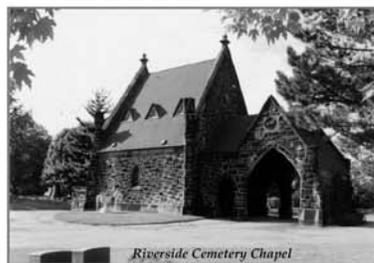


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Riverside Cemetery Chapel

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THE TRADITION

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SUCCESSFUL TOURS

This summer, the Riverside Cemetery Foundation and Association were involved in two very successful tour programs on our grounds.



The first was Sunday, June 10, and was conceived and organized by the Brooklyn Centre Community Association as their third annual garden event, and was entitled "Maggie, Mystery and Millionaires." Over 300 people were enlightened in the mid-70's afternoon that day. The primary focus of the event was upon nine selected notable interment sites here where volunteers did character portrayals in appropriate period dress. They told us about themselves and their noteworthy accomplishments while standing and sitting in the vicinity of their 'respective gravesites'. The one exception was that of our first interment, Maggie Taylor, whose spokeswoman gave a colorful introductory presentation from the back porch of the office building.

Booths for local organizations and refreshment tables were under the majestic old trees near the front gate.

Paul Kirk, a local expert, pointed out common Victorian symbolism and style elements viewed especially in our early history monuments and headstones. Mgr. Bill Halley discussed the construction of the 136 year-old Chapel to interested guests.



Our second tour was on Saturday, July 21st. This was the popular Brewers & Notables tour done jointly by Nancy Desmond of the Metroparks outdoor educational division and Cemetery Manager Bill Halley. Approximately 50 persons assembled at 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel for "Introduction-to-Riverside" remarks from the Manager. We then started walking and visiting some gravesites of notable persons as well as some of our eight former brewers. Nancy told us about some of the more prominent breweries and the families which founded and operated them. We concluded at noon in front of the Leonard Schlather mausoleum.

If you missed these events this year, watch the Spring *Tradition* for possible new dates next summer.

REFLECTIONS OF THE PAST

George A. & Albert Tinnerman

(1845-1925)

(1879-1961)

After operating a hardware store for five years at Lorain & Willet Avenues, George Tinnerman started a stove manufacturing business in 1875. By 1910, hardware was stopped and the focus was exclusively on stoves at 2038 Fulton Avenue.

Albert, his son, joined his father in the business. In 1923 he invented the first all porcelain-enameled gas range with concealed fastenings. Before that, hinges were all on the outside surface. In 1924, he patented his most noteworthy invention, a spring-tension speed nut fastener which literally revolutionized the auto industry through the mass production line which his creation now permitted.

In 1940, stove manufacturing was discontinued with the formation of the Tinnerman Products Co.

The Tinnerman family owned ten scenic acres of land and lakes, including a main house, guest cottage, and boat building in Alban Ontario. In 1963, this property was donated to the Boy Scouts of America for the high adventure camping pleasure of Scouts nationwide. Since then, thousands of Boy Scouts have enjoyed these magnificent facilities annually.

These notable men are interred with their wives on the Tinnerman family lot in Section 22.



IN-GROUND FLOWER VASE

We have two types of fold-in vases available for sale. One is made of aluminum and costs \$26 installed. The other is zinc and costs \$41 installed. Please stop by the Office and check them out.

CEMETERY FENCE

We need to replace the nearly 900 ft. of Victorian fencing boarding the front of our Cemetery along Pearl Rd. The spokes and connecting bands are badly deteriorated from decades of environmental challenges and heavy salt spray erosion. The metal is so corroded generally, it will no longer even hold any paint beyond a few months. A professional in the restoration and customizing of vintage fencing like ours has been engaged to assess our needs and provide some proposal options for our consideration. We trust the badly needed fence replacement can be done primarily through our Foundation as was our Victorian Chapel ten years ago. The success of this happening, however, will depend upon the level of financial support from our valued families and friends to the Foundation.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

William Halley.....General Manager

Valere CraigAdm. Asst.

Marijane Halley.....Adm. Asst.

Shirley BillGeneral Foreman

Kenneth Langley.....Asst. General Foreman

Cemetery gates April-September 7:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m.
October-March 7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Office hours are 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Monday – Saturday

Closed Sundays & Holidays

CEMETERY GRAVE CLEAN-OFF DATES

MARCH 1 & OCTOBER 15

PLEASE NO GLASS OR PORCELAIN ITEMS AT ANYTIME.

