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# Prospect Hill Cemetery

Our Nation's Capital's German-American Cemetery

**Spring** 

Newsletter

2021

#### CLEANUP DAY AND ANNUAL LOT OWNERS MEETING WILL BE HELD THIS YEAR

In response to DC Mayor Muriel Bowser's Order 2021-038, in which the size of outdoor gatherings in the District of Columbia was increased to 50 people, the board of trustees decided to hold these events:

Cleanup Day will be held on Saturday, May 22, 2021 at 10:00 AM

The Lot Owners Meeting will be held on Memorial Day, Monday, May 31, 2021 at 10:00 AM

The Memorial Day Service may be held depending on whether the DC Mayor increases the size of outdoor gatherings above 50 people. Please visit the website: <a href="https://www.prospecthillcemetery.org">www.prospecthillcemetery.org</a>, or call the office at (202) 667-0676 for updates.

#### RESULTS OF 2020 HOLIDAY MEMORIAL FUND CONTRIBUTIONS AND OTHERS

Your Board of Trustees deeply appreciates the many contributions made to the end-of-the-year Holiday Memorial Fundraiser campaign and other special monetary gifts received throughout the year. These donations go entirely for the upkeep of your cemetery, our superintendent's salary and the gatehouse residence.

We sincerely thank you and hope you will continue to support our/your cemetery in future donation campaigns.

#### **Memorial Gifts**

Adams, Dee Dee
Alley, Wade & Patrice
Allingham, Anita Bosley
Alspaugh, Sylvia
Becker, Rudolph & Elisabeth
Brandt, Volker & Eva
Chow, Carol & Howard
Concord Club
Cornell, Sally Ann
Crone, Charles & Mary

Daniels, Robert & Dorothy Dean, Dallas P.

DeMoll, Harry T. Dillman, Audrey

Curtis, Christine L

#### In Memory of

Walter, Dorothy, & Maria Allen
Wade H. Alley, Sr, Annie & Wesley Alley
Anita & Lester Bosley
Kranaure & Hillman families
Johann & Regina Schmid
Herman Hambach
Milton & Dorothy Lemons; Rose Noble
Gerhard Laue
Lena Cornell
Essie Crone

Curtis, Gerber, Raner & Stobbe families

Francis & Elizabeth Montgomery; The Guethler family Caroline (Brinkman) and Frederick W Plugge

Adam Joseph and Monika Droll de Moll

Nancy J. MacDonald

Donaldson, Anita Katie & Karl Egolf; Ida & Fritz Hennige

Drechsler, Barbara William Belfield

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Ehlshlager, A. Karl & Charlotte Adam C A Ehlshlager Fauntleroy, James M. Baier & Baulsir families

Farr, Kathleen Hiser John Hiser, Ann Margaret Shebel Hiser & Catherine Margaret Wunderlich

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Fisher, Myrtle K. Hulda Louise Coomes

Francis, David & Suzanne
Frazier, Barbara V.

Gazda, Doris J.

Ernst F. Weber & Robert J. Mills
Nageeb & Minerva Daavid
Adolph & Nabiha Gazda

Graves, Ernest & Ann Klee family

Gregg, Henry A.

Otto and Barbara Scheytt
Hall Robert & Jeppette M.

Liesmann family

Hall, Robert & Jennette M. Liesmann family Halusa, Gerd Karin Halusa

Hambach, Christine Herman Hambach & Karl Herold Kelle, Carl & Blanche John F. & Helena M. Kelle Kirlin, George & Eleanor Stutz George F A & Madeleine Stutz

Klopfer, Edwin J. and Marianna Klopfer family Klotz, John W. & Joy Anton Krull

Knabe, Col. Carl F II Samuel Allen Frees

Kriemelmeyer, Harry & Mildred Kriemelmeyer & Krautwurst families

Larson, William H. & Mary
Latterner, Katherine B.

