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## Cemetery starts roadwork, Foundation fund drive successful and continues

The Harlan Cemetery Association, with in-kind help from the City of Harlan who removed the asphalt, has cleared out a 300' stretch of asphalt to make room for a new five-inch-thick concrete roadway. Cemetery board members said the 300' stretch of new concrete is part of several improvements planned for the cemetery. Other projects include more concrete roadwork, new east-side entrance gates, signage as well as discussion of metal fencing to go along the east boundary of the cemetery.

The funds to complete the roadway came from the estates of Mr. & Mrs. Everett Atkinson, former area residents.

Cemetery Association board members include Don Stowe, Eldon Erickson, Mickey Williams, Bill Early, and Al Ickes.

The newly created Harlan Cemetery Foundation has had

a successful fundraising campaign and has received over 166 donations from across the U.S. and funds continue to be donated. The Foundation has raised nearly \$12,000 toward assisting the Cemetery Association with future road work, fencing, new entrance gates, future section signs and an online burial directory.

Board members include: Seth Johannsen, John Vanderheiden, Carol Christensen, Richard Jones, Al Ickes, Julieanne Ferry and Alan Mores.

The Internal Revenue Service in 2007 ruled that the Harlan Cemetery Foundation was a tax exempt organization and that contributions to it are deductible under Section 501(c)(13) of the Internal Revenue Code.