



The 2019 Event!

Our 8th Low Dutch Cousins Gathering
 Sept. 12 – Sept. 16, 2019



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| Thursday, Sept. 12 | Kentucky State University Frankfort, Kentucky |
| Friday, Sept. 13 | Kentucky State University Frankfort, Kentucky |
| Saturday, Sept. 14 | Bus Excursion “Dutch Markers” Near Louisville, Kentucky |
| Sunday, Sept. 15 | Old Mud Meetinghouse Harrodsburg, Kentucky |
| Monday, Sept. 16 | Harrodsburg Historical Society Research Library, Harrodsburg |

Registration Deadline – August 20, 2019
 See inside to register

**The Low Dutch Cousins
 From New Amsterdam in the 1600s
 To New Jersey, to Pennsylvania,
 to Kentucky
 And on ... and on ...**



DUTCH COUSINS 2005 to 2019



2003 – In St Louis, Westerfield/Cozine reunion votes to organize the Dutch Cousins, Carolyn Leonard, Chair, with help from Jim Cozine, & Claude Westerfield.



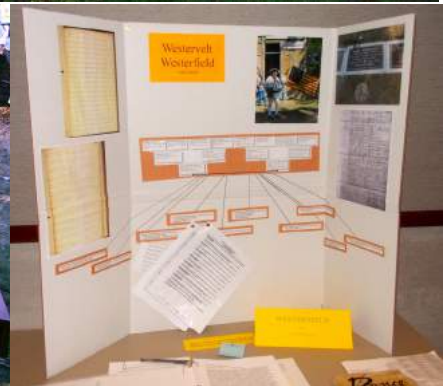
2005 - No t-shirts, no group shot. We met at Anderson's barn, toured Harrodsburg, the John Cozine house and Ann DeMotte's house, and the circle A farms. We worshipped at a sad-looking Old Mud and adopted it as a project. Leaders: Claude & Kathy Westerfield, Carolyn Leonard, Jay Westerfield. Speakers: Larry Voreis, Vince Akers, and Bill Faulconer.



2007 - Red shirts with white letters, at Shelbyville. Vince Akers led the tour of Long Run Massacre site, Dutch Tract, 6-mile Dutch church. We visited a historic Horse Farm, ate at the Old Stone Inn, dedicated Vet memorials and worshipped at Old Mud. Cousin James Moore, who gave the keynote dinner talk, showed up as "Grandpa" Cozine.

...And 2009...





2009 - Bright blue shirts with white. We met at the Harrodsburg County Extension office, toured Shakertown, and Ft Harrod, honored and placed memorial markers for 17 Dutch Revolutionary Vets. Cousin James Moore came this year as a 18th century Dominee. Restoration and repair of Old Mud continues.

...and 2011 ...



2011 - Bright orange shirts with white at Harrodsburg library and the extension office. Speakers were Carolyn Leonard, Vince Akers, Howard Gregory (Dutch barns), and John Curry, Longrifle hunter expert. We toured a local Low Dutch H-bent barn and honored 8 more Veterans. After the event, the cousins boarded a 50-passenger bus for a 10-day trip to follow the footprints of our Dutch Ancestors back to New York, led by Carolyn Leonard. We stopped in every settlement where our Low Dutch had left footprints and a few places they had not been. Lots of displays:





...and 2013 ...

2013 - white shirt, orange letters at Clifty Inn Park, Madison, Indiana. We toured the beautiful park and visited Pleasant (LowDutch) cemetery. Speakers: Patsy Harris, actress, escaped slave with the Underground Railroad; Bob Schinck, author and president of Holland Society of NY, Mary Park, of the Society of Holland daughters. President Claude Westerfield, Coordinator Donna Corless-Gaines. Vince Akers led us on a tour of the reconstructed 6-Mile Dutch meetinghouse, now a yarn shop. We worshipped at Old Mud and had communion with the 1797 wine cup found by Vince Akers. The meetinghouse now has hardy-board siding to protect the mud and wattle walls, and repair continues.



...and 2015 ...

2015 - Black shirts with orange lettering at the Kentucky Historical Society in Frankfort. President John C. Westerfield, coordinator Barbie Hammon. Steve and Heather Henry led us on a bus tour of Frankfort, including the Lt. Governor's mansion where they lived when he was in office, and the historic state capitol. We got a little goofy at times in 2015!



and 2017 ...



2017 - Royal purple with white trim; at the Kentucky Historical Society in Frankfort. President Carolyn Leonard, Registration chair Janice Cozine, Coordinator Mr. Lynn Rogers led our bus excursion to the Painted Stone Massacre reenactment which no one should ever miss. Our speakers included specialists on DNA and genealogy, JoAnn Adams of the 6-mile meetinghouse who showed us how our ancestors spun wool, Keynotes Vince Akers and Eddie Price. Researcher Charlotte Olson helped a lot of people with their research. This was a very special year as Dana Banta Wade's children sang for us and Russell Gasero, archivist of the Dutch Reformed church, helped us re-dedicate the restored Old Mud Meetinghouse which is now paying its own way by hosting weddings and other special occasions.

