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Woodland Cemetery & Arboretum Announces its Spring Community Programs, Tours and Events

DAYTON – The following programs and presentations will be offered by Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum to the community.

Woodland Mausoleums
Thursday, April 21
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM
Northmont Public Library
333 W. National Rd., Englewood

As you drive through Woodland Cemetery you will see magnificent structures with family names carved into the stonework. These family mausoleums not only reflect the men who commissioned the work but the industry in which they served. We'll explore the architecture and styling of the mausoleum and learn more about the lives lived by the men and women entombed within. Some of the families featured are: Huffman, Gagel, Talbott, DeWeese, Schantz, Lowes, Ritty, Nevin, Estabrook, Berk, Turner and Price. Presentation provided by Angie Hoschouer. For questions or more information, please call the Northmont Public Library at 937-463-2665. Program is free and open to the public.

Meet the Author: Brian Forschner
Thursday, April 21
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM
Woodland Cemetery Mausoleum
118 Woodland Ave., Dayton

In the early 1900s, a string of heinous crimes took place in the town of Dayton. Five young girls were raped and brutally killed. In an era when women lacked rights and esteem in society, the victims were blamed and overlooked by police. Sadly, the crimes went unsolved, and the perpetrator was never brought to justice. In “Cold Serial: The Jack the Strangler Murders,” author and researcher Brian Forschner reopens a century-old case and goes on a quest for truth.

Brian Forschner will discuss his book and how he came to write about these unsolved murders. Join us for an intriguing discussion, meet the author and purchase his book onsite.

This event is free and open to the public. Reservations are recommended. To RSVP or for more information, contact Debra Mescher at 937-228-3221 or debra@woodlandcemetery.org.

Free Your Sole 5K/10K Run/Walk

Sunday, April 24

9:00 AM

Woodland Cemetery & Arboretum

118 Woodland Ave., Dayton

Free Your Sole is a liberating 5K/10K Run or Walk through historic Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum. Register online at speedy-feet.com by April 15 to receive the Early Registration Discount. Registration closes April 22. Proceeds benefit the Woodland Arboretum Foundation. Packet pick up on April 23 from 3-5pm at Up and Running in Dayton, 6123 Far Hills Ave., Dayton 45459. Race Day Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.

Sports Legends

Monday, April 25

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Vandalia Public Library

500 S. Dixie Dr., Vandalia

Everyone loves a good sports story and we have plenty with these legends resting at Woodland: Sprint Car racer, Johnny Shackleford; inventor of the metal baseball bat, William Shroyer; founder of McGregor Golf Club Co., Ziba Crawford; cyclist and race car driver, Earl Kiser; UD Basketball Coach, Tom Blackburn; former Harlem Globetrotter, Al Tucker, Sr.; 1936 Silver Medalist in High Jump, David Albritton and UD and NBA basketball player, Donald E. Smith plus many more. Presentation provided by Angie Hoschouer. For questions and more information, please call the Vandalia Public Library at 937-463-2665. Program is free and open to the public.

Spring Migration Bird Walk

Saturday, May 7

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Woodland Cemetery & Arboretum

118 Woodland Ave., Dayton

Join us for a morning bird walk on International Migratory Bird Day. Every spring, millions of migrating birds are passing over us at night, stopping to rest and refuel during the day, and many of them utilize Woodland's many acres as a stopover every year. This mostly slow-paced walk will wind through the grounds, with the possibility of hills, depending on where the birds lead us. Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist, Amanda Lawson, will be your nature guide. Along with the many year-round resident birds, we may also see vividly-colored birds like Blackburnian Warblers, Baltimore Orioles, Scarlet Tanagers, and Rose-breasted Grosbeaks. Bring your binoculars and dress for the weather. The walk is from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. and leaves from the main

entrance of the cemetery. Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum is located at 118 Woodland Ave. off of Brown Street near the UD Campus. To make a reservation or for more information, call 937-228-3221.

Street Names of Dayton

Thursday, May 19

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Northmont Public Library

333 W. National Rd., Englewood

If you've ever driven through Woodland Cemetery you may have noticed that many of the monuments have the names of many of the streets in Dayton. In this program, we'll introduce you to the men and women whose streets bear their name and how they contributed to the history of Dayton. Presentation provided by Angie Hoschouer. For questions or more information, please call the Northmont Public Library at 937-463-2665. Program is free and open to the public.

Woodland's Indoor Mausoleum

Monday, June 6

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Vandalia Senior Center

21 Tionda Dr. S., Vandalia

Construction on the Mausoleum began in 1968 and was completed in 1970. Today, more than 5,500 persons rest peacefully in this community building that houses alcoves of unique stained glass windows in woodland themes from literature and poetry, a beautiful Mosaic tiled wall and magnificent European marble. We'll visit each of the windows and talk about their theme as well as visit Dayton's notables resting within such as: Charles F. and Virginia W. Kettering, Jeraldyn Blunden, James A. Parsons, Jr. and Clara Weisenborn. Presentation provided by Angie Hoschouer. For questions or more information, please call the Vandalia Senior Center at 937-898-1232. Program is free and open to the public.

Doctor's of Dayton

Thursday, July 14

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Northmont Public Library

333 W. National Rd., Englewood

A look back at the doctors, physicians, surgeons, dentists and others in the medical profession in the City of Dayton from its beginning to the mid-twentieth century. Some of the doctors to be discussed are William Blodget (1776 – 1838), John Steele (1791 – 1854), John C. Reeve (1826 – 1920), Thomas A. McCann (1858 – 1943), George D. Gohn (1872 – 1961) and many, many more. Presentation provided by Angie Hoschouer. For questions or more information, please call the Northmont Public Library at 937-463-2665. Program is free and open to the public.

Woodland's Indoor Mausoleum

Thursday, August 11

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

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Looking for someone to speak at your next meeting or event? Woodland offers knowledgeable individuals to come to your meeting or event and present a wide variety of topics. If you would like a speaker to come to your group or organization, please contact Angie Hoschouer at 937-228-3221 ext. 115 or ahoschouer@woodlandcemetery.org.

Photos are available and may be requested as needed.