



VOLUNTEER PROJECT

October 10
9am – noon

SOUTHEAST SIDE OF CEMETERY

- Clear fence along Todd's Lane
- Remove low hanging branches
- Raise sunken Veteran markers

Sign in and get supplies at the Mausoleum

Snacks & beverages provided

Community Service Certificates available

FOOD DRIVE COLLECTION

FHRC collects food items which are donated to a local food cupboard at the end of the day. Items to share: canned soup, peanut butter, tuna, beans, cereal and pasta.

Mailing Address:
Friends of Historic Riverview Cemetery
P.O. Box 2173
Wilmington, Delaware 19899

www.riverviewcem.com

VOLUNTEERS: OUR MOST CHERISHED ASSETS
Ordinary people doing the extra-ordinary

Our volunteer attendance has dropped significantly this year and we need you! Riverview Cemetery belongs to everybody and we are most effective with a diverse group of volunteers. Please help us remain responsible caretakers of this 42 acre historic and active burial site.

Do your little bit of good wherever you are. It is those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world.

One key to a strong volunteer base is Riverview's monthly "volunteer day". On the second Saturday morning of every month, outdoor projects are accomplished with men, women, seniors, and student volunteers. Board members participate and enjoy the camaraderie with volunteers as we teach and learn from one another. Even if you can only come once or help for one hour please do so. Bring your family with you. All are welcome at Riverview Cemetery.

Riverview is not alone in the need to breathe life into its cemetery. Most non-profit cemeteries continually look for ways to engage the public and raise funds. Benjamin Franklin said, "a culture can be judged by the way it treats its dead and keeps its sacred spaces". Historic Riverview Cemetery is being governed, operated, maintained, restored, and preserved by VOLUNTEERS. In our 7th year of ownership of the cemetery we are looking back and looking ahead. Please pause—take a 7th inning stretch with us and get back in the game. We are grateful, we are motivated, and we need your fresh energy and involvement. Together, we are making a positive difference at Riverview Cemetery, in the surrounding neighborhood, and as an example for other cemeteries throughout the State of Delaware.

For ways you can help at Riverview, please visit www.riverviewcem.com and click on **Volunteers**. Thank you for any help you can give!



Amazing what 15 people can accomplish in just 3 hours!

FHRC Board Members and Wilmington Friends High School students worked outside the cemetery fence line and beautified Eastlawn Avenue by removing vines, branches, weeds and trash. They contributed 3 hours, enjoyed a great sense of accomplishment and had plenty of time left to enjoy the beautiful Friday weather!



The mission of Friends of Historic Riverview Cemetery is to operate and maintain Wilmington's most culturally diverse, non-profit, public cemetery, and to support its restoration and preservation.

Riverview Cemetery • 3300 North Market Street • Wilmington, Delaware • (302) 762-4705



FROM *the* BOARD

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN DONATIONS

There's still time to make your tax deductible donation

The Capital Campaign to raise funds and "save" the chapel/office building began in September 2012. Many of you reading this newsletter have donated small and large gifts. We are still trying to reach the 50K Longwood Foundation Match so please make a tax deductible gift before the end of the year. The January edition of our newsletter will list our Donors to date. Help us make this dream a reality in 2016.

Joan Kylen Anderson	\$500 in Memory of many Beloved Family Members and Friends
Charles L. Robertson	\$200
Ann Hilaman	\$100 in Memory of Nellie Horay and Eva Hilaman
Kylen Sharpe	\$100 in Honor of Grandpa
Sallie Ann Conner	\$50



OCTOBER 19, 2015 • 7-9 PM • DEUTSCHE HALLE

The Delaware Saengerbund and the Delaware Historical Society celebrate release of "Brewing in Delaware"



Historian John Medkeff Jr. became interested in Riverview Cemetery in 1996, when he began researching the history of Delaware's brewing industry. He discovered that many individuals and families connected to Wilmington's 19th and 20th century breweries, saloons, and bottling plants were buried at Riverview. John will lecture and sign his book which will be available for purchase.

John is donating 100% of his proceeds from the sale of the book to the Delaware Historical Society and Friends of Historic Riverview Cemetery. \$5 payable at door. (Food/Drinks available for purchase)

PROJECTS *of* NOTE

DON'T FORGET TO SAVE 25%!

Boscov's "Friends Helping Riverview Cemetery Day" Tuesday, October 20, 2015

You still have time to buy your \$5 shopping pass and benefit from 25% discounts while shopping at Boscov's on Oct. 20th.

Riverview Cemetery receives the \$5 from the pass you buy (or sell) and purchasers of the pass get that 25% discount just in time for holiday shopping!

Challenge yourself and sell 10 passes to your friends. Debbie Dodd will have passes available for purchase at Riverview on Saturday, October 10th, from 9 until noon.



Visit our website: www.riverviewcem.com

Public Meeting

The Delaware Cemetery Board offers a Public Meeting twice a year. On **October 14, 2015 at 10:30 am at the Milford Public Library, 11SE Front St.** a short business meeting will be followed by a presentation by Dr. Lee Anderson on the Riverview Cemetery restoration.

RSVP to Candace Casto 302.744.4763 or candace.casto@state.de.us

Burial

The Board of Directors assisted with one burial in September and appreciates the good working relationship with the House of Wright Mortuary.

Cremation

Families who choose cremation at the time of death may select a cemetery at a later time. We are available to assist you with the placement of your loved ones cremains at Riverview Cemetery. Four family-related cremains may be placed in a single gravesite (a new grave or a grave belonging to your relative). Call us at 302-762-4705 to discuss this affordable option.



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2015 Holiday Greens - Order Form
(Fund-raiser supports Riverview Cemetery Capital Campaign)

Friends of Historic Riverview Cemetery are selling preservative free, biodegradable Holiday Wreaths (18"across) consisting of ribbons, evergreens and natural pinecones.

The cost for each Holiday Wreath is \$25.00.

Please complete and enclose this form, with payment to FHRC and mail to the above address.
(Deadline for receipt of order is December 8, 2015 – Order early!)

Number of Wreaths: _____ X \$25.00 = \$ _____ Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

On Saturday December 12, FHRC volunteers will place decorated wreaths for those who do not live local. Please plan to pick up and place wreaths if you are nearby. Order additional wreaths to place at other locations.

Please pick up wreaths: 9:00am – 11:00am at Riverview Cemetery on Saturday December 12.

_____ Check here if you live out of town and would like us to place your wreath(s).

List the names of deceased (and location of grave if available):

Your Name: _____

Address: (if not a member) _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____