Larson and Mostyn family
William Henry Latterner

Mauldin, Patricia Crain family

McClinton, Betty D Richard & Nellie Dulin, Robert & Mina Saunders

Phelps, Michael R Louise Coombs Pillote, Barbara Wiegand family

Pomerance, William Carol H Pomerance; Lois Vedder

Qualter, Patricia S. Hayes & Sheehy families

Schenkel, John & Barbara Leonard Schenkel

Schenkel, Thomas G. Leonard Frederick Schenkel (Navy Veteran)

Schenkel, Leonard F & Maia G Leonard F. Schenkel, Sr.

Schnabl, Josef Julienne Schnabl & Gerhard Laue

Sheetz, C. Kenneth & Marilynn
Seitter, Gertrude & Ralph
Silanskis, Kathleen G.

Charles & Emelia Sheetz
Herman Hambach
Sheehy & Hayes Families

Sladen, Paul Charles Henry Fox

Strack, Stephen & Suzon William & Caroline Begmen; Henry & Charlotte Boegeholz

The Clusters Leonard F. Schenkel Tracy, LTC Stephen A. & Linda M. G. Elizabeth Sullivan

Tucker, Christine Stadler
Upright, Gerald & Mary Anne
Vogel, William and Sonja O.
Volkman, Charles & Jutta
Von Briesen, Dorothy V
Walls. James & Janet
William and Josephine Stadler
Krautwurst & Breitweiser families
Opperman and related families
Volkman & Williams families
Richard & Nellie Dulin
Gilman & Suit families

Warren, Harry & Helga Irene Stoess
Winzer, Jane George Winzer

Ziese, Frederick H. & Jeaneese Adolph and Henny Ziese

#### Other donations throughout the year 2020:

Abner, Francis & Jaquiline Altman. Thomas & Grace Braun, Sharon & Christian

Culler, Carl C

Derrick, John & Linda Eskite, Susan J.

Essex, Robert & Rebecca German Lutheran Memorial

Fund

Halusa, Eric Halusa, Karsten Herold, Elisabeth

Hesselberth, Marianne &

Robert

Hesterberg, George D. Johnson, Eric R

Kerby, Robin & Steven Liang, Calvin & Elaine Mattern, Daniell L. Mautz, Marilyn McCaffrey, Terrence Meinzer, Gerhard

Mueden, George F. Opperman, Antony

Plitt, Thomas

Reesch, James & Charmaine

Schmeissner, Peter

Schuster, Richard & Margaret

Sheetz, Patricia & Miles Shoemaker, Karen Sumner, June Sweeny, Carey

The Concord Club The Phase Foundation The United Church Thewlis, Gary & Dianna Traxler, Herbert & Carol Walde, Robert & Katherine

Warren, Jeanette M Watson, Gudrun

Weekly, Spencer & Barbara Wenzel, Alwin & Renate Wheeler, Patricia & Donald Whitcomb, Mary Ellen

We apologize for any omissions, misspellings, etc. in this listing. Please contact Rudy Becker at rbecker2004@yahoo.com with your corrections and comments.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Inflows during 2020, including donations, bequests, grants, burials, lot sales, publications sales, and returns on our investment portfolio, were \$331,400. Outflows were \$87,100 leaving a surplus of \$244,300. The DC water bill decreased to \$5,100 as a result of a decrease in the CRIAC amount and a credit of \$10,500 from the CRIAC Non-profit Relief Program.

CRIAC fees are gradually being reduced and the CRIAC Non-profit Relief Program has been extended for the coming DC FY 2021. If our application is approved, we expect to receive a credit of about \$10,000.

#### ONE BURIAL PERFORMED AT PROSPECT HILL LAST YEAR

Superintendent Connell oversaw one burial at Prospect Hill last year.

Name of the deceased and age:

Name **Burial Date** Type Age William A. Lane 06/01/2020 Full Body

#### FLAGS WILL FLY AGAIN OVER GRAVES OF U. S. MILITARY VETERANS

Memorial Day weekend is always a valuable time of the year to our United States military veterans buried at Prospect Hill.

