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<p>CPMBS Quaterly Board Meeting October 25th, 2008 at 11 a.m. <u>3700 Koppers Street</u> Baltimore City, MD</p> <p>All Coalition members are invited and encouraged to attend the CPMBS Board Meeting on Saturday, October 25th, 2008. At 11:00 AM.</p> <p>For a map of the location click on the address above.</p> <p>The Board Members hope to see you there.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DIRECTIONS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">From the West</p> <p>Take I-70 East to the I-695 (Balt. Beltway) South/East Take the Exit for I-95 North to Baltimore then as below.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">From the East</p> <p>Take I-695 (Balt Beltway) West/North to I-95 North to Baltimore then as below.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">From the South</p> <p>Going north on I-95 past all I-695 (Balt. Beltway) exits then as below.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">From the North</p> <p>Take I-95 Through the City until reaching Exit 50 and make sure you go South on Caton Avenue then as below</p> <p>Then within a half mile after crossing back over the Beltway take exit 50A (Caton Av) from I95N. At the first traffic light (Joh Avenue) make a right. Go about 1/4 of a mile and make a right on Koppers Street. The first high rise you come to is 3700. Turn right into the parking lot and park in front of the building. Conference Room is on the first floor as you enter the building, 3rd door on the right.</p>	<p>Vandals Strike Ellicott City Cemetery</p> <p>It's unbelievable how bold, devious individuals can resort to maliciously desecrating a cemetery in an extremely busy commercial/residential intersection. This site is located at an intersection linking Route US 40 West and St. John's Lane with Old Frederick Road MD 144. In addition, ramps close to the area connect with Route U.S. 29 north to I-70 and south towards Columbia.</p> <p>On September 17, 2008, these intruders had knocked over 54 headstones and monuments even crushing and cracking many of them. Jim Johnson, superintendent for 40 years of the cemetery, discovered the destruction and could only lament "It's devastating. There's a lot of history in this cemetery I can't even imagine why someone cont. see Page 2 Ellicott City</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vandalism at Williamsport Cemetery</p> <p>Fifty-five (55) tombstones were knocked down in Riverview Cemetery as reported by the Washington County Sheriff's office. This disgraceful act was discovered by a resident taking a walk. Craig Osborne (President of Riverview Cemetery Association's Board of Directors) estimated the damage at \$23,350. Most monuments will need to be returned to their resting places; a few will be required to be replaced and many must have new foundations.</p> <p>As of October 15, 2008 two suspects have been identified by the Sheriff's Department. Mr. Osborne lamented "We were all raised not to mess with others' property, but to me, that takes it to a whole new level." cont. see page 2 "Wiliamsport"</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">Board Meeting Minutes</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 5px;">2</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">Editor's Corner</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 5px;">6</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">Letters from Coalition</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 5px;">5</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">New Members</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 5px;">6</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">OCO</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 5px;">2</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">Up Coming Events</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 5px;">1</td> </tr> </table>	Board Meeting Minutes	2	Editor's Corner	6	Letters from Coalition	5	New Members	6	OCO	2	Up Coming Events	1
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Ellicott City from page 1 -- would even think of doing something like that." He informed the police that former Governor Thomas Ligon was buried here in 1881.

The vandals "must have really had their adrenaline flowing." Johnson added that they "worked hard to desecrate the cemetery, pushing over some extremely heavy tombstones, including one that weighed almost 3,500 pounds."

St. John's was established in 1863 and thought to be one of the oldest cemeteries in Howard County. In fact, most of the stones date back to the 1800's and early 1900's. Thus, the families of most of the people interred here are no longer around to help defray the cost of repairing the stones.

It is estimated that resurrecting the damage will cost \$20,000 to \$30,000. The work will fall on the shoulders of this non-profit organization run by a 5 member board of directors, Mr. Johnson related that possible sources of funds are: Governor Ligon's family trust fund, insurance minimally covering the cemetery, St. John's cemetery, and volunteers.

Approximately 5,800 souls are buried here. Most of the monuments were located in the older section of the cemetery. St. John's is offering a \$5,000 reward for information for the arrest and conviction of the perpetrators of this crime. So far, according to the police, no suspects have been identified.

