

Early Projects of The Society

The small group of women spent the early years of the Memorial Society putting their horticultural skills to use in the city cemetery. They planted trees, shrubbery and flowers, and we know they cared for the plants themselves as the first caretaker was not hired until 1923. The Society enlisted the help of individual lot owners and volunteers to keep the grass trimmed.

Members also devoted time to raising money for improvement projects in the cemetery. Apparently one of the earliest major projects was construction of a new walkway. On the front page of the December 4, 1908, issue of the *Warrenton Banner* the following news is reported:

Note: The exact location of the walkway mentioned here is unknown. It is not the existing cemetery sidewalk. We will highlight construction of the current sidewalk and walk bridge in a later post.