

August 2018 Newsletter

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Middletown Township Historical Society's August Happenings

This newsletter is meant to keep you updated on the latest events and news of the Middletown Township Historical Society. Also, be sure to follow us on [Facebook](#) for even timelier news and for historical items of interest.





Event: Monday, August 20, 2018

Annual Twin Lights Visit - Special Place & Time

The Twin Lights Historical Society will open up the lighthouse doors to us for a special nighttime viewing. Climb the tower and have a look at their latest exhibits. Note that this will begin at 7:30 pm instead of our usual 7:00.

We hope to see you Monday, August 20 at 7:30 pm at Twin Lights.

Do you have suggestions for upcoming speakers? If so, please contact [Randall Gabrielan](#), our Program Chair.



Middletown Day Volunteers Wanted!

Saturday, September 22 at 11:00 am to 5:00 pm will be the annual Middletown Day held at Croydon Hall, and we are looking for volunteers to help staff our table! MTHS will be there to publicize our organization and events, collect email addresses, and to give away free MTHS bookmarks! If you can help out for a couple of hours, [please let us know your available times](#) for September 22 and its rain date of September 23. Thank you!



Help Us Spread the Word!

We'd love to have more people attend our monthly events and to have more members. To that end, we have created this [printable flyer](#) of upcoming events that is designed to be displayed



in public places, such as bulletin boards in stores and community gathering areas. We'd be grateful if you could print a few copies of the flyer and post in places around town that allow for such items (if you have doubts, please ask someone in charge before posting). This file can also be sent via email or posted to social networks. Thank you!

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July Event Recap

Our very own Elaine Lent presented on the interesting life of William Alexander, Lord Stirling. We thank Ms. Lent and everyone who was able to attend.



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Support the Society

If you value the aims of the Society, we ask that you please support us both when we put out a call for volunteers and also via membership dues. If you are interested in continuing your membership or joining for the first time, please [contact us](#). Also, if you have any items of historical value that you would like to donate, [please get in touch](#). Thank you!



Other Upcoming Events of Interest

In addition to our own event, you may be interested in the following historic-themed events occurring in the Middletown area in the coming weeks:

- [Marlpit Hall and Taylor Butler House](#) - These historic homes owned by the Monmouth County Historical Association will be open **August 24-26** from 1:00 to 4:00 pm.
- [Fossil Hunt](#) - What can you and your youngsters find in Poricy Park's Fossil Beds? 11:00 am on **Sunday, August 26**. Reservation and fee apply.
- [Fort Hancock/Sandy Hook](#) - This park offers a number of tours throughout the summer months

Do you know of other events our readers would benefit from? [Let us know!](#)



Trivia Time

This Month's Question:

There have been efforts to recover the Medal of Honor that was recommended for Robert Blume, a former assistant lighthouse keeper at Twin Lights. Why was he awarded the medal and what made his residency unique?

Answer will be supplied in next month's newsletter!

Answer to Last Month's Question:

William Warren Barbour was the last Middletown resident to serve as a United States Senator. A New Jersey native, he lived in the Locust

neighborhood for a number of years.

Thanks for reading! The Middletown Township Historical Society will be in touch again soon! If you know others who would be interested in receiving communications from us, please forward this email and ask them to [join this list!](#)



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