

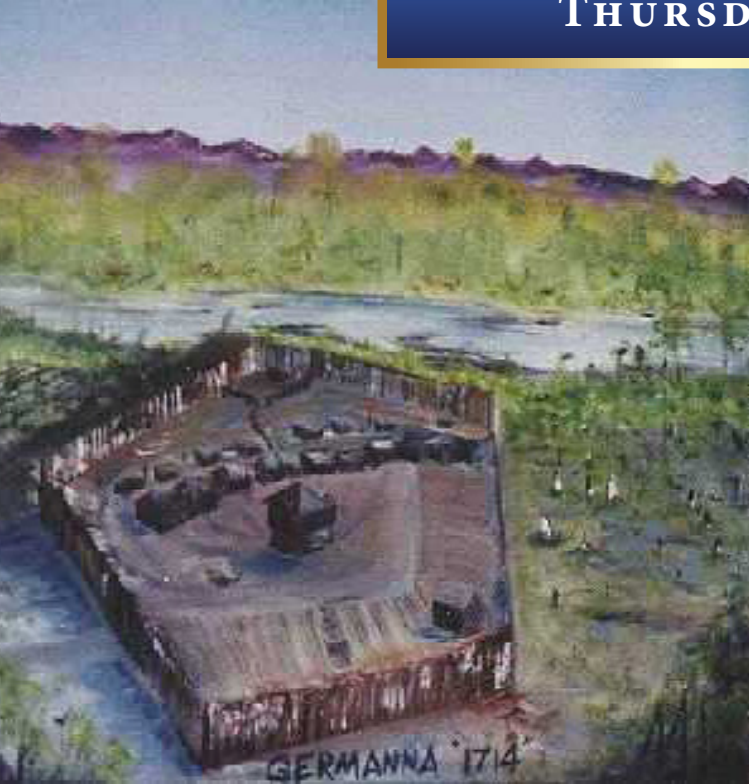


GERMANNA
FOUNDATION
57TH ANNUAL
CONFERENCE
AND REUNION
JULY 17-20, 2014



HONORING OUR 300 YEAR HISTORIC HERITAGE

THURSDAY, JULY 17



Noon - 4:00 pm

Registration Open House

Germannia Foundation Visitor Center

2062 Germanna Highway (Rte. 3), Locust Grove, VA

All reunion attendees are invited to drop by the Germanna Foundation Brawdus Martin Visitor Center to pick up registration materials, hike the trails, browse the library and check out the new interpretive display.

Tours of the Fort Germanna / Enchanted Castle site are free, however registration is required as space is limited.

1:00 pm Fort Germanna / Enchanted Castle site Tour

2:00 pm Fort Germanna / Enchanted Castle site Tour

3:00 pm Fort Germanna / Enchanted Castle site Tour

5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Welcome Dinner

Salubria

19173 Salubria Lane (off Rte. 3), Stevensburg, VA

Those joining us for the first time may pick up registration materials at the Welcome table.

Enjoy a pleasant evening on the grounds of historic Salubria. Dress is casual at this family friendly event. Begin the evening by learning about the history of and the ongoing preservation efforts at the mansion house. Meet the delegation of about thirty Germans from the Deutsch-Amerikanische Gesellschaft (DAG) Siegerland-Wittgenstein coming to attend Germanna's 300th Jubilee. After the buffet dinner, enjoy live entertainment on the lawn.





FRIDAY, JULY 18

7:30 am – 8:30 am: Registration at the Best Western, 791 Madison Road, Culpeper, VA

Pick up your registration materials if you have not already done so, socialize with old friends, meet new friends, and board the Germanna Heritage Tour busses. The tour will depart from and return to the Best Western, Culpeper.



8:30 am – 4:30 pm: Germanna Heritage Tour

Seats on the bus tour are limited and have sold out in the past so please register early! Participants should wear comfortable shoes and be prepared to walk up to half a mile and climb stairs. Boarding begins at 8:15 a.m. for a prompt departure. Tour will depart from and return to the Best Western, Culpeper. One bus will be provided with an interpreter for our German guests.

For the 300th Jubilee, your tour guides Barbara Price, Katharine Brown, John Blankenbaker and Cathi Clore Frost have scheduled an all-inclusive tour encompassing both First and Second Colony sites. The first stop will be Elk Run historic church park, with its new museum to interpret this archaeological site of the established Anglican parish church which all the First Colony Germantown settlers were obliged to attend once a month. Next we will visit Crockett Park, covering part of the original

Germantown area settled by the First Colony when they left Fort Germanna about 1718. A stop in Jeffersonston will be made for lunch, followed by a stop at the Little Fork Church. The Little Fork area was settled by relatives and descendants of both colonies and the Rev. John Thompson, original owner of Salubria, was pastor of the congregation at the predecessor church building on this site. Finally we will make the drive to Madison County for a brief photo stop at Hebron Lutheran Church and a scenic driving tour of the core area of Second Colony land patents. Our last stop will be in the town of Madison at the former residence of James Lawson Kemper, one of several First Colony descendants to settle in Second Colony territory, who served as Governor of Virginia 1874-1877.



