

# Hales Passage Scandinavian Lutheran Cemetery

1903 – 2023

## Cromwell Cemetery

[www.cromwellcemetery.org](http://www.cromwellcemetery.org)



**Saturday, May 20, 2023**

**9:00 begin Cemetery Clean-Up**

**10:30 Break for Dedication of Historical Sign**

**The potluck is back!!!**

**12:00 Potluck lunch across the street at the Sears Garage**

Bring a favorite dish to share. Fried chicken & beverages will be provided.

Come, meet, and visit with Cemetery families.

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!!**

**Annual Business meeting to follow lunch.**



### WE PAUSE TO REMEMBER



Deanna Marie Rorem  
Dana Marie Smith  
Ronald Hubert Smith  
Melvin Olson  
Anne Morgan Sapp  
Starr Elliot  
Peter Rosik  
Cynthia Rosik  
George Iverson  
Pete Hokenson

29 Aug 1949, St Louis, MO  
19 Aug 1941 St. Louis, MO  
14 Oct 1938, San Diego, CA  
6 July 1937, Algona, IA  
29 July 1947, Red Oak, IA  
18 Feb 1941, Longbeach, CA  
29 March 1929, New York, NY  
25 Jan 1933, New York, NY  
18 Feb 1963, Tacoma, WA  
27 Aug 1937, Tacoma, WA

3 Jan 2023, Tacoma, WA  
19 Nov, Vaughn, WA  
19 June 2019, Vaughn, WA  
23 July 2022, Gig Harbor, WA  
14 Aug 2022, Gig Harbor, WA  
21 Aug 2022, Gig Harbor, WA  
16 Feb 2022, Fresno CA  
27 Feb 2018, Fresno, CA  
9 March 2023, Gig Harbor, WA  
29, Mar 2023, Gig Harbor, WA



The Cemetery is maintained solely by volunteers. Expenses are paid the sales of plots and donations.

Should you wish to make a tax-deductible contribution please mail check to:

**Hales Passage Scandinavian Lutheran Cemetery  
c/o Donna Doherty, Treasurer  
3904 62<sup>nd</sup> St NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98335**

Please .....

- Do not put any trash on the compost pile. Since we are no longer able to have a burn pile the material must be chipped and hauled away.
- Glass vases are not allowed. They are dangerous when broken.



On Saturday, March 11th, Paul Bechtloff, (middle in black jacket) with the help of family and fellow Scouts from Troop 217, installed an informational historical storyboard for the cemetery. This was Paul's Eagle Scout Project that had been in the planning stages for several months. We are so grateful to have had this opportunity to work with this fine young man! Paul and his troop have been coming to the cemetery to honor Veterans on Veterans Day for the past 6 years. Thank You Paul!

### **Veteran Medallions**



Each year our veterans are recognized by 2 ceremonies. On Veterans Day flags are placed at each veteran grave by members of Scout Troop 217 and then in December, the Wreaths Across America project sponsored by the local chapter of the American Legion place wreaths at those graves.

The Cromwell Board is considering placing a permanent medallion at each veteran grave for ease in locating. The medallion is appx 6" across, made of painted aluminum. The cost is appx. \$25 each. We presently have 80 veteran's graves, so the cost is substantial. Donations to this project would be appreciated.

### **POLICY UPDATE:**

The Board revised the following policy effective immediately.

#### **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 family.

### **FOR CEMETERY CLEAN-UP - PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN GARDEN TOOLS**

- |   |                |                   |
|---|----------------|-------------------|
| Chain saws for branches                                   | Weed eaters    | Brooms/ blowers   |
| Rakes for grass and pinecones                             | Shovels/ rakes | Lawn mowers & gas |
| Weeding tools/weed eaters                                 | Wheelbarrows   | Clippers/ loppers |
| Stone cleaning supplies – soft brushes, buckets for water |                |                   |
| Approved cleaner for headstones will be available.        |                |                   |

### **2023 BOARD MEMBERS**

President – Ben Pearson

Vice President – Caryn Sears

Treasurer – Donna Doherty

Secretary – Laurie Dahl Isacson

Board Members– John Gagnon, Doug Holsinger, James Doherty

Honorary Lifetime Board Member – Joyce Sears

We are grateful for the many years of service by Joyce Sears and welcome her daughter, Caryn to carry on as Vice President.