Peck continued as president.

1992

Organizational: Board elected to hire an Executive Secretary to generate reminders of impending meetings, facilitate membership recruitment, answer phones, collect and sort mail and do correspondence.

Officers: Jim Daly returned to lead the Chamber as its president, for his fifth year.

Achievements: Jon Hegeman designed "The Official Guide to the Curious Republic of Fremont" as a project of the Fremont Business Association.

1993

Officers: President Phill Briscoe

Organizational: Hired Kirby (Khale) Lindsay, owner of Ladybug Books, as paid Executive Secretary.

Issues: George Heideman led efforts on the Board to complete a comprehensive parking study for Fremont. The Lenin statue arrived from Yugoslavia via Issaquah to be put together in the Fremont Foundry and displayed for sale in Fremont.

1994

Events: Burke foundation established to benefit Fremont. Every Tuesday at 9am ARF met at Trolleyman Pub.

Officers: President Pam Hinckley,

Retail: Charlotte Buchanan and the Retail Committee realized a Christmas season Shopping Spree contest.

Achievements: John Hoge installed the Fremont Rocket while Mike Peck organized a community-wide auction to pay for it. The Chamber along with Fremont Arts Council members protested the Seattle Comprehensive Plan with a Proclamation declaring Fremont an Independent Imagi-Nation and forming ARF, the Artist's Republic of Fremont.

Organizational: Charles Hadrann designed a funky new membership form while Jeanne Muir, as contracted by the Chamber, publicized Fremont to the world.



1995

Events: In 1995 the second Miracle On 34th Street, a Celebration of Life through Miniature Golf, took place as well as the Tour de Fremont Bike Race. Lenin statue unveiled June 3rd.

Officers: President Kathy Moeller.

Achievements: Volunteers initiated an Art About on first Saturdays and an increasing frequency of Business After Hours (BAH). The community hotly debated proposed purchase of Open Space property at a price considerably higher than appraised value, until the Chamber agreed to help sell a bronze sculpture of Lenin.



1996

Achievements: The Chamber held an auction for B.F. Day in 1996 at Hale's Ales and raised \$13,000.

Events: Lenin statue moved to Fremont Place N & 36th & Evanston.

Retail: The Board purchase copies of the latest edition of the Walking Guide to Fremont as designed by Jon Hegeman to distribute as well as "Center Of The Universe" signs to sell.

Parking: Raymond Glandon finally got Space Chips, the official currency of Fremont and U-Park, to help alleviate parking concerns.

1997

Officers: Melissa Hines President

Oktoberfest: Board convinced Phil Megenhardt and Bold Hat Productions to resurrect the Oktoberfest fundraiser to benefit the Chamber. It is THE major fundraiser for the Chamber and continues today!

Retail: Hysterical Markers sprouted up around the neighborhood.

Achievements: Denise Fogleman and area businesses instructed children at B.F. Day on how to run a business for the first Village. Jim Neighdi started History House with a commitment to celebrate Fremont History! He was able to open an event space in 1998.



1998

Officers/Organizational: Erin Kohlenberg, President, helped hire Neave Karger-Megenhardt as the new Executive Secretary.

Issues/Parking: Community discussions, and newsletter reports, concerned much needed repairs on the Fremont Bridge Approaches and the Board fought parking meters in Fremont, again.

Achievements: Theresa Weidemann helped Jon Hegeman and Josh Logan lure two Dinosaur (topiaries) to graze alongside the Ship Canal.

Holidays: The Lake Union Center held the First Fremont Holiday Lighting in Adobe Plaza.

1999

Achievements: Once again gave its support for a Trick-Or-Treat event planned by Kirby Lindsay for 1999. Diana Jones and Michelle Barrier initiated the Upper Fremont "Highlanders" promotion. The Chamber supported a fourth annual Kids' Day! In Fremont, featuring a Spelling Bee and guests J.P. Patches & Gertrude.

Officers: Jim Daly Day on August 6th became one of many efforts to show affection to (self-proclaimed) 'Godmother' Jim before he succumbed to cancer. Erin Kohlenberg served her second term as president.

2000

Events: Fremont Rotary established on January 1. Dinosaurs moved to the ship canal and adopted by Fremont Rotary.

Officers/Organizational: George Heideman served as President for two years starting in 2000, and Emily Richardson took the job as Executive Secretary.

