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David Library Will Offer Six Free Lectures

Winter/Spring Series made possible by grant from Bucks County Commissioners

(Special Events/Calendar Listing: Lectures)

WASHINGTON CROSSING, PA -- The David Library of the American Revolution has announced its Winter/Spring 2010 Lecture Series titled “Perspectives on the American Revolution Part II.” Each lecture in the series of six will focus on the stories of diverse and fascinating characters in the epic drama of the American Revolution. The lectures are being underwritten by a grant to the David Library by the Bucks County Commissioners. David Library lectures are admission free and open to the public.

The first lecture, “‘Ever New, and Always the Same’: The Constitution According to John Dickinson” will take place on Thursday, January 28 at 7:30. The lecturer, Jane E. Calvert, is professor of history at the University of Kentucky and author of *Quaker Constitutionalism and the Political Thought of John Dickinson*. Dickinson was one of the most important legal minds behind the framing of the Constitution of the United States.

The other five lectures in the series are: [MORE]
• “The Business of Brotherly Love: Levi and Henry Hollingsworth in the Age of Revolution,” an exploration of how heated political contests in the new nation could sometimes cause deeply personal divisions within families after the Revolution. This lecture, by Brook Hunter, associate professor at Rider University, will take place on Thursday, February 18 at 7:30 PM.

• “The Two Hendricks: Unraveling a Mohawk Mystery.” On Thursday, March 18 at 7:30 PM, Eric Hinderaker, professor of history at University of Utah, will examine the complexities of the Anglo-Iroquois alliance in the Revolutionary era through the legend the Mohawk leader known as King Hendrick.

• On Sunday, April 18 at 3PM, Daniel Barr, associate professor of history at Robert Morris University will speak about the Lenapes in his lecture, “‘Collect Yourself into One Small Circle’: White Eyes and the Revolution Among the Delaware Indians.”

• On Sunday, May 2 at 3PM, Frederike Baer, a former David Library Fellow and an archivist at the American Philosophical Society in Philadelphia will tell the story of Baroness Friederike Charlotte Louise Riedesl Freifrau zu Eisenbach from Germany who followed her husband to America to fight with the British Army and ended up spending much of her time in America as a prisoner of war. The lecture is called “‘With
the Battle of Saratoga our Misfortunes Began’: A German Baroness in the American Revolution.”

- Finally, on Thursday, May 20 at 7:30 PM, A. G. Roeber, professor of history at Penn State, will give a lecture titled “The Strongest Arm and the Longest Sword’: The Muhlenbergs of North American and the Dilemma of the American Revolution,” which will focus on the influential family and how they confronted the Revolution and the partisan politics of the new nation.

David Library lectures are held in Stone Hall in the Feinstone Conference Center adjacent to the Library at 1201 River Road in Washington Crossing. Receptions follow each lecture in the Rose Gallery. Reservations are encouraged and can be made by calling (215)493-2233 ext. 100.

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