

CONNECTIONS

Foundation to Host *Spring into Summer*

Cedar Hill Cemetery Foundation is delighted to be hosting ***Spring into Summer*** in support of our preservation and educational mission. The fundraiser will take place on Thursday, May 31 at the Pond House at Elizabeth Park in Hartford.



Enjoy the musical stylings of Jeff Wieselberg on piano during the cocktail reception of passed hors d'oeuvres and the buffet dinner featuring scrumptious pasta, salmon, chicken and sirloin.

After dinner, be amazed by the evening's entertainment, **BubbleMania**, a one-of-a-kind spectacular performed by Connecticut's own Casey Carle. A graduate of The Ringling Bros. Clown College, Casey is the creator, producer and performer of BubbleMania. He and his bubbles have been featured on the Discovery Channel and he has worked as a bubble consultant to Cirque du Soleil.

Casey began his bubble act with the circus, but quickly went solo. He now travels throughout the northeast with his unique program of high energy entertainment and artistic achievement showcasing the unbelievable qualities and beauty of spherical liquids.

As Casey notes of his shows, "I do some pretty tricky manipulations and juggling with the bubbles. With plenty of comedy for all ages. This is not a show intended to keep a 2 year old engaged; this is a bubble show to keep the 5 to 85 year-olds mesmerized."

Proceeds from *Spring into Summer* support the Foundation's efforts to share the cemetery's celebrated art, history and natural beauty with visitors and to contribute to the care and planting of trees and the preservation of historic monuments at Cedar Hill.

We hope you will join us at this exciting fundraising event. Individual Tickets to *Spring into Summer* are \$125 per person and a Table of Eight costs \$800.

For more information, including sponsorship opportunities or to reserve tickets, contact Foundation Director Beverly Lucas at (860) 956-3311 or blucas@cedarhillcemetery.org.



Casey Carle performing BubbleMania.
Top: Scott Barrows, Photographer
Bottom: Devlin Photography
www.bubblemania.com

Upcoming Tours & Events

Mark Twain and the Supernatural
Tuesday, March 20, 7:00 pm

Connecticut's Notable Trees
Tuesday, April 17, 7:00 pm

Bird Walk
Saturday, May 12, 6:30 am

Discover Cedar Hill – Highlight Tour
Wednesday, May 16, 10:00 am

What a Way to Go!
Saturday, May 19, 10:00 am

Spring into Summer
Thursday, May 31, 6:30 - 9:30 pm

Tree Walk
Saturday, June 2, 10:00 am

The Grand Army of the Republic
Thursday, June 14, 6:30 pm

Butterfly Hunt
Saturday, June 16, 10:00 am

Discover Cedar Hill – Highlight Tour
Wednesday, June 20, 10:00 am

College Ties: Hartford's Trinity College
Saturday, June 23, 10:00 am

Barnstormers & Aviators
Tuesday, June 26, 10:00 am

Mark Twain's Companions & Cohorts
Saturday, July 7, 10:00 am

Stories in Stone
Thursday, July 12, 6:30 pm

Discover Cedar Hill – Highlight Tour
Wednesday, July 18, 10:00 am

All the President's Men
Saturday, July 21, 10:00 am

Angels Among Us
Tuesday, July 24, 10:00 am

Music Among the Memorials
Friday, July 27, 6:00 pm

Sunset Notables Tour
Thursday, August 9, 6:30 pm

You're Invited - Upcoming Lectures

Cedar Hill Cemetery Foundation and Wethersfield Historical Society invite you to attend two upcoming lectures at the Keeney Memorial Cultural Center, 200 Main Street, Wethersfield.

Mark Twain and the Supernatural Lecture by Jason Scappaticci **Tuesday, March 20, 7:00 pm**

Mark Twain's iconic characters Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn are beloved by Americans. However, even the most devoted Twain readers are usually unaware of his dabbling in the supernatural craze of spiritualism. Popular in the 19th century, spiritualism was both a party activity and a way to cope with loss. Through explorations of Twain's own writings, Jason Scappaticci will examine this lesser-known side of one of America's favorite authors.



Steve Courtney has updated his Mark Twain's Companions & Cohorts tour to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Twain's first visit to Hartford.

Although Mark Twain is laid to rest in Elmira, New York, many of his Hartford friends and colleagues are interred at Cedar Hill. Join Steve Courtney for **Mark Twain's Companions & Cohorts** on Saturday, July 7 at 10:00 am. Hear about Twain's life and his many Nook Farm neighbors, including Reverend Joseph Hopkins Twichell, Charles Dudley Warner and Isabella Beecher Hooker, on this popular walking tour.

