

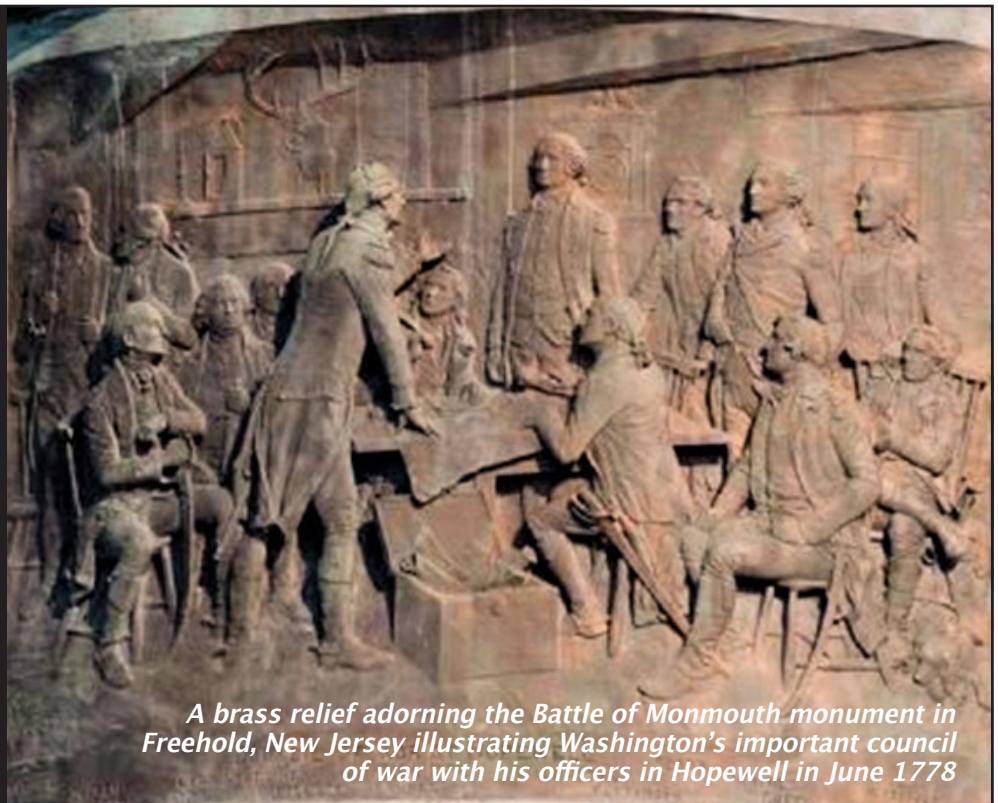
A River Runs By It:

*Hopewell Township's
geography influenced
how residents
experienced the
American Revolution*

Friday, May 24, 2024

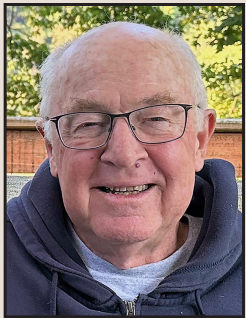
7:00 pm

Presented by Larry Kidder



A brass relief adorning the Battle of Monmouth monument in Freehold, New Jersey illustrating Washington's important council of war with his officers in Hopewell in June 1778

Speaker:



Larry Kidder is a retired history teacher who has authored two books on Hopewell history and five books on the American

Revolution in west central New Jersey. He is a past president of the Hopewell Valley Historical Society in which he has been active for many years. For over 35 years he has been a volunteer historian, interpreter, and draft horse teamster for Howell Living History Farm in Hopewell.

Did you know that George Washington's army spent most of the war in New Jersey where it was supplied by local farmers, including those of Hopewell Township, with farm products and other supplies to help keep it in the field. Each man in Hopewell between the ages of 16 and 50 struggled to do his regular full-time job, most were farmers, while also serving in the part-time militia, a duty that often took them away from Hopewell. The Delaware River, and Johnson's Ferry, became involved in several key events involving local people, not just the very famous crossing. Later, Washington marched his army through Hopewell in June 1778 and held an important council of war, leading to the Battle of Monmouth, with his officers at a house in today's Hopewell Borough.

Join with local author and historian Larry Kidder as he tells the story of how local geography influenced the many ways the people of Hopewell contributed to and had their lives changed by the American Revolution.

In person at the First Presbyterian Church of Titusville Church - 48 River Drive, Titusville, NJ.

The in-person event is free and open to the public - no registration is required. Or online virtual presentation via Zoom (registration required). For more information or to register for online, please visit hopewellvalleyhistory.org



This is A Hopewell Valley Heritage Week event. Co-sponsored by the Hopewell Valley Historical Society, and the Hopewell Museum.



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