

A Woman's Touch: 18th Century Eastern Woodland Indian Women as Architects of Social Conscience and Gender Balance.

In the first contact period between European and Eastern North American cultures, the American Indian cultures appear to have been more gender-balanced than were the European cultures. Diane will speak on this on-going process of 400 years for women of European-influenced cultures to see the pendulum swing back toward the center.



Diane Anestis



Brian Reedy

George Washington's Many Travels into the Frontier

Between 1753 and 1794, George Washington made seven trips over the Appalachian Range. His ambition for military fame and wealth drove him to make these travels. The presentation will explore these trips, especially his latter journeys to the western region, highlighting his experiences and lessons along the way.

Native American Travel, Navigation and Lodging

Alan has compiled and authored his research from numerous original sources in regards to the Eastern Woodlands Indians of the 1700's. He will explain how and why they traveled as often as they did, lodging they used, and how they navigated.



Allan Spencer



Don Teter

Edward Corder, George Washington's Chainman

Don Teter portrays Edward Corder, one of the men who chained for the young surveyor George Washington. Edward talks about working with the youthful Washington, the perks and perils of surveying on the frontier; and measuring with a two-pole chain. Edward will also field questions about colonial era surveying.

Dunmore's War: The War that Shadowed George Washington's Western Travels

Lopsided negotiations between Great Britain and the American Indians; a boundary dispute between Virginia and Pennsylvania over the region around Pittsburgh; land speculation by George Washington and others and increasing violence between Virginians and American Indians led to Dunmore's War.



Doug Wood