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RIENZI RAMBLER

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Rienzi Cemetery and Chapel Mausoleum

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FROM THE COUNSELOR ...

Greetings from the office at Rienzi!

Yes, we made it. It was a long, long drawn out affair but we made it. The 'it' I am referring to is WIN-TER! If you know how the vards around your houses looked after the snow finally melted, you can imagine what the Rienzi grounds looked like post "WINTER 2013" (50X worse). The slow clean-up process is underway but there are some things that may take almost all summer to fix. So take it easy on my grounds crew, they are doing everything they can under the conditions!

My message today involves the word cooperation. It is defined in Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary as "association of persons for common benefit".

The association I am talking about today is obviously Rienzi Cemetery Assn. The common benefit is Rienzi's beauty and longevity.

Rienzi has been through some tough times in the past several years but with cooperation from many generous lot owners and community leaders it is returning to its majestic form. My long term hope is for more people to become involved for the common benefit of Rienzi.

When It comes to a 501 (c) 13 non-profit, like Rienzi, there isn't much room for "I". Actually there isn't any room for "I"

An attitude of "we" is required to assure Rienzi remains the grand, distinguished facility that it has been for almost 168 years.

Have a Great Summer!
Until next time ... Rae Nell



ROAD SWEEPER

Rienzi Cemetery is in need of a brush for one of our lawnmowers to sweep the roads. It uses up a lot of the ground crew's time hand sweeping but on the other hand having the roads swept all of the time makes the grounds look that much nicer. The cost for a new unit is just over \$2000.00 but we already have an anonymous donation to cover one-third of the cost. If anyone would be interested in contributing to the cost of a sweeping brush for the Rienzi grounds just call the office. 922-4543

TAFT 23 4-H CLUB



Thanks to the Taft 23 4-H Club for painting our garbage cans

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RIENZI RAMBLER

DEER DAMAGE

As beautiful as deer can be in an open field, in a picture or in your freezer, the scope of the damage they did on the shrubs etc. on the Rienzi grounds this winter is not beautiful. That is why I did some research. I called our FDL County Crops and Soils Agent Mike Rankin and he referred me to the following information out of the University of Minnesota. We welcome lot owners to plant shrubs etc next to their monuments so hopefully this information will assist you in selecting something that will stand up to the wildlife a bit better.



Deer Resistant Plants

Botanical Name	Common Name	Height	Comments
Annuals & Perennials			
Achilled spp.	yattow	18"-3'	Drought tolerant; prefers full sun.
Ageratum houstonianum	ageratum	6-24°	Beautiful blue, pink or white flowers; easy to grow.
Allium spp.	ornamental onion	1-4'	Many forms and species; tough and may self-seed.
Aquilegia canadensis	columbine	1-3'	Short-lived, but self-seeds; showy flowers.
Begonia semperflorens &c hybrids	wax begonia	8-2'	Dependable flowers; shade and drought tolerant.
Echinacea purpurea	coneflower	2-3'	Native; attracts birds and butterfflies; well-drained soil.
Heliotropium arborescens	heliotrope	18-24°	Cherry-pie fragrance; tough, long lasting flowers.
Lobularia maritima	sweet alyssum	4-12"	Edging and container plant; self-seeds.
Narcissus spp.	daffodil	6-24**	Poisonous to squirrels and deer; can be planted under trees.
Paeonia lactiflora	peony	2-3'	Long lasting perennial; may need staking; prefers full sun.
Papaver spp.	рорру	1-3'	Showy flowers; can self-seed; many species and cultivars.
Pelargonium xhortorum	geranium	12-18°	Cemetery plant; tough and drought resistant.
Perovskia atriplicifolia	Russian sage	3-4'	Drought tolerant; prefers full sun.
Salvia farinacea	blue salvia	24-30°	Attracts butterflies and hummingbirds.
Senecio cineraria	dusty miller	6-15°	Silver-grey or white foliage; drought and cold tolerant.
Stachys byzantina	lamb's ear	6-15°	Silver foliage good for edging and front of border; drought tolerant.
Tagetes spp.	marigold	6°-3°	Long-lasting yellow, gold and bicolor flowers; easy to grow from seed.
Trees, Shrubs, & Vines			
Barberis thunbergii	Japanese barberry	2-5	Thorny; many cultivars; red berries and red fall color; may be invasive.
Celāstrus scāndens	bittersweet	to 60'	Woody native vine with atttractive berries.
Forsythia 'Northern Sun'	forsythia	8-10'	Fast growing, very hardy flower buds, tolerates a wide variety of soils.
Juniperus chinensis	Chinese juniper	2-6'	Many cultivars and forms; good for full sun and well-drained soil.
Pinus mugo	mugo pine	12-20'	Tolerant of alkaline, compacted or salty soils.
Pinus sylvestris	Scots pine	25-50'	Evergreen with attractive bark.
Syringa vulgarus	lilac	8-15	Showy fragrant flowers in spring; tolerant of many sites.
Viburnum lentago	nannyberry	12-18'	Native shrub; fruits turn from red to blue; shade tolerant.

