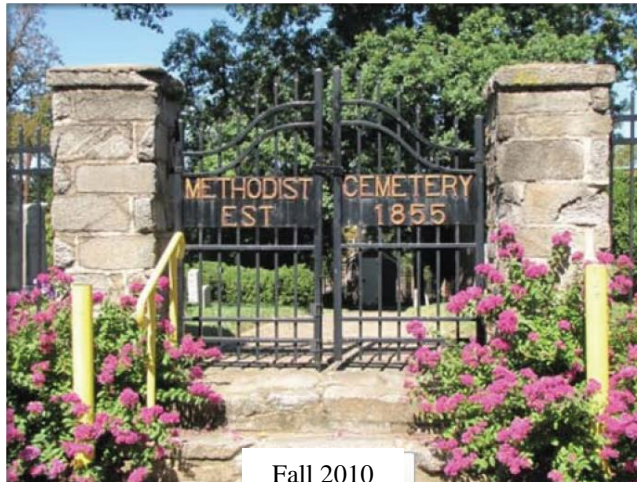


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Dear Members & Interested Friends,

The Annual Meeting for The Methodist Cemetery Association will be held on Sunday, May 15, 2011 from 2-4 p.m. at Friendship Terrace, 4201 Butterworth Place N.W., in the 5th floor lounge. This building is directly behind the cemetery, off 42nd Street. (Note: this is a change from the usual 3rd floor meeting room due to renovations going on at Friendship Terrace.) Please come if you can!

The Year at a Glance

The Cemetery continues to flourish. It is quite beautiful in the Spring. First the daffodils, then the flowering trees, now the irises and large azalea; soon the Easter lilies, and many other flowering plants along Murdock Mill Road.

We got a late start on maintenance this year, with all the weekend rains. But a couple of weekends ago, some volunteers from the City Church helped us weed part of the outside of the fence along Murdock Mill Road on a rainy Saturday. And last weekend, the weather cooperated (although it was plenty chilly) and John Schwartz and his nephew were finally able to mow the grass. It's growing at a great rate due to all the rain!

Success Stories

On November 4, 2010, the District of Columbia Office of Planning, Historic Preservation Office, presented the winners of the Eighth Annual Awards for Excellence in Historic Preservation at the Carnegie Institution for Science in Dupont Circle. An award for Excellence in Stewardship was given jointly to Audrey Schwartz (posthumously) and Diane Tamayo for the restoration of the Methodist Cemetery, Tenleytown. A beautiful collage of photos from the cemetery was presented on screen, and Audrey's husband John went up on stage along with Diane to accept framed awards. Thanks go to the Tenleytown Historical Society for the nomination!

November 13, 2010 was the launch of the long-awaited Heritage Trail in Tenleytown. The Cemetery Association played a role in the celebrations, with Diane Tamayo and John Derrick leading a walking tour from Fort Reno to Eldbrooke Church and ending in our cemetery. Trail sign #9 is devoted to the church and cemetery. It is located on River Road, just across from the entrance into Murdock Mill Road.

Your Support is Still Needed

We continue to need your support through your attendance at this Annual Meeting. Last year's meeting resulted in extending the term for the Board of Directors to two years. But your involvement is more important as each year goes by.

As you will see from the Treasurer's report, we have kept expenditures to the bare minimum. The only expenditure again this year was the bonding for the Board of Directors. We continue to "squirrel away" our funds against the day when free labor may no longer be available! So, please don't forget, membership dues are due at the time of the annual meeting. Volunteer labor is also welcome any time.

Agenda for the May 2011 Annual Meeting

1. Collection of membership dues
2. Old business
 - a. Minutes from last year's meeting
 - b. Treasurer's report
3. New business
 - a. Ideas?
 - b. Next annual meeting: 3rd Sunday in May (tentative)