

**The Georgia Municipal Cemetery Association,  
The Georgia Historic Preservation Division and  
The Georgia Dept. of Economic Development**  
*Present*

# **BEYOND THE GRAVE**

## **Cultural & Ethnical Burial Customs**

**June 22-24, 2011**

**Savannah Civic Center**

**301 West Oglethorpe Avenue  
(Montgomery Street and Liberty Street)  
Savannah, Georgia, 31401**

### *Featuring*

- Interesting Presentations from Twenty Cultural, Historical and Religious Experts
- Informative Tours of Three Culturally & Historically Significant Local Cemeteries
- Access to Information Technology, Monument Conservation, Cemetery Maintenance and other Commercial and Nonprofit Exhibits
- Networking Opportunities with Cemetery and Historic Preservation Specialists
- Municipal and Nonprofit Cemetery Organizations from across the State of Georgia

**MEGA PASS: ADMISSION TO ALL MEETINGS AND EXHIBIT HALL  
INCLUDES ALL MEALS AND TOURS  
June 22-24, 2011**

**Early Registration (by May 31, 2011)**

**\$75 Members  
\$100 Nonmembers**

**Late Registration (June 1, 2011 or after)**

**\$125 Members  
\$150 Nonmembers**

**Mega Pass does NOT include cemetery manager certification on June 21, 2011**

**One-Day Passes, Significant Others' Passes, Tour and Meal Passes also Available!**

**BEYOND THE GRAVE: Cultural & Ethnical Burial Customs**  
**June 22-24, 2011**

**Cemetery Conference Hotel**  
**Special Rate \$97**

**The Inn at Ellis Square (a Days Hotel)**  
**201 West Bay Street**  
**Savannah, GA 31401**  
**(912) 236-4440**  
**(877) 542-7666**

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Georgia Municipal Cemetery Association

**2011 Cemetery Manager Certification**  
**For Municipal and Nonprofit Organizations**

**Tuesday, June 21, 2011**  
9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**Savannah Civic Center**  
301 West Oglethorpe Avenue  
(Montgomery Street and Liberty Street)  
Savannah, Georgia, 31401

Co-Sponsored by

City of Savannah Department of Cemeteries  
Historic Oakland Foundation

Registration

\$40 GMCA Members  
\$60 Nonmembers

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*For more information, contact:*

**Georgia Municipal Cemetery Association**  
**330 Bonaventure Road**  
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**[GAcemetry@earthlink.net](mailto:GAcemetry@earthlink.net)**

2011 ANNUAL CEMETERY CONFERENCE

**GEORGIA MUNICIPAL CEMETERY ASSOCIATION  
BEYOND THE GRAVE: CULTURAL & ETHNICAL BURIAL CUSTOMS  
2011 ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
JUNE 22-24, 2011  
PRELIMINARY AGENDA**

PROGRAM FACILITATOR:

Len Strozier, Regional Manager  
Topographix - Southland

**WEDNESDAY (6/22/2011)**

8:30 AM REGISTRATION

9:30 AM Welcome to Savannah

Mayor Otis Johnson, Ph.D  
City of Savannah

9:45 AM Cultural and Ethnical Introduction

Jerry Flemming, Cemeteries Director  
City of Savannah

10:00 AM Irish Catholic Burial Customs

Rev. Jeremiah McCarthy, JCL, JV, Pastor  
Blessed Sacrament Church

10:30 AM Savannah's Catholic Cemetery Tour

Sponsored by Savannah Catholic Cemetery  
Preservation Society

NOON LUNCH

12:55 PM DOOR PRIZES

1:00 PM Colonial American Burial Customs  
Victorian Era Burial Customs  
Cremation Alternatives

Elizabeth Piechocinski, Author, Historian  
Hugh S. Golson, Retired Educator & Historian  
M. Creede Hinshaw, Sr. Pastor,  
Wesley United Methodist Church

2:00 PM BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS

2:10 PM DOOR PRIZES

2:15 PM Episcopal Burial Customs

Rev. Marc Robertson, Rector  
Christ Church (Anglican)

