



## October 2024 Newsletter



### ***Speaker Series: Geri and Wade Coleman Sharing Memories about the Carters***

**Thursday, October 17, 7 p.m., Free  
Cathedral of Saint Philip Gould Room**

Gerri and Wade Coleman share "Personal Memoirs of the Carters". They were both the Carters' gubernatorial and presidential campaign managers in Valdosta for Lowndes County.

Everyone with a personal Carter story is invited to share it in our

assembly following the Coleman's presentation.

**Register**

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**Peachtree Heights East  
Movers, Shakers, and Heartbreakers  
Walking Tour**

**Saturday, November 9, 2024, 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](mailto:rwaterhouse@buckheadheritage.com) or (404) 467-9447.

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**Speaker Series: *Jeff Clemmons***  
***Sharing the History of Westview Cemetery***

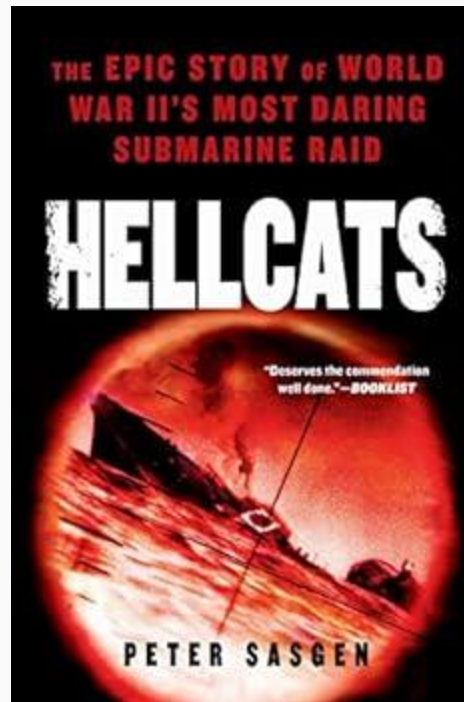
**Thursday, November 14, 7 p.m., Free**  
**Cathedral of Saint Philip Gould Room**

In 1884, several leading citizens purchased 577 acres to open Atlanta's Westview Cemetery. The rolling terrain, part of which was a site in the Civil War battle of Ezra Church, became the final resting place for more than 125,000 people. Prominent locals buried here include Grant Park namesake L.P. Grant, author Joel Chandler Harris, High Museum benefactor Harriet High, Coca-Cola founder Asa Candler Sr., Havertys founder J.J. Haverty, and Civil Rights icons Donald Lee Hollowell and Rev. Joseph Lowery. The cemetery's Westview Abbey mausoleum is one of the nation's largest, with more

than eleven thousand crypts. Throughout its history, Westview dabbled in other business ventures, including a cafeteria, a funeral home and an ambulance service. And for decades, the cemetery's Westview Floral Company sold flowers to lot owners and local businesses, leading to its own advice column in the Atlanta Constitution. Author Jeff Clemmons traces the complete history of this treasured necropolis.

**[Register](#)**

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**Speaker Series: *Peter Sasgen talking about his book Hellcats***

**Thursday, January 23, 7 p.m., Free  
Cathedral of Saint Philip Gould Room**

The story described in the book *HELLCATS* had a significant impact

on a Buckhead family. One of our presenters is part of that family, and the other is the author. A heart-stopping true tale of a submarine mission aimed at destroying Japan's merchant marine lifeline and ending World War II. By 1945, the U.S. Navy's submarine force in the Pacific had sunk over a thousand enemy cargo ships and tankers supplying the food, weapons, and oil Japan needed to continue to fight. Yet this once mighty merchant fleet continued to thrive in the Sea of Japan, where, protected from American submarines by a seemingly impenetrable barrier of deadly minefields, they provided a tenuous lifeline for the Japanese. Senior American commanders believed that if these enemy ships were sunk, Japan would be forced to surrender. Here is the incredible story of Operation Barney, the daring plot to penetrate those minefields and decimate the enemy fleet. The brainchild of the dedicated sub commander Vice Admiral Charles Lockwood, the mission would hinge on a new experimental sonar system that would, with luck, guide American submarines safely past the mines and into the open sea.

**[Register](#)**

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## **Cemetery Monument Cleaning 101: A Unique Volunteer Opportunity**

The reclamation and preservation of Harmony Grove Cemetery at Chatham and W. Paces Ferry Roads was Buckhead Heritage's first major project. Almost 20 years later, the effort will continue with

members of the Atlanta Chapter of the DAR gathering on Saturday, October 12 at 12:30 p.m. to clean the stone markers. We hope you'll join us!

We will train you in proper techniques, and all supplies will be provided. All you have to do is let Tamara Bazzle, [tabazzle@gmail.com](mailto:tabazzle@gmail.com), know that you're coming, so she will have enough supplies on hand, and then show up in some old clothes. Come for an hour or stay for the afternoon. You will learn about the history of this cemetery, meet some great people, and have a lot of fun!

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Help shape the future of Buckhead.

**2024**  
STATE OF  
BUCKHEAD  
SURVEY



What changes would you like to see in Buckhead?  
How can we improve the quality of life in Buckhead?  
What are your biggest concerns about the future of Buckhead?

You have an opinion, we want to hear it. Take our survey and let your voice be heard!



Facilitated by Livable Buckhead.



**Share Your Voice in the 2024 State of Buckhead Survey!**

In 2020 and 2022, Livable Buckhead surveyed residents and workers to understand what makes Buckhead special and what areas need improvement. What did we learn? The majority think Buckhead is a fantastic place to live, work, and visit! Our community thrives on excellent schools, job opportunities, and convenient access to the best shopping, dining, and entertainment Atlanta has to offer.

Now, we're doing it again in 2024 – and we need your help! Your feedback will shape future programs and projects in Buckhead. Take the survey today and help us continue building a vibrant, connected community.

**Bonus:** Ten lucky survey participants will win a \$50 Visa gift card!

### **Take the Survey Now**

Thank you for your input. The deadline date is September 15, 2024.

Denise Starling, Executive Director, Livable Buckhead

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# Bagley Park Public Open House

**Tuesday, October 1**

**6:00 - 8:00 pm**

Open House Style! Drop by when you can.

**Atlanta International School Auditorium**

2890 N Fulton Dr NE, Atlanta, GA 30305

*Shape the future of Bagley Park! Your insights and ideas are crucial as we work together to enhance our community space and create a park that reflects community needs and aspirations. Join the Department of Parks & Recreation for a collaborative session to review and comment on various proposed **parking and traffic alternatives** for Bagley Park. Your voice matters!*





## Executive Director's Report

We are slowly but surely confirming our programs for 2025. We have January, February, March, May, and July dates confirmed. If you have any suggestions of potential programs, please let me know.

If you are not a member of Buckhead Heritage, I hope you will consider joining us. One of the reasons we can provide free programs is because of our strong membership support.

Take care,

Richard Waterhouse

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## To Join or Renew Buckhead Heritage Membership

Go [Here](#) or contact Richard Waterhouse at the office, (404) 467-9447, or email [rwaterhouse@buckheadheritage.com](mailto:rwaterhouse@buckheadheritage.com).

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