

NEWSLETTER

May 1993

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12TH SPRING CLEAN-UP & 4TH POTLUCK LUNCHEON MAY 22, 9:30 A.M.

ABUNDANT WINTER MOISTURE HAS CEMETERY LOOKING GREAT & GREEN EARLY ON

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT AND POTLUCK CHAIRWOMAN

MARTHA CLARKE & HERB GREER SIGN OVER 9 SAFFORD PLOTS - LEGAL WORK DUE

**INTERMENTS: REV. & MRS. ESQUIBEL, HENRY TAYLOR, ALENE BROWN, REV. JOHN
KENNELL & MARGARET LUCHINI**

HEADSTONE OFFER AGAIN BEING MADE FOR OLD UNMARKED GRAVES

\$2800.00 IN DONATIONS - THANKS TO YOUR GENEROSITY

CENTENNIAL HISTORY ON GOVERNOR AND MRS. WILLIAM THORNTON

**12TH ANNUAL CLEAN-UP AND 4TH POTLUCK
LUNCHEON, SATURDAY, MAY 22, 9:30 A.M.- JOIN THE
FUN, EVEN IF YOU CAN'T WORK, YOU CAN EAT**

Even though we were rained out last year, this is our 12th year to schedule a clean-up. We re-scheduled it in October and it was extremely successful. Some suggested we have one both spring and fall. We will give that some consideration. Remember to bring tools for the clean-up, particularly rakes for the small limb debris from trees. Trash bags will be provided.

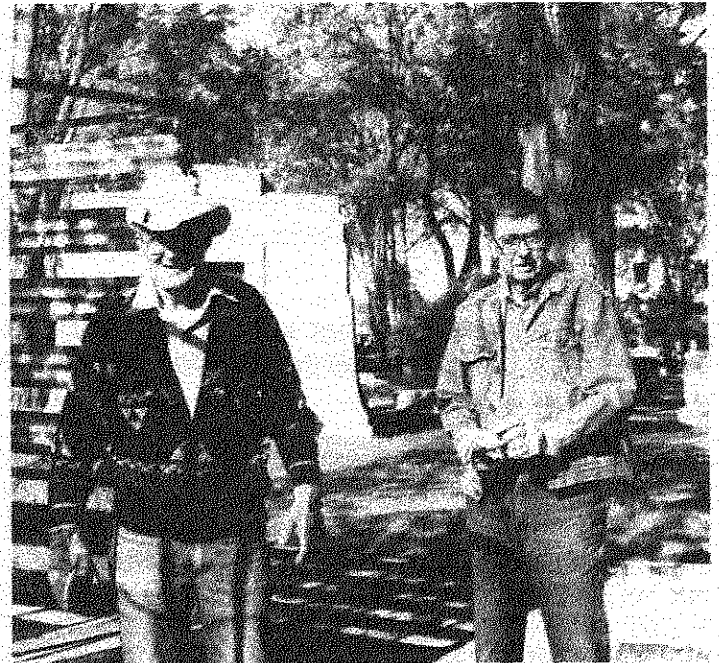
If you finish cleaning your family plot and it still isn't time for lunch, we would appreciate your volunteering to do some general cemetery work. We will have a list of things that need doing. For potluck information see article on page 2.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

With all of our good winter moisture, Fairview Cemetery is going into the growing season in fine condition. Those of you who are at the cemetery on occasion will notice how well-groomed things look.

We invite all of you to visit the cemetery when you can, even if only for a drive-through. Please let me know if there are things not being done that you feel are necessary. Thank you for your support.

Amado Summers, President



TWO HEAD HONCHOS - President Amado Summers and former President Warren Jones. Amado is our "Jack of all Trades," including dealing with Santa Fe County, planning work with the caretaker, getting maintenance done on the tractor and many, many other chores. Warren is our perennial sprinkler system chairman, whenever we have enough money to add a new section.

