

IMPORTANT NOTICE

To: Owners of Cemetery Lots in Fairview, Newhouse, Mill Creek and Bokes Creek Cemeteries.

It has come to the attention of the Scioto Township Trustees that in the past there has been uneven enforcement of cemetery rules and regulations. The few regulations in place are so that the cemetery can be enjoyed by all and that its appearance can be maintained in a way that owners and their families can be proud.

Many of the lots in our cemeteries are in compliance. Unfortunately, there are a few that are not. Please review the rules and regulations and if your lot(s) are in violation, please correct the situation by **December 1, 2024**. We wish to work with all owners in rectifying any violations. Questions can be directed to Sandra Stults, Cemetery Sexton 740-666-3014, extension 101 or cell 740 272-7554.

Cemetery Rules and Regulations

- 1) All cemeteries shall close at dusk. Any person found on the grounds after dusk will be considered a trespasser and will be liable for prosecution.
- 2) To keep all lots harmonious as possible without infringing on an adjoining lot, ALL plantings shall be under the supervision of the cemetery personnel.
- 3) A well-maintained area the **full length of the monument and 12 inches in front of the marker** will be designated for the following: flowerbed, Shepherd's Hook, arrangements, decorations. **The use of decorative gravel, stone, lava rock, benches, chairs, trellis, or fences is strictly prohibited.** Cemetery personnel will remove plantings and/or materials not meeting these requirements or not being properly maintained.
- 4) **Artificial flowers or arrangements not secured to monuments or contained by Shepard's Hook above grade are permitted only from November 1st to March 15th and the following holidays: Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, and birthdays.** All of these arrangements will be removed seven days after the holiday.
- 5) **No trees, plants or shrubs shall be planted on lots or graves. If any existing tree, plant, or shrub on any lot becomes detrimental or injurious to adjunct lots, walks, monuments, or roads, it shall be removed.**
- 6) Scioto Township is not responsible for theft, accidents or damage to anything placed on graves or lots.
- 7) The cemetery grounds will be given their annual house cleaning on or about the 15th of March.