

TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

HISTORIC TEXAS CEMETERY REQUEST FOR DESIGNATION

List additional descriptions or information on separate pages, if necessary.

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

Primary name: Pleasant Hill Cemetery

Also known as: Dog Run Cemetery

County: Post Oak

Person completing this form: Donna Ebert

Date: 12-15-2010

City, State, ZIP: 1111 Ebert Rd, Jergenson TX 77788

Phone: 555.555.5555

Fax: 555.777.7777

Email: debert@email.com

Affiliation with cemetery: ancestors buried there

LOCATION

Cemetery address, if known:

City: Jergenson

Directions to cemetery from nearest town, include distances:

2.7 miles west on US 190, N on SH 289, right on FM 483, left on dirt road. A;

Original Survey Name and Abstract Number: John Wilson Survey, A-12

Optional: Latitude: 30.111555

Longitude: 96.22222

TRUSTEESHIP OR CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Public Private

Name of individual, political entity, organization, or religious institution associated with cemetery:

Henry Allen

Address, City, ZIP: 2222 Jones Rd Jergenson TX 77777

Association meeting dates, if applicable: Third Saturday in May

DEED REFERENCE

If known, provide deed information (volume, page, signing date) for deeds that reference the cemetery. Provide copies.

Post Oak County deed records, vol. 23, page 194, 1895

OWNERSHIP OF LAND ADJACENT TO CEMETERY

(Indicate on the cemetery map the location of each owner’s property. If there are more than four owners, please continue on a separate sheet of paper).

Owner No. 1: Henry Allen

Address, City, ZIP: 2222 Jones Rd Jergenson TX 77777

Owner No. 2:

Address, City, ZIP:

Owner No. 3:

Address, City, ZIP:

Owner No. 4:

Address, City, ZIP:

EXISTING HISTORICAL MARKERS AND GRAVE MARKERS

Provide title and date of each THC historical marker within the cemetery.

Homer Jones 1936

Provide title and date of nearby THC historical markers, if any:

Pleasant Hill Community 1972, Pleasant Hill School 1973

SURROUNDING LAND USE (check all that apply)

- Urban setting Suburban setting Rural setting Transitional Game preserve
- Industrial Level Sloped Encroachment Other:

CEMETERY ACCESS (check all that apply)

- Direct access to public road Public access Private property

Limitations to access:

Primary access: Walk Drive Distance from nearest road: **FM 143** **1.5 mile**
(name of road) (distance)

IDENTIFIABLE CULTURAL HERITAGE (check all that apply)

- African American Asian European Hispanic Jewish Middle Eastern
- Native American

Language on stones: English

Other cultural information:

IDENTIFIABLE RELIGIOUS HERITAGE (check all that apply)

- Catholic Islamic Jewish Protestant Other:

Source: Family records, burial records, tombstone symbols

LANDSCAPING

Identify the following and note whether the plants are cultural (planted deliberately) or natural growth, if known.

Trees: Live Oak Cultural Natural Pine Cultural Natural
 Cultural Natural Cultural Natural

Shrubs: Holly Cultural Natural arborvitae Cultural Natural
 Cultural Natural Cultural Natural

Groundcover: Iris Cultural Natural grass Cultural Natural
 Cultural Natural Cultural Natural

PERIMETER

Partially fenced Fully fenced No fence Cultivated fields Trimmed grass Roads
 Vacant land Body of water Other:
Rough dimensions: 30 x 30 feet Estimated acreage: Irregular shape

PERIMETER FENCE (if applicable)

Barbed/woven wire Brick Cast/wrought iron Chain link Resin/synthetic Stone
 Trees Hedgerow Wood Other:

