



**Friends of Lone Pine Cemetery- Annual Meeting  
Whitman County, Washington  
October 9, 2009  
C&D Bar and Grill - Tekoa, WA.**

I cannot improve on Fred's meeting notes for the newsletter except to add that Cal Chase, owner of the C&D Bar & Grill, offered to remove a large tree from the entrance of the cemetery for us. Thank You Cal!!! Cal owns land around the cemetery and has ancestors buried there also.

My apologies for the poor quality pictures while I learn how to use my new camera. Jim Irwin

1. We have found a new supplier of gravel-- **George Torpey**, manager of the Coeur d' Alene Indian gravel pit. The gravel will be donated at no cost to us. Thank you George!!!

Dave Church has a BobCat dozer that he estimates the time to do the grading of our entry road and parking area at three days, he charges \$30.00 per hour So the verbal estimate he gave Rod would be 8 to 9 hundred dollars. Rod has met both of the above men at the cemetery and they have agreed to do the work. As we decided at the meeting Rod will go ahead and have them start this week.

2. Rod Smith has also discussed with Dave Church the possibility of him removing the old wire and fence posts, also the clearing of a five foot path around the perimeter of the cemetery. We will have more information after the road project is finished.

3. We will get Howard Morgan the dimensions he needs for the cemetery sign within the next three weeks.

4. Rod Smith has nearly completed the revised plot plan and will update us at our next meeting.

5. We have checked with Amy Warwick and have her approval to hire her hired man when he is available to do clean up for us at \$12.00 per hour.

6. We have decided to wait until our next meeting to discuss our need for an industrial brush cutter.

7. Jim Irwin has the information he needs to proceed on the DAHP application to Washington State.

8. **Jeslyn Lemke** from the Whitman County Gazette newspaper attended our meeting. She took extensive notes for an article on our progress and efforts to clean up the cemetery. This will be published Thursday October 15th.

9. Jim Irwin, Fred Smith, Jo Ann Savitz, and Rod Smith met at the AmericanWest Bank in Tekoa to sign and update our account with the newly elected officers being Fred Smith President, Jo Ann Savitz Vice President, and Jim Irwin Secretary-Treasurer.

10. Our next meeting will be in June. Date to be determined later.



Thanks to all who attended the meeting. Fred Smith

**Update on the yellow rose** cutting transplanted from the Medford OR area to near Sarah Blue's grave in the Lone Pine Cemetery. It is still alive; surviving two summers without much water, two winters covered by heavy snow, and a large herd of vegetation management goats. Originally the plant was transported from Missouri, by Sarah's sister in the 1850's by wagon, on the Oregon Trail.



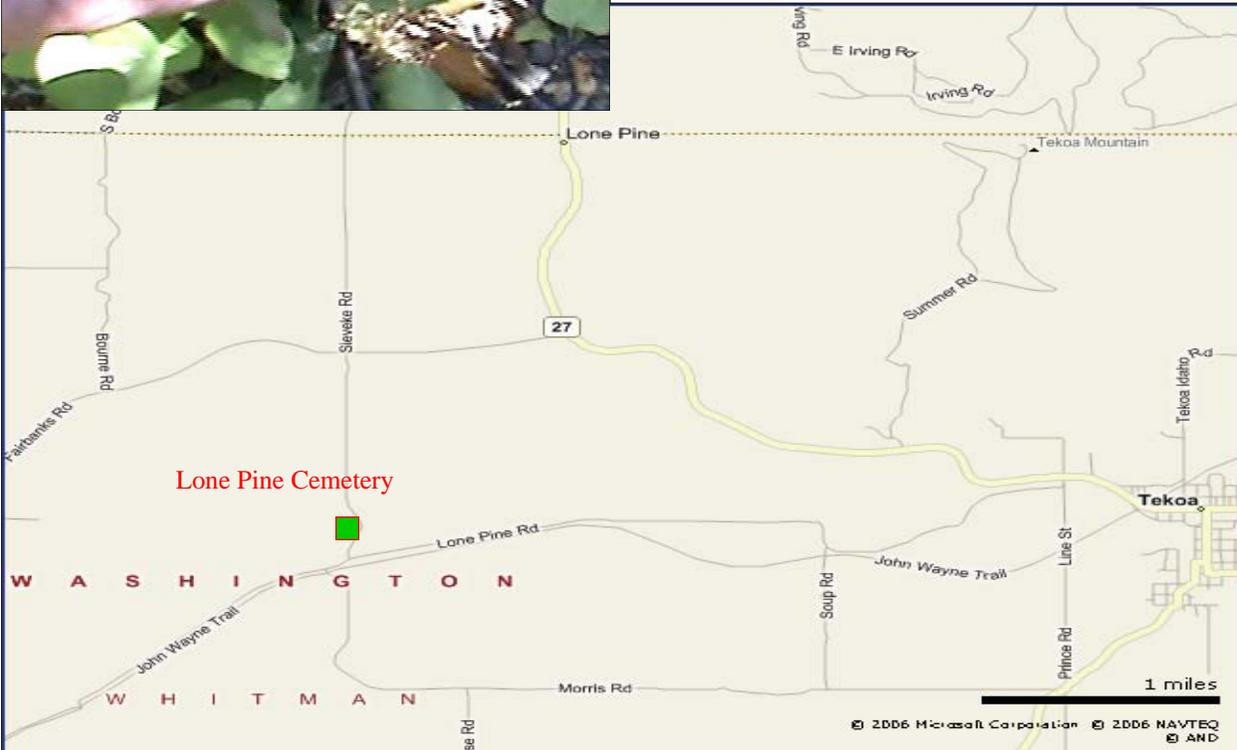
**The earliest date of birth** on a stone is 1809 and the earliest date of death on a stone is 1883. No burials have been permitted since 1953.

For names of people buried at this cemetery:

[http://www.interment.net/data/us/wa/whitman/lonepine/lone\\_pine.htm](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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 Make checks payable to Friends of Lone Pine Cemetery and mail to:

**Friends of Lone Pine Cemetery**  
**c/o Jim Irwin**  
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