

The Networks of Early North Carolina History

Presentation series sponsored by the Orange County Historical Museum



Part 1: "First Contact: Native Americans and Europeans in the Sounds, 1524-1650"
[video available on the [Orange County Historical Museum website](#)]

Part 2: May 6 at 7PM - "Carolina's First Permanent Settlement, 1650-1705"

The second of Tom's lectures on early Carolina history will be broadcast by a net stream on May 6th at 7 PM. It will be on Carolina's First Permanent Settlement, located on the north shore of Albemarle Sound. Settled in the 1650s, the first folks were thoroughly enmeshed with their indigenous neighbors and lived at peace with them for fifty years, until Anglicans brought law and order to the them. The arrival of Anglican overlords triggered the Tuscarora War during which many of the first settler families probably escaped Anglican control by moving into the backcountry by way of a military road built to connect the Chesapeake's deep water ports with the Gulf of Mexico. Carolina militia used this road in 1704 and 1705 to attack French Settlements around Mobile Bay and the Spanish at St. Augustine.

This talk will last about 50 minutes and Tom will take questions after finishing it. You will be able to post your questions via a chat facility on the broadcast tool.

Part 3: TBD - "Moving into the Backcountry, 1704-1754"

Part 4: August 5 at 7PM - "The Lasting Impacts of Carolina's First Settlers"

More info. Free Registration.

On the Orange County Historical Museum website.

In this series, Tom Magnuson, founder and CEO of the Trading Path Association (TPA) will present findings from his thirty years of studying the earliest commercial transportation networks in the Southeast of North America. The programs will begin as virtual events but, if COVID restrictions are lifted, may be offered in person as well. Registration is free.

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