

# Kim Burdick

## Skills

Known non-profit leader

Ability to make decisions and solve problems

Ability to communicate verbally with people inside and outside an organization

Ability to obtain and process information

Advocacy and lobbying

Coordination of meetings and programs

Former ELL tutor. Homestay family since early 1990s.

Grant-writing

Strategic planning

## Education

- **MPA**, Public Policy and Agency Management. School of Public Policy & Administration, College of Urban Affairs, University of Delaware. 1989-1990. \*
- **MA**, American Folk Culture and Museum Studies. Cooperstown Graduate Programs, SUNY Oneonta, New York.
- **Certificate, DALF**. French. L'Université de Neuchatel, Switzerland.
- **BA**, Art History. SUNY Cortland, New York.

\* MPA Thesis cited in: Rosenthal, Alan. The Third House: Lobbyists. Eagleton Institute. Washington, DC: CQ Press, 1993 and in: Boyer, William W and Edward C. Ratledge. Delaware Politics and Government. Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 2009.

## Awards

**2017** Delaware Press Association Communicator of Achievement

**2016** Preservation 50-State of Delaware

- 2011** NEH- SHEAR Summer Scholar
- 2010** Good Citizen Medal. DESSAR
- 2008** Les Palmes Academiques – French Government.
- 2004** French Advocate of the Year. French Faculty, University of Delaware
- 2000-2001** Hagley-Winterthur Research Fellow.
- 1994** CSG Toll Fellow

## **Career**

- **Burdick Associates: Building History** specializes in strategic planning, grant-writing, National Register Nominations, and short-term project management opportunities. Currently, Burdick Associates is providing contract managerial services to People to People Delaware. 2017-2018 programs have included grant-writing, JFC application work, bringing Mary Eisenhower, International Chairman of PtPI, to Delaware to speak at DelState University and at Widener Law School, and working on “Meet & Greet Buffets” for international scholars from U.S. Department of State SUSI programs in cooperation with U. D’s Institute for Global Studies. <https://www.facebook.com/People-To-People-Delaware-Chapter-174564359244967/>
  
- **Del Tech-Wilmington Campus. (2004-2017) Retired.** For assessments by students please see: <http://www.ratekimprofessors.com/ShowRatings.jsp?tid=448660>

Note: Kim’s students were assigned three papers, a book report, facilitated group discussions, worksheets, and weekly homework in lieu of standardized exams.

- **Delaware General Assembly. (1987-1998). House-Senate Liaison.** Legislative analyst and speech writer. Kim was the official liaison between House, Senate, and State Agencies with an assigned focus on agriculture,

environment, education, and international trade. **1990s.** Worked with Senator Andrew G. Knox and the Council of State Governments to establish an eastern regional trading block with Canada. Served as staff to Governor's International Trade Council. **1992.** National Conference of State Legislatures' 18th Annual Meeting: Committee on Agriculture and International Trade. Kim was guest panelist on Regional Cooperation, along with the Minister of Federal and Intergovernmental Affairs, Alberta, Canada, and the Director of Tennessee's Export Office. Moderated by Representative Tom Moyer of Alaska. **1994+** Coordinated a 9-state and DC effort to encourage the development of the Washington-Rochambeau National Historic Trail.

<https://www.congress.gov/congressional-report/110th-congress/house-report/736/1>.

## **Boards and Volunteer Activities**

**National Trust for Historic Preservation (1991–2000).** Delaware representative to National Trust's Board Advisors, with Eldon Homsey.

**Hale Byrnes House (Jun 2008 – Present).** Resident "Eyes and Ears on the Land." House belongs to State Division of Historical Affairs, is managed by a 501c-3. Kim & Ralph rent the house from the 501 c-3, pay all utility bills, heat, light, water, etc., and provide public programs. Along with the Board, the Burdicks have increased visitation from 70 people pre-2008 to over 1,000 visitors in 2017. Kim wrote grants for structural repairs and received \$48,000 from Longwood Foundation which has helped enormously to stabilize this important 1750 house.

**Coordinator of American Revolution Round Table of Northern Delaware.** (See above: [www.Halebyrnes.org](http://www.Halebyrnes.org))

**George Washington Society (May 2012 – Present). Board President.** George Washington Society of Delaware's mission is good scholarship and good fellowship. GWS is a non-partisan, apolitical, 35-year-old non-profit dedicated to public programs and research related to study of George Washington. The Delaware society is a long-term supporter of Mount Vernon and has contributed a large collection of books related to Washington to the Wesley College library. Public outreach efforts include: **2017** "Voices of the Past: Black Patriots of the American

Revolution” symposium at Delaware Historical Society and **2014** “George Washington: Man & Myth” Symposium at Old Courthouse Museum, New Castle. Kim Burdick, Project Coordinator. Please visit the George Washington Society on Facebook.

<https://www.facebook.com/George-Washington-Society-140896772630326/>

**Delaware Press Association. At -Large- Board Member. 2017 Communicator of Achievement.**

The purpose of Delaware Press Association is to promote and uphold the highest ideals and standards of journalism and communications, to encourage the exchange of ideas and experiences, to offer professional development opportunities, to recognize outstanding work and to coordinate the efforts of the DPA affiliate and the National Federation of Press Women.

**Publications.** Kim’s writing career began when she was in 10<sup>th</sup> grade when she wrote two public television scripts based on the Golden Age of Homespun for STETA TV, Binghamton, New York’s then brand-new Public Television Station. Kim’s most recent publications may be read online at:

<https://allthingsliberty.com/author/kim-burdick/>. Her book, *Revolutionary Delaware: Independence in the First State*, published by History Press in **2016**, won first place in the Delaware Press Association’s writers’ contest in the non-fiction category, and second place in the same category at the **2017** competition held by the National Federation of Press Women.

See also:

<https://dlc.lib.de.us/client/default/search/results?qu=burdick%2C+kim&te=>

**Delaware Humanities Forum. Speakers Bureau. Former Council Member.**

**Former Council Chairman.** Kim has been affiliated with the Delaware Humanities Forum since the early 1980s when long-ago staff person, Judy Just, discovered Kim had been trained as a professional folklorist and encouraged her to lobby for the creation of a Delaware State Folklorist position. Please see:

<http://www.lib.udel.edu/ud/spec/findaids/burdick.htm> for more information.

**Suggested Reference Contacts:**

Sussex: Hazel Brittingham, former DHF Council Member  
Kent: Craig Lukezic, State Archaeologist  
New Castle: Senator Margaret Rose Henry