Hancock County Pioneer Cemetery Commission

Annual Report – 2016

To: Indiana Historical Bureau

Budget:

- Beginning Balance (GBC account) $2,287
- Hancock County Funds $1,500

Donations/Grants:

- NineStar Community Grant $3,000
- Misc donations/book sales $588
- Reimb from Trustees $1,743

Expenditures:

- DNR classes for 2 members $120
- Supplies/equipment $506
- Printing expenses $1,394
- Sign Installation and material costs $2,200
- Professional stone repair $4,200

Activities/Accomplishments

- Named as an Indiana Bicentennial Legacy Project – A Day of Caring
  - Hosted A Day of Caring at Caldwell Cemetery
  - Received support from the Hancock County Sheriff’s Department for the event
  - Received a $3000 NineStar grant for A Day of Caring project
  - Repaired over 20 Graves at Caldwell Cemetery
  - Involved many youth in the event, including Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and GCHS Thespians
  - Welcomed over 100 visitors from the community

- Achieved assignment of USPS physical addresses to trustee-controlled cemeteries

- Reprinted the Sue Baker Book to offer for sale

- Moved the trailer from Sugar Creek Cemetery to 911 lot

- Installed signs at 15 cemeteries

- Ordered “Closed Dusk to Dawn” signs for trustees to post at Vernon and Brown Townships

- Coordinated community service workers at four cemeteries

- Created bookmarks to be used for publicity

- Spoke at two community meetings about activities of HCCC

- Coordinated possible relocation for Shelby Cemetery (ongoing)

- Participated at Hancock County Bicentennial Celebration

- Launched website

- Launched Facebook page
Projected 2017 Activities/Projects

- Continue to identify Pioneer Cemeteries in Hancock County
- Continue to monitor development of county project involving pioneer cemetery
- Repair and maintain stones/monuments in Pioneer Cemeteries
- Assist BSA group with restoration at Dunn Cemetery
- Pursue grant and other funding opportunities
- Assist individuals with questions/inquiries of HC Pioneer Cemeteries
- Provide local education opportunities to the community by speaking at local organizations

Respectfully submitted,

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Janell Kinder, Treasurer

cc: Hancock County Commissioners
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