




COMMUNICATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	March 9, 2023
SUBJECT:	Hamilton Municipal Cemeteries: Cemetery Chronicles – Historic Tours of Hamilton Cemetery (ES23004) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
SUBMITTED BY:	Cynthia Graham Acting Director, Environmental Services Public Works Department
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This Communication Update is to inform the Mayor and Members of City Council of the launch of the new historically based cemetery tours at Hamilton Cemetery. In prior years, this program was provided by a volunteer that provided a story-based tour. Many people have participated in these tours and we would like to thank the volunteer who led these tours for his time and effort to date. The new program will be provided by a volunteer and be history focused.

The Cemetery Chronicles Historical Walking Tours at Hamilton Cemetery offer visitors the opportunity to explore the rich history and cultural heritage of this significant site. Led by knowledgeable guides, the tours take participants on a journey through the cemetery, visiting the graves of some of Hamilton's most prominent and interesting historical figures.

During the tours, visitors will learn about the history of Hamilton and the lives of the individuals who shaped the city. The guides will provide information on the architectural styles and cultural significance of the monuments, mausoleums, and statuary within the cemetery, as well as the history of the cemetery itself.

Tours are free to attend with no reservations required. Tours begin at the Cemetery Gatehouse – Hamilton Cemetery 777 York Blvd at the below noted dates and times.

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Cemetery Chronicles Tour	Date	Time
March Break – Family Friendly Tours	March 13 th – March 17 th (Daily)	10:00am & 1:00pm
Doors Open Gatehouse Tour	May 6 th & May 7 th	10:00am – 2:00pm
War of 1812 Tour – Battlefield	May 27 th & May 28 th	10:00am
Garden Tour	June 18 th	10:00am
George Hamilton Day Tour	August 7 th	10:00am
Ambitious City Tours #1	July 4 th & August 15 th	10:00am
Ambitious City Tours #2	July 18 th & August 29 th	10:00am
Naval Tour	September 10 th & September 24 th	7:00pm
Naval Tour	November 26 th	10:00am
Garden Tour	October 22 nd	10:00am

Please contact John Perrotta, Superintendent of Cemeteries, at extension 4402 should you have any questions or concerns respecting the operation of any of the City owned and operated Cemeteries.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

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