

FRANKFORD CEMETERY ASSOCIATION NEWS

May 2013

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THE REASON FOR FRANKFORD

Long before Frankford Church was built, and long before the town of Frankford or the cemetery as we know it existed, travelers were drawn to this place for one very practical reason. On the west bank of the creek at Frankford just north of the bridge, lies Indian Springs, an "everlasting springs" that provided water for travelers in this area for hundreds of years.

In the mid 1800's covered wagons camped in the meadows near Indian Springs. Eventually the town of Frankford grew up near the springs, like other tiny North Texas towns. Communities needed reliable sources of water, wood and rich farm land to survive, all of which Frankford provided.

Some time after the town of Frankford declined in the late 1800's, someone "capped" Indian Springs and eventually few even knew it had existed. Last year, after an extensive effort to find the exact location, Indian Springs was uncapped and its waters began to flow again for the first time in many years.

This Decoration Day we will celebrate Indian Springs. At 2:45 on May 19 in Frankford Church, J. C. Foster, who waded in the creek as a boy, will share his knowledge of the springs. Afterwards, we will head down to the bridge to view the springs and hold a brief ceremony honoring the waters that gave life to a place called Frankford.

I hope to see many of you on Decoration Day.

Kathy Wells Power
President

Decoration Day
Sunday, May 19

2:00 Business Meeting
2:45 Program



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Photos courtesy of David Rogers

FRANKFORD PROJECTS

Following are some of the projects the FCA Board completed during the past year.

- Built a new pulpit for the Church based on pictures of the original pulpit.
- Planted daffodils and other bulbs in clusters throughout the cemetery.
- Planted native trees in the cemetery and along the creek.
- Planted old-fashioned roses and perennials in the cemetery.
- Boy scouts widened the path near the bridge that leads to Indian Springs, and laid bois d'arc "steps" for easier access.
- Leveled and repaired cemetery monuments.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Nominating Committee would like to introduce the following nominees for board members:

John Needham	Term ending 2016
Virginia Cotten	Term ending 2016

Registered members are eligible to vote in the May election. If you are unable to attend the annual business meeting on Decoration Day, May 19, you may wish to have someone else vote for you. If so, please complete the Proxy Form included in this newsletter and have your proxy present it at the annual meeting.

DECORATION DAY SCHEDULE

2:00 FCA Business Meeting
Location: Frankford Church
Some Agenda Items:
Board member election
Vision Plan for Frankford

2:45 Program in Frankford Church
Singing
Guest Speaker J. C. Foster will speak about the Everlasting Springs
Roll of Remembrance

Following the Program there will be a brief ceremony at the site of the Everlasting Springs near the bridge.

FRANKFORD COMMUNITY NEWS

Recent unpublished losses in our community:

SHIRLEY FIDLER KIRKHAM
1/13/1935 – 1/7/2012

SAMUEL ADKINS SCARBOROUGH
7/8/1928 - 9/29/2012

RICHARD GRAHAM DAVIS, JR.
12/25/1935 – 3/7/2013

HAROLD BURK RITCH
8/21/1923 – 5/17/2012

PHYLLIS TROBAUGH MCGLOTHLIN
8/14/1935 – 4/8/2013

We extend our sincere condolences to these families.

CEMETERY COURTESY AND PROTOCOL

On Decoration Day weekend many Frankford families will visit the cemetery to place flowers on graves of loved ones. Parking attendants will help you find a place to park on Sunday. With just one main access into the cemetery (the concrete drive in the middle) it is easy for vehicles to get wedged in between other vehicles and unable to exit the cemetery. To avoid this frustrating situation the board asks everyone decorating graves or visiting the cemetery during Decoration Day weekend to follow this protocol:

