

Everything
you need to know!

Country School
Association of America



2019 CONFERENCE
JUNE 16-19 NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA

countryside / countrywide

LOCATION

Claggett Center

Adamstown, MD (Just outside Frederick MD; 1 hour from Washington DC and Baltimore MD)
Stay on-site to enhance your conference experience – see Claggett's affordable rates next page

DAY-BY-DAY

Sunday, June 16

Check-in - beginning at 1 pm

Pre-conference add-ons (set \$10 pre- and post-conference fee applies):

1. Private Smithsonian Institution viewing of schoolhouse exhibit items with curator Debbie Schaefer-Jacobs (2 pm; held at the Smithsonian American History Museum on the Mall in DC; limited to first 15 registrants)
2. Walking tour of historic sites in Frederick MD led by a Frederick historical society guide (3:30 pm; meets at the Museum of Frederick County History, 24 E. Church St. in downtown Frederick)

FREE on-your-own driving excursions (map at www.CountrySchoolAssociation.org):

1. Monocacy Battlefield - "the battle that saved Washington" - right in Frederick
2. Antietam Battlefield - site of the Civil War battle that was the bloodiest day in American history and which led to the issuance of the Emancipation Proclamation (one-room schoolhouse nearby)
3. Harpers Ferry WV - picturesque, completely restored Civil War-era town and site of John Brown's raid
4. Seton Shrine (Emmitsburg, MD) - commemorating Elizabeth Ann Seton, the first American saint, and site of the first U.S. parochial school for girls she founded
5. Schifferstadt - mid-18th century Germanic stone house/museum open 1-4 pm
6. Frederick County's 3 historic covered bridges
7. Frederick County wine trail of 7 wineries offering Sunday afternoon tastings (Note: 4, 5, 6 and 7 can easily be combined)

Dinner: on-your-own (Frederick's many acclaimed restaurants have made it a culinary destination) **OR** optional buffet dinner 5:30-6:30 pm at the Claggett Center (\$20, must reserve in advance using the online registration form)

For all, an evening entertainment conference kick-off program featuring Clara Barton re-enactor will be held at 7 pm followed by a reception

Monday, June 17-
Tuesday, June 18

Keynote addresses / presentations / panel discussions / entertainment sessions
Lunch & dinner / breakfast for those staying on-site at the Claggett Center

Wednesday, June 19

Day-long workshop - site visits to 8 area restored schoolhouses via motorcoach (\$60 - includes set \$10 pre- and post-conference fee; full 2-day registrants have priority; fills quickly so register early! Preview video at www.CountrySchoolAssociation.org)

Thursday, June 20

Post-conference add-ons (set \$10 pre- and post-conference fee applies):

1. "Behind the scenes" Smithsonian tour of artifact storage areas not open to the public with curator Debbie Schaefer-Jacobs (meet at the Smithsonian American History Museum in DC at 11 am; limited to first 15 registrants)
2. Mini-tour: "Separate/Equal?" A caravan will leave the Claggett Center at 8:30 am stopping at two one-room schoolhouses of the same time period – one for white students, the other for African-American students; see the differences for yourself!

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Arriving early?

Some conference-goers arrive a day early to take full advantage of the Sunday pre-conference options described here.

Discounted group rate available at a nearby hotel:

www.choicehotels.com/reservations/

Please bring an item for the **silent auction** benefiting our schoolhouse disaster relief fund

REGISTRATION FEES

Full 2-day registration for those staying on-site at the Claggett Center - member: \$150; non-member: \$185
Includes all conference activities 6/17 & 6/18; 7 meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner 6/17 & 6/18 & breakfast 6/19

Full 2-day registration for those staying off-site (not at the Claggett Center): member: \$175; non-member: \$225
Includes all conference activities 6/17 & 6/18; 4 meals: lunch & dinner 6/17 & 6/18 (breakfast not included; 4 hotels approximately 5 miles from the Claggett Center all provide free breakfast)

Special spousal/partner registration: \$100 (*new this year!*)

This is intended for couples who customarily travel together to the conference but only one spouse attends the conference. Registering second spouse at this reduced fee enables both to enjoy conference meals and general-interest evening/entertainment programming together; attendance at daytime conference keynotes/presentations by second spouse not included.

