

## Central Jersey Genealogical Club

## MONTHLY MEETING

DATE: April 14, 2015

TIME: 7:00 PM

SPEAKER: Larry Kidder

TOPIC: Understanding Your New

Jersey Revolutionary War Era Ancestors"

A discussion of the documentary resources available and how to interpret them with some background on how the militia and Continental army organizations worked.

Larry Kidder is a retired high school history teacher. For over 25 years he has been a volunteer historical interpreter, historian, and historic farm horse teamster at Howell Living History Farm in Hopewell. A U.S. Navy veteran with service in Vietnam and on an Atlantic Fleet destroyer, he was the lead researcher and writer for the Admiral Arleigh Burke National Destroyermen's Museum created in the mid-1980's aboard the historic destroyer USS Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr. Since retiring he has published three books on local central New Jersey history. Although he has no New Jersey ancestry of his own, he has done extensive genealogical research on his many family lines that extend back to New Amsterdam, Plymouth, and Massachusetts Bay. His talk today draws on his experiences in researching the lives of dozens of men who served in the First Hunterdon Militia Regiment from today's Trenton, Ewing, Lawrence and Hopewell Township.

## **PLACE:** Hamilton Township Library

1 Justice Samuel A. Alito, Jr. Way (old name: Municipal Drive)
(Off White Horse-Mercerville Road behind the Hamilton Police Station)
Hamilton, New Jersey 08619

Visitors are always welcome

Club Meetings are the second Tuesday of the month except Jan & Feb