Annual Meeting of the Friends of Oakdale Cemetery
The Annual Meeting of the Friends of Oakdale Cemetery will be held on Tuesday, December 8, 2015, at 11:00 a.m. at the Kenneth Sprunt Office Building.

Friends of Oakdale Cemetery Board Meetings
Second Tuesday of every month, 12:00 noon. Kenneth Sprunt Building, Oakdale Cemetery.

Walking Tour – Saturday, Oct. 17, 2015, 10:00 a.m. to Noon
The leader of this tour will be Eric Kozen, Oakdale Superintendent. Mr. Kozen will give an in-depth look at the history of the cemetery including a few interesting folks interred in Oakdale, the Yellow Fever Epidemic of 1862 and funerary art. Admission is $10 for non-members; free for members.

Fifth Annual Luminary Event – Saturday, Nov. 7, 2015
This year, the theme will be concentrated on the medical doctors who are interred in Oakdale. Over 600 luminaries will line the paths of the cemetery to the graves of six doctors who have contributed to the health of our city. This is a ticketed event. Tickets are $15 each, limited number available, 35 per group. Tours are 6:15pm, 6:30pm, 6:45pm and 7:00pm. Tickets available at the office starting Oct 1st.

Veterans Day – November 11, 2015
United States Flags will be placed on the graves of veterans of all wars who are buried throughout the cemetery.

Christmas Greenery Sale
Deadline will be November 27, 2015 for ordering Christmas wreaths or trees, which will be placed on the graves of loved ones about two weeks before the holiday and will be removed after the holiday season. The wreaths are $35.00 for non-members and $33.00 for members. The trees are $25.00 for non-members and $23.00 for members.

Calendar of Events

Chairman of the New Hanover County School Board for 23 years. The deRosset family has had six physicians in its illustrious history, three of whom are buried in Oakdale on the same lot.

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5th Annual Luminary Tour
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2015
This year, the Fifth Annual Luminary Tour will highlight the accomplishments of some of the over fifty medical doctors who are interred at Oakdale. The ones chosen for the tour are a varied lot. Two are outstanding public health officials – Dr. Thomas Fanning Wood (1831-1892) and Dr. Charles Nesbit. A Confederate soldier and surgeon, Dr. Wood is considered the father of the North Carolina State Board of Health. Dr. Nesbit (1870-1938) the city of Wilmington’s Superintendent of Public Health and in that capacity championed efforts to implement and improve the city’s sewer system and clean water. Dr. John Thomas Hoggard (1879-1965) was a World War I veteran who served the community not only in the medical profession, but was active in education circles, serving as Chairman of the New Hanover County School Board for 23 years. The deRosset family has had six physicians in its illustrious history, three of whom are buried in Oakdale on the same lot.

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NEW & RENEWING MEMBERS
(Recorded between January 1, 2015 and June 30, 2015)

If you joined or renewed your membership during this time and we failed to list your name, please phone the office and we will correct the listing in the next issue of Inscriptions.

FOUNDER
$2500
Dr. Ogden O. Allsbrook, Jr.
Ms. Darleen Merritt

SPONSOR
$500–$999
Mr. and Mrs. John Brunjes
Mr. James M. Corcoran
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Scheithauer

PATRON
$250–$499
Mr. and Mrs. John Laurens Wright, Jr.
Dr. Ellen Feld
Ms. Catherine A. Solomon

DONOR
$100–$249
Mr. Steven T. Antrobus
Mr. and Mrs. John Brunjes
Mr. Robert F. Coleman, III

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Corbett, Jr.
Mr. Urchie B. Ellis
Mr. and Mrs. Mark Essig
Dr. Ellen Feld

Mrs. Catherine W. Freeman
Mr. Jere Freeman, III
Mr. and Mrs. Deane's Gornto
Mrs. Bettye D. Horne

Mrs. Georgia Joyner
Ms. Carole Kern
LT General James M. Lee
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Mr. and Mrs. John Laurens Wright, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Adams
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dunn
Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Evans
Mr. Francis "Chad" Farriss
Mr. Herbert T. Fisher

Ms. Nell Hooper Graham
Ms. Melissa Griffin
Dr. John Humphries
Mrs. Gail Kermon
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Maddox

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Mr. John C. Wessell, III
Drs. Andrew/Heather Westgate/Koopman

INDIVIDUAL
$30
Mr. Earl Ablard
Ms. Grace Avery
Ms. Nancy Ann Baker
Mrs. Dorothy Ballard
Mrs. Anna Benton

