

Scott O. Lilienfeld
Memorial Tree Dedication

February 27, 2021
Lullwater Park, Emory University

May memories be our blessings.



We recently honored our mentor, colleague, and friend Scott Lilienfeld with a tree planting in Lullwater Park. As many of you know, this was Scott's favorite place to walk on campus.

These walks allowed him to share and debate ideas with others, while simultaneously enjoying the beauty of nature.

The tree dedication was opened by Kristin Landfield, followed by a reading of Mary Oliver's 'When I am Among the Trees'. Other attendees shared their own memories of Scott. Katie Fowler offered a summary of Dr. Lilienfeld's contributions to psychology and his students.

Donations to support initiatives like the preservation of the park can be made in Dr. Lilienfeld's honor to the Sterk Landscaping Fund at engage.emory.edu/Lilienfeld



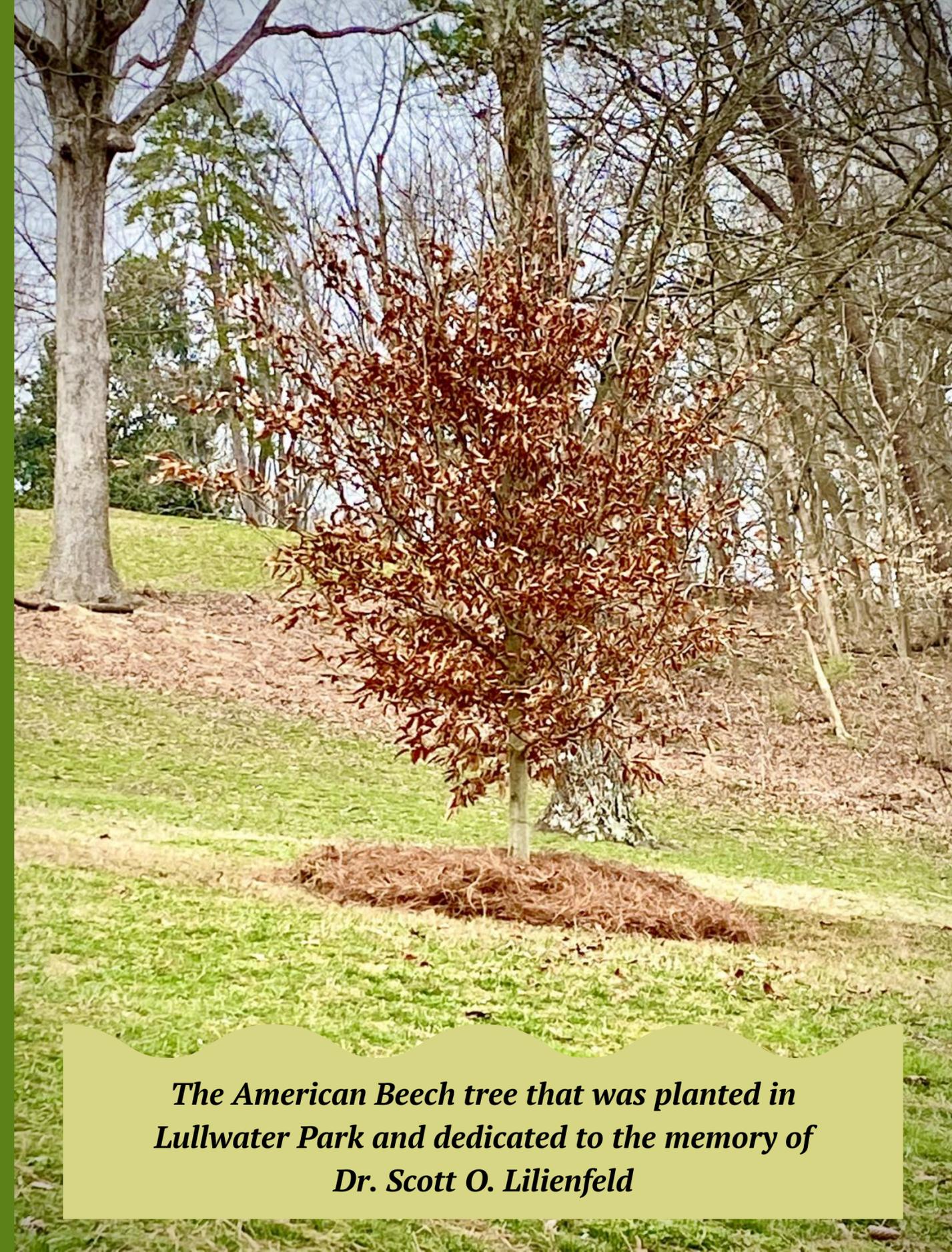
When I am Among the Trees by Mary Oliver

When I am among the trees,
especially the willows and the honey locust,
equally the beech, the oaks and the pines,
they give off such hints of gladness.
I would almost say that they save me, and daily.

I am so distant from the hope of myself,
in which I have goodness, and discernment,
and never hurry through the world
but walk slowly, and bow often.

Around me the trees stir in their leaves
and call out, "Stay awhile."
The light flows from their branches.

And they call again, "It's simple," they say,
"and you too have come
into the world to do this, to go easy, to be filled
with light, and to shine."



*The American Beech tree that was planted in
Lullwater Park and dedicated to the memory of
Dr. Scott O. Lilienfeld*

"... As is noted in any tribute to Scott, he won numerous awards and made an incredible number of academic contributions. Among other things, he was a Samuel Candler Dobbs Professor, won the James McKeen Cattell Award for Lifetime Contributions to Applied Psychological Science, was editor-in-chief of the journal *Clinical Psychological Science*, was on the editorial boards of several other important journals, served as the president both of the Society of a Science of Clinical Psychology and the Society for the Scientific Study of Psychopathy, and authored two popular books, several influential textbooks and over 350 publications. Given all of this, it is all the more extraordinary that he was an exceptionally warm, empathetic, humble, funny and kind person, and so giving of his time with students. And these things, not all the honors and awards, are why we are here today. We are here because Scott touched our lives and will always be a part of the fabric of who we are. He was one in a million (although admittedly that's not an evidence-based claim; forgive us just this once, Scott), and we will miss him immeasurably."

Excerpt from Scott's Contributions to Psychology and His Students

Offered by Katie Fowler

“Science is more than a body of knowledge; it is a way of thinking.”

Carl Sagan

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“...all skeptics should strive to inculcate a thoroughgoing sense of intellectual humility in themselves and others and avoid the tempting allure of intellectual arrogance.”

“...as scientists, we sorely need more role models of intellectual humility.”

Scott O. Lilienfeld, 2020

Thank you for being such a role model, Scott.





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