



After our last meeting and “work party” we decided there must be a better way to clean up the cemetery and make it accessible to descendants and visitors. The mosquitoes were voracious and so bad we were not able to work that day. We think the goats may be the best way to really get a start on the clean up. After the goats are finished we should be able to find more grave stones and cut out the lilacs that are hiding them. Repairing the fences and future clean ups will be much easier.

Please give us your opinion about this project by the end of March so we can sign a contract and reserve a week for this to take place.

Yes, we will need more money, as you can see in the financial report below. Some of us older folks would rather hire the goats than do the backbreaking work ourselves so we do have commitments for additional contributions already. Please consider making a donation to help restore our operating funds.



Goats????

Someone has come up with an excellent idea to clean up the cemetery. Goats!!!! Rod Smith has contacted a local goat raiser for some preliminary estimates on hiring his goats with kids to clean up the 2 plus acres of the cemetery.

Their proposal:

Vegetation Management Services

The goats will eat the smaller branches and leaves of the shrubs up to a height of approximate 4 feet. The goats will open up the site making it easier to access the site. The goats will not eat the larger branches and one treatment with the goats will not kill the brush. For long-term control of the brush additional work will need to be done. To help you visualize the impact of our goats on vegetation look at the before and after photos available on our website at www.healinghooves.com.

Treatment - Estimate it will take 4-5 days to treat the 2 acres. 5- Days @ \$400/day with our herd of about 260 goats =\$2,000 Mobilization (initial site setup & take down) \$200, Trucking \$280.

Total \$2,480.00

If the project takes fewer days, then you will be charged for only the number of days on site. A \$300 deposit is required at the time of signing of the contract in order to hold your place on the calendar. Project fee is due at project completion. Any changes to the contract must be agreed upon by both parties. Respectfully submitted, Healing Hooves, LLC.

Annual Income & Expense Report

2007 Contributions	\$ 2400.00
2007 Expenses	\$ 810.50
End of year Balance	\$ 1589.50
2008 Contributions	\$ 860.50
2008 Expenses	\$ 10.00
To Date Balance	\$ 2440.00



The earliest date of birth on a stone is 1809 and the earliest date of death on a stone is 1883. No burials have been permitted since 1953.

For names of people buried at this cemetery:
http://www.interment.net/data/us/wa/whitman/lonepine/lone_pine.htm

If you know of someone who is buried in the Lone Pine Cemetery and would like more info, please contact:

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 5224 S. 9th St.
 Tacoma, WA 98465
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Next meeting and/or work party:
(Tentative) Friday, June 19, 2009



If you have information, articles, or pictures you would like to see in this newsletter, please send to:
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Please consider making a small contribution of \$10, \$25, \$50, or more for the maintenance of this Historic, Pioneer, Cemetery. Make check payable to Friends of Lone Pine Cemetery and mail to:

Friends of Lone Pine Cemetery
c/o Jim Irwin
404 Mica Place
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