

TOMBSTONES ON THE KANSAS PRAIRIE – Workshop Videos Available Online



The Douglas County Heritage Conservation Council presented "Tombstones on the Kansas Prairie: A Cemetery Conservation Workshop," May 17-18, 2019 in Lawrence. The goal was to train individuals in the correct procedures for cleaning tombstones, making minor repairs, and resetting small monuments. Consultant, Corey Thomas of Pishny Restoration Services of Olathe, Kansas, led the workshop. Fifty attendees represented 19 communities from across Douglas County and beyond. Here are videos from the workshop:

- [Classroom Session 1](#) (6:02 minutes)
- [Classroom Session 2](#) (8:45 minutes)
- [Classroom Session 3-4](#) (21:43 minutes)
- [Introduction to Field Experience at Oak Hill Cemetery](#) (3:00 minutes)
- [Tools of the Trade](#) (7:28 minutes)
- [How to Properly Clean Tombstones](#) (9:14 minutes)
- [Proper Excavation of Tombstones](#) (4:27 minutes)
- [Resetting Tombstones after Excavation](#) (6:19 minutes)
- [Historic Masonry in Cemeteries](#) (1:51 minutes)
- [How to Repair Tombstones without Pinning](#) (5:48 minutes)
- [How to Use a Tripod in a Cemetery](#) (6:24 minutes)
- [What I Learned at the Cemetery Conservation Workshop](#) (2:01 minutes)
- [Closing Thoughts by Consultant Corey Thomas, Pishny Restoration Services, Olathe](#) (2:33 min.)

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