

THE TRADITION

Fall 2014



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HOLIDAY WREATHS & BOUQUETS NOW AVAILABLE

Wreaths – \$42
(5 styles to choose from)

Poinsettia Bouquet – \$30

****PRICES INCLUDE TAX, EASEL-STAND & INSTALLATION**

Will be placed in early December and remain on graves until the spring clean-off on March 1st.

SEE ORDER FORM FOR SELECTIONS AND DETAILS

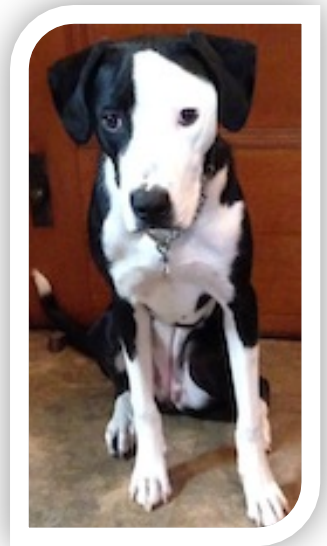
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MEET “COOKIE”: THE NEWEST MEMBER OF THE RIVERSIDE FAMILY

Animals, and specifically dogs, have long been recognized as having a positive influence on people’s health and the healing process in multiple settings including hospitals, nursing homes and funeral homes. Why not a Cemetery?

Riverside Cemetery is pleased to introduce “Cookie”. She is an 11-month-old-mix adopted from the Berea Animal Rescue. She is in training to be a therapy dog for the Cemetery and will take her certification test after she is a year old. As a therapy dog Cookie will be available for anyone visiting or making arrangements at the Cemetery who wants or needs some unconditional love and affection from a furry friend.



Cookie lives with our General Manager, Greg Kapcar and his wife Sally. When she’s at home Cookie enjoys long walks in the park, playing “soccer”, sitting at the front door watching all the activity go by, and napping in the sun.

Until she is certified, Cookie is getting accustomed to the office environment and seeing everyone who comes to the counter. Stop in and say “hello!”

CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE YOUR LOVED ONES WITH A MEMORIAL BRICK

Among the scenic grounds at Riverside, along the Valley Road in the Urn Garden is a memorial patio with a split rail fence and wooded hillside as the backdrop. This picturesque area is ideal for peaceful reflection, meditation and remembrance.

A Memorial Brick can be purchased in memory or honor of someone deceased or living. There is no requirement that the person be buried at Riverside.

The cost is \$100 per brick. This price includes the cost of the brick, engraving and tax. You can have three lines of text (11 characters per line) engraved on each brick. *Please contact the Main Office at 216-351-4800 for more details.*

A perfect tribute for important and special people in your life.



GRAVE PLOTS AVAILABLE

As low as \$650/each*

- **SINGLE PLOTS**
- **COMPANION PLOTS**
(Side-by-Side)
- **FAMILY PLOTS**
(Multiple Blocks of Graves)

*Price does not include burial charges (opening/closing), headstone or headstone setting fee, or Funeral Home charges such as casket, vault, etc.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2015

6:30 a.m.



Your Generous Contributions
Support Our Community Events, Education Programs,
And Historic Preservation Efforts
Thank You!



Art Bakalar

In Memory of Mrs. John J. Bakalar

Fred Brunner

In Memory of Jimmy Gibson

Carey Funeral Home

In Memory of Friends & Families We Served

CA Technologies

Employer Matching Gift for Gary & Linda Spiros

Laurel Cawrse

In Memory of Edward Cawrse

Easter Sunrise Service Offering (x2)

Lloyd & Beverly Foight

In Honor of William Halley & the Chapel

Grace Green

In Memory of Baby Boy Green

William R. & Dixie L. Greenfield

*In Memory of Jack & Norine Greenfield &
William & Hallie Springett*

Alonzo & Lillian Hadox

In Memory of A Wonderful Afternoon of Music With Family

William Halley

JazzFest Sponsorship – North Star Lodge

William & Marijane Halley

*In Memory of Heber & Madeline Halley &
Paul & Hilda Hiller*

David Hopewell

JazzFest, Lolly the Trolley Tour Offering

Madolyn Johnson

In Memory of Gladys Kobabe

Gregory & Sally Kapcar

In Memory of Frank & Rose Kapcar

Alexander E. Lancaster, Jr.