Scottish Presbyterian Burial Customs

Terry Johnson, Pastor  
Independent Presbyterian Church

German Lutheran Burial Customs

Dr. Robert Lefavi, Professor  
Armstrong Atlantic State University

3:15 PM BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS

3:25 PM DOOR PRIZES

3:30 PM GMCA Annual Business Meeting

Stan Rogers, President

5:00 PM WELCOME RECEPTION

Georgia Municipal Cemetery Association  
Sponsored by Prime Engineering

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**THURSDAY (6/23/2011)**

8:00 AM	REGISTRATION	
9:00 AM	Public Service through Municipal Cemeteries	Jerry Flemming, Cemeteries Director City of Savannah
	Masonic Burial Customs	Robert Porter Solomon's Lodge
	Odd Fellows	Jimmy Huphries Internation Order of the Odd-Fellows
10:00 AM	Jewish Burial Customs	
10:30 AM	Savannah's Jewish Cemeteries Tour	Sponsored by Congregation Mickve Israel
NOON	LUNCH	Sponsored by Mathews International
1:30 PM	Islamic Burial Customs	Imam Maajid S. Ali Mashid Jihad
	Buddhist Burial Customs	An Nguyen, Vietnamese Buddhist Association of Savannah
	Hindu Burial Customs	Amitiva Ganguly Hindu Temple Society of Augusta
2:30 PM	BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS	
2:40 PM	DOOR PRIZES	
2:45 PM	Greek Orthodox Burial Customs	Fr. Vasile St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Church
	Russian Orthodox Burial Customs	Fr. Alexis Duncan, Rector Joy of All Who Sorrow Church
	Morman Burial Customs	
3:45 PM	BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS	
3:55 PM	DOOR PRIZES	
4:00 PM	Native American Burial Customs	Dr. David Crass, Director Georgia Department of Natural Resources Historic Preservation Division
	Geechee / Gullah Burial Customs	Cornelia Bailey
	U. S. Military Funeral Protocol	Anthony Plumey, Fort Stewart
5:00 PM	BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS	
6:00 PM	BANQUET & AWARDS CEREMONY	

**FRIDAY (6/24/2011)**

9:00 AM	REGISTRATION	
9:30 AM	A Tale of Two Cemeteries: What Lies Beneath the Landscape of African American Burial Grounds	Dr. D. L. Henderson, Independent Historian Southview Cemetery
10:00 AM	African-American Burial Practices	Michael Trinkley, Ph.D., Director, and Debbi Hacker, Conservation Administrator Chicora Foundation
10:30 AM	African-American Burial Traditions	Hugh B. Maternes, Ph.D., and Valerie Davis, M.A. New South Associates
11:00 AM	Laurel Grove South Cemetery Tour	

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**SPECIAL HERITAGE TOURISM PROGRAM**

PROGRAM FACILITATOR:

Bruce Green, Director, Tourism Product Dvlpt  
Georgia Dept. of Economic Development

**WEDNESDAY (6/22/2011)**

- 1:00 PM How to Work with Your Local CVB and  
Build Cemetery Partnerships
- 2:00 PM BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS
- 2:10 PM DOOR PRIZES
- 2:15 PM Graves and Cemeteries of Civil War  
Significance
- 3:15 PM BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS
- 3:25 PM DOOR PRIZES
- 3:30 PM New Technologies in Historic Cemeteries

**THURSDAY (6/23/2011)**

- 9:00 AM How to Plan and Execute Special Events  
in Your Cemetery

**BEYOND THE GRAVE SPONSORS**

- Bonaventure Historical Society
- Catholic Cemetery Preservation Society
- Chicora Foundation
- City of Savannah Department of Cemeteries
- Congregation Mickve Israel
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**BEYOND THE GRAVE: Cultural & Ethnic Burial Customs**  
**2011 ANNUAL CEMETERY MEETING**  
**JUNE 22-24, 2011**  
**FEES**