NAME CROSSES IN FLAT STONE AREAS PERMITTED

NOV. 1 – APR. 1 ONLY

RIVERSIDE CEMETERY IS A NON-PROFIT ASSOCIATION OF LOT OWNERS WHOSE REVENUES FROM SALES & SERVICES ARE USED TO MAINTAIN AND ENHANCE OUR GROUNDS.

AT RAINBOW BRIDGE



By Marijane & Bill Halley

A great many of us have experienced the loss of a beloved pet and companion at sometime in our lives. We generally become very bonded to our precious pets as their constant enthusiastic presence in both troubled and happy times provides a tremendous therapeutic emotional support as well as an ongoing friendship unaffected by our various mood swings.

My wife and I recently lost such a valued friend when our Shepherd-Labrador mix dog passed away at age 13. Although many signs of "old age" had become increasingly noticeable, we were still shocked when he passed. The emotional trauma was immensely difficult, but we were very consoled by the many words of concern expressed by family and friends. Among those sentiments was one which was particularly special to us, and we want to share it with you.

Inside of a nice pet sympathy card from our Veterinarian, Drs. Roberts & Wendt of Cleveland, was a little card containing a beautiful poem, inspired by an Old Norse legend called "At Rainbow Bridge". We hope it will comfort and encourage any of you who have also lost a precious pet as much as it did for us.

At Rainbow Bridge

*By the edge of a wood, at the foot of a hill,
is a lush, green meadow where time stands still.
Where the friends of man and woman do run,
when their time on earth is over and done.*

*For here, between this world and the next,
is a place where each beloved creature finds rest.
On this golden land, they wait and they play,
till the Rainbow Bridge they cross over one day.*

*No more do they suffer, in pain or in sadness,
for here they are whole, their lives filled with gladness.
Their limbs are restored, their health renewed,
their bodies have healed, with strength imbued.*

*They romp through the grass, without even a care,
until one day they start, and sniff at the air.
All ears prick forward, eyes dart front and back,
then all of a sudden, one breaks from the pack,*

*For just at that instant, their eyes have met;
Together again, both person and pet.
So they run to each other, these friends from long past,
the time of their parting is over at last.*

*The sadness they felt while they were apart,
has turned into joy once more in each heart.
They embrace with a love that will last forever,
and then, side-by-side.
They cross over . . . together.*

Inspired by a Norse legend

SEASONAL GATE CLOSING HOURS

During this summer and early fall, our gates are remaining open until 7:00 p.m. during the week and on weekends. We feel this later accommodation better serves our working families and is well received. This schedule runs from the first Saturday in April through September. ***In October***, we'll ***adjust*** the extended closing time with the dwindling daylight hours through 10/28 when the winter close of 5:00 p.m. will prevail everyday.



QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Q-How are burial sites identified?

A-All graves in family lot sections are identified with a variety of in-ground markers. In the earliest years, Square marble and granite blocks were installed at the corners of what were mostly large, multiple-grave lots.

Up through the 1960's in the last century, most lots were identified with ceramic cylinders hand augured into the ground. Usually, all four corners had plain pins with only a 'star' embossed on top. The lot number pin was centered on the side which bordered a pathway divide.

Starting in the 1970's and up into the early 2000's, 3" white plastic pins were used. These were installed in the four corners of the lots with the number of two adjoining lots engraved upon the ones at the head-end. As petroleum cost rose significantly, plastic prices did also. They were then replaced with stainless steel pins of similar size.

In our random selection, at-need only single-grave sections, two plans are in place. First, all graves are in straight rows. In section 15, grave rows are pinned before they are sold because we frequently have to use out-of-sequence numbered graves when multiple services there are scheduled on the same day. The pins are at the corner of every two graves; a row number on top with adjoining grave numbers on each side is stamped. In sections 33, 34, 35, each grave is marked individually with the stainless pin since they are used in numerical sequence only. It is centered on the grave at the moment of burial. The row and grave number is stamped on each pin. If searching for a specific burial in the single-grave sections, it is important that you are looking in the correct row since all rows have similar grave numbers.

In all sections, weather and mowing settles the markers into the ground and the surrounding grass often grows over it. Don't immediately assume a pin is missing if you can't physically see it; generally, it is only a fraction of an inch below the ground surface. If you can not spot it with a trowel or small probe, notify the Office for assistance.

Q-What is your policy regarding wooden name crosses?

