# Hales Passage Scandinavian Lutheran Cemetery Association Annual Meeting Minutes – May 21, 2023

Sears Farm across from Cemetery

#### Call to Order

Sunny skies welcomed over 50 people to the cemetery for the Annual Clean up. Thank you to Scout Troop 217 for their assistance. With so many hands, the work was completed by 11:30 25 people stayed for the potluck/meeting.

## Read and Approval of Minutes the Previous Membership and Board Meetings

## **Treasurer's Report & Plots Sales (from 2022)**

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Water	200.92	
Dragonwyck	474.38	
Bank Expenses	101.36	
Edward Peterson	1543.82	flag pole
Stamps/ Printing	309.75	
Chicken for lunch	43.52	
Pierce County Tax	9.65	
WA Filing fee	10.00	
-	\$2693.40	
Donations -	\$1085.00	
Sale of 14 Plots	\$8200.00	(1 @ \$ 400.)
Interment Fees (6)	\$300.00	
Checking Balance	\$12807.03	
Fidelity Investment	\$55951.87	

## Acknowledging those who passed away during the year

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Deanna Marie Rorem	29 Aug 1949, St Louis, MO	3 Jan 2023, Tacoma, WA
Dana Marie Smith	19 Aug 1941 St. Louis, MO	19 Nov, Vaughn, WA
Ronald Hubert Smith	14 Oct 1938, San Diego, CA	19 June 2019, Vaughn, WA
Melvin Olson	6 July 1937, Algona, IA	23 July 2022, Gig Harbor, WA
Anne Morgan Sapp	29 July 1947, Red Oak, IA	14 Aug 2022, Gig Harbor, WA
Starr Elliot	18 Feb 1941, Longbeach, CA	21 Aug 2022, Gig Harbor, WA
Peter Rosik	29 March 1929, New York, NY	16 Feb 2022, Fresno CA
Cynthia Rosik	25 Jan 1933, New York, NY	27 Feb 2018, Fresno, CA
George Iverson	18 Feb 1963, Tacoma, WA	9 March 2023, Gig Harbor, WA
Pete Hokenson	27 Aug 1937, Tacoma, WA	31 March 2023, Gig Harbor, WA

### **Community Involvement**

The cemetery is fortunate to have partnered with several local organizations

- May 21, 2022 Dedication of flagpole installed by Edward Peterson Eagle Scout Project, Troop 217
- November 11, 2022 Honoring Veterans on Veterans Day by members of Scout Troop 217
- December 17, 2022 Wreath Across America sponsored by American Legion
- May 20, 2023 Dedication of Historical Sign installed by Paul Bechtloff Eagle Scout Project, Troop 217

#### **Old Business**

• Work continues by the Board to identify lot hubs in the Northern section.

#### **New Business**

- **Historical Signage** Thanks to Eagle Scout Paul Bechtloff for completing this project. It was dedicated today at 10:30
- **Veteran Medallions** This project will probably become an Eagle Scout Project by Alex Roberts. There have been several donations earmarked for this project.
- New Policy Adopted

### 10. PLOT BORDERS, CONCRETE BENCHES, STATUARY

Any of these permanent structures must be approved by the Board prior to installation. Upkeep is the responsibility of the owner.

- Flagpole Lighting John Gagnon is looking for a stronger solar light for the flagpole.
- Officers and Board of Directors

Joyce Sears is to be thanked for her many years of service. Her daughter, Caryn Sears will take over as Vice President.

Current Officers have agreed to serve another term.

#### **2023 Officers**

President – Ben Pearson Vice President – Caryn Sears Treasurer – Donna Doherty Secretary – Laurie Dahl Isacson Trustees – James Doherty, Doug Holsinger, John Gagnon Honorary Lifetime Trustee – Joyce Sears

• Meeting adjourned at 12:45

Respectfully Submitted, Laurie Dahl Isacson, Secretary