

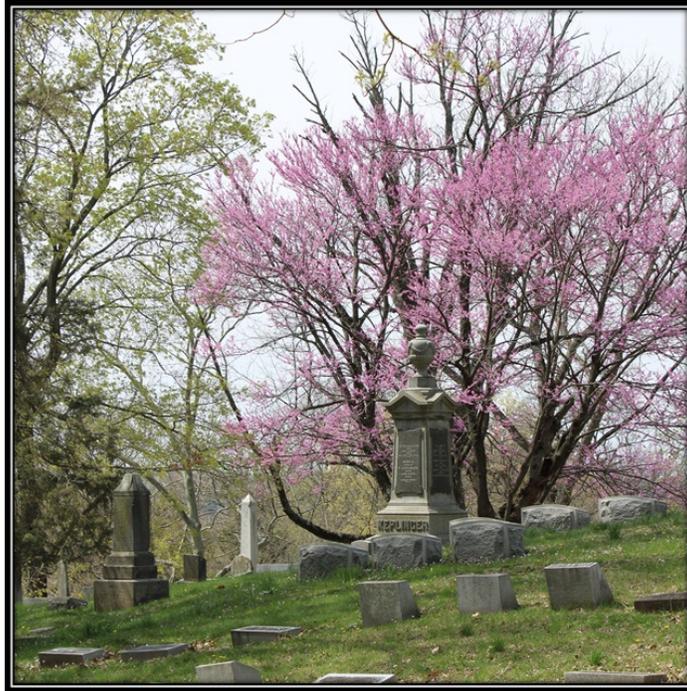


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Welcome back, migratory birds!

During spring migration, most birds pass through the contiguous U.S. beginning in mid-April and continuing through mid-May. During peak migration periods, more than a billion birds may be in the air on a single night.

From that vantage point, Woodland Cemetery looks like a green oasis in the middle of urban Dayton—making it ideal for birding. This week, let's say hello to some fine feathered friends who will be making their way north soon!

For more information about who's flying over, check out BirdCast [here](#).



Chimney Swift – *Chaetura pelagica*

Often compared to a cigar on wings, the chimney swift builds a bracket-style nest onto a vertical surface; for preference, a human-built structure—especially a nice, cozy chimney. Before humans thoughtfully began providing these, chimney swifts made do with hollow trees or old woodpecker nests.

As far as avian housemates go, these sooty grey birds can be nice to have around—researchers estimate that a pair of swifts feeding 3 chicks eat more than 5000 fly-sized insects per day!

Above Photo: Chimney swift clinging to fencepost, by George L. Armistead, courtesy [North Carolina Audubon](#).



American Goldfinch - *Spinus tristis*

This small, active bird is a regular visitor to backyard feeders throughout its range; or between the office & mausoleum at Woodland.

Like the familiar northern cardinal, male goldfinches are easily recognizable by their vibrant yellow plumage, while females are a less flashy yellow-brown.

You can encourage goldfinches to visit your yard by planting tasty zinnias, cosmos, and bee balm, which produce their favorite seedheads.

Did You Know:

A goldfinch's nest is so tightly woven that it can hold water!



Photo (left): [Male American Goldfinch](#): photo by Mark Olsen.

Photo (right): [Female American Goldfinch](#): photo by N. Lewis. Courtesy National Parks Service - Shenandoah National Park.

Ruby-Throated Hummingbird – *Archilochus colubris*



Not content with having one of the highest metabolic rates of any animal, the tiny but mighty ruby-throated hummingbird manages an annual 500 mile non-stop flight from the Yucatan peninsula to Florida and Louisiana.

Photo: Ruby-throated hummingbird by [Paul Crook](#).

Symbols of the Season



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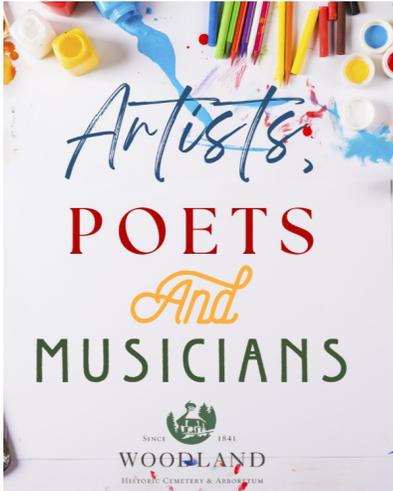
A familiar sight along Dayton's riverbanks, the Great Blue Heron is the largest heron in North America. They can be spotted at Woodland's Goose Lake; standing silently along the shore.

