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**FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR INTERPRETIVE SUNDAY** – Sunday, July 19, 2009  
from 12 pm to 4 pm

Womelsdorf, PA – “French and Indian War Interpretive Sunday” is the title of a living history program that will take place at Conrad Weiser Homestead and Memorial Park on Sunday, July 19, 2009, from Noon until 4 PM. This is an outdoor living history program and not a re-enactment. The event is free to the public. Regular admission will be charged for touring the historic structures.

To commemorate the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the French & Indian War and founding of the Pennsylvania Regiment, a series of living history programs will feature soldiers of the Pennsylvania Regiment’s First Battalion military re-enactment group. Members of the First Battalion will be on hand to answer questions about the historical context, clothing and equipment of soldiers in 1759. As part of the program, the public will have an opportunity to view the interior of the Weiser Springhouse. Local Native American Darius Puff will be in Native dress, display trade goods and be available to discuss the French & Indian War period from the Native American historical perspective.

The French and Indian War Interpretive Sunday program is free and open to the public and is made possible by the Friends of Conrad Weiser Homestead. Normal admission will be charged for the self-guided tours of the exhibits buildings other than the Springhouse.

The historic site preserves a portion of the original Weiser Homestead and interprets his life and important work. Conrad Weiser is remembered as Pennsylvania’s foremost colonial “peacemaker” and ambassador to Indians during the turbulent mid -18<sup>th</sup> century. Weiser was influential in the founding of Reading in 1748 and Berks County in 1752. Today, Weiser’s home and gravesite are situated within a 26-acre memorial park designed by the famous Olmsted Brothers firm of Landscape Architects.

Individuals with disabilities who need special assistance or accommodation should call 610.589.2934 in advance to discuss their needs.

The Conrad Weiser Homestead is located midway between Reading and Lebanon along US Route 422 adjacent to Womelsdorf in western Berks County. A web site is available at [www.conradweiserhomestead.org](http://www.conradweiserhomestead.org). The Homestead is administered by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, the official history agency for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and is supported by the Friends of Conrad Weiser Homestead.

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