6:00 pm - 7:30 pm: BBQ at Madison Fire Hall, 1223 N. Main St, Madison, VA

Those joining us for the first time may pick up registration materials at the Welcome table. Dress is casual at this family friendly event with authentic Virginia barbecue prepared and served by our own Germanna cousin Rodney Lillard and his Mill Valley Barbecue crew. A purely social event and time to relax and visit with our German guests and your Germanna friends. All are invited to a free concert at Hebron Lutheran Church following the meal.



8:00 pm - 9:00 pm: Concert at Hebron Lutheran Church 899 Blankenbaker Rd, Madison, VA

Attend a free concert at historic Hebron Lutheran Church, the oldest Lutheran Church in the United States in continuous use by the same congregation, built by our ancestors in 1740. Preceding the concert, John Blankenbaker will give a brief presentation on the history of the church and Doug Harnsberger will give a brief presentation about the church timber frame construction. Performing on the 200 year-old Tannenburg organ will be Germanna descendant Sarah Leathers Martin, an organ instructor at Georgia State University who received her Master of Music degree in Organ Performance from Emory University.



SATURDAY, JULY 19

8:30 am - 4:00 pm: Historical and Genealogical Conference

Germannia Community College Daniel Technology Center, 18121 Technology Drive, Culpeper, VA

Start the day with coffee & donuts, socialize, shop in the Vendor Hall, and enjoy a full schedule of informative lectures.

Boxed lunch included.

— Historical & Genealogical Conference Schedule —

8:30 am – 9:00 am: Social Hour, Main Lobby

9:00 am – 9:15 am: Roll Call and Welcome Session, Room 104A

(John Blankenbaker, MC; Marc Wheat, President)

9:15 am – 10:05 am: Session I, Room 104A

Dr. Katharine Brown, *The Germanna Colonies Story—as told to the National Genealogical Society*

A succinct introduction to the waves of Germanna immigration, some background differences among or between the groups, the denominational differences, and settlement patterns. Moving “fast forward” 200+ years, a look at the formation of the Germanna Foundation and the services it has provided and provides today to descendants with this remarkable heritage and to the wider public.

10:05 am – 10:25 am: Morning Break

10:25 am – 11:15 am: Session II, Room 104A

John Blankenbaker, *From Germany to Germanna: The Immigration Saga*

The origins of Germanna are complex and differ from many statements. Sorting out the threads is an objective. The waves of immigration—in 1714, 1717, and later arrivals—differed in their points of origin, religious background, and expectations. It is important to inquire about the motivations behind the decisions to leave their homelands for America. Unfortunately, there are still unanswered questions.

11:15 am – 11:30 am: Break

11:30 am – 12:20 pm: Session III, Room 104A

Dr. Kerri Barile, *Everything Old is New Again! The Past, Present, and Future of Germanna Archaeology*

Archaeological studies at the Enchanted Castle Site (44OR0003) and surrounding Germanna parcel commenced in 1977, culminating in the discovery of a segment of Fort Germanna under the foundations of Lieutenant Governor Alexander Spotswood's mansion in the 1990s. Although no fieldwork has been completed on the site since 1995, studies on the material remains and Germanna landscape have been ongoing for the past two decades. This discussion will synthesize the fieldwork and research completed to date and highlight avenues for future investigation.

12:20 pm – 1:50 pm: Lunch, Room 104B/C

1:50 pm - 2:40 pm: Session IV, Room 104A

Dennis Loba, *Worldly Goods at Germanna—A Glimpse at its Material Culture, 1690-1740*

The wealth and variety of objects that could and did find their way to Germanna is a boundless and fascinating study. What kind of items did they use to live, work and even survive at this particular site during these times? While archeology has provided some clues to us already, what about other everyday items that still remain a mystery ... come join us and discover Germanna's past!

8:30 am – 3:00 pm: Vendor Hall Open, Main Lobby

Buy books and merchandise from the Germanna Foundation and local historical societies. The morning social hour, breaks and the lunch hour are perfect times to browse the wares and learn more about other organizations with common interests.



2:40 - 3:00: Afternoon Break

3:00 - 3:50: Session V, Room 104A

Kristie Kendall, *Mapping Our German Heritage: Cultural Landscapes and the Second Colony Diaspora in Madison County, Virginia*

A look at the movement of the Second Colony families through Madison County and where they settled. This presentation will rely heavily on maps and images to demonstrate the evolution of the landscape and Germanna cultural heritage through time.

