



The cemetery's landscape will soon be transformed into an amazing palette of rich colors, and crisp air and fall scents will return. As the leaves turn to vibrant shades of gold, red, and orange, we reflect on a year that has been our 175th anniversary and a year of many accomplishments. In the past several years, the trees of our Level III accredited arboretum have been the focus of our attention as we continue to find ways to enhance our plant collections.

Your support for enhancing the flowering tree collections at Bellefontaine Cemetery and Arboretum is an investment in preserving this historic site's natural beauty and ecological diversity. By making a gift, you contribute to the growth and enrichment of a living sanctuary that provides a peaceful space for reflection, education, and community engagement. Your generosity will help us expand our carefully curated collection of flowering trees, such as our majestic magnolias and dazzling dogwoods, ensuring that future generations can experience the vibrant blossoms and the essential habitats they create for local wildlife.

This season, I invite you to partner with us as an integral part of the arboretum's mission. The arboretum is a magnificent space in our community, and it's much more than a collection of trees. It provides a place of inspiration, encourages us to pause and appreciate nature, and breathe in the beauty of a historic cultural institution on the forefront of helping to revitalize St. Louis.

Sincerely,

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