

The Newsletter of Auburn Heritage Association



Progress thru Preservation

The Auburn Heritage Association is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving and protecting Auburn's history
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Amanda Bain portraying
"Miss Virginia"

The Auburn Heritage Association has scheduled the Historic Pine Hill Lantern Tour this year for the nights of October 10 and 11 from 7 to 9 pm. Featured this year are two new characters in the tour and many of your old favorites. The band will be playing for your enjoyment outside the gates, while you wait for your turn to see the show! The trolley will be running again from the Auburn Jr. High School, where plenty of parking will be provided. Also "Auburn, Sweet Auburn, History, Stories, and Epitaphs of Pine Hill Cemetery" hardbound book will be available for purchase. Tickets for the tour are \$10 at the gate. Please join us for a most intriguing and wonderful interactive way to experience Auburn history!

***PINE HILL LANTERN
TOUR
OCTOBER
10 & 11
7:00—9:00 pm***

PLEASE JOIN US



Chuck Leonard will be
portraying his great, great
grandfather, Auburn's founder,
Judge John J. Harper



Lan Lipscomb portraying "Uncle
Billy Mitchell"



Tallassee String Band playing at
the cemetery gates

PINE HILL LANTERN TOUR

FUN, EXCITING HISTORY



The luminaries throughout the cemetery are beautiful the night of the tour. They light your way with an experienced guide to take you to every character station and learn a little more about the enlightened and tragic stories of the inhabitants of Pine Hill Cemetery. It tells you about how these people first settled and grew Auburn and Auburn University to the place it is today.

YOU MIGHT EVEN SEE A GHOST!!



NEW OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR AHA



AHA Officers and Board of Directors 2013-2015
 At the May meeting at Pebble Hill, the membership elected the following Officers and Board of Directors to 2013-2015: Bottom row, L to R: Winnie Boyd, Mary Elizabeth Shaw, Anne Graves, Trudy Baker. Top Row, L to R: Charlie Hendrix, Angie Denning, Kitt Conner, Mary Norman, Dora James, Sidney James-Nakhjavan. We are happy to welcome our new Board members, Anne Graves, Trudy Baker, Dora James and Sidney-James Nakhjavan. Not pictured: June Spooner and John Rice.



AHA Membership Party held at Pebble Hill in May 2013



Auburn, Sweet Auburn,

History, Stories and Epitaphs of Pine Hill Cemetery 1836-2010”

Introduced in December 2010, this book was 15 years in the making. A volunteer effort of the Auburn Heritage Association, it started with the Lantern Tours at Pine Hill in 1996 and continued with the culmination of this publication. Over the years scripts about the inhabitants of Pine Hill have been researched and written by relatives, volunteers and performed in an amateur theatrical production in the cemetery. However, this publication about Pine Hill goes a bit further. The book is comprised of an introduction of the recent history of Pine Hill, improvements made over the years, historical markings and honors. It also includes a full re-enumeration of the 1600 graves in the cemetery, as well as many well researched biographical histories and plenty of photographs.

The beautiful hard bound 8 1/2 “ X 11” book is available for \$30.00 from the Auburn Heritage Association. These are limited edition copies and over half have been sold already. We are sure you would want one for each of your family members. To order a book, send a check made payable to the Auburn Heritage Association, P.O. Box 2248, Auburn, AL 36830. If you would like your book mailed to you, please add \$5.00 for postage. If you are local, we can make arrangements for you to pick up your book. Or you can go to www.auburnheritage.org and order the book online.

AHA ERECTS BOLLARDS at PINE HILL

In 2010, the Auburn Heritage Association had ground penetrating radar performed on the area in front of the Confederate Monument at Pine Hill Cemetery. This project resulted in finding a mass grave of the 98 soldiers mentioned on the monument that was erected in 1893 by the Ladies Memorial Association. To denote the exact location of these graves the AHA, this past Spring, had bollards and chain erected at the points designated by the ground penetrating radar done in 2010. This will give a permanence to the exact location so future generations will know where these graves are located.

With the revelation this was a mass grave, it appears the deduction these soldiers were probably killed or wounded in a battle close to this area would be true. It has been suggested they were put on the train from the Battle of Atlanta in 1864, and may have died on the way. If they had died at the Confederate hospital at Old Main, they probably would have been buried singularly and not in a mass grave.



AUBURN HERITAGE ASSOCIATION

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Christine B. Danner

NEW MEMBERS

Steven Manos
Riorden Hannaby

MEMORIALS

For Confederate Bollards & Chain:
Auburn Guards UDC Chapter #2677

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Trudy Baker
Winnie Boyd
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Sidney James-Nakhjavan
John Rice
Mary Elizabeth Shaw
June Spooner

The Auburn Heritage Association Board meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month September—May at Pebble Hill.

All members are invited to attend

FACEBOOK PAGE FOR AHA

The AHA has started a new facebook page. Please log in and “like” our page. We will keep you up to date with new happenings in historic preservation around the area and great pictures of the projects of the Auburn Heritage Association.

Also, please feel free to use the page to email us about any preservation activities you know about in and around Lee County.

Already, many AHA pictures of the Lantern Tour, historic homes, historic markers and membership activities are on the page. Feel free to “browse” the page and then join us on facebook to keep up to date on AHA activities.

We welcome your participation and comments!

LOST AUBURN PUBLISHED

Three Auburn natives have recently published a book titled **LOST AUBURN**. Ralph Draughon, Jr., Delos Hughes, and Ann Pearson spent over two years compiling over 200 pictures and text that capture lost structures that were once a part of the loveliest village they grew up in, that has drastically changed in the ensuing years. In its way, it is a plea for historic preservation. The book has pictures that date as far back as antebellum days and that run the gamut in style from Greek Revival to humble bungalow. The book is hard bound on high quality paper and is indexed. Retail price is \$30. If one cannot locate a copy in area stores, one may call Ann Pearson at [\(334\)821-3660](tel:3348213660), who can sell them from her home

AHA WEBSITE UPDATED

You may now go online to www.auburnheritage.org and renew your membership to the Auburn Heritage Association. All major credit cards are accepted. You may also order the book

“Auburn, Sweet Auburn” on the website.