

Elmwood Cemetery Newsletter

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Mission Statement

Through our compassionate and caring staff our mission is to provide the highest level of competence and communication, while striving to exceed the expectations of each family we serve; before, during, and after the burial of a loved one.

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BOARD NEWS

There is something about Springtime that revitalizes the soul. The senses come alive when nature ushers in the sound of birds singing, the smell of fresh air, the sight of lush greenery and people enjoying outdoor activities. Elmwood Cemetery is very delighted with the results of one man's hard work at providing an opportunity for Rights Holders and their families to benefit from the gift of nature. The nature trails are in the process of being marked to distinguish the different lengths, 600 meters, one kilometer and the third trail offers a two kilometer hike. With three trails available there is something for everyone.



The Revitalization Plan continues to move forward with more grant applications being submitted. Our latest application was to FCC AgriSpirit Fund for \$25,000. The money would be used for road repairs, replace signage and build a small gazebo.

In some of the larger cities like Vancouver and Toronto the limited space for burials has forced the pricing of lots to sell for \$15,000 - \$25,000 each. Due to our lack of niches the Board has recognized that it is time for Elmwood to consider the purchase of a new columbarium. Burton has agreed to spearhead the project.

Darlene has been busy cleaning the grounds in preparation for the summer season. Just a friendly reminder that all floral displays should be on shepherd hooks or on the top of monuments and no plastic, glass, metal or crockery on gravesites. The cemetery is not responsible for lost or broken objects. The by-laws are enforced for the consideration of our grass cutters who could be injured from flying objects.



Elmwood Cemetery U16 Belleville Bengals

We are pleased to once again sponsor the same Rep Baseball Team as last year. Schedules will be available at the office for pick-up if you are interested in coming to the games!

DONATIONS & VOLUNTEERS

The Board of Directors would like to extend a warm thank you to all those who contributed to the cemetery either by means of a cash donation or memorials: James Palmer, Andy Jongenotter, Brad Williams, Ann Colebourne, Doreen Ryan, Lana Reid, Marie Gregson, Lorraine Ymker, Laurie Stone, Bill Adshead, Madeline Johnston, Ann Thompson, Ron Hansey, Shirley MacDonald, Janet Street, Verna Akey, Marion Sowa, Rheta Mayhew, Larry Granger, Marjorie Sutton, Burton & Barbara Sine, Ray & Elizabeth Bateman, Patrick & Kimberly Long, Gary & Nancy Davis, Glenn & Barbara Payne, Bill & Darlene Bulten and Randy & Suzanne Emery. Last year the Cemetery received over \$6,000 in donations, which is extraordinary! We continue to operate the cemetery without any government assistance so your generosity is appreciated. Tax Receipts are given for donations of \$20 dollars and over.

Please consider including Elmwood Cemetery in your obituary for those who wish to make a memorial contribution in lieu of flowers.

COMING EVENTS



AGM – On Tuesday, May 30th at 7:00pm the Directors will gather for the annual general meeting to be held at Thurlow Community Centre, 516 Harmony Road in Corbyville. All Rights Holders and other interested parties are welcome to attend. Light refreshments will be served following the meeting.

FAMILY TRIBUTE DAY – Do you have a loved one resting at Elmwood Cemetery? On Sunday, June 11th from 1:30 – 3:30pm Elmwood has set aside this time to pay special tribute to those we wish to remember. This will be a time to meet the Board of Directors, listen to live entertainment -- Country & Gospel singers Christina & Woody, and share some light refreshments together. There may be a few door prizes as well! The Board is available to answer any questions you may have with regards to Elmwood's services. Come, rain or shine, and enjoy the afternoon with family & friends. Everyone is welcome!



With Sympathy

Over the past few years Rick's health has been declining. On April 11th I said goodbye to my beloved husband and best friend of 50 years. Rick was a great support when I needed a listening ear and offered keen advice when solving problems that would arise on the board of Elmwood. I want to say thank you to all the board members, their spouses, the staff, neighbours, and Rights Holders who sent their condolences. It means a lot to me and my family to have such trusted friends. I look forward to a new springtime which offers hope!

Ann Colebourne



Our sincere condolences go out to Ron Hansey, whose mother Ferne Hansey entered into her eternal rest in February, and our chair, Ann Colebourne, whose husband Rick Colebourne, died peacefully at BGH in April. Both individuals were buried at Elmwood.