Deer damage to ornamental plants is very frustrating. You can minimize the damage they can do by avoiding plants they prefer and instead use these plants that deer avoid due to toxicity, fragrance or texture.

Compiled by Gilda Banfield, Olmsted County Master Gardener. Gilda has been gardening with deer for 30 years and has learned that the plants listed here are usually avoided by deer. She likes to remember that the deer were here first.



Peonies are long lived, cold tolerant perennials that deer rarely eat.



Northern Sun' is a UM cold hardy introduction of forsythia, a shruh rarely eaten by deer.

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Mark Your Calendar ... In cooperation with the Fond du Lac Community Theatre the Reinzi Harvest Moon Stroll event is growing. The date is Saturday, September 21, 2013. The times are 11-4 and then again from 6-9 with an evening flair. There will be food and beverages on the grounds with possibilities including old fashioned lemonade, penny candy and more. If anyone is interested in helping with this event call the office at 922-4543 and if not, just mark your calendars!

2013 RIENZI GROUNDS CREW



Our 2013 Grounds Crew acquired a new toy (of sorts) recently.

Pictured with Rienzi's new Farris zero turn lawn mower is

(l-r) Alex Kaphengst, Jacob Waldschmidt, Mike Olig, grounds superintendent, Norm Waldschmidt and Dan Dobogai.

They had a huge job getting the Rienzi grounds ready for Memorial Day weekend.

They are always happy to answer any questions you have about the grounds!

WBAY PET EXPO

WBAY 5, 6 & 10 p.m. News Anchor Bill Jartz stopped at the Rienzi Cemetery and Chapel Mausoleum booth at the 8th Annual WBAY Pet Expo held at the Brown County Veterans Arena in Green Bay. The pet expo was held Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 22nd-24th. Jartz was in attendance to MC the Sunday afternoon awards ceremony.

Expo visitors browsed over 60 booths in the arena gathering a plethora of pet care ideas.



WBAY 5, 6,& 10 p.m. News Anchor Bill Jartz and Rae Nell at the WBAY Pet Expo

MONUMENT SALES



Rienzi offers a full-service monument business, only for property owners at Rienzi. We work with Blast Craft Service, Inc. out of Slinger WI. Blast Craft's goal is to deliver more than their customers expect. When it comes to the supply of granite memorials they strive to see how much value they can pack into every interaction between their company and Rienzi. They believe that customer care is the all important factor that separates them from their competition.

Keep in mind when you purchase a monument

Blast Craft through Rienzi the profits are
re-invested in the long term maintenance of Rienzi Cemetery!

Newest Monument on the Rienzi grounds

Rienzi Cemetery and All-Faiths Chapel Mausoleum

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Make your final resting place part of Fond du Lac history at Rienzi Rienzi Cemetery
and
All-Faiths Chapel Mausoleum
is a non-sectarian,
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It is owned by the individual property
bearers and their families.

Thank You to some of our generous donors

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FAQ

Our loved ones monuments are dirty and sinking. Can they be cleaned and straightened and if so how much does it cost?

Answer: Monuments can be cleaned and straightened. With exception of an extremely large monument our grounds crew can do it during a normal work day. The price is entirely based on the degree of work. A cleaning can cost as little as \$25 or as much as ???. Leveling also can cost as little as \$25.00 and as high as ???. Surprisingly enough, the cost is more likely to be on the lower side. *The great part about this is it doesn't cost anything for an estimate!*

Is there still space at Rienzi?

Answer: There is space all over Rienzi Cemetery. If you are nostalgic there is space in the older areas. If you are looking for something more wide open we have that also. There is space in the Garden Mausoleum which we have currently discounted and of course we have lots of space in the Chapel Mausoleum also currently discounted.

How many flags are on the Rienzi grounds throughout the summer?

Answer: There are currently 52 large and almost 1000 small flags flying on the Rienzi grounds



Calendar of Events

Rienzi is not hosting a June Cemetery Walk in 2013!

July 27, 2013
Rienzi Cemetery selling
ice cream sundaes at the
Downtown Farmers
Market

September 21, 2013 Harvest Moon Stroll 11-4 & 6-9