



Friends of SMYRNA UCC CEMETERY Newsletter

Spring
2022

Welcome to the 26th edition of an annual newsletter to the friends of Smyrna United Church of Christ Cemetery,* established in 1891. This newsletter is sent out from the committee as a means to keep in touch with all those who have an interest in the preservation, upkeep, and improvement of one of the historic cemeteries in Clackamas County, Oregon.

The Cemetery Committee members are: Joel Daniels, Treas. (503) 651-2694, Paul Yoder, (503) 651-2333, equipment maintenance, Rick Gano, maps & reservations (503) 651-2044, Carl & Barbara Menkel, (503) 819-8566, Murlene Liechty, (503) 829-4118, Carly Itami, (503) 954-6318..Please feel free to contact any member of the committee for more information.

Isidro Maintenance takes care of the Cremation Garden. He comes each month to do edging and fertilizing. We have recently hired Tracy Hill to take care of the main cemetery. With the leaves coming out and the shrubs blooming, we are very pleased with how it looks..

Most of the damage to the cemetery caused by the 2021 ice storm has been repaired thanks to so many willing helpers and vendors.

*Smyrna U. C. C. Cemetery is licensed by the Oregon State Mortuary & Cemetery Board

Treasurer's Report

Cemetery Operating Fund

Balance Jan. 1, 2021	\$ 8,861
Donations	2,355
Donations plot	1,450
Reimb. for grave markers	2,286
Marker Processing Charge	191
Marker Installation	125
Transfer from Trust Fund	9,425
Insurance Settlement	7,809
Total income	\$ 32,502
Expenses:	
Administrative expense	\$ 162
Caretaker & Mowing Expense	18,698
Maintenance & Main. Supplies	277
Stone Repair	250
Portable Toilet Maintenance	660
Project Expense	6,787
Grave Markers	2,710
Credit Card Proc. Fees	21
Total Expenses	(\$ 29,565)
Balance December 31, 2021	\$ 2,937

Cemetery Trust Fund

Balance January 1, 2021	\$ 156,639
Memorial Donations	3,462
Unrealized investment gain	21,265
Transfer to General Fund	(9,425)
Balance December 31, 2021	\$ 171,940



We have some flower containers available from previous years,

and we'll put them out for Memorial Day. Feel free to use them.

Flowers and containers placed on the graves for Memorial Day will be removed for regular maintenance in early June.

Cemetery Use Policy

Contact Rick Gano, (503) 651-2044, for available locations. A vault is required for burials. A permanent marker is required within six months of burial, unless other arrangements are made with the cemetery. The only restrictions on markers are no plastic or resin, and flat 12 x 24 in. granite (with no concrete border) must be used in the cremation garden. No container or vault is required in the Cremation Garden. A plot may be reserved only with payment of the price of the plot. A \$100 fee may be required at time of burial to go towards a marker.

Prices and Fees:

Burial or cremation plots	
Smyrna Church Members	\$ 150
Others	350
Prep for cremation burial	25
Setting stone in cremation Garden	25



We remember all those laid to rest here during the last year

**J. Paul Burkert
Betty Konkle
Douglas Dale
Howard Mudder
Wanda Ferguson**

Irrigation

For the past several years, we have been able to irrigate during the dry season keeping the cemetery green. Last summer, we had a problem with the lack of adequate water. The June heat wave and subsequent draught strained our resources. There are numerous irrigation wells nearby and therefore we were unable to keep the water running. Please understand that if you visit and find the grass turning brown, it is due to circumstances beyond our control.

Solar Installation

When you visit next time, be sure to look beyond the hedge to the south at the solar array installed in June of last year. It resulted from a grant by Portland General Electric made available to non-profit organizations and is designed to provide all of the church's electrical needs. As this is written, it has generated the equivalent of \$1,795 or 169 trees planted or 22,370 lbs. of carbon dioxide.



We are tax-exempt.
Send your donations to:

**Smyrna United Church of
Christ Cemetery
c/o Joel Daniels
31060 S Kauffman Road
Canby, OR 97013**



Gifts to the Smyrna Cemetery General Fund

May 1, 2021-April 30, 2022

Louise & David Adams
Jo Algiers
Marie Allphin-Rothi
Rollin Beauchane
JoAnn K Beck
Carl Cain
Kaye Coleman
Clinton Case
Marvin & Anne Case
John Cutter

Steve & Jane Dahl
Martha Dapp-Whisner
Barbara Davis
Richard & Levonne Gano
Nora Hamilton
Jeffrey & Brenda Hammock
Steven Husbands
Adam & Angie Mauer
Barbara & Carl Menkel
Marcia Oswalt

John & Jill Pastrone
Bill & Julia Peterson
Mary Lou Roberts
David & Irene Schriever
Ann Sommer
Virginia Yoder



In Memory of:

Leona Blatchford

Twyla Blatchford

Burkert, J. Paul

Murlene Lliechty
Barbara Daniels

Clausen, Howard

Thomas Daniels

Jean Dale

Karold Dale

Donald & Roberta Daniels

Thomas Daniels
Terrance Daniels
Kim Smith

Donald Dapp

Martha Dapp-Whisner

Paul Eyman

Nancy Holden

Kent Fisher

Gail Case

Gano Family

Rick and Levonne Gano

Juanita Hamilton

Nora Hamilton

Bruce Raymond Hein

Beverly Culp

Robert Kyrk

Juliana Kyrk

Dorothy Krebs

Barbara Daniels

Jack & June Malmquist

Jay P. Malmquist

Mildred McEachran

Ronald & Margie Sether

Robert McPherson

Joan McPherson

Linda Melcher

Darrell Melcher

Ray & Doris Miettunen

Nancy Dilger

Mitts Family

Rick & Levonne Gano

Howard Mudder

George & Karleen Itschner

Norton & Genevieve

Nicholson

Carol Schultz

Mary Ousley

Diana Lindberg

Robert Ousley

Diana Lindberg

Con & Ethel Owen

Barbara Wormdahl Davis

Joseph Pastrone

Thomas Daniels

Emma Profitt

Ronald & Margie Sether

Judith M. Repplinger

John & Connie Repplinger

Nancy Dilger

Urs & Vicki Baltensperger

Ronald Sether

Joel & Elaine Daniels

St Clair, James

Thomas Daniels

Glenda Sano

Diana Lindberg

Lucia Schuebel

Diane Kindall Potter

Allen Van Veen

Nancy Dilger

Marna & Robert Poreth

Catherine Van Veen

Nancy Dilger

Elizabeth Veneklasen

Bob Otis

Katherine & Allen Holt

Bud & Evelyn Wormdahl

Barbara Wormdahl Davis

Emerson Yoder

Twyla Blatchford

*Thank you all for
your very Generous
Donations*

ROAD CLOSURE:

The highway in front of the church will be closed in early May for bridge replacement. It is projected to reopen in the fall. Coming from Canby, turn right at Barnards Rd., left on Needy Rd, and left again on Sconce Rd. Coming from Molalla or Woodburn will not require a detour.



We honor all the Veterans of the Armed Services this Memorial Day

The V.F.W. comes each year and places flags on the graves of all the veterans buried in the cemetery. They usually leave extra flags by the gate to be used for any they have missed. Let us know and we will do our best to see that they are remembered in years to come.

If you know of anyone who would like to receive our annual newsletter, please let us know. We will be happy to add their names to our mailing list. It is because of the active interest of our church members and friends of the cemetery that we feel assured it will be well taken care of in the future. If you would like to have your name removed from our mailing list just let us know.

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