Mrs. Priscilla K. Bergamini
Mrs. Beth Crouch Blackwell
Mrs. Jessie D. Boney
Mrs. Katharine Harriss Byers

Ms. Helen Chirvton
Ms. Meg Davenport
Mr. John H. Dehnam
Ms. Marcy Dineen

Mr. Lawrence J. Fetner, II
Mr. Larry Hiatt
Ms. Joan Howard
Ltc. Richard B. Jones

Mr. D.M. Lee
Mr. Devereux Lippitt

Ms. Erin Moore
Master Tab Taylor

STUDENT
$15

Family
$40–$99
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Holiday Wreaths and Christmas Trees Available
ORDERS MUST BE PLACED BY NOVEMBER 27, 2015.
The Friends of Oakdale Cemetery offer Christmas wreaths and small trees. This year the fresh live wreaths will be identical to last year's – 25” across with a waterproof red bow. Additionally, we are offering again this year, fresh small Christmas trees – approximately 25” in height, with a red small bow tied at the top. The wreaths and trees will be placed on the gravesite of your loved ones during the second week of December.

Provide the name of the person BURIED on the lot and check the appropriate selections.

PLEASE MARK THE ITEM OR ITEMS YOU WISH TO ORDER.

Name: _____________________________________ WREATH___ TREE___

Wreath, 25” across $35.00 each.
($2.00 off each for members)

Christmas Tree, 25” tall $25.00 each.
($2.00 off each for members)

Record YOUR contact information should we need clarification on your order.

Name: _____________________________________ PHONE_____________

Address ___________________________ City _______________________

State ______ Zip Code ________ Email _________________________

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Make checks payable to:
Friends of Oakdale Cemetery
520 N 15th Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
Completed Maintenance Projects

This summer, the Friends of Oakdale Cemetery have completed several needed maintenance projects, which are:

• Pruning the cemetery’s dogwood trees;
• Repair and replace galvanized pipes, collars and stabilize posts on fourteen orphaned lots with pipe fences, located primarily in Section K;
• Repair the chain fencing on Nancy Martin’s Lot (the girl buried in the keg of rum); and
• Pressure wash, paint fences at the Peden Lot (Sec C), Fowler Lot (Sec D) and the Bettencourt Lot (Sec E), which are also orphaned lots.

The total cost of these projects was over $28,000. We thank our members and friends for their generosity in helping us fund these projects.

The Friends of Oakdale Cemetery were happy to partner with the Temple of Israel in repainting the fence around the Hebrew Cemetery. There were also some minor repairs made to the fence caused from fallen limbs damaging some of the rails. This is one of the more distinguished and visible fences in Oakdale being located on a main road of the cemetery and we are delighted to see it continue to look its best.

Tombstone Symbols

One of the most common symbols seen on tombstones, especially Roman crosses is the symbol IHS or IHC. The origin is rather simple; it is Jesus’ name in upper and lowercase Greek lettering, which is IHSOYS/ihsoys or IHSUS/ihsus. IHS is derived from the first three letters of Jesus’ name using the Greek letters: Iota, Eta Sigma. The IHC is from the first three letters of Jesus’ name in the Roman alphabet.

Volunteers Welcomed!

If you would like to become more involved with the Friends of Oakdale Cemetery, Inc., we have lots of opportunities for you.

• TOUR GUIDES
• RESEARCH
• NEWSLETTER
• LANDSCAPING/GARDENING
• DISTRIBUTION OF EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL
• FUND RAISING

Please call the Oakdale Cemetery office for more information.

910-762-5682
BE a Friend of Oakdale Cemetery!

Please mail your tax-deductible contribution to:

Friends of Oakdale Cemetery, Inc.
520 North Fifteenth Street  Wilmington, NC 28401

Questions? Call us at 910-762-5682

Please check one:

- Founder □ $2,500 & up
- Benefactor □ $1,000-$2,499
- Sponsor □ $500-$999
- Patron □ $250-$499
- Donor □ $100-$249
- Family □ $40-$99
- Individual □ $30
- Student □ $15

Please contact me about volunteering! □

Membership is for one year. ▷ Many volunteer opportunities!

To all the Friends of Oakdale, when receiving this periodic publication, this is not a reminder of your membership status. The Membership Committee sends out a specific letter. These letters are mailed to you annually when the time arrives according to the month you had renewed last or joined.

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Ann Hutteman and Tee Woodbury, Editors