



## FIRST ANNUAL CIMST™ USER GROUP CONFERENCE A SUCCESS

*(Sauk City, Wisconsin)* On November 1<sup>st</sup>, cemeterians from nine states gathered at Ramaker & Associates' office for the first annual CIMST™ User Group Conference.

Attendees began the morning with a general discussion on how they utilize the software and shared tips and tricks they've found. After lunch, David Brenner of Prairie Home Cemetery in Waukesha, Wisconsin discussed how they have been utilizing CIMST™ for the past five years and their future plans.

Vicki Parkhill of City of Gulfport, Mississippi also presented. Parkhill manages four cemeteries in Gulfport, where Hurricane Katrina struck and demolished the cemetery office and all of the cemetery records. However, Ramaker & Associates had completed the scanning of all this information and was able to email them electronic copies of all their documents and provide new hard copy versions of all their lot and burial cards.

The day continued with a discussion of the functions and features of future versions of the software and concluded with an enjoyable tour of the local Wollersheim Winery.

“It was a great opportunity for our team to meet clients we have been working with over the phone,” says Brandon Finley, Director of CIMST™ at Ramaker & Associates. “This conference gave us an opportunity to get feedback from our clients so we can incorporate additional tools in our software to make their operations more efficient.” Plans are already underway for the second annual conference to be held in 2007.

CIMST™, Cemetery Information Management System, is a custom-tailored, computer software application specifically designed for owners and managers of cemeteries. Ramaker has been providing software solutions for cemeteries since 1998 and have nearly 250 clients nationwide and internationally currently using the software.

For more information or to learn more about CIMST™, contact Finley at Ramaker & Associates at 1-800-332-7532 or visit [www.cimscemeterysoftware.com](http://www.cimscemeterysoftware.com).



Pictured above: Attendees of the First Annual CIMST™ User Group Conference held at Ramaker & Associates' home office.