



IN SUPPORT OF THE MUSEUM OF SEMINOLE COUNTY HISTORY, A 501-C-3 TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATION LOCATED AT 300 ESLINGER WAY, SANFORD FLORIDA 32773

SEMINOLE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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NEWSLETTER

SPEAKER SERIES ANNOUNCED

The Society's 2018 Speaker series at the quarterly meetings has been set for the year and an exciting one it is. All meetings start with a meet and greet at 6:30, with a brief business meeting at 7, followed by the speaker. All meetings are held in the Cooperative Extension Auditorium behind the museum at 250 W. County Home Rd. Sanford. Light refreshments are served and all are welcome. The dates and speakers for 2018 are listed below:

- Jan 30** **Ed L'Heureux spoke on Pearl Harbor, The Day That Lives in Infamy**
- April 26** **Warren Jennison : Florida's Native Americans and their Legacy**
- August 21** **Joint Meeting at the Altamonte Chapel, SR 436 Altamonte Springs**
- November 27** **Cecil Tucker: A Biography of A County Extension Agent**

**Board of Directors: President,
Don Epps; VP, Carmen Bierman;
Secretary, Beverly Mason,
Treasurer, Lois Dickison**

Society Honors the Bistlines

We mourn the passing of two long term members of our Board of Directors this past year, John Bistline and Carolyn Bistline. John was one of the society's original supporters and was a contributor of historical information about his hometown, the city of Longwood. He arranged the donation of the carriage used to bring tourists to the Longwood Hotel. Carolyn, a career public school teacher, funded a scholarship for three years for a Seminole County high school senior planning to study history in college. Carolyn was married to Fred Bistline, John's brother who worked for many years in the citrus industry. We will miss their presence among us greatly and honor them for their dedication in preserving Seminole County history.

2018 Directors: Deborah L. Bauer, Harry Beckham, Rosalie Cook, Lois Dickison, Ed L'Heureux, Linda Moscato, Kim Nelson, Cecil Tucker, Mart Tucker.

Wish to serve on our Board? Contact Don or Bennett at 407-665-2489.

Living History Program Introduces Indian Exhibit

The opening of a new addition to the Forgotten Foundations exhibit located in Building 310 occurred on Saturday, February 3. The addition of the display on "Black Seminoles" was coupled with a visit from several Muskogee Indians, left, in their native objects and dress. On the same day, a Seminole War Encampment with 40 participants re-enacted the period's living history complete with musket firing demonstrations, overnight tenting, camp fire and hard-bread tasting.

Museum Coordinator Bennett Lloyd, who is an avid re-enactor, led the group in authentic period dress and instructed his charges in the finer points of military encampment. The Museum did however, offer the use of the bathrooms for the comfort of all!

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MEMBERSHIP REMINDER: If you haven't renewed your membership, don't let it lapse! We need you to continue the Museum's mission of preserving Seminole County History. Visit our website or Facebook page for more information –
Seminolecountyhistoricalsociety.com

Bistline Family Memorial Scholarship Announcement

If you are aware of a deserving high school senior who plans to major in History in college, encourage him or her to apply for the Society's \$1,000 award. For details, see the Society website or the student's high school guidance counselor. The student must be a resident of Seminole County to qualify.



UPCOMING MUSEUM EVENTS

January 9-March 24: Toys and Games, Play and Pastimes

March 17, 10 AM-4 PM: Timeline of Women's History

April 3-June 23: Clothing Collections of the Museum

Sept. 4-Nov 24: Religions in Seminole County

FOR MORE INFO CALL 407-665-2489