Williamsport from page 1 -- According to Mayor James McCleaf II there has been a local outcry with some residents calling in tears.

This cemetery is owned by the town in joint management with Osborne Funeral Home. It's possible that some business owners along with the town would contribute money for information regarding the vandalism. In addition, McCleaf is asking local churches and organizations to join the town to raise funds for full restoration of the site. They believe that since Riverview is a historical cemetery (including the grave of the town's founder, Otho Holland Williams) dating back to 1786, one year before the U. S. Constitutional Convention of 1787, this fact alone should generate much interest.

Reimbursement for Coalition Members on Official Duties

At the annual meeting a motion was passed allowing the reimbursement of Coalition members when they go on official duties for the Coalition. The motion as passed allows members to be reimbursed the IRS rate for mileage and up to \$20.00 for food and beverages if the member so desires; that is, the Coalition member can offer to pay for the expenses.

Office of Cemetery Oversight Meeting - May 22, 2008

Fortunately, LuAnn Moorman was able to attend this important meeting as a representative of CPMBBS. Chairman David Goodman conducted the meeting. Leslie Knapp, Associate Director of MACO (Maryland Association of Counties) was guest speaker. The topic of this assembly was to obtain MACO's point of view concerning OCO's intention of proposing legislation in order to address the issue of abandoned and/or neglected cemeteries throughout our state.

Following are the main points of the discussion:

Lee Knapp

- before legislation is drafted, the scope of this concern should be determined by the severity of this problem
- MACO would oppose any unfunded mandates upon counties to clean and maintain abandoned and/or neglected cemeteries.
- Resources of the counties are used to find owners of such burial sites, if found, but refuses, owner can be cited
- County can condemn site making it a case of eminent domain
- If counties have funding for cleaning and maintenance, MACO would not oppose county involvement through legislation
- He would request assistance of MACO if such cemeteries could be identified by a survey of questions to counties
- He would then send survey to all counties
- Completed surveys would be sent to Chairman Goodman
- This would supply an objective appraisal of the problem

Chair Goodman

- OCO members were provided documentation describing New York State Vandalism, Restoration, Monument repair or Removal and Administrative Fund
- In New York State, for each opening and closing of a burial site, a \$5.00 fee is contributed to this fund.

Submitted by LuAnn Moorman

Summarized by Barbara Manger Kraske

Coalition to Protect Maryland Burial Sites

July 19, 2008 Minutes

Miller Library

Ellicott City, Maryland

Present:

President Melvin Mason Vice-President Jeff Nesmeyer
Treasurer Gerhardt Kraske Recording Sec. Amanda Becker
Director Leonard Becraft Director George Horvath
Director James Lanier Director Tom Mason

Director Lu Moorman	Director Paul Miller
Director Candy Warden	Webmaster Diane Nesmeyer
Aisha Almond	Mimi Ashcraft
Anne Brockett	Dennis Green
Ann Horvath	Barbara Kraske
Brenda McNeal	Robert Mosko

Excused:

Corresponding Sec. Lora Lake	Director Ann Bolt
Director Robert Lyons	Director Kristin Kraske

President Melvin Mason called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. Twenty people were in attendance.

The Recording Secretary's Report from the April 26, 2008 annual meeting was then reviewed. Paul Miller clarified the note under New Business, paragraph 6 as such; the trusts in Delaware are easier to administer so that's why they are more advantageous. President Mason called a motion for the minutes to be accepted as approved. George Horvath made the motion, Tom Mason seconded the motion, all were in favor and the motion carried.

The Corresponding Secretary's Report was given by Amanda Becker. Four thank you letters were written by Ms. Becker to the speakers at the annual meeting. One more thank you note to the Union Cemetery is pending.

