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David Library’s Fall Lecture Series Gets Underway

Michael Harris, Author of “Brandywine” to Speak about General John Sullivan

WASHINGTON CROSSING, PA – The David Library of the American Revolution will present a lecture by Michael C. Harris, author of Brandywine: A Military History of the Battle That Lost Philadelphia But Saved America, September 11, 1777, on Tuesday, October 14 at 7:30 PM. The lecture is titled, “General John Sullivan and the Battle of Brandywine,” and will be held in Stone Hall at the David Library, 1201 River Road (Rt. 32) in Washington Crossing, PA, 1.3 mi. from the Washington Crossing Bridge. Reservations are strongly encouraged and can be made by calling (215)493-6776 ext. 100, or by sending an email to rsvp@dlar.org.

Michael C. Harris believes that most histories of the Battle of Brandywine make John Sullivan the scapegoat for the American loss there. But, he says, “Analysis of the primary documents proves that Sullivan diligently forwarded all intelligence reports the day of the battle to Washington. It was Washington's duty to analyze and interpret those intelligence reports and not Sullivan’s.” Mr. Harris is a graduate of the University of Mary Washington and the American Military University. He has worked for the National Park Service in Fredericksburg, Virginia, Fort Mott State Park in New Jersey, and the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission at Brandywine Battlefield. He has conducted tours and staff rides of many east coast battlefields. His book Brandywine was researched in part at the David Library of the American Revolution.

Additional lectures being offered this fall at the David Library are “A Dangerous Set of People': British Captives and the Sundering of Empire” by Ken Miller, Ph. D. on Sunday, November 9 at 3:00; “Give Me a Fast Ship,” a lecture about the creation of the American Navy by Tim McGrath on Tuesday, November 18 at 7:30 PM; and “When the United States Spoke French” by François Furstenberg, Ph. D. on Sunday, December 7 at 3:00 PM. All David Library lectures are presented admission free. For more information, visit the Library’s website, www.dlar.org.

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