

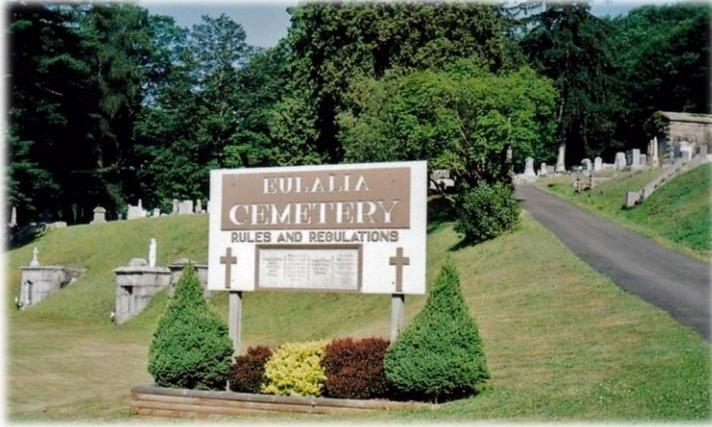


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## POTTER CO. VETERANS GRAVESTONE RESTORATION PROJECT



There have been several recent developments to report since our last update of March 3, 2017.

--Leadership of the Eulalia Cemetery along Rt. 6 in west Coudersport has committed to working with us. Our committee met with Cemetery Board President Steve Erway and we've been communicating with Secretary/Treasurer Donna Lehman to lay the groundwork for a successful pilot. There has been discussion of a pre-Memorial Day public event to launch the project. Watch for details.

--Many logistical details are being addressed. We've reached terms with a wholesaler who can supply the cleaning agent (D2 Biological Solution) at a reduced fee and are making arrangements to purchase other cleaning supplies from local vendors.

--We'll be formally approaching the Potter County Board of Commissioners with a request for seed money that will be used to purchase an initial quantity of D2 and other supplies. (The commissioners administer an account for the benefit and recognition of Potter County veterans, which was established as a result of a bequest from Emma Jane Vassell in 2011). Chief Clerk Kathleen Majot has agreed to maintain financial records for our project through the Commissioners Office. We will be addressing fundraising needs and options in the near future.

--Inquiries are being made into the possibility of a dedicated website that would not only serve as an information resource for this project, but allow for public input/suggestions and serve as a platform for our long-range plan to establish profiles of each veteran buried in a Potter County cemetery and other related records.

--We remain eager to build the distribution list for these regular updates and other communications about this project. Suggestions for additions to the list are welcome. This will be of great assistance as we assemble teams of volunteers for specific cemetery assignments or other projects. Those interested in receiving future updates or volunteering in any capacity should contact Dawn Wooster at [dwooster@pottercountypa.net](mailto:dwooster@pottercountypa.net) or 814-274-8290, ext. 207.

There is a wealth of material available on Andrew Lumish online (using search term Good Cemeterian is helpful; and checking out the Facebook page of that title). The 3.5-minute CBS Sunday Morning segment that is available through YouTube is an especially effective piece. People like Andrew Lumish are a rare breed and it is an honor to have him take a personal interest in our efforts.