

ACT Board 2018 Annual Report

Annandale Area Community Team (ACT)

There were four ACT Board Meetings in 2018: January 11, April 12, July 12, and October 4. They were at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.

Officers for the ACT Board remained the same as last year: Judy Grabham as Vice-Chair, Jill Bishop as Secretary, and Marlene Young as Treasurer. Kelly Hinnenkamp served as Coordinating Chair in the absence of anyone stepping up to be Chair, and Team Leaders rotated as meeting facilitators. Others remaining on the ACT Board were Laura Hood Beckman, Rose Mary Nelson, Renee Cardarelle, Sue Thwing, Katje McIntyre, Judy Seaberg, Traci Gasper and Elise Nelson. Robin Davidson resigned from the board and three new members were added, Sandy Holthaus, Patti Van Dorp, and Casey Weber, bringing the year end number to 15.

Team Leads and other roles include the following: Arts Team Lead, acting co-leads are Ardis Nelson and Katje; Concerts in the Park Coordinator (as part of the Arts Team), Dawn Schaefer Stumpf (being handed over to Casey Weber for 2019); Discover Downtown Lead, Vicki Morgan; Farmers Market co-Leads (as part of Discover Downtown) Sue T, Corry Bregendahl, Patti Van Dorp and Heather Wirth; Beach Team Lead, Marlene; Community Center Team Co-Leads, Marlene and Judy G; Grants Specialist, Renee; Kelly, City of Annandale Administrator; ACT Website, Jill.

Field to Feast broke off from the Discover Downtown Team in 2018 and became a separate Team co-chaired by Rose Mary, Sandy Holthaus, and Barb Westman. Sandy handles the financials and submits them to Marlene.

ACT had a booth at the Business Expo in April. A second PO Box Key is now available for check-out from Kelly. Renee is working on a Visioning Session in 2019. The ACT website was updated to include the new Team Field to Feast Team and board members' names, roles, and term expiration.

There are four active Teams: Arts (Concerts in the Park), Discover Downtown (Farmers Market and Clock Tower Park), Beach, and Field to Feast. The inactive Teams are Skateboard Park, Community Center, and Trails.

The **Arts Team** held a successful Garden Tour fund-raiser on Garden Tour on July 21st. The funds pay for the Concerts in the Park held 6 Friday evenings in the summer.

The **Discover Downtown Team** consists of Farmers Market and Clock Tower Park.

Farmers Market Steering Committee is Sue, Patti Van Dorp, Corry Bregendahl, and Heather Wirth. It started on the Saturday of Memorial Day by participating in the Chamber's Chili Cookoff event and ran 20 Saturdays, May 26 to October 6. Rasmus Bregendahl, teenage son of Corry, took over Tom Westman's baked goods booth. A successful PoP program (Power of Produce) was added in 2018. The POP Club program gives children \$2 tokens to spend on market produce and the season ended with 200 kids signed up. Patti did food prep demonstrations using food sold at the Market.

Two new engraved pavers were installed in Clock Tower Park by Backyard Reflections. The Christmas Tree Lighting was held in the park on Nov 24th. A temporary tree was installed and decorated by the Chamber. The New Year's Eve Ball Drop chaired by Vicki took place at 9:00 p.m.

The **Beach House Team** was open M-F, June 11 to August 17 and staffed by three paid attendants.

Field to Feast was held on Sunday, August 19th. It was held in the fire hall due to weather. 320 tickets were sold. The event netted over \$5,000 and shared the income with the Beach Team, Farmers Market, and Admin.

Jill Bishop
2018 ACT Secretary