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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ANNUAL CONVENTION and FIELD DAY AUGUST 12-13-14, 2013 EMBASSY SUITES DUBLIN, OH

AUGUST 14, 2013 FIELD DAY ST. JOSEPH'S CEMETERY LOCKBOURNE, OH

CREMATION
CERTIFICATION
PROGRAM
AUGUST 15, 2013
EMBASSY SUITES
DUBLIN, OH
(Visit OCA website
(ohiocemeteryassociation.com)
for agenda and registration
information

FALL MAINTENANCE SEMINARS

OCTOBER 01, 2013 NORTH LOCATION: ASHLAND COUNTY MEMORIAL PARK ASHLAND, OH

OCTOBER 03, 2013 SOUTH LOCATION: DAVIDS CEMETERY DAYTON, OH

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Summer is upon us. My, where does the time go? It seems like it had been a very busy Spring, with everyone preparing for Mother's Day and Memorial Day.

Featured in this issue you will find some interesting photos of a several cemeteries in our state and what they have accomplished.

For those of you who may not know, we lost a very dear friend and colleague, Greg Roberts. Greg will be sorely missed and we extend our deepest sympathy to his lovely wife, Mindy, his children, brothers and mother.

The Annual Convention Committee has been working hard behind the scenes preparing for the upcoming August event. Most everything is in place and we have an outstanding program planned. Please note that we have some wonderful speakers, including Dick Perl from Mobile Memory Gardens in Mobile, Alabama. Additionally, we will have a most interesting panel discussion with Bob Porter of Matthews, Dave Dahl of Milne Construction and Mike Neu of Cold Spring Memorial Group along with cemeterians Scott Harmon, Brian Perkins

and Pat Ebright. Scott and Brian serve on the OCA Board of Directors. Pat Greeson of Natorps Landscape will talk to us about landscaping sections and columbariums. Question and Answer session will give you the opportunity to share your ideas.

Sessions are planned for Tuesday and Wednesday, August 13th and 14th. Rich Finn of the Catholic Cemeteries of Columbus, will host our Annual Field Day at St. Joseph's Cemetery on Tuesday, August 13th. Jim Wright has put together our Golf Outing on Monday morning, August 12th.

Thursday, August 15th, Rufus Slade of Woodland Cemetery has put together a Cremation Certification Program presented by Matthews Cremation Division. Those registered for this program will receive a Certificate of Completion recognized by many states. More information on this program can be found in this issue of the OCA Journal.

We look forward to seeing you in August.

Bob Moses, OCA President





## EADS FENCE CO. 131 BROADWAY ST. LOVELAND, OH 45140

Dale Eads grew up in the fence business working in his father's fence company. It was only a matter of time that Dale would break out on his own. In 1980 Dale did just that. He started with the bare minimum of equipment but with a 'fire in the belly' to build his own fence business. It was that fire and passion that has kept him going and building a company that has exceeded his original vision but has never reached his goal because.....he has continued to move the goal line further out each time he gets close.

In 2005, Dale purchased an empty lumber yard property in downtown Loveland that offered plenty of showroom, outside storage, fabrication shop space and more room to grow the one thing, he knows, fence!

Since moving in and opening at this new location in March of 2005, Dale has gone from a total of 25 sales people, office, installers and yard workers to over 70, with 15 outside sales people and 5 inside sales people, and 18 to 20 installation crews.

Eads Fence Company has grown into the largest commercial and residential fence company in Cincinnati and the surrounding tri-state market. The company has the largest fence selection and related products in the Mid-West, if not nationally. Many factory representatives have said in their travels around the nation they have never seen a fence operation as large or a showroom as large that exists at Eads Fence Company.

For years the company has been a full service operation, selling materials as well as installing all types of fence material, from cedar, treated wood, split rail, and chain link to aluminum, steel, and vinyl fencing.

To continue to grow the business, Dale added a custom iron fabrication department and then it was only natural to begin building custom gates and servicing gates and gate operator systems. The new "Gateworks" division now continues to grow as word spreads about the quality and technically proficient crews. Each gate service tech has gone to a nationally recognized training center to learn the finer details about







gate operators and their sophisticated computer systems.

