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Henderson County Cemetery Advisory Committee Hosts Cemetery Maintenance Training

HC-2022-4 Hendersonville, NC – April 1, 2022

The Henderson County Cemetery Advisory Committee will host cemetery maintenance training on Saturday, April 30, 2022, at the William Capps aka Fortune-Kuykendall Cemetery on Fortune Place in the Green River Township. We will begin hands-on training at 10:00 a.m. cleaning and straightening tombstones.

The gravesite of Revolutionary War soldier William Capps (1764-1848), the ancestor of all Capps descendants within Henderson County, is within this cemetery. Capps entered the county about 1801 and eventually purchased thousands of acres of land in this area of today's Henderson County. The gravesites of his wife, Nancy Cooksey Capps, and many descendants are also within the cemetery that was located near their home.

The main topics of the class will discuss:

- Landscaping care around stones and markers
- How to safely clean gravestones (marble, sandstone, granite, and historic masonry)
- Properly raising and leveling gravestones

We hope you will attend this informative class that will be taught by Warren Scott, Gravestone Conservator. Warren will teach the proper and careful methods of properly cleaning and preserving the stones.

Please contact Toby Linville at 694-6627 or <u>tlinville@hendersoncountync.gov</u> to RSVP or with any questions. Please plan to carpool from Ingles on Spartanburg Highway at N Highland Lake Drive due to limited parking. We will meet behind the car wash. Please register soon, class size is limited.

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