The Treasurer's Report was given by the Treasure Gerhardt Kraske as follows: The balance from April 25th, 2008 was \$7,866.00. Net income from April 26 through July 18, 2008 was \$1,191.23 and net expenses from the same time period was \$1,574.17. The balance as of July 18th, 2008 is \$7,483.06. Cash in hand for future sales support is \$124.18. The value of Susquehanna Bank CD is \$1,119.57. The total worth of the CPMBS accounts is \$8,726.81. The Susquehanna Bank CD on the 16th of July is up for renewal. We have a week to decide if we want to roll it over or cancel this account. The interest that it is now accruing is 3.09 percent. This order of business will be decided this coming week. President Mason called for the Treasurer's report to be approved. Motion made by George Horvath and seconded by Candy Warden. The motion carried.

Diane and Jeff Nesmeyer gave a Web Page Report. They are working on making the web page the best that it can be and to do this they need some information from members. Lu Moorman volunteered that she will send some information on her Mt. Auburn project. The Miller Library URL will also have to be updated. Members were asked to send in information on concerns in their respective counties.

Archives Report - Board member George Horvath and Recording Secretary Amanda Becker will be planning an Archives meeting.

The Annual Meeting Report was given by Leonard Becraft. The meeting at the Sandy Spring Museum went well. He expressed disappointment that there was no follow up meeting with the committee and the officers and that the President gave cash to the bus driver, as requested by committee, and issued

checks to the Slave Museum, and Sandy Spring Museum for use of their facilities, although the committee had secured these facilities for free. Mr. Kraske so noted Mr. Becraft's concern. Diane Nesmeyer suggested that Mr. Becraft be an advisor for the next annual meeting. President Mason agreed to include the 2008 committee members with the 2009 committee planning for lessons learned. As of today's meeting there are no 2009 meeting locations.

The By-Law Committee Report was given by President Mason for the by-laws to be amended as follows:

Article IV: Officers

A. The Board of Directors shall consist of no fewer than nine and no more than 15 directors. Officers, as described in Article V, shall be members of the Board.

Article V: Officers

L. The Officers (and Board of Directors) may enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the corporation

A motion was made by George Horvath with a second by Lu Moorman to accept the changes. All voting were in favor and the motion carried.

The Fundraising Report was given by Amanda Becker who stated that the gift shop made \$478.00 at the April 26th meeting. The gift shop had a new look and after the meeting the entire inventory was placed in the office for one central location. The committee would like to create a notebook for people to take to events to show how to put together the set-up, and they wish to create a stand with a possible tombstone silhouette to hang t-shirts and tote bags at events.

An idea is to sell the green t-shirts for less and have a raffle for everyone buying these. The winner receives a \$40.00 gas gift certificate.

Diane Nesmeyer stated she needed a list of shipping prices to attach to the gift shop portion of the website.

The Membership report was given by Treasurer Kraske as Kristin Kraske was unable to attend the meeting. The total number of members in the Coalition is 107.

Reports from other committees were not given at this time.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mary Ann Ashcraft spoke for the Outreach Committee on the "Robert Mosko Proposal". This proposal would generate money, publicity and education to the Coalition and the public. These satisfy 3 of the Coalition's five objectives. Steps to be taken are: a stone would be chosen and Mr. Mosko would fix it with the owner paying for the material costs. Publicity on this stone could be brought to the Coalition and the public would learn of conservation of a stone.

Mr. Mosko then spoke of how he found this idea for the Coalition's use. The Preservation Trades Network made up of

maisons, carpenters, etc. went to help in New Orleans after Katrina. This generated publicity for the PTN and helped those in need. On a smaller scale, the Coalition could do the same thing. The first project will not be a raffle or have an application fee as future projects of this sort could be. Ms. Ashcraft and Mr. Mosko had met for two hours prior to today's meeting to discuss the project. It would help Mr. Mosko (even though he donates his time) by his experimenting with new supplies. Candy Warden suggested finding a small stone in Montgomery County that would be in context with the outreach that they are doing in Montgomery County. Brenda McNeal noted that people applying for this would have to prove ownership and perhaps an orphaned stone would be a great starting point to fix. Tom Mason wondered why the application fee might not be used towards Coalition membership and James Lanier suggested the winner could help in future projects.

President Mason suggested that the Outreach Committee could use all these ideas and present a proposal with which the Coalition can make legal and financial choices for this project. This proposal has great potential and everyone thought it was an area for the Coalition to pursue.

