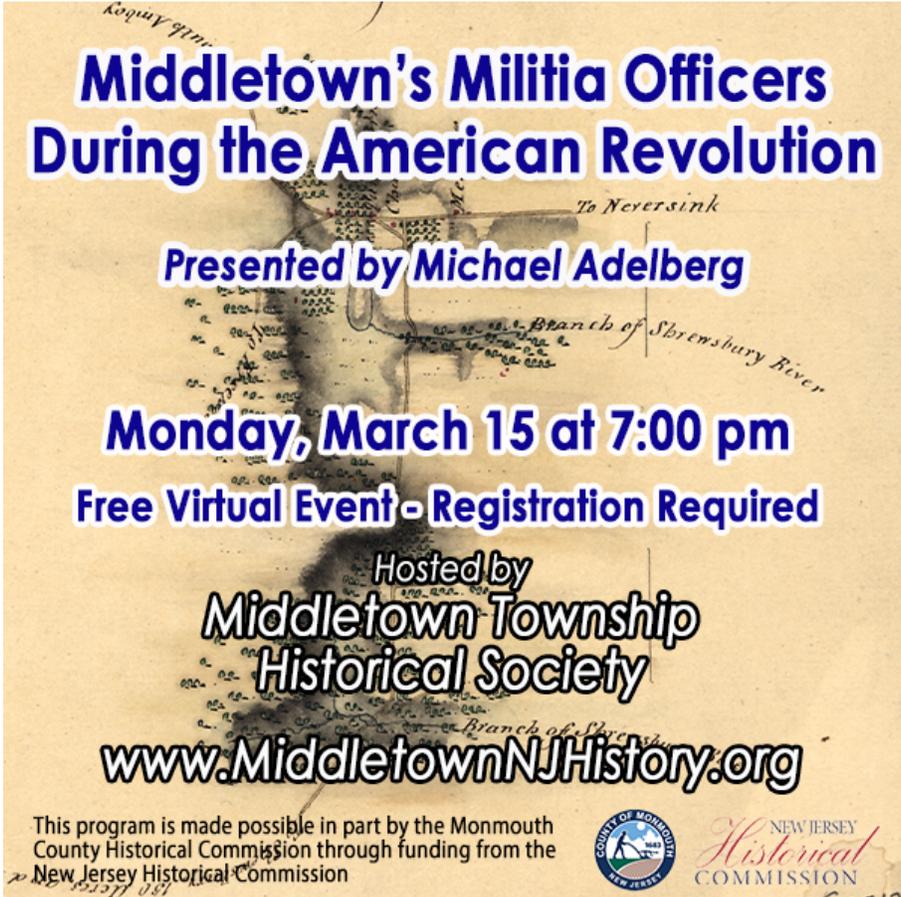


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## Middletown Township Historical Society: March Happenings

This newsletter keeps you updated on the latest events and news of the Middletown Township Historical Society. Also, be sure to follow us on social media for even timelier news and for historical items of interest.



**Middletown's Militia Officers  
During the American Revolution**

Presented by **Michael Adelberg**

**Monday, March 15 at 7:00 pm**  
**Free Virtual Event - Registration Required**

Hosted by  
**Middletown Township  
Historical Society**

**[www.MiddletownNJHistory.org](http://www.MiddletownNJHistory.org)**

This program is made possible in part by the Monmouth County Historical Commission through funding from the New Jersey Historical Commission



**Online Presentation - Monday, March 15 at 7:00 pm:**

## Middletown's Militia Officers During the American Revolution

*Presented by Michael S. Adelberg*

Author and historian Michael S. Adelberg will present *"We Will Fall Prey to the Enemy within Our Bounds": Middletown's Militia Officers During the American Revolution* for the Middletown Township Historical Society on Monday, March 15 at 7:00 pm. Middletown's patriot leaders and their struggles for independence will be profiled, as well as the toll the war took on them and their community.

