

The Legacy

East Cleveland Township Cemetery Foundation

April, 2022

2021 Starting to get back to Normal

As 2021 started out with the pandemic continuing to change what we had historically done we were able to get back some normal activities at the cemetery. We didn't hold our annual Memorial Day event again in 2021 but that is going to change this year. The Scouts and Fraternity did return in the fall to attack all the leaves and it was just wonderful to see everyone again!

Wayne, Amy and I stay really busy in the cemetery though. It was certainly the year for the trees to keep us hopping. Every time we turned around another big branch had come down. The winter certainly did its best to help with that as well. More on the trees in a bit. But because of how busy the trees kept us, we contacted **Ardmore Tree Service** and arranged for a days work a month to help address the growth that was creating issues. We continued to work at least every Sunday, sometimes more to keep to the grounds mowed. But we adjusted and continued with what needed to be accomplished.

With your generous donations we needed to buy a new piece of equipment to address the brush and we will share that further in the newsletter.

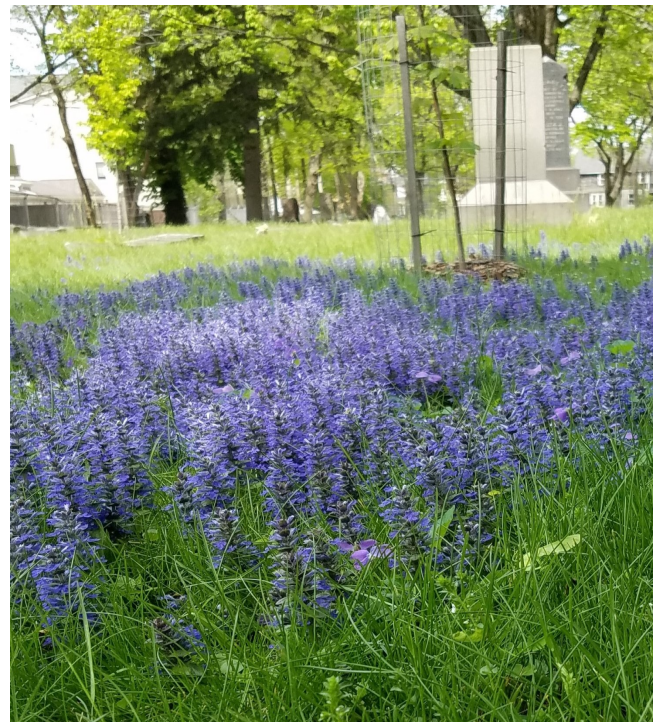
The Halloween tour did take place and a good time was had by all and we were so glad to do something with the friends we have made over the years.

We started to vacuum leaves after the Scout and Fraternity came to help but when the hydraulics went out on the leaf vacuum it was halted. Thank you to our friends at Lake View Cemetery who have repaired it for us and we will start vacuuming the leaves as soon as it stops snowing. It will stop right???

Thank you again! Be Safe & Stay Healthy!

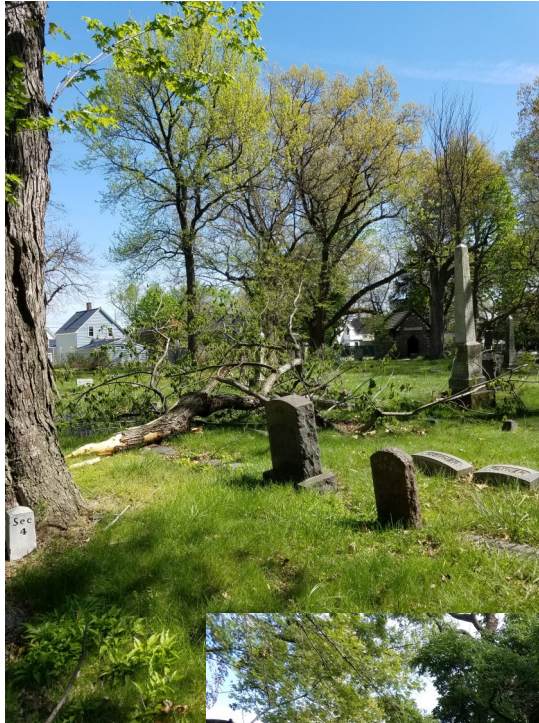
Warmest Regards ~ Nancy

•P.S.—If you want to see color photos included in the newsletters, please visit our website: www.ectc.org.



