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### Greetings and Introduction

*The Tradition* newsletter is a publication designed to introduce families new to Riverside Cemetery and to keep members informed of the current happenings around the grounds. 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. If you wish to be added or removed from the newsletter mailing or emailing list, or have any questions regarding Riverside Cemetery, please let us know. See page 4 for Contact Information and Cemetery Hours.

## Spring in the Cemetery Means Flower Season!

### Tips To Help You Plan Your Plants



*Crocuses are perennial bulbs that return each spring, some even in snow. Just remember to watch that they don't overcrowd their own bed.*

Riverside Cemetery is a beautiful and valuable greenspace in the heart of the Brooklyn Centre Neighborhood. Visitors can enjoy the sights and scents flower beds maintained by families or prearranged endowments. Trees of all types fill the grounds, some that even date back to the opening days of the grounds in 1876, providing homes to wildlife, cleaner air, and eye-catching scenery. Here are some recommendations for how to add your own floral touch to the grounds:

Firstly, before you plant, make sure your lot is in an area that permits it. The staff will be happy to let you know if you can plant. If you get the chance to call ahead, we can show you the borders of your lot and help plan so that your flower bed does not overgrow onto your neighbors. Individual graves are approximately 3 feet wide, which only allows about 6 inches on either side of a standard size headstone, and in many cases, there is no space behind the stone for planting. We recommend plantings go in front of the headstones. Because space is limited, we also do not recommend planting shrubs, especially those that require several trims a season. No trees are to be planted anywhere in the cemetery or they will be removed.



*Azaleas (above) are hardier shrubs that comes in a variety of colors and tend to be easier to keep trimmed. Taxus (right) tend to overgrow, requiring several trims a year.*



For areas that do not permit in ground planting, many people choose to include potted plants as part of their three decorations that can sit on top of the ground or hang from a garden hook. ... (continued on page 2)

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(continued from page 1) ... One thing to watch for with potted plants is to make sure you are getting them enough water, especially in dryer seasons. Gels and beads purchased from garden stores can help to retain water if added to the potting soil.

If you're section permits you to put in a flower bed, remember that fencing, rocks and borders aren't allowed, but we highly encourage you to use mulch to mark your plantings so the lawn-cutting staff leaves them alone. Mulching can also help with weeds, which is also the lot owner's responsibility to keep under control. The cemetery may need to cut the bed down if it becomes overrun with weeds.

Flowers can vary widely in care and cost, so remember to choose flowers for your beds carefully. Decide if your area needs full sun or shade plants. Remember to check what season is best to put them in. Blooming annuals (which need to be replanted every year) tend to contain more water and are more susceptible to frost, which means planting later in May is usually safer for these. Marigolds are annuals that tend to be a little hardier. Perennials are plants that may return each year after one planting, but they also can spread, so regular maintenance is still a must. Bulbs can include both annuals and perennials, but make sure to check when these should be planted. Spring bulbs, for example, tend to do best when they are planted the previous fall.

Another thing to consider is wildlife resistant plants. Animals find their way into greenspaces just like people do. Using deer repellent on your plants, or choosing deer resistant plants like Hyacinth tend to help keep animals from munching. Other good plants can include daffodils, lilacs, iris, and geraniums. Deer tend to be attracted to tulips, roses, and hostas.



*While it's hard to say no to this little guy, sometimes choosing the right flowers and treating with repellent is the best way to keep animals out of your plantings. Tulips are among a deer's favorite.*

Finally, while it's tempting to use fertilizers and weed killers, remember the cemetery does their own treatments, and sometimes mixing treatments can result in brown patches of grass and loss of plant life. Feel free to bring your questions to us. We'll be happy to work together to keep the grounds a beautiful, attractive place for visitors each and every year!

## UPCOMING DATES

Please note office closings on holidays so you can plan ahead if you need assistance on your visit.

Volunteers will be in the cemetery to place American Flags on all graves marked with *Military Headstones*. If your veteran does not have a military headstone, or was accidentally missed, please let us know so we can help with flags. Flags stay up until fall unless weathered or damaged.

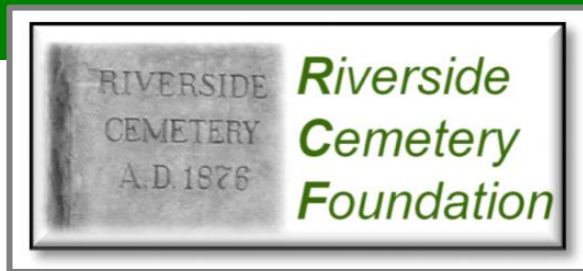
Riverside Cemetery will be hosting a Memorial Day Service honoring our veterans on **MONDAY, MAY 28 beginning at 9am**. Service will be held outside the main office beneath the flag pole. Seating and parking will be available.

### MEMORIAL WEEKEND HOURS:

Fri, 5/25 Gates 7:30am-7pm, Office 8am-4pm  
Sat, 5/26 Gates 7:30am-7pm, Office 8am-4pm  
Sun, 5/27 Gates 7:30am-7pm, OFFICE CLOSED  
Mon, 5/28 Gates 7:30am-7pm, Office 8am-4pm

### MORE DATES OF NOTE:

Sun 5/13 MOTHER'S DAY Gates 7:30am-7pm, OFFICE CLOSED  
Sat 6/9 BREWERS AND NOTABLES TOUR (see flyer on page 3)  
Sun 6/17 FATHER'S DAY Gates 7:30am-7pm, OFFICE CLOSED  
Wed 7/4 INDEPENDENCE DAY Gates 7:30am-7pm, OFFICE CLOSED  
Mon 9/3 LABOR DAY Gates 7:30am-7pm, OFFICE CLOSED  
Sat 10/15 FALL CLEAN-OFF Grab decorations you want to keep by **10/14**.



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**Annual Brewers  
& Notables  
Walking Tour  
Saturday  
JUNE 9<sup>th</sup> 8:30am**

**Tour Guides:**


Bill Halley, previous General Manager, Riverside Cemetery  
Doug Kusak, Historical Interpreter, Cleveland Metroparks

Beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the Nationally Registered 1876 Victorian Stone Chapel. Signs will direct you to the Chapel. There is no charge for this event, but if you plan to attend, an advanced reservation email to [riverside.cemetery@att.net](mailto:riverside.cemetery@att.net) or a call to the office at 216-351-4800 will help our preparation.

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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**  
(Weather permitting) March 1<sup>st</sup> & October 15<sup>th</sup>

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## From the Foreman

The nice weather will be here soon and we can enjoy the beautiful days. Here are a few friendly reminders:

Please keep items to 3 per grave. Extra items will be removed and discarded.

Make sure before you do any in-ground planting that it is allowed in the sections you are visiting. Any in-ground plantings in sections that don't allow it will be pulled and discarded.

Please remember NO glass, porcelain, or rocks are permitted. They are very dangerous to visitors and staff.

We do not allow any fencing or borders of any kind.

We also ask that you please park on the road and not on the grass.

We recommend that you do not purchase styrofoam items. The wind tends to take these and just blow them all over the cemetery.

Thank you very much for your cooperation with these matters. It will help keep our cemetery beautiful and safe. Enjoy your summer!