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## **Damien Cregeau**

### **“Major General Alexander Hamilton's Military Career”**



Alexander Hamilton - the immigrant, patriot, soldier and later, a founding father of the United States is largely remembered for his financial genius in creating our U.S. Department of Treasury, our stock and banking systems, as well as for his untimely death by duel with the Vice President of the United States, Aaron Burr in 1804. However, what is largely overlooked about Hamilton’s life are his patriotism, bravery in battle, and his incredible mind for military organization and senior leadership. From a young militia officer when the American Revolution broke out in 1775, he rose quickly through the ranks to become a long-serving aide-de-camp for General George Washington, becoming the commander in chief’s closest aide. Washington granted Hamilton a senior combat command, under which he bravely helped secure the victory at Yorktown. Most Americans are not aware that following the American Revolution, Hamilton served not only as

Secretary of the Treasury in Washington’s cabinet, but also later as Washington’s most trusted military advisor. When Washington passed away in December of 1799, Hamilton was the senior ranking general in the U.S. Army under President John Adams. Mr. Cregeau will provide many details about the career of one of our most important and unusual founders.

Damien Cregeau earned his B.A. in history from Hillsdale College and his M.A. in history from Colorado State. A native of Fairfield, Damien, an independent historian since 2007, is a nationally recognized scholar of the American Revolution. Damien has published numerous articles in national magazines, including Financial History and the Journal of the American Revolution. He has served for the past three years as president of the Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. He has spoken throughout the Northeast at many venues including C-SPAN. Last year he hosted a conference in Litchfield on spies in the American Revolution. Colonel Benjamin Tallmadge of the Culper Spy Ring is buried in Litchfield. He is currently writing a book on the lives of five patriot officers from Connecticut during the American Revolution, including soldier then painter John Trumbull. His speeches can be found here: <https://damiencregeau.wixsite.com/misterhistory> He and his wife, Pam, own two historical houses built in 1765 - Cove Cottage in Wethersfield and the General Jedediah Huntington House in Norwich.

**Next Week: November 25, Radley Horton, Ph. D., Earth and Environmental Science, Associate Research Scientist at the Center for Climate Systems Research at Columbia University, “The Heat is on: The Climate Imperative”**

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