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To all the folks who love the Town of Sorrento:

The Doane's Point Cemetery located in Sorrento, Maine is announcing a capital campaign for major expansion and improvements.

The Cemetery was founded in 1964 by a committee of Sorrento residents to serve as a non-denominational community burial ground for year-round and summer residents. To date over 72 Sorrento families have chosen this quiet spot as their final resting place. The operating expenses for the Cemetery are low with most spending on utilities and maintenance. Operating income is also small, coming from endowment interest, a Town of Sorrento stipend, and the sale of burial plots.

There are only eight plots left in the original layout. As a result, the Cemetery Board of Trustees elected to begin a major expansion adding 168 burial plots with the associated costs of land clearing, surveying, road construction, and dedicated parking.

Thanks to a few early generous gifts, much of the basic layout has been done. However, pathways and parking areas, post and chain fencing, and final plantings and landscaping will need to be installed. The Cemetery Board has estimated that the cost of this final work will be \$30,000.

We are currently seeking donations to fund this final phase of the expansion. As a 501(c)13 non-profit all gifts to the Cemetery are tax deductible! Donations of commemorative features such as benches are also an option.

Please reach out to me if you have any questions. In the meantime thank you for your consideration of this community need. Please support the Cemetery by making a gift of any size to: Doane's Point Cemetery, PO Box 72, Sorrento Maine 04677.

With gratitude,

The Doane's Pt. Cemetery Capital Campaign Manager

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