

# ANNUAL NEWSLETTER

Summer, 2026

## LAKEMONT CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

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### **Annual Meeting – August 11, 2026 @ 5 p.m.**

Lakemont Cemetery, Hayes Road, Lakemont NY

*(In case of rain, Starkey Town Hall, 40 Seneca Street, Dundee NY)*

#### **It has been a busy year since our last newsletter.**

**Be sure to check our Website for information on our annual meeting, when we will be electing Directors, reviewing activities since our last annual meeting, and giving an update on the maintenance and care of the Lakemont Cemetery.**

**If you have any concerns about the care of the cemetery, the Board will be there to hear them. Please support our cemetery by your attendance.**

**We hope to have our representative from NYS Division of Cemeteries at the meeting as a guest speaker!**

### **BOARD MEMBERS**

President – George Lawson

Vice President - Ron Anderson

Secretary - Diane Campbell

Treasurer – Melissa Lawson

Vice Treasurer – Helen Lawson

Directors – Peter Honsberger, Mimi Gridley

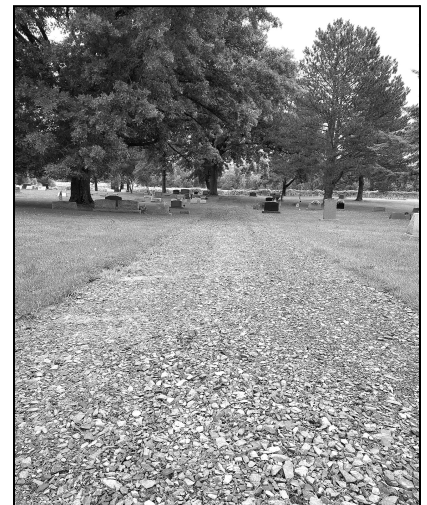
**Do you have family interred at Lakemont Cemetery? You may be a lot owner and not even know it!**

### ***Association News***

If you have visited the cemetery recently you have seen the driveway improvements that were completed. This improvement project was completed and paid for spring 2026, using available Association funds in the amount of \$9,800. **Please make a contribution! We need your help in rebuilding our fund balance!**



We continue our efforts to address and seek funding for repair of broken and deteriorating headstones in our cemetery's oldest sections, some of which have historical significance. We have compiled an inventory of stones with the assistance of the NYS Division of Cemeteries and will continue working toward addressing the safety concerns identified. Many of the leaning, broken and fallen grave stones do not qualify for restoration or repair as part of this program. They are stable and do not present an imminent falling hazard.



## 2026 FUNDRAISING DRIVE. YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

### CEMETERY YEARLY REMINDERS

- ☐ The Cemetery Association is not responsible for care of the headstones. You may wish to ensure tombstones are straight and clean.
- ☐ For inquiries about burial plots or to purchase plots, contact George Lawson (607) 201-6308.
- ☐ Trees, shrubs, or other plants may be removed or replaced at the discretion of the Cemetery Board, to prevent disease of plants, overcrowding, conditions or damage to burial sites.
- ☐ All grave decorations are to be removed from an individual grave when such becomes unsightly.

#### *Can You Help?*

Because you are a member of this association, you are receiving this newsletter because you have relatives buried here or you may have an interest in the cemetery and continue to get our mailings

annually. You are encouraged to attend the annual meetings to learn what has happened within the last fiscal year and ask any questions to the cemetery board members and review the financial report.

### ***NOW WITH ALL THAT BEING SAID, CAN YOU HELP?***

**YES**, you can if you would like to donate to the Lakemont Cemetery.

**YES**, you can if you would volunteer to serve on the board.

**YES**, provide us with names and addresses of your relatives that do not receive the newsletter, or request that they provide their name and addresses to us or provide anyone's address that may be of interest to the cemetery.

*Did you know that we are not permitted to spend our permanent maintenance funds principal? It is intended to be held for the future care of the cemetery. We are only permitted to use investment earnings for current maintenance.*

### **Financial Report – Calendar Year 2025**

|                                       |                  |                                          |                          |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Operating Balance, January 1</b>   | <b>\$ 32,530</b> | <b>Perm. Maint. Balance, January 1</b>   | <b>\$72,522</b>          |
| Receipts                              |                  | Grave Sales Allocation                   | 250                      |
| Grave Sales                           | 250              | Interment Income Allocation              | 105                      |
| Interment Income                      | 945              | Dividends/Interest                       | <u>3,643</u>             |
| Gifts & Contributions                 | 4,065            | Net Increase (Decrease)                  | <u>3,998</u>             |
| Dividends/Interest                    | <u>806</u>       |                                          |                          |
| Total Receipts                        | <u>6,066</u>     |                                          |                          |
| Disbursements                         |                  | <b>Perm. Maint. Balance, December 31</b> | <b>\$76,520</b>          |
| Grounds Maintenance                   | 1,940            |                                          |                          |
| Supplies, Fees, Misc.                 | 1,207            |                                          |                          |
| Insurance                             | <u>692</u>       | <b>Total Funds</b>                       |                          |
| Total Disbursements                   | <u>3,839</u>     | Operating Account                        | \$ 34,757                |
| Net Increase (Decrease)               | <u>2,227</u>     | Permanent Maintenance Account            | <u>76,520</u>            |
|                                       |                  |                                          | <u><b>\$ 111,277</b></u> |
| <b>Operating Balance, December 31</b> | <b>\$ 34,757</b> | Cremains Burials - 3                     |                          |
|                                       |                  | Full Body Burials - 0                    |                          |

Know someone who would like to get involved with our Association? Contact us at [lakemontcemetery@gmail.com](mailto:lakemontcemetery@gmail.com).