Karen Lucas

*In Memory of Ann & Warren Brandt &
Akila & Lucas Barna*

Jane Mead

*In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Buckholdt,
Ernest Meade, & Scott Meade*

Memorial Day Service Offering

Tom Neal

Rita J. Novak

In Memory of Joseph W. Novak

Teresa & Robert Polk

Charles & Teresa Pyatt

In Memory of William H. Pyatt

John P. Rocheck

In Memory of Rita Ann Rocheck

Ammer T. Smith

In Memory of Louis Smith

Gerald B. Smith & Family

In Memory of Harlan A. Platt

Clariece Stuewe

In Memory of the Stuewe Family

Mr. Ellwood Swanson

In Memory of Ella Earline Swanson

Alberta Thomas

In Memory of Mary Floyd

Eric B. Townsend

In Memory of Townsend Family Members

Debra Valachovic-Skender

*In Memory of Paul & Dolores Valachovic &
Sophia Stepanik*

Hector & Cruz Vega

In Memory of Edwin Vega

Ginger Weisbarth

In Memory of George F. Weisbarth

Thomas & Emma Welo

Raymond & Betty White

In Memory of Troy Christopher White

Martha W. Williams

In Memory of Kroehle & Earl A. Williamsons Families

Jean Wolske

In Memory of Michael Wolske

Shirley G. Wozniak

In Memory of Wilbert E. Glatz & Thaddeus C. Wozniak

George & Debra Yachanin

In Memory of George & Charmaine Yachanin

From the Grounds...

The fall foliage and colors were especially magnificent this year. In case you were not able to visit the grounds to witness the vibrant colors, we have included some pictures below for your viewing pleasure.

Our **semi-annual clearing of decorations took place October 15th**. Any items you place on graves from this point forward will remain until March 1, 2015. If you wish to keep any items, be sure to remove them before March 1st. Please remember there is a limit of three decorative items per grave. This policy has been in place for decades and is intended to keep the Cemetery looking clean and respectable. Clearing of unsightly and over-populated decorations is ongoing and can be done before the posted clean-off dates. If you have any questions about decorations and clean-off, contact the Main Office at 216-351-4800.

You may have noticed **newly planted bushes in Sections 30 and 31**. While we adore the family of deer that frequent the grounds, several years ago they decided to nibble on the Taxus shrubs in these Sections. After some tender loving care, it became obvious the shrubs were too damaged to bounce back. As part of a multi-phased, Cemetery-wide beautification plan, we started replacing the shrubs in Sections 30 and 31 with “deer-resistant” winter boxwoods. The boxwoods have proven to be hearty in other areas of the Cemetery and provide year-round greenery. We hope the deer read the memo that they are not supposed to like this variety of boxwood. To the families who have loved ones buried in Sections 30 & 31, we appreciate your patience with the work in this area and thank you for the positive feedback about our efforts to maintain the attractive appearance of our Cemetery.

Safety Reminders: **NO** Glass, Porcelain, or Rock decorations of any kind. These items are very dangerous to our crew and visitors when mowing and trimming. For the same safety reasons, we do not permit fencing/borders. Please observe the posted speed limit of 15 miles an hour (or less) at all times and especially during the winter months as our crew diligently work to keep roads and sidewalks passable and as clear as possible of snow and ice. Thank you!

Gallery of Photos – Riverside Cemetery Fall 2014

If you have a black & white copy of this newsletter you can view the full color version on our website at www.riversidecemeterycleveland.org; click on the “Newsletter – The Tradition” link on the left side



The Stonecutter

A Chinese Fable

There was once a stonecutter, who was dissatisfied with himself and with his position in life.

