

Herbstkonferenz 2018

Sheraton Imperial Hotel, Durham, NC

Host: The Foreign Language Association of North Carolina (FLANC)



Samstag, der 20. Oktober, 2018

8:30-9:20	"Cultural Comparisons for the Novice to Intermediate German Speaker"	Presenter: Lisa Worthington-Groce, NW Guilford HS
9:30-10:20	"Music for High Proficiency"	Presenters: Christina Humphrey, Providence HS and Ingrid Bialas-Wilson, South Mecklenburg HS
10:20-10:50	Pause (visit general exhibits at FLANC)	
10:50-11:40	"#transatlantik now: Leveraging German-US Institutions to Support Teaching and Learning at All Levels"	Presenter: Scott Denham, Davidson College
11:40-12:30	Mittagessen	
12:00-12:05	Willkommen und Neuigkeiten	David Lovin, Fuquay-Varina HS
12:05-13:00	Business Meeting: German Day Theme, German4NC.net updates, Spring conference 2019 details	David Lovin, Fuquay-Varina HS
13:00-13:50	"Puzzling for Professional Development"	Cori Crane, Duke University
14:00-14:50	"Conversation Circles 2"	Larry Land, Waddell Language Academy

Teilnehmer (Business Meeting)

Bartley, Ute	Ligon MS & Martin MS	Knight, Molly	Wake Forest University
Bradshaw, Patrick		Land, Larry	Waddell Language Acad.
Burgbacher, Wendy	Cary Academy HS	Lovin, David	Fuquay-Varina HS
Crane, Cori	Duke University	Maseman, Paul	Apex HS
Denham, Scott	Davidson College	Schmid-Rankin, Sabine	Forestview HS
Gulewich, Beth	Broughton HS	Verhoeven, Gabriele	Cary Academy MS
Karrass, Kristina	Wiley ES	Worthington-Groce, Lisa	NW Guilford HS

"Cultural Comparisons for the Novice to Intermediate German Speaker"

Presenter: Lisa Worthington-Groce, NW Guilford High School

- Introduction:
 - Explore how to use cultural themes as the backdrop for building students' communicative proficiencies.
 - Use resources to increase students' cultural knowledge & compare/contrast products, practices, and perspectives.
 - See how project-based learning (PBL) & integrated performance assessments (IPA) can reinvigorate the classroom.
- Link to the presentation: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/22bfjcqqalq591l/FLANC%202018%20-%20CULTURAL%20COMPARISONS%20ACROSS%20LEVELS.pptx?raw=1>
- Various cultural comparison links: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/x7sezf1wzy35582/FLANC%202018%20-%20Cultural%20Comparison%20Links%20AP%20Prompts.docx?raw=1>

"Music for High Proficiency"

**Presenters: Christina Humphrey, Providence HS and
Ingrid Bialas-Wilson, South Mecklenburg HS**

- Introduction: What do the presenters do in Charlotte in their programs
- Why use music in the classroom?
 - "If you can sing it, you can say it."
 - Culture, motivation, and movement
- Related links:
 - Wilson's presentation: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/9t2srojpw20h4qa/FLANC%202018%20-%20Ingrid%20Wilson%20-%20Musik%20for%20High%20Proficiency.pptx?raw=1>
 - Humphrey's presentation: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/op7yaaw4rdcn2uz/FLANC%202018%20-%20Christina%20Humphrey%20-%20Lieder%20im%20Unterricht%20Deutsch%20II-VI%20FLANC.pptx?raw=1>
 - Humphrey's associated teaching materials: https://drive.google.com/drive/u/2/folders/0B5aPvkB_0a_aRFpPQmxRemRLa1U

"#transatlantik now: Leveraging German-US Institutions to Support Teaching and Learning at All Levels"

Presenter: Scott Denham, Davidson College

- Introduction: How to engage transatlantic organizations to support German studies in North Carolina with the following as major goals:
 - Make connections
 - Build networks
 - Acquire resources
 - Boost visibility
 - Inspire students
 - Build Nachwuchs
 - Promote the ideals of peace, prosperity, freedom

- Important *#transatlantik* organizations to help realize goals:
 - American Council on Germany / ACG
 - <http://acgusa.org/>
 - <https://www.acgusa.org/our-chapters/charlotte/>
 - German American Chamber of Commerce / GACC-South
 - <http://www.gaccsouth.com/en/>
 - <http://www.gaccsouth.com/>
 - <https://www.duesseldorf.ihk.de/Aussenwirtschaft/Auslandsmaerkte/USA>
 - Atlantik-Brücke
 - <https://www.atlantik-bruecke.org/>
 - <https://www.atlantik-bruecke.org/mitgliederreise-2017/> (October 2017)
- Link to the complete presentation: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/deyozi0aos6vpab/FLANC%202018%20-%20Denham%20transatlantik.pptx?raw=1>

