

Dear Sherry,

As the warmth of spring envelops our community, we are reminded of the beauty and tranquility that nature brings—a serenity profoundly embodied within the grounds of Bellefontaine Cemetery and Arboretum. The Cemetery has been a place of reflection, remembrance, and peace for generations, offering countless families and individuals solace.

I am delighted to introduce three new interactive educational trails in the Summer of 2025. The new trails enhance our historic grounds, each thoughtfully designed to enrich the experience of all who visit. These serene pathways wind through new Cemetery sections highlighting these areas for exploration and opportunities for contemplation amidst the blooming landscapes. The trails are meticulously crafted to offer a deeper connection to our Cemetery's rich tapestry of stories. One of the trails at Public Lot 01 is accessible for our visitors with special mobility needs.

Your support of the Friends of Bellefontaine ensures that we can continue to develop and maintain trails, enhance gardens, add to our tree collections, and offer free guided tours. Your generosity helps support things like:

- Preserve the beauty and safety of the trails for all visitors.
- Install informative markers that share the rich history and stories.
- Plant native flora to enrich the natural environment and support local wildlife.

Every contribution, regardless of size, makes a meaningful impact. Please share this initiative with friends and family who may also value preserving our community's heritage and invite them to visit!

As always, I am deeply grateful for your continued support and dedication to Bellefontaine Cemetery and Arboretum. Together, we can ensure that our Cemetery remains a cherished sanctuary for reflection and remembrance, now and for future generations.

Sincerely,

Sherry Smith

President | CEO

Bellefontaine Cemetery and Arboretum

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To simplify your giving, we offer many different options to make your gift.

Online: Visit our website at www.bellefontainecemetery.org and click on "Giving".

Mail: Send a check payable to Friends of Bellefontaine to 4947 West Florissant Avenue,

St. Louis, MO 63115.

In-Person: Drop off your donation at our office during visiting hours.