

# Elmwood Cemetery Newsletter

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## *Experience the Serenity*

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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.

## Board of Directors

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## BOARD NEWS

Another Summer has come and gone and it seems that the Seasons are skipping by way too fast these days, at least for me. My parents used to say that the older one gets, time tends to fly by faster and I can attest to that feeling.

The Staff and Board have had a busy few months since our May newsletter. In June our Office Manager, Kimberly decided to begin full time employment and accepted a job in a profession that was very near and dear to her heart and beliefs. Kimberly had been on our staff for many years and did an excellent job of keeping us on the straight and narrow, both financially and administratively. As much as we knew that we would miss her immensely, we wished her well and we thank her for her contribution to Elmwood Cemetery. Hence, we hired a new Office Manager, Dawn, who comes with many years of experience in the Accounting field and is melding very well with our Board.

We also hired a new firm for our grass cutting and trimming this year, Great Canadian Land Service Ltd., and we are very pleased with their workmanship. We trust that you as Rights Holders are just as pleased with the Cemetery's appearance. We welcome all feedback.

**Did you know:** In our May newsletter, I had mentioned the "Care & Maintenance" fund, a fund mandated by the government to ensure the Cemetery is financially looked after regardless of the circumstances. See May Newsletter.

How is this "Care & Maintenance" funded? When the Cemetery sells any products we must submit a percentage of that sale to this fund. A couple of examples are: 1) when a plot is sold we must submit 40% of the selling price to this fund 2) when a niche is sold, we must submit 15% of the selling price 3) when a monument company sells a Monument to a Rights Holder and it is installed in our Cemetery, a percentage of the cost of the Stone (paid by the monument company) is paid into our C & M fund also. So what you, the Rights Holder paid to Elmwood Cemetery for your product, the Cemetery gets somewhat less to pay for routine expenses. How/where is the fund invested? More details in next May's Newsletter. Have a great Fall.

**Burton Sine ~ Chair**  
**(613) 966-6840**

**Elmwood Cemetery U14 Belleville Bengals**  
Congratulations to U14 Belleville Bengals for another awesome year! The team had a great season. Elmwood is proud to sponsor such a great team.



## 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: Tony Del Matto, Sheila Himburg, Janet Street, Tom & Linda DeHann, Doug & Mary Flood, Ronald Putman, Keith Thompson, Dorothy Shortt, Rob Allison, Barbara & Burton Sine, Ron Hansey, Doris Cummings, Heidi Hibbert, Marie Johnson, Kenneth Hayes, Lana Reid, Bradley Devolin, Glenn & Barbara Payne, Rheta Mayhew, Larry & Doris Granger and Madeline Johnston. 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

### ELMWOOD REVITALIZATION PLAN

Some good news – Elmwood Cemetery received a grant for our accessible washroom / office renovation; all part of our Revitalization Plan. Renovations should start over the winter with a transformation of our office building. People with physical limitations will then be able to do business with us inside as well as consider joining our Board of Directors.

While we are extremely grateful for this grant, we are still hoping that donations towards this project will assist with the remaining \$25,000+. Please contact Darlene, our Superintendent, at 613-962-4652 or go to our web site [elmwoodcemetery.ca](http://elmwoodcemetery.ca) and use the contact info to request additional details. We thank you, in advance, for support!



**FAMILY TRIBUTE DAY** – was held on June 9, 2019. We would like to say a warm thank you to all our sponsors who helped to make the event successful by providing door prizes: THRASHERS GARDEN CENTRE – gift certificate won by Barb Sine, NORTHWAY RESTAURANT – Dinner gift certificate for two won by Randy Emery, METRO GROCERY STORE – donated our delicious beautiful cake.

The afternoon guests enjoyed some Country Gospel music from singers WOODY & CHRISTINA.

**REMEMBRANCE DAY** ~ On Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm the Board members along with the staff will gather together to honour our veterans by holding an informal memorialization. A wireless all-weather speaker has been

purchased by the cemetery to better enable us to broadcast our Remembrance Day Services. It will also be available to assist with funerals if desired. Possibly the families or deceased had a special song they would like played at the graveside service. Donations for candles can be made as usual at the cemetery office. If you have a loved one that is not already on our Veterans List please let the office know and it will certainly be added.

***Gravestone Cleaning:*** If you would like to have your monument power washed please notify the office. A donation in the amount of your choosing would be greatly appreciated.

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