

TWENTIETH ANNUAL WAR COLLEGE OF THE SEVEN YEARS' WAR

FORT TICONDEROGA, MAY 15-17, 2015

Fort Ticonderoga presents the Twentieth Annual War College of the Seven Years' War May 15-17, 2015, in the Deborah Clarke Mars Education Center. We invite you to join us at this annual seminar focused on the French & Indian War in North America, offering a unique, informal setting that promotes interaction and discussion between speakers and attendees throughout the weekend. Those interested in also attending the Twelfth Annual Fort Ticonderoga Seminar on the American Revolution on September 25-27, 2015, can register as a subscriber before March 15th and save \$20 on the combined registration fees. The War College sells out, so don't delay—register today. We look forward to seeing you at Fort Ticonderoga in May.



WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Subject to Change

FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2015

2:00-3:30 From the Lake to the Lines Tour—Take Fort Ticonderoga's shuttle to examine the broader landscape of the 1758 Battle of Carillon, traveling beyond the confines of the Fort's garrison grounds. Stand where key decisions were made and consider the landscape and intelligence that led to the course of this famous battle. **Space is limited; cost \$45/person.**

6:00-7:15 Opening Reception—Join War College faculty and staff at an opening reception in the Deborah Clarke Mars Education Center with light refreshments and cash bar (included in registration fee, but reservation required).

7:30 "The uniformity of the service of his Troops"—Explore the 1753 Royal Ordnance, which regulated daily life for French soldiers on campaign. Go beyond stereotypes to see the detail of French military science. **Stuart Lilie** is the Senior Director of Interpretation at Fort Ticonderoga.

SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2015

9:15-10:00 The Black City: An 18th Century Detroit Redux—African roots helped make the "Motor City" famous in the 20th century yet these connections predate the Great Migration and stretch back to the era of the Seven Years' War. In 1760s Detroit, African Americans inhabited a space of unique possibilities and peril, and forged independent relationships with both European and Native residents. **Christian Ayne Crouch** is associate professor of History and American Studies at Bard College and the author of *Nobility Lost: French and Canadian Martial Cultures, Indians, and the Loss of New France*.

10:15-11:00 Sir William Johnson: Hero of the Seven Years' War—Contemporaries on both sides of the Atlantic came to regard William Johnson as a hero of the Seven Years' War as a result of his leadership at the Battle of Lake George in 1755 and at the capture of Fort Niagara in 1759. This presentation revisits Johnson's performance as a military leader during the war, focusing on these two engagements to assess the process by which narratives of military heroism were constructed (and their subjects rewarded) via trans-Atlantic networks of communication, influence, and patronage. **Jon Parmenter** teaches early American and Native American history at Cornell University and is the author of *The Edge of the Woods: Iroquoia, 1534-1701*.

11:15-12:00 To Interfere in This Expense: Sir William Johnson's Wartime Indian Expenses—Sir William Johnson's expenses for the Indian Department came under increasing scrutiny during the Seven Years' War, due in part to his increasing requests for funding. How and why Johnson justified these expenses, and the hesitance of his superiors to interfere

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despite their misgivings, points to the importance of Britain's Native allies. **Maeve Kane** is an assistant professor of early American economic history in the History Department of the University at Albany currently working on a book about Iroquois women's use of European cloth before 1860.

12:15-1:45 Lunch Break (box lunch from America's Fort Café included in the registraton fee)

1:00-1:30 Book Signing in the Museum Store.

2:00-2:45 Montcalm's Crushing Blow: French and Indian Raids along New York's Oswego River 1756—The year 1756 saw the rivalry between Britain and France in North America escalate into open warfare as both sides sought to overcome the other's forts and trading posts. By organizing a raid on a scale never seen before that mixed Canadian and European tactics, Montcalm's 3,000-strong force equipped with artillery surprised Oswego and soon forced the defenders to surrender—an outstanding French success. Featuring specially commissioned full colour artwork, this illustrated lecture casts light on this daring feat of arms at the height of the French & Indian War. A senior curator with Canada's National Historic Sites for nearly three decades, **René Chartrand** is now a freelance writer and historical consultant. He has written numerous articles and books including over 30 Osprey titles.

3:00-3:45 Siege, Surrender, and the "Honors of War": Capitulation During the Seven Years' War in North America—The Seven Years' War's most significant engagements, sieges generally ended by negotiating terms of surrender. This presentation will examine surrender terms during sieges in this conflict, and what exactly the "honors of war" meant to both the victors and the vanquished. **Matthew J. Wayman** is Head Librarian at the Ciletti Memorial Library, Penn State Schuylkill and a military history researcher.

5:00 Dinner at America's Fort Café (pre-registration only)

7:00-8:00 (Re)building Carillon: Did the French get it right? Did we get it right? —Join **Cameron Green**, Assistant Director of Interpretation, and **Matthew Keagle**, Director of Exhibitions, to explore Fort Carillon from the ground up. Between 1756 and 1759 French soldiers used picks, saws, hammers, and muscle to shape stone and timber into a formidable fortress. Explore over 200 years of construction, reconstruction, and interpretation of New France's front line.

SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2015

9:15-10:00 Mapping the French & Indian War—This presentation discusses the most important maps related to the French & Indian War, beginning with George Washington's manuscript map and including maps of the critical forts, maps defining French and British claims, and graphic reporting of major battles. **Seymour Schwartz** is a noted surgeon and collector of maps and is the author of numerous books including *The French & Indian War 1754-1763: The Imperial Struggle for North America* and *Cadwallader Colden: A Biography*.

10:15-11:00 "our Fortune Depends on Intelligence:" Scouting the Lake George No-man's Land, 1756—To hear Robert Rogers tell it, his company of rangers performed practically all of the reconnaissance informing the colonial army's campaign against Crown Point in 1756. A long-overlooked collection of military papers reveals that Rogers' men had to share the woods (but not the credit) with hundreds of other American soldiers on ranging duty. **Len Travers** is Professor of History at UMass Dartmouth, and author of the forthcoming book *"Kill'd or Taken: A Story of Massacre, Captivity, and Redemption in the French and Indian War* (Johns Hopkins University Press).

11:15-12:00 Un empire de choses militaire—Sourcing the French Army—Preparing the French army for combat across the globe in the 18th century meant mobilizing the industry and resources of its empire. Based on research prepared for the 2015 season at Fort Ticonderoga (Carillon), this talk will travel the length and breadth of France and its empire to explore how each foot soldier represented the productivity and industry of thousands of people across a host of trades. It took an empire to preserve an empire. **Matthew Keagle** is Director of Exhibitions and Interim Curator at Fort Ticonderoga.

12:15-1:00 Lunch Break (box lunch from America's Fort Café included in the registraton fee)

1:00-5:00 Fort Ticonderoga Museum and Museum Store open.

FOR EDUCATORS

TEACHER SCHOLARSHIPS

Thanks to the generous support of patrons, Fort Ticonderoga offers four scholarships for secondary or middle school teachers who are first time attendees at the War College. Since 2001, Fort Ticonderoga has provided 63 scholarships for teachers to attend the War College. Teachers interested in applying for a scholarship should download an application at www.fort-ticonderoga.org by selecting the "Explore and Learn" tab and clicking on "Educators" on the drop-down menu. Deadline is March 15, 2015.

SEVENTH ANNUAL COLONIAL AMERICA CONFERENCE FOR EDUCATORS

Fort Ticonderoga presents the Seventh Annual Colonial America Conference for Educators on the Friday of the War College. War College attendees can attend the conference at the discounted rate of \$35, which includes lunch. Presenters include: Kathleen Barker (Massachusetts Historical Society) Julie Daniels and Jessica Maul (New York State Archives), Jon Parmenter (Cornell University), and Tim Potts (Monticello Central School). Check www.fort-ticonderoga.org for more information.

GRADUATE CREDIT AVAILABLE FOR EDUCATORS

Fort Ticonderoga and Castleton State College in Vermont collaborate to enable teachers attending both the Colonial America Conference and the War College to earn one graduate credit. For more information, contact Rich Strum, Director of Education, at rstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org. Arrangements must be made by April 15th.

MUSEUM AND MUSEUM STORE

The Fort Ticonderoga Museum is open 9:30-5:00 all three days of the War College. War College registration includes complimentary admission to Fort Ticonderoga Friday through Sunday.

The Museum Store at the Log House is open throughout the weekend 9:30-5:00. Several members of the War College faculty will be signing copies of their books at the Museum Store on Saturday at 1:00, where copies of their books will be for sale. **Remember, Members of Fort Ticonderoga receive a 10% discount on all books.**

MEALS AND RECEPTION

New this year!

FRIDAY EVENING RECEPTION

Plan to join us Friday evening from 6:00-7:15 at the Deborah Clarke Mars Education Center for a reception with War College faculty and staff prior to the kick-off presentation at 7:30. A menu of light *hors d'oeuvres* will be served. In addition, a Cash Bar will be available. **Included in registration, but reservations required.**

LUNCH SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Box lunches from America's Fort Café are included in the registration fee both days. A vegetarian option is available.

POT ROAST DINNER SATURDAY EVENING

Pot roast, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetable, roll, and dessert at America's Fort Café. A vegetarian alternative is available. \$20 per person. **By pre-registration only.**

BECOME A MEMBER AT FORT TICONDEROGA

Members save on War College registration. When registering, it's easy to become a member or renew your current membership. Members receive: unlimited admission to Fort Ticonderoga, 10% discount in the Museum Store, a subscription to *The Haversack*, and invitations to special events.

Corporal (individual) \$50; Sergeant (dual) \$75; Ensign (family) \$100; Lieutenant \$150; Captain \$250; Major \$500; Colonel \$1,000.

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

HOW TO REGISTER

Fill out the registration form on the next page and mail with your credit card information or check made payable to **Fort Ticonderoga** to:

War College Registration
Fort Ticonderoga
PO Box 390
Ticonderoga, NY 12883.