The Trees

The trees that just kept on giving us gifts. These pictures are just an example of what we dealt with last year. ***If you need fire wood, come on by. Free to good home!***



The Brush

For years we have been burning our brush to eliminate all the branches etc that are part of the clean up from the trees. This past year Cleveland Fire Department told us we could no longer burn. So we needed a plan B. We have historically purchased all of our grounds maintenance equipment from Marshall's Equipment and we contacted them about an affordable chipper. We can now eliminate the brush and be able to make our own mulch. They work with the manufacturers who have non-profit discounts and we were able to purchase the chipper, because of all your generation donations.

We can't thank you enough for your on-going support of the foundation and our efforts!



The day we picked it up and brought it to its new home. We were so excited we immediately gassed it up and had to try it out. It will take up to a 4-5 inch in diameter branches. So cool!

It doesn't take much folks.



Tree Planting

You may recall a couple years ago we planted 24 new trees in collaboration with the Western Reserve Land Conservancy. Our neighbors Ken and Louise again reached out to them and arranged for 14 additional trees to be delivered by the land conservancy. As the trees were getting ready to be delivered Case Western Reserve University's Tree Committee reached out to see if there was anyway they could assist us with our trees.

So we have 14 trees coming and do we need help absolutely! There were so many students that came to help that we had all 14 trees planted and watered within a couple hours.

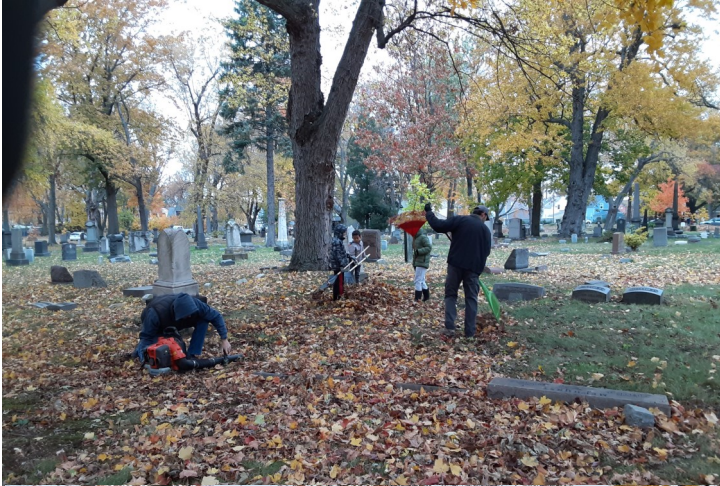
Thank you to Ken, Louise, Western Reserve Land Conservancy and Case Western Reserve University's Tree Committee for being so kind and generous to the cemetery!



The Leaves

The Scouts came back this year to help us with the leaves. An oh my ~ they came in droves. If you can imagine almost the entire interior road full of cars that will give you an idea of the volume. The count was somewhere around 150 Scouts and their families. It was so good to see the kids again!

Thank you Scott and all the Scouts for your assistance. We could not do it without you!



Leaves (Continued)

Theta Chi Fraternity Returns!

The Scouts come to help in mid-November but then the Fraternity comes early December to get the second round of leaves. We so appreciate their help in blowing and picking up branches! They are a huge help!

Thanks guys! You are truly appreciated!



2021 Calendar of Events

Memorial Day

ECTCF **will be** hosting our annual Memorial Day placement of the flags on our Veteran graves on Saturday, May 28th starting at 10 AM. The complimentary cook out of hamburgers and hot dogs will also take place. Please come join us as we honor our Veterans!



Halloween Tours

ECTCF will be hosting our annual Halloween Tours after dark on Saturday, October 22nd. The first tour will start at 7:00 PM and the second at 8:30 PM. Costumes are optional and this is kid friendly. Please bring a flash light as we do walk the grounds. Costumes are optional and no reservations are required.



ECTCF—Memberships/Donations

The on-going maintenance of the cemetery grounds including the office/chapel and gardens generates on-going expense 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 that includes 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!



East Cleveland Township Cemetery Foundation 2022 Membership Application/Donation Form

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

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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 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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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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