Still Growing.....

The autumn of 2010 will mark another wonderful chapter in the history of our beloved cemetery. After major reconfiguration of roadways in the south end of the cemetery, we broke ground in July for David’s Columbarium. A columbarium is defined as: “a chamber or wall in which urns containing ashes are stored”. David’s Columbarium was designed by Brightman & Mitchell Architects, Inc. and will be built by Bilbrey Construction. The columbarium is a monumental structure that is located across from the Community Mausoleum. David’s Columbarium is over 33 feet tall, covers over 1000 square feet and will be home to 704 niches. During inclement weather, the columbarium can provide shelter for funeral services or family visitations. The architectural details, materials and colors complement the other buildings in the cemetery for a unified appearance. The attention to detail such as; glass panels in the cupola, compass rosette in the center of the floor, standing seam metal roof and stone vases for plantings around the outside, all combine to make this an additional place of grace and dignity in your cemetery.

Stop by and see the progress!!

2010 HOLIDAY WREATH PROGRAM

♦ SAME GREAT QUALITY AS LAST YEAR!

♦ SPECIAL DISCOUNT ON ANY ORDERS PLACED BEFORE NOVEMBER 1, 2010.

♦ 2010 ORDER FORM AND INFORMATION ENCLOSED

The wreath is a beautiful live 24" Noble Fir and Incense Cedar with 3 frosted pine cones and a beautiful red velvet bow.

We have a winner!!!

In May, David’s Cemetery sponsored the Broadway Series presentation of Moonlight & Magnolias at Victoria Theatre. The Ron Hutchinson comedy was produced by The Human Race Theatre Company. A drawing for a $50.00 Dorothy Lane Market gift card was held during the series run and our winner was Clyde Doughty of Englewood, OH.

CONGRATULATIONS CLYDE!!!

Cremation Options

David’s Columbarium
The columbarium will be home to 704 niches and is scheduled to be completed this fall and will be dedicated Spring 2010.

Cremation Garden
The cremation garden spaces are $1,510 for a single and $1,835 for a double. The cost includes the space, bronze marker and the foundation for the marker. The only other fee would be the “ground cremation” charge (burial cost) of $460.

Mausoleum Niche
We have cremation niches in two mausoleums from $995 to $2,100 each. The cost includes the space and lettering the front of the niche. The niches in the Community Mausoleum range from $995 to $1,995. The only other charge would be the inurnment charge of $265 each.

Remembrance Circle/Scattering Garden
The scattering garden spaces are $790 or $880 depending on the location. This cost includes the cost of the space and the bronze name plate with year of birth and death and scattering.
An Ohio Historical Marker was placed on Mad River Road in 2001 by The Ohio Historical Society, The Ohio Bicentennial Commission, The Longaberger Company and the Landmarks Foundation Of Centerville-Washington Township (Marker Number 2-57). We are proud to be the home of such an interesting part of our community’s history.

Side A: Mad River Road
The first overland route between Dayton and Cincinnati was cut by Daniel Cooper in 1795 to provide access to the new town of Dayton, located at the mouth of the Mad River in the Symmes Purchase. The survey, entered into the record by Cooper and Dr. John Hole, extended Harmer's Trace north from near Cunningham's Station on the Mill Creek to the mouth of the Mad River, establishing the earliest road between Cincinnati and Dayton. This five-mile segment between David Road and State Route 725 is the last remaining traceable portion retaining this name.

Cooper, a miller, was instrumental in the early settlement of Dayton, and Dr. Hole, the first physician in Montgomery County, established his cabin in 1796 on this part of Mad River Road.

