WINTER DECORATIONS
Winter decorations such as wreaths, artificial flowers and trees may be placed on graves after November 20th. Removal of these items will take place promptly on March 1, 2011. That is the starting time of cemetery spring grounds operations such as fertilizing, weed control, etc. If you would like to keep the items you placed, please pick them up before March 1st. We thank you for your cooperation.

CALVARY COMPLETES IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR 2010

STREETS RESURFACED
“When most people think of cemetery maintenance they think of lawn care, trimming, pruning, landscape, trees and flowers, not really paying much attention to the approximate six miles of streets that wind throughout the rolling acreage of Calvary Cemetery.” says Superintendent Rick Meade. According to Meade, it is only after streets fall into disrepair do people really take notice. After review, Calvary’s Long Range Planning Committee recommended to the Board of Trustees that some of our streets should be resurfaced and that all of the asphalt streets on the property should be sealed for preservation and uniform appearance. The cemetery awarded the contract to Terry Industries of Hamilton, Ohio. Crews applied their product referred to as SAMI, (Stress Absorbing Membrane Interlayer). Meade said that, “aside from being a superior product, it can be applied in thin layers which eliminates the necessity of grinding and removing old layers of asphalt.” The total cost of the project was two hundred twenty thousand dollars. The cemetery expects that only minor repairs will be necessary over the next ten years.

NEW STREETS INSTALLED
Two new streets have been installed creating possibilities for three new sections to be developed. A new concrete street has been added connecting St. Mark Dr. to St. Thomas Dr. east of the Stations of the Cross Mausoleum. This new area features beautiful open vistas overlooking Dayton Country Club and Hills and Dales Park. A new street was also placed on the west side of the cemetery to divide an oversized area in to two smaller sections. This will improve access into these sections and create more street side perimeter lots which many families prefer.
NEW BOARD MEMBER

A new board member was recently appointed to Calvary Cemetery’s Board of Trustees. His name is William Focke and represents St. Albert the Great Church. Each board member is required to own lots at Calvary Cemetery and Mr. Focke has owned lots since 1974. The board is entrusted to make prudent financial decisions and establish rules and regulations governing cemetery operations. We welcome him aboard. Focke replaces Anthony Kohnen who retired from the board.

NEW UPRIGHT MONUMENT BURIAL SECTION COMPLETED

Section 41 is situated in the southwest corner of the cemetery near an open prairie that leads into a ninety acre wooded area reserved for future development. This area features pre-poured concrete foundations to accommodate upright monuments. Another feature to this area is the overall landscape plan around the monuments. Plants such as Green Mountain Boxwood, Moonbeam Coreopsis, Ruby Star Cone Flower, Autumn Joy Sedum, Blacked Eyed Susan, Shasta Daisy, May Night Salvia, and Forester Feather Reed Grass will provide a beautiful and seasonal splash of color to the area. The plants and installation were purchased from Scarff’s Landscape of New Carlisle, Ohio.

NEW PICKUP TRUCK PURCHASED

A 2010 4WD Chevrolet Silverado pickup truck was recently purchased for cemetery operations. It is fitted with an in-bed tool box and a larger capacity spreader for snow and ice removal. Per Grounds Manager Dwight Rawlins, “This replaces a 1991 Ford truck that we received good service from for nearly twenty years. With the same care and maintenance we expect the new Chevy will provide the same.”

The Wreath is on the Door

The wreath is on the door
And the snow is on the tree
God has laid His holy hands
On all that we can see.

Be quick to raise your voice
And praise what He has brought.
Keep now His love in every choice
And Christmas in every thought.

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