3:50 pm – 4:00 pm: Closing Session, Room 104A (Marc Wheat, President)

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Dr. Kerri Barile is co-founder and President of Dovetail Cultural Resource Group, a woman-owned CRM firm with offices in Fredericksburg, VA and Wilmington, DE. She is also an Adjunct Professor at the University of Mary Washington and Chair of the Fredericksburg Architectural Review Board. Specializing in both historical archaeology and architectural history, she has a BA in Historic Preservation from Mary Washington College, MAs in Anthropology and Museum Management from the University of South Carolina, and a PhD in Anthropology and Architectural History from the University of Texas at Austin. She wrote her doctoral dissertation on the Enchanted Castle site and has produced over two dozen reports, articles and peer-reviewed presentations on the physical remains at Germanna.

John Blankenbaker has been a student of the Germanna Colonists for almost 25 years. He finds their history fascinating and he has written about them in a variety of media. He is delighted that he has been able to solve some brick walls. He also took immense pleasure in visiting the “old homesteads” in Germany and Austria.

Dr. Katharine Brown received her doctorate in history from The Johns Hopkins University and has taught history, historic preservation, and museum studies at several colleges for more than 25 years, but much of her career was spent as a museum director. She has written or co-authored more than 20 history books,

including the history of the Germanna Foundation. She is a trustee, and with her husband Madison has led the eleven Foundation tours to the ancestral villages in Germany.

Kristie Kendall holds a bachelor's degree from James Madison University in history and a Master's degree in Historic Preservation from the University of Maryland. She is a native Virginian, Germanna descendant, and works for the Piedmont Environmental Council where she focuses on land conservation and historic preservation issues.

Dennis Loba attended his first historical reenactment at age seven and has loved history ever since. He graduated from Virginia Military Institute with a BA in History and served in the US Army attaining the rank of Captain. A living historian/re-enactor since age 16, he has participated in multiple events and was even an extra in the Turner movie “Gettysburg.” A charter member of the Civil War Veterans Historical Association he was a regular contributor to their publication “The Veteran”, and served as its National President for six years. Dennis has done appraisal work for the Ford Theatre collection and a display for the Museum of the Confederacy in Richmond, however the 18th century is his favorite time period. Dennis and his wife Donna reside in Fauquier County, Virginia where they raise historic breed fowl and sheep and enjoy the peace and quiet of the country with their two daughters.

6:00 pm - 10:00 pm: 300th Jubilee Fundraising Banquet and Auction

Lake of the Woods Clubhouse, 205 Lakeview Parkway, Locust Grove, VA

The Annual Banquet is the main social event of the reunion weekend. Join us in air conditioned comfort overlooking the lake for a social hour with cash bar followed by dinner. Bid on a variety of items during the silent and live auction. Special, one of a kind items are in the process of being completed on both sides of the Atlantic specially for the 300th Jubilee Auction.



Auction Donations Needed

Please help make our annual auction a success by donating items. In particular, gift certificates as well as themed baskets have been popular in the past. Please submit all donations by July 10 for inclusion in the auction booklet. If items cannot be mailed or dropped off at the Germanna Foundation office in advance, an email to Barbara Bounds bbounds@germanna.org by the above date would be appreciated and ensure inclusion.




Champagne toast sponsored by
Katharine and Madison Brown
in honor of their 50th Wedding Anniversary November 27
and
Cathi Clore and Bob Frost
in honor of their 25th Wedding Anniversary June 24




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OF MOON LANDING BY
GERMANNA DESCENDANT
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SUNDAY, JULY 20

Morning - Worship

Reunion attendees are invited to worship at the church of their choice.

8:30 am - Hebron Lutheran Church

899 Blankenbaker Rd, Madison, VA, 540-948-4381

Participate in a meaningful worship service at historic Hebron Lutheran Church, the oldest Lutheran Church in the United States in continuous use by the same congregation, built by our ancestors in 1740. This special change to the worship schedule was arranged specifically so we might attend the service.

11:00 am - 2:00 pm: Reunion and Picnic Lunch

Germannia Community College Daniel Technology Center, 18121 Technology Drive, Culpeper, VA

Attend the original Reunion event. We will begin the day by recognizing the contributions of our German friends during our annual meeting. Keynote speakers will discuss the value and importance of the Fort Germanna/Enchanted Castle archaeological site. After the speakers we'll enjoy an old-fashioned fried chicken and ham biscuit lunch, in honor of the items our cousins brought in their picnic baskets to those first Germanna Reunions in the Siegen Forest.