When another growth opportunity came along in 2007, Dale opened a hometown hardware store in a section of the building that had been underutilized. Today "Loveland Hardware" has become a hometown business filling a void that this small community needed.

Dale has had a passion for nature and horticulture. He has achieved the rank of master gardener in his "spare" time. This hobby then led to a deer fence/prevention division, Tenax Mfg. He became a partner in the process supplying many deer fence products but also ground protection products and just this year we added Trakmat ground protection products to our line. These items have allowed us to serve the landscape industry and now the cemetery industry with a wide variety of products that allow large equipment to get into areas where the grass and soil need to be protected during digging or accessing work areas.

Eads has had a web site for the last 6 years but this year a new web site went operational for the online sale of deer fence products, repellants, and tools.

Dale and his team of fence professionals, many of which have been with him for nearly 30 years continue to serve the community everyday. Whatever your project, Eads Fence Co. can Help! The motto is, "it's a good day at Eads Fence", and it really is!

Who knows what's next!

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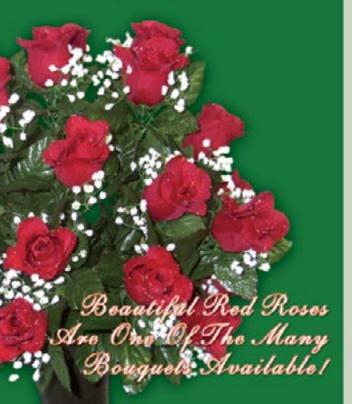


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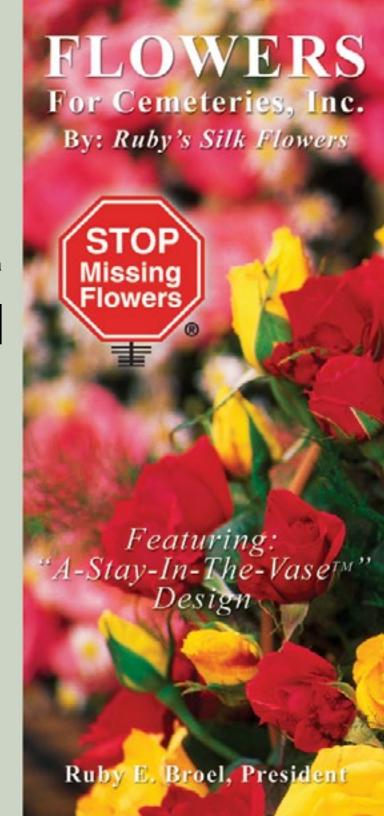
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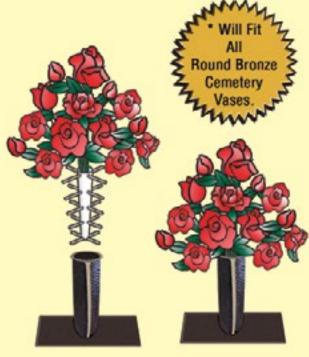
- 1. Foam eventually wears away, which allows the wind to blow the flowers out of the vase.
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## PAST PROJECT— MSN II WALL & FENCE RESTORATION, NATIONAL CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION

Rick Freitag served as senior project manager for restoration and rehabilitation of five National Cemetery boundary walls in four southern states. Projects included:

Barrancas National Cemetery, Pensacola FL, Mobile National Cemetery, Mobile AL, Natchez National Cemetery, Natchez MS, Beaufort National Cemetery, Beaufort SC St Augustine National Cemetery, St Augustine FL.

The \$4.6M project was administered by National Cemetery Administration.

Work scope included substantial quantities of 100% tuckpointing of brick walls, brick replacement, partial wall reconstruction, 100% brick wall reconstruction with new and salvaged brick, masonry cleaning, new concrete footings, new grade beam installations, iron fence restoration, stucco restoration, concrete repairs and replacement, masonry coatings, installation of drainage systems, grading and turf restoration.

In total, over 120,000 s.f. of brick masonry was 100% tuckpointed and 220,000 brick were re-laid in wall reconstruction efforts. The project took approximately 18 months to complete.

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## Gregory "Greg" W. Roberts

When you hear the name Greg Roberts I am sure that it brings a certain thought to your mind, like his laugh, his integrity or his all around caring and compassionate nature.

