

Milwaukie Pioneer Cemetery Assoc. Inc.

Milwaukie Pioneer Cemetery Association, Inc. provides for restoration projects and ongoing maintenance of the cemetery and helps to sustain a part of the history of the City of Milwaukie's people into the future.

Newsletter



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Good News!!!

and our THANKS are in order...

Some time ago we began searching for the water meter that services the Cemetery, and lo, and behold it has finally been located, not under the paved bicycle path as was feared, but on the bank to the North of the entrance gate. Our thanks to **Mike Clark, Milwaukie Public Works Dept.**, and his city crew for unearthing the meter, setting concrete around it and making it possible to turn off the water should we have a pipe break in the cemetery any time in the future.

ALSO...

We had met with **John Alexander, Maintenance Supervisor at the Waverly Golf Course**, and he had agreed to have his crew address berries and over-growth on our fencing surrounding the cemetery. Work has progressed and the berries seem to be abated almost entirely. We anticipate much of the ivy and the encroaching trees will be addressed this Fall and Winter, and perhaps into this coming Spring.



The Board has agreed that we will begin exploring how to get electricity onto the grounds in the future. We are hoping we can have labor and materials donated or get at least a bargain price. The need for some form of power at the cemetery has become apparent over the Memorial Day weekends for a coffee pot and music for the flag ceremony, etc. and would also be beneficial for the use of electric power tools for clean-up days.

Clean-up Get-Togethers at Milwaukie Pioneer Cemetery Scheduled... (weather permitting)

October 14 9AM-12PM

Please remember to
bring gloves, hand tools and your
enthusiasm to tidy the grounds!



Milwaukie Riverfest Parade...

Milwaukie Pioneer Cemetery Association participated in the 2006 Parade with banners and flags on display. The parade was held Saturday, July 22nd, as a part of the Milwaukie Riverfest celebration, winding through Milwaukie streets from SE Lake Rd. to the Southgate area near McLoughlin Bv.

We appreciate Board Member, Rob Hambright, for making the banner rigging we can continue to use for this sort of event, and for driving his pickup in the parade.

This is the 3rd year we have been represented in the parade and we plan to continue in order to raise awareness of our historical significance in the community..



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Possibility of Coming Events...

There is a possibility that SE 17th Ave. between Milwaukie and Portland's Sellwood Neighborhood will have sidewalks and bicycle lanes in the not-too-distant future.

The City of Milwaukie is in the process of applying for grant funds in order to connect the trails in Portland with the Riverfront Park/Trolley Trail in Milwaukie.

The Cemetery Board has written a letter in support of this project to ODOT and has also reminded those involved that we need to continue to have our driveway accessible and that we very much in need of safe parking along our frontage for visitors and those who participate in clean-up days.

With many entities chasing grant funding for improvement projects, we are hoping we have helped to make a strong enough case to make this happen.

Whether or not these project funds become available, we will be searching for ways to enhance our entrance and protect it from future erosion. To that end the Board is exploring different grant opportunities and other avenues which can help to accomplish this in the future.

Should you have an idea, or would like to allocate a donation expressly for this project, please let one of the Board members know. We need our members' input in order to help with this and future projects.

Please remember annual dues!!!

Annual dues \$10/YEAR

Lifetime membership \$200

make check payable to, and mail to:
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Hard at work—
(above) Stacy Holcomb and (L) Keith Neubauer cutting grass and weeds at the August 12th clean-up day. Next clean-up is scheduled for Oct 14th...
SEE YOU THERE!

PROJECTS FOR THE FUTURE...

We have been asked by groups and individuals who may have an interest in doing projects for our Cemetery for ideas of what we would like to have done.

The Oak Grove Garden Club has recently approached us regarding possibly beautifying the triangle area in front of the flag pole, or another project, should they receive grant funds from the Roadside Council.

We will also be delivering a list of possible projects to the three closest high schools in the area since most of them require some sort of community service project of students in order for them to graduate.

And, as most folks are already aware, we have been the recipient of work done by various scout troops and will continue to work with those interested into the future.

Should you have an idea that perhaps we have not considered, please contact one of the Board Members (see front of newsletter) and let them know your idea.

We cannot move forward, or exist for that matter, without your ongoing help and support...