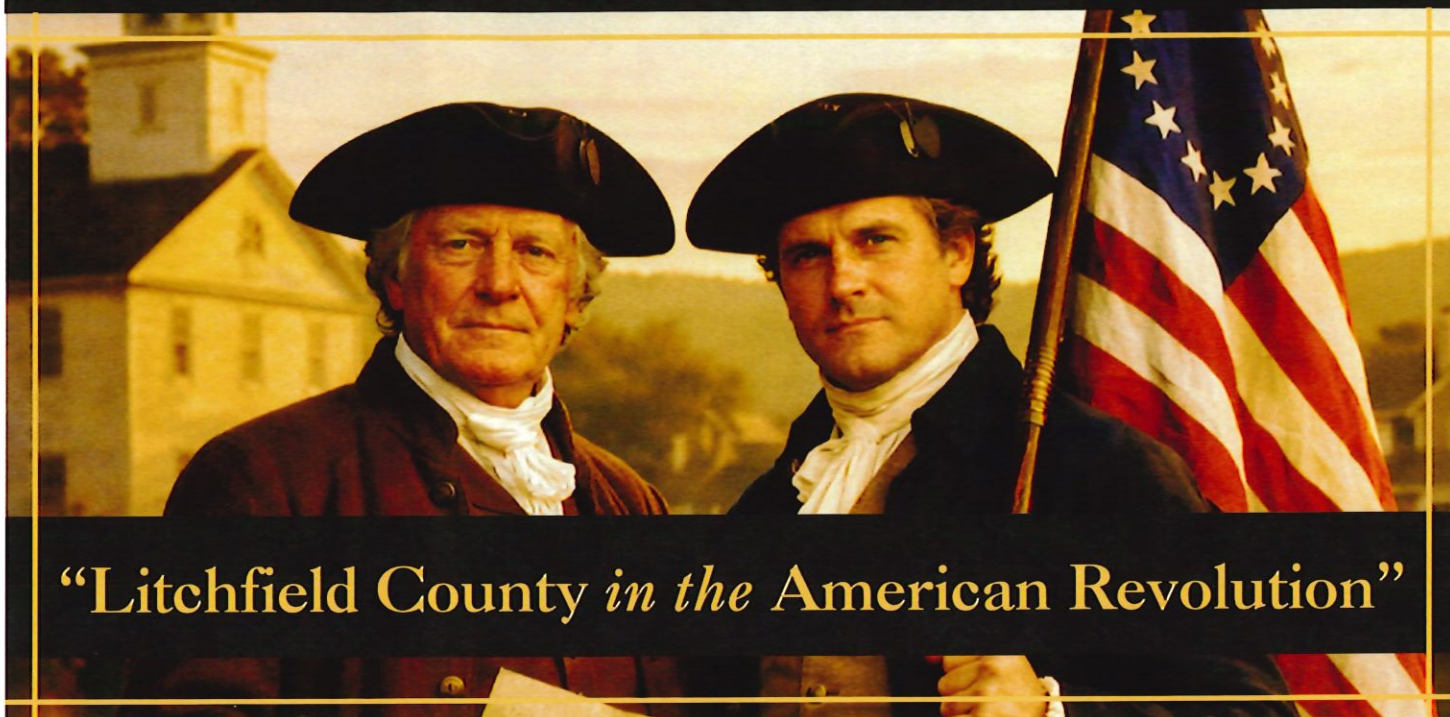


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The Colebrook Historical Society *presents...*



“Litchfield County in the American Revolution”

The Colebrook Historical Society will host a “Friday Night Gathering” on July 31 st from 7 to 9 PM. The evening will begin at the home of the CHS, the Seymour Inn, with conversation and refreshments. Circa 7:30 the gathering will move next door to the Town Hall Meeting Room for a special presentation by local author/historian Peter Vermilyea. Mr. Vermilyea will be discussing his latest book, **Litchfield County in the American Revolution.**

From the first sparks of revolution in the 1770s Litchfield County played an important role in the War of Independence. Roger Sherman of New Milford was a member of the committee which drafted the Declaration of Independence. Oliver Wolcott of Litchfield signed it.

When a statue of George III was toppled in New York City, Wolcott transported it to his home town where it was melted down and turned into more than forty thousand musket balls.

Not everyone in Litchfield County supported the Patriot cause. It was also home to those who

remained loyal to the British. In his book Mr. Vermilyea uses personal stories to illustrate the complex local impact of the Revolution. He reveals how liberty, sacrifice and resilience in a small corner of New England helped shape the destiny of a new nation.

Following the presentation Mr. Vermilyea will answer questions. Then the gathering will return to the CHS for more refreshment. All are welcome to attend. The Colebrook Historical Society and Museum is located at the intersection of Routes 183 and 182A in Colebrook Center. For further information contact Carol Lord at carol.9508@yahoo.com.

