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The annual meeting of the **Florida Conference of Historians** will be held March 4-6, 2004, in Lake City. The conference will feature scholarly papers, book vendors, and a banquet. Keynote speaker will be Paul Boyer of the University of Wisconsin at Madison. For further information, contact Sean McMahon at [mcmahons@lakecitycc.edu](mailto:mcmahons@lakecitycc.edu) or (386) 754-4293.

On October 16-18, 2003, the Florida Studies Forum, **A Sunshine State of Mind: Florida's Place in the Americas**, will be held at the University of South Florida at St. Petersburg. The conference will feature a keynote address by Stephen J. Whitfield of Brandeis University and a banquet. The forum is free. For further information, contact the USF Florida Studies Center at (813) 974-7622 or [mgreenbe@lib.usf.edu](mailto:mgreenbe@lib.usf.edu).

The **Florida-Gulf Coast Chapter of the Western Front Association** will sponsor a seminar on WWI on November 8, 2003. The meeting will be held at the Webber Center, Central Florida Community College in Ocala. Speakers include Professor Robert Zieger of the University of Florida on the American Labor Movement during WWI. For more information, visit the organization's website at [www.wfa-usa.org](http://www.wfa-usa.org) or contact [lshurtleff@aol.com](mailto:lshurtleff@aol.com).

### *Public Lectures*

The calendar of events at the **Florida Historical Society** includes a lecture series held at the Alma Clyde Field Library in Cocoa. All lectures begin at 2:00 p.m.

13 September 2003	Joe Knetsch, "The Seminole Indian Wars"
20 September 2003	Olive Dame Peterson, "'Beanie' Baccus and the Highwayman School of Art"

11 October 2003	Nick Wynne, "Tin Can Tourists"
25 October 2003	Robert Taylor, "Origins of the Navy Frogman Program in Fort Pierce during World War II"
8 November 2003	Don Argo, "Cape Canaveral Lighthouse"
15 November 2003	Robert Macomber, "At The Edge of Honor: Florida in the Civil War"
6 December 2003	Authors' Roundup, 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Ten Florida authors will be available to sign their books.
20 December 2003	Robert Gross, "Brevard County's Historical Treasures"
10 January 2004	Nick Wynne, "Florida's Antebellum Houses"

In its eighth year, the **Florida Lecture Series** at Florida Southern College is a forum that highlights speakers on Florida life and culture from a wide range of disciplines including history, public affairs, law, sociology, criminology, anthropology, literature, music, and art. The lectures for the 2003-2004 academic year are

25 September 2003	Michael Gannon, "History of Florida in Forty Minutes"
9 October 2003	David and Jeanne Heidler, "Old Hickory's War: Andrew Jackson and the First Seminole War"
13 November 2003	J. Hyatt Brown, "The Politics of Democracy and Where It's Taking Florida"
29 January 2004	Vernon Burton, "A Southerner's Civil War"
19 February 2004	Vivien Miller, "From Martin Tabert to Cool Hand Luke: Race, Masculinity, and Prisoner Life in Florida in the First Half of the 20th Century"
4 March 2004	Patrick D. Smith, "Florida: <i>A Land Remembered</i> "