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TREE & TOMBSTONE TOUR AT FOREST CEMETERY AUGUST 12TH

TOLEDO, OH. On Friday, August 12th from 11:00 am – Noon the summer Tree and Tombstone Tour series continues at Forest Cemetery, 1704 Mulberry St. Toledo, Ohio. The series continues September 9th. Join OSU Extension Educator, Amy Stone to explore the Trees of Forest Cemetery, along with Forest Cemetery historian Robyn Hage to hear family stories contained within its gates. Meet at the Main gates, registration is not required.

Forest Cemetery historian Robyn Hage will highlight Toledo's history of the city's founders and early settlers that are etched in stone throughout the grounds. Forest Cemetery is filled with Toledo's pioneers, first mayors, first fire chiefs, Civil War Generals, ship captains, as well as, many prominent individuals who founded and operated major business in the city, this tour will be a discovery of our city's beginnings. Forest also holds a wonderful variety of trees, Amy Stone, OSU Extension Educator, will help us explore the interesting species that add beauty throughout the Cemetery.

Forest Cemetery was established in 1832 by the Bissell family, who set aside a 10-acre area of their family farm as a burial facility for the villages of Port Lawrence and Vistula. The City of Toledo took responsibility for Forest when the two villages were incorporated into Toledo. Today, Forest Cemetery encompasses over 80 acres and managed by Woodlawn Cemetery. The Friends of Forest Cemetery recently published Toledo's Forest Cemetery Book. For more information, please call 419-472-2186, email: patty.toneff@historic-woodlawn.com or visit www.historic-woodlawn.com.

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