



July 2022 Newsletter



Speaker Series: Elon Osby
History of Bagley Park and Mount Olive
Cemetery, Thursday, July 21, 7 p.m., Cathedral of
Saint Philip, Gould Room, Free

Elon Osby, Buckhead Heritage Board Member, will talk about Bagley Park and Mount Olive Cemetery which is where Frankie Allen Park is

located today. Bagley Park was named after one of its well-known and respected residents, William Bagley, who was considered the “mayor” of Bagley Park. He was also the grandfather of Elon. Mount Olive Methodist Episcopal Church (founded 1870) was located where the LandPlus building is currently located. The church’s congregation was made up of former slaves and domestic workers to Buckhead’s wealthy residents and over the next few decades, Bagley Park was a thriving community of over 400 residents. The only part of this thriving community left is Mount Olive Cemetery. Elon will share memories of Bagley Park and Mount Olive Cemetery and explain what happened to the neighborhood and community in the late 1940s—early 1950s.

Register by [clicking here](#)



Speaker Series: “One Developer’s Trash is Our Treasure: Matt Norman and the Kenneth and Hazel Meredith House”, Thursday, August 18, 2022, 7 p.m. Cathedral of Saint Philip, Gould Room, Free

Matt Norman will talk about his painstaking preservation and restoration of the Meredith House. Designed by architect James C. Wise and built in 1938, the two-story brick home occupies a wooded 3.5-acre property. It is located in the Chastain Park neighborhood and includes a garage/servants’ quarters, an original stone barbecue pit and patio, and substantial remnants of William L. Monroe’s landscape. Matt will share the history of the house, the process of having it listed in the National Register of Historic Places, and offer insight into local residential preservation.

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Buckhead Heritage's Annual Garden Party

Buckhead Heritage so appreciates your support of our 2022 Garden Party in the charming garden of Debbie and Don Swann. We had 84 participants and raised over \$16,000. Special thanks to our Sponsors listed below and the Programs and Events Committee, under the leadership of Fay Pearce.

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2022 Raffle Drawing Winners



We so appreciate your support of the Buckhead Heritage Raffle. We sold 188 tickets and raised over \$6,000 for the organization. Our winners are:

Local Three Chef's Table Dining for four - Thomas Collier
3 Night Stay at Highlands Trickle Down Cottage - Charlotte and Bob Margolin
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Peachtree Golf Club, golf foursome & lunch - Andrew Crews
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Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, 2 season tickets for a series of 6 concerts - Ann and Fay Pearce



Photo by Charlotte Margolin

Peachtree Heights East Movers, Shakers and Heartbreakers Walking Tour

Saturday, July 2, 2022, 10 a.m.

Buckhead Heritage presents this tour in partnership with Atlanta Preservation Center

Caleb Brown and Richard Waterhouse will offer a fascinating tour of this hidden neighborhood near Peachtree Road and Lindbergh. With approximately 330 homes within this unique neighborhood, houses in Peachtree Heights East include 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

those on the tour. The mile and a half route tour is hilly and the tour will last about an hour and a half. We ask participants to meet at the Duckpond 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.



Buckhead Baseball and Land Plus collaborate with Buckhead Heritage on Mt. Olive Cemetery

Since 2016, Buckhead Baseball and Buckhead Heritage have collaborated to maintain and preserve the Mount Olive Cemetery, which fronts on Pharr Road and is adjacent to Atlanta's Frankie Allen Park, home of Buckhead Baseball. This cemetery was once a part of the thriving African American community of Macedonia Park. Its unofficial mayor was William Bagley, grandfather of Elon Osby, who serves on the Buckhead Heritage Board, and many of us remember

when the park bore his name, Bagley Park.

Buckhead Baseball's most recent contribution to the ongoing efforts at Mt. Olive was almost \$2,000, and since 2016, Buckhead Baseball has contributed approximately \$8,800.00, \$1.00 for each player who signs up to play Buckhead Baseball. These significant annual contributions have already enabled us to restore some of the remaining monuments there. This funding will allow Buckhead Heritage to focus on preserving the remaining headstones, further exploring and documenting the cemetery's history, and maintaining the historic cemetery as a sacred space.

Another important team member is Land Plus, a full service landscape architecture firm located adjacent to the cemetery. Alec Michaelides, co-founder of Land Plus, has developed a landscape plan pro bono, and he will be the project manager. In addition to landscaping, the plan includes a retaining wall parallel to the parking lot, fencing, an historical marker, and plants along all four sides of the property. In addition, Alec has secured pro bono commitments from some of his contractors.

Another team member is Chris Hastings of ArborMedics, whose firm has done significant tree work on the property for many years. Chris also serves on the Buckhead Heritage Board.

Elon Osby and Tamara Bazzle are coordinating this effort, with

significant input from Wright Mitchell. For further information about this plan, please contact the office at (404) 467-9447 or rwaterhouse@buckheadheritage.com.

Article written by Tamara Bazzle

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