The calm stillness of a heron while hunting is a marked contrast to their lightning-fast strike; these birds are often symbolically linked to vigilance & flexibility, and are often used to represent grace & beauty.

In the Iliad, the goddess Athena sends a heron to declare her support for the hero Odysseus; lending the bird her virtues of strategy, femininity, cleverness and victory.

Photo: Great Blue Heron by [Dulcey Lima](#).

Upcoming Events!



Artists, Poets & Musicians Tour:

Remembering members of the Arts community of the Greater Miami Valley Area who are resting peacefully at Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum.

Upcoming Tours:

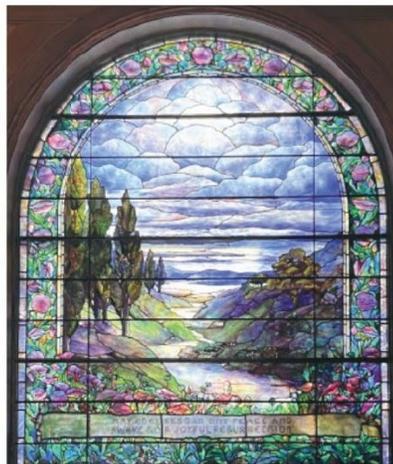
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Click [here](#) to register!

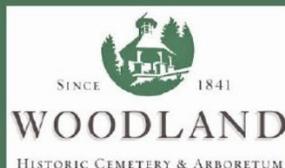
Join us for the Tiffany Chapel Concert Series

September 13th
2:00 - 4:00pm
with an intermission

Price: \$40 a ticket
*refreshments will be
provided*



Woodland is pleased to announce our Tiffany Chapel Concert Series this fall as Viva La Strings quartet explores the best in classical music. The Richardsonian Romanesque gateway, chapel, and office was completed in 1887 and features one of the finest original Tiffany windows in the country. It also houses 16 additional Tiffany windows, and a hand-cut Tiffany mosaic floor. The amazing restoration was completed in 2024. **For more information, and to purchase tickets go to www.woodlandcemetery.org or call 937-228-3221**



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2025 Adornment Removal Calendar

April						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	Easter 4/20		

Don't get caught by surprise! Check this space for Woodland's adornment removal calendar each month to stay on schedule.

Key:

- Dark Green** = Weekly Clean Off
- Orange** = Do Not Clean Off
- Soft Grey** = At Woodland's Discretion

Support Woodland:

Woodland is proud to remain an active part of the Dayton community as a popular place to walk, relax and enjoy.

We invite you to contribute to the Woodland Arboretum Foundation to ensure that what's meaningful to you today, continues tomorrow! Your gift makes an immediate impact on the horticulture, arboriculture, and restoration efforts needed to maintain one of Dayton's most historic and beautiful outdoor museums.

Thank you for your generous support of Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum.

DONATE ONLINE!

Come Visit Us!



Office Hours:

Monday-Friday
8am-5pm

If you need help finding where someone is buried, need directions to a particular area, or have questions about pre-planning or funeral services, Woodland's Staff is here to assist you!

Volunteer opportunities

Woodland is seeking volunteers to give presentations to community groups on subjects such as local history, notable biographies, and trees.

Not into public speaking? Consider getting involved with our horticulture team, or assisting with special events & research projects.

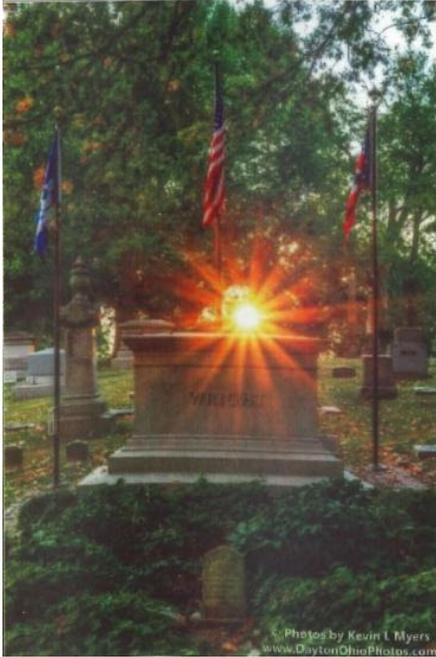
*If there is something you'd like to see here at Woodland please reach out to us & suggest it!

Tours & More:

We welcome walkers, runners, and wanderers -- leashed dogs & school groups.

Register for a guided tour: visit the Woodland Cemetery website! Learn about fascinating Daytonians resting peacefully in one of America's oldest rural garden cemeteries! Or check out our [virtual tours](#)! (if you really don't want to go outside)





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