

NEWSLETTER

Annual Meeting Fourth Tuesday in April

*Date: April 22, 2008 Time: 6:00 PM Place: Mendenhall Community Center
(behind the Library)*

Honor Your Father and Mother So That You May Live Long Exod. 20:12

MCAB President's Message

This past year has been an active year. Our cemetery has increased in size due to land donations. Twenty-one burials were held which is average according to previous years. Eight burials were held in the new Cemetery West. Thirty-six burial plots have been purchased in the new section.

We are indebted to Mr. Fred Adams Sr. for the donation of a strip of land that joins our cemetery property and to Mr. Bill Smith for handling the legal work for the transfer. We are also indebted to Mr. Curtis McMillan for the generous donation of a substantial number of burial plots in Section E of the Cemetery. We appreciate their generosity.

This is to remind you that there is a \$100.00 burial fee before each burial. This fee is applied to the cost of mowing and maintaining your cemetery. All of the members want to keep this final resting place beautiful and peaceful.

We have a new policy regarding the burial of crematory

urns. This policy limits the burial of cremated remains to two crematory urns per grave plot.

The \$100.00 burial fee applies to each burial. See page 4 of the Cemetery Rules and Regulations for additional information on this subject.

After the Cemetery Association's Annual Meeting in April, 2008, three current members of your Board of Directors will rotate off. They are Betty Mangum, Charles Parker, and me, Marshall Magee. Three new members will be elected at the April Annual Meeting to serve on the Board for the next three years. We appreciate those who give of their time to this important endeavor.

If you have not placed corner markers on your plots please do so. It is probably the single most important thing you can do. Corner markers are not required in the new Cemetery West.

It is necessary for a family member to accompany personnel who prepare the grave for burial. You must show them the location of the plot that is to be used for each and every grave. This is not the responsibility of the Board members and officers.

In the Spring of 2005, the members of the Cemetery Association were provided an abbreviated copy of the Rules and Regulations. They have been updated including rules for the Cemetery West Section. The cost of printing the Newsletter, Rules and Regulations, plus the postage for the mail out is extremely high. In order to keep expenses to a minimum, a new system for communicating with the membership has been implemented. This system was described in the recent announcement concerning the Annual Cemetery Association meeting.

Please don't forget to make your donation to the Cemetery Association for 2008. Our goal is the same as it has been from the beginning and that is to increase our "Perpetual Fund" to a level that the cemetery expenses can be paid from the interest earnings. We have made good progress in that regard but more donations are required.

Respectfully,
Marshall Magee

**Have questions?
Contact Thomas Layton
601-847-4978**

Financial Report

For year Ending June 30, 2007	
Beginning Checking Acct. Balance	
6/30/2006	\$ 7,517.62
Income	\$18,007.08
Expenditures	\$11,715.97
Ending Checking Acct. Balance	<u>\$13,808.73</u>

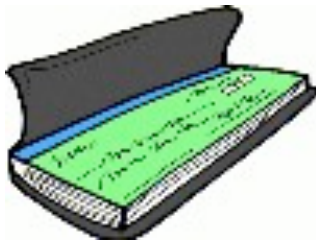
Perpetual Fund

Certificate of Deposits	\$74,439.23
Interest Income from CD Investments	
7/31/07	\$ 3,667.38
Total Bank Investments	<u>\$78,106.61</u>
Total Bank Balance	<u>\$91,915.34</u>

Burial Sites Needed?

Please contact Thomas Layton
601-847-4978

Have you made your donation this year?
Thank You.



Memorial Cards

In lieu of flowers Memorial Cards are still available. Send a donation to the Mendenhall Cemeteries Association, Inc., Box 838, Mendenhall, MS 39114, along with the name of the person or persons you wish to memorialize. The Association will send a memorial card in your name to the person you designate to be notified.

Act Now

Someone you know uninformed about the cemetery? Encourage them to come to our Annual Meeting. Inform them of our website to keep up on cemetery news. Your ideas are welcome.

Flags

The Cemetery Board plus several wonderful volunteers and Larry Munn's Boyscout Troop placed flags on the graves of our veterans a week before Memorial Day. The flags remained there for a week following this day of remembrance.



These flags were donated by Evelyn Crawford and Woodmen of the World Foundation. It was a beautiful sight. Thanks to all who helped.

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