...and now here they are ...
wearing bright teal blue shirts, these will be your leaders



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December 8, 2012

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- PhotographyCharlie Westerfield of Louisville
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- Westerfield MarkerCharlie Westerfield of Louisville
- PublicityCarolyn Leonard, OK & Denise Perry, TN
- T-Shirt FundraiserJanice Cozine of Kentucky
- Family ResearchMary Jo Gohmann of Indiana

2019 Dutch Event Speakers

THURSDAY September 12, 2019 Kick off!

6:30 pm: Surprise program to be announced.

FRIDAY: 10:45 am: Dr. Kirk W. Pomper, Director of KSU Land Grant Programs, will speak on *"The Paw-Paw Story."* He directed KYSU's first pawpaw variety release to the public and this variety is being sold by nurseries nationwide. Dr. Pomper received both a B.S. and an M.S. in Horticulture from the University of Minnesota in 1985 and 1989. He received a Ph.D. in Horticulture in 1995 from Oregon State University. Dr. Pomper also serves as a Professor of Horticulture and is Curator of the USDA National Clonal Germplasm Repository for pawpaw species at KSU.



Friday 6:30 pm: Vincent Akers: *"The Beargrass Stations, Brook's Spring and the Westerfield Massacre."* *Our own Vince Akers of Indianapolis, retired after 31 years as head accountant at Cummins Engine Company, serves as our Dutch Cousins financial officer and is the driving force in restoration and preservation of the Old Mud Meetinghouse, as well as foremost historian of the Low Dutch history. Vince will tie in the Low Dutch Station marker, the Brook's Spring, and the Westerfield details, in his inimitable, spellbinding, storytelling way.*

Friday 7:00 pm: Dr. Stephen Henry, MD of Louisville, will speak on "The Parklands of Floyd's Fork" introduce the Parklands which we will tour on Saturday. Dr. Henry, a well-known orthopedic surgeon and former Lieutenant Governor, has been instrumental in securing the historical markers. His wife, Heather French Henry, our forever Miss America, is the 2019 Democratic candidate for KY Secretary of State.



SATURDAY: 11:30-5:30 Vince Akers, Steve Henry, and Charles Westerfield will be narrators on the bus trip to dedicate historic roadside markers honoring the Dutch heritage at sites near Louisville.



6:30 pm, Keynote speaker Eddie Price will present, "The Battle of Blue Licks." *A retired history teacher, and author of the award-winning Kentucky historical novel, Widder's Landing, Mr. Price appears in costume and makes you believe he is living the last battle of the American Revolution in 1782. Although none of our Low Dutch were at the battle, some were with the militia that arrived late and stayed around for the gruesome task of burying the dead. His program is complete with colorful slides depicting the western theater of the war and more. His several books will be available after the program.*

SUNDAY: 2:00 pm: Worship service at the Old Mud Meetinghouse, speaker Russell Gasero. (Gates will open at 1:00 for the group photo.) Mr. Gasero, of New Brunswick, NJ is archivist of the Reformed Churches of America, formerly the Dutch Reformed Church. He will be speaking on Jeremiah 6:16-20 and 2 Timothy 4:9-12. His message will focus on the strength we have based on our families and our heritage. The worship service will follow the form use at the time of worship at Old Mud.



MONDAY: 10 till 3: Harrodsburg Historical Society Research Library and Dutch Archives under direction of Amalie Preston of Salvisa. Amalie is a board member of Dutch Cousins, and the James Harrod Trust, as well as spearheading the Harrodsburg Historical Society's Old Mud Restoration Committee.



DULCIMER SOCIETY OF FRANKFORT will entertain our group at 3:00 pm on Friday, September 13, 2019: The word dulcimer is believed to have originated centuries ago. It was derived from the Greek word "dulce" (which means sweet) and the Latin word "melos" (which means song). The Appalachian Dulcimer was adopted as the Kentucky state instrument on June 21, 2001.

BENCH DEDICATION: The Dutch Cousins will present a memorial in honor of past president Claude Westerfield on Sunday, September 15, at the Old Mud Meetinghouse burial grounds. The memorial bench will be dedicated following the worship service. Claude, who lived in Iowa, was the first Dutch Cousins president elected in 2009 and served until 2013. John C. Westerfield, of Pennsylvania, was elected for the 2015 gathering, and Carolyn Leonard, of Oklahoma, in 2017. Claude, who passed this life in 2018, was always a strong leader for the Cousins.



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NATIONAL
LOW DUTCH COUSINS
GATHERING!**

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