

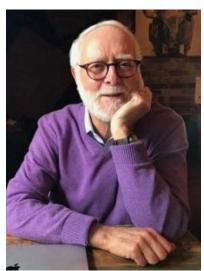
September 2020 Newsletter

September Speaker Series: Dr Wayne Clough, *Things New and Strange: A Southerner's Journey through the Smithsonian Collection*

September 3, 7pm Live Zoom Event with Wayne Clough Free

This former president of Georgia Tech and Secretary of the Smithsonian Institute wondered what the Smithsonian Collection would tell him about his native Georgia. In June he was named the Georgia Author of the Year by the Georgia Writers Association for this UGA Press book in the history field. A Buckhead resident, Dr Clough will discuss his findings and his book, and answer your online questions.

This will be a free lecture, live on zoom, with a question and answer session afterwards.



Registration

Rewarding August 8 New Hope AME Service Day



Over 35 volunteers helped New Hope AME clean up and partially restore their historic African-American cemetery on Arden Rd. Our membership chair Ivan Allen IV organized this meeting primarily for our new members. New Hope Pastor David Richards III talked about church history and people helping each other. His uplifting talk about the long history of our black and white community members working together was timely. It continues to be a neighborhood effort to preserve this 150 year old National Register listed church now in a mostly white residential area. Ashley Shares and Sean Diaz, Oakland Cemetery Director and Assistant Director of Preservation, did headstone restoration work as part of the service day, and helped educate Buckhead Heritage volunteers on cemetery preservation efforts.

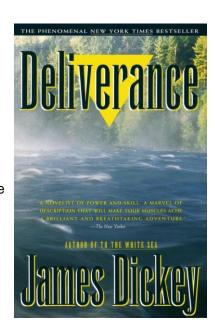
The Atlanta Journal and Constitution wrote an article about the event in the Sunday August 23rd edition.

Read Article Here

September Book Club: Deliverance, by James Dickey

September 23, 2020 7 pm – Live Zoom Event *Free*

James Dickey grew up in Buckhead and went to North Fulton High School. He is well known for his poetry, which included something about searching for Buckhead Boys, and became the 18th Poet Laureate of the United States in 1966. But his best known work was synonymous with southern stereotypes, and became defined by the hugely popular movie version of Deliverance, and it's star Burt Reynolds. We all remember the movie, but many of us never read this iconic book by a great southern (and Buckhead) author.

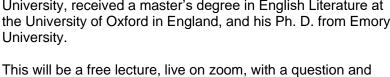


Registration

November Speaker Series: Dr Mason Lowance, History of Race Relations in the Jim Crow Era

September 3, 7pm Live Zoom Event with Mason Free

Buckhead resident and author Dr Mason Lowance will speak about the history of racism in the Jim Crow era. Professor Lowance has written several books on slavery, and teaches Early American Literature, American Romanticism, and American Realism at the University of Massachusetts -Amherst, Mason is a native Atlantan who grew up in Buckhead and completed his undergraduate studies at Princeton University, received a master's degree in English Literature at the University of Oxford in England, and his Ph. D. from Emory University.





Registration

What Makes Buckhead Special?

by John Beach

answer session afterwards.

When I've asked people what's special about Buckhead over the years, I've gotten a lot of the same answers; the people, homes and neighborhoods, southern hospitality, shops, restaurants, and entertainment options, and schools, the arts, and nearby jobs. Some natives include their family ties to the area. And newcomers often mention how welcome Buckhead residents make them feel.

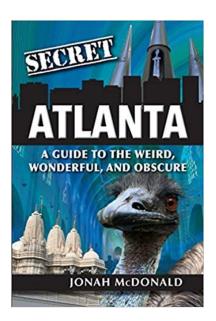
But Covid has changed what some of us appreciate. We're incredibly lucky to live in this city in a forest. My wife and I have watched a pair of fawns grow up and lose their spots in our yard this summer. We've walked the dogs around the block more, and reconnected with old and new friends and neighbors. I've talked on the street with a high school friend I didn't know lived a block from us. Many friends have found they appreciate their



November Book Club: Secret Atlanta: A Guide to the Weird, Wonderful and Obscure, by Jonah McDonald

November 18, 2020 7 pm – Live Zoom Event *Free*

Jonah McDonald writes about the unusual history of places around Atlanta. Buckhead area highlights include a very early time capsule, a historic site on Pharr Road, a famous painting on West Paces Ferry, and a Buckhead park with some of Atlanta's oldest history. It's hard to stop reading this fun book.



Registration

2020 Upcoming Events

September 3, 2020 Speaker Series: Dr. Wayne Clough, Things New and Strange: A Southerner's Journey through the Smithsonian Collection

September 23, 2020 Book Club; Deliverance by James Dickey

November 5, 2020 Speaker Series: Dr Mason Lowance, History of Race Relations in the Jim Crow Era

November 18 2020 Book Club: Secret Atlanta: A Guide to the Wierd, Wonderful and Obscure, by Jonal McDonald

To Join or Renew Buckhead Heritage Membership

Go <u>Here</u> or contact Richard Waterhouse at the office, 404-467-9447 or email <u>rwaterhouse@buckheadheritage.com.</u>

Volunteers Always Needed

Buckhead Heritage is a volunteer run group and can always utilize a variety of skills, including folks to help at events, cemetery cleanups, and on several preservation projects that could use research, committee and leadership help. If you've like to have some fun, learn something while helping the community, and meet some neighbors then we'd love to talk to you. Please contact Richard Waterhouse at the office.

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