



LancasterHistory.org

Lancaster County's Historical Society & President James Buchanan's Wheatland

For Immediate Release

All events are camera friendly, and principals will be available for interviews.

Contact: Robin Sarratt
Vice President
717-392-4633 ext. 117
robin.sarratt@lancasterhistory.org

Peggy Shippen, the glamorous and scheming wife of Benedict Arnold, to be the focus of upcoming presentation

LancasterHistory.org welcomes Stephen H. Case to present at Regional History Colloquium

*Lancaster, PA (October 19, 2017) – LancasterHistory.org welcomes Stephen H. Case on Thursday, November 16 to present on his book, *Treacherous Beauty: Peggy Shippen, The Woman Behind Benedict Arnold's Plot to Betray America*. While war was raging between England and its rebellious colonists, Peggy Shippen befriended a suave British officer and then married a crippled revolutionary general twice her age. She brought the two men together in a treasonous plot that nearly turned George Washington into a prisoner and changed the course of the war. *Peggy Shippen was Mrs. Benedict Arnold*.*

Peggy was to the American Revolution what the fictional Scarlett O'Hara was to the Civil War: a woman whose survival skills trumped all other values. Had she been a man, she might have been arrested, tried, and executed. And she might have become famous. Instead, her role was minimized and she was allowed to recede into the background—with a generous British pension in hand. Raised in Philadelphia, Peggy had close ties to Lancaster; her grandfather Edward Shippen lived in Lancaster and is buried at St. James Episcopal Church.

Stephen H. Case, co-author with Mark Jacob, is an attorney with a long and distinguished career,

and is managing director and general counsel of Emerald Development Managers LP, which provides equity capital for start-up businesses. He also is a trustee of the Museum of the American Revolution in Philadelphia. Previously, he was for over 35 years a partner in the international law firm now called Davis Polk LLP; chairman of the board of Motors Liquidation Company, which liquidated and dissolved the original General Motors Corp.; and an adjunct professor at Georgetown University Law Center in Washington, D.C.

The Regional History Colloquium is a series of presentations hosted by LancasterHistory.org throughout the year. Presenters at the Colloquium are esteemed scholars and historians who have published works on historical issues relating to southeastern Pennsylvania and its wider borders.

The colloquium *Treacherous Beauty* takes place on Thursday, November 16 in Ryder Hall at LancasterHistory.org, 230 North President Ave, Lancaster. A speaker's reception and book signing begins at 4pm, followed by the presentation at 4:30pm. The event is free and open to the public.

###

Copyright © 2017 LancasterHistory.org, All rights reserved.

Want to change how you receive these emails?
You can [update your preferences](#) or [unsubscribe from this list](#)

The MailChimp logo is displayed in a white, cursive font within a grey rectangular box.