Side B: Road from Cunningham's to Mad River
Be it remembered that pursuant to an order of Court to Daniel Cooper, Daniel Griffing and John Hole on a petition of more than twelve citizens of the County aforesaid, the following survey of a road in the said County was made and reported, to wit, Beginning at Cunningham's Station, thence along the old road four miles and a half; thence North eleven miles; thence North twenty five degrees East thirteen miles; thence North forty degrees East three miles and a quarter; thence North three miles and a half; thence North ten degrees West one mile and a quarter to the road leading from Hamilton to Dayton; thence along said road

two miles and a quarter to Dayton town, at the mouth of Mad river, the whole distance being thirty eight miles and three fourths of a mile. (1797 Survey for part of Mad River Road recorded in the Hamilton County Road Book B-1)

Other nearby markers.
At least 7 other markers are within 6 miles of this marker, as the crow flies. Brigadier General Edmund Munger (approx. 2.6 miles away); Centerville Veterans Memorial (approx. 3 miles away); Wright Seaplane Base (approx. 3.2 miles away); Lynn O. Eaton Memorial Pin Oak (approx. 5.6 miles away); Edward Potts House / John Potts House (approx. 5.7 miles away); United Brethren [sic] Church of Springboro (approx. 5.7 miles away); Clark Williams House (approx. 5.7 miles away).

Contact Eric by phone: (937) 434-2255 or by E-mail: Eric@davidscemetery.com
Superintendent’s Message

The Cemetery Cleanup will begin the day after Thanksgiving, November 26, 2010.

- Everything will be removed from all monuments, vases, grave spaces and mausoleums. Items you wish to keep need to be picked up by Thanksgiving.
- You may place winter decorations on graves and in the mausoleums starting December 1, 2010.
- Winter decorations will be removed after February 28, 2011 from all grave spaces and mausoleums. Due to weather at this time of year please do not place any Spring decorations until March 15, 2011.

I am pleased to announce that your cemetery broke ground on a new outside columbarium on June 29, 2010. The columbarium will be located directly across the street from the Community Mausoleum and is called David's Columbarium. Brightman & Mitchell are the architects that designed the new columbarium that will provide granite covered niches for the cremains of loved ones. Bilbrey Construction was awarded the contract to build the columbarium and will provide the same quality workmanship that they exhibited on the Community Mausoleum, its Chapel and Gathering Room.

David’s Columbarium is a monumental structure that is located near the center of our newest upright monument burial section, Section “G”, and will help identify this part of the cemetery. It will provide a final resting place for 704 loved ones in the cremation niches and provide shelter from inclement weather to visitors attending funeral services and visits to the niche area. The architectural details, materials and colors are taken directly from other buildings in the cemetery giving your cemetery a unified appearance. Completion is expected by late fall 2010. Please contact Eric Watne, Assistant Cemetery Superintendent, to be placed on an interest list at 937-434-2255 or Eric@davidscemetery.com.

I would again remind you to order your 24” holiday wreaths from the Boy Scouts. Last year we selected a new supplier and chose a Noble Fir wreath with Incensed Cedar, 3 pine cones and a bow. Everyone was pleased with the quality and how well the wreaths kept their beauty throughout the winter.

Thank you, and from your cemetery staff we wish you a healthy and prosperous New Year.

Stephen D. Hopkins
Monticello® is single-reinforced burial vault constructed of high-strength concrete with a Strentex® liner.  
Regular price $1,265, plus tax.  

Stop by or call our office for information on other styles that are available.  

$100.00 discount on all vaults until 12/31/2010.  

The Community Mausoleum is our third mausoleum. This stately building is a brick colonial with many modern conveniences. It allows families the ability to have the service, interment and after-service gathering, all at the same location. A climate-controlled building and a Portico driveway provide shelter in case of inclement weather year-round. An alternative to in-ground burial, the Community Mausoleum has 406 crypts and 1,200 niches available.  

Throughout your life you have tried to protect and ease life’s path for your loved ones. And now you have a chance to help them at a time they will need it most. Because you care, because you love them, take time to plan. It is truly one of the best, most unselfish gifts of love you can give.  

David’s Cemetery carries Wilbert brand burial vaults. The following information briefly describes feature benefits of these products. Please let us know if you need additional information. We are happy to help you.  

The Christmas Eve Luminary Program  
We light approximately 4,400 luminaries at David’s Cemetery on Christmas Eve.  
The luminaries are placed by cemetery personnel with the help of generous, caring family members and friends of the cemetery.  
(Weather permitting)  

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