

NEWS BULLETIN

September 22, 2010

We had such a good response to our last News Bulletin that we're sending another one right on its heels.

YOU ARE INVITED

The Friends of Rockwood are invited to attend a special talk and tour called the "Mourning Tour" on Sunday, October 3 at 10:30 AM. We will hear about the Victorian customs surrounding death and see how the Bringhurst family mourned one of their loved ones. You are encouraged to bring a friend and if they join The Friends of Rockwood, they will get the tour for free too. Please RSVP to 302-762-2075 or info@friendsofrockwood.org by September 29, 2010.

A SERIOUS SITUATION

The Friends of Rockwood group is struggling and we need your help. We must grow our volunteer and membership base if we are to continue our mission to preserve Rockwood. We have a small dedicated group of docents and volunteers, who work tirelessly but it's simply not enough. **We need to grow.** Please ask your friends, family or fellow workers to join us. We also have corporate sponsorships.

We will be planning more events like the special Mourning Tour, and hopefully, with more fun and interesting things to do, more people will want to join us.

UPDATES

We will be making a presentation to County Council on Tuesday, September 28 about The Friends group and the role we have played at Rockwood in the past and our plans for the future. We want all

Council members to hear what a valuable asset Rockwood is to New Castle County and how our membership has helped to make it the “hidden jewel.” This will be on the 8th Floor Conference Room, City/County Building, 800 N. French Street between 3:00 and 4:30 PM if you are interested in attending.

The silver polishing day is still on for Saturday, October 2 from 10 AM to 1 PM in the Conservatory.

The Delaware Greenways clean up is Saturday, October 9 from 8:45 AM to 1:00 PM and we’d like to have a good showing from our group.

The DVDs are going like hotcakes...**GREAT GIFT IDEA!!!!**

We are going to be on Facebook soon...that’s something Paula’s been working on and asks that everyone send in their ideas to keep it up-to-date.

Finally, we would like to take this moment to thank all of the hard working docents, volunteers and staff who keep Rockwood looking so beautiful. The exhibits are truly magnificent and the flower arrangements always look perfect. It’s interesting to muse how it would look without all that creativity.

The Friends of Rockwood Board