

GCPS Progress Report

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By Diane Sterne

- While we were visiting the Cemetery with our family on the last weekend in May, I discovered some graffiti on the sign in the Chinese section of the Cemetery. It had faded quite a bit but it looked like a signature. I rubbed it off as best I could and now it is quite faded. Bob Sterne pulled the card out of the camera and started going through it. To our surprise, the graffiti was actually done in August of last year. We hadn't noticed it. Bob found a photo of the young female who did the graffiti. There is a picture of her approaching the sign (which was clean), a photo of her leaving the sign with a pen in her hand, and a photo of the sign with graffiti on it. No one else was with her and there is only 14 seconds of time total of all three photos. It is quite obvious she was the one who defaced the sign. I asked the Executive for their thoughts on how to proceed with this. While the sign is fine, we do want to discourage this type of behaviour.
- It was reported to the RCMP. Bob Sterne heard back from the Princeton RCMP Sgt. Rob Hughes and this is what he said:
*Thank you. I got your message on Thursday and did not get a chance to reply before a Town Council meeting Thursday afternoon. I was off Friday.
Minor or Major, every file matters. I will have a file created in the event that we identify the female. If anyone comes to you with an ID, please let me know ASAP.
Thank you for the info.*
- I sent out an email regarding the graffiti to all of our members and asked that they post the photos on Social Media with the hopes we can find out who did this. Thank you, Todd Lester and others for posting this on many FaceBook pages.
Update: The girl's Mom contacted the Princeton RCMP. Sgt. Hughes asked what the GCPS would like done and Bob Sterne said we would like a hand-written letter of apology from the girl. He said the Mom could send it to the Princeton RCMP office and we will pick it up there. To date, we have not received an apology.
- I tried to contact Evelyn Riechert of the RDOS regarding putting a structure over Coomes' Cabin. Apparently she no longer works there. Her replacement is Cory Labrecque. I have sent him the documents from January (Schedules F & G) that need to be signed by an RDOS representative. I have also sent him the email I originally sent to Evelyn regarding Coomes' Cabin. Hopefully we will get some response from him regarding these two matters.
- On June 4 Bob Sterne received a call from Bert Rice regarding the Bromley Trail. Bert hiked the Granite Creek end of the Trail and flagged it with orange tape with black stripes. He started from the hairpin turn on the Roany FSR and the Trail angles up along the side of the hill above the Roany FSR. Bert followed it for about ¼ mile to where a quad trail branches off from the Roany FSR. He feels he is 99% confident he has marked the Trail that far. Bert could see areas where the Trail was shoveled off level, indicating the Trail was man made. He plans to see if he can extend it further when he has time. Thank you so very much, Bert, for your life time of expertise in helping find this lost Trail.
- Todd Lester has taken two more recycle bags for us. Thank you so much for doing this, Todd. Your efforts bring in much needed funds for the group. Todd sent us the money via the GCPS website.