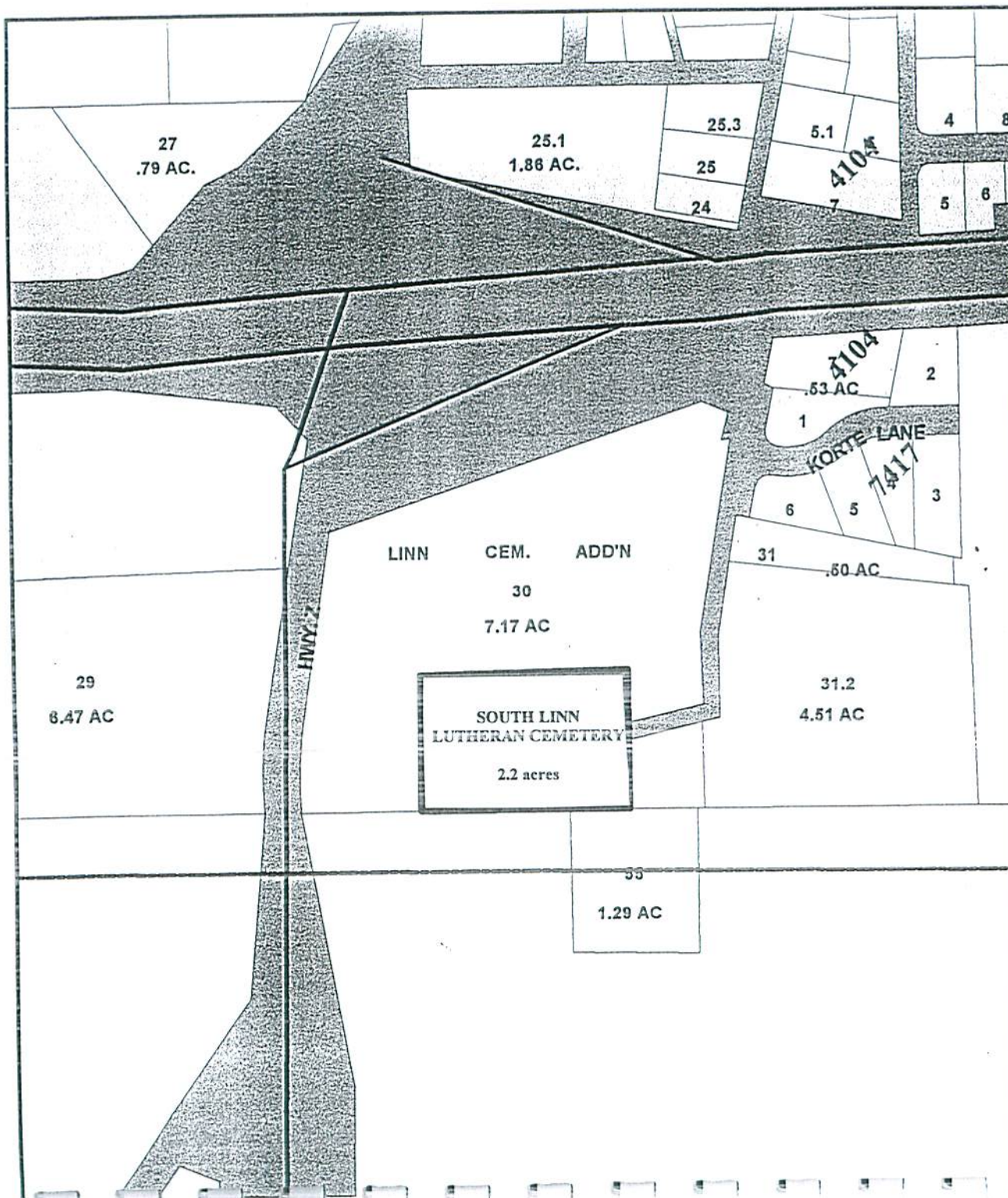




Wentzville

INFORMATION ACCESS SYSTEM

South Linn Lutheran Cemetery
Established Sept. 24, 1867

Linn Cemetery
Established June 25, 1886

Both cemeteries occupy land that was
used as a cemetery as early as 1845.

LUTHERAN CEMETERIES IN WENTZVILLE, MISSOURI

A.D. 2000

There are two Lutheran cemeteries in Wentzville, Missouri. They are the South Linn Lutheran Cemetery, and Koenig Lutheran Cemetery. The purpose of this book is to provide a written record of the burial sites as they appear in the year A. D. 2000. It is an attempt not only to record the vital statistics, but to describe the monuments, give their location, and to record and interpret the inscriptions that are found on the markers.

INDEPENDENT GERMAN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN GRAVEYARD OF WENTZVILLE

(Today Known As)

SOUTH LINN LUTHERAN CEMETERY

Originally called the German Cemetery by the public, South Linn Lutheran Cemetery is slightly over two acres in size, (365' x 260', or 2.2 acres), and is located in St. Charles Co., SE. 1/4 of the NE. 1/4 of Sec. 25, Twsp. 47 N., R. 1 E., on a hill overlooking Peruque Creek. It is within the southern city limits of Wentzville, but south of Interstate 70. South Linn Lutheran Cemetery shares a common boundary on the north and east with Linn Cemetery. They are completely separate properties, each with their own trustees. Both cemeteries acquired the name "Linn" from the family that owned the property when it was sold and developed into the two cemeteries.

South Linn Lutheran Cemetery was established the 24th day of September, 1867, on the edge of a prairie south of Wentzville. It was part of a 10 acre site that was being used as a cemetery. Graves on this site were opened at least 22 years before it was purchased and developed into a Lutheran cemetery.

Linn Cemetery was incorporated June 25, 1886, almost twenty years after South Linn Lutheran Cemetery had been established. Mary D. LINN is listed on the document incorporating Linn Cemetery as one of the original trustees.

The property on which South Linn Lutheran Cemetery began was owned by Mary D. LINN, wife of Horace T. F. LINN. She sold the property to the Trustees of the "Independent German Evangelical Lutheran Graveyard of Wentzville". Her name appears on the deed as Mary D. WHITEHEAD.

Mary was the daughter of Warren WALKER and wife, Mary B. MAY. Both families were large landowners in the Wentzville area. Mary married first, Ferdinand WHITEHEAD, who owned large tracts of land in the Wentzville area. When he died,