

The Blue Ridge Parkway cemetery documentation training is approaching and I wanted to reach out to all of you as a reminder, and to give you additional logistical information. As you may recall, the training will focus on techniques to document historic cemeteries. It will also give us a chance to get to meet and share our interest in the Parkway and its historic cemeteries.

The training will be led by two archeologists from the NPS Southeast Archeological Center. The first part of the day will consist of instructions on documentary techniques. Afterward we will work on documenting the cemetery onsite.

When:

April 23, 2019 at 10:00-until approximately 2:30.

Where/Directions:

Schilling-Wimmer cemetery near mile post 136. The cemetery is on a hill on parkway left (heading from the north), south of the Parkway ramp. The Shaver cemetery is nearby (north of MP 136), this is not the location for the training.

The cemetery can be accessed from a [dirt drive off of Clover Hill Rd](#) (State Rte 602/Callaway Rd). The easiest way to get there from the Parkway is to exit the Parkway at the MP 136 ramp. At the stop sign take a left on Bent Mountain Rd (US 221). Take the first left on Clover Hill Rd (State Rte 602/Callaway Rd.). After passing under the Parkway the dirt drive is on the right.

There is limited parking at the cemetery so we will need to be a creative (this may involve parking in a field). If possible please carpool.

What to bring:

Please bring water, a lunch, and any other personal items you may need. The training will be rain or shine so please bring appropriate clothing and footwear.

Please let me know if you know others who may be interested in attending. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. I hope to see you all there.

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