Website: The annual discussion of what to do with the web site, ably tended by Tom Sparks, spawned the annual designation of a committee to investigate.

Issues: The Fremont Sunday Market came under attack and in reaction to a rather thoughtless comment, the Chamber Board officially voted themselves as the Wrong Kind of People.



2001

Events: The Hebert Research Economic Analysis was done.

Website: The Chamber hired John Nordstrand to maintain the web site

Organizational: Angela Light came on-board as Executive Secretary in officially rented office space.

Retail: Samantha Lane helped organize retailers and a Fremont Sidewalk Sale. In February, the Old Fremont Tavern building was moved one block west.

2002

Officers/ED: President Russ Mead led efforts to hire the Chamber's first Executive Director, Bill Elder.

Dues: Raised to \$50 for Individuals, and companies paid staggered amounts based on employee numbers up to \$200 for a Sustaining Membership.

Achievements: Community meetings, including Chamber Board meetings, moved to History House, an area museum the Chamber helped as fiscal agent on grant applications, and supported by the Burke Foundation.

2003

Marco Tubic took over presidential duties in 2003 which kicked off with a Strategic Planning Meeting and adoption of a formal Mission Statement. After two years, FROG (Fremont Retail Organizational Group) officially hopped onto the Chamber bandwagon as a standing committee. The Walking Guide to Fremont became an official project of the Chamber. Efforts to education and avoid an RPZ (Residential Parking Zone) in Fremont began and Regan Peck got enthusiastic support for a Fremont First Friday Art Walk. Holiday lights lit the Rocket!

2004

The Chamber started 2004 assisting Fremont Public Association efforts to make the Fremont Fair a more effective fundraiser. Solicitation of donations to pay for roadway improvements proposed in the Circulation Plan got underway, as the Board foresaw the impact of the Fremont Bridge Approach Replacement project. In trade for the job as Editor of the Chamber newsletter, Kirby Lindsay agreed to return as interim office staff, and she lasted almost a whole month. Corky Merwin, Kathy Moeller, and Lisa Perry created the first annual Lenin for Christmas with the help of Jon Hegeman, and to the delight of a huge audience.



2005

The board spent 2005 dissecting Lenin Lighting costs but, in the end, we lit him up again. The Chamber also supported the Music In The Sculpture Garden, as well as continued support to the Outdoor Cinema. Sarah Nelson took over office duties and moved the Chamber to shared space with the Neighborhood Service Center. The new Oversight Committee worked to guide her, and then her replacement, Lillian Tangen. The board fought off Pay Stations (a new name for parking meters), again.

2006

Achievements: President Marko – Free Fremont Farmers Market & Outdoor Cinema. Rebuild the Fremont Bridge – 18mos.

2007

Officers/ED: Michael Jerrett is hired as Executive Director as a result of strategic Planning meeting.

Issues: Aurora Bridge Suicides, bridge barrier project begins. Fremont Bridge and Fremont Circulation plan. 5 years of work!

2008

Officers/ED: Jessica Vets is hired as executive director

Parking: Keep Fremont Free Campaign is started by Suzie Burke and Ken Saunderson to stop pay meters being installed in Fremont (again).

Achievements/Retail: Hosted two tours of the business district for the concierges of downtown Seattle hotels. Promoted J.P. Patches Day and installation of a Waiting for the Interurban statue. On August 17th, 2008, with over 3,000 patches pals coming to see J.P. and Gertrude including Gov. Gregoire and 1st husband. The statue was installed on the Adobe Plaza.

Membership: 156

2009

Programs: New Fremont Health and Wellness group is started by Chamber. 40 people attend first meeting

Parking: Meters finally come to Fremont after a long and hard fight, we manage to reduce the number of paid spaces from over 700 to only 72.

Retail: Walking Guide distribution is increased to include over 50 hotels and visitor centers in downtown. Fremocentrist celebrates 10th year of service to Fremont. Thank you, Kirby!

Membership: 189

2010

Events: Solid Ground announces in 2009 that they can no longer run the Fremont Fair and asks Fremont Chamber to take over the event and Bold Hat Productions takes on event production. Event is very successfully. Chamber pledges \$45,000 to support Solid Ground and proceeds are generated from the Fair to keep the pledge!

Achievements: Lenin Lighting is made sustainable by giving budget to installation of lights and a process for the event. Rodman Miller takes over being Santa and gives lemons to some adults!