AGE AND CONTEXT

Approximate number of graves: 6 Dates of burials: Oldest: 1881 Most recent: 1912
Is the cemetery still active? Yes No
 Unmarked graves Marked graves, no dates Dated graves Associated cultural context existing
(neighborhood, community, church, etc.) Name:
 Original geographic context removed (small cemetery now in road right-of-way, parking lot, etc.)
 Subsequent community established around cemetery site Relocated from original site
Source:
 Burial records exist Gravestones have been inventoried
 Printed inventory available/location: Jergenson Public Library

CEMETERY CONDITION

Evidence of cemetery above ground Graves not readily visible Grave depressions Maintained
 Overgrown No obvious evidence of maintenance Select sections maintained
 Trash/dumping ground Tilted/leaning stones Fallen stones Missing features Vandalized
 Evidence of gravestone repairs

GRAVESTONE MATERIALS

Cast iron Ceramic photographs Concrete Fieldstone Funeral company marker
 Granite Limestone Marble Resin/plastic Sandstone Steel Structural glass
 Wood Tile Zinc Other:

CEMETERY FEATURE OVERVIEW

Cemetery sign: Yes No

Location? at the cemetery on the road on gate on fence on post

Text:

Entry gate: Yes No Gate or arch manufacturer:

Fenced plots: Family; number: Individual graves; number:

Interior fence materials: Barbed wire Brick Cast/wrought iron Chain link
 Combination Woven wire Stone Wood Other:

Curbing: Cut stone Concrete Brick Other:

Grave decoration: Shells Gravel Scraped earth Floral Other:

Interior roads: Dirt Brick Gravel Paved Cobblestone Grass
 Other:

Walkways and paths: Dirt Brick Gravel Paved Stone Grass
 Other:

Terracing/retaining walls: Yes No

Segregated burials: Family Race Religion Fraternal order Nationality Pauper
 Babies Institutional Other:

Cemetery features: Benches Flagpole Folk decorations Fountains Grave houses
 Grave shrines Grave slabs Handcrafted/local castings Cairns Mausoleums/vaults
 Obelisks Original statuary Outhouse Tabernacle Structures Unique stone carving
 Urns Well Other:

Signed statuary; name: Signed gravestones; name: M.J. Taylor

VETERANS GRAVESTONES

American Revolution War of 1812 Texas Revolution Mexican War Civil War
 Indian Wars Spanish American War World War I World War II Korean War
 Vietnam War Gulf War Afghanistan Iraq Other:

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Provide a brief history of the cemetery with bibliographic references. Use additional pages if needed.

In 1875 John & Lucinda Ebert settled in the Jergenson area on the John Wilson Survey. They built a dogtrot style cabin, which was abandoned in 1900 when Lucinda died. The cabin has since been destroyed. The first burial was for John Ebert in 1875. According to family lore he requested to be buried "on the pleasant little hill," hence the name of the cemetery. When Lucinda became sick, her wish was to be buried at the "dog run" cemetery next to John, thus the secondary name was established. A few family members continued to be buried at the small cemetery until 1912, when subsequent family members chose to be buried at the larger Gilchrist Cemetery. The last burial at Pleasant Hill was for Asa E. Walters, husband of John & Lucinda's second daughter Gertrude.

Bibliography:

Prater, Elihu. Beyond the Rim: A History of Early Post Oak County. Jergenson: Post Oak County Historical Commission, 1978.

Deed Records. Office of the Post Oak County Clerk, Post Oak County Courthouse, Jergenson.

Petry, Frank M. Interview with John Dalman, September 9, 2005. Tape and notes only, available at the Post Oak County Library, Jergenson

NOTIFICATION OF COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Printed name of CHC chair: Henry Ford

Signature of CHC chair: Henry Ford Date: 12-30-2010

If sending electronically:

Send the application, photos, and supporting documents as email attachments to: annette.bethke@thc.state.tx.us. Be sure to include in the subject line "HTC application."

Questions?

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If sending hard copies or disc:

Send the application, photos, supporting documents, and application fee to:
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The Historic Texas Cemetery designation policies are adopted as Commission rules in the Texas Administrative Code, Title 13, Chapter 22, Section 22.6.

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