



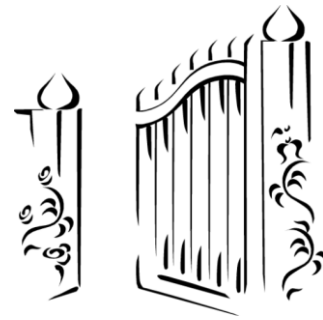
# TRUSTEES OF CEMETERIES

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## ANNUAL REPORT 2010



With the support of the voters at the 2010 Town Meeting, regular maintenance continues for Gilmanton's Cemeteries and Burial Grounds. Each year, weather has great impact on the work. Dry summers such as we had in 2010 reduced the speed by which the grass grew, but heavy snows, ice and wind cause damage to trees in and near these sites.

The Trustees met with and continue to work closely with Mr. Nicholas North regarding a warrant article to come before the 2011 Town Meeting requesting that the Town accept the Besse Burial Ground. His proposal is to transfer the burial ground and area immediately adjacent to it to the Town along with a deeded access easement. Mr. North will also establish a Trust Fund for further maintenance costs.

Upon careful inspection of the site, the Trustees recommended the Selectmen support Mr. North's proposal on several conditions including those above along with site work to be completed prior to acceptance of the site once Town Meeting has approved the transfer.

The Trustees' primary concern is to protect such sites, but also has a responsibility to the Town to assure any acceptance will not cause undue hardship on the taxpayers. We believe any such burden in this instance has been avoided by the conditions recommended.

Three sites were rehabilitated/repared:






The Trustees worked closely with property owners on Allens Mill Road to rehabilitate two burial grounds and thank Mr. Tony Segalini, Mr. William Kordas and Ms. Terry Billotta who graciously allowed full access to the Weed and Foster burial grounds for this work. Both sites were cleared and the walls completed/reset to appropriately enclose the burial areas.






Thanks to Mr. George Gray who reported and then repaired a wall at Guinea Ridge Cemetery



Other 2010 Cemetery projects included:

-  Corner posts were set on several lots. Work funded by the purchaser of the lots.
-  Removal of large dead/encroaching trees in Copp Cemetery – no damage occurred to gravestones or boundary wall
-  Trash illegally deposited at the Hillside Cemetery was removed

Our 2011 “*List of Things To Do!*”

-  Post information/regulation signs at cemetery sites and erect easement and access markers
-  Draft a Trustees Handbook
-  Work with Probate Court to simplify lot ownership process

In addition to our contractors, Carl Moorehead, Kevin Fife of Twin Elms Landscaping and Courtney Kelly of ArborTech, the Trustees wish to thank the Voters of the Town of Gilmanton, Paul Lines, Richard Foss, Mr. Eastman (Town Pound) and neighbors to the Sawyer Lake and other cemeteries who help to maintain the sites, remove brush and limbs, allow access over their property to the cemeteries and keep a watchful eye on these important community sites. Additional information on sites, including available lots can be accessed on the Town website. Please contact us at any time with your information, questions or comments.

Very Respectfully Submitted,

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Cemetery, Burial Ground and Historic Sites:

<b>Beech Grove</b> <sup>S</sup> Province Road	<b>Foss</b> <sup>NS</sup> Pine Hill Road	<b>Levi Hutchinson</b> <sup>NS</sup> Rogers Road	<b>Plummer</b> <sup>NS</sup> Sawyer Lake Road
<b>Besse</b> <sup>PA</sup> Hall's Hill Road	<b>Foster</b> <sup>NS</sup> Allens Mill Road	<b>Lougee</b> <sup>NS</sup> Crystal Lake Road	<b>Sanborn</b> <sup>NS</sup> Middle Route
<b>Buzzell</b> <sup>S</sup> Shellcamp Road	<b>French</b> <sup>NS</sup> French Road	<b>Mary Butler Homesite</b> <sup>HS</sup> Mary Butler Lane	<b>Sawyer Lake</b> <sup>NS</sup> Sawyer Lake Road
<b>Carr</b> <sup>NS</sup> Upper City Road	<b>Friends</b> <sup>NS</sup> State Route 140	<b>Merrill</b> <sup>NS</sup> Pancake Hill Road	<b>Sleeper</b> <sup>NS</sup> Old Stage Road
<b>Clough</b> <sup>NS</sup> Old Stage Road	<b>Guinea Ridge</b> <sup>NS</sup> Guinea Ridge Road	<b>Mudgett</b> <sup>NS</sup> Loon Pond Road	<b>Smith Meetinghouse</b> <sup>PA</sup> Meeting House Road
<b>Copp</b> <sup>NS</sup> Province Road	<b>Hatch Road</b> <sup>NS</sup> Hatch Road	<b>Mudgett Homesite</b> <sup>HS</sup> Pancake Hill Road	<b>Tibbetts</b> <sup>NS</sup> Route 140
<b>Edgerly (1)</b> <sup>NS</sup> Old Stage Road	<b>Hatie Smith Road</b> <sup>NS</sup> Hatie Smith Road	<b>Osgood</b> <sup>NS</sup> Loon Pond Road	<b>Town Pound</b> <sup>HS</sup> Province Road
<b>Edgerly (2)</b> <sup>NS</sup> Hatch Road	<b>Hilliard</b> <sup>NS</sup> Thistle Road	<b>Page</b> <sup>NS</sup> Middle Route	<b>Weed</b> <sup>NS</sup> Allens Mill Road
<b>Emerson</b> <sup>NS</sup> Geddes Road	<b>Hillside</b> <sup>NS</sup> Edgerly Road	<b>Parsons</b> <sup>NS</sup> Province Road	<b>Wicka</b> <sup>NS</sup> Meadow Pond Road
	<b>Leavitt Road</b> <sup>NS</sup> Leavitt Road	<b>Pine Grove</b> <sup>PA</sup> Stage Road	<b>Wilson Hill</b> <sup>NS</sup> Upper City Road

<sup>S</sup> Lots for Sale    <sup>PA</sup> Private/Association    <sup>HS</sup> Historic Site    <sup>NS</sup> No Lots for Sale    <sup>PID</sup> Pending ID