Spotlight: If These Walls Could Talk

by Anna Long

Even a 214-year-old house can be full of new surprises. Intriguing new details of the history of Haywood Hall – the oldest house in Raleigh that still stands on its original foundation – were unveiled when restorer Dean Ruedrich recently opened up its walls. It was the first step in honoring a request from the will of the last Haywood family member to own the home. "It's been a blast to see things down in these wall cavities that nobody has seen for 100 years," says Ruedrich.

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