



# THE BOUGH

NEWS OF EVERGREEN CEMETERY ASSOCIATION



Volume 12, Issue 2

May/June 2018

## A Walk Through Evergreen Cemetery

**Dale J. Fiore, CCE,  
General Manager**

It is a pleasure to write to you at this time of the year. The grass is greening up, the spring trees are in bloom, and there is new birth in the pond and the cemetery.

In the last newsletter, we stated that we would be having an event in May or June. We have decided to hold the Babie Annie Winchester Cross Restoration Ceremony on Saturday, June 16, 2018 at eleven o'clock in the morning. We hope that after you read about Sarah Lockwood Pardee Winchester in our notable's section of this newsletter that you will decide to join us for this very unique event. We are, of course, hoping for a warm sunny day.

The seasonal crew is back on site assisting with the beauty of Evergreen. You

will be able to spot them wearing their bright colored Evergreen T-shirts. They will be mowing the grass, maintaining the flowers and trees, and planting and watering the perennial gardens that surround the pond.

As you have noticed, we have added a second fountain to the pond and we have changed the spray pattern on the two fountains. They are extremely beautiful when they send up their first burst of spray in the morning, all during the day, and as the evening hours set in, the lights from the fountains reflect on the water.

Sales of niches in our Columbarium and Most Beautiful Cremation Garden have been brisk over these past few months. Many people are buying three or four niches together for their whole family at need and pre-need. Most people in the office will be able to discuss the possibilities with you on cremation, cremation options within Evergreen Cemetery, niches and burial locations within the Columbarium and Most Beautiful Cremation Garden. The daffodils have just passed, however, over the month of



The Winchester Monuments

April, the Cremation garden was a plethora of yellow as the daffodils wafted in the breeze. We will be planting summer plants within the next couple of months to again add beauty and color to our gardens.

Our notable in this issue is Sarah Lockwood Pardee Winchester, her husband William Wirt Winchester, and their daughter Babie Annie. Below is a photo of the Winchester Mystery House. It was a combination of Sarah's brilliance and artistic ability blended with the best craftsmanship available at the time of her multiple expansions. For more info you can visit <https://www.winchestermysteryhouse.com>.



### Seasonal Flower Program



Arrangements can be placed for any occasion. Our favorite at this time of year is Father's Day; but a birthday, anniversary, or any special date for you and a loved one is a good day. Call the office 203-624-5505 or email [djfiore@evergreencem.org](mailto:djfiore@evergreencem.org)



Evergreen Cemetery  
Association of  
New Haven & Crematory  
Tel: 203-624-5505  
Fax: 203-624-1223  
[www.evergreencem.org](http://www.evergreencem.org)

For More Information & Memorial Pages,  
or to Search for a Loved One, Visit our Website.  
[www.evergreencem.org](http://www.evergreencem.org)



Evergreen Cemetery Association  
of New Haven & Crematory  
769 Ella T. Grasso Blvd.  
New Haven CT 06519



Thinking of someone special.

## Meet Anthony Puglisi - Assistant Superintendent of Evergreen

Anthony Puglisi began his employment at Evergreen Cemetery as a grounds keeper in 2010. At that time, he ran the backhoe and worked with the other members of the Evergreen permanent crew to keep the grounds beautiful. When John Mikienis retired as the Crematory Operator, Puglisi, having been trained by Mikienis and Dale Fiore in the proper cremation procedures and guidelines of the Cremation Association of North America, moved into the position. When Anthony (Pepper) Cerillo decided to retire at the beginning of 2018, Anthony Puglisi was offered and accepted the position of Assistant Superintendent. He is on the grounds most days supervising the grounds crew. Anthony can direct you throughout the cemetery and assist you in locating your relatives through use of our mobile app. We hope that you will say hello when you see Anthony on the grounds or in the office and welcome him to his new position here at Evergreen.



## Sarah Lockwood Pardee Winchester, William Wirt Winchester, & Babie Annie

Sarah Lockwood Pardee was born sometime between 1835 and 1845. She was the seventh child to be born to Leonard Pardee and his wife Sarah Burns Pardee. The Pardee's were a respectable, upper middle class family of New Haven.

Sarah was a child prodigy and considered to be quite beautiful. She was fluent in Latin, French, Spanish, and Italian languages. Her knowledge of the classics, especially Homer and Shakespeare, as well as her remarkable talent as a musician won her the title in New Haven Society of 'The Belle of New Haven.'

At an early age, Sarah was admitted to Yale's only female scholastic institution known as the 'Young Ladies Collegiate Institute.' In addition to the liberal arts, there was a strict curriculum that consisted of the sciences and mathematics. Given her exposure to the Baconian Doctrine and her passion for the Shakespearean works, Sarah was drawn to a more than passing interest in the new theorem of Baconian-Masonic secret encryption techniques using numbered cipher systems. It is believed that this played a crucial role in defining what would become Sarah's life's work. She

acquired a vast knowledge of Masonic-Rosicrucian ritual and symbology.

William Wirt Winchester attended another arm of Yale College. Sarah and William studied the same curriculum under similar circumstances.

Sarah and William were married on September 30, 1862. Annie Pardee Winchester was born on July 12, 1866 and died 40 days later.

In 1880, Oliver Fisher Winchester died, leaving the succession of the Winchester Repeating Arms Company to William, his only son. One year later, William died at the age of 43. Sarah received



an inheritance of 20 million dollars, plus nearly 50% of the Winchester Arms stock, which earned her \$1000 a day in royalties for the rest of her life. The deaths of Annie and William were staggering blows to Sarah. In 1886, she began work on her San Jose California home, which later became known as the Winchester Mystery House.

The Winchester family is resting at Evergreen.