Greg started his career in the cemetery business along with his father JP Roberts in 1979 after graduating from Ashland College with a degree in Business Administration. Greg and his 3 brothers became owners of the numerous cemeteries and funeral homes after the retirement of their father. Greg was also the cofounder of LifeSteps, which is a cemetery and funeral home consulting firm that operates all over Ohio and neighboring states.

Greg believed and was committed to the industry and put forth every great effort to see the industry thrive and change with the times for the better. He championed for the independent owner, but had compassion for the "bigger" guy too. This was evident through his work on the many committees on which he served. Greg was past president of the Ohio Association of Cemeteries and served multiple terms on the board of directors, Greg was past president of the Cemetery Ethics Committee (now known as the Cemetery Dispute Resolution Committee), Greg was a member of the Ohio Association of Cemeteries and Superintendents and Officials, of which he had a helping hand in the merger of this group with the Ohio Association of Cemeteries, now known as the Ohio Cemetery Association, Greg was currently serving on the board of this new association. Greg was also a member of the International Cemetery Crematory and Funeral Home Association (ICCFA), where he served 2-3 year terms on its board of directors and Greg was also a past chairman of Toppers.

Greg was truly admired by his peers which was evident in some of the tributes that have been made to his family since his passing. Here are a few to help give you a better look into Greg Roberts the business man. "Greg brought me into the world of sales which has fashioned my life, Greg was a great mentor and motivator, he felt more like a brother to me than a boss", "Greg was such a great friend and mentor to me, he helped guide me along the way in my career, Greg had such a giving and loving heart", "Greg's faith in his Savior and his positive attitude has been an amazing and encouraging testimony to me as well as many, many others", "Greg was a cheerleader and I will never forget him", "The loss of Greg is a blow to all of us who knew him, Greg's positive outlook on life was contagious and I was quite in awe that it remained so even in the midst of his illness", "Greg's positive approach to work and life was an inspiration to all who knew him. His love and devotion to his family was a model for any man to follow", "Greg was a uniquely sincere man, he radiated warmth, kindness and thoughtfulness to everyone he encouraged. Greg lived a life of honor and total integrity." These sentiments go on and on to describe Greg, loving husband, father, brother, son and son-in-law.

Greg loved his family. His daughters were the light of his life, he bragged on them everywhere he went. He was an encourager to them. He listened with patience and corrected with a wonderful sense of love and compassion. His daughters are all the special parts of him and he is sorely missed by them. He was the love of my life for over 30 years, he was my best friend and soul mate. I will always miss him and continue to love the great man that he was to our family and many others.

Greg passed away after a 9 month battle with a very aggressive stage IV cancer that had spread throughout his body. He lived those nine months never complaining and hoping that his journey would somehow be a testimony to others. He prayed for a miracle, and we all know he got one in the way that so many have been affected through the wonderful life lived by Greg Roberts.

Mindy Roberts



On behalf of the entire Ohio Cemetery Association, sincerest sympathy is extended to Stan Spitler and family on the loss of his wife, Kimberley Spitler.

Stan is the superintendent at Ferncliff Cemetery in Springfield, Ohio. He is an OCA member and Past President of the Ohio Association of Cemetery Superintendents and Officials.

# OHIO CEMETERY ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

## 2013 FALL MAINTENANCE SEMINARS

NORTHERN OHIO
Tuesday, October 1, 2013

Ashland County Memorial Park

1058 U. S. 250 Ashland, OH 44805

SOUTHERN OHIO
Thursday, October 3, 2013

David's Cemetery

4600 Mad River Road Dayton, OH 45429

\$100 Vendor Fee per supplier \$25 Registration Fee per person





## **Ashland County Memorial Park**

1058 U.S. 250 Ashland, OH 44805

Ashland County Memorial Park, located just north of Ashland on route 250, was first established in 1963. The cemetery was originally incorporated by E F Bell, Ethelyn Bell, and G P Gongwer. Jack Claxton of Athens owned the cemetery for several years, and J P Roberts along with his four sons bought the cemetery in 1980. Ashland is a small rural city, located in the center of Ashland County. The county population is 53,000. Like all Memorial Parks, the cemetery was developed by selling preneed cemetery lots. Ashland County Memorial Park, celebrating only its 50th year, has helped several thousand families prepare for their end of life needs by helping them secure their lots, burial vaults, and memorials before a death has taken place in the family. A small community mausoleum was added in 1989. During inclement weather, most families use the mausoleum chapel for their committal service. The park lawn theme, with all flush memorials and no upright monuments, is especially beautiful in Ashland as the cemetery is displayed from State Route 250.

