



ST. LAWRENCE VALLEY CEMETERY

- Since 1957 -

*"An Historical Cemetery
Where Peaceful Waters Flow"*

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fifty years has come and gone since the inception of the cemetery and we continue to strive to be one of the more beautiful cemeteries in Eastern Ontario along the shores of the lovely St. Lawrence River. Our scenic park-like setting is largely due in part to you, our Rights Holders who faithfully continue to give generously year after year and who, when visiting the cemetery, are evidently supportive in helping to maintain these beautiful surroundings with your mindfulness of the By-Laws of the Cemetery and your kind words of encouragement. After all, this is your Cemetery and we are just the keepers of this lovely space we call "a place of everlasting rest."



Last year's Memorial Service was indeed a wonderful event marking "Celebration 50" of The Lost Villages. We had a great turn-out and it was a real pleasure meeting with those of you who travelled far and wide to be with us that day and to take part in the many activities put on by The Lost Villages Committee that week. The service this year will be back to the 4th Sunday in June as in prior years and I look forward to meeting with all of you at refreshment time after the service.

We are happy to announce that we are presently busy working on a website for the cemetery which we feel is just the informative tool we need to help make the cemetery more visible and accessible to the public. Watch for it - we hope to have it up and running by late spring.

Sincerely - Donald Deebank

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTES - by Bonnie Ross



It's hard to believe a whole year has gone by since our first issue of "The Newsletter". We had many positive comments on how informative the newsletter was so if any of you would like to receive a copy of last year's newsletter or know someone who would like to receive a copy, please either drop by the office or give me a call. If you prefer to receive The Newsletter by email, please provide me with your email address.

The demand for cremation services continues to rise. Our percentages for 2008 were 72% cremation and 28% casket burials. As a result, by the end of spring this year, a new 64 Lakeshore Columbarium is being installed. As at this month, we have 16 niches on reserve in this new unit. We also have niches available in the Gateway Columbarium located at the front of the cemetery. If you would like information on these units, please contact me. As always, I would love the opportunity of meeting with you and providing you with details and pricing both for casket burials and cremation disposition. For a complete listing of our services, please see the last page of this newsletter.

We had a wonderful Memorial Service last year in conjunction with The Lost Villages Society for "Celebration 50" and wish to thank each of you for your very generous donations at the service. By now, you should have received your receipt for Income Tax purposes. A donation receipt is given not only for Memorial Service donations but for donations given, which are so appreciated, at any time of the year which helps with regular maintenance and special projects all year long. I look forward once again to seeing everyone at this year's service. Kindly invite your family members and friends when together we celebrate and remember the lives of our loved ones laid to rest in this beautiful place.

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OUR BUSINESS HOURS ARE -

April 1st to October 31st - Monday to Thursday - 9:30
a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday - 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

November 1st to March 31st - Monday to Thursday -
10:30 to 3 p.m. and Friday - 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

WHAT GOD HAS MADE

*What God has made is meant to be
For all the world to hear and see
And Grace each span of land and sea
With life and love and majesty,
But we must do - what must be done -
To keep His treasures, everyone,
And save for those - who are to come -
The wonders He has built and done.*

*Michael Dubina
New Hope Books*

PROMOTION COMMITTEE REPORT

- by Brian Eadie, Committee Chairman



The Promotion Committee has been busy working with Susan Leger of Tech Signs & Graphics to develop a user-friendly website for our cemetery. The website, which we hope to have operational by late spring, will give users information on the history of the cemetery as well as services we have to offer with prices and payment options.

Another project in the works for late spring is a new 64-niche Lakeshore Columbarium. The Lakeshore Columbaria area is an on-going development within the cemetery and in future years more columbaria will be added. As each one is added, complimentary landscaping will be completed to enhance the area. Interlocking brick for this new columbarium will be completed by the fall of 2009. As of the writing of this newsletter, 16 niches have been reserved.

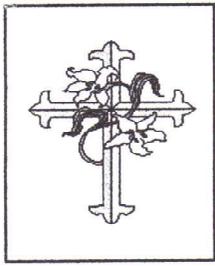
The Memorial Bench program has been an excellent addition to the cemetery. Last year, four benches were installed by the Lakeshore Columbaria area. Our Administrator has received many positive comments about the Memorial Bench and Memorial Tree Programs. If you or a family member is contemplating purchasing a bench or a tree in memory of a loved one, please see Bonnie for pricing and location.