Connecticut's Notable Trees Lecture by Frank Kaputa **Tuesday, April 17, 7:00 pm**

The Notable Trees Project, established in 1985, collects and distributes information about Connecticut's largest and most historic trees, both native and introduced. Frank Kaputa will share the history of the project, along with details regarding identifying and measuring trees. He will highlight Wethersfield and Cedar Hill Cemetery notables in his illustrated presentation.

To learn more about Cedar Hill's rare and notable trees, join John Kehoe on his annual **Tree Walk** on Saturday, June 2 at 10:00 am. Highlights of this walk through our ornamental foreground and historic memorial sections include the beautiful European Weeping Beech, the unusual Umbrella Magnolia, and the Huss Hemlock named for a resident of Cedar Hill. This program is part of



The Huss Hemlock, named for landscape architect John F. Huss, marks his burial site. For many years Huss was in charge of the gardens and greenhouses at the Hartford Goodwin estate.

Connecticut Forest & Park Association's annual *Connecticut Trails Weekend*.

The lectures will take place at the Keeney Memorial Cultural Center, 200 Main Street, Wethersfield. Admission to each lecture is \$5.00 and free to Cedar Hill Cemetery Foundation and Wethersfield Historical Society members.

The Keeney doors open at 6:30 pm and the presentation begins at 7:00 pm. There is ample free parking behind the building.

In Memoriam



Aldy Edwards

Cedar Hill Cemetery & Foundation is saddened to report the recent death of F. Aldrich (Aldy) Edwards II. Aldy served as Executive Director of Cedar Hill Cemetery for many years.

A graduate of Yale, Aldy began his professional life in banking, but was most fulfilled by his work in historic preservation, urban planning, and economic development.

He was instrumental in creating the Architectural Conservation Trust, a revolving fund for preservation and redevelopment projects across the state of Massachusetts. As Executive Director

of the New Haven Downtown Council, he built effective public-private partnerships to promote mixed-use economic development in the city.

While at Cedar Hill Cemetery, Aldy was actively involved in many projects including the restoration of the Northam Memorial Chapel, the establishment of Cedar Hill Cemetery Foundation, and the publication of *Jacob Weidenmann: Pioneer Landscape Architect* by Rudy J. Favretti.

We are grateful for Aldy's tireless efforts to protect Cedar Hill's historic landscape both during his tenure and after his retirement. He will be missed.

Walking Tours Begin In May

To learn about Cedar Hill Cemetery's rich history, art, and nature join us for one (or more) of our guided walks through the memorial grounds. Seasonal programming begins in May and there are lots of options to choose from this year.

On the third Wednesday of the month (May to October), we will present our *Highlight Tour* at 10:00 am. A great introduction to the historic cemetery, the 90-minute guided walk focuses on Cedar Hill's most notable residents including Samuel & Elizabeth Colt, J. P. Morgan, and Katharine Hepburn.

We will also offer weekday thematic tours in June, July, August and September on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am. Foundation Director Beverly Lucas will lead these walking tours which include *Barnstormers & Aviators* (June 26), *Angels Among Us* (July 24), *Sam & Elizabeth's World: The Colts at Cedar Hill* (August 28) and *Arts & Letters* (September 25).

Evening walks will take place on the second Thursday of June, July, and August at 6:30 pm. Tours include *The Grand Army of the Republic* (June 14), *Stories in Stone* (July 12), and *Sunset Notables* (August 9).

And our Saturday tours (10:00 am on select days) offer a wide array of opportunities to explore the cemetery with knowledgeable guides. For those who enjoy the great outdoors, join us for one of our nature activities which include Bird, Tree, Butterfly and Mushroom walks.

Art and history lovers will enjoy our thematic tours throughout the season. Topics include: *Trinity College*, *All the President's Men*, the *Art of James Batterson*, *Remarkable Women* and more.

Our **Calendar of Events**, with program descriptions, will be published in March. You can pick up a copy at the cemetery – either in the brochure rack just past the large planter as you enter the property or in the office located in the former chapel during business hours (Monday-Friday, 8:00 am–4:00 pm). Program information can also be found on our website, www.cedarhillfoundation.org.

If you find yourself at Cedar Hill when there are no scheduled tours, *A Guide for Visitors*, *A Guide to Notable Trees*, and *Guide by Cell Audio Tour* are available for self-guided experiences. Brochures are available in the rack located along the entrance drive.



All the President's Men will highlight Cedar Hill residents who once held positions of national importance including Marshall Jewell who served as Minister to Russia under President Ulysses S. Grant.