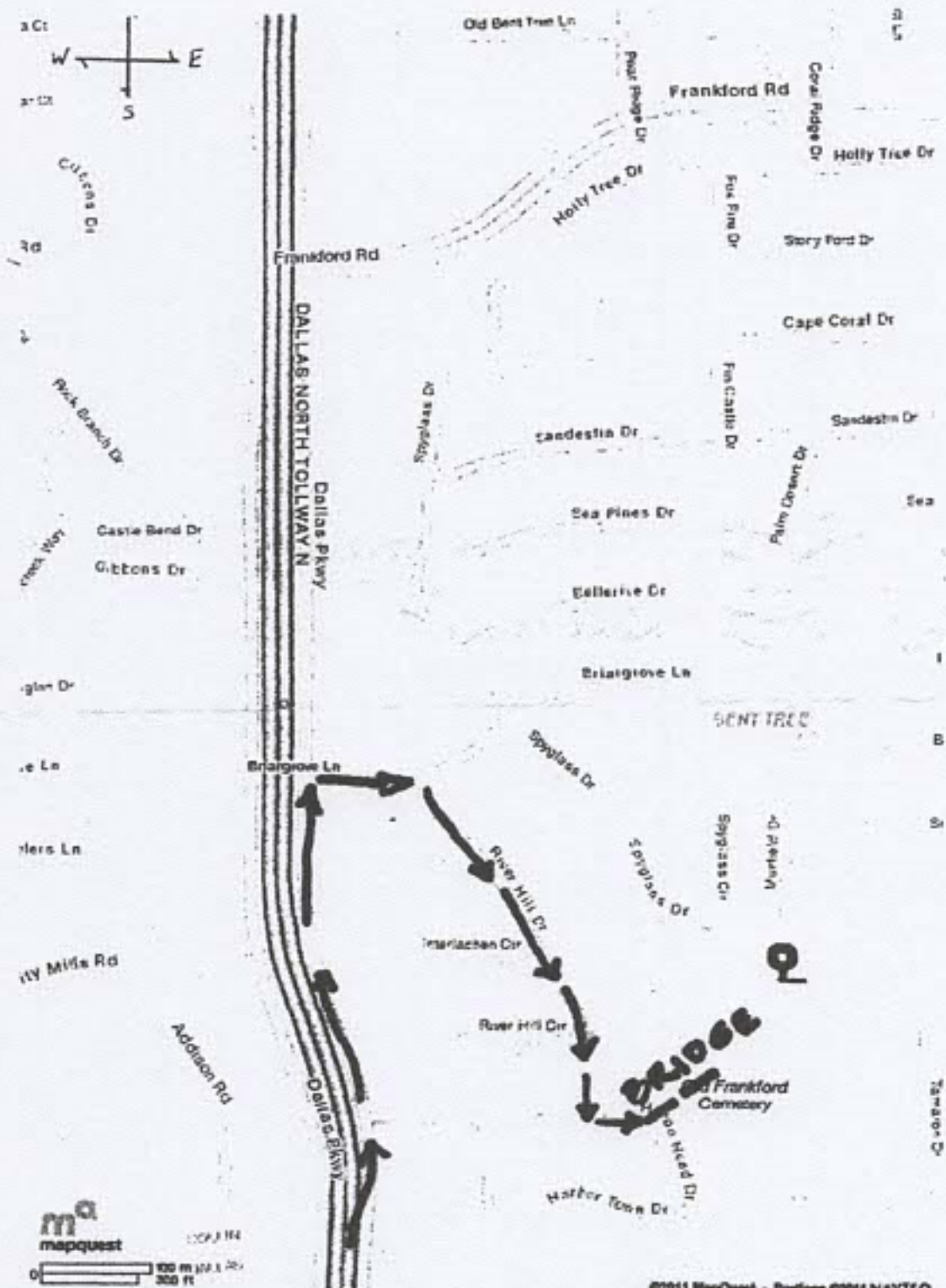
Please park outside the cemetery if at all possible. If you must park on the drive in the middle of the cemetery, please no more than two vehicles on the drive at a time. Be alert to the need to back out your vehicle if the person in front of you is ready to leave.

Please, no vehicles on cemetery grounds (other than the concrete drive). Funeral home vehicles are the only vehicles allowed on the cemetery grounds.

On Decoration Day we encourage you to enter the Frankford site through the old entrance off of Hilton Head, on the west side of the creek. This one-lane bridge was the early access to the cemetery property before Bent Tree was developed. Parking attendants will be there to help you park in the "wagon yard." Then you can enjoy heading east across the bridge to the cemetery and church.

If you desire or need to park closer there will be some parking spaces on the east side of the site, near the cemetery and church. Attendants will also be in that area to show you where to park.

Please keep the enclosed map and directions for use on Decoration Day to guide you to the Hilton Head entrance.



I, the undersigned member of Frankford Cemetery Association, do hereby appoint

as my Attorney-In-Fact to represent and to vote

(Proxy Name)

on any and all business to come before the Business Meeting of Frankford Cemetery Association on May 19, 2013, or any adjournments thereto.

Member's Signature

Address