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A.W. Jones Heritage Center

610 Beachview Drive St. Simons Island

Offices: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., M-F Store: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., M-Sat 1:30 p.m. - 5 p.m., Sun

Lighthouse Museum

101 12th Street St. Simons Island

10 a.m. - 5 p.m., M-Sat 1:30 p.m. - 5 p.m., Sun Last climb: 4:30 p.m.

Historic Coast Guard Station

Closed for site work.

Museum Admission Fees

\$12 for Adults \$5 for Ages 6-12 Children under 6 free. No admission charge for CGHS members.

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Donald L. Miller, Ph.D. to speak at the Annual Meeting

Supreme City: Manhattan During the Jazz Age

The Roaring Twenties. The Age of Jazz. The Age of Ambition. The 1920s were a time of glamour and wealth in New York City. The financial sector dominated the nation and

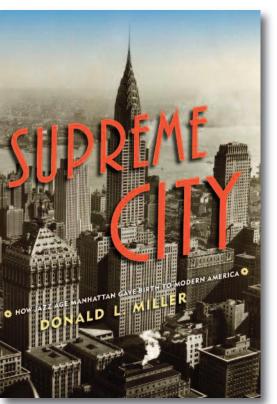
the world. Culture flourished with museums, galleries, universities, musicians, writers, artists, and publishers. New York City became the cultural and commercial center of the country.

On Sunday, January 21, author and historian Donald L. Miller, Ph.D., will examine this transformative decade in a lecture based on his critically acclaimed book Supreme Citv: How Jazz Age

Manhattan Gave Birth to Modern America. His story is told against the background of Jimmy Walker's mayoralty, when the dapper politician personified a period of glamour and excess. Jimmy Walker and his second wife Betty Compton, a former

Ziegfeld Follies showgirl, visited Sea Island, perhaps when he considered himself the "goodwill ambassador for New York."

Dr. Miller will discuss some of the



ambitious men and women who flocked to New York during the 1920s and made their marks as visionaries and entrepreneurs in emerging industries such as radio. television, fashion, and entertainment. This diverse group of out-of-towners shaped the contours of 20th century America.

Best known for his books on military history, Dr. Miller has also focused on the social and urban history of modern

America. In addition to being the John Henry MacCracken Professor of History at Lafayette College, he has hosted, coproduced, or served as historical consultant for more than thirty television documentaries, including PBS's American

Annual Meeting

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Experience and A Biography of America. He is a co-founder and member of the Presidential Counselors Advisory Board for the National World War II Museum. Dr. Miller's lecture on his best-selling book *Masters of the Air* for the Society's inaugural **Journeys** education series was very popular.



The Annual Meeting will be held Sunday, January 21, 2018 at 3 p.m. in The Cloister Ballroom on Sea Island. Society members attend the meeting and lecture free of charge. The cost for nonmembers is \$25. Registration is required by visiting coastalgeorgiahistory.org or calling (912) 634-7090.

Telling Brunswick's Home Front Stories

Over 100 people attended
"Brunswick's Home Front Stories:
A Show-and-Tell Event," held on
October 12 at Old City Hall, to
share their World War II stories
and learn about the new Home
Front Museum. Also featured
were a talk by Buddy Sullivan
entitled "The Greatest
Generation: Patriots on the



Home Front"; a preview of the new museum design by Mimi Rogers; and a panel discussion on home front activities with Carroll Martin, Gloria Ramsaur, and Clyde and Susan Smith, moderated by Sandy Jensen. Many thanks to Mathew Hill and the Brunswick Downtown Development Authority for providing the historic venue and to our volunteers for their generous assistance.

Honoring Eugenia

On November 6, Eugenia Price was posthumously inducted into the Georgia Writers Hall of Fame at the Richard Russell Special Collections Library at the University of Georgia. In their



presentations at the ceremony, Price biographer Renee Pearman and Eileen Humphlett, executive director of the Eugenia Price-Joyce Blackburn Foundation, described Ms. Price's longtime support of the Coastal Georgia Historical Society. Mimi Rogers attended the event on behalf of the Society.

Welcome to Our New Society Members!

Thank you to the Keepers of the Light who have generously upgraded their membership.

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Please remember the Home Front Museum in your year-end giving!

Community Day Celebrates History







The Society hosted its third annual Community Day event on November 4 at the St. Simons Lighthouse Museum. Over 900 children and family members enjoyed a day of fun, education, history, and exploration.

We would like to thank our volunteers, the interpreters from Fort King George and the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution, and our event sponsors Dr. Zach Powell of the Dentistry in Redfern and Sea Island Properties for making this event a success.

That evening, there was an outdoor screening of *The Golden Isles at War* on the Lighthouse lawn.

Over 150 people enjoyed a beautiful sunset and watched this outstanding documentary under the stars. The documentary tells the story of the Golden Isles immediately before, during, and after World War II through the personal stories of local residents. The oral histories will be an important part of the new Home Front museum.

Little Light Music Sponsor Correction: In the last newsletter we thanked our 2017 Little Light Music Sponsors. However, we used the incorrect logo for Brown-Rose Wealth Management. Brown-Rose is now affiliated with Morgan Stanley.

