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MEDIA ADVISORY

AN EXPLANATION OF WHY AMERICA EXISTS TODAY:

KINGS MOUNTAIN AND COWPENS BOOK AUTHOR, ROBERT BROWN, TO SPEAK AT THE INN OF THE PATRIOTS DURING ANNUAL LT. COLONEL HAMBRIGHT COLONIAL DINNER

(Grover, NC) **June 29, 2010** – Facing four years of a stalemated colonial war in the North, the American Army was destroyed during the massive (and highly successful) invasion of the South. On July 2, 2010, in the town where the victorious Lord Charles Cornwallis re-entered the Northern colonies, a colonial dinner, book signing, and speech will occur at 6 pm. The Inn of the Patriots, at 301 Cleveland Avenue, hosts an Annual Colonial Dinner and highlights how the war was turned around. Famed author, Robert Brown of, “*Kings Mountain and Cowpens: Our Victory was Complete!*,” is this year’s guest speaker and lecturer conducting a simultaneous book signing.

From the rocky slopes of Kings Mountain to the plains of Hannah’s Cowpens, the Carolina backcountry hosted two of the Revolutionary War’s most critical battles. On October 7, 1780, the Battle of Kings Mountain utilized futuristic, guerilla techniques—American Over Mountain Men wearing buckskin and hunting shirts, and armed with hunting rifles, attacked Loyalist troops from behind trees, using a variety of year 2010 battle techniques, resulting in an overwhelming Patriot victory. In January of the next year, the Battle of Cowpens saw a different strategy but a similar outcome: with brilliant military precision, Continental Regulars, dragoons, and Patriot militia executed the war’s only successful double envelopment maneuver to defeat the British.

Using firsthand accounts and careful analysis of the best classic and modern scholarship on the subject, historian Robert Brown demonstrates how the combination of both battles facilitated the downfall of General Charles Cornwallis and led to the Patriot victory in America. Until this double victory, there had only been the staggering losses of entire armies and dismal, disgraceful defeats.

The American Revolutionary War Living History Center (ARWLHC) & Experience provides first-hand meetings with heroes of the Battle of King’s Mountain and Cowpens, as well as the entire Colonial war. They conduct battles and skirmishes, exhibits at museums and foundations and will be on hand as actors to portray Lt. Colonel Frederick Hambright, his son Captain John Hambright and Joseph Greer – “the messenger”. They seek to engage investors to build a 600-acre, 60 million dollar combination theme park, attraction and resort for the 250th anniversary celebration of the Battle of King’s Mountain, by 2030. <http://www.revwarexperience.com>

The Inn of the Patriots is a colonial inn hosted by three Chefs, one of which is a former Executive Chef to the President of the United States of America and Manager of the rustic Camp David resort. It made the top 30 list for the world in 2009 and 2010 as the # 1 B & B globally, to, "Visit for History." It is located in the exact town that Lord Cornwallis used to invade the North, complete with his cannons, cavalry, and Dragoons. The town is named after the President of the United States, Grover Cleveland, and is located in Cleveland County, NC. Sales of the book are available at the inn's website and gift shop or in person, at their gift shop. The Inn hosts the Presidential Culinary Museum and organizational headquarters for the ARWLHC. <http://www.theinnofthepatriots.com>

Robert Brown is a local historian, history education specialist, and former high school history teacher. He graduated with a degree in History from UNC-Charlotte and received his National Board for Professional Teaching Standards certification in Adolescence / Young Adulthood Social Studies and History. He has twice been named a Time-Warner Cable Star Teacher, and was the Daughters of the American Revolution, History Teacher of the Year for North Carolina in 2001. Robert has written three successful Teaching American History grants for Cleveland County Schools in Shelby, North Carolina, and has consulted with more than thirty school districts around the country on their applications.

Media will dine free and are welcome to stay the night (complimentary), with one guest. Review copies of the book, high-resolution photographs and interviews available in private, upon request. Special media only, media VIP, facilities include computer usage, charging stations, media VIP food, camera shoot and interviewing rooms are available upon request.

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