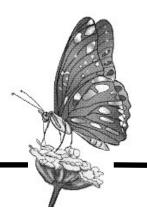
Evangelical Lutheran Cemetery Association

THE TRIBUTE



Remember!! All decorations will be placed behind the office building for two weeks before they are discarded.

ALL DECORATIONS WILL **BE REMOVED** FROM THE GRAVESITES ON **March 1, 2015**.

NOTICE

Wooden Crosses will be the only decoration left graveside.

You may begin placing Spring/Summer decorations March 10, 2015.

NO WIRE OR GLASS ON THE GROUNDS DURING THE GRASS CUTTING SEASON.

ANY DECORATIONS NOT CONTAINED IN A REGULATION VASE ARE SUBJECT TO REMOVAL EACH WEEK DURING GRASS CUTTING SEASON.

ALL POTTED PLANTS ARE REMOVED ONE WEEK AFTER HOLIDAYS.

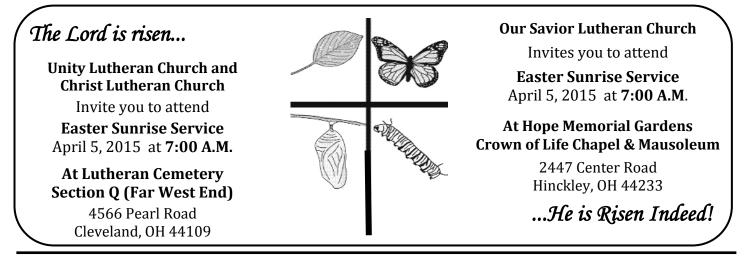
And then the Flood Gates Opened...Again!!...In a Great Way!!

Our precious Lord said to us, "Knock and the door will be opened."

As was reported in the Fall Tribute, the storm in May 2014 certainly wreaked havoc at Hope Memorial Gardens' office / maintenance building. The destruction was reported and an obvious tug was felt on the heartstrings of so many of the families. We had such an outpouring of kind thoughts, prayers and donations to assist with the long tedious clean up. As devastating as the event was, the power and love of God over-shadowed it by the response from the caring families of Hope Memorial Gardens & Lutheran Cemetery.

Even as we struggle through each of our own life crises, we find it difficult to feel the hope we have in our Lord. When a lift is needed because the bite of "life" is on us, we have to remind ourselves "*that all things work together for good to those who believe.*" It is painfully difficult to see Jesus when it just seems the sky is falling in on us. That is the time to look up and just rely on the grace freely given us to make it through the dark times. Thank you for tugging on our heartstrings with your generous assistance in a difficult time.

Every thought, prayer and donation made such a huge impact on easing this devastating pain. Thank you so much for sharing your heart with us. God bless you! $\heartsuit \heartsuit \heartsuit \heartsuit$





VOLUNTEERING HONORS OUR VETERANS

We are looking for volunteers to honor veterans by placing flags at the gravesites of our 1300+ veterans buried at Lutheran Cemetery.

On Wednesday, May 20, 2015 we will gather at the office at 9:00 A.M. for coffee, donuts, and a short orientation.

If you are interested in volunteering or need more information, please phone Roberta at Lutheran Cemetery, 216-351-1308.

Memorial Day Service May 25, 2015 — 9:00 A.M.

Lutheran Cemetery — 4566 Pearl Road

Hosted by: Cleveland Lutheran Veterans Immanuel Lutheran Church Posaunenchor (Brass Band)

This patriotic ceremony pays tribute to veterans who have served and those troops who continue to serve our great country.

For your comfort remember to bring a lawn chair.



"The United States flag does not fly because the wind moves past it... The United States flag flies from the last breath of each military member who has died protecting it."

2015 OUTLOOK

March 8, 2015 Spring Forward & Change Batteries FREE FILL DIRT CLEAN FILL DIRT IS AVAILABLE AT EITHER LOCATION. BIG PROJECTS OR SMALL NO LIMIT NOMINAL FEE TO LOAD YOUR TRUCK

Don't Forget

In addition to the normal work at hand, the Executive Board of Directors of the Association is focusing on completing three major projects in 2015:

- 1) With cremations on the rise, both Lutheran Cemetery and Hope Memorial Gardens are nearing capacity in their columbaria. The research has begun to place a new columbarium at each location.
- 2) The winters have taken a terrible toll on the roads. The roads need to be repaired or replaced at both locations.
- Finally, major excavating needs to be completed to correct the watershed issues at Hope Memorial Gardens to prevent future flooding.

The full intention of the Association is to maintain a high standard of safety and excellence in the two cemeteries making the grounds a safe and beautiful respite for the families we serve.

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