In the spring of 2002 a funeral home was added to the property. In the first year of operation, over 200 people pre-arranged their funeral services with Roberts Funeral Home-Ashland Chapel. The families that use the funeral home are able to enjoy the convenience of having all arrangements made at one place, the cost savings of shared staff, the elimination of the funeral procession, and the option to have the committal service inside the funeral chapel if they desire.

It is with great anticipation that we look forward to hosting the OCA Fall Maintenance Seminar this year.

Jeff Roberts

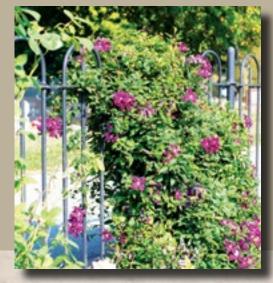
## David's Cemetery

David's Cemetery was established as a place of burial in 1826 and to date there are over 12,000 people buried in the cemetery. Open to all faiths, the 55 acres of peaceful, picturesque land makes up the scenic cemetery. Within the 55 acres, 23 acres remain for future development.



The beautiful, park-like setting is inviting and open to the community. You will find friends and families strolling the grounds all year long. David's has special programs and events that enhance the cemetery, such as the Veterans' Memorial Service, American Flags Memorial Day Weekend, Holiday Wreath Program, and luminaries displayed throughout the cemetery on Christmas Eve.

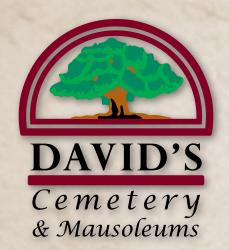


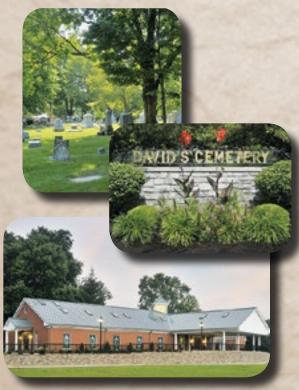


Our trained personnel will help you or your family during these emotional times. Tailoring to your needs, whether your desires are a traditional, in-ground burial, cremation burial or scattering garden, our caring staff will fulfill your wishes in a nurturing and respectful manner. Handling 300 burials a year, we take to heart that each and every burial is treated in the most dignified manner possible. David's provides a permanent and well-kept cemetery to memorialize you and your loved ones; assuring your peace of mind.



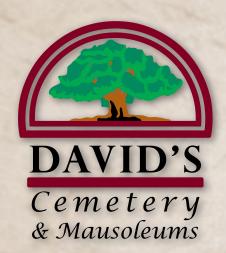
Colors abound each season with many different varieties of trees and lovely plant life.





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Unparalleled elegance includes a peaceful chapel, beautiful stained glass windows, rich marble, large skylights, and a lovely *Gathering Room* with a fully-equipped kitchen. State of the art music and video equipment is included.



We invite you to visit and inquire whether your needs be ground burials, pre-need arrangements, mausoleum crypts, cremation niches or Remembrance Circle Scattering Garden.

The Community Mausoleum is our third mausoleum and the newest addition to our grounds. This stately building is a brick colonial with many modern conveniences.

The Community Mausoleum affords families the ability to have the service, interment and afterservice gathering, all at the same location.



A climate-controlled building and a Portico driveway ensure shelter in case of inclement weather year-round. An alternative to in-ground burial, the Community has 406 crypts and 1,200 niches available.

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June 14, 2013

5:30p.m.-7:30p.m.

Hosted by: David's Cemetery

## FEATURING:

USAF Band of Flight

Wright Brass

and

## Vital Signs

Inspiring entertainment using Sign Language performed by a volunteer group of seniors from Fairmont Presbyterian Church.

