

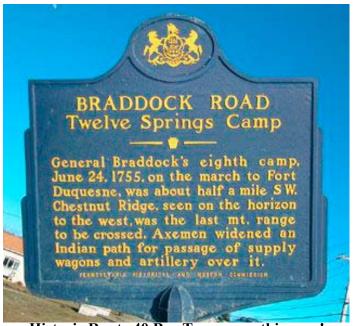
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The 2010 BRPA Seminar — Two Jam Packed Days!



Historic Route 40 Bus Tour - new this year!

Ever drive down U.S. Route 40 and see those Braddock Campaign state historical markers in Pennsylvania and Maryland—Bear Camp, Twelve Springs Camp, Rock Fort Camp—and wonder exactly where these camps were located? This year's Braddock Road Preservation Association seminar answers this question, and many more.

Events kick off at 9 a.m. Friday morning, November 5, with a very special side event (with separate registration): a bus tour along Route 40 of the Braddock Road that includes Bear Camp, the "Great Crossings" of the Youghiogheny River, Twelve Springs Camp, and Fort Necessity. Stops will feature mini-lectures, a walk along the Braddock Road trace, dedication of BRPA signage, and lunch. The bus returns to Jumonville at 4 p.m. for a final stop at Dunbar's Camp and the Braddock Road trace on the Jumonville property.



The seminar itself commences at the Fort Necessity
National Battlefield Visitors Center with a a return appearance
by Douglas R. Cubbison, Command Historian, U.S. Army's
10th Mountain Division. Mr. Cubbison, author of *The British*Defeat of the French in Pennsylvania, 1758: A Military History
of the Forbes Campaign Against Fort Duquesne (McFarland,
2010) will address the seminar on "The Logistics of the
Braddock Road."

After a break for dinner, the seminar resumes with the Friday evening reception in Wesley Hall at 7 p.m., which will feature light refreshments, a welcome by BRPA board members, and a first glimpse of vendor items—remember, beginning with last year's seminar we are accommodating more sellers of history-related items. Because 2010 will mark the tenth anniversary of the sneak preview showing of *When the Forest Ran Red: Washington, Braddock & a Doomed Army* (Paladin, 2001) at 8 p.m., BRPA President Dr. Walter Powell and board member Robert Matzen will introduce a special anniversary showing of the remastered and expanded feature documentary. A Q&A will follow to discuss the making of the documentary and its depiction of the Braddock Campaign.

The seminar reconvenes Saturday morning, November 6, with registration opening at 8 a.m. in Wesley Hall, and coffee and donuts offered for a quick wake-up. Walt Powell will offer introductory remarks followed by the keynote address, "French Military Engineering During the French & Indian War" by Jean-Pierre Raymond, a French military engineer and expert on road construction of the period.



Jean-Pierre Raymond and his wife will be joining us for this year's exciting seminar.

Screening a Classic at BRPA

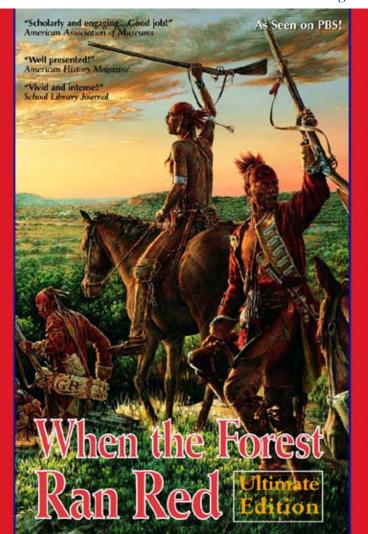
To commemorate the tenth anniversary of the Braddock Road Preservation Association's sneak preview of *When the Forest Ran Red: Washington, Braddock & a Doomed Army*, BRPA will hold a special Friday-evening screening of the documentary, which was completely remastered and expanded in 2007. Writer-director Robert Matzen of Paladin Communications recalls that the project began as a small idea. "We had these BRPA founding members—Walt Powell, Don Hinks, Bruce Egli, Roland Cadle—who knew so much about Dunbar's Camp, and I wanted to preserve their knowledge, so we did some on-camera interviews. And it grew from there."

A standing-room-only crowd of more than 230 attended the 2000 screening of the first rough cut of the picture. In the audience was that year's seminar keynote speaker, Dr. Fred Anderson (author of *Crucible of War* and featured historian in *When the Forest Ran Red*), who was among the viewers who completed feedback forms that guided the final edit of the documentary. The 58-minute feature premiered at the Heinz History Center and on WQED Television in Pittsburgh in September 2001, and was soon offered to PBS affiliates nationally via American Public Television, airing in 7 of the top -10 U.S. markets.

Matzen notes that the PBS offering was just the beginning for When the Forest Ran Red. "Andy Masich at the History Center entered Forest in the American Association of Museums Muse Awards competition, and it was honored there, and we were also recognized by the American Association of State and Local History. Pretty soon, Forest was on sale at the Smithsonian."

Originally available only on VHS tape, *When* the Forest Ran Red was released on DVD in 2004, and then remastered with new and improved action footage in a 2007 Ultimate Edition. Says Matzen, "We went back in and used some of the scenes that we had shot in a magical May 2006 reenactment of Braddock's Defeat at Raccoon Creek State Park. Some have called this version of the battle the best that's ever been done. We matched the terrain. We matched the tactics. We really went for it and had re-enactors in from as far west as St. Louis and as far north as Canada."

