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A Newsletter from Oak Grove Cemetery Association
1407 La Crosse Street, La Crosse, WI 54601
A not-for-profit cemetery

Fall 2014

Dear Friends of Oak Grove,

Please take a moment to catch up on what's happening at Oak Grove.

Upcoming Events

14th Annual "A Light to Remember"

Whether you have lost someone recently or years ago, we invite you to join us for a special event to remember those who have passed away.

Date: **Tuesday, December 9, 2014**

Place: Oak Grove Cemetery Chapel, 1407 La Crosse St., La Crosse, Wisconsin

Time: 6:00 – 6:30 p.m. Customize a holiday ornament for your loved one.

Program: 6:30 – 7:00 p.m

After the program enjoy warm beverages and holiday cookies. Throughout the event enjoy holiday music by the wonderful Apple Annies. The public is welcome. For more information, please call (608) 782-6956.

Event Recap

Our 15th Annual "*Discover the Silent City – Oak Grove Cemetery Tour*" was held on Saturday, September 13th. Over 150 people attended this year's tour which focused on "La Crosse – The Civil War Years Part IV". In addition to our public tour, Oak Grove Cemetery is host to over 550 middle school students during the tour week. They participate in a student version of the "Discover the Silent City" tour. Plan to join us next year when "Discover the Silent City" continues on with "The Civil War Years – Part V". **The event date is: Sept. 19, 2015.**

News

Have you visited the cemetery lately? If not, we encourage you to visit us and view our beautification project on the west end of the cemetery near the Losey Memorial Arch entrance. The project consists of: 8 new columbariums (above ground structures for cremated remains), paver brick sidewalks, 2 water features and 70 foot flag pole. In addition, to honor all of our Veterans, a commemorative granite memorial will be placed at the site. The project will be completed in late fall or early spring.

This area will be very "park-like" and we encourage visitors. Benches would help us achieve this park-like atmosphere and we are accepting donations towards their purchase.

Seasonal Décor

Spring flower vases cared for by Oak Grove were picked up the last week in September.

For the holidays, Oak Grove offers wreaths for cemetery gravesites and artificial holiday bouquets for niches and crypts. Orders will be taken starting **October 1st**.

Are you considering the purchase of a monument or marker?

Keep Oak Grove in mind when considering the purchase of a monument or marker for placement in our cemetery. Our staff will work with you to create a lasting memorial for you or your loved one. When purchasing through Oak Grove Cemetery for placement in our cemetery, you will receive a 10% discount off of the listed retail price and sales tax will not be charged.

Thank you

Oak Grove extends *special thanks* to the generous people who have made donations to the Oak Grove Cemetery General Fund and the Losey Memorial Arch Fund. Also, we would like to thank the kind people who have donated money when requesting genealogy information or planning guides from the cemetery.

We are grateful for the donation of trees to our cemetery and were fortunate to be able to plant trees this year in memory of Eric Schermerhorn through a gift from his parents, Richard & Nancy Schermerhorn. Trees play a very important part in the beauty of Oak Grove Cemetery and we welcome them.

Consider a gift to Oak Grove Cemetery

With end of the year tax planning, please consider Oak Grove Cemetery when making decisions regarding charitable giving. We truly appreciate donations and charitable gifts to help offset the cost of improvements and the maintenance of our park-like 80 acres. Oak Grove Cemetery is a 501(c)(13) not-for-profit cemetery. Therefore, your donation is tax deductible up to the extent allowed by law. For further information on gifting options, please contact us.

From Your Friends at Oak Grove Cemetery *Trish, Adam & Linda*