Open to

\*Free Hot Dogs/Chips/Drink

\*Free Kids Activities

Please join us!!

4600 Mad River Road Kettering, OH 45429 (937) 434-2255 Grab a lawn chair or blanket and bring the whole family!













Spring Grove Cemetery and Arboretum welcomes more than 10,000 visitors over the Memorial Day holiday weekend. All the activities of spring are culminated by the Horticulture Team planting more than 20,000 annuals throughout the grounds. The designs for the flower beds and containers are created each year by the Horticulture Supervisor, Brian Heinz, who routinely introduces new and unique plants into the landscape making them all so beautiful and interesting to see.









#### Memorial Day Weekend Events

As a trusted part of Cincinnati's history, Spring Grove Cemetery and Arboretum has been serving the Cincinnati community with dignity and respect since 1845 when it was established as a non-profit cemetery. It is the second largest cemetery in the United States and a National Historic Landmark.

For generations Historic Spring Grove Cemetery and Arboretum has honored those who have fallen before us. Each Memorial Day thousands of guest visit the beautiful park-like setting to do the same.

The Spring Grove Family including all of its properties (Gwen Mooney Funeral Home / Elden Good Funeral Home / Oak Hill Cemetery) teamed with several individual and group volunteers to ensure the community and the family members of our guests had a pleasant and memorable experience.





Spring Grove was honored to present the 9/11 World Trade Center Steel Display throughout the entire weekend. In memory of the firefighters that sacrificed their lives, the road from the Main Entrance of the cemetery to the funeral home was lined with large boards displaying the photos of each of the 343 first responders.



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- Tours
  - A Historical Military Themed Walking Tour featuring Pioneers & Patriots
  - Historic Walking Tour Spring Grove's Civil War History







- A Civil War Re-enactment Ceremony by the Sons of Union Veteran's, Joined by the 6<sup>th</sup> Ohio Volunteer Infantry
  - With the help of the audience, flower pedals were scattered over the graves of Union Soldiers.





• Meet Mr. Lincoln, A Character Presentation & Speech by Renowned Historian, Mr. Stan Wernz







In addition to our educational, historic and fun filled events, the Spring Grove Family had the honor of collecting disaster relief items and monetary donations for the victims of the Moore, Oklahoma tornadoes. All donations were delivered for disbursement to Matthew 25 Ministries: http://www.m25m.org/







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#### **SPRING GROVE EVENTS INCLUDED:**

- Cub Scout Troops Flag Placements
  - Local Packs donated their time to place flags on the resting places of our Civil War soldiers and US Veterans







- A Moving Veterans Photo Tribute,
  - 7<sup>th</sup> year running, over 300 families of veterans share photos and stories of their loved ones who so bravely served our country.







A Ceremony by the American Legion Post 372 in our Civil War Section







An Open House Tour of the Spring Grove's Norman Chapel



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## FLORAL HILLS MEMORY GARDENS

LANCASTER, OH

At Floral Hills we had Boy Scouts from Baltimore and Cub Scouts from Pleasantville placing & retiring old flags prior to the beginning of the service. Our program started at 1:00 pm in our Veteran's Garden. Between 12:00 - 1:00pm we had several flyovers sponsored by the Historical Aircraft Squadron of Lancaster with a WWII L5 Stinson. (see picture).

We opened the program with the Lancaster Community Band playing the "Armed Forces Salute "while skydivers from Skydive Columbus trailed over the Veterans Garden carrying American Flags (see picture). Colors were posted while the Dexter family sang the Star Spangled Banner (see picture). A poem, "Freedom is not Free "was read before the playing of Taps. Our keynote speaker this year was State Senator Tim Schaffer (see picture). He gave a wonderful talk on Memorial Day and remembrance. Senator Schaffer's father is interred in our Veteran's Garden.

We introduced our new scattering garden, the Garden of Tranquility, located in a wooded area of our memorial park. Jeff Bazell, of Flowers of the Good Earth, instrumental in the design, spoke about the types of flowers. It is designed to have flowers bloom every season of the year (see picture). Once completed, the entrance will look like an English Garden, with a beautiful Arbor.

