

Plans are to keep the wild natural look in the cemetery but to make trails for access by visitors and make necessary repairs to gravestones.

Our organization is now officially registered as a Washington State Non-Profit Corporation and has it's own Federal Identification number. The Oaksdale Branch of AmericanWest Bank, being in Whitman County and close to the cemetery, will remain the bank for our group.

Our goal and our mission is for this organization to have continuity and longevity in caring for this pioneer cemetery started by our ancestors. To accomplish this we will need to enlist local people and organizations to be involved, and to locate descendants of these pioneers, for their contributions of help and/or money.



The first official meeting of the Friends of Lone Pine Cemetery took place on October 13, 2007 in the town of Tekoa WA at 10:00 am at the Feeding Station Café.

Members Present

Dudley Clark, Rod Smith, Fred Smith Quentin Clark, Amy Warwick, Lori Enzler, Shirley & Jim Irwin, JoAnn & Jim Savitz

Election of Officers were as follows:

President, Fred Smith of Vancouver WA Vice Pres., Rod Smith of Kettle Falls WA Sec. Treas., Jim Irwin of Walla Walla WA

Annual Income & Expense Report

2007 Contributions	\$2400.00
2007 Expenses	\$ 810.50
End of year Balance	\$ 1589.50

Expenses consisted of misc. labor, equipment rental and supplies for brush removal, and repairs to gravestones.



Fred Smith helps remove brush from around graves stones. The brush was later removed from the cemetery and burned.

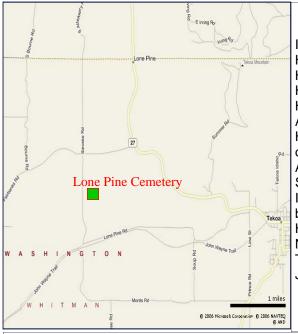
Lori Enzler is driving this brush cutting mower to make access to all the graves that have stones or markers.

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This is our 6th newsletters

Next meeting time & place:
Tentative: June 21, 2008 10:00 am
Place to be determined
Date to coincide with
Slippery Gulch Days

Plans are to have two meetings or work parties (or both) each year. The first to be in the middle of June during the Slippery Gulch Days celebration in Tekoa and the second to be about the middle of October. This should work out to be the third Saturday in both cases.



The Elusive Ancestor

I went searching for an ancestor. I cannot find him still. He moved around from place to place and did not leave a will. He married where a courthouse burned. He mended all his fences. He avoided any man who came to take the U.S. Census. He always kept his luggage packed, this man who had no fame. And every 20 years or so, this rascal changed his name. His parents came from Europe. They should be upon some list of passengers to U.S.A., but somehow they got missed. And no one else in this world is searching for this man. So, I play geneasolitaire to find him if I can. I'm told he's buried in a plot, with tombstone he was blessed: but the weather took the engraving, and some vandals took the rest. He died before the county clerks decided to keep records. No Family Bible has emerged, in spite of all my efforts. To top it off this ancestor, who caused me many groans. Just to give me one more pain, betrothed a girl named JONES. - by Merrell Kenworthy -

Our contributions so far have come to an impressive \$2400.00 but more will be needed. Please consider making a small contribution of \$10, \$25, \$50, or more for the maintenance of this Historic, Pioneer, Cemetery.

Please send to: Friends of Lone Pine Cemetery, c/o Amy Warwick , 3001 Pittman Rd, Oaksdale WA 99158

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