

## WFA 2018 Reunion Report

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On a beautiful October weekend, members of the Worden Family Association met in Frankenmuth, Michigan. The leaves were changing and fall was in the air. Reunion headquarters was at the Bavarian Inn Lodge, which has its very own Worden Room (see article on page 3456).



Cass River and Bavarian Inn Lodge



Reunion headquarters

For our official WFA banquet, held at the Zehnders of Frankenmuth, we enjoyed a traditional Frankenmuth chicken dinner. A highlight of the evening was the presence of Pat Worden Serrine. She is one of the founders of the Worden Family Association and was the first and long-time editor of *Wordens Past*. We were pleased to honor all of her accomplishments.

We enjoyed excellent presentations. William Worden presented on last year's trip to visit Worden ancestral sites in England and John Schuerman outlined the upcoming trip to ancestral sites in Scotland in 2019. Donna Benedict, who is an expert on the Worden family in Michigan, and WFA President Pat Warden discussed the early Wordens in Michigan. Both were available for consultations, and new family connections were made.



Carolyn Stubbs presents Patricia Worden Serrine with flowers and a gift of appreciation



The carriage ride in the rain

Attendees also enjoyed a wine and spirits tasting of Michigan products, a carriage ride, and a river cruise (with wine and chocolates). To see them at "work," see the following page.

We had many first-time reunion attendees, and new friendships were made and we had lots of fun. The photographs shown here were taken by Bill Worden. To see more photographs of the reunion, go to his album at <https://photos.app.goo.gl/RS2MHRQ1En3259ws7>.



The WFA banquet



Worden wine tasters



Not our river cruise ship



Shopping in Frankenmuth



Spirit tasters



Saturday evening meal

The next reunion—projected for 2020—will be held somewhere on the East Coast. If there are ideas for a specific location or anyone interested in chairing the event, please let us know. Contact Pat Warden at [pwarden12@charter.net](mailto:pwarden12@charter.net). ❖