FORT LIGONIER

200 South Market Street, Ligonier, PA 15658
724-238-9701
https://www.fortligonier.org/

Check website for operating updates, special tours and events!

Museum Hours

Open through November 26, 2023
10 a.m.—5 p.m. Monday — Sunday

Open Friday through Sunday in Winter (December—March)
Closed Holidays
Fort Ligonier is a reconstructed British fort from the French and Indian War, located in Ligonier, PA. The fort was built in 1758 as winter quarters for soldiers, and it was used to house supplies of the British army and to defend the supply line crucial to the community. It was the last in a string of fortifications that stretched from Philadelphia to a new fort that became Fort Pitt and was on land that became Pittsburgh.

On display in the Museum is a recreated artillery train that was used to defend the fort and the remains of an 18th century powder magazine. There are displays about a hospital ward, women’s roles at the hospital, and medical care in the British army during this time period. In addition, there is information on the archaeological digs that have taken place at Ft. Ligonier, and the phases of reconstruction and expansion.

Every year in October the community celebrates Ft. Ligonier Days, which includes a reenactment of the October 12, 1758, battle at Ft. Ligonier. Other community events this year include a Model Fort Competition, Seven Years’ War Symposium, French Garrison Weekend, 18th Century Military Encampment Weekend, Fort Kids’ Camp, and Sunset Tour.

An affiliate of the Heinz History Center, Fort Ligonier is an important part of the history of our country and our area. It had a key role in the French and Indian War, and eventually it became a prelude to the war fought by England and France for control of the North American continent. It is also connected to the history of Pittsburgh.