



**City of Santa Barbara**  
Parks and Recreation Department

**Memorandum**

**DATE:** July 17, 2008  
**TO:** Park and Recreation Commission  
**FROM:** Franceschi Park Advisory Committee  
**SUBJECT:** Annual Advisory Committee Reports For Fiscal Year 2008

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**Committee Members**

Voting Members:

Susan Chamberlin – Pearl Chase Society (term expires 12/31/08)  
Betsy Collins – Horticulturist (term expires 12/31/09)  
Brigitte Forssell – Riviera Association (term expires 12/31/08)  
Welmoet Glover – Neighbor (term expires 12/31/08)  
Sharon Sumrall – At-Large (term expires 12/31/08)

Park and Recreation Commission Liaison (Non-Voting):

Daraka Larimore-Hall

**Appointment Process and Meeting Schedule**

On June 27, 2007, the Park and Recreation Commission appointed Betsy Collins to the Committee as the Horticulturist representative.

Meetings are quarterly, with special meetings called as necessary.

The Committee held four regular meetings and one special meeting.

Welmoet Glover served as Chair of the committee and Betsy Collins served as Vice-Chair.

**Member Representation**

Pearl Chase Society (3-year term)  
Riviera Association (3-year term)

Horticulture (3-year term)  
Neighbor (2-year term)  
At-Large (2-year term)

### **Committee Projects/Activities**

- ❖ Continued to design Volunteer Handbook.
- ❖ Met with representative from Franceschi Park Foundation regarding possible challenge grant for Demonstration Planting Bed.
- ❖ Met with staff and Franceschi Park Foundation to discuss written proposal for Demonstration Planting Bed grant.
- ❖ Worked with Campbell and Campbell on their pro bono design of Demonstration Planting Bed.
- ❖ Worked on funding for Interpretive Signage in park.
- ❖ Discussed development of short 10-minute talk w/ slides for presentations to clubs and non-profits.
- ❖ Participated in joint Franceschi Park workday sponsored by the Riviera Association and Parks and Recreation Department.

### **Recommendations/Concerns**

- ❖ Concern regarding funding for park improvements.
- ❖ Concern for ongoing attention to preserving the horticultural heritage of the park.