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BLUE RIDGE CEMETERY NEWS

Blue Ridge Cemetery Association, P. O. Box 42, Reagan, TX 76680

SPECIAL INTEREST ARTICLES:

- ❖ GOAL ESTABLISHED FOR NEW FENCE
- ❖ HONOR SOMEONE OR THEIR MEMORY WITH A MEMORIAL
- **♦** CHECK OUT OUR **WEB SITE**
- **❖** JOIN THE BRN

How to DONATE

The general fund is designed to cover only normal maintenance and upkeep. Due to the foresight of previous association leadership, the maintenance fund was built up to a level whereby the interest can defray the annual maintenance cost. Because those costs continue to increase, we need to keep building that fund for the future. Donations of any size certainly add up and are all greatly appreciated, so we encourage all levels of contribution. Please designate your gift to "General Maintenance" or "Fence Fund."

Romans 6:23 I Cor. 15:55-56 In 1873, the Blue Ridge Cemetery was established on land donated by George Harlan for the burial of family members of Blue Ridge Baptist Church, friends and relatives in the surrounding community, and their descendants. The Blue Ridge Cemetery Association (BRCA) was formed to collect funds and oversee the maintenance and care of the cemetery grounds. Voluntary contributions, fees, and income from invested funds presently support cemetery operations. More information about BRCA can be reviewed at www.blueridgetx.com.



ASSOCIATION SETS GOAL TO REPLACE FENCE

A Third of the Way

As with many of us, time has taken its toll on the Cemetery perimeter fence. The need to replace it grows more pressing as the years fly by. After examining options, the Association has established a goal to raise **\$15,000** in order to replace the fence along FM 1771. Thus far we have about \$5,000 from designated gifts. We sincerely solicit your consideration of this need in your giving plans as we strive to meet our goal of protecting and preserving

this special place. A heartfelt thank you to those who have recently contributed.

Chain Link

Thanks to the skilled craftsmanship of Eddie Hamilton, new iron entrance gates were constructed and installed last year. Our next objective will be to put up long lasting, shiny new chain link. Although rusty, the old wire seems to have some life left in it. We want to use as much of that as we can on the back side to deter

destructive wild hogs from entering. Should they begin rooting in the cemetery, there could be disastrous consequences.

VISIT OUR **WEB SITE**

For a wealth of cemetery and church information, photos of gravestones, bylaws, maintenance guidelines and more, visit www.blueridgetx.com. Use the convenient e-mail reply to send us your contact information or to correspond with us. We'd like to hear from you.

WHEN YOU VISIT, **EASILY ON NEW** SURVEY MAP.

FIND GRAVESITES

genealogy buff or two. Aid us in contacting the buffs in your family by sending us their names and addresses. You can mail them to Blue Ridge **Cemetery Association,** P. O. Box 42, Reagan, **TX 76680**, or email to webmaster4@blueridgetx. com.

Blue Ridge Network

Stay informed about the Blue Ridge Cemetery, family reunions, and other Blue Ridge Church and community events. We're in the process of building the Blue Ridge Network (BRN) of family and friends who want to maintain a sense of place and heritage. Those of us who grew up here or spent time here share in the fond memories and

heritage of one of the premier pioneer settlements in Texas. Help us keep that memory alive for future generations by being a part of the BRN. As families multiply and scatter, it is difficult to maintain an up to date contact list. Help us build the BRN by sending us the contact information for you and your family. Also, every family has a

EVENTS:

1st Sunday in May – May Day Singing, BRCA Annual Meeting 1st Sunday in October - Harlan Reunion, BRCA Mid Year Meeting May 3, 2008 - Hunnicutt Reunion