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Buddy Sullivan presents

An Overview of Coastal Georgia History

Senior Historian Buddy Sullivan will present a six-week history course, "An Overview of Coastal Georgia History," which chronologically traces Georgia's coastal history from Native American culture through 20th century events including World War II. The course meets on Tuesday afternoons, January 16 - February 20, 2018, from 4 - 6 p.m., at the A.W. Jones Heritage Center.

The cost is \$65 for Society members and \$110 for non-members. Registration is required by visiting coastalgeorgiahistory.org or calling (912) 634-7090.

Archaeology Day at Fort Frederica



Representatives from the Society participated in Fort Frederica's celebration of International Archaeology Day on Saturday, October 21. Volunteers from the Archaeology Lab displayed and interpreted artifacts from Cannon's Point for inquisitive visitors. Society Education Director, Sandy Jensen, presented a lecture on the new World War II Home Front Museum.



Did you know that Amazon will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to the Coastal Georgia Historical Society if you shop through their AmazonSmile website? Smile.Amazon.com offers the same products as Amazon.com and is a simple and automatic way for you to support the Society every time you shop, at no cost to you. Please consider adding the Society to your account as you do your holiday shopping.

Calendar of Events

January 1 - January 4

Museum and Museum Store closed for inventory

January 16 - February 20

An Overview of Coastal Georgia History

Buddy Sullivan

A.W. Jones Heritage Center Event Hall Tuesdays, 4–6 p.m.

CGHS Members \$65 Non-members \$110

January 21

Annual Membership Meeting
Supreme City: Manhattan During the Jazz Age

Donald L. Miller, Ph.D.

The Cloister Ballroom, Sea Island
3-4 p.m.

CGHS Members Free ■ Non-members \$25

February 4

Super Museum Sunday

1:30-5 p.m.

Free admission in celebration of the Georgia History Festival



Cumberland Island National Seashore: A History of Conservation Conflict

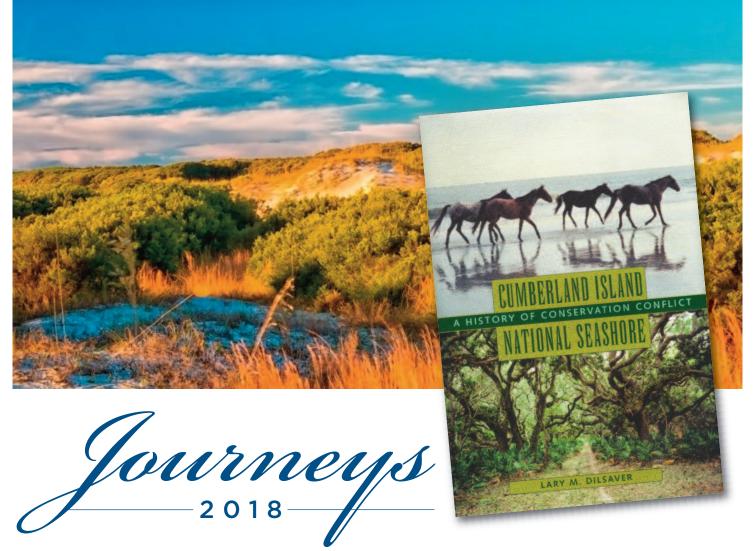
Lary Dilsaver, Ph.D.
A.W. Jones Heritage Center
6 p.m.

CGHS Members Free ■ Non-members \$10

Cumberland Island Tour
Details TBD

Most events require pre-registration.

For more information on programs and the Society's hours of operation, please call (912) 634-7090 or visit coastalgeorgiahistory.org.



Our exploration of Georgia's barrier islands continues in 2018 with the southernmost island in the chain, Cumberland Island. The largest of Georgia's islands, Cumberland has been home to Native Americans, missionaries, enslaved African Americans, and wealthy industrialists. As in the past, an educational program will be combined with an expert-led field trip.

On Thursday, March 29, Lary Dilsaver, Ph.D., will present a program on the complex and fascinating process of converting a privately-owned refuge into a national seashore, based on his book *Cumberland Island National Seashore: A History of Conservation Conflict.* Professor Emeritus of Historical Geography at the University of South Alabama, Dr. Dilsaver is a thirty-year researcher for the National Park Service and has written more than forty articles and book chapters on national parks and historic landscapes. He has authored or edited six books, including *Preserving the Desert: A History of Joshua Tree National Park* and *Challenge of the Big Trees: A Resource History of Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks.*

A field trip to Cumberland Island will be scheduled in April and will include a guided tour of Plum Orchard, the 1898 Georgian Revival mansion built by Lucy Carnegie for her son, George and his wife, Margaret Thaw. Due to the effects of Hurricane Irma, the details of the trip have not been confirmed. An update will be posted on the Society's website and an email will be sent by mid-January.

Cumberland Island National Seashore: A History of Conservation Conflict Lecture by Dr. Lary Dilsaver

Thursday, March 29, 6 p.m. ■ A.W. Jones Heritage Center Society Members Free ■ Non-Members \$10

Tour of Cumberland Island
Details TBD



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