Business Meeting

Presenter: David Lovin, Fuquay-Varina HS

• Promotion

- German in North Carolina promotional website (admin. by Larry Land and Scott Windham): www.german4nc.net
 - Submissions and testimonials were requested last year from German educators in NC. Very few submissions had been received.
 - A discussion was held concerning the usefulness/effectiveness of the [german4nc.net](http://www.german4nc.net) website. A suggestion was made to create a tab to [german4nc.com](http://www.german4nc.com) on the main NCAATG website. Another suggestion was made to study website traffic reports for german4nc to evaluate its usefulness.
 - Teachers are still encouraged to submit success stories to the site. Examples of desired materials:
 - Samples of student work (video projects, essays, artwork; what our students can do auf Deutsch)
 - Testimonials from students and alumni about why they like German, how it has helped them
 - A teacher's own thoughts/experiences on how/why German is fabulous.
 - Submit by email: german4nc@gmail.com
 - Also fill out this form (optional but helpful): https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScQS7BBEonSYVVppeqhCY562-kMPy3BNLwdDvHPwPBXemIJxw/viewform?usp=sf_link

• German Immersion Weekend

- The 2018 German Immersion was cancelled due to low attendance. The 2018 Camp Caraway deposit was transferred to 2019.
- November ?, 2019 at Camp Caraway.

• Spring Meeting

- Location: Northwest Guilford HS
- Date: 9 Februar, 2019
- Entries for the German Day T-Shirt design competition should be brought to this meeting.

• German Day

- Thursday, 21 March 2019 at UNC-Chapel Hill - David Lovin informed us that the NC-AATG listserv is used to distribute news and information.
- Tin Wegel, the charge person and host for the 2019 event is leaving UNC-Chapel Hill. A replacement, Christina Weiler, was named to the German Day position.

• Top Themes:

- **#wunderbarzusammen (Sabine) 12 - Chosen as 2019 Theme**
- Du bist gefeuert! (Larry)
- Die Sprache um uns! (Paul)
- Wir wählen Deutsch (Beth/Cori) 7
- Wir machen mit (Molly)
- Frauenmacht (Larry) 3
- #unteilbar (Sabine) 3

• Leadership Transition

- Carola Dwyer, the NCAATG president-elect, has decided not to accept the position. The outgoing president, David Lovin, as per the organization's constitution, nominated Molly Knight of Wake Forest University to be our next president. Christina Humphrey will become the new ascending vice-president, to fulfill the role of NCAATG president in 2020.



Past and present German Educator of the Year winners: Sabine Schmid-Rankin and Lisa Worthington-Groce



David Lovin and Molly Knight

• Recognition

- Lisa Worthington-Groce was named AATG national German Educator of the Year.

"Puzzling for Professional Development"

Presenter: Cori Crane, Duke University

- Introduction: Shifting the goal in language classrooms from problem solving toward understanding
- Some of the problems/puzzles discussed:
 - How to motivate weak students when all avenues of helping them appear to have failed
 - Why students speak so quietly in a language class
 - How to give feedback effectively
 - How to incorporate oral assessment into an existing FL curriculum
 - What familiar classroom practice could I adapt to become a potentially exploitable pedagogic activity (PEPA)?
 - Why integrate learners in teacher reflection?
- Link to the presentation: [https://www.dropbox.com/s/hzxfrysvlyols7s/FLANC%202018%20-%20Crane.Puzzles.Oct 2018.AATG.pptx?raw=1](https://www.dropbox.com/s/hzxfrysvlyols7s/FLANC%202018%20-%20Crane.Puzzles.Oct%202018.AATG.pptx?raw=1)

"Conversation Circles 2"

Presenter: Larry Land, Waddell Language Academy

- Introduction:
 - How to bring elements of an immersion setting at the primary levels into any classroom
 - How can we support all students in developing and refining their speaking skills in the target language?
- What we know (our vision):
 - We don't want students to say they can't speak German after having taken German for one or more years.
 - Speaking is the most challenging language skill in which to develop proficiency.
 - Immersion can take language learning to a place beyond memorization.
 - Learning to speak a language is gratifying and cool!
- Link to the presentation: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/s8h7al80ccgejoa/FLANC%202018%20-%20Larry%20Land%20-%20CONVERSATION%20CIRCLES%202.pptx?raw=1>
- Link to the Activity Guide: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/dqav3n0on6941kb/FLANC%202018%20-%20Larry%20Land%20-%20CONVERSATION%20CIRCLES%20--%20ACTIVITY%20GUIDE.pdf?raw=1>
- Link to the handout: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/v4x35oocoy0q3mb/FLANC%202018%20-%20Larry%20Land%20-%20Handout%20of%20CONVERSATION%20CIRCLES%202.pdf?raw=1>



• **NC-AATG Treasurer's Report from 1-Feb-18 through 30-Sep-18**

<u>Beginning Balance</u>	6376.26	<u>Ending Balance</u>	10,977.38
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Disbursements

Lovin - reimbursement for Spring Conference	379.58	02-27-18
Rinner - reimbursement for trophies & T-shirts for German Day	2,021.29	04-02-18
Shipping for AATG Exam Medals	67.18	07-03-18

<u>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</u>	2,468.05	09-30-18
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Deposits

FLANC Mini-Grant	500.00	02-16-18
Spring Conference Attendees	508.17	02-16-18
German Day Participants & T-shirts	6,061.00	03-20-18

<u>TOTAL DEPOSITS</u>	6,561.00	09-30-18
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Treasurer's Report submitted by Linda Horvath 20-October-2018

Meeting Minutes submitted by Paul Maseman 20-October-2018