

# The Legacy

East Cleveland Township Cemetery Foundation

April, 2015

## *2014— A Year in Review*

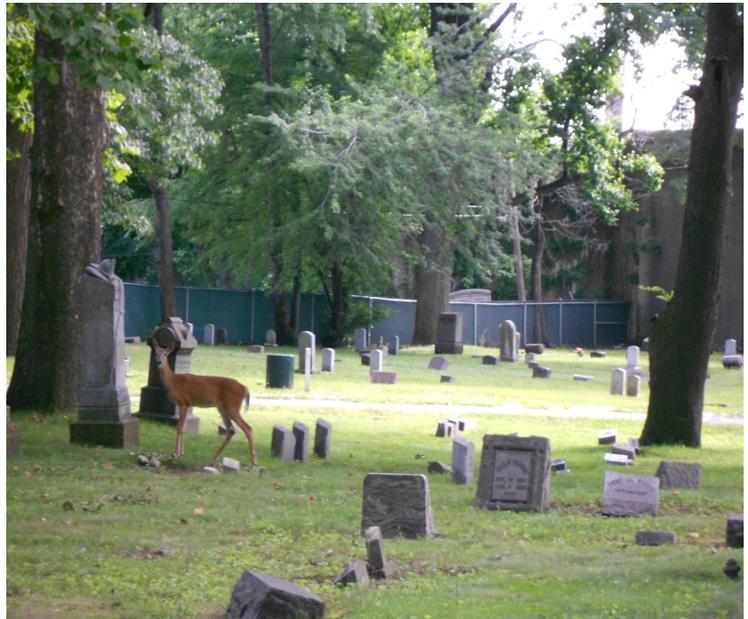
Wayne and I and our spouses started back at the cemetery this month after having removed the majority of the leaves working into January 2015 after the Boy Scouts were snowed out in November when the first snow fall hit with 6 to 8 inches of snow. The snow melted and by mid January when the weather really turned against us we had most of the leaves out of the cemetery.

We utilized the services of Court Community service this year again to assist with the grounds maintenance. And spent most of the year working on the cemetery grounds and the chapel.

In previous years we have had deer pop in and out of the cemetery and this year was no different. The deer to the right was actually very friendly and allowed us to get closer than most. Talking to her she would stop and listen.

We continued utilization of Apartment Services for lawn mowing. This is the same company who does grounds maintenance at Lake View Cemetery. It is because of your donations and on-going support that we were able to continue a whole new level of care to the cemetery grounds. Thank you!

Springtime is back at the cemetery and we are all glad to be back for another year and again very glad you are here with us!



Regards ~ Nancy Adams



# *The Sculptures*

There were three pieces of sculpture that were placed at the cemetery in 2013—two on the grounds and one in the chapel and they were removed in 2014. Adam Frelin’s sculpture was taken back to New York and placed in an art gallery.

The picture below shows the portion of the sculpture that was above ground with the darker portion documenting just how deep this sculpture was placed in the ground.

Adam strapped the sculpture to the roof of his car and headed back to New York.



Adam Frelin, *Drifter*, 2013, Wood

*Drifter*, a sculpture created especially for this exhibition, evokes the physical aspects of internment, what is visible and what is buried below, through a wooden, carved object partially buried at a 50° angle in the earth at East Cleveland Township Cemetery. *Drifter*, artificially and ultimately naturally weathered to accentuate the wood grain, encourages tactile comparisons to aged grave markers. The sculpture will be subsequently exhibited out of the ground, displaying the marks of its time in the earth and air of a cemetery.

# *Memorial Day*

The 10th annual Memorial Day event was held the Saturday before Memorial Day and we placed flags on each of the Veteran graves to remember their service to our country. The same Boy Scout troop that started with us 10 years ago continues to assist with the process.

In addition to the Scouts we have geocachers, family members of some of our permanent residents along with people who are just interested in the cemetery.

Come out and join us this year on Saturday, May 23rd, starting at 10 AM —a good time is had by all.



# *Grounds Maintenance*

While Wayne and Dave worked on the exterior repair of the chapel wall, Amy and Nancy took the lead on grounds maintenance with the Court Community Service workers.

We spread 10 yards of mulch in the garden and surrounding the chapel, pruned back over grown bushes in the cemetery. We replaced the section markers in the cemetery that did not hold up to the weather with an engraved plastic sign.



**Once the leaves started to fall we all had our back pack blowers strapped on moving the leaves from 187 trees to the road.**

# Chapel Repairs

Dave and Wayne continued work on the exterior wall repairs that had been damaged by the leaking roof; this was repair that we began the previous year. We invested in some used scaffolding to allow them to get to the peaks with the buckets of stucco more easily.



