

# A Mystery in American History

In 1694, a young man named Johannes Kelpius came ashore in Pennsylvania with a group of about forty men and women. He brought them to the nearby Wissahickon Valley where they built a huge tabernacle crowned with an astronomical observatory. For over fourteen years, Kelpius's community flourished in the midst of rumors of mystical practices and secret rites. For three hundred years, tales of the supernatural have persisted.

The historical facts are scant, but what we do know suggests that the truth behind Kelpius's story is every bit as fascinating as the legends.

Read about the life of Johannes Kelpius as told in this historical novel by Jonathan D. Scott.

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