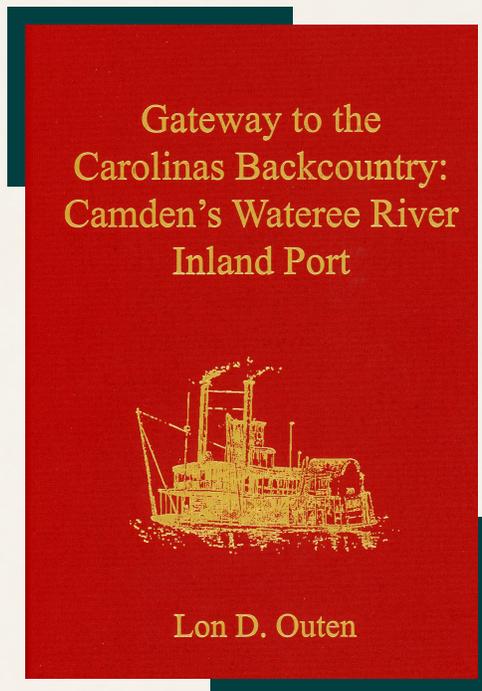


# W. BRENT BURGIN LUNCH AND LEARN LECTURE SERIES

## “Gateway to the Backcountry, the River Port of Camden, South Carolina”

Friday, March 27, 2026 Noon



Lon D. Outen, Author and Research Assistant, Camden Archives and Museum

This lecture covers commerce transported along the Wateree and Catawba Rivers, including a state, national, and international trade system. Outen will discuss Camden's port operations, the boat-building business, and the movement of goods from Kershaw County, Lancaster County (Waxhaw area), the Catawba River trade, and trade locations in North Carolina like the Moravian (Winston-Salem) community and Salisbury. Outen also will touch on the Wateree Canals from 1787 to the 1830s, ferries along the rivers, and activities related to the Underground Railroad.