POTLUCK LUNCHEON FOLLOWING CLEAN-UP

To be held after the clean-up (about 11:30 or 12:00 at the IOOF Hall adjoining Fairview Cemetery. Ruth Summers, our potluck chainwoman (as always) asks that you bring an entree, salad or dessert to serve approximately eight people. The hall will be open starting at 9:30 a.m., so you can take your dish by before the clean-up. If it needs heating or cooling, someone will be there to take care of it. Paper plates, utensils, and drinks will be provided by the Association. Ruth also encourages those who are not physically able to help with the clean-up to join us for lunch. Our centennial posters will again be on display for those of you who haven't seen them. They seem to be a perennial favorite at the luncheon.

ADOPT-A-TREE TIME AGAIN

Ruth has also been our unofficial chair of the "Adopt-A-Tree" program the last few years. Six new trees will have been planted before this letter gets to you. As we add new trees to replace some of those we are losing to age (we think some are near a century old), we need people to take them on for the first few vital years, by watering and feeding them. Once they are established, they will be able to survive from rain and the watering the grass gets, but small new trees are quite vulnerable the first two or three years. It entails going to the cemetery at least once a month and giving them a good deep watering, and occasionally, some tree or shrub food. Some of us keep a lightweight hose in the trunk of our car because we can't always count on finding one at the cemetery. Some of those heavy rubber hoses are difficult to handle. If you have the time to adopt a tree, call Ruth Summers, 983-3933, or talk to her at the luncheon.

NINE SAFFORD LOTS ON THE WAY TO BEING OURS. DONORS ARE MARTHA GREER CLARKE AND HERB GREER

We started trying to track down descendants of the Safford family a year ago and succeeded in finding two grandchildren of Martha Safford, who was Santa Fe County clerk early in this century. Martha Clarke lives in Virginia and her brother, Herb Greer, in England. We are certainly in their debt. After talking to Martha on the phone and exchanging several letters, she and Herb said they would be happy to sign Quitclaim Deeds to the Safford plots. When Herb came to spend Christmas with Martha, they signed the deeds and mailed them to Marian. It will be necessary to file a Quiet Title Action since we have not located another descendant, Edward Safford. All this takes time, but we trust our association will eventually get clear title to the nine beautiful Safford lots. Thank you very much, Martha Clarke and Herb Greer.

TWO MORE LOTS FROM MCKINLEYS

Brothers Henry and Wayne McKinley have agreed to give us the two vacant lots owned by their mother, Ardath

McKinley. We have received one of the Quitclaim Deeds, and should have the other one soon. We will report on this in the next newsletter. We thank the McKinleys.

CONTRIBUTIONS SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER

Our sincere thanks to the 36 donors who gave \$2805.00 since the December newsletter. They were in amounts ranging from \$5 to \$500, and are as follows:

Anonymous	Matthews, M/M David
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***MEMORIALS**

To Stephen Ellis Catron from M/M Thomas B. Catron III; to the Mugler, Wierltge and Manker families from Happie Davis; to Stanley Milford and Jeanne Milford from Marian Meyer; to John and Edna Walter from John K. S. Walter, Jr.

ADA MOORE RODRIGUEZ ESQUIBEL AND HUSBAND, REV. ALFONSO ESQUIBEL DIED ONE WEEK APART

We had a brief item in the December newsletter on the death of Ada Rodriguez, but mistakenly omitted her married name of Esquibel. This time we'll get it right. The 93 year-old Presbyterian pastor, Rev. Alfonso Esquibel and his wife, Ada Moore Rodriguez Esquibel, died a week apart in Denver. Their ashes are interred in the Fairview plot of their sister-in-law, Olinda Castner. The Rodriguez family dates back to colonial times in New Mexico. The Esquibels were Presbyterian in both their education and religion. Ada was the goddaughter of Ada Moore, wife of the Rev. Hayes Moore, who are both also buried at Fairview.