The committee was tasked with preparing a formal proposal that gives in detail the full scope of the project including the logistics of such a program; the formal process to determine the recipient of the program; the financial properties of the program for which the Coalition would be responsible, what third parties would be responsible for; the legal implications and how the Coalition will handle them; and the publicity and community participation in the project. It is expected that the committee have a complete proposal by September 20, 2008 to present to the Board. The board will review this proposal and decide how to proceed.

The formation of a Conservation Committee was brought up by member Anne Brockett. For some years now she has been the project leader of the Montgomery County Cemetery Inventory. This has been funded under a grant by the Montgomery County Historical Commission. So far, 268 cemeteries have been documented, mapped with GPS and put into a computer database where county officials can show developers and others where cemeteries are located. Ms. Brockett was asking for information on the next step for the project which is outreach to the cemetery owners.

This parlayed into President Mason's thoughts on what the Coalition really does and what we really achieve. Defining what other people do in their organizations and committing to this organizing is a must. People are more interested in their own projects, but the Coalition needs to be an overall statewide organization. He also stated the need to organize researched materials and produce meaningful documentation to distribute in the form of booklets and have promotional flyers about the Coalition and the work it is doing.

George Horvath, for instance, represents Carroll County and testifies at court for the saving of cemeteries. Just as Anne Brockett represents Montgomery County, other members could

stand up for their respective counties. A pamphlet for cemetery owners to as a starting point would be something on which Anne Brockett and the Montgomery group could work. Diane Nesmeyer suggested a meeting to brainstorm and Vice-President Nesmeyer suggested writing all the ideas down and considering them and see how it progresses. The Coalition's Preservation Kit is outdated and should be revisited.

A meeting on August 2nd at 9:00 in Wheaton will begin the process of gathering the information as well as documentation and preparing those material necessary to inform the public in the areas of burial site protection, conservation, and repairs. The group will start with Diane Nesmeyer, Brenda McNeal, Robert Mosko and President Mason any other members and interested parties are invited and urged to attend this session. Anne Brockett is unable to attend this meeting, but will send her thoughts in writing.

Gary Kraske will electronically email the Preservation Kit to the Officers and Board of Directors for their review and comments in preparation for the August 2nd meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

President Mason read a letter from member Jim Trader which said he was recovering from his surgeries. Mr. Trader also advised that when attending hearings, one should always get a copy of the proposed legislation.

There is a Cemetery Oversight Commission public hearing on abandoned and neglected cemeteries which will take place on July 24 at 1:00 pm in Baltimore, Maryland. Someone from the Coalition should attend, and the written testimony from any and all members would be great to have on file. President Mason is unable to attend, but it was decided that Lu Moorman will attend as the Coalition representative. She stated that the letters the Coalition members can write should "have suggestions, not complaints". She would like to have a written document from the President with the Coalition's mission statement.

Many members contributed to this discussion. Vice-President Nesmeyer would like us to find out their definition of maintenance so we "can tailor our response to them". President Mason will contact Lu Moorman off line about the presentation.

The Howard County Fair "Hands on History" Day is August 6th. Treasurer Kraske and Kristin Kraske will be attending and manning the Coalition's booth. Anyone else is invited to attend and help.

Board Member Candy Warden gave an update on the Rosa Bonheur cemetery. She and volunteers have been working six to eight hours every weekend mowing, cleaning, etc. Anyone interested in helping should contact Ms. Warden.

Member Robert Mosko spoke about the William Baker cemetery. Ten groundhogs have been removed and now the Baker's would like to sell the cemetery fence to raise funds for

the cemetery. Robert Mosko told the Baker's that he was against this because the fence is part of the cemetery.

Robert Mosko discussed the Zion Church in Urbana, Maryland. They will be fixing the cemetery. They have used cinder block in the church walls and then have placed stucco over it. It is not an original reconstruction, but one that works for their purposes and budget.

Mr. Mosko is working on St. John's Catholic Church cemetery in Frederick. Many people are buried there including Justice Taney, the Mt. St. Mary's College founder and some souls from Napoleon's army.

