13th Annual Burlington Cemetery Newsletter Barley Street Burlington, Kings Co., N.S. March, 2019

With spring trying to make an appearance, it is once again time to bring you all up to date on our ongoing efforts at the Burlington Cemetery.

We held a green burial meeting on Mar 14, 2018. This was to introduce our new guidelines and to inform anyone who had purchased lots in the Green Burial ground. At this meeting Pat Kemp spoke about the new brochure she has created. It was decided that most would prefer to use a funeral director, but that it could be optional. It was also decided that nothing artificial would be used to mark the grave, only a small stone and a tree. Anyone interested in information on Green Burial should contact Pat Kemp at the address below or by email at patkemp@hotmail.com.

Our last spring cleanup was held on May 7, 2018, with many in attendance from family and the community, but with little to do. The cemetery was in surprisingly good condition after the winter and only required some light raking. This year our spring cleanup will be held on May 14, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

In the summer of 2018, Pat Kemp and Doreen Bennett took on the project of finding someone to create a new website for the cemetery society. We decided on Rob Place of Mumford Connect Web Design. He came up with a couple of designs with pictures and information provided by Pat. You can see the results by checking out the website at **<u>burlingtoncemetery.ca</u>**. We are also set up to take donations on the website. Simply go to the donations page and click on the "donate" button. You can use Paypal or credit card.

This years Annual General Meeting was held on Feb. 11, 2019. All of the executive were willing to stand for another year and all were reinstated. Unfortunately, Susan Daniels has decided that she can no longer do the mowing for the cemetery and, at the AGM, we awarded the mowing contract to Julie Morris. We wish to thank Susan for the wonderful care she gave the cemetery. Julie has big shoes to fill but we are sure she is up to the job.

We have sold four conventional burial lots and five green lots this year. If anyone is interested in purchasing the right to be buried in Burlington Cemetery, lots are available at a cost of \$250. Please contact Tom Metcalfe at 902-538-9759 or, if Tom is unavailable, contact Drew Armstrong at 902-538-9851.

We would like to thank everyone for their continuing support of the cemetery, however our donations were down considerably last year. We wonder if that was due to a rumour that was apparently making the rounds that the cemetery had an excess of money. This could not be further from the truth. This cemetery functions from one year to the next on your generosity and the lots we sell. If anyone is able to donate this year, please use the enclosed envelope or, if you receive this by e-mail, send to Burlington Cemetery c/o Pat Kemp, 3305 McNally Rd., Berwick, Kings Co., N.S. B0P 1E0. You may also donate on the website <u>burlingtoncemetery.ca</u> as previously mentioned. Along with our thanks, you will receive a tax receipt, as we are a registered charity.

If anyone would like to receive future newsletters by e-mail, please send your e-mail address to <u>bobanddoreen50@hotmail.com</u>.

Hope you have a great summer. Doreen Bennett

The Current Volunteer Executive of the Burlington Cemetery Society:

Brian Hirtle - President Drew Armstrong - Vice-President Doreen Bennett - Secretary Pat Kemp - Treasurer Tom Metcalfe - Grounds Manager

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