HISTORIC PRESERVATION IN ATLANTA: WHAT IS GOING ON NOW? OUR MAY LUNCH AND LEARN WWI SCRAPBOOKS ONLINE, CENTENNIAL TOUR, EXHIBIT

On Friday, May 11, noon-1:00 p.m., the Georgia Archives' Lunch and Learn program will be *Historic Preservation in the City of Atlanta: Find out How it Works and What is Going on Now!* presented by Doug Young. Doug is the Assistant Director for Historic Preservation in the City of Atlanta's Department of City Planning.

Sponsored by the Friends of Georgia Archives and History, Lunch and Learn programs are free and open to the public.

Doug will talk about the City of Atlanta's historic preservation structure and current initiatives, including what is considered historic in the City of Atlanta, typical types of reviews, upcoming projects, the Atlanta City Design project, and challenges to historic preservation.

The City of Atlanta's Urban Design Commission hired Doug in 1996 as the agency's Historic Preservation Planner in order to more fully integrate historic preservation into the city's overall planning efforts. As the Assistant Director since 2008, Doug manages and oversees all of the day-to-day operations of the Urban Design Commission and the Historic Preservation Staff, including architectural design review, city project review, outreach and technical assistance, and compliance with federal preservation laws.

Please join us to learn what is going on with historic preservation in Atlanta.

The Georgia Archives is happy to announce that there is a new online searchable collection available to the public: World War I Casualties Scrapbook Collection. A link to the collection can be found on the Georgia Archives' webpage under "Announcements," and in the "Virtual Vault," also found on the website.

The collection includes the documentation of every casualty from Georgia in the Great War. It was one of the first projects undertaken by the newly-created Georgia Department of Archives and History in 1919. Rosa Talbot Knight, wife of Archives Director Lucian Lamar Knight, combed newspaper clippings, biographical sketches, letters and memoranda furnished by relatives, and the records of the State Council of Defense to supplement the roster compiled by the federal government of all soldiers, sailors and marines who served.

The scrapbooks contain at least one page for each casualty, including their name, rank, condition (wounded, died of disease, killed in action, missing in action, etc.), date of the status report, hometown in Georgia and next of kin, if known.

Explore this, and other collections, in the Georgia Archives' "Virtual Vault."

On Saturday, May 12, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. is the "Georgia Archives, 100 Years: Where We Are Now" tour.

Travel back in time at the Georgia Archives. Learn how one man's dream became a reality. See how documents are protected and conserved with a tour down the conservation hall. Enjoy fascinating stories from the Vanishing Georgia Collection. Finish the tour with our Reference Room and learn of the many resources available to you.

To celebrate the Georgia Archives' centennial, the tours are held the second Saturday of the month. The tour is free and no registration is required. Please wear comfortable shoes.

For our centennial, the Georgia Archives staff has created a new exhibit: "History of the Georgia Archives: 1918 to 2018."

Our newest exhibit examines the history of the Georgia Archives from the founding of the department in 1918. Photographs, news clippings, letters, and objects from the Archive's past show its transition from a small office in the capitol building to the institution we know today.

The exhibit includes: An audio clip of a Governor Busbee speaking about Secretary of State Ben W. Fortson, who was instrumental in securing support for the Capitol Avenue archives building, a letter of support for the archives from President Woodrow Wilson to State Archivist Lucian Lamar Knight, and color renderings showing the site of the National Archives Southeast Regional Branch and the Georgia Archives.

The exhibit is open April 7 through July 7, 2018, and is located in the Georgia Archives exhibit hall in the main lobby.

The Georgia Archives is a unit of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia. The Georgia Archives identifies, collects, manages, preserves, provides access to, and publicizes records and information of Georgia and its people, and assists state and local government agencies with their records management. This work is done within the framework of the USG's mission to create a more highly educated Georgia.

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