That's when Superintendent Connell and members of your Board of Trustees place American flags on the military veterans' graves like the annual ritual performed at Arlington and all national cemeteries. To make certain we do not miss your ancestors or family members who served in the U.S. military please fill out and mail the form on the last page indicating on whose grave(s) you would like flags placed. There is no charge for this service.

#### + ALBERT REITZ +

On April 7, 2021, long time Trustee Albert Reitz, passed away after a fall at his home on North Capitol Street, NE. He was 77. Al is survived by his mother, Anita Carmack who recently celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Al supported the cemetery by advising on building and grounds maintenance issues. He was an avid collector of model trains and often regaled the board about his collections during board meetings. He had been an electrician at Verizon. He was a Navy veteran.

#### SPRINGTIME AT THE CEMETERY

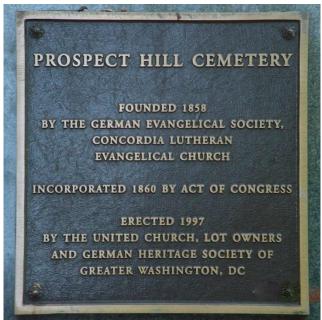
It is said that April showers bring May flowers. That's true at Prospect Hill too, but those showers also make the grass grow.

Springtime is the busiest time of the year for Superintendent Connell. With about 7 acres of grass at PHC, Superintendent Connell can be seen mowing almost continuously this time of year. He also meticulously trims weeds from around all tombstones as can be seen in the picture below.



#### THE CIRCLE





Each year during April, lot owner Christine Hambach, comes to the cemetery with her gardening tools and new plants to clean up and revitalize the stone planter located at the center of the meeting place at the top of the hill at Prospect Hill.

The planter surrounds the plaque commemorating the founding of Prospect Hill in 1858.

Christine has been taking care of the planter for over 20 years and recently arranged for its repair by Lanham Construction Co., area stone masons.

### THE AZALEAS

Since its founding, lot owners at Prospect Hill have adorned the graves of their loved ones with many types of horticulture. But the ones that stand out the most are the azaleas. Over the years many have grown to be quite large and beautiful, as shown by this glorious specimen.



## President's Message

In these trying times when we are all wishing for the normal days of yesteryear, we can hope for better things to come, but at the moment we have to accept the inevitable. We appreciate your support because trees still fall in heavy weather, grass grows and has to be cut, arrangements for funeral have to be made (that even includes a virtual one in June of last year) etc., etc.

I want to assure you that our supervisor Joe Connell stays on top of all these challenges every day. We all hope for better days ahead and cannot wait for the time when Corona is mostly known as a beer again.

Gerd Halusa



#### PLEASE CALL FIRST AND MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

At times, folks have entered the cemetery unannounced seeking help or direction from Superintendent Connell and found no one at home. Since he is our only employee, his duties sometimes take him away from the cemetery. He suggests you call first and make an appointment. This way he can prepare for your visit and give you his undivided attention. He will be glad to help you in any way. The office phone number is 202-667-0676.

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## **Order Form**

Your gifts are especially important to the operation of the cemetery. Each donation, no matter how large or small makes a difference. We will work to keep expenses down, and with your help we'll continue to have a beautiful historic cemetery. One of the nicest things you can give to your ancestors is a donation to Prospect Hill. Cemetery for the maintenance and upkeep of their final resting place. Thank you for your love and concern.

My donation for the maintenance and operation of the cemetery					\$	
I would like Ame	erican flags place	d on the following gra	ave sites (no charç	ge):		
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The Immigrants and Their Cemetery: The Story of Prospect Hill (\$35)					\$	
Families of Prospect Hill (\$20)					\$	
Prospect Hill Cemetery Adult Burial List (\$35)					\$	
Prospect Hill Cemetery Children's Burial List, (\$20)					\$	
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All correspondence should be sent to the address above. Thank you for your support of Prospect Hill.

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