

MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL CEMETERIES 2024

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President's Remarks

Dear MAMC Members:

Once again we are at the time of year to renew your membership as we plan for the 2024 MAMC Conference. There is no other cemetery association in the State of Michigan that specifically aims to support municipal cemeteries, and your Board will continue to work toward that end. We trust you will find the time enriching, informative and applicable to your day to day operations. We hope you can join us this year!

Please check out the reminders/details along the left side of this page and the following forms.

In thinking about the conference one might ask, "How does a good conference start?" Questions are the sparks that turn into speakers and vendors who show up at our conferences. If you have questions on a particular topic that you would like to hear more on, please let us know.

I would like to take a moment to acknowledge the first annual "National Last Responders Day" which was January 20, 2024. If we simply define our "work" as "bringing order from chaos", then from the view of our cemeteries being little communities in and of themselves, we can easily imagine what happens if our staff ceased to show up when needed. Add in all the emotional aspect of an immediate burial, mix it together with the public health aspect, and if everyone didn't do their part in the process, then that chaos goes to a whole different level. So whether you are motivated by a passion for cemeteries and public service or are simply working to earn a paycheck, a National Day that acknowledges what you and others involved with cemeteries do for your community is worth acknowledging in return.

Thank you for serving your community through your work for the cemetery, and for the time you take to support yourself and others in this work by being a part of the Michigan Association of Municipal Cemeteries. Our strength is, and always has been, in our membership.

Sincerely,

-Suzanne Rowland

MAMC President 2023 / 2024
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2024 Highlights

Membership Dues: \$45.00

Conference Details:

*Bavarian Inn Lodge,
Frankenmuth.*

August 21st ~ 23rd

Admission Fee: \$159.00

Registration Deadline: August 6th

**Cemeterian of the Year Award:
Nominations due May 6th.**

**Board Member Volunteers:
Submit your name by this years
Conference.**

**Cemeterian of the Year and Board
Member Volunteer submissions
plus any general questions:**

Email:

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**Thank you for being
a part of our 64th year!**