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Revolutionary Delaware, Lecture and Book Signing at The Arsenal

Wilmington, DE – The Delaware Historical Society, in partnership with the New Castle Historical Society, presents a lecture and book signing on Thursday, September 7. Local author Kim Rogers Burdick will discuss *Revolutionary Delaware: Independence in the First State,* at 6:00 p.m. at The Arsenal, 30 Market Street, New Castle DE. Beverages and light refreshments provided.

The story of Caesar Rodney's historic ride to declare Delaware's independence from both England and Pennsylvania is well known, but was he the only notable Delawarean who contributed to the success of the revolution? Author Kim Burdick will offer surprising details of the unsung Delaware heroes from that time, many of them regular citizens who risked their lives to support their beliefs.

Kim Burdick is the founder and chairman of the American Revolution Round Table of Northern Delaware. From 2003 to 2009, she served as project director of the 225th anniversary of the Yorktown Campaign (W3R), including the coordination of celebrations and lobbying efforts in nine states, D.C. and France. In recognition of these efforts to celebrate French assistance in the American Revolution, Kim was awarded Les Palmes Académiques at Yorktown Days 2009 by Ambassador Pierre Vimont and Consul General Michel Schaffhauser. In 2008, she moved with her family to the Hale-Byrnes House in Stanton, Delaware—once the home of Delaware Quaker Daniel Byrnes. Kim has served both as chairman of the Delaware Humanities Council and as a member of the board of advisors of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

This event is FREE to Delaware Historical Society and New Castle Historical Society members; \$2.00 for non-members. Please R.S.V.P to (302) 655-7161

About the Delaware Historical Society

The Delaware Historical Society owns and operates the Delaware History Museum; the Jane and Littleton Mitchell Center for African American Heritage; a nationally recognized Research Library; Old Town Hall; Willingtown Square, four 18th-century houses surrounding a picturesque urban courtyard located in downtown Wilmington; and the National Historic Landmark, Read House & Gardens located in historic New Castle. For more information, call (302) 655-7161, email deinfo@dehistory.org, or visit www.dehistory.org.

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