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GRAVEYARD CLEAN-UPS

Berks County Association for Graveyard Preservation has received inquiries from individuals interested in donating to specific graveyards in need of repair. If you are interested in contributing support for a specific graveyard, BCAGP will honor your request.

Grim Upcoming Project - Berks County Association for Graveyard Preservation will be re-setting these tombstones, as well as repairing damage to the wall.

BCAGP workers have been active this winter cleaning-up several graveyards within Berks county. Thanks to the dedication of our workers, the following were cared for over the last few months:

Exeter Township
Ritter graveyard

Maxatawny Township
Grim graveyard
Sassaman graveyard
Kemp graveyard
Hottenstein graveyard
Kutz graveyard

Penn Township
Brecht / Bright graveyard

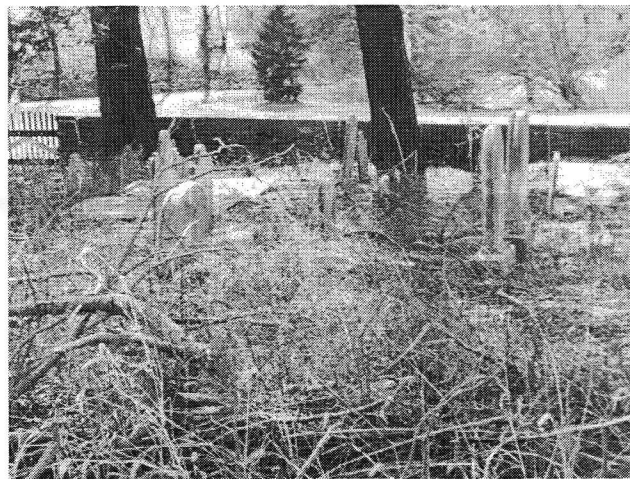
Oley Township
Nein graveyard
Bertolet graveyard
Schneider graveyard

Richmond Township
Kieffer graveyard

Additionally, the following graveyards received repair maintenance:

Maxatawny Township
Kutz graveyard - Sections of the graveyard's wood fence were replaced and the gate repaired. A tombstone was re-set.

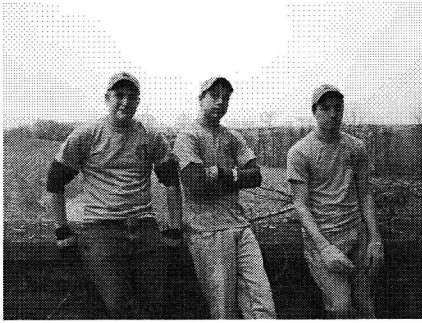
Penn Township
Brecht / Bright graveyard - An iron fence was install surrounding the cemetery.



GRIM GRAVEYARD - BEFORE



GRIM GRAVEYARD - AFTER



Grim graveyard work crew

BRECHT / BRIGHT GRAVEYARD, PENN TOWNSHIP



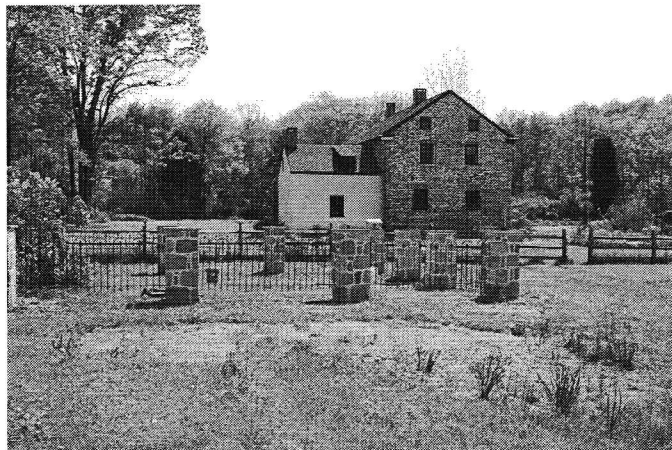
*The Brecht / Bright
graveyard
(left)*

*The tree was
removed to prevent
damage to the
tombstones and an
iron fence was
installed. A special
thanks to the
descendants of this
family for their
support in helping to
fund this project.*

POTT GRAVEYARD DEDICATION, PIKE TOWNSHIP

There will be a dedication ceremony to mark the completion of work for the Pott graveyard in Pike Township. The event will be held on June 13th at 10:00 am.

The stone pillars were built and the wrought iron fence has been re-set and re-painted. A granite marker is being engraved and will be placed in the graveyard.



UPCOMING PROJECTS FOR 2009

Cumru Township

High graveyard - Caps will be installed on the wall.

Richmond Township

Kieffer graveyard - A fence needs to be installed.

Oley Township

Hoch/DeTurk/ Shenkel graveyard - Wall needs to be rebuilt.

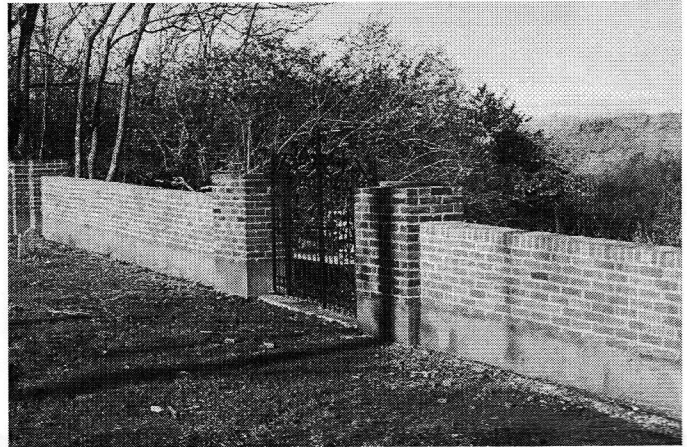
Upper Bern Township

Seiffert graveyard - Caps will be installed on the wall.

Weiser/DeTurk graveyard - A new wooden fence will be installed.

The High graveyard in Cumru (below). The wall was rebuilt in 2006. Caps will be installed soon.

Bertolet graveyard- A new gate is needed for the entrance.



Maxatawny Township

Sassaman graveyard - Wall needs to be re-built.

Kemp graveyard – Wall needs to be rebuilt..

Grim graveyard - Wall will be repaired and tombstones re-set.

Hottenstein graveyard - Wall repairs are needed.

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The Berks County Association for Graveyard Preservation appreciates the support we received from our members over the years. If not a current member, please join us while we continue the work begun by so many before us. Or if you do not wish to be a member at this time, but are interested in contributing support for a specific graveyard, please indicate that graveyard on the form below.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

\$ _____ Annual Membership, \$15.00.

\$ _____ Donation earmarked for the Association General Fund

\$ _____ Donation to be used for the _____ gravesite

\$ _____ Annual business or municipality membership, \$35

\$ _____ Donation to be used in _____ municipality

Total Amount enclosed: _____

Mail Checks to: B.C.A.G.P., PO box 3707, Reading, PA 19606

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