



# THE PUTNAM VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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## OUR AMERICAN HISTORY A FREE PROGRAM SERIES - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

### Patriots in Petticoats

*The Life of Colonial Women before and during the American Revolution*

With Daughters of Liberty's Legacy Founders

**Cynthia Abbott Kauffman and Debra C. Palazzo**

**Saturday September 10, 2016 at 10:00 am**



Learn what life was like for women before, during and after the American Revolution – from health and family relationships to the daily tasks of a colonial woman's life. The program will also feature a tribute to Ann Fisher Miller of North Castle, NY, born in 1728, who was recently recognized as a Patriot of the Revolution. While many have heard of the historic Miller House, George Washington's headquarters in North Castle, few know the story of Ann Fisher Miller. Ann's husband and sons left home to fight in the Revolutionary War. By the end of 1776 Ann was a widow and had lost both of her sons to the cause. She remained a Patriot in support of Liberty throughout the war and housed Generals and common soldiers in her home. Her farm was a

battlefield and her house a hospital. Ann Miller was a strong woman and is a symbol of all the women whose names we no longer know, but without whom the war might have had a very different ending. Through re-enactor Cynthia Abbott Kauffman, and using a variety of artifacts and tools of her day, Patriot Ann Fisher Miller will tell us her own life story, herself.



### **Cynthia Abbott Kauffman and Debra C. Palazzo**

Cynthia is the President of **Daughters of Liberty's Legacy** and is a married mother of 2 who has run her own small business for 20 years. Her discovery of a Revolutionary War Patriot in her family several years ago sent her on a journey of discovery that has taken her all the way back to the Mayflower and Jamestowne. Cynthia is a Trustee of the White Plains Historical Society and the North Castle Historical Society. She is Vice President of the American Legion Women's Auxiliary, Post 135 and is also a member of numerous lineage societies.

Debra is a practicing attorney in Westchester County, NY with interests in early American history, genealogy, promoting patriotism and honoring veterans. She serves as Vice President of **Daughters of Liberty's Legacy** as well as Vice President and Trustee of the White Plains Historical Society. Other organizations she works with include Daughters of the American Revolution, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War and White Plains American Legion Post 135 Women's Auxiliary.

### **NEW LOCATION**

**[This FREE program will be held at the Putnam Valley Free Library  
30 Oscawana Lake Road ♦ Putnam Valley, NY 10579 at 10:00 am**