

Family Reunion, Lahnstein on the Rhine 2022

We are going to celebrate a special Jubilee: our forefather Heinrich Schilling von Lahneck (born about 1166), who died almost 800 years ago, in 1221. It is believed that all 3 Schilling lines can be traced back to this Heinrich Schilling von Lahneck and that he is thus our common ancestor.

The Family Reunion in the coming year will take place from Friday 3rd June until (Whit) Sunday, 5th June 2022, in Lahneck, in close vicinity to our presumed common family castle. In the afternoon of Sunday 5th June, there will be an additional coach tour for all who are interested in seeing the Rhineland Schilling area.

The follow-up tour on Monday 6th June will lead us to the winemaking town of Rüdesheim.

Our itinerary

Friday afternoon, 3rd June, meet in the Hotel “Wyndham Garden” in Lahnstein.

Saturday morning, 4th June, guided tour of Lahneck Castle. The first coach will leave at 9 am. The first tour of the castle will start at 9:30 am. Each tour will take about 30 minutes. We have to limit the number of visitors to 15 persons per group. There will also be an English-speaking guide for one group. If that isn't enough, then Martin will have to jump in.

Saturday 10 am archery practice event with Hubertus and Ute v. Schilling at the hotel. Everyone welcome, no experience needed. Fun for all the family.

Saturday 2 pm catch a coach and head for the ship jetties in Niederlahnstein. Then at **3 pm board the ship “Deutsches Eck” for a round trip** down the river Rhine as far as Koblenz and then back up the river again to Bacharach. There will be commentary about the various attractions we will sail past and a festive dinner on board to complete the day. The trip will end at 10 pm in Niederlahnstein, where we will catch the busses for the trip back to the hotel.

Whit Sunday, 5th June, we will start with a short service, followed by the regular Members' Meeting of the Family Association. Here a separate invitation will be sent out. End of the official Family Reunion event.

After lunch, those who do not have to leave can take a coach to **visit some places in the Rhineland area where the descendants of Heinrich Schilling settled.** Many of these became renowned persons.

We will first head for Kempenich (grave of Elisabeth Schilling), then to Kottenheim (epitaph of junker Konrad Schilling, who died in 1539) and Andernach, Mary Ascension Church (epitaph of Knight Daniel Schilling, 1448 – 1541), who was also mayor and alderman of the city. Thereafter we will return to the hotel in Lahnstein.

Whit Monday, 6th June, those who opted for the additional coach tour to Rüdesheim will leave after breakfast for the famous **Niederwalddenkmal monument (Germania).**

After visiting the monument, those who have made a reservation in the **Hotel Felsenkeller**, should check in there. They can then enjoy a nice evening in Rüdesheim and have a farewell breakfast together the next morning.

All the others will now say goodbye and head for home, or wherever their next stop may be.

If you want to know more about the places and historical facts, please refer to the Schilling-Kurier of October 2019 in the internet: <https://schilling-association.org/schilling-courier.html>