

NEWS LETTER

CONCERNED CITIZENS FOR CEMETERY CARE

(Sent out prior to Sept., 1977)

CONCERNED CITIZENS FOR CEMETERY CARE has worked diligently since January of this year to support passage of a bill before the Texas Legislature which would enable cities of over 500,000 population to care for abandoned or unkept cemeteries within their borders.

This bill has been enacted by both houses of the legislature and signed by the Governor as of June 15, 1977.

Our group owes much gratitude to Representative Lauhoff for introducing this bill and to Mr. Willis Hickman and our officers and members for its passage and must now look and work toward urging the city of Houston to take action.

As you may know, the Western Houston Kiwanis Club and its affiliates have been working and cleaning in the cemetery for over a year and one-half, and the next dates set for their working there are July 16th, now past, and on August 20th, beginning about 9:00 A. M. May we ask you to come out and help?

At the last meeting on June 26th of the Concerned Citizens, the group voted to become a non-profit corporation and chose a name and elected a board of directors.

The name for our new group, under a state charter, will be one of the following:

- a. Citizens for Washington Cemetery Care
- b. Concerned Citizens for Washington Cemetery Care
- c. Washington Cemetery Society

It is necessary to submit three names to the Secretary of the State of Texas, as there might be a duplicate name in use somewhere in the state.

The Directors of the non-profit corporation to be formed will be as follows:

Chairman	R. E. Ballanfant, 2122 Albans Rd., Houston 77005
Vice-Chairman	Sam McClelland, 2108 Sul Ross, Houston 77098
Rec. Secretary	Mrs. Howard C. Wilson, 8717 Burkhart, Houston 77055
Corr. Secretary	Mrs. Talmage Heitman, 4441 Rusk, Houston, 77023
Treasurer	Jess Petty, Jr., 1816 Milford, Houston 77006
Parliamentarian	Mrs. Harriette Bruder, 8350 Leafy Lane, 77055
Telephone Chairman	Mrs. Lois King, 5030 Hialiah, Houston 77092
Past President	E. J. Salge, 3811 Link Valley, Houston 77025
Past Chairman	C. W. Hickman, 1906 DeMilo, Houston 77018
	C. K. Sheffield, 5122 Silver Creek, Houston 77017
	Dan Wolfe, 3115 Tilden, Houston 77025
	Max Swindosky, 1810 Foxwood, Houston 77008

The date of our group's appearance before the City Council of Houston is September 7, 1977 at 10:00 A. M. and may we urge your attending to petition the Council for action under the new state law for Cemetery Care.

Sincerely,

Dick Ballanfant, Chairman  
Concerned Citizens for Cemetery Care