## Woodlawn Cemetery

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## Dear Friends of Woodlawn Cemetery,

With the arrival of the 2025 maintenance season, the Board wishes to extend its sincere gratitude to everyone who has donated in the past. Your generous contributions are essential to keep our beautiful 142-year-old cemetery operating.

This year's Annual Meeting in February was the first one held on Zoom! Thank you to Shari from the Town of Hamilton for facilitating, as well as to our guests who attended. Minutes from this meeting are posted on the Woodlawn website, along with updated Rules and Regulations.

**Memorial Day:** Although the flags that were placed on Veterans' graves last year were vandalized, Woodlawn will continue to honor these people who gave so much to this country. Going forward, we will include the cost of flags in our budget and secure volunteers to be sure that this project is accomplished each year.

**Special projects:** As a first step toward better security of the grounds, we are considering the installation of trail cameras. (20 trail cameras would cost around \$800.) Other Special Projects on the horizon that require funding are: Tree Removal Project (\$20,000), a new commercial grade weed eater (\$500), and No Parking signs for the driveway. These costs are not covered by our operations budget (salaries, equipment, insurance). For those who are able to make an additional donation toward these projects, we would be most grateful.

**Announcement:** The Board is saddened to announce the passing of Debbie Kliman in February. Debbie had been an active member for several years and did so much for Woodlawn by compiling information about its history, and serving as Recording Secretary. She will be dearly missed. We are looking for someone to fill her seat on the Board, so please contact us if you might be interested.

**PLEASE DONATE.** Donations comprise the majority of our annual operating budget, which we receive from 35% of the people on our mailing list. The Board is strongly committed to the continued upkeep of this cemetery that belongs to all of us. Your generous tax-deductible donation and continued support will ensure the longevity of the cemetery, and may be sent by check in the enclosed envelope, or via the PayPal link on our website.

With much gratitude, The Woodlawn Board of Directors

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