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The first comprehensive archeological dig at Battersea was undertaken this summer to uncover history of the Palladian style villa located near the Appomattox River west of the city.

Virginia Currents' production by John G. Warner, managing producer and videographer, visits the archaeologists as they work and unearth artifacts long buried in the pre-Revolution home's grounds.

Warner will take viewers inside the villa for a tour of the home that was occupied by a series of families until the 1980s. Battersea and its 37 acres is owned by the City of Petersburg and operated by Battersea Inc., a nonprofit organization that is raising funds for the stabilization and protection of the building and site. Board members Barbara Moseley and John Zeugner, active participants in the protect Battersea efforts, will be interviewed.

Col. Banister, who built and lived at Battersea, was the first mayor of Petersburg, a prominent figure in colonial Virginia and a Revolutionary War leader.

The Battersea story also will be aired on public television's Channel 15 in Norfolk at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19.

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