

NEWSLETTER
CONCERNED CITIZENS FOR WASHINGTON CEMETERY CARE, INC.
APRIL, 1986

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FUNDS REINVESTED

Our two Certificates of Deposit for perpetual care, totalling \$150,000, matured in Feb. of this year.

Since interest rates have fallen below the minimum 10% interest anticipated to build a perpetual care fund in five years (1990), it was the responsibility of the Board of Directors to investigate and come up with the safest possible way to invest a portion of the funds that would give us a better return on our money.

After much searching and decision-making, the funds were invested as follows:

\$100,000 CD, 9.35% interest, maturity 3-3-87
16,500 American Investors Income Fund, Inc.
16,500 Fidelity High Income Fund
16,500 IDS Extra Income Fund, Inc.
16,500 IDS Federal Income Fund, Inc.

It was decided to restrict any investments other than CD's to funds that represent interest earned and only in diversified type investments.

BACK FENCE COMPLETED

The fence across the property line at the back of the cemetery near Allen Parkway has been completed. The approximately two acres between our fence and Allen Parkway is owned by the City Parks Dept. which could become a park in the future.

Clearing the growth, surveying the land and erecting the fence was a tremendous undertaking and we all owe a "thanks" to the few volunteers who accomplished the task.

In order to meet at six month intervals, future meetings will be held in March and September. Newsletters are usually mailed out a month after the meetings which means they will go out in April and October.

SPONSOR A TREE

One of our members recently suggested a way to replace the trees we lost during the past year. Those of us who have heard it think it is a good plan. What do you think?

The idea is for anyone desiring to do so to donate the cost of a live oak plus cost of planting in memory of a loved one buried in Washington Cemetery. All the details have not been fully explored as of this time but since no communication is planned until October, we feel we must have funds for trees collected and ready to go when the time is right for planting.

Gene Burks who handled cutting the 34 trees recently, is a horticulturist and has quoted us the following wholesale prices of trees and cost of planting:

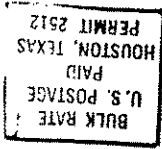
A Live Oak (5 gal.) 3 to 6 ft. tall including cost of planting \$20
A Live Oak (20 gal.) 6 to 10 ft. tall including cost of planting \$40

We would like to replace the trees along the front entrance lane with larger trees. Either size could be planted in other areas.

We contacted the City Recreation Dept. about giving us trees under their Releaf Houston Program but they turned us down.

If you wish to donate a tree (or contribute to a fund for trees) please send your donation and indicate on the form at the bottom of this newsletter. Also, if you would be willing to serve on the Tree Committee, let us know (682-3375).

Next year, 1987, Washington Cemetery will be one hundred years old. The Deutsche Gesellschaft which became The German Cemetery and then Washington Cemetery was founded in 1887. The earliest burials after the founding occurred on March 20, 1887, when a J. Turner and Annie Fraser, a child of 22 months, were buried on the same day.



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The following persons were laid to rest in W.C. during 1985:

Maria Cecilia Lucas
 R. A. Anderson
 George A. Sharman
 Pallie Lee Curtis
 Cecilia Behrens Skarda
 Louise P. Breyer
 Elise Stein Walther
 Thomas Molk
 Helena Stelzig
 Matt Perrot
 Robert Mike Gonzales
 Concha Cebellos
 Harry Zedler

The following amounts were received as matching gifts in 1985:

Exxon \$1,234
 Southwestern Bell 317

Southwestern Bell has informed us we will no longer qualify for their matching gifts

 We received seven donations to our Perpetual Care Fund as memorials to deceased relatives or friends in 1985. In 1984, we received eight.

SAME SONG, SECOND VERSE

Many of you have already sent in your 1986 donations and to you we say, "GREAT! THANK YOU!"

To those of you who have not, maybe you have just "put it off" until "later" or maybe you think the bottom line of our Total Assets looks so good that your donation is not needed. This is not so. Your donation will be needed the next four years if we are to be successful in our plan for perpetual care. Income tax deadline is past and we hope you will all receive a nice refund. Whatever the case, won't you please do your part and send your check now?

INCOME AND EXPENSES 11-1-85 THRU 3-31-86

<u>INCOME</u>		<u>EXPENSES</u>	
Maintenance Donations	\$10,354.00	Maintenance	\$ 5,369.98
Special Fund	6,306.00	Postage & Printing	438.02
Interest on \$150,000	6,882.65	Meeting Exp.	20.00
Other Interest	980.84	Bank Serv. Chg.	31.60
Total Income	<u>\$24,523.49</u>	Safe Deposit Rental	15.00
<u>ASSETS</u>		Setting Compound for resetting overturned monuments	26.22
Money Management Account	\$ 10,827.00	Total Expenses	<u>\$ 5,900.82</u>
3 CD's	133,912.17		
4 Investment Funds	66,000.00		
Total Assets	<u>\$210,739.17</u>		

TAX EXEMPT # FOR DONORS: AUS:EO:78-3110

Make check to: CONCERNED CITIZENS FOR WASHINGTON CEMETERY CARE, INC. or CCWCC, INC.
 Mail to: Russell S. King, Treas., 5030 Hialeah, Houston, Tx. 77092

Name _____ Maintenance (\$36) _____
 Address _____ Special Fund _____
 LIVE OAK Tree Fund _____
 In memory of _____