Retail: Walking Guide is grown to 118 listing the most listing to-date.

Membership: 198



2011

Events: Second year running the Fremont Fair, no issues and event continues to grow under Bold Hat Productions. June Picnic on the Park with candidates is held at Gasworks Park.

Programs: Monthly Fremont Geek Meetup is added as a Fremont Chamber regular meeting

Officers: Marko Tubic finally decides to step down as President at the end of 2011. Ken Saunderson takes over presidency in 2012.

Retail: Walking Guide is grown to 119 listings, beating 2011 by 1, with new redesign to match Fremont.com site. August chamber meeting on Ride the Duck!

Achievements: Aurora Bridge Barrier is finally completed. New Fremont.com website is launched in December.

Membership: 219 2012

Events: Third year running the Fremont Fair, no issues and event continues to grow under Bold Hat Productions. Wiffle Ball 1st tournament at BF Day! Winner The Allen Institute! 20 teams participate and this awesome event raises thousands of dollars to support BF Day.

Programs: Monthly Fremont Geek Meetup is added as a Fremont Chamber regular meeting.

Officers: Ken Saunderson takes the role as president. Meetings continue at History House.



2013

Events: Fourth year running the Fremont Fair, no issues and event continues to grow under Bold Hat Productions. 2nd Annual Whiffle ball Tournament! Winner Hallows Church!

Programs: Our biggest year yet, with 51 programmed events. During Lent co-sponsored soup nites with Fremont Rotary – Good for small restaurants!

Officers: Ken Saunderson remains as president for a second term. Marko and others walked around Fremont to call on non-member businesses.

2014

Events: Fifth year running the Fremont Fair, and Bold Hat Productions adds a Solstice Concert Series on both Friday and Saturday nights. And the first year that Hopscotch is added to the Fremont Chamber major events, we now have three – Hopscotch, Fremont Fair and Fremont Oktoberfest. Hollows Church repeats as Whiffle Ball champion!

Programs: Continuing the pace on programs monthly meetings continue to be well attended.

Officers: Phil Megenhardt takes the role of president, with Marko stepping in as Events Chair to ensure there is limited conflict of interest.

Staff: Caroline Sherman hired as an independent part-time contractor providing data entry and membership support.

2015

Events: Sixth year running the Fremont Fair, and Bold Hat Productions continues the Solstice Concert Series on both Friday and Saturday nights. The second year that Hopscotch is part of the Fremont Chamber major events, and Fremont Oktoberfest has its second-best year ever. And the last Whiffle Ball tourney was won by Anytime Fitness. Shout out to Frank Costa at Adobe for managing the event along with Ken Saunderson.

Programs: Continuing the pace on programs monthly meetings continue to be well attended.

Officers: Phil Megenhardt continues as a second term as president, with Marko holding the role of Events Chair most of the year, turning it over to the Board at the end of the event season.

Staff: After eight years Jessica Vets decides to step down as executive director at the end of January 2016.

Membership: 269

2016

Events: Seventh year running the Fremont Fair, and Bold Hat Productions continues the Solstice Concert Series on both Friday and Saturday nights. The third year that Hopscotch is part of the Fremont Chamber major events, and Fremont Oktoberfest continues.

Programs: Continuing the pace on programs monthly meetings and attendance is solid.

Officers: Pete Hanning steps up to serve as president. Paul Doak resigns as Treasurer and Phil Megenhardt steps into his shoes. Susan Fuller, Kerston Swartz, Andrew Arthur, Barbara Luecke and Victoria Odell finish their terms and leave the board at the end of the year.

Staff: Caroline Sherman and Trisha Rarey carry on the work of the office in the roles of Office Administrator/Membership Guru and Programs & Marketing Wizard respectively while the Board explores hiring a new executive director.

Membership: 263

2017

Events: Eighth year running the Fremont Fair, and Bold Hat Productions continues the Solstice Concert Series on both Friday and Saturday nights. The fourth year that Hopscotch is part of the Fremont Chamber major events, and Fremont Oktoberfest continues. Our Picnic in the Park event beat all records for attendance this year.

Programs: Continuing the pace on programs; monthly meetings continue to be well attended.

Office: The Chamber rolls out its new website, designed by member Culture Foundry, in September and is a heartily welcomed update. They also create a new logo for the Chamber!