Special Maryland/Virginia/District of Columbia resident rate: \$130

Includes all conference activities 6/17 & 6/18, lunch and dinner each day (plus breakfast if staying on-site)

Student full 2-day registration: \$90

Includes all conference activities 6/17 & 6/18, lunch and dinner each day and CSAA membership for one year

One-day registration (6/17 OR 6/18) - member: \$85; non-member: \$120; student: \$65

Includes conference activities, lunch and dinner for the selected day (Monday or Tuesday only)

* All non-member registrations above automatically include a one-year (calendar year) CSAA membership

REGISTER EARLY! Registration fees increase \$50 on May 1, 2019. Registration closes June 1, 2019. Refunds (less 20% fee) granted for cancellations received in writing by June 3, 2019; refunds will be processed after the conference.

ON-SITE ACCOMMODATIONS AT THE CLAGGETT CENTER

Our conference venue offers comfortable, air-conditioned on-site single and double rooms—just steps from the dining area and meeting rooms—for 3 nights (6/16-6/18) or 4 nights (6/16-6/19 for those opting for the schoolhouse site visit workshop on 6/18). Choose between **hotel-style rooms** with 1 or 2 queen beds and private baths (in the Claggett Center's **Christiane Inn**) or more modest rooms (in the **Doll Cottage**) comparable to **dorm rooms** that CSAA offers when we meet on a college campus. WIFI throughout.

(Photos at www.CountrySchoolAssociation.org)

| | | | <u>3 nights</u> | <u>4 nights</u> | |
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| SINGLES: | Hotel-style room | queen bed/private bath | \$204 | \$272 | (\$68/night) |
| | Dorm-like room | twin bed/semi-private bath | \$135 | \$180 | (\$45/night) |
| DOUBLES: | Hotel-style room | 2 queen beds/private bath | \$165/person | \$220/person | (\$55/night) |
| | Hotel-style room | 1 queen bed/private bath | \$147/person | \$196/person | (\$49/night) |
| | Dorm-like room | 2 twin beds/semi-private bath | \$132/person | \$176/person | (\$44/night) |

Please note: As the Claggett Center primarily serves as a faith-based retreat center and summer youth camp facility, there are no TVs and rooms in Doll Cottage lack individual locks. Large lobby / lounge on the first floor of Christiane Inn for relaxing and socializing; exercise room also on first floor; kitchenette with refrigerator, microwave, iron and ironing board on second floor. Cottage lower level community room has kitchenette (with refrigerator, microwave, coffeemaker, sink and dishwasher) and deck with picturesque view. Bed linens, bath towels and toiletries (soap and shampoo) included in all rooms. Please bring an alarm clock and/or hairdryer, if needed (a limited number available for loan). 18 Inn rooms have 2 queen beds; 42 Inn rooms have 1 queen bed; 11 Cottage rooms have 2 twin beds. Rooms reserved in order of registration subject to availability. If an on-site room category becomes unavailable, extra off-site registration charge (\$25 member; \$40 non-member) waived; off-site hotel offering discounted group rate of \$121 per night (including tax): www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/HM80N3

TIP! Consider staying 4 nights at the Claggett Center even if you're not going on the 6/18 site visit tour and sightsee nearby on your own—you won't be able to stay in the area for less than these conference rates!

CALL FOR PRESENTERS

CSAA invites proposals for presentations related to the 2019 theme "Countryside/Countrywide" looking at early public education at all levels – from the local (*countryside*) through the national (*countrywide*) spheres; presentations can be either 20-25 or 45-50 minutes in length; exhibitions also invited. A detailed Call for Presenters is available at www.CountrySchoolAssociation.org; proposals due January 15, 2019.