#### **Delaware Cemetery Board**

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#### Thank You!

The Delaware Cemetery Board thanks former board member Sally Williams for her dedication and service in preserving history and improving conditions in Delaware cemeteries. Thank you, Sally!

### 2019 Meetings

The 2019 public meetings will be held at 10:30 a.m., at Delaware Public Archives, Delaware Room, 121 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. N, Dover, DE 19901. The agenda, time, location, and approved minutes are posted to the State's Public Meeting Calendar at <a href="https://">https://</a> publicmeetings.delaware.gov/. Meeting reminders will be sent.

Questions or would you like to be added to the contact list? Email candace.casto@state.de.us or call 302-744-4763.

Meetings will be held on: January 9, March 13, May 8, August 21, and October 9.

Financial assistance application packages are due to Candace Casto two weeks before a scheduled meeting at: **Delaware Cemetery Board** Division of Public Health Health Statistics Center Jesse Cooper Building 417 Federal Street Dover, DE 19901

To help keep mailing costs down, ensure your current email address is on file. If you do not have an email address. we will continue to send information via U.S. mail.

Registration for all cemetery companies and owners is required every five years or upon change in ownership, per Delaware Code, 29 Del. C., c. 7906A. Registration, financial assistance forms, and guidelines can be found at http://www.dhss.delaware.gov/ dhss/dph/hp/DECB.html

# **New Legislation on For-Profit Cemeteries**

Senator-elect Trey Paradee introduced House Bill 476 in response to several complaints on cemeteries and it was signed by Gov. John Carney on August 28, 2018, making it effective immediately. The legislation gives each county the authority to create cemetery regulations governing for-profit cemeteries and impose penalties if regulations are not followed. The legislation can be found in 9 Del. C., c. 10.

# **Distressed Cemetery Funds Available**

The Delaware Cemetery Board administers the Distressed Cemetery Fund for cemeteries that are distressed in accordance with 16 Del. C., c. 79A, § 7902A (6) and whose owners lack the financial resources to maintain them. The Board encourages those owning or managing distressed cemeteries to apply for funds. The cemetery must be registered before an application is accepted.

## Fiscal Year 2018 Awards



Repairs to a large public mausoleum at Riverview Cemetery, at 3300 N. Market St. in Wilmington. Photo by Mary King.



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Tombstone repairs in Lombardy Cemetery at 1611 Concord Pike in Wilmington. Photos by Louis Glick.

Tree removal and trim-

ming at Wilmington &

Brandywine Cemetery

at 701 Delaware Ave.

Photos by volunteer.

in Wilmington.

