IT IS TIME TO PLAN FOR THE HISTORY TOUR!
Make plans to attend our tenth annual history tour on Sunday, October 4, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. The walk will last about one hour. Meet at the Memorial Chapel. Plan to attend this popular walking tour about local history.

CALVARY CEMETERY CELEBRATES ALL SOULS DAY WITH ARTIST, PAUL MELIA

Calvary Cemetery is proud to announce that renowned artist, Paul Melia, has been commissioned to paint a beautiful commemorative piece for Calvary Cemetery. Paul’s work is known internationally and locally for his impressionist and realistic styles along with distinctive portraits. Melia has received many local and national awards. Paul’s faith shines through his inspirational paintings of both St. Mary Church and Holy Angels Church. His commercial works include paintings for Proctor & Gamble, General Electric, Wright State University, plus many more.

The painting for Calvary Cemetery is a 50” x 48” watercolor media of abstract/realism design. Melia’s painting uses the subject matter of images within Calvary Cemetery.

Paul has resided in Dayton since 1946. Paul currently lives in Kettering with his wife, Carole, who he describes as the strength of the family. They have four children, three girls and a boy, all artists in their own right. They are an artist, designer, illustrator and photographer.

All Souls Day services are scheduled at Calvary Cemetery on Sunday, November 1, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. We are pleased to have Father Ryan Ruiz of Incarnation Church presiding. The service will start with a rosary walk up the hill to the chapel. For those who do not wish to or are unable to march, the rosary will be said at the chapel. At the end of the service attendees will be given a balloon to release in memory of their loved one.

Immediately following the service is a reception in the Calvary Cemetery office with an unveiling of the painting and blessing. Complimentary signed and numbered prints of the painting will be available at the reception, while supply lasts. Paul Melia will be on hand to meet and sign prints.

Calvary Cemetery is very excited to have a Paul Melia painting displayed in our lobby as a tribute to our community and to the families of Calvary Cemetery. We urge the public to stop by. Paul’s paintings can be viewed many times and each time the viewer will discover different images.
Calvary Developing A New Area

This summer you may have noticed a lot of machinery and a lot of dirt being moved just east of the Stations of the Cross Mausoleum. According to Superintendent Rick Meade, over 10,000 cubic yards of fill has been relocated to this area over the past twelve years. “We had 20 to 30 feet difference in elevation to make up for,” Meade said. This process includes connecting St. Mark Drive to St. Thomas Drive on the southern side of the mausoleum. Harry Finke, President of the Calvary Board of Trustees has provided engineering for the 350 feet of new concrete road including drainage system. Calvary’s maintenance staff will be installing the drainage system before fall of this year. The street connector will be installed spring - summer of 2010.

This project also creates access to a new lawn area overlooking Dayton Country Club and the Hills & Dales area. According to Meade this should accommodate about a thousand new grave spaces including some prime locations for family feature lots.

St. Mary Church
Celebrating 150 years

St. Mary Church, the third Catholic church in Dayton, celebrated 150 years in August 2009. The celebration included Mass by Archbishop Daniel Pilarczyk and an open house.

Established in 1859 because the influx of Germans moving into the Dayton area filled Emmanuel Church and Sacred Heart Church to capacity. The church located on Allen Street off Xenia Avenue was then on the outskirts of Dayton. First Mass was said on August 15, 1860. The current church building was built in 1905 and dedicated in 1906. The twin towers of St. Mary Church is the focal point of the neighborhood.


Congratulations St. Mary Church.