1993 INTERMENTS

Other interments since the first of the year include Alene Brown, 94, who is buried next to her husband, James Lewis Brown, who died in 1950. Also longtime Santa Fean Henry Taylor, 79; Rev. John Kennell, a retired Presbyterian minister, and Margaret Wagner Luchini, who was buried in

the Wagner plot with her husband, Benjamin and her parents, Walter and Elizabeth Wagner.

**STANLEY K. MILFORD AND JEANNE CANTELOU
MILFORD DIE THREE WEEKS APART-- WERE STALWART
SUPPORTERS OF OUR ASSOCIATION**

Prominent residents of Santa Fe many years ago, Stan and Jeanne Milford have been supporting our association from the beginning. For health reasons they moved to California, but said their hearts remained in Santa Fe. This editor had the privilege of meeting them a few years ago at lunch with their old friends Maree Santheson and Johnny and Perle Hillyer. They were wonderful sources of information on many Santa Fe oldtimers. Jeanne's mother and grandmother are buried at Fairview. Both Milfords were buried at Santa Fe National Cemetery, and the obituary requested memorials be sent to our association. We will miss hearing from them and send our condolences to the family.

**THANKS TO IOOF FOR USE OF HALL, ALSO TO
STUMPF AND GUNNS**

In the past we have neglected to officially thank the Independent Order of Odd Fellows for the use of their hall for our potluck luncheon the past three years. Jimmy and Clara May Stumpff always get permission for us to use it. Donna and Richard Gunn are always there to help, particularly in the kitchen and with cleanup. We are grateful to all of them.

**NEED A HEADSTONE FOR AN OLD GRAVE? OFFER
AGAIN MADE; PRICE VIRTUALLY AT COST**

As usual in the summer, we will order a headstone for an unmarked grave, at a price which is close to cost. These are plain gray granite. A small marker, 8"x16" is \$180; standard size, 12"x24" is \$320. This includes the setting fee, mileage from Albuquerque and 3 lines of text: name, birth and death dates. Call Marian Meyer, 982-5635.

CENTENNIAL BIOGRAPHIES By Catherine Thayer

Part of the 1984 Fairview Centennial celebration included an R.I.P. tour (Revisiting Important People). This is another of the histories of people buried at Fairview which were posted for the tour.

WILLIAM & HELEN MALTBY THORNTON

William T. Thornton was born in 1843 in Calhoun, Missouri and educated in private schools near Sedalia. In 1861 William enlisted as a private in the Confederate Army, serving for two years with General Sterling Price. He was captured by Union forces during the retreat of the Confederates from Springfield, Missouri in 1862 and was sent to Alton, Illinois where he was confined until the end of the war. Thornton earned a degree in law at the University of Louisville in 1868. His failing health brought him to Santa

Fe in 1877 where he was elected to the Legislative Assembly in 1880. He was chosen the first mayor of Santa Fe in 1891 and in 1893 was appointed Governor of the Territory. After serving four years, he and his wife moved to Mexico where he took up mining, but later returned to Santa Fe. He died there in 1916.

Helen Maltby Thornton, born in 1846, came to Santa Fe in 1887. It is said she was a gracious hostess of social affairs while she and her husband occupied the Palace of the Governors. She always took an interest in her husband's political career, and followed political events in the Capital City with great interest. She was active in the Woman's Board of Trade and a staunch member of the Church of the Holy Faith. She died at her brother's home in Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1930 at the age of 84 and was brought back to Santa Fe for burial.

The Thorntons owned six lots in Fairview. Four are still empty. Having no children, only a niece, Mrs. Frank Butt, survived them. Her husband may have headed the N.M. Highway Department in the 1930s, so we are still hopeful we can track down her descendants, who might be willing to give the four lots to our Association. If you have any information on this, let Marian know.

FINAL REMINDER ON THE CLEAN-UP

The list of items which need doing by volunteers during the clean up includes: cleaning up along the front fence, pruning the long-neglected spirea (bridal wreath) bushes, also along the front fence and bordering the old indigent burial ground along the road at the south end of the cemetery. Another long-time item on our wish list is straightening and raising some of the cemetery's crooked stones. PLEASE COME AND HELP US.





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