PRESS RELEASE

Mayor’s Day Event at Nashville City Cemetery April 9
Mayor Karl Dean, W.O. Smith Music School Children’s Choir to Appear

Nashville, TN--March 18, 2011 - Can you name the fifteen Nashville Mayors who are buried in the Nashville City Cemetery? Do you know which one of them is currently missing a grave marker? For the answers, join Mayor Karl Dean, the Metropolitan Historical Commission and the Nashville City Cemetery Association Board in honoring the Mayors who served Nashville from 1818-1857 and from 1951-1963 at the first Mayors' Day event at the Nashville City Cemetery, Saturday, April 9 at 1:30pm.

The afternoon program will feature a performance by the Children’s Choir from the W.O. Smith Music School, speakers stationed at each mayor's gravesite and Mayor Dean unveiling a new cedar head piece to commemorate the currently "unmarked mayor."

Fletch Coke, Carter Baker, Dr. Bill McKee of the Nashville City Cemetery Association, as well as the students in the Master of Science in Public Service Management program, offered through Cumberland University, led the research for the Mayors project.

Free parking is available within the cemetery grounds. For more information about the event, please contact the Metropolitan Historical Commission at 615-862-7970. For more information about the City Cemetery, visit www.thenashvillecitycemetery.org.

Nashville City Cemetery is located at 1001 Fourth Avenue, South at the corner of Fourth Avenue, South and Oak Street.

Opened in 1822, the City Cemetery is the oldest continuously operated public cemetery in Nashville. It operates under the supervision of the Metropolitan Historical Commission and the Metro Parks Department and is open every day.

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