The Endangered Maryland Sites nomination report is available. Last year the St. Basilica cemetery was one of those presented as endangered. It would be advantageous to the Coalition to nominate a cemetery. Anne Brockett suggested we nominate cemeteries as a group. The Coalition will email to the Board copies of the 2006 "Maryland Life" article on the program and also send the current requirements for the 2009 nominations.

The next Coalition meeting will be on October 25th. Details as to where it will be held will be forthcoming.

President Mason adjourned the meeting at 6:03.

Respectively submitted,
Amanda Becker
Recording Secretary

Letters from the Coalition

The following texts were on Coalition letterhead to the parties that assisted with the Annual Meeting.

May 05, 2008

Mrs. Sandra Wright
14717 Carson Dr.
Burtonsville, MD 20866

Dear Sandra

Please excuse the delay in sending you your well-deserved check for your efforts at the Coalition to Protect Maryland Burial Sites 17th Annual meeting in Sandy Spring as held on 26 April 2008.

We believe everyone thoroughly enjoyed the breakfast and break set-ups. The lunch was excellent and received very well by all to whom we spoke. Nobody went away hungry!

Enclosed check covers 50 people at \$15.00 per person for a total of \$750.00. If there is any sales tax due please let us know!

Thank you for all the presentation work in making the whole experience a delight!

Sincerely,

O/s by

Barbara Kraske, Treasurer: Coalition to Protect Maryland Burial Sites (CPMBS)

Cc: via e-mail to Melvin Mason, President CPMBS
Leonard Becraft

May 05, 2008

Dr. Winston Anderson
Sandy Spring Slave Museum
P. O. Box 13
Sandy Spring, MD 20860

Dear Dr. Anderson

Our organization was so pleased to visit your museum on Saturday April 26, 2008. We didn't expect it to be so extensive. In fact, it was very impressive with its compartmentalization of delightful displays with their detailed information. Having been a secondary U. S. History teacher I was particularly thrilled. I was also very appreciative of the one room being set up as a chapel-like setting.

In addition, your informative presentation was excellent. It was so obvious your fount of knowledge is superb. Enclosed please find a donation to your superb museum. God bless you!

[NOTE: Donation was \$150.00]

Sincerely,

O/s by

Barbara Kraske, Past Treasurer: Coalition to Protect Maryland Burial Sites (CPMBS)
Gerhardt Kraske, Past President, Treasurer, CPMBS

Cc: via e-mail to Melvin Mason, President CPMBS
Leonard Becraft

May 05, 2008

Mr. Harry Lieberman, Exec. Director
Sandy Spring Museum
17901 Bentley Road
Sandy Spring, MD 20860

Dear Mr. Lieberman

We were delighted to be able to have our annual meeting of the Coalition to Protect Maryland Burial Sites (CPMBS) on April 26, 2008 in the Dr. Bird Room. The architectural style of

the room was charming. It afforded not just sufficient seating for our guests and members but also ample room for all of our displays. It was great to be able to use round tables for our 50+ attendees to enable full discourse during the meeting.

Thanks to the efforts of Leonard Becraft, we were able to enjoy this year's meeting at your impressive museum. As a result, CPMBS would like to make this donation to Sandy Spring's octagonal wonder.

[NOTE: Donation was \$200.00]

Sincerely,

O/s by

Barbara Kraske, Past Treasurer: Coalition to Protect Maryland Burial Sites (CPMBS)

Gerhardt Kraske, Past President, Treasurer, CPMBS

Cc: via e-mail to Melvin Mason, President CPMBS
Leonard Becraft

May 12, 2008

Mr. Harry Lieberman, Exec. Director
Sandy Spring Museum
17901 Bentley Road
Sandy Spring, MD 20860

Dear Mr. Lieberman

Due to a mistake on my part, the check mailed to your organization does NOT represent the full donation that CPMBS will make to your organization. As soon as I verify with the officers and our Annual Meeting Committee the full donation value, the remaining amount will be mailed to you.

I am very sorry for any distress this may have caused anyone affiliated with your organization.

Again thanks to the efforts of Leonard and Betty Becraft, we were able to enjoy this year's meeting at your impressive museum.

