



Dear Friends of Salem Cemetery,

2017 was another busy and active year for your Cemetery. A considerable amount of effort was put into straightening monuments, and lifting corner and foot stones, trimming the trees and cleaning up the grounds, working on plans for the future – all of which is ongoing. Our Vimy Ridge oak is thriving. A plaque recognizing its importance will be placed this year. New flower boxes grace the entrance area. We are proud of our cemetery grounds and work to keep them in the best possible condition. Your very welcome and continuing support allows us to carry on this work.

We are pleased to report that your Cemetery now has a new legal status (please see reverse). As previously indicated, with an eye to future plots, a land survey of the entire cemetery grounds was also carried out.

Over the past year, there were fifteen interments – two full burials and thirteen cremations. In Memoriam: Mary Bellamy, Dick Ebbers, Joan & Ian McCaw, Ben Ring, Patrica Judson, Margaret Chapin, Arnold Webb, Jack Kinsman, Marion Kinsman, Chris Kearns, Norma Yarrow, Suzanne Fish, Eva Lanham, and Violet Stimers.

We have dispensed with our fall clean-up of removing live and artificial arrangements; it is up to the individual plot owners to take care of their monuments. We will continue to keep the grounds in their usual manner.

To make lawn mowing easier we ask that you use flower hangers and place them as close to the monument as possible.

One of our hard working members, Ken Blake, relocated last year. We thank him for his contribution and wish him well in his new home.

DECORATION DAY 2018 will be held on Sunday, June 17th at 1:30 p.m. in the sanctuary of Heritage United Church. Everyone is welcome. Following brief presentations by your Board members, there will be refreshments and a time of fellowship in the church hall.

Sincerely,

Your Salem Cemetery Board

- Chair Lenna Broatch
- Administrator Allan Broatch Tel: 905-355-5502 Email: albroatch@me.com
- Treasurer John McKnight Tel: 905-355-3799 Email: mcknight_ir@sympatico.ca
- Trustees Ken Blake, Laura Haferkorn, Micki McLean, Ruth Nodwell, Doug Simpson, Lyn Ventress, and Howard Whaley.

(Please see reverse for the Financial Statement)

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SALEM CEMETERY

Decoration Day - June 17th 2018 at 1:30 p.m.

The following represent the financial highlights for the past 3 years:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Assets			
Trust Account (Book Value)	89,569.00	89,511.00	86,129.00
Cash in Bank & Term Deposits	47,635.45	51,480.51	42,813.33
Total Assets	137,204.45	140,991.51	128,942.33
Income			
Donations	8,335.00	10,050.00	10,030.00
Burial Fees	2,750.00	1,250.00	6,000.00
Sale of Graves/Corner Markers	300.00	5,635.00	8,640.00
Sale of Columbaria & Inscriptions	-	2,300.00	-
Interest: Care & Maintenance	1,430.13	1,137.47	1,257.35
Total Income	12,815.13	20,372.47	25,927.35
Expenses			
Insurance	664.20	664.20	664.20
Burial Fees	-	-	3,419.00
Columbarium expenses	-	1,676.01	-
Columbarium Inscriptions	-	327.70	-
Maintenance - Grass cutting Contract	5,627.40	4,220.55	5,096.30
Corner marker/Headstone Repairs	831.07	169.50	274.93
Grave Repurchase	-	-	3,020.00
Land Survey	2,825.00	-	-
Incorporation Expenses	2,188.72	-	-
Decoration Day	175.94	237.43	477.87
Office Expenses & Bank Fees	724.60	1,349.42	936.44
Hall and Church Rental	300.00	400.00	300.00
Transfers - Care & Maintenance Fund	-	2,800.00	4,100.00
Transfers - Additional Term Deposits	3,248.59	-	-
Cemetery Fees & Corner Posts	-	596.85	1,522.05
Total Expenses	16,585.52	12,441.66	19,810.79
Excess - Income over Expenses	-3,770.39	7,930.81	6,116.56

I should note that Salem Cemetery is now an Incorporated Not-for-Profit Corporation with charitable status, a change made by your Board during 2017 to guarantee a perpetual legal status for our cemetery lands.

Donations towards the work of the Board can be brought with you to Decoration Day or mailed to our Treasurer John McKnight, 65 Parliament Street, Colborne, ON K0K 1S0 using the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Please make your cheques payable to the **Salem Cemetery Board**. All donations are tax-deductible and receipts will be issued in early January 2018.

IT IS ONLY THROUGH THE GENEROUS SUPPORT OF DONORS SUCH AS YOURSELF THAT WE ARE ABLE TO CONTINUE MAINTAINING THE CEMETERY TO A HIGH STANDARD.