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“Former State Parks of Georgia”

The Georgia Archives Lunch & Learn presentation, “Former State Parks of Georgia,” by Andrew Bramlett, will be held onsite. The presentation is on Friday, October 13th, 2023, from noon to 1:00 p.m. at the Georgia Archives, 5800 Jonesboro Road, Morrow, GA.

The Lunch and Learn presentation is free, and no registration is required.

Mr. Bramlett will delve into the captivating history of Georgia’s former state parks. There are over 60 Georgia State Parks and Historic Sites today, but across the state’s history there are more than forty sites that might have once call themselves state parks. From “lost” ruins of the Spanish to gold mines and military sites to scenic forests, each site has unique stories waiting to be told.

Seventeen-year-old Andrew Bramlett is a local historian living in Kennesaw, Georgia. He is Vice President of the Kennesaw Historical Society and an Honorary Member of the Cemetery Preservation Commission for the City of Kennesaw. He volunteers with the Kennesaw Parks & Recreation Department and at Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park where he is tour guide on the shuttle bus to the top on the weekends. He is also the Social Media Administrator for the Friends of Kennesaw Mountain. Andrew manages two social media sites: a site on world history called *Archive of the Past* and a site on Georgia history called *Peach State Past*.

In 2018, Mr. Bramlett won a Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council award for Local History Advocacy due to his work on the history of the City of Kennesaw, Kennesaw Mountain, and his Kennesaw City Cemetery Walking Tour. Andrew was named the 2023 Honorary City Historian for the City of Kennesaw early this year. He is also the archivist for the Save Acworth History Foundation. Andrew speaks to civic groups, senior centers, and community groups on a variety of topics ranging from local history to topics that can be used anywhere in the world.

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.