

WHITE HAVEN MEMORIAL PARK 2011 FALL/WINTER NEWSLETTER

The Scarborough Flute Quartet performed heavenly music at the September 10th Service of Remembrance. Their selections were reflective and soothing and their harmony and blend were exquisite. This female quartet of very accomplished musicians received many compliments from those who attended the service.

The Seasons of Grief

This Grief Support Session will be held on Sunday, October 16th in the Gathering Room of All Seasons Chapel from 2:30 – 4:00 pm. Anyone who has lost a loved one will benefit from this artistic DVD presentation featuring inspiring and beautiful photography from nature, wise quotations and practical suggestions for each season of grief. You will be able to identify which season of grief you may be experiencing and learn skills that will promote healing. Lois will host a brief discussion following the presentation. There is no cost to attend and everyone is welcome. *Please register by calling Lois at 747-3078 by Thursday, October 13th.

Holiday Service of Remembrance

Saturday, December 3, at 4:00 pm

All Seasons Chapel

You will thoroughly enjoy the music of *Concentus* (a Latin word for Harmony) *Women's Chorus* – singing small-ensemble classical choral compositions for women's voices. This ensemble is devoted to exploring the wide variety of classical music, ranging from medieval chants to contemporary compositions, written specifically for women's voices. They are preparing a special holiday concert just for White Haven!

The service will include seasonal readings, poetry, prayers, photos of loved ones, and the traditional Prayer of Names. Come early as the Holiday Service has always been very well attended.

If you plan on attending our Holiday Service for the first time, please participate by sending in a picture of your loved one with his/her name written clearly on the back. The picture will be scanned and returned to you. Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope for this purpose. Your loved one's name will become part of the Prayer of Names and his/her picture will be shown at various times during the service.

A picture is not necessary for you to have your loved one's name included in the Prayer of Names.

Due to Lois's infamous computer glitch, it is still necessary for those of you who plan on attending the service and have a picture on file, to call in your loved one's name with permission to use the picture again this year. I sincerely regret this inconvenience.

Thursday, October 13

Registration cut-off for

Sunday, October 16

Seasons of Grief Session from 2:30-4:00

Wednesday, November 30

Cut-off date for pictures and names for

Saturday, December 3

Holiday Service of Remembrance at 4:00

Call or e-mail Lois at: 585-747-3078 lelliott210@aol.com

My semi-retirement as Chapel Director at White Haven has brought on a wave of beautiful cards and kind expressions from you, by which I am humbled. Thank you for your wonderful support through the years. I am very grateful for the opportunity to continue working at White Haven as Celebrant and creator of the Services of Remembrances. It means that I will still be seeing you from time to time and that our relationships will continue.

TREE OF REMEMBRANCE

White Haven's Tree of Remembrance will be in the Gathering Room on **Friday, December 2nd**. You are welcome to bring an ornament in memory of your loved one to hang on the tree as of this date. Or, if you wish, you may bring your ornament when you come to the December 3rd Holiday Service and hang it on the tree before, or after the service. Please remove your ornaments from the Tree of Remembrance no later than January 15, 2012.

REMOVAL DATE FOR FLOWERS – **Summer flowers will need to be cleared from in-ground vases by NOVEMBER 5th**. At this time, all vases will need to be turned over so they won't be hit by our equipment during the winter. Flags for Veterans Day will still be allowed, but we are asking that, for this holiday only, they be placed directly in the ground (so that the vases remain turned over). White Haven crews will clear all flags that have not been removed by November 15th. In this way, you will be able to honor your loved one for Veterans Day and White Haven will be able to finish fall cleanup before the snow flies this winter – a win/win approach!

WINTER WREATHS – White Haven offers placement of winter wreaths for traditional grave burials. For a cost of \$35.00 White Haven will place a 24" round green, full wreath (with red ribbon and pine cones) on your loved one's grave. We begin placing these beautiful wreaths in early December. The wreaths are wilt-proofed and tagged with the burial location, and we will remove them in the spring. It's an easy, convenient way to have your loved one's grave marked with an approved decoration during the winter months. If you did not receive an order form, please call the office at 586-5250 to place your order.

Please note – **If you are purchasing a wreath elsewhere, please mark it with the Section, Lot Number and Grave Number.** We occasionally have to move wreaths in

order to get equipment into an area to make a burial or perform maintenance. If we have to move your loved one's wreath and it is not tagged with a *location*, then we have no way to return it to the correct grave. If you are bringing a wreath to place yourself, you may stop by the office for a tag if you do not already have one. Wreaths purchased elsewhere may be placed starting November 15.

OTHER HOLIDAY DECORATION OPPORTUNITIES

-Flower Dedications

If you have a loved one entombed or inurned in one of our mausoleums, you may make a Thanksgiving and/or Christmas Holiday Flower Dedication. Your loved one's name will be included on a plaque and viewed for several weeks along with our special holiday flower arrangements. Cost is \$15, and is a wonderful way to honor your loved during the holiday season.

-Bronze Vase Christmas Arrangements

If your loved one is entombed or inurned in one of our mausoleums and they have a bronze vase installed on the faceplate along with their lettering, White Haven offers four different small Christmas arrangements that can be placed in the bronze vase during the season. You may choose from a red poinsettia, a white poinsettia, an angel with pine sprigs or a gift box with pine sprigs and holiday ornaments. The cost is \$15, and White Haven will automatically replace your standard flower back in the vase at the beginning of February.

MEMORIAL GIFT PROGRAM

Our sincerest thanks go to the following people for their generous donations to our Memorial Gift Fund. Your gifts are a lasting tribute to those whom you have honored.

<u>Gift</u>	<u>Donor</u>	<u>In Memory of</u>
Stained Glass	Mrs. Jen Gugino	Ann Privitera
Teak Bench	Mr. David Klein	Belinda L. Klein
Bench	Mrs. Barbara Shapiro	Florence & Morris Malmeth
Bench	Mr. Ronald Garwood	Erin C. Garwood
Bench	Mr. Philip Cianciotto	Donna-Rae Cianciotto

For more information on the existing options for Memorial Gift donations, please call the office at (585) 586-5250 and ask for Nate. Trees, benches, pews, stained glass, the gazebo and "America Standing Guard" are all available for Memorial Gifts to honor your loved one.