Registrations with payment will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Early Bird Registrations must be **received** by March 15th. **We cannot guarantee that registrations will be accepted after May 11th.**

CANCELLATION POLICY

All cancellations must be received by May 1st, 2015. Registration fees will be refunded, less a \$25 process-

ing charge. Refunds will be processed after the weekend. There is a \$10 processing charge to transfer registrations to another person.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Best Western Plus Ticonderoga Inn & Suites (518-585-2378) offers a discount rate of \$124.99/night for War College attendees booking in advance. In order to receive your discount, be sure to mention you are attending the War College at Fort Ticonderoga when making your reservation. There are additional events happening in the area War College weekend, so book early!

For those looking for a bed & breakfast for War College weekend, we suggest the Lake Champlain Inn (518-547-9942).

WAR COLLEGE PATRONS

For those wishing to support the teacher scholarships, three patron levels are available:

Honorary Lieutenant Colonel (\$250)

Includes registration fee; recognition in the War College program, and an invitation to a private dinner with War College speakers and Teacher Scholarship winners.

Honorary Colonel (\$500)

In addition to all of the above, patrons at this level

receive a copy of *Nobility Lost: French and Canadian Martial Cultures, Indians, and the End of New France* by Christian Ayne Crouch and *Montcalm's Crushing Blow: French and Indian Raids along New York's Oswego River 1756* by René Chartrand.

Honorary Brigadier General (\$750)

In addition to all of the above, the first patrons at this level receive accommodations for Friday & Saturday night at Best Western Plus Ticonderoga Inn & Suites or at the Lake Champlain Inn.

Seminar on the American Revolution

BECOME A SUBSCRIBER AND ATTEND THE SEMINAR ON THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION TOO!

You can sign up now to attend the Twelfth Annual Fort Ticonderoga Seminar on the American Revolution September 25-27, 2015 and save. By doing so before March 15th, you can save \$20. This offer is only available prior to March 15th.

Seminar Speakers

Joseph Adleman, Framingham State University, "*News of the Killing Stamp: Information Networks and the Stamp Act Crisis.*"

Stephen Brumwell, independent historian and author, "*George Washington at War.*"

Michael Harris, independent historian and author, "*General John Sullivan and the Battle of Brandywine.*"

James Kirby Martin, University of Houston, and Mark

Lender, Kean University, "*Celebrating 'A Respectable Army': George Washington and the Making of the Continental Military Establishment.*"

John Nagy, St. Francis University, "*The Most Dangerous Spy in American History: Dr. Benjamin Church.*"

Bruce Venter, independent historian, "*The Battle of Hubbardton: The Rear Guard Action that Saved the Northern Army.*"

William Welsch, independent historian, "*Washington's Lieutenants: The Generals of the Continental Army.*"

Marko Zlatich, Smithsonian Institution (retired), "*George Washington: The Soldier in the Blue and Buff Uniform.*"

Like the War College, the Seminar on the American Revolution brings together a prominent faculty from across the country to delve into the military, social, and political history of the Revolutionary Era in America.

2015 WAR COLLEGE REGISTRATION FORM

Registration Information

Please use one form per person. Make photocopies or print out additional forms from the Fort Ticonderoga website for additional registrants.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

I am a Member of Fort Ticonderoga.

My name as I would like it to appear on my name tag:

Yes, please confirm my registration by email. Don't mail a confirmation to me.

email address _____

Yes, you may include my contact information on a handout for attendees at the War College.

Friday Tour

"From the Lake to the Lines" Tour (space is limited), \$45

Educator Conference

Friday's Colonial American Conference for Educators and attending the War College, \$35

Friday's Colonial American Conference for Educators and not attending the War College, \$40

For Our Information

Please contact me about vegetarian options for meals (Remember, lunches on Saturday and Sunday are included in the registration fee.)

Membership

Corporal (individual), \$50

Lieutenant, \$150

Sergeant (dual), \$75

Captain, \$250

Ensign (family), \$100

Major, \$500

Colonel, \$1,000

Registration Fees (includes lunch both days)

Early Bird Registration (by March 15, 2015)

- Member, \$110
- General Public, \$130

Subscriber Registration (by March 15, 2015)

- Subscriber (both War College and Seminar on the American Revolution), Member, \$200
- Subscriber (both War College and Seminar on the American Revolution), General Public, \$240

Regular Registration (by May 9, 2015)

- Member, \$135
- General Public, \$155

Patron Registration (by May 9, 2015)

- Honorary Lieutenant Colonel, \$250
- Honorary Colonel, \$500
- Honorary Brigadier General, \$750

Reception & Dinner

- Friday Evening Reception, (Included but must pre-register)
- Pot Roast Dinner Saturday Evening, \$20
- FOR SUBSCRIBERS ONLY:** Dinner for Seminar in Sept., \$20

TOTALS

Registration Fees \$ _____

Dinner Fees \$ _____

Friday Tour \$ _____

Educator Conference \$ _____

Membership \$ _____

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