

NEWSLETTER

CONCERNED CITIZENS FOR WASHINGTON CEMETERY CARE, INC.  
May, 1983

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SPRING AND GRASS CUTTING ARE HERE

The first cutting this year was the week prior to Easter. Several weeks before, the grass and weeds were shooting up fast but by not rushing the first cutting, we saved \$1,475 and all will agree, the cemetery looked very nice for Easter.

Our maintenance contract for '83 was granted to Schlitzberger Bros. The terms specify ten cuttings at \$1,475 each with an optional two additional cuttings at \$1,375 each.

Schlitzbergers are the people who reset fifty fallen monuments last year and twenty more last month. This company also sells monuments and has facilities to open and close graves. We have requested Houston funeral homes to allow them to do this work for any burials in Washington Cemetery since their prices are in line and they will be more interested and particular in handling the closings. Excess dirt left piled on the lots and in the pathways has been a big problem in the past.

JESS PETTY RETIRES AS TREASURER

Our sincere appreciation to Jess Petty who served us well as Treasurer for the past six years.

We are sorry to see him leave this office but he feels he must assist his son who has formed his own C.P.A. firm in Austin. Thanks, Jess, for so much of your valuable time and a job well done.

TREASURER TO BE BONDED

We are now in the process of bonding our Treasurer and the two check-signers.

Also, Mr. Ben Bugh, a C.P.A. and one of our Directors, is auditing our books. This is all in the interest of good business procedure.

FOR YOUR INTEREST

During the first three months of this year there have been eight burials in Washington Cemetery. This makes a total of forty since we began maintenance in spring, '79.

CEMETERY ENTRANCE RESTORED

The cemetery entrance has been restored. One of our members, Mr. H. T. Bumgardner of Bumgardner Concrete Foundation Co., straightened the two leaning columns and reworked the cracked foundations under the iron fence. Russ King will paint the iron fence soon.

Approximately \$1,800 was donated for this project and Mr. Bumgardner has promised to give us the best possible price he can.

Thanks to all who donated to the Entrance Fund and made this great improvement possible.

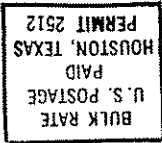
CONGRATULATIONS!  
BUT WE MUST WORK HARDER

We have come a long way since CONCERNED CITIZENS FOR WASHINGTON CEMETERY CARE was just an idea. In less than five years, we have gone from little more than \$5 for postage stamps to 1/3rd the way to our goal of PERPETUAL CARE

In those early days the goal seemed to be at the end of a very long and dark tunnel. One of the earliest efforts was the passing of legislation in the Texas Legislature through the efforts of Herman Lauhoff. This was intended to be an inducement for the City to take over care of the cemetery. The legislature operated but the City did not. While we were struggling to find ways to establish a legitimate supervisory authority for Washington Cemetery, our members were hard at work at the cemetery, cleaning and pruning until it was no longer a horrifying experience to visit. Contributions came in to pay the costs of mowing, donations of the use of machinery and services by several business organizations helped. From our contributions each little surplus was invested jealously to build a fund for the future.

Today the cemetery not only looks good but it has been officially identified as a historical site and our goal of perpetual care is one-third nearer. You are to be commended!

But let's not cheer too loudly too soon! Father Time is taking his toll. We are losing members every month. It is a reality we must face. If it has taken us five years to go one-third of the way, must we take until the year 1993 to run the course? Can we survive that long effectively? Will we run out of contributors before then? (Cont'd)



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If we are going to succeed - and we must - we must move our target up. Let's set our sights on 1990. This means that each of us must find a way to double our present contributions and add a little more besides to make up for those who have passed on.

We suggest that instead of an annual contribution which comes at such an inopportune time, that we make a regular commitment. The size of each contribution would be smaller

and since it would be planned, it would not be as bothersome as annual contributions which come with that "my my, is it that time again" syndrome.

However you decide to do it, I know you will take heart in knowing your elected officers and Board have managed well. The cemetery is cared for in an efficient and cost-effective manner and our hope for a permanent solution for the resting place is realistic

Your President

FINANCIAL REPORT  
October 1, 1982, thru March 31, 1983

Beginning Balances 10-1-82		
Checking Account	\$ 3,854.40	
Savings Account	5,366.05	\$ 9,220.45
Add: Donations - Maintenance Fund	\$ 8,905.00	
Special Fund	4,294.00	
Entrance Fund	1,831.00	15,020.00
Check to Tex. Historical Comm. issued in 1980 not cashed - charged back		475.00
Interest		4,661.90
Total Cash to account for		\$29,337.35
<u>Expenses</u>		
Rent for Safe Deposit Box	\$ 15.00	
Printing	80.01	
Postage	257.50	
Meeting Expense	11.74	
Legal	40.70	
Tree Removal	125.00	
Maintenance	1,500.00	
Check Printing	26.39	2,056.34
Cash to account for		\$27,331.01
Purchase Ctf. of Deposit		10,000.00
Checking and Savings Accts. closed to Money Mkt. Management Acct.		\$17,331.01
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>		
Money Market Management Account		\$ 17,331.01
3 Certificates of Deposits		85,000.00
Total		\$102,331.01

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Maintenance Donation (\$24 or more) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Special Fund \_\_\_\_\_