10:00 am - Little Fork Episcopal Church

16461 Oak Shade Rd, Rixeyville, VA, 540-937-4306

Participate in the traditional Episcopalian service at historic Little Fork Church. This "chapel of ease" was built between 1773-1776 in place of two predecessor church buildings on the same site the first having been built in 1731. Early Little Fork settlers were required to worship here once per month.



1:00 pm - 5:00 pm: Germanna Foundation Visitor Center Open

Not quite ready to head home? Stop by the Germanna Foundation Brawdus Martin Visitor Center on your way out of town. The library will be open for research and the trails for hiking.





ACCOMMODATIONS

A limited number of rooms at each of the following motels have been reserved at a special rate. In order to receive the discounted rate, you must mention "Germanna" and make your reservation by June 17, 2014. Rates include breakfast. We recommend making your reservations early as we are expecting a large turnout this anniversary year. Check online rates as advance purchase may be cheaper.

Holiday Inn Express Culpeper - \$129.00 + tax

787 Madison Road, Culpeper, VA 22701, 540-825-7444

<http://www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/en/culpeper/cupes/hoteldetail>

Best Western Culpeper - \$99.99 + tax

791 Madison Road, Culpeper, VA 22701, 540-825-1253

<http://bestwesternvirginia.com/hotels/best-western-culpeper-inn/>

Comfort Inn Culpeper - \$89.00 + tax

890 Willis Lane, Culpeper, VA 22701, 540-825-4900

<http://www.comfortinn.com/hotel-culpeper-virginia-VA431>

Comfort Inn Orange - \$78.00 + tax

334 Caroline Street, Orange, VA 22960, 540-672-3121

<http://www.comfortinn.com/hotel-orange-virginia-VA657>

Holiday Inn Express Orange - \$119.00 + tax

750 Round Hill Drive, Orange, VA 22960, 540-672-6691

<http://www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/en/orange/ogeva/hoteldetail>

use code GFE when reserving online

Holiday Inn Express & Suites Warrenton - \$135.00/\$155.00 + tax

410 Holiday Ct., Warrenton, VA 20186, 540-341-3461

<http://www.stayinwarrenton.com/home>

Howard Johnson Inn Warrenton - \$74.95 + tax

6 Broadview Ave, Warrenton, VA 20186, 540-347-4141

<http://www.hoyo.com/>



Local Tourism Websites

CULPEPER COUNTY • VisitCulpeperVA.com

FAUQUIER COUNTY • VisitFauquier.com

MADISON COUNTY • Madison-VA.com

ORANGE COUNTY • VisitOrangeVirginia.com

VIRGINIA • Virginia.org

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Order shirts with embroidered Jubilee logo from

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Contact Foundation@Germanna.org or call 540-423-1700



Directions to Hebron Lutheran from Culpeper:

- Rt. 29 South, approx. 12 miles
- Right Turn on 603 Hebron Valley Rd, approx. 1.4 miles
- Left Turn on 638 Hebron Church Rd, approx. 1.3 miles
- Right Turn on Blankenbaker Rd
- Church is on right

Directions to Madison Fire Hall from Culpeper:

- Rt. 29 South, approx. 13.8 miles
- Right on Rt. 673 / Rt. 29 Bus / Main St., approx. .2 miles
- Fire Hall will be on left

Directions to GCC Daniel Center from Best Western:

- Right Turn out of Best Western onto Madison Rd, approx. 1.3 miles
- Right Turn on Rt 3 Fredericksburg Rd / Germanna Hwy, approx. .9 miles
- Left Turn on McDewitt Dr, approx. .3 miles
- Right Turn on Technology Drive, stay to the left at the first bend

Directions to Salubria, Germanna Visitor Center & Lake of the Woods Clubhouse from Best Western:

- Right Turn out of Best Western onto Madison Rd, approx. 1.3 miles
- Right Turn on Rt 3 Fredericksburg Rd / Germanna Hwy, approx. 7 miles for Salubria Lane, 14.5 miles for Visitor Center, or 17.4 miles for Lakeview Parkway, all on right side of Hwy
- Stay in the left lane at Lake of the Woods Entrance, tell the attendant you are attending the Germanna Foundation Dinner at the Clubhouse
- Right Turn on Lakeview Parkway, approx. .2 miles, Clubhouse on left side of road

Approximate drive times from Culpeper motels:

- Germanna Foundation Visitor Center 20 minutes
- Salubria 15 minutes
- Madison Fire Hall 20 minutes
- Hebron Lutheran Church 25 minutes
- Lake of the Woods Clubhouse 25 minutes
- GCC Daniel Center 10 minutes

Note: The Best Western, Holiday Inn Express and Comfort Inn in Culpeper are all neighbors each other. Come prepared with a Virginia road map, GPS and/or directions from MapQuest or Google Maps, especially important for those staying in Orange or Warrenton.