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## AMERICAN GIRL COMES TO PHILADELPHIA AT THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER

Philadelphia, PA (November 28, 2006) – The National Constitution Center is pleased to offer *American Girl Week*, a fun-filled celebration of American Girl dolls, American history, and the role of children in history from December 26, 2006 to December 30, 2006. Throughout the week, children and their parents can participate in craft activities, enjoy *Lunch with Your Doll*, and meet Valerie Tripp, author of the American Girl books.

The Center will kick off this exciting event in the main lobby with character-related crafts. The craft activities will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. daily, and will include “make your own colored hot chocolate,” candle making, water color painting, and more! These activities are free, but do not include regular museum admission.

All week long, visitors can also enjoy *Lunch with Your Doll*, and choose a meal from a special 'kids' menu that includes Kirsten's Krustless Grilled Cheese and Soup Combo, Felicity's Favorite Personal Pan Pizza, Molly's Mac & Cheese, and more! The *Lunch with Your Doll* package deal includes admission to the Center's main exhibition, including the award-winning theatrical performance “Freedom Rising”, and the *9/11: A Nation Remembers* exhibit. The package costs \$16 for adults and \$14 for kids.

On Wednesday, December 27, 2006 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., guests will have the chance to meet the author of the American Girl books, Valerie Tripp! Ms. Tripp will give

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children insight into how they play an important role in history. Following the discussion will be a book signing and an opportunity to ask the famed author questions about her books and her life as an American Girl. This event is sold out.

The Center will conclude this week long celebration with a chance to win an Emily® doll, the newest addition to the American Girl family, along with a girl's craft kit. Entry forms will be available at the Information Desk and the winner will be notified on January 5, 2007.

The National Constitution Center, located at 525 Arch St. on Philadelphia's Independence Mall, is an independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing public understanding of the U.S. Constitution and the ideas and values it represents. Opened on July 4, 2003, the Constitution Center is a museum, an education center, and a forum for debate on constitutional issues. The museum dramatically tells the story of the Constitution from Revolutionary times to the present through more than 100 interactive, multimedia exhibits, film, photographs, text, sculpture and artifacts, and features a powerful, award-winning theatrical performance, "Freedom Rising". The Center also houses the Annenberg Center for Education and Outreach, which serves as the hub for national constitutional education. Also, serving as a nonpartisan forum for constitutional discourse, the Center presents – without endorsement – programs that contain diverse viewpoints on a broad range of issues. The Center is also the home of the Liberty Medal award, presented annually as a lasting legacy to the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Constitution. For more information, call 215.409.6700 or visit [www.constitutioncenter.org](http://www.constitutioncenter.org).

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