

The Early History of the Town of Islip & its Secret Piracy Ring

Please join us as we welcome CDR George J. Munkenbeck, USCGR (Ret.). CDR Munkenbeck is a native Long Islander who resides in West Sayville. He earned a BS in Engineering from the United States Coast Guard Academy and an MA in Emergency and Disaster Management from American Public University. A Certified Lay Servant in the United Methodist Church, he is a fourth-generation active member of the West Sayville Fire Department where he is an Ex-Captain of the Truck Company and serves as Department Chaplain. A living historian with the 14th Brooklyn, Company H, for 30 years he portrays a Civil War and Spanish-American War Chaplain. He serves as Town Historian of the Town of Islip, NY, and has a passion for the history of the United States, particularly Long Island and especially Islip Town.



This Sunday, Munkenbeck will introduce us to the early history of Islip Town, originally known as Islip Grange and its convoluted history that is difficult to unravel.

Accusations of piracy, imprisonments of the founders, the execution of a governor, a capture at sea and political intrigue all make this a fascinating story of a family and a glimpse of the birth of the flame that will lead to a new country.

Join our Islip Town Historian for a glimpse into the days that gave birth to the unique place we call home and how the stamp of those founding days can still be seen in boundaries, open space and how the Town developed in later years.

Sunday, March 3, 2019
Light Refreshments: 12:30 - 1:00pm
Lecture: 1:00 - 2:00pm

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