Future projects being considered for the cemetery are the design and installation of a new gatepost sign in keeping with the natural surroundings and history of the cemetery as well as continuing to develop the Gateway Columbaria area by installing additional columbaria as well as complimentary landscaping, memorial trees and benches

I would like to thank everyone for your donations at the Memorial Services and would kindly suggest you also keep the cemetery in mind when contemplating your estate planning. This year's Memorial Service will be held on Sunday, June 28th, 2009 at 2:30 p.m. This Service continues to grow larger each year and is an integral part of our fundraising operations for current and new projects for the cemetery and on-going maintenance. We would love to include pictures of last year's service in our new website and would greatly appreciate receiving a copy of the pictures you may have taken. You can either use email, mail them or drop them off during our regular business hours.

2008 INTERMENT/INURNMENT SUMMARY

Caskets	59
Urn Burials	41
Niche Inurnments	41
TOTAL	141



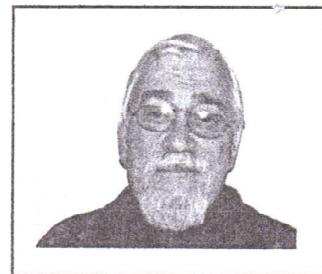
IN MEMORIAM - 2008

By Date of Interment/Inurnment

January	8	Alice Maureen Viau	20	Daniel Sorbie Sr.	
	24	Raymond W. Youngs	20	Margaret M. Tobin	
February	5	Areta Gwynne	21	Robert (Bob) G. Blair	
March	1	Huguette Roy	23	Arthur V. Webster	
April	17	Larry Aikman	25	Lawrence Prieur	
	24	Edwin S. Thompson	27	Sharlene Bolton	
	28	Garry Cleary	28	Evelyn Looyen	
	29	Robert W. Killoran	July	3	Florence Whaley
May	2	Alexandrina Tyo		9	Isabella Lozott
	2	Ruth Hamel		14	Harold Bolton
	2	Geraldine Carson		15	Jacqueline Serre
	3	Ethel M. Nesbitt		15	Janette C. Dixon
	5	Christine C. Samson		19	Alexander MacDonald
	6	Helen M. Alguire		19	Jay S. Prunner
	7	Edith R. McNairn		22	Howard C. Smith
	8	Ethel Grandmaison		26	Mary P. Rudolph
	8	Pieter E. Eamon	August	1	Brenda L. Shaver
	8	John Thompson		2	Garry M. Lafave
	8	Aaron J. Cavicche (Infant)		2	Frank B. Boosamra
	9	Claude J. Ray		5	Irene Horvath
	10	John E. Grant		7	Mildred G. Markell
	12	William C. Pickard		8	Pearl Burtenshaw
	13	Gertrude Lafave		13	Carolyn V. Cooper
	13	Frank Sorenson		14	Carol Lacelle
	14	Marcel A. Paradis		15	Mary G. Tremblay
	14	Doris Derry-Langevin		15	Rodolphe Tremblay
	14	Jacques Langevin		18	Armand LeBreton
	14	Leona Millward		22	Rene Rozon
	15	Rita M. MacDonald		25	Alexander Mitchell
	16	Shirley T. Malloy		25	Gilbert Puzey
	16	Ernest C. Burton		30	Halbert Fickes
	16	Eileen M. Coons	September	5	Brian Martin
	17	Joseph H.A. D'Alessio		6	Gordon Schultz
	17	Ida B. Whaley		8	Rita Manson
	17	Maurice Cayer		10	Diane Dion
	20	Frederick Moss		11	Kenneth A. Salmon
	20	Gisela Spafford		12	Eugene Nowak
	20	Kenneth Burgess		13	Colleen Sage
	21	Thorold Shaver		19	Charles Tremblay
	22	Connie Raiche		19	Dwaine L. Eamer
	23	John M. Sharpe		20	Richard Harper
	23	Donald L. Prunner		25	Jacqueline Larose
	26	Gordon Alguire		30	Stella Herdman
	26	Merle Anderson	October	7	Alexandre R. Bureau
	26	Mary S. Smith		11	Mary H. Cleary
	27	Lyla M. Macauley		16	Betty J. Cameron
	29	Helen J. Fraser		16	James M. Cameron
	29	Bruce E. Miller		16	Irene A. Standring
	29	James F. Kearns		17	Eric K. Godwin
	30	Dorothy Hill		25	Joan W. Lapierre
	30	Lillian Segal		27	Christabel Butters
	30	Moses Segal		28	Elizabeth Summers
	31	Istvan Guttentag		29	Mario J. Malkowski
June	2	Jane Moore		31	Flora J. Gifford
	3	Isabella Marquette	November	4	Leo Leblanc
	4	Jeff D. McDonald		5	Harold Hollister
	5	Lillian Plumadore		7	Carolyn Bouck
	8	Kathleen Mullin		7	Sherry R.M. Burke
	9	Henry Thompson		10	David Bryan
	10	James P. O'Hara		15	Dorothy L.G. Purcell
	11	Doug Warner		17	Rita Ann Acheson
	11	Edith E. Knox		21	John Stewart
	11	Muriel Cameron		21	Loretta Brisbois
	12	Barry D. Roberts		21	Lyle Schwerdtfeger
	13	Maurice Gagne		25	Margaret D. Morrison
	14	Jeannette Ezard		27	Robert Cramer
	14	Bernice Dumond		29	George Albu
	16	Kenneth W. Daley	December	3	Athol Sage
	18	Frederick Waltho		3	Doreen Winters
	20	Robert N. Douglas		5	Marjorie Dafoe
				9	Barbara E. Kirkland

MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

- By William Barnhart, Committee Chairman



Throughout the season, especially first thing in the spring, the office receives numerous calls from Rights Holders with respect to the condition of the grave lots. As is usual after a long winter, our grounds contractor is extremely busy with endless tasks that require his attention i.e. clean-up of the grounds, winter-vault and spring burials just to name a few. These tasks take up most of April and May and then preparation of the grounds for the Memorial Service takes place in June along with the installation of new foundations for monuments. Filling-in holes, re-levelling and applying seed to grave lots is an on-going maintenance task sometimes requiring one or two seasons before the grass grows properly and we would like to ask for your continued patience and understanding when it comes to this very delicate and important part of cemetery maintenance.

Another issue we are asked about frequently is the matter of flower arrangements on the grave sites. The grounds contractor spends a good part of each week picking up stray flowers and arrangements as part of his regular clean-up due to the very high winds the cemetery experiences. We endeavour to save the ones that are still in good condition throughout the season, so if yours has gone astray, please check with the office to see if we have it. Since we realize that these arrangements can be expensive and are purchased with much loving consideration, please ensure that they are affixed only to the monument or base of the monument securely. Also, may we suggest that you write your name and phone number on a piece of masking tape and affix it to the underside of the flower arrangement so that we may contact you, otherwise by the end of the season, due to space constraints, these arrangements are regrettably disposed of.

This year, due to the installation of a new Lakeshore Columbarium, the Committee will not be undertaking any other major projects but will still, however, ensure that regular maintenance will not be affected. We wish to thank you, the Rights Holders, for your faithfulness in continuing to recognize our needs as a "Not-for-Profit" organization especially in light of these truly trying economic times.

I look forward to meeting with all of you at this year's Memorial Service and hope to answer any maintenance questions you may have at refreshment time after the service.

ST. LAWRENCE VALLEY CEMETERY SERVICES, MEMORIALS AND PROGRAMS

- 4' x 10' in-ground burial lots for caskets and cremations
- 3' x 3' in-ground burial lots for 1 or 2 cremations
- Columbaria niches for 1 or 2 cremations
- solid bronze vases, emblems and porcelain pictures for monuments and niches including installation
- completion inscription service for granite monuments and markers
- winter vault storage for caskets and cremation urns
- flat bronze or granite markers with or without a flower vase
- chapel rental for disposition services
- prepaid burial services
- 12-month payment plans and all methods of payment
- Memorial Tree and Bench programs
- Genealogical Research Assistance
- Annual Newsletter
- Annual Memorial Service
- buy-back of interment rights
- one-time Care & Maintenance fee on lots, niches and foundations
- New for 2009 - Online Website

KINDLY MARK YOUR CALENDERS -

The annual LOT & NICHE HOLDERS MEETING will be held on TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2009 @ 7 P.M. in the Administration Building. All Rights Holders are welcome to attend. The meeting will be comprised of committee reports, motions to appoint our auditors, pass the general operating by-laws and election of the Board of Directors for 2009. If anyone is interested in joining the Board, please leave your name with the Administrator.

*The annual MEMORIAL SERVICE will be held on SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2009 @ 2:30 PM ON THE CEMETERY GROUNDS, rain or shine under the tent. Guest Speaker - Rev. Stephen Silverthorne, Christ Church Anglican, Long Sault, Ontario. Refreshments to follow. **PLEASE BRING A LAWN CHAIR.***