



# HEATH VILLAGE

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## Heath Village Resident Receives Special Recognition Award

Washington Township, Morris County – Heath Village Retirement Community is proud to announce that its resident Alan Cooper, Ph.D. was recently honored by Somerset County’s Cultural and Heritage Commission with a Special Recognition Award for his work on the Lord Stirling Archaeological Project.

He accepted his award at the County’s recent Historic Preservation and History Awards Ceremony. Dr. Cooper led the public archaeology program for the county Park Commission for more than 25 years. The project included uncovering structural and artifact material representing the 250+ year habitation on this site, including that of the residence of William Alexander, the Earl of Stirling, who during the Revolution played a prominent figure on the staff of George Washington.

The ceremony was highlighted by the keynote address, given by Dr. Richard Veit, Professor of Archaeology and Associate Dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences at Monmouth University. The talk focused on the work of Dr. Cooper at the Lord Stirling historical site in Basking Ridge, NJ, and his efforts bringing greater attention to this hero of the Revolution.

Dr. Cooper is steadfast in his mission to preserve local history, culture, and traditions and this carries through in his daily life at Heath Village. On behalf of everyone at Heath Village, we congratulate Alan on this prestigious award.

Heath Village is a full-service retirement community located at 430 Schooley’s Mountain Road in Washington Township, Morris County. For further information, please call 908-852-4801 or visit us on our website at [www.heathvillage.com](http://www.heathvillage.com). Like us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/heathvillage](http://www.facebook.com/heathvillage).

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