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Re: MWC planning meeting

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Gary for Maplewood Cemetery <gary@maplewoodcemetery.org>
To: johnfr@twc.com

Sat, Mar 16, 2024 at 7:20 PM

Hi John,
Thanks for the reply!
Starting with dates, I hope you have a great vacation and come back ready to go!
I like Saturday afternoons too. How about 4/27 or 5/11 ~2 PM at our home? I'll provide refreshments.....
I did exclude some for reasons that may be obvious, that we will discuss.
I did send you the Cozi invitation, now that you are the Pres....
The Cozi password is a shared password for 'our family' (so don't change it;) [Mwc_Calendar01](#)
I'm working on a number of things, including a list of topics to review. The idea is trying to brainstorm, not solve all the issues in 1 pass.
Getting ideas out of our board has been difficult and frustrating. I hope this group can do better.
My goal is a framework of roles and responsibilities that we can present at the next meeting. That should help us finalize the bylaws.
I'm interested in your opinions about what the 'president' should do. My latest saying has been 'apathy and ignorance'. If no one cares to participate, respond to issues, and actually learn what the cemetery needs it leads to ignorance about the cemetery. Of course I'm not claiming we have ignorant people, but on the issues we need help with, little has been accomplished.
I'm really interested in how do I 'continue on my road to retirement'. With the caveat that I do not want the cemetery to fail. I still think something like a general manager is needed. We had just started to review that structure in the last bylaws meeting. That type of oversight role I could do. Scott has been excellent in his expanding role! I want to avoid dumping everything on you or him.
I'm sure there is a lot more we can discuss that I'm not going to put in this message.
If you want to have a 1:1 chat sometime before the meeting, I'm all in.

Gary

On Sat, Mar 16, 2024 at 6:24 PM <johnfr@twc.com> wrote:

Hi Gary, I did not add the rest of the group until I know the time you want to do this. I will be glad to set this up.

I am going to be away April 2nd through the 4th and on vacation April 12 - 21. Is there a date or dates that fits your schedule? Saturdays are good in the afternoons and weekday evenings are good except Mondays.

Also did you add me to Cozi? I have received an email to confirm my email. I'm just a little cautious of emails.

Lets get this going for you and Linda,
John

From: "Gary for Maplewood Cemetery"
To: "John Hatch"
Cc: "George Zornow", "Linda@Maplewood Cemetery", "Scott Nevol", "Melanie Rajaphoumy"
Sent: Friday March 15 2024 5:32:33PM
Subject: MWC planning meeting

Hi John,
I've included a core group in this message that I know can contribute significantly.
I'd ask you, Mr. President, to set up an 'executive' meeting with this group where we can have an open, and honest, planning meeting on our near future,

We know things need to change, but it will take more than just me retiring or stepping back.

4/6/24, 9:00 AM

Gmail - Re: MWC planning meeting

I'm pleased to have the support of all of you and some of the tasks are already being handled quite nicely!
I have a new lead for a potential new board member and secretary, Cindy Dalton. Cindy's aunt is Melba. I've invited Cindy to the June 5th board meeting at the cemetery and have sent her the Annual meeting presentation for her review.

I think we need more direction to be discussed by us before that June 5th meeting.

We can have the meeting at our home if that works.
John, let me know your thoughts and proposed date(s) for the group.

Thanks!
Gary