Michael S. Adelberg is author of the award-winning *The American Revolution in Monmouth County* and three other books. His essays on the American Revolution have appeared in *The Journal of Military History*, *The Journal of the Early Republic*, *The Wilson Quarterly*, and other scholarly journals. Mr. Adelberg's research has been recognized by the New Jersey Historical Commission, the New Jersey Studies Academic Alliance, the David Library of the American Revolution, the public television program *NJ Today*, and the government of Monmouth County. Mr. Adelberg holds master's degrees in history and public policy and lives with his family in Virginia.

This will be an online-only event. Please [register for the event](#) and you will be emailed with the link to join via Zoom. A brief Annual Meeting will precede the speaker presentation (see below).

**Register for the FREE Event!**

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**2021 Annual Meeting**  
**March 15, 2021**

## Annual Meeting & Election

Our Annual Meeting will take place online on March 15 at 7:00 pm, prior to the first presentation in our 2021 Speaker Series (see above). We will share a brief slide presentation about our Society and announce the elected Trustees.

This year, because we will not be able to meet in person, all balloting for our trustees will occur electronically or by mail. Until March 5, you will be able to vote electronically when you [join or renew online](#), or you can do so by mailing in the form that we mailed to last year's members. This year's nominees are Peter VanNortwick and Raymond Veth. Both are current trustees and are longtime members.

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## Become a Member in 2021!

The Middletown Township Historical Society gets the bulk of its revenue from member contributions, so your support is vitally important. Your contributions make our initiatives possible, and are also essential for paying our administrative costs.

You may [join or renew online](#) or via our [print form](#).

If you have already joined or renewed for 2021, thank you!

[Join or Renew Online](#)

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# Monmouth County Historical Commission Awards Grant to MTHS

The Middletown Township Historical Society was proud to recently receive a grant from the Monmouth County Historical Commission for our 2021 Speaker Series. The award will help us pay for speaker fees, meeting expenses, and promotion. The award comes from Monmouth County Historical Commission's History Regrant program, through funding received from the New Jersey Historical Commission.

We thank both commissions for their support of history and our organization!

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## 2021 Speaker Series

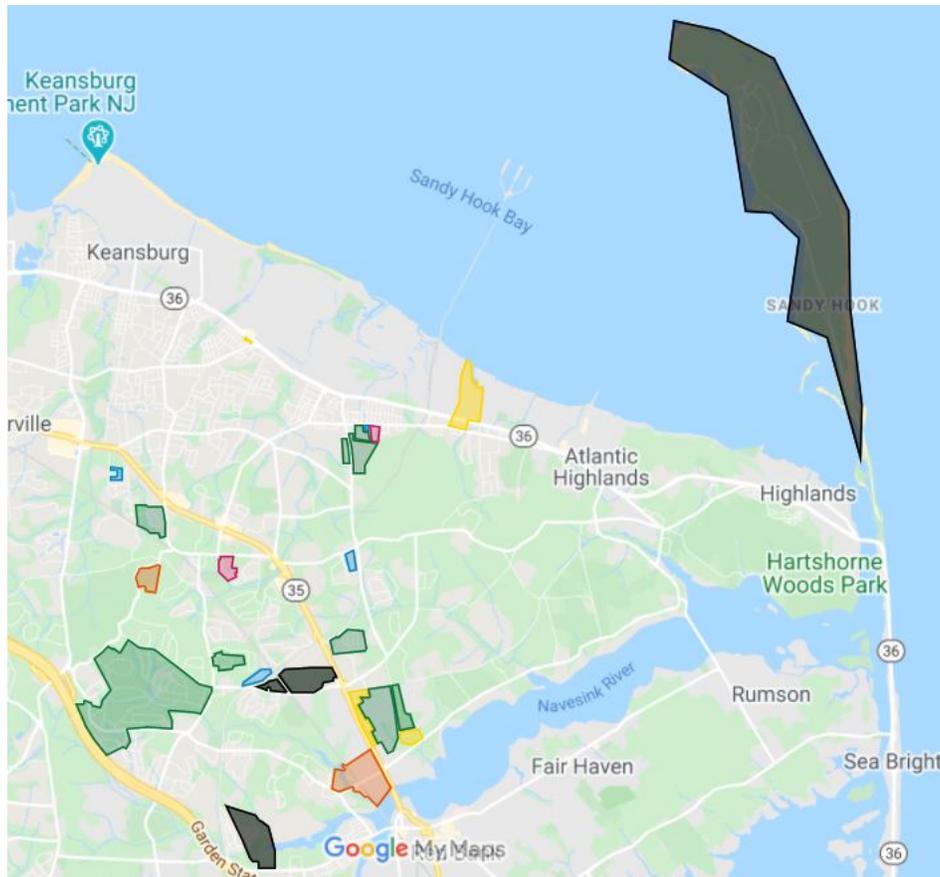
Our Speaker Series officially begins in March and will run through November on the third Monday of each month at 7:00 pm. For now, all events will be held through Zoom, and registration is always free. We have a strong slate of interesting speakers and topics for 2021. Here is a preview:

