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**Mission Statement:** To promote preservation of the historical heritage of New Jersey by stimulating among member organizations the development of programs, projects, and publications that celebrate this heritage.

### League Statement of Inclusion

The League of Historical Societies welcomes all organizations and individuals with an interest in New Jersey's state and local history. Our members include historical societies, historic preservation organizations, libraries, state and local historic sites, friends of parks and historic sites, county cultural and heritage commissions, county parks, state parks, national heritage areas, archival and genealogical groups, a large variety of museums, canal societies, railroad groups, DAR chapters, lighthouse societies, history roundtables, and musical organizations, as well as interested individuals. Even if your organization does not fit one of these categories, you are welcome to join us.

**Saturday, June 20**  
**Proprietary House, Perth Amboy,**  
**Middlesex County**  
**Registration and directions, p. 19-20**

## NJ Looks to 250th License Plates for Battlefield Preservation Funds

**Bill would create special license plate to raise money for state's American Revolution war sites**  
By John Reitmeyer, Finance Writer, NJ Spotlight News

New Jersey motorists may soon have a new way to show pride in the role the state played in the American Revolution. State lawmakers are advancing bipartisan legislation that would create a "250th Anniversary Revolutionary War" license plate.

The push to create the special license plate comes as New Jersey this year is celebrating the U.S. Semiquincentennial. To obtain the plate, motorists would be charged an initial \$50 fee, according to the bill, followed by a \$10 annual renewal fee. The revenue from those fees would be used to help preserve sites linked to the American Revolution throughout the state, once the cost of issuing the plates themselves is covered, the bill says.

Historians have credited New Jersey with playing an important role in the nation's bid for independence, with some of the war's most critical battles taking place within the state's borders, along with Continental Army winter encampments. Yet New



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## SAVE THESE DATES FOR UPCOMING LEAGUE MEETINGS

**June 20, 2026—Proprietary House, Perth Amboy, Middlesex County**

**November 14, 2026—Morristown and Morris Township Library, Morristown, Morris County**

**Spring 2027—Barnegat Light Historical Society, Barnegat Light, Ocean County**

**Summer 2027—Brook Arts Center, Bound Brook, Somerset County**

**Fall 2027—The Hermitage, Ho-Ho-Kus, Bergen County**

**Spring 2028—Sea Isle City Historical Society, Sea Isle City, Cape May County**

We encourage your society to host a future League meeting. If you would like this opportunity to showcase your site, just contact Linda Barth, 908-240-0488, [barthlinda123@aol.com](mailto:barthlinda123@aol.com), and she will put you in touch with the regional vice-president for your area. **We look forward to visiting YOUR town some day soon.**