**Mega Pass: BEYOND THE GRAVE: Cultural & Ethnic Burial Customs**

(Wednesday - Friday)

\*admission to all meetings and exhibit hall

\*includes all meals and tours

\*does not include cemetery manager certification

Early Registration (must be received by June 10, 2011)

\$75.00 Members	1	\$	<input type="text"/>
\$100.00 Non Members	2	\$	<input type="text"/>

Late Registration (after June 10, 2011)

\$125.00 Members	3	\$	<input type="text"/>
\$150.00 Non Members	4	\$	<input type="text"/>

**One Day Passes**

(Wednesday 6/22)

\*includes tour and lunch

Early Registration (must be received by June 10, 2011)

\$40.00 Members	5	\$	<input type="text"/>
\$60.00 Non Members	6	\$	<input type="text"/>

Late Registration (after June 10, 2011)

\$50.00 Members	7	\$	<input type="text"/>
\$70.00 Non Members	8	\$	<input type="text"/>

(Thursday 6/23)

\*includes tour and lunch

Early Registration (must be received by June 10, 2011)

\$40.00 Members	9	\$	<input type="text"/>
\$60.00 Non Members	10	\$	<input type="text"/>

Late Registration (after June 10, 2011)

\$50.00 Members	11	\$	<input type="text"/>
\$70.00 Non Members	12	\$	<input type="text"/>

(Friday 6/24)

\*includes tour

Early Registration (must be received by June 10, 2011)

\$20.00 Members	13	\$	<input type="text"/>
\$30.00 Non Members	14	\$	<input type="text"/>

Late Registration (after June 10, 2011)

\$25.00 Members	15	\$	<input type="text"/>
\$35.00 Non Members	16	\$	<input type="text"/>

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**Special Heritage Tour Program**

(1:00 p.m. Wednesday 6/22 through 10:00 a.m. Thursday 6/23)

Early Registration (must be received by June 10, 2011)

\$40.00 Members 17 \$

\$60.00 Non Members 18 \$

Late Registration (after June 10, 2011)

\$50.00 Members 19 \$

\$70.00 Non Members 20 \$

**Significant Other's Pass**

\*includes all meals and tours

\*does not include cemetery manager certification

\$50.00 21 \$

**Additional Tour Passes**

(Wednesday 6/22)

\$5.00 Savannah's Catholic Cemetery Tour 22 \$

(Thursday 6/23)

\$5.00 Savannah's Jewish Cemeteries Tour 23 \$

(Friday 6/24)

\$5.00 Laurel Grove South Cemetery Tour 24 \$

**Additional Meal Passes**

(Wednesday 6/22)

\$15.00 Lunch 25 \$

\$15.00 Welcome Reception 26 \$

(Thursday 6/23)

\$15.00 Lunch 27 \$

**New Cemetery Manager Orientation**

(Tuesday 6/21 9:30 am - 4:00 p.m.)

\*Includes Lunch

Early Registration

\$40.00 Members 28 \$

\$60.00 Nonmembers 29 \$

**GMCA Executive and Committee Meetings**

(Tuesday 6/21 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm)

\$0.00 Meetings Only 30 \$

\$15.00 Meetings with Lunch 31 \$

**GMCA Annual Membership**

\*12 months

\$25.00 Associate Membership 32 \$

\$50.00 Professional Membership 33 \$

\$100.00 Supporting Membership 34 \$

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**Exhibit Table**

(Wednesday - Thursday)

\*includes Mega Pass

\$250.00	Members	35	\$	<input type="text"/>
\$350.00	Non Members	36	\$	<input type="text"/>

**GMCA 16 oz Bistro Coffee Mug**

(to be picked up at the conference)

\$10		37	\$	<input type="text"/>
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TOTAL AMOUNT DUE (add lines 1-37)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Georgia Municipal Cemetery Association

Mail Completed Registration Form and Payment to:

Georgia Municipal Cemetery Association  
2011 Annual Conference Committee  
330 Bonaventure Road  
Savannah, GA 31404

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