

## Doug Kolbenschlag

### Senoia Area Historical Society, President



U.S. Navy recruiting posters once said, “Join the Navy and See the World.” Doug Kolbenschlag will tell you its absolutely true. As a self-described “Navy brat,” Kolbenschlag has lived in Washington, California, Ohio, Wisconsin, Virginia, Germany, Rhode Island and Georgia. He attended three different high schools before graduating from Southwest DeKalb High in metro Atlanta. He raised a family in Rockdale County and moved to Senoia in 2012.

Doug received a bachelor’s degree in Electrical Engineering Technology from Southern Polytechnic State University. He completed his MBA with a concentration in Finance in 1998 from Georgia State University. Doug is a registered professional engineer in the state of Georgia.

Doug recently retired after a 35 year career with Georgia Power. He plans to spend the next 35 years giving back to the communities that have been so good to him and his family.

Doug currently lives in Senoia in a circa 1905 home with his wife, Lori. His youngest child, Daniel, lives in Jacksonville, Florida, and works as an auditor for Grant-Thornton. Sara, his oldest child, lives in Charleston, S.C. with her husband, Ted, and their two children, Ellie and Taylor. Doug’s middle child, Cassie, is starting her tenth year teaching special needs children in Henry County and working on her Masters at UGA at night.

Doug volunteers at the Senoia Area Historical Society, serves on the Senoia Development Authority Board, Senoia Optimist Club Board, Senoia DDA Economic Development Committee, and is an active member at Senoia United Methodist Church.

## William “Dub” Pearman, III

### Senoia Area Historical Society, Past President



As natives of Virginia, Dub and his wife Mary have been residents of Georgia for over 25 years. They moved to Senoia in 2012 and quickly made it their hometown. Both of them became active members of SAHS shortly after they arrived. Dub served for 4 years as SAHS President and continues to support their mission as a member of their Board of Directors and through volunteering with many activities. Dub is retired from the FAA as a former air traffic control specialist with nearly 26 years of service. In addition to SAHS, he has spent several years working with the city as a member and chairman of the Historic Preservation

Commission. Dub is currently serving in his first term as City Councilman. He also continues his support of other civic groups in the community including the Senoia Optimists. The Pearmans are members of the Senoia United Methodist Church.

## Evan Stitt

### Senoia Area Historical Society, Treasurer



Evan and his family moved to Peachtree City, Georgia in 2001 and to Senoia in 2013. He is a native of Dearborn, Michigan and holds Bachelor of Administration Degrees in Accounting and Spanish from Hillsdale College in Hillsdale, Michigan. Evan is also a Certified Public Accountant registered in Michigan. He is employed at Norcom, Inc. in Griffin, Georgia as their CFO and Vice President of Finance & Human Resources where he has worked since July 2008.

Previously Evan held positions in finance, business development, engineering and operations management with Yazaki North America, Inc., an automotive electrical and electronics supplier based in Canton, Michigan, where he had worked for 22 years. In his last position he served as the Vice President & General Manager of Yazaki's Griffin, Georgia automotive electronics manufacturing facility. Evan worked for a Big 8 public accounting firm prior to joining Yazaki in 1986.

Evan currently serves as Treasurer, and was the past Chairperson, of the Griffin-Spalding Partners in Education Board of Directors and is also on the Board of Directors of the Southern Crescent Technical College Foundation. He previously served three years on the Board of Director's for the Boy Scouts of America - Flint River Council, in addition to many other volunteer activities.

Evan lives in Senoia, Georgia with his wife of 34 years, Susan, in a restored circa 1830's farmhouse. They are the proud parents of three adult married daughters and very excited first-time grandparents to their grandson.

## Susan Zeidler

### Senoia Area Historical Society, Secretary



Susan is originally from Philadelphia, PA but much prefers the small-town charm of Senoia over the frenetic pace of her hometown. Before moving south, she received her degree in Laboratory Science, is licensed by the American Society of Clinical Pathologists and spent her career at DVMC/Aria-Jefferson Healthcare System.

She and her husband Frank have been married for 30 years and have been in full-time ministry for the last 20. They moved to Georgia in 2010 to establish the Southeast Branch of The Saints Prison Ministry, a national ministry of which Frank is now the Executive Director. When not volunteering with a number of organizations, Susan is a mixed media/mosaic artist.

Along with her many years of experience working with a non-profit, she has also found her art and science background to be beneficial to the SAHS museum. Since joining the Board in 2016, she has begun the deacidification process for the treasured ephemera and other valuable papers in our collection, streamlined the annual membership process, reorganized museum space and is creating items for the SAHS museum gift shop.

Their daughters, Jessica and Ashley, and Ashley's husband David still reside in Pennsylvania – but vacation in Georgia!

## Jennifer E. Meares

### Senoia Area Historical Society, Member at Large



A native of nearby Woodbury, GA, in Meriwether County, Jennifer spent several years working in tourism and economic development there. Along with her late father and others, she help to establish and organize the Manchester Railroad Days Festival which celebrates the town's long and rich history with the railroad. The festival has been ongoing for 20 years. Working with this event, Jennifer learned to appreciate the impact a town's history has on its current residents and visitors. She has enjoyed volunteering as a docent for the SAHS museum. Learning and sharing Senoia's unique history is a pleasure. Jennifer and her husband, Clay and daughter Aurelia, have lived in downtown Senoia since 2013. Aurelia attends East Coweta

Middle School. Jennifer has a B. A. degree from Mercer University. Recently she has served a term on the Downtown Development Authority and currently serves on the board of the City Development Authority. She is a member of the Senoia United Methodist Church.

## Maureen Schuyler

### Senoia Area Historical Society, Museum Director



Originally hailing from the City of Brotherly Love, Maureen was employed as a legal secretary for the City of Philadelphia until moving to Florida in 1978 where she and her husband Jim raised their two children.

As a stay-at-home Mom, Maureen volunteered throughout her children's school years as PTA President, yearbook advisor, and newsletter editor. Once her children entered college, Maureen did the same and earned an Associate of Arts degree from Pasco-Hernando State.

Maureen and Jim moved to Senoia in 2009 and immediately became involved in their new hometown, joining the Senoia Optimists Club and SAHS. Maureen also served on the Senoia Historic Preservation Commission for six years. When SAHS membership voiced the need to open our building as a museum, Maureen provided the leadership and time investment to open the doors in 2010, establishing and maintaining appropriate records for the collection and exhibition of Senoia artifacts. She continues to be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the museum and staffing of volunteers. She also coordinates special events and presents Senoia's unique history to community organizations and clubs.

Aside from her role as Museum director, Maureen currently serves as a member of the Coweta County Library Advisory Board, serves on the Senoia Downtown Development Authority's Design Committee, and is a member of the Senoia Variety Club.

Jim and Maureen have been married for 41 years and are parishioners of Holy Trinity Catholic Church. They also have the added blessing of both their adult children, Christine and Vincent, living in Senoia with their young families.