

# Experience Atlanta's True South

**Clayton County, Georgia**

*Official Home of Gone With the Wind*

Clayton County, Georgia is located just 15 miles south of Atlanta. Here, visitors will find the small town charm and southern hospitality that they expect. Whether its the convenience of being a few miles from the world's busiest airport, the excitement of the Atlanta Motor Speedway, the lure of antebellum homes and museums, the history of Stately Oaks Plantation or the heritage at the State and National Archives - Clayton County, Georgia is  
**Atlanta's True South!**

*What's New and What's News in Atlanta's True South*

## **OFFICIAL HOME OF GONE WITH THE WIND**

Clayton County, Georgia is the Official Home of Gone With the Wind. On the first few pages of Margaret Mitchell's world-renowned novel, Scarlett's beloved home, Tara, is set in Jonesboro, Georgia. Clayton County is a part of the Gone With the Wind Trail, a state designated trail for visitors to follow, linking sites dedicated to Margaret Mitchell, her Pulitzer Prize-winning novel and the subsequent film. Featured sites include the Road to Tara Museum, Margaret Mitchell House, Atlanta Fulton County Public Library Oakland Cemetery and the Marietta Gone With the Wind Museum.



## **LOCAL CHARACTER**

**PETER BONNER** - Local historian and owner of Historical & Hysterical Tours, Peter brings life, laughter and fun into learning more about Gone With the Wind, the real people who inspired Margaret Mitchell's famed characters and the pivotal Battle of Jonesboro.



## **BIRDERS' PARADISE**

The Newman Wetlands Center, a man-made 32-acre habitat and wetlands area, is home to waterfowl, raptors, song birds and more. This is a great location for anyone visiting the Metro Atlanta area or stopping through on a layover as it's a quick drive from Atlanta Hartsfield Jackson International Airport.



# Experience Atlanta's True South

*Official Home of Gone With the Wind Continued...*

## Event Highlights

**January - May:**  
Spivey Hall Performances

**February/March:**  
NASCAR Race

**April:**  
Native American Heritage Day  
Azalea Festival

**May:**  
Jonesboro Days

**July:**  
FreedomFest

**August:**  
Victorian Mourning Tours

**September:**  
Seafood & Music Festival

**October:**  
Wetlands and Watershed Festival

**December:**  
Christmas at Stately  
Oaks Plantation  
Mistletoe Market

## Things Locals Know

~ The Atlanta State Farmers Market is THE place to get fresh Georgia peaches in the summer time



~ Morrow is the center for genealogical research as both National Archives at Atlanta and the Georgia Archives are located there



~ Clayton County is catching a piece of the film action in Georgia as The Hunger Games: Catching Fire and The Vampire Diaries have filmed scenes here



~ Looking for great local restaurants? Try Dean's BBQ in Jonesboro, Vn Pho in Morrow and Taqueria La Oaxaquena in Jonesboro



### Media Contact:

Danielle Conroy, Director of Marketing & Communications  
Clayton County Convention & Visitors Bureau ~ Jonesboro, Georgia  
(678) 610-4242 (800) 662-7829 [danielle@atlantastruesouth.com](mailto:danielle@atlantastruesouth.com)  
[www.AtlantasTrueSouth.com](http://www.AtlantasTrueSouth.com) Facebook: Visit Clayton County, GA Twitter: @VisitScarlett