

CEMETERY TRUSTEES
2011-2012 ANNUAL REPORT

The Cemetery Trustees have been elected to oversee and maintain the public and non-public cemeteries.

One of the priorities during 2011-2012 was to update the Cemetery Rules and Regulations, last adopted October 13, 2011. These new rules can be found on the Town of Lee website under Town Departments, Cemetery Trustees, Additional Links. If you own a plot or plots in any of the town cemeteries, reading the Rules and Regulations for the latest information is recommended.

A total of 11 plots was sold in 2011-2012, a marked decrease from the 38 sold in 2010-2011. Funds received from sale of a plot or plots are deposited into a trust held by the Trustee of the Trust Funds. The Town of Lee receives the yearly interest accrued from the trust funds which is used as a portion of the Cemetery Trustee budget. 2011-2012 interest was \$5756.72. Although there are over 77 identified burial grounds within the town limits, only 19 cemeteries have trusts held for their physical maintenance. This maintenance continues to be a large responsibility of the Trustees. Additionally, mowing and minor maintenance are carried out by Cemetery Superintendent Randy Stevens and his crew.

Major renovation continued at Old Parish Cemetery located on the corner of Garrity and Mast Roads. Broken stones were repaired and several stones cleaned. One stone found along the fence was mounted back at its original spot. The entire perimeter fence was cleaned of brush and damaged or dead trees. Privet hedge was pruned and the bank along Mast Road was cleaned of debris, revealing the old steps. All bent or broken pipes were repaired or replaced and all fences were painted.

Other cemeteries receiving repairing and painting of fences were The Charles Jones Cemetery on Snell Road, The Lee Hill Cemetery across from the Town Hall, and The Fernald Cemetery on Kelsey Road. The Durgin Cemetery located on the Snelling property, Route 155, was evaluated and has been placed on the maintenance list for 2012-2013.

Thank you to the VFW Post 10676 of Lee for placing the memorial flags on the veterans' graves and removing them for winter. Several new flag holders were purchased for veterans buried during the year.

Respectfully Submitted, Cemetery Trustees