- **March 15:** [\*Annual Meeting followed by Middletown's Militia Officers During the American Revolution\*](#) by Michael S. Adelberg
  - **April 19:** *Middletown Farms of the Straus Family* by Joan Adler
  - **May 17:** *Monmouth County's Most Famous Commune: The North American Phalanx (1843-1855)* by Jayme A. Sokolow
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## Community Sponsorships Now Available

If you run a local business or organization and would like to support our work, we are now offering you the opportunity to become one of our new Community Sponsors! We will show our appreciation by adding your logo to the bottom of these newsletters and also on our website. *And* you'll be able to let your customers know that you proudly support a local organization! If you are interested, [please see our website](#) for more info or to get started.

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## Middletown Land Development Map Updates!

If you are curious about when/why/how your housing development or local park was constructed, take a look at our [interactive map](#)! Just click on a shaded area to read the history and see the images. The entries are color-coded so you can see when the various pieces of land were developed. Please note that the map is best viewed on computer or tablet.

Given Middletown's size, this map is a work in progress, so check back in the future if you don't yet see an entry for the land you are interested in. Our goal is to fill the entire map. If you'd like to contribute any entries, [please let us know](#).

[Land Development Map](#)

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## Call for Volunteers!

MTHS is run by volunteers, and if you'd like to become more involved as a trustee, chairperson of a committee, or as a lending hand on anything else,

please let us know. We are working on a few different projects and could always use help from those willing to dedicate some time and talent. [Contact us here](#).

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## Contribute to Our Archive!

Our Society has a collection of items and documents related the history of Middletown and the surrounding area. Do you have anything that you'd like to add? Please don't let a treasure be forgotten or thrown away! [Contact us](#) and let us know what you would like to donate.

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## Support Us When You Shop at Amazon!

Now, when you purchase most items from Amazon, they will donate a portion of the sale to us! It costs you nothing! Here's what you need to do:

First, you must [connect our organization to your Amazon account using this link](#). Then, if you shop using a computer, you must go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) for us to receive credit. If you use the Amazon mobile app, be sure it is updated to the latest version and then go into settings to see that Amazon Smile is turned on and that our name is listed.





## Trivia Time

### *This Month's Question:*

Who during the Nineteenth Century went from a Middletown mill, to a New York commission business, to a Shrewsbury farm, to the New Jersey State Assembly?

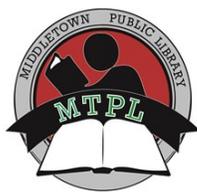
Answer will be supplied in next month's newsletter!

### *Answer to Last Month's Question:*

The steamship Alexander Hamilton, which sailed the Hudson River for the Hudson River Day Line, spent time at the South Street Seaport Museum, the Brooklyn Navy Yard, then was towed into Atlantic Highlands. She eventually was docked alongside a pier at the Earle base where she sank and remains. Vince Lombardi, the namesake of Lombardi Court, is interred at Mount Olivet Cemetery and lived in Fair Haven.

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