

NEWSLETTER
CONCERNED CITIZENS FOR WASHINGTON CEMETERY CARE, INC.

"HEIRS WHO CARE"

APRIL, 1988

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*Carl Curry will serve as a Director for the balance of Larry Dickson's unexpired term of office.

GENTENNIAL CELEBRATION A SUCCESS!

All will agree our Centennial Celebration on Oct. 25th was a great success. The crowd attending was overwhelming. Approximately 750 people enjoyed a most interesting talk on Germany in 1887, Germans in Houston in 1887, and Germans in Houston in 1987, given by our guest speaker, Dr. Theodore Gish, Institute of Texas-German Studies, University of Houston. The combined German choirs of the Saengerbund and the Liederkrantz furnished beautiful German songs to complement Dr. Gish's revelation of the German immigration to America.

Dr. Richard M. Campbell, minister at First Congregational Church, gave the invocation, and Jack Rains, Texas Secretary of State, was a special guest.

Our auction and refreshment table brought cash proceeds to cover expenses plus \$1214, which was added to our perpetual care fund.

Thanks to all who donated items for the auction, and to the committee members who worked so diligently to make this memorial event possible.

WATER PROJECT MOVING ALONG

After months of wrangling with City Hall, the water meter was finally installed during the week of March 20. Now Sam Belinoski and his volunteer helpers will go to work to run the water lines back to the grave-site area.

SAM NEEDS HELP! If you can help in any way (on weekends) please call Leona Zaboroski, 591-6262, or Carl Curry, 681-7171.

CENTENNIAL BOOK - WE HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN

The committee had hoped to have the Centennial History Book finalized and printed by now, but circumstances have delayed this goal.

If you have not yet submitted your family history, you may still do so. However, June 1, 1988 is the absolute deadline. Mail to Burt Ballanfant,

WE FINALLY MADE IT ONTO "EYES OF TEXAS"

Washington Cemetery was featured on Ron Stone's "Eyes of Texas" program on Feb. 27. What nice coverage! We hope you saw it. Our thanks to member Peyton Schuller for his interest and assistance at Channel 2 in making this long-held wish come true.

The two ladies strolling among the tombstones at the end of the segment were our own Leona Zaboroski and Bernice Mistrot.

BEQUESTS RECEIVED

We have received nice bequests from the estates of Leila Clark, LaVina Femelat, and Ellen Huebotter. We are so grateful to these ladies for remembering Washington Cemetery in their wills.

EXXON WILL NO LONGER MATCH OUR GIFTS

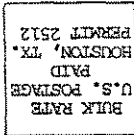
As they say, all good things come to an end, and so it is with Exxon's matching gifts to Washington Cemetery. We have recently been informed that they will no longer match donations made to CCWCC by Exxon employees and annuitants.

The difficulty is that we qualify for tax-exempt status for donors under IRS section 501(c)(13), however, Exxon will match gifts only to organizations qualifying under IRS section 501(c)(3). The CCWCC Board is trying to see what can be done to allow CCWCC to qualify under section 501(c)(3). We are thankful for the generous donations we have received from Exxon since 1981.

Note: All donations made by individuals are still deductible on Form 1040, Schedule A, as always. (Have you made yours for 1988?)

WE HAVE LOST FRIENDS

Larry Dickson, one of our Directors, passed away in November. Larry and his wife, Dr. Sonet Dickson, who passed away in January 1987, were both great supporters of our organization. Whatever the need, they were always willing to help. All who knew them will miss them very much.



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ADDITIONAL BURIAL RECORDS DISCOVERED

Careful examination of the microfilm in our safe deposit box has revealed the existence of numerous W.C. burial records prior to 1900 which had previously been thought to be lost.

Considerable research needs to be done to "match up" the records in the three burial books with each other and with tombstone inscriptions. This is a major undertaking, and will probably take several years to complete. As a first step, we need to make a paper copy of the microfilm, plus a back-up copy of the film, in order to safeguard the original. These copies will cost about \$500.

Your directors do not feel this money should be spent from our maintenance or perpetual care funds, therefore, we are asking for donations from members who are particularly interested in the history of our cemetery.

BURIALS IN WASHINGTON CEMETERY IN 1987

The following persons were laid to rest in W.C. in 1987 (dates are burial dates):

Austin Martin Brasher	8 Jan 1987
George W. Marti	10 Jan 1987
Ethel E. Phillips	16 Jan 1987
Dr. Sectylia Sonet Dickson	28 Jan 1987
Herbert Rehschuh	26 Mar 1987
Lillie Curtis	13 Apr 1987
Albert Garner	16 May 1987
Nora Fay Fischer	15 Jun 1987
Iantha Nellie Depenbrock	27 Jun 1987
Lelia Maude Clark	30 Jun 1987
Wesley Gonzales	23 Jul 1987
William Howard Scott, Jr.	25 Aug 1987
Katie Molk Byrne	24 Sep 1987
Hugh Edwards Elliot	26 Sep 1987
Vera F. Parish	7 Oct 1987
William Frank Wallace	29 Oct 1987

INCOME and EXPENSES 10-1-87 THRU 3-31-88

Net Assets 10-1-87	<u>\$243,064.58</u>	EXPENSES: Maintenance	\$7,800.00
<u>INCOME:</u> Maintenance	\$6,346.44	Postage & Printing	373.21
Perpetual Care	6,120.50	Bond Premium; S.D. Box	215.00
Special Projects	1,050.74	Centennial Celebration	470.25
Interest	<u>9,381.70</u>	Water Meter*	500.00
Total Income	<u>\$22,899.38</u>	Total Expenses	<u>\$9,358.46</u>
		Net Assets 3-31-88	<u>\$256,605.50</u>

* Expense for water meter installation expected to be partially refunded.

TAX EXEMPT NO. FOR DONORS: AUS:E078-3110

Make check payable to: CONCERNED CITIZENS FOR WASHINGTON CEMETERY CARE, INC.
or CCWCC, INC., and mail to: Gus Mistrot, Treasurer.

Name _____ Membership No. _____ (located in upper right corner of mailing label)

_____ 1988 MAINTENANCE Donation (\$36.00)

_____ PERPETUAL CARE Donation

_____ SPECIAL PROJECTS Donation ___ Trees ___ Water ___ History Research