



October 2023 Newsletter



Speaker Series: David Moore

"Buckhead Residents Buried at Oakland and Other Stories About the History of Oakland Cemetery"

Thursday, October 19 , 2023, 7:00 p.m., Free

The Cathedral of Saint Philip Gould Room

In honor of the Halloween season, join us and David Moore, Director Emeritus of the Historic Oakland Foundation, as we walk through what Franklin Garrett called, "Atlanta's most tangible link to her past," Oakland Cemetery. David will explore Oakland's history with stories of some of its famous (and infamous) residents, including many Buckhead residents. Together we will learn a bit more about our past and why historic preservation is so important.

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Speaker Series: Jeff Clemmons
Rich's: A Southern Institution

Thursday, November 16, 2023, 7:00 p.m., Free

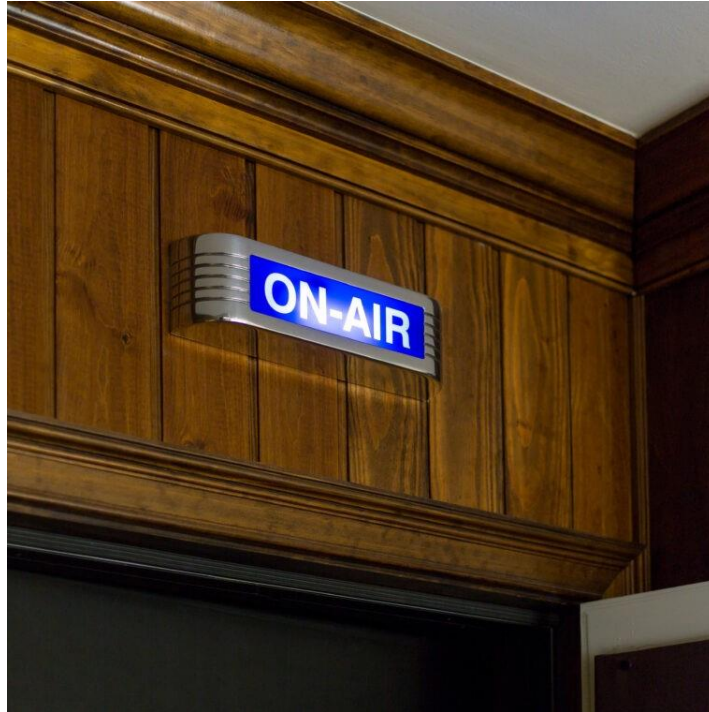
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Jeff Clemmons will share stories from his book *Rich's: A Southern Institution*. In 1867, less than three years after the Civil War left the city in ruins, Hungarian Jewish immigrant Morris Rich opened a small dry goods store on what is now Peachtree Street in downtown Atlanta.

Over time, his brothers Emanuel and Daniel joined the business; within a century, it became a retailing dynasty. Join historian Jeff Clemmons as he traces Rich's 137-year history. For the first time, learn the true stories behind Penelope Penn, Fashionata, The Great Tree, the Pink Pig, Rich's famous coconut cake and much more, including how events at the downtown Atlanta store helped John F. Kennedy become America's thirty-fifth president. With an eye for accuracy and exacting detail, Clemmons recounts the complete history of this treasured southern institution.

Jeff Clemmons lives in suburban Atlanta. He has a degree in business administration from Reinhardt University and a degree in creative writing and theater from Georgia State University. He created and leads walking tours of the Midtown and SoNo districts and Westview Cemetery of Atlanta for the Atlanta Preservation Center, and serves as the president of the APC's auxiliary group, CIRCA, which offers its members private tours of some of metropolitan Atlanta's most interesting historical structures.

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Preserving the Past: The Buckhead Heritage Oral History Project

Buckhead's vibrant history, a tapestry woven by its residents, has been captured and preserved through the Buckhead Heritage Oral History Project. Dedicated volunteers have recorded over 50 personal recollections of Buckhead's rich history and its evolution over the years. These remarkable stories, often untold, serve as windows into the past, revealing the experiences, traditions, and memories that have shaped our community. The Buckhead Heritage Oral History Project remains committed to its mission: to ensure that the knowledge and culture of Buckhead's past are accessible to future generations.

We invite you to become a part of this important endeavor by volunteering to help record and conduct interviews. The Atlanta History Center is giving the Buckhead Heritage Oral History Committee and volunteers an educational seminar to equip them with the necessary skills and knowledge to conduct interviews effectively and sensitively. Please reach out to Chair Judith Vanderver for more information at judithvanderver@mac.com.



Mt. Olive Cemetery Master Landscape Plan Complete

Last October, in our newsletter, we reported that a consecration of Mount Olive Cemetery would occur that month and more good things would come. Elon Osby, Buckhead Heritage Board Member and granddaughter of the Bagley's who is buried there, gave a talk that day.

We want to thank all who have made the improvements at Mount Olive possible. Alec Michaelides, Buckhead Heritage Board Member and Principal of Land Plus, designed the master plan and oversaw the work performed by the following:

Ladies of the Lake Foundation - grant to install the granite steps to the cemetery

Stone walls by Leija Construction, Tony Leija

Iron fencing by Ironworks International, Angelo Viale

Landscaping by Michael Jackson Landscape Company, Michael Jackson

Irrigation by Irrigation Atlanta, Joe Berastegui



Peachtree Heights East Movers, Shakers, and Heartbreakers Walking Tour

Saturday, November 18, 2023, 10 a.m.

**Buckhead Heritage presents this tour in
partnership with Atlanta Preservation Center**

Caleb Brown and Richard Waterhouse offer a fascinating tour of this hidden neighborhood near Peachtree Road and Lindbergh. With approximately 330 homes, Peachtree Heights East includes early 20th century American two-story four-square, Craftsman Bungalow, Cape Cod, Tudor Revival, and Ranch to 21st century home styles. We will see examples of several of these on the tour. The mile-and-a-half route is hilly and will last about an hour-and-a-half. We will meet at the Duckpond's historical marker and stay on the road during the tour.

To register, please contact Executive Director Richard Waterhouse at rwaterhouse@buckheadheritage.com or (404) 467-9447. The tour is free to Buckhead Heritage Members.



Executive Director's Report

It is important to me to thank our sponsors one more time for our Summer Fun-Raiser because they are such a vital part of our organization:

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I hope you all had a chance to hear Jim Langford's lecture on Standing Peachtree on September 21, 2023. If you plan to attend the lectures, please register ahead of time. If you register on-line and you do not receive a confirmation, please contact me so I can ensure you are on the list.

The Programs and Events Committee is working on the Speaker Series' Programs for 2024. If you have any suggestions, please let me know.

Once again, thank you for your support of Buckhead Heritage. We are very lucky to have you involved.

Take care, Richard Waterhouse

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