One day, he passed a wealthy merchant's house, and through the open gateway, saw many fine possessions and important visitors. "How powerful that merchant must be!" thought the stonecutter. He became very envious, and wished that he could be like the merchant. Then he would no longer have to live the life of a mere stonecutter.

To his great surprise, he suddenly became the merchant, enjoying more luxuries and power than he had ever dreamed of, envied and detested by those less wealthy than himself. But soon a high official passed by, carried in a sedan chair, accompanied by attendants, and escorted by soldiers beating gongs. Everyone, no matter how wealthy, had to bow low before the procession. "How powerful that official is!" he thought. "I wish that I could be a high official!"

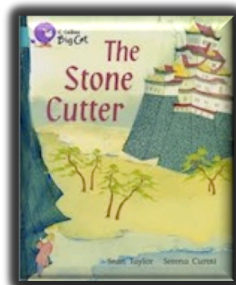
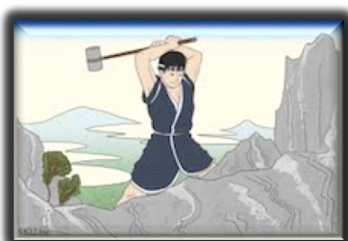
Then he became the high official, carried everywhere in his embroidered sedan chair, feared and hated by the people all around, who had to bow down before him as he passed. It was a hot summer day, and the official felt very uncomfortable in the sticky sedan chair. He looked up at the sun. It shone proudly in the sky, unaffected by his presence. "How powerful the sun is!" he thought. "I wish that I could be the sun!"

Then he became the sun, shining fiercely down on everyone, scorching the fields, cursed by the farmers and laborers. But a huge black cloud moved between him and the earth, so that his light could no longer shine on everything below. "How powerful that storm cloud is!" he thought. "I wish that I could be a cloud!"

Then he became the cloud, flooding the fields and villages, shouted at by everyone. But soon he found that he was being pushed away by some great force, and realized that it was the wind. "How powerful it is!" he thought. "I wish that I could be the wind!"

Then he became the wind, blowing tiles off the roofs of houses, uprooting trees, hated and feared by all below him. But after a while, he ran up against something that would not move, no matter how forcefully he blew against it — a huge, towering stone. "How powerful that stone is!" he thought. "I wish that I could be a stone!" he thought. "I wish that I could be a stone!"

Then he became the stone, more powerful than anything else on earth. But as he stood there, he heard the sound of a hammer pounding a chisel into the solid rock, and felt himself being changed. "What could be more powerful than I, the stone?" he thought. He looked down and saw far below him the figure of a stonecutter.



GRIEF AND LOSS RESOURCES

Hospice of the Western Reserve – 1 (800) 707-8922

Whether you have experienced a death related or unrelated to hospice (a type of care focused on relieving pain and suffering of chronically, terminally and seriously ill patients), Hospice of the Western Reserve is still able to help you. They have licensed counselors who can provide individual counseling for children, youth, adults and families that have experienced a death outside the hospice network. This includes accidental death, non-hospice medical death, homicide and suicide. Services are provided at all Hospice of the Western Reserve offices as well as in the home, at school, the workplace and other community locations. There is a sliding fee scale. **Call 1 (800) 707-8922 for details.** No one is denied services because of an inability to pay.

Cornerstone of Hope: A Center for Grieving Children, Teens and Adults – (216) 524-4673

Dedicated to providing support, education and hope for the grieving, Cornerstone of Hope provides a wide range of services, including: Support Groups (in the Cleveland & Columbus, Ohio areas), Counseling & Art Therapy, and several programs & events for grievers. For more information, call (216) 524-4673 or visit their website at cornerstoneofhope.org.

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Cookie
Therapy Dog In Training

Riverside Cemetery is a non-profit association of lot owners. Revenues from sales and services are used to fund day-to-day operations of this active and historic Cemetery.

Cemetery Gates

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

Office Hours

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Monday – Saturday
(Closed Holidays)

Grave Clean-off Dates

March 1st & October 15th

PLEASE: No Glass, Porcelain or Rock decorations of any kind. No Fences or Stone Borders. No Bicycles

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