

# Douglas County Cemetery Association Newsletter

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## **Greetings From Our President**

Winter is changing to spring with the thawing and warming temps. It won't be long for the rains to arrive and more enjoyable weather. Lawns will start greening up real fast.

Participation in our 5<sup>th</sup> annual essay contest exceeded last year from just four schools to six schools and one home schooled student. The awarded prize money was also above last year. I thank all who helped put the essay contest together with a big thank you to Darrel Holverson for helping me get those awards to all the students. Thanks to Alexandria VFW Post and Operation Round-up for their donations to the contest. Prizes were delivered just before the Veterans Day Program and three students read their essays.

On January 18, 2018, at our executive board meeting, we discussed continuing with the essay contest as there is a lot of support to do so. Also, we decided to change the location of our April 2018 annual meeting. We have chosen the Senior Center Meeting Room at 7:00 P.M. on Thursday April 26, located at 414 Hawthorne St across from St Marys Catholic Church. Hope to see you there.

This year, after the annual meeting, our treasure Sue Tvrdik will be off the board, so we need to fill that position on the board. If there is an interested person or you know of a person who would like to fill this position, contact me {320-270-4011} or any of our board members, or go to our web site for contact. Also our board will decide whether or not to continue our website for another three years.

Our plan of action is starting to be put in place. I thank each of the board members for their support and you the various cemetery boards for your support and care giving of our county cemeteries. Good job. Well done. So for now, we'll plan to see you at the Senior Center Meeting Room, Thursday, April 26, at 7:00 pm.

Joel B. Blank  
President, DCCA

## **Message From our Outgoing Membership Chair and Treasurer**

As my term on the Douglas County Cemetery Association Board comes to a close I would like to express my sincere thanks for your continued support, submission of membership forms and dues. Your efforts are an asset to the success of the Board.

It has been my privilege to be your membership chair and treasurer for the last six years. The years have seemed to fly by. I would ask that you continue to support the association as you have in the past, and extend your help and kindness to the person who accepts the position.

Thank you,  
Sue Tvrdik  
*DCCA membership chair and treasurer*

The Douglas County Cemetery Association will work hard to fulfill its purpose of being a resource for member cemeteries in dealing with the operational problems that arise, creating mutually beneficial relationships between our members, promoting our cemeteries as the guardians of our county's heritage and as a place of lasting tribute to the memory of those who have gone before us.

## 2017-18 Directors and Officers

Joel Blank, **President**, Carlos Prairie  
 Gary Adamson, **Vice President** *Finnish Apostolic*  
 Tara Bitzan, **Secretary**, *Outside Director*  
 Sue Tvrdik, **Treasurer/Membership**,  
*Bohemian Ind. Cemetery*

Ralph Gunderson, *First Lutheran Church Cemetery*  
 Kristi Wussow, *Ebenezer Cemetery*  
 Clifford Patrick, *Hudson Cemetery*  
 Darrel Holverson, *St. Petri Cemetery*  
 Jerry Buse, *East Moe Cemetery*

### Douglas County Cemetery Association—2017 Membership

**Bohemian Independent Cemetery**, Brandon Cemetery, **Calvary Catholic Cemetery**, Carlos Prairie Cemetery, **Christian Union Cemetery**, East Moe Lutheran Church Cemetery, **Ebenezer Cemetery**, English Grove Cemetery, **Evergreen Cemetery**, Fahlun Cemetery, **Finnish Independent Apostolic Lutheran Cemetery**, First Lutheran Church Cemetery, Kensington, **Fryksande Cemetery**, Gordon Pleasant Hill Cemetery, **Hudson Cemetery**, Kinkead Cemetery, **Lake Charley Cemetery**, Lake Ida Cemetery, **Lake Mary Cemetery**, Moe Heights Cemetery, **Mound Grove Cemetery**, Nelson Cemetery, **Oscar Lake Lutheran Cemetery**, Our Lady of Seven Dolors Catholic Cemetery, **Rose City Evangelical Free Church Cemetery**, Rose Hill-Trinity Cemetery, **Sauk Valley Lutheran Cemetery**, Solem Lutheran Church Cemetery, **Spruce Hill Lutheran Cemetery**, St. Ann's Catholic Church Cemetery, **St. John's Lutheran Cemetery**, St. Luke's Church Cemetery, **St. Mary's Catholic Church Cemetery**, St. Paul's Cemetery, Moe Township, **St. Petri Cemetery**, Trinity Lutheran Church Carlos and Zunker Cemetery, **Trysil Bethesda Lutheran Cemetery**, Van Loon Cemetery, **Wennergorg Cemetery**, West Moe Lutheran Church Cemetery, **Zionsborg Cemetery**



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