A-Wooden crosses are generally used in the sections where all the headstones are grass level. They are **permitted only from November 1st through March 31st** to assist persons in finding gravesites during the winter months and when turf maintenance ceases. All unretrieved crosses in these sections after March 31 will be placed on an outdoor rack by the Service Bldg. for one year. After that time, they will be disposed of as being no longer wanted.

The only exception to this policy is in our Babyland and upright marker, traditional, family lot sections where they are permitted year round.

Q-In describing your various grave options you reference standard length and extended length. Could you explain the differences?

A-The length of a grave generally determines the size of memorial which is permitted to identify the burial site

A standard-size grave is 8 ft. long and permits a single headstone with linear dimensions of 12" x 24". Its installation includes a cinderblock foundation built in the head-end of the grave itself. If the grave is in a Park Plan designated section or area, the headstone must be ground level. If it is in a Traditional designated section or area, it can be either ground level or up to 12" in height.

- An oversize grave, 9 ft. long, permits a single (on one) or a double-wide (on two or more) one piece granite memorial, ground level up to 18" high. The memorial is installed on centered cinderblock in the 1 ft. space off the head-end of the burial space itself.
- An oversize grave, 10 ft. long, permits a single or double-wide memorial in either a one or two-piece construction. These memorials are installed in a 2 ft. space off the head-end of the burial space itself. A two-piece memorial is erected on a poured concrete base.

When persons interested in purchasing burial rights in our proud, historic Cemetery come to us, we always begin our discussions with a clarification of their preferred type of headstone or monument. This enables us to be sure that we show them choices which will accommodate their desired memorial.



STYROFOAM & BOXED ARTIFICIAL TRIBUTE STANDS

Please avoid using Styrofoam tributes and the very flimsy, soft wire support stands which are included with boxed artificial wreaths.

Styrofoam tears loose, breaks apart, and blows away very easily in windy weather. It is not an appropriate material for outdoors in a Cemetery. The flimsy wire stands included in the wreath box are totally useless to support anything. The single prong on which the wreath is placed quickly releases its contents with inclement weather, and crumples down with minimal pressure.

We have free steel stands in a few sizes available for our families to secure their wreaths. Stop at the office with your item and we'll size an appropriate stand for you. Just bring some string or light wire for attachment.



FROM THE FOREMEN

BY SHIRLEY & KEN

Another year has gone by but we are still having problems with certain rules. Please take time to **read the signs or ask** what you are allowed to do in the section you are visiting.

This year we continue to have problems with people leaving more than 3 items per grave. It doesn't matter how many persons are buried in the grave, you are still only permitted 3 items. Any extra will need to be removed.

Another issue we have is with the wooden crosses in flatstone sections during the growing season. Here, they are allowed **from Nov. 1 through March 31 only**. If you can't make it in by April 1, they will be removed and stored on the north side of the maintenance building for **1 year only**. After we remove them, it doesn't mean you can put them back during the summer. They must be kept off until November 1.

We are also getting many people leaving glass and porcelain items. These are very dangerous when they break. If we find any of these items, they are removed and discarded immediately.

We would like to thank everybody who has been following the rules. It does help us very much.

HAVE A GREAT HOLIDAY SEASON



SILK FLOWER BOUQUETS

We are still offering a nice selection of beautiful silk flower bouquets for our families and friends to purchase for gravesites. Total cost for the bouquet, tax and placement, if desired, is \$24.00. They are all on display in the office.

Each bouquet comes with a small green plastic self-standing vase which is inserted directly into the ground. They are very appropriate at anytime of the year, but are especially nice for birthdays, anniversaries, Mother's and Father's Day, and Memorial Day.

Other than our **3/01** and **10/15 clearing times**, we will not remove these items. And, we cannot assume responsibility for them after they are placed.



WOODEN CROSSES AVAILABLE

Wooden identification crosses are permitted from **November 1** through **March 31** in grass level headstone sections to assist in locating gravesites during the non-growing season. The Cemetery now offers these memorials for sale in two different sizes and wood types.

The smaller size, especially appropriate for children but also for adults, is 23 1/2" tall. It comes in Pine for \$50 or oak for \$60. The larger size is 35 1/2" high; it also comes in Pine for \$55 or oak \$75. Lettering is \$.50 per letter and the total is plus tax. Either natural or varnished finish is available. Payment is due when your cross is ordered. The delivery time is from 10-14 days after an order is submitted.

Samples are now on display in the Cemetery Office.

*Don't cry because it's over
Smile because it happened*