Sincerely,

O/s by

Gerhardt Kraske, Past President, Treasurer, CPMBS

Cc: via e-mail to Melvin Mason, President CPMBS
Jeff Nesmeyer, Vice-President CPMBS
Amanda Becker, Recording Secretary, CPMBS
Leonard Becraft

June 3, 2008

Mr. Harry Lieberman, Exec. Director
Sandy Spring Museum
17901 Bentley Road
Sandy Spring, MD 20860

Dear Mr. Lieberman

Please accept this \$100.00 check as the additional donation from the Coalition to Protect Maryland Burial Sites. Thank you again for your organization's hospitality.

Our organization appreciated the privilege of the availability of your facility and thus thoroughly enjoyed this year's meeting at your impressive museum.

Sincerely,

O/s by

Gerhardt Kraske, Treasurer, CPMBS

Cc: via e-mail to Melvin Mason, President CPMBS
Jeff Nesmeyer, Vice-President CPMBS
Amanda Becker, Recording Secretary, CPMBS
Leonard Becraft

Howard County Fair Participation!

We participated in the annual Howard county Fair on August 6, 2008 as part of the "Hands on History" event. Amanda Becker, Kristin Kraske, Brenda McNeal, and Gary Kraske set up and manned the CPMBS booth for the duration of the day. The weather was beautiful and the crowd more substantial than last year. Again the rubbing demonstration and hands-on result held the attention of the younger set. Gross sales for the day were \$46.00.

New Members This Quarter

The Family and Friends of
Asbury & Green Chappel Easton, MD 21601

Correction to Summer Courier

In the minutes it was stated that Twenty-nine members were at the annual meeting. Actually **forty nine attendees** were present:

Editors' Corner

A future goal of the Coalition and society should be to create the need and belief that more of our cemeteries should be remodeled more as national and/or historic treasures.

There are many folks who contributed articles for this issue. Thanks to LuAnn Moorman, Melvin Mason, Amanda Becker, Diane Nesmeyer, Barbara Kraske, and Gerhardt Kraske.

Barbara & Gary Kraske

The Courier

The Coalition Courier is published quarterly by the Coalition to Protect Maryland Burial Sites, Inc., P. O. Box 1533, Ellicott City, Maryland 21041, (301) 699-5836. Members of the Coalition receive the Courier as part of their membership which runs from June 1 through May 31st of each year. Individual memberships are \$10.00, household memberships are \$15, student memberships (grade 12 and under) are \$5, and organizational memberships are \$20.00 per year. Dues should be mailed to the Membership Chairperson at the address listed above. The President, Board of Directors, and the Courier editors encourage all members to submit articles to the Courier. They further invite members to write to the Courier with questions or comments about any topic that pertains to burial sites. The topics can include preservation, protection, restoration and maintenance, historical and cultural significance, and documentation. They are also looking for questions or comments you may have about the Coalition. The questions, answers, and comments will be printed in future editions of the Courier. This is an opportunity for you to learn more about your Coalition and to have questions answered that you may have regarding burial sites. All articles, questions, items of interest may be sent directly to the Coalition at the address listed above or e-mailed to the editors at their address listed below.

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The Coalition, through its members in each county, hope to reach out to all areas of the state to: facilitate the exchange of information among individuals and organizations concerned about the protection of Maryland burial sites. Increase public awareness of the historic and cultural significance of burial sites and the serious threats to them. Draft and gain passage of new laws to more effectively deal with criminal acts against burial sites and to establish effective and uniform procedures for the protection and preservation of burial sites regardless of their age, cultural affiliation or condition. Organize support for stronger laws in Maryland to protect burial sites--Native American burials as well as traditional cemeteries. Raise funds for statewide public education programs, focused on burial site protection, and to provide information and guidance to any government agency, group, organization or individual interested in preserving human burial sites.

Co-Editors

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Membership year is June 1 through May 31st

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ County _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____ Date _____

<input type="checkbox"/> New	Annual Membership Rates:	Individual.....	..\$10
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		Organization.....	..\$ 20
		Household.....	..\$15

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