Officers: Pete Hanning serves a second term as president. Paul Robinson, Stanley Jaskot and Carrie Bauer join the board.

Staff: Caroline Sherman and Trisha Rarey are officially contracted to handle the office, membership, programs, and marketing.

Membership: 249



2018

Events: Ninth year running the Fremont Fair, and Bold Hat Productions continues the Solstice Concert Series on both Friday and Saturday nights. The Fremont Oktoberfest continues. We moved our Picnic in the Park event to the Picnic on the Dock at the Seattle Maritime Academy, and it was very successful, pulling in many industrial businesses. Steve Metruck, Port of Seattle Director, was the featured speaker.

Programs: Ken Saunderson takes over the role of Program Coordinator and revamps the meeting offerings. Monthly meetings are well attended, and interesting speakers and formats are introduced.

Office: The office moves from a sub-let at 309 N 36th Street to a small office at 720 N 35th Street.

Officers: Pete Hanning serves a third term as president. Tim Tackett of PCC replaces Jennifer Beus to fill out her term on the board.

Staff: Caroline Sherman and Trisha Rarey continue to handle the office, membership, programs, and marketing. Molly Gallagher replaces Trisha mid-year.

Membership: 232

2019

Events: Tenth anniversary of the Fremont Chamber running the Fremont Fair, and Bold Hat Productions continues the Solstice Concert Series on both Friday and Saturday nights. The Fremont Oktoberfest has record-breaking attendance. Picnic on the Dock continues to be a draw for many industrial businesses. Event was held at Seattle Maritime Academy and featured candidates running for City Council and Port Commissioner.

Programs: Continuing the pace on programs; monthly meetings continue to be well attended with top-notch, local speakers like Amy Nelson of The Riveter and Etienne Patout of Theo Chocolate.

Community: The Chamber is influential in removing a homeless encampment and improving police presence in Fremont. Through the Mayor-backed Tour, the Chamber helps bring better traffic and sanitation solutions to Fremont. Chamber also hosts the Fremont Tour tourism event, bringing downtown hotel concierges to Fremont and showing them the downtown area.

Office: Whitney Moore joins Caroline Sherman in the office with a focus on Membership and Social Media. Twitter hits 3,252 followers, Facebook builds to 873 followers, Instagram has 765 followers and

LinkedIn platform building up to 119 followers. Google My Business and Yelp pages claimed and built out.

Officers: Pete Hanning continues as president. Nate Mouttet from Seattle Pacific University joins the board in September as an at-large member for the remainder of the year.

Staff: Caroline Sherman and Whitney Moore continue to handle the office, membership, programs, and marketing.

Membership: 230

2020

The start of the global COVID Pandemic!

Programs: January started out successfully with Capt. Eric Sano, North Precinct, Seattle Police Department, and the presentation of the Chamber Annual Awards. Then the pandemic shut down in-person operations.

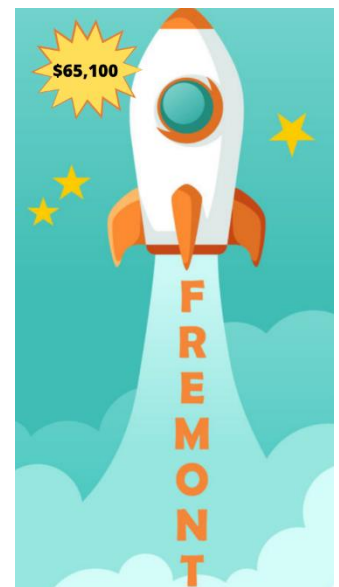
Board: President: Brandi Gaines from Adobe! Board meets virtually monthly in the Center of the Zoom Universe and tackles support for keeping businesses operating in a pandemic. Website highlight on-line shopping and take-out dining. We work closely with local, state, and federal officials to share resources and business support initiatives Chamber Board taps our reserve fund to keep our doors open to support our members. (Reserve never drops below 50%!)

Fremont Business Relief Fund: The Chamber raised and awarded more than \$65,000 in relief funds to help mitigate the pandemic. The 45 businesses who were awarded small business grants of \$1,500 each have been in business in Fremont a cumulative 399 years! In addition, six Fremont non-profits received grants.

Staff: Caroline Sherman and Whitney Moore continue to handle the office, membership, programs, and marketing.

