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THROUGH THE PERILOUS FIGHT - BALTIMORE AND THE WAR OF 1812 TOLD BY AUTHOR STEVE VOGEL

(**Belcamp, Maryland – September 22, 2014**) 200 years ago, Baltimore was under siege. The War of 1812 was tiring the young Nation and Baltimore was the last stand. What happened over 6 weeks in the region changed the course of the War and gave Baltimore a badge of honor. Join us for a look at this battle with journalist and author Steve Vogel, who is taking time from a schedule that includes *National Public Radio*, *The Smithsonian Channel*, and *CBS Sunday Morning*, to visit the Fallston Library on Thursday September 25 at 6:30pm. He will discuss *Through the Perilous Fight: Six Weeks that Saved the Nation*, which takes readers into the Battle of Baltimore with a fast-paced, vibrant account of the people, places, and situations that make this historic conflict unique, yet under-appreciated today.

Vogel is a veteran journalist who has written extensively for *The Washington Post*, mainly on politics and military affairs. His reporting about the war in Afghanistan was part of a package of *Washington Post* stories selected as a finalist for the 2002 Pulitzer Prize. The width and depth of his experience is staggering - Vogel covered the September 11, 2001, terrorist attack on the Pentagon, and the building's subsequent reconstruction; the war in Iraq and the first Gulf War and the treatment of veterans from the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq; and U.S. military operations in Rwanda, Somalia, and the Balkans. Vogel is also the author of *The Pentagon – A History*.

Through the Perilous Fight: Six Weeks that Saved the Nation will be available for purchase and signing. Registration is suggested at 410-638-3003.

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Photo caption #1: Through the Perilous Fight by Steve Vogul.