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"CEMETERY WEEKEND" COMING UP!

Saturday and Sunday, April 22 and 23, will be designated "CEMETERY WEEKEND"—a weekend when several Board members will be present to assist visitors (weather permitting) from 10-5 Saturday and 1-5 Sunday. These special weekends will be held the fourth weekend of January, April, July, and October each year. The dates will be posted on the sign at the front of the gravesites as a reminder.

Take advantage of these occasions to give your family plot a little extra care, water plants, learn more about your family plot, whatever is needed -- or just visit.

CENTENNIAL BOOK A BIG SUCCESS

Centennial Books were picked up by members at the cemetery or mailed out in November. Over 340 books have been sold, producing a small gain to finance further historical research. We have a few copies left (\$22.00 postpaid), so you can still order one, but don't wait too long! Write to 7546 Brushwood Drive, Houston, TX 77088, or call (713) 591-6262.

Our book is also now in the public libraries in Houston, Dallas, and San Antonio (among others), and at the Central Congregational Church in Houston (our meeting place).

Our Centennial Book Committee deserves a great deal of credit for a job so well done and tremendous thanks for all the hard work involved in such an undertaking. We can all be proud of this outstanding history of Washington Cemetery.

WATER PROJECT ALMOST COMPLETE

Sam Belinoski reports the water project is 95% complete and is expected to be finished about May 1. Four permanent faucets will be installed--near the centers of sections A, C, and G, and by the entrance road. A duplicate section sign will be placed near each faucet.

As soon as the work is completed, we will begin making water available on a regular schedule--initially from 8-5 on WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS. We are grateful to Libby and Eddie Kovar for their willingness to be sure the water is turned on and off on schedule.

ROADS REPAIRED ONCE AGAIN

Through the efforts of our president, Herman Lauhoff, Texas Crushed Stone Co. donated 26 tons of crushed stone to repair our roads. Mr. Jack Cogbill transported the material to the cemetery, Lansdowne-Moody furnished equipment to spread the stone, and Russ King was on hand to finish the job. Our thanks to all who made the road improvement a reality.

CCWCC AT THE INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

CCWCC will be represented at the German Booth at the Houston International Festival on the weekends of April 15-16 and 22-23. German groups from all over the city will join together and celebrate their German heritage, and we feel honored to be asked to participate. If you attend the Festival, stop by to say "hello" to your comrades.

CONCERNED CITIZENS FOR
WASHINGTON CEMETERY CARE, INC.
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BURIALS IN WASHINGTON CEMETERY IN 1988

<u>Name</u>	<u>Burial Date</u>
Louise Aguilar Carl	12 Jan 1988
Hazel Evans Zedler	21 Jan 1988
Paul A. Ferguson	28 Jan 1988
Dagma Ferguson (cremated)	28 Jan 1988
Calvin Sinley Merrill	4 Apr 1988
Marius J. Jantzen	1 Jun 1988
Reginald E. Brittain	11 Jun 1988
Hebe Carolyn Suttle (cremated)	1 Jul 1988
Mary Braun	10 Nov 1988
Fred Spencer	11 Nov 1988
James Louis Daily	29 Dec 1988
Zora Dill-Booker	30 Dec 1988

CHANGE IN IRS CODE NOT LIKELY

We have been advised that it is unlikely we could qualify for IRS code 501(c)(3); thus, we cannot obtain contributions or matching gifts from most major corporations, including our good friends at Exxon.

MAINTENANCE DONATIONS NEEDED!

As you know, your officers and directors have always been completely open regarding the finances of our organization. Since July 1981, our newsletters have itemized income, expenses, and total assets. So once again, we "lay our cards on the table" to you, our members.

At our recent meeting, our Treasurer again described a financial problem that has become increasingly worse over the past three years. Very simply, **OUR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATING EXPENSES HAVE BEEN EXCEEDING OUR MAINTENANCE DONATIONS.** The following figures speak for themselves (calendar year totals.)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Maintenance Donations</u>	<u>Maintenance Expenses</u>	<u>Deficit</u>
1986	\$13,690	\$16,587	\$2,897
1987	\$12,464	\$18,187	\$5,721
1988	\$11,737	\$14,632	\$2,895

So far, the Maintenance fund has been able to absorb the deficit, however, if it continues, we will be forced to use interest from money invested in the Perpetual Care fund. If this happens now, we may never realize an ADEQUATE Perpetual Care fund.

To ensure sufficient money in the Maintenance fund to cover operating expenses, the Board has adopted the following policy:

1. First \$36 of each individual's donation in any fiscal year goes for Maintenance.
2. Bequests will be used for the purpose specified. If not specified, they will normally go to the Perpetual Care fund.
3. Donations from organizations will be used for the fund marked, or if not marked, for the fund most in need at the time.
4. Donations for which no fund is specified will be used for the fund most in need.
5. All interest on CD's goes into the Perpetual Care fund. Interest on the checking account and MMA is used for Maintenance.

There is some good news: the Perpetual Care fund has grown from \$158,758 in June 1986 to \$265,793 in Mar. 1989. Looking at this figure, members may tend to feel donations are no longer needed, but such is not the case. This amount is only half what we presently believe we would need to actually meet all expenses from interest alone, and cannot be spent, now or in the future.

We continue to need your support, and that of **younger members of your family**, to cover the everyday expenses of grass cutting, printing, postage, and minor operating expenses. It takes nearly 34 donations of \$36 to pay for just one grass cutting. We thank those who have already sent their 1989 donation, and we urge those who haven't to do so now.

INCOME and EXPENSES 10-1-88 THRU 3-31-89

Net Assets 10-1-88	\$260,570.96	EXPENSES:	Maintenance	\$4,897.16
			Postage & Printing	557.93
INCOME:	Maintenance	\$10,107.21	Water Pipe & Fittings	379.64
	Perpetual Care	2,203.00	Water Meter Refund	-400.00
	Special Projects	1,459.00	Tree Planting	129.88
	Book Sales	6,376.95	Book Printing/Mailing	5,342.85
	Interest on CD's	10,251.93	Total Expenses	\$10,907.46
Total Income	\$30,398.09	Net Assets 3-31-89	\$280,061.59	
FUNDS:	Maintenance	\$10,351.12	Improvement Projects	\$3,093.84
	Perpetual Care	\$265,793.28	Educational Projects	\$823.35

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 _____ Plot Name/Number _____
(if known)

_____ 1989 MAINTENANCE Donation (\$36.00)

_____ PERPETUAL CARE Donation

_____ SPECIAL PROJECTS Donation _____ History/Research _____ Road Improvement