After staff introductions, we read the names of all who have been interred at Floral Hills since last Memorial Day. We observe a minute of silence in honor of those loved ones. The Dexter family sang Amazing Grace and on the third stance, we released over 100 doves (see picture). It is a beautiful closing for our Remembrance Program. We serve refreshments and were lucky enough again to have the Historical Aircraft Squadron bring a WWII Jeep and a Vietnam ambulance, open for anyone who wanted to sit in and/or have their picture taken. The large flags are donated from families of Veterans. They purchase the flag pole and a bronze name plate and we fly the flags in their honor on

Memorial Day, Veterans Day, Flag Day, Independence Day and September 11th.

We invite everyone to our Memorial Day Remembrance Program next year.
We'd love to see you!

Floral Hills Memory Gardens 351 Coonpath Road NE (Pleasant Twp.) Lancaster, Ohio 43130 Phone: 740-653-5506

























## **MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM**

MONDAY MAY 27, 2013 TIPP CITY, OHIO



Sponsored by FRANK E. ROBINSON AMERICAN LEGION POST 586 AND VFW POST 4615



We honor those who have served to protect and preserve our God given right of freedom. Parade starts from Dow and Seventh St. at 10:00 AM, proceeds north on Seventh to Main, West on Main to Hyatt, South on Hyatt with a brief stop at the Veterans Memorial to lay the Memorial Wreath and offer a prayer, then on to the Cemetery. For the elderly and disabled Veterans who would like to ride from Dow in the parade be at the front of the formation by 9:45 AM.

Parade Band	Tippecanoe High School Band – Steve Parks, Director
	Sgt. Eric Burris, Tipp City Police Chief- Acting
	Melissa Fowle, 3 <sup>rd</sup> District Chaplain
Welcome Remarks	Ron Thuma, Monroe Township Trustee
Welcome Address	Bob Steggeman, Commander Post 586
SAL Address	William M. Kessler, SAL Commander Post 586
VFW Address	Ed Martino, Past Commander VFW Post 4615
Ceremonial Speaker	Colonel Tim Willoughby, U.S. Army Retired
Auxiliary Reading	Viola Williams, Post 586 Auxiliary President
Ceremonial Prayer	Patti Sprecher, Post 586 Auxiliary acting Chaplain
	Post 586 Auxiliary
Furling and Unfurling of Flags	Post 586 Auxiliary Color Guard
	Jim Vaughan, Chaplain Post 586
	American Legion and VFW Firing Squad
	Tippecanoe High School Band

### Immediately Following the Program

Join us for soup and sandwiches at Frank E. Robinson American Legion Post 586 377 North
Third Street (across from the park).



## **VETERANS MEMORIAL**

The City of Dover Cemeteries has had a long history of providing its local veterans a final resting place. The first veterans section was established in 1886 at the Maple Grove Cemetery. This section has 42 burial spaces with the last interment taking place in 1968. The Dover Cemeteries then established the second veterans section at the Dover Burial Park in the early 1930's. This section is comprised of 104 burial spaces with the final service taking place in 2012.



The planning stages for the new veterans section began in the Fall of 2011. With cremation trends continuing to increase from year to year, we wanted to layout the new section

to accommodate not only full burials but also cremation urns. The new section has 28 cremation lots and 126 full burial lots. Each Veteran interment will be marked with a 2'x1' bronze military marker. The section has a 5' colored and hand etched cement walkway that is centered in the middle of the section. The walkway leads up to our Veterans feature that was designed and manufactured by the Cold Spring Granite Company. The feature has one upright that stands 8' tall and two wings which spans across 14' in total. The upright has a hand painted American flag which is enclosed by wording that states, "IN MEMORY OF ALL WHO SERVED GOD AND COUNTRY". The two wings have six 12" bronze emblems representing each branch of service and P.O.W.'s.

The City of Dover held the dedication service for the new section and memorial on Memorial Day 2013. We had around 300 residents attend the ceremony along with our high school band which played patriotic songs. The City of Dover is very proud of this new section and feature which should provide veterans spaces for the next 75-100 years.

Scott Harmon, Superintendent City of Dover Cemeteries

TIX TOVER

Scott will be participating in the panel discussion "New Ideas for your Cemeteries" at the OCA Annual Convention in August.