Events: Sadly, all in-person programs, the Fremont Fair, Fremont Oktoberfest and Sunday Market are cancelled.

Membership: 226



2021

Events: Due to Covid we still couldn't have a Fair so several community advocates helped the Chamber celebrate Solstice – the Aerial Circus by Adrian Laney, art cars by Kelly Lyle and Kirby Laney made Trick or Treat happen and got Lenin lit. We finally got back the Sunday Market! Then the Picnic in the Park became the Happy Hour at Pacific Fishermen Shipyard, with more than 125 people attending the event with the candidates running for Mayor, City Attorney and Port Commissioner!

Programs: The Board continued to meet virtually. Brandi Gaines continues as President. Neighborhood Volunteer Leo Griffin writes our Neighborhood Economic Recovery Fund (NERF) Grant application, and the Chamber is awarded the full \$100,000 to refurbish public art, create new art, catalog Fremont's public art, translate the Chamber website, digitize the Chamber's Walking Guide and refurbish the Hysterical Markers!

Community: Hugely important election chose a new Seattle mayor Bruce Harrell who promised to improve Public Safety and get the city running again. Our own member Sara Nelsen from Fremont Brewing was elected to City Council – at large, and immediately started helping our police and clearing the Leary Triangle.

Office: We lost Whitney to the West Seattle Chamber of Commerce and Caroline's work was shared with heavy contribution of time and talent of Brandi our President.

Membership: 194

2022

Board: Brandi Gaines continues as president. Hybrid board meetings are held.

Office: Pete Hanning was hired as Executive Director, with Caroline Sherman continuing to manage the office and coordinate membership. A special Fremont Chamber membership video was produced by The Meraki Agency.

Programs: In-person event restart! Annual Awards program presented. Happy Hour at Pacific Fishermen Shipyard had more than 115 attendees, meeting candidates running for District 36 and King County Prosecutor. The Neighborhood Economic Recovery Fund (NERF) Arts Grant continued to support the restoration of existing art, with emphasis on the Rocket, Troll's Knoll, and local murals first, and creation of new art in Fremont with the excellent guidance of Leo Griffin.

Events: The Fair returned with the Solstice Parade (short but great) and a very few Police Officers! But a wonderful crowd, good business, lots of music & good beer! Fremont Oktoberfest set for September!!!!

Community: Biggest Challenge: the SDOT/Metro Route 40 to be debated. Sunday Market is in full swing and may add a Saturday Evening in August.

Membership: 201

Forty Years and Counting: And a special shout out to members who have been with us since the beginning of the Fremont Chamber back in 1982: Fremont Dock Co., Dunn Lumber and Marketime Foods.



2023

Board: Brandi Gaines continues as president. Hybrid board meetings are intermixed with in-person ones.

Office: Pete Hanning continues as Executive Director and Caroline Sherman continues to manage the office and coordinate membership.

Programs: In addition to Tech Tips, a Route 40 meeting, and the Annual Awards program, we had a new offering in the form of reduced-price tickets to new Member Seattle Rep's World Premier of "Lydia and the Troll", featuring the Fremont Troll! The Candidate Forum at Pacific Fishermen Shipyard had more than 142 attendees, presenting candidates running for City Council in Districts 4, 6 and 7, County Council District 4, and two Port Commissioner races. The Neighborhood Economic Recovery Fund (NERF) Arts Grant continued to support the restoration of existing art, including the Troll, another local mural, as well as a variety of bench/art installations along the Fremont Cut under the continued guidance of Leo Griffin. Also supported was the refurbishment of the Hysterical Markers, creating new marketing rack cards to replace the Walking Guide, and the creation of digital Walking Tours through Geocaching's Adventure Labs.

Events: The Fair and the Solstice Parade were held successfully with a wonderful crowd, good business, lots of music & good beer! Fremont Oktoberfest did very well, in spite of the rain!! Trick-or-Treat saw a record number of businesses participating, over 100.

Community: Biggest Challenge: the SDOT/Metro Route 40 continues to be debated. The Fremont Sunday Market is in full swing.

Membership: 203

Epilogue

To detail every effort, some failed and others too wildly successful for mere words to capture, would be futile. Just as it would be to try to list every single volunteer that has made the Chamber possible

through our a very long and very glorious history. For everything done, everything attempted, and everything endured, thank you all!

Fremont Chamber Presidents

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