

WINTER LECTURE SERIES

The Reedville Fishermen's Museum is proud to announce the start of the 2019 Winter/Spring lecture series on **Monday, February 4th at 7:00pm at Festival Halle, 177 Main Street, Reedville, VA 22539**. The series is held on the first Monday of each month, through May, at 7:00pm and follows the monthly Monday night fried chicken dinner hosted by American Legion Post No. 117 between 5:00 and 6:30 next door. This gives patrons a chance to enjoy a Monday evening dinner followed by entertainment right in Reedville.

The first speaker of the series is **Jack Yunker**, who will present a 45 minute slide show on the history of the Liberty ships, notably the *S.S. John W. Brown* and her Living History Cruise summer outings. Jack, our neighbor, has been a volunteer Engineering Watch Officer on the *Brown* for the past nine years. He is CDR John M. Yunker, USN (Ret), a 1969 graduate of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy. A Navy fighter pilot and commercial airline pilot in his subsequent career, he has held U.S. Coast Guard Unlimited Third Engineer and Third Mate licenses for 50 years.



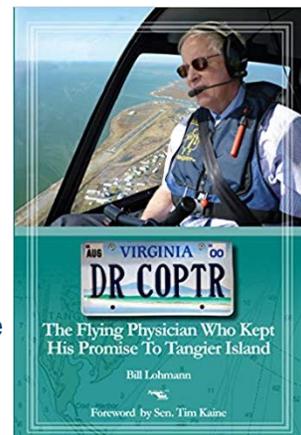
Mr. Yunker will focus on the story of the Liberty Ships program. He notes that early in WWII, the Maritime Administration approved a standardized merchant ship design that led to the building of 2,710 "Liberty" ships powered by a triple expansion steam reciprocating engine. Now, only two of the original Liberty ships remain, the *S.S. Jeremiah O'Brien* in San Francisco and the *S.S. John W. Brown* steaming from Baltimore, MD. There will be a question and answer period after the lecture.



On March 4th, Jeannie Finnegan, a Certified Dementia Practitioner, will offer "Memories and Music". Ms. Finnegan authored *The Miracle of Music* to capture stories from her work as a consultant with long-term care communities and home health care agencies. She helps them develop comprehensive, customized, and personally meaningful dementia care engagement programming for residents and clients. She uses music as a therapeutic tool for sensory stimulation engagement, and other meaningful pursuits, and offers educational seminars for staff, families, and caregivers. She frequently speaks on topics of interest in long-term care such as interactive, educational, and thought-provoking presentations on the necessity

and value of music as a therapeutic tool, research on the brain-music connection, grief and loss, sensory stimulation, reminiscence, and more.

On April 1st, Bill Lohmann will share the story of Dr. David B. "Dr. Copter" Nichols, a Northern Neck physician who served the residents of Tangier Island for 30 years. Tangier has been without a resident physician for over 50 years. Each week on his day off, Dr. Nichols flew himself to Tangier to provide medical care to its residents. Over the years he developed many friends on the island and inspired and encouraged those he met along the way. He was also instrumental in raising funds to construct the new medical clinic on Tangier that now bears his name.



The Museum requests a \$5.00 donation. Light refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome to join us for another memorable lecture series. The topic for the May 6th lecture will be announced in the near future. For more information, call 804-453-6529 or office@rfmuseum.org or visit www.rfmuseum.org.