

May 3 - 7, 2021 is National Teacher's Week

## E. E. Barney and Dr. August F. Foerste

Teachers on the Dayton Region Walk of Fame who are resting peacefully at Woodland Cemetery



**Dr. August F. Foerste**

Dr. August F. Foerste was an internationally respected geologist and paleontologist who was a pioneer in describing the geology of the Miami Valley. He was a highly productive scientist who published over 5,500 pages on geology and produced over 650 photographic plates of fossil material. His 1915 work entitled, "Geology of Dayton and Vicinity" is considered a classic in the field. August Foerste's understanding of the area's geology led to the direct involvement with the Miami Conservancy District, advising the group on such crucial issues as the location of the dam system. In addition to his career as an active scientist, he taught physics and science at



**Eliam E. Barney**

Eliam E. Barney admired industry, order and thoughtfulness. He was principal of the Dayton Academy at Fourth and Wilkinson Streets and taught nature studies, reading and botany. His unique method included asking his students to read chapters from horticultural journals and taking them into the woods to gather shrubs and trees to bring back and transplant around the school building. In 1839, he resigned as principal of the Academy. In 1844, he took charge of Cooper Seminary, a school for young women. In 1851, Mr. Barney became associated with Ebenezer Thresher, a maker of railroad cars, beginning the Barney and Smith Mfg. Co. It soon became Dayton's first

Steele High School for 38 years, inspiring many to careers in the sciences. In 1926, he was presented with a lifetime membership to the Engineers Club of Dayton.

Dr. August F. Foerste was inducted into the Dayton Region Walk of Fame in 2004.



Dr. August F. Foerste was born in 1862 and died in 1936. He is located at Woodland Cemetery in Section 126 Lot 55.

manufacturing business and at one time the nation's foremost producer of railroad cars. This multi-faceted man was also a noted philanthropist and was significant in promoting the planting and propagation of catalpa trees.

Eliam E. Barney was inducted into the Dayton Region Walk of Fame in 1996.



E. E. Barney was born in 1807 and died in 1880. He is buried at Woodland Cemetery in Section 102 Lot 1492.

#### **Other teachers of note who are resting peacefully at Woodland Cemetery**

*Harriet N. Stephens* (1818-1903) a teacher for more than 50 years, she began her career at the Cooper Seminary founded by her brother, E.E. Barney.

*Marie J. Kumler* (1856-1925) began her teaching career in 1879 in district number eight in Van Buren Township near what is now Belmont. She became principal of the second district school on Perry Street two years later and finished her career teaching at Central High School.

*Leila Ada Thomas* (1856-1929) a public and private school teacher in Dayton. She taught Latin, German and English at Steele High School from 1880 to 1893.

*Nan C. Kennedy* (1856-1935) a teacher for the deaf. Longfellow Academy on Salem Avenue was once known as the Nan C. Kennedy School for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

*Louise Troy* (1860-1941) for over 13 years was the only African American teacher in the Dayton school system. Her pupils included Paul Laurence Dunbar, James A. Parsons, Jr. and William O. Stokes.

*William E. Harbottle* (1878-1954) this instructor at the Canada Business College came to Dayton in 1902. In just two years he took charge of the Jacobs Business College and in 1916 merged it with the Miami Commercial College forming the Miami-Jacobs Business College.

*Louise M. Dornbusch* (1887-1974) a teacher for well over three decades, she taught at Steele High School along side her uncle Dr. August F. Foerste.

*Martha K. Schauer* (1889-1985) taught art to young students on Saturday mornings at the Dayton Art Institute. She also taught for 45 years at Stivers High School.

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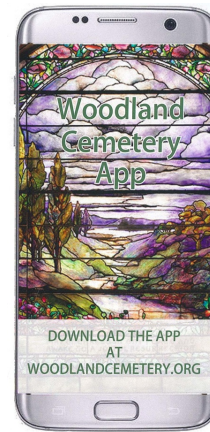
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~ Nelson Mandela

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