Upcoming Tours & Events Continued

Remarkable Women

Saturday, August 11, 10:00 am

Discover Cedar Hill – Highlight Tour

Wednesday, August 15, 10:00 am

Movie Night: Without Love

Thursday, August 23, 7:30 pm

Mushroom Walk

Saturday, August 25, 10:00 am

The Colts at Cedar Hill

Tuesday, August 28, 10:00 am

Mystery Scavenger Hunt

Saturday, September 8, 10:00 am

Discover Cedar Hill – Highlight Tour

Wednesday, September 19, 10:00 am

Arts & Letters

Tuesday, September 25, 10:00 am

The Art of James Batterson

Saturday, September 29, 10:00 am

The Prosecution Rests

Saturday, October 13, 10:00 am

Discover Cedar Hill – Highlight Tour

Wednesday, October 17, 10:00 am

Hallowed History Lantern Tour

Friday, October 26, 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

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Sign up for our **eNewsletter** at

www.cedarhillfoundation.org

to be kept up-to-date on tours and events.

Remembering Cedar Hill – A Gift in Your Will

We are all inspired by the peace and serenity of Cedar Hill Cemetery's landscaped woodlands, graceful waterways, and sacred memorial grounds.

Cedar Hill Cemetery Foundation works to ensure this remarkable landscape endures for generations. We are committed to:

- **Preserving** the cemetery's historic architecture and memorial artworks
- **Protecting** the natural resources that play a vital role in our beauty and tranquility &
- **Sharing** Cedar Hill's cultural and natural assets with visitors.

Choosing to remember Cedar Hill

Cemetery Foundation with a gift in your will is the perfect way to let your care and devotion for our extraordinary cemetery to continue in years to come.

Cedar Hill Cemetery Foundation recognizes supporters who make a bequest through our **Legacy Society**. If you have chosen to include Cedar Hill Cemetery Foundation in your will, please let us know. We would love to thank you personally. You may also inform us of your bequest and remain anonymous.

Should you have questions, please contact Beverly Lucas, Foundation Director, at (860) 956-3311 or blucas@cedarhillcemetery.org.

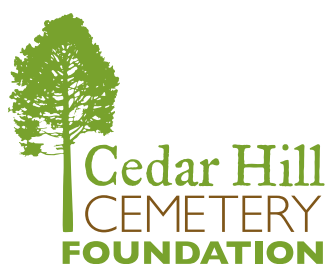


With generous public support, Cedar Hill Cemetery Foundation restored the Oswin Welles Monument in 2006. (Photo by Jeffrey Dutton)

OUR MISSION

Cedar Hill Cemetery Foundation is committed to preserving, protecting and promoting in perpetuity the art, culture, history and natural beauty of Hartford's nationally-recognized Cedar Hill Cemetery. As advocates of one of America's most distinguished rural cemeteries, Cedar Hill Cemetery Foundation serves to provide an unexpected experience to all who visit. Through continuous restoration and preservation of Cedar Hill's grounds, and through fundraising efforts, the Foundation actively ensures that the stories of history, nature and culture at Cedar Hill Cemetery are, and remain to be, alive and well.

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2018 Annual Giving Campaign

Thanks to our generous supporters, Cedar Hill Cemetery Foundation is actively engaged in **preserving, protecting** and **promoting** our nationally recognized cemetery. For this kind support, we are truly grateful.

Please consider joining our circle of supporters by donating to our **Annual Giving Campaign**. There are several giving opportunities, including:

- Making an unrestricted gift that results in becoming a member of CHCF and taking advantage of membership benefits
- Making a restricted contribution that supports a project of importance to you

Tree Fund: Contributes to the care and planting of trees at Cedar Hill

Monument Fund: Contributes to the care and maintenance of historic monuments at Cedar Hill

- Making a significant contribution (\$5,000 or more) that results in CHCF recognizing your contribution on the Remembrance Memorial alongside Lake Llyn Mawr.

- Making a charitable gift through planned giving that results in recognition as a member of our Legacy Society.

Whether you have a loved one at Cedar Hill, or you enjoy experiencing the peace and tranquility that come with walking the grounds, or you value the importance of the art, culture and history, preserving Cedar Hill enriches us all.

To support Cedar Hill Cemetery Foundation, please send contributions to:

Cedar Hill Cemetery Foundation
453 Fairfield Avenue
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To restrict your contribution, please identify what your gift is restricted for on the memo line. Gifts made in memory of someone will be recognized in Cedar Hill's *Book of Remembrance* located in Northam Memorial Chapel.

Your support and generosity are sincerely appreciated. Together, we can ensure Cedar Hill remains an inspiring landscape for all who visit.



*Northam Memorial Chapel
(Photo by Jeffrey Dutton)*