Fort Pitt Museum to Host Seminar on 1774 Conflict Known as Dunmore’s War

-History buffs are invited to learn about the Point’s significant role in American history-

WHAT: Fort Pitt Museum, part of the Smithsonian-affiliated Senator John Heinz History Center museum system, will host its second Dunmore’s War Seminar on Saturday, April 21, to highlight the historical significance of the Point as America was formed.

The 18th century conflict known as Dunmore’s War took place between the colony of Virginia and the Ohio Valley Indians. In January 1774, Virginia Gov. John Murray, the fourth earl of Dunmore, reasserted Virginia’s claim to the Forks of the Ohio by seizing control of Fort Pitt and encouraging westward settlement into Indian lands. This created a conflict between Virginians and Ohio River Valley Indians that resulted in the surrender of additional Indian lands south of the Ohio River.

The seminar will include presentations by author, historian, and retired Army officer Dr. Glenn Williams and Fort Pitt Museum director Alan Gutchess. Both speakers will delve into the story of Dunmore’s War to help participants gain a better understanding of the Point’s significant role in the last conflict of America’s colonial era.

TICKETS: Admission to Dunmore’s War Seminar is $10 for adults and $5 for students and Heinz History Center members. A ticket includes the seminar and full access to the Fort Pitt Museum following the program.

Please register online in advance at www.heinzhistorycenter.org/events.

WHO: - Dr. Glenn Williams, retired Army officer, author, and historian (10-11:30 a.m.)
- Alan Gutchess, Fort Pitt Museum director (11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.)

WHEN: Saturday, April 21 at 10 a.m.

WHERE: Fort Pitt Museum in Point State Park
601 Commonwealth Place
Pittsburgh, PA 15222

-For more information, please call 412-281-9284 or visit www.heinzhistorycenter.org/fort-pitt-
At 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 21, the Fort Pitt Museum in Point State Park will host a seminar on “Dunmore’s War,” the 1774 conflict that took place over the Forks of the Ohio River.

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