While Dave and Wayne continued on the wall, Nancy started painting the exterior of the chapel.



There was an exterior basement window that had just been back filled with dirt, the window was broken and the frame crumbling from rust. In order to reduce the moisture getting into the basement we had the window replaced with glass block.

Once the weather turned we also then began repairs on the ceiling in the office area inside the chapel that was damaged due to the leaking roof that was replaced in 2013.



# *2014 Halloween Tour*

We held our 4th annual Halloween Tour on Saturday, October 23rd. A good time was had by all including Wayne Rhine and Nancy Adams who were the guides for the tours, we had another great turnout and ended up adding additional tours to meet the demands.

This is a really fun event, if you have not come out before please consider joining us this year on Saturday, October 24th..



# *2015 Calendar of Events*

## *Memorial Day, Saturday, May 23rd at 10:00 AM*

ECTCF will host our 11th annual tradition of placing flags on the graves of the 435 veterans in the cemetery. The activity begins at 10:00 AM and takes only a couple hours to complete. We invite those assisting to join us for hamburgers and hot dogs after we complete the placement of the flags. This time is used to remember and honor our veterans. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at 216-536-7432 otherwise we look forward to seeing you again!

## *Halloween Tour , Saturday, October 24th*

ECTCF will host the 5th annual Halloween tour on Saturday, October 24th with tours starting at 7:00 PM and 8:30 PM. The walking tour will begin at the cemetery chapel, please bring a flash light; dressing in costume is optional.

## *ECTCF—Memberships*

The on-going maintenance of the cemetery grounds including the office/chapel and gardens generates on-going expenses that include utilities, equipment maintenance, supplies, etc. None of the Board members are paid for the hours of work we put into the foundation/cemetery every year. We donate our time and resources.

We count on donations from the families of our permanent residents and others who enjoy the urban park we have created and those that participate in our tours. We are excited about our annual newsletter that lets us share with you everything that has occurred over the past year, however, there are costs associated with the newsletter as well. With a mailing of nearly 500 newsletters this cost is substantial. We want to continue to share our successes with you and are therefore initiating an annual membership to the East Cleveland Township Cemetery Foundation that includes the receipt of the annual newsletter and continued notification of our annual events. We have several levels of membership:

**Individual**—\$25.00—Includes annual newsletter and advance notification of all events.

**Sustaining**—\$50.00—Includes annual newsletter, advance notification of all events and helps to support the on-going preservation of this historical site.

**Patron**—\$75.00—Includes annual newsletter, advance notification of all events, supports the on-going preservation of this historical site and includes a free copy of the book: *To Dwell With Fellow Clay, The Story of East Cleveland Township Cemetery* .

**Lifetime**—\$250.00—Includes annual newsletter, advance notification of all events, supports the on-going preservation of this historical site and includes a free copy of the book: *To Dwell With Fellow Clay, The Story of East Cleveland Township Cemetery* along with a new updated East Cleveland Township Cemetery t-shirt.

Because of the Foundation's non-profit status (501(c)3) status your membership is tax-deductible and allows you to continue support to preserve the pioneer Victorian legacy for your children and grandchildren. Please utilize the enclosed form to submit your membership application.

We thank you for your on-going support of us and the East Cleveland Township Cemetery!

**Trustees/Officers**

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*The mission of East Cleveland Township Cemetery Foundation is to provide educational and patriotic events for the community in an urban park setting that demonstrates the honor and respect due the early pioneer settlers of the Western Reserve.*

*The East Cleveland Township Cemetery Foundation's vision is to restore and maintain the East Cleveland Township Cemetery as a historic landmark, creating an urban park where the community can relax, reflect, and discover the historical significance of the area, and to build a solid financial foundation for its future.*

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## East Cleveland Township Cemetery Foundation

### 2015 Membership Application

#### Information (please print or type)

Name	
Street Address	
City	
State	
Zip Code	
Telephone (home)	
Telephone (business)	
Fax	
E-Mail	

**Both the membership fees and donations are completely tax deductible.**

#### Membership Levels

**Individual Membership - \$25.00**

Includes annual newsletter and advance notification of all events.

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**Lifetime Membership - \$250.00**

Includes annual newsletter, advance notification of all events, supports the on-going preservation of this historical site and includes a free copy of the book: *To Dwell With Fellow Clay, The Story of East Cleveland Township Cemetery* and an East Cleveland Township Cemetery shirt.

Designate size for polo shirt: \_\_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_\_ Large \_\_\_\_ Extra-Large

#### Donations Greatly Appreciated

In addition to the membership fee any and all donations to continue to support the on-going work are greatly appreciated. Donation included: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: East Cleveland Township Cemetery Foundation

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