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The Ladies' Forum

Monday, March 10, 2025 6:00 - 8:00 pm Murrow Hall at Trinity United Methodist Church Nash St., Southport



Mrs. Mary Duffy



We invite you to meet Mrs. Mary Duffy, a tavern owner in Smithville during the 1800s. Actually, Mary is Liz Fuller, president of the Southport Historical Society, who will portray Mary. Mary was a widow whose only grandson fought for the Confederacy. She has a wealth of stories about life in Smithville (Southport's original name until 1887) during the War of Southern Independence. Through those difficult years, she and her friends experienced numerous hardships. Mary is looking forward to telling you tales of the spirit, resolve, and determination of Smithville's women.

Liz Fuller is a popular local historian and a frequent speaker at civic historical and civic organizations on a wide variety of topics relating to Southport's history and the author of the recently published Southport's Secret Suffragist: The Story of Anna Alene Clemons.

We are also pleased that our March Ladies' Forum will feature Carolee Morris whose long interest in history has included graduate studies as well as oratorical and speaking contests. Carolee will be reading a selection from Mark Twain's Tom Sawyer. The selected story, its time frame, subject matter, and Twain's inimitable humor jibe with Liz Fuller's well-chosen topic.

The Ladies' Forum is for women only and is a free event each year for members of BCWRT. Guests are always welcome and pay only \$5. Light Civil War era refreshments are served.

Reservations are strongly recommended. Please contact BCWRT at <u>brunswickcwrt@gmail.com</u> to sign up. There will also be a sign-up table near the stage with Robbin Smith before our next meeting.