If you would like to learn more about many of the ideas/projects that he has implemented in Dover. . . be sure to attend!



#### POSITION AVAILABLE AT UNION CEMETERY - COLUMBUS, OH

Union Cemetery Association is seeking a dedicated, compassionate leader to serve as our General Manager. The General Manager reports to the Board of Trustees and is a hands-on leadership position responsible for all day-to-day operations of the cemetery.

#### **Responsibilities include:**

- Developing and implementing strategic goals, plans and budgets
- Overseeing all financial and accounting functions, including accounts payable, payroll, compiling financial statements
- Hiring, training and supervising office staff and grounds crew
- Working directly with families to assist with pre-need and at-need services
- Supervising scheduling and staffing of all funeral services
- Developing and implementing marketing plan, including special events
- Serving as secretary to board of trustees, preparing meeting agendas and minutes

#### **Knowledge and skills required:**

- Excellent communication, organization and interpersonal skills
- Outstanding management and accounting skills; familiarity with QuickBooks software
- A sincere desire to care for the families we serve; the ability to work with people of diverse traditions and cultures in times of grief and stress
- A professional demeanor and good judgment in crisis situations
- Demonstrated leadership skills; the ability to develop and maintain strong relationships in the community and in trade associations

Qualifications: management experience required; business degree, cemetery or non-profit experience preferred.

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Monday August 12	9:30	Golf -Rolling Meadows Golf Course/Marysville, OH
August 12	3:30	Supplier Registration and Set-up
	6:30	Dinner with Suppliers, Casino Fun/Card Games



Tuesday	7:00 - 8:30	Breakfast with Suppliers	
August 13	8:30 - 9:00	Welcome, Pledge of Allegiance, Introductions	
	9:00 – 9:45	Panel Discussion "New Ideas for your Cemeteries"  Suppliers: Cold Spring Memorial Group: Mike Neu Matthews: Bob Porter Milne Construction Company: Dave Dahl Cemeterians: Dover City Cemeteries: Scott Harmon City of Monroe: Brian Perkins Union Township/Mt. Moriah: Pat Ebright	
	9:45 - 10:15	Break with Suppliers	
	10:15 - 11:00	Panel Discussion Continued	
	11:00 - 3:30	Leave for Field Day – St. Joseph Cemetery Host: Rich Finn	
	4:00 - 5:00	OCA Board Meeting	
	6:30 - 7:00	Reception with Suppliers	
	7:00 -10:00	Dinner, Entertainment: Casino Night "Vegas Night"	





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## **Ohio Cemetery Association Annual Convention**

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Agenda for OCA Field Day – Tuesday, August 13, 2013

**Catholic Cemeteries of Columbus** 

St. Joseph's Cemetery - Lockbourne, OH

**Host: Rich Finn** 

Lunch - Cemeterians/Suppliers: 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

**Supplier Introductions** 

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St. Joseph's Cemetery Tour 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

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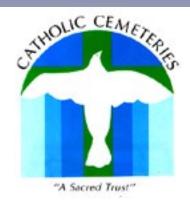
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Many religious are buried at St. Joseph Cemetery with three Bishops and numerous priests and nuns. Their special areas are quite interesting also.

I am sure you will enjoy your visit to St. Joseph Cemetery and look forward to being your host.

Rich Finn
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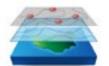


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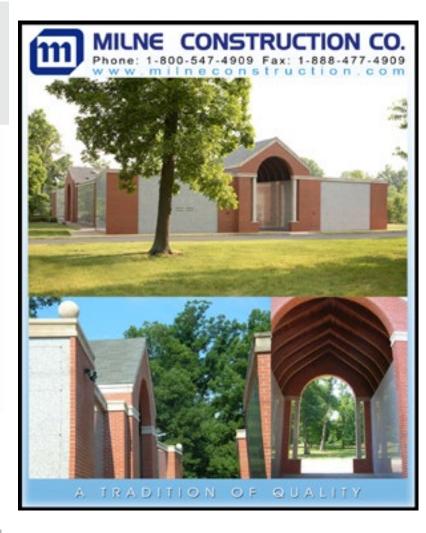


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