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**ONE GIRL'S COURAGE MAKES A DIFFERENCE**

**New Book Tells the Fascinating Story of How One Young Person Chose to Live with Danger in order to Combat Oppression**

Fernande was sixteen years old, one of eight children in a close-knit Belgian family living in the small town of Montzen, when World War II changed her life. Attempting to protect her from deportation, her father sent her to Andenne, to work in the household of a friend. But the war exploded on all of Belgium.

"I had all kinds of courage and guts; I don't know where that came from," says Fernande Keufgens Davis ("Freddie") of the risks that she took as a teenager in the Belgian Resistance. Drafted to work in a German munitions factory, but determined not to aid the enemy, she jumped from the train and went underground to join the *maquis* in many clandestine activities.

During the Liberation, Davis met her future husband, a soldier in the 29<sup>th</sup> Infantry in Belgium. But, for dramatic reasons revealed in the book, it took them five years to be reunited after the war.

Davis now resides in the U. S. After the war, she helped her family by working before entering Brugmann University School of Nursing in Brussels. Reunited with Bill Davis in 1949, she moved to the Philadelphia area. She attended Temple University and Gwynedd Mercy College, taught French at Gwynedd Mercy Academy and College, then at Germantown Academy, and served as Head of their Modern Language Department. In 1981, she was named Outstanding Teacher of the Year at Germantown Academy. Fernande and Bill Davis enjoyed fifty-four years of married life together.

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*Brave, courageous, resourceful, loyal—Davis exemplifies these traits in her compelling story. Readers of all ages will be inspired to do what is right and good, despite personal risk and sacrifice, while learning the life-changing history of World War II.*

**Emily Z. Wagner**—2007 Educator of the Year, Pennsylvania State Modern Language Association; 2002 Dorothy S. Ludwig Teaching Award; 2008 Northeast Conference Teacher of the Year.

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**GIRL IN THE BELGIAN RESISTANCE: A Wakeful Eye in the Underground 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition by Fernande K. Davis; foreword by Hanna Diamond. Softcover, 5.5 x 8.5 ins., 160 pp., 38 photos, 56 general & content-directed questions, references. \$19.95 ISBN 978-0-9792778-9-4**

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