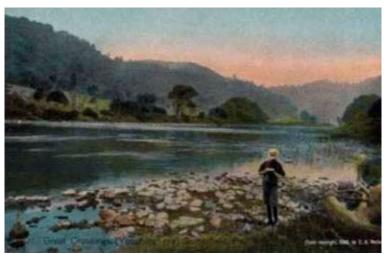
But the Ultimate Edition of Forest includes much more than new action footage. "We added two historians," says Matzen. "By then we had spoken oncamera about the Braddock Campaign with Dr. Paul Kopperman (author of Braddock at the Monongahela) and Dr. Stephen Brumwell (author of Redcoats), and these guys provide new insights into Braddock and his army."



When the Forest Ran Red continues to be recognized as the most successful documentary about the French & Indian War ever produced. This is your chance to see it and to invite others to enjoy this special presentation of the new, "Ultimate Edition" on Friday Nov. 5, at 8pm in Wesley Hall at Jumonville.

Today, When the Forest Ran Red ranks as a classic of its genre, and has been screened in a variety of settings throughout the region. It continues to sell well at National Park Service sites, Mount Vernon, and on Amazon.com. "I could say it's simply a relief that we broke even on it," says Robert Matzen, "because most of the budget came out of our own pocket. Of course, we had a group of professionals working on it who donated their time and talent." Producer Mary Matzen has a different response. "Oh, the success of Forest is very personal to me. It's a great story that people care about—the people who helped make it and the people who watch it. They still find it spellbinding, and so do I."

The Ultimate Edition of When the Forest Ran Red will be screened for seminar attendees on Friday, Nov. 5, at 8 p.m. in Wesley Hall.



GREAT CROSSINGS, (YOUGHIOGHENY) SOMERFIELD. General Braddock crossed the Youghiogheny on June 24. It is difficult to determine the exact fording of the river. The most natural place seems to be just below the mouth of Braddock Run. Orme says the river was "about one hundred yards wide, about three feet deep, with a very strong current." At any rate he crossed the river, without bridging, about half a mile above where the National Road now crosses it. (See Cumberland Road Series E.)

Following a 10 a.m. break, the seminar will resume with a slide presentation by Walt Powell and BRPA board member Joan Mancuso entitled, "John Kennedy Lacock and his Views of the Braddock Road." In the early twentieth century, Lacock, a Harvard history professor and Southwestern Pennsylvania native, retraced the course of the Braddock Road and hired a photographer to capture images of the road trace. The resulting postcard series created a significant historical record and reference for Braddock Road scholars.



CAMP OF "THE TWELVE SPRINGS." This camp is designated by Orme as, "the camp on the east side of the Great Meadows." This encampment of Braddock was between Mt. Augusta and Albert Landman's, about one-half mile south of the National Road, and four miles east of Farmington.

At noon, BRPA will convene a brief meeting, followed by an update on happenings at Fort Necessity. After a break for lunch, the seminar resumes at 1:30 with a musical serenade by the Maryland-based David and Ginger Hildebrand, who will as usual leave seminar attendees spellbound with selections of



French & Indian War era music performed on instruments of the period. The husband-and-wife team brings more than 30 years of experience to this return appearance.



Following the afternoon break, the seminar will conclude with a lecture by Wilkes University Professor Diane Wenger entitled, "Networks of Commerce in Early Pennsylvania" Dr. Wenger is the author of *A Country Storekeeper in Pennsylvania: Creating Economic Networks in Early America, 1790-1807* (Modern Humanities Research, 2008).

As usual, books and DVDs by this year's speakers will be available for purchase at the seminar, and the silent auction will be back and better than ever.

The BRPA board will also have available for sale, BRPA calendars, and some beautiful BRPA lapel pins, Polo shirts, a BRPA briefcase, and handsome travel mugs. All sales will benefit the work of

the BRPA. Special thanks are due to the Fayette

County Community Foundation and Fort Necessity National Battlefield for their support of the '09 History Seminar.

Because of the expanded nature of this year's program, THE BRPA has made special arrangements with Jumonville to have lodging available from Thursday night through Saturday night. Call Jumonville directly at (724) 439-4912 to check on available arrangements and costs.

Make your reservations now for this unique two-day event. You won't want to miss this action-packed two days!



presents the 22nd Annual... 2010 Jumonville

French & Indian War Seminar

Friday, November 5th - Saturday, November 6th



TENTATIVE 2010 SCHEDULE

Frí., Nov. 5, 2010

Braddock Road Bus and Walking tour (includes breakfast & lunch) 9 am - 4 pm includes Doug Cubbison speaking @ Fort Necessity & Walk along Braddock Road, and Dedication of two BRPA markers

4:30 - 6:30 Dinner on your own

7:00 PM Refreshments & screening of film, When the Forest Ran Red

@ Jumonville, Wesley Hall

Sat., Nov. 6, 2010

Registration - Coffee and Donuts 8:00 am

Jean-Pierre Raymond, lecture on French Military engineering in America 9:00 am

during the F&I War.

Joan Mancuso and Dr. Walter Powell showing Lacock Postcards 10:30 am

Family Style Lunch (optional) 12:30 PM

David and Ginger Hildebrand with Colonial Music 1:45 PM

3:00 PM Dr. Diane Wenger, "Networks of Commerce in Early Pennsylvania"



2010 BRPA HISTORY SEMINAR REGISTRATION FORM

Limited lodging may be available on site at Jumonville. Call (724) 439-4912 for possible accommodations & rates. Send registration form and fees to:

> Jumonville History Seminar, 887 Jumonville Rd., Hopwood, PA 15445 www.braddockroadpa.org

22nd Annual Jumonville French & Indian War Seminar Friday, November 5th - Saturday, November 6th, 2010	Please reserve places for the <u>bus tour & seminar</u> @ \$100/person@ \$55/bd member Please reserve places for <u>Friday bus tour only</u> .
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