


## Middletown Township Historical Society: February Happenings

This newsletter keeps you updated on the latest events and news of the Middletown Township Historical Society. Also, be sure to follow us on social media for even timelier news and for historical items of interest.



**LOCAL HISTORY  
SHOW & TELL / MEET & GREET**

- Bring an interesting item and tell us about it
- Meet and learn about the Middletown Township Historical Society

**Monday, February 17 at 7:00 pm**

Hosted by Middletown Township Historical Society at  
Middletown Township Public Library  
55 New Monmouth Road, Middletown, NJ 07748

### **"Show & Tell / Meet & Greet"**

**Monday, February 17, 2020, 7:00 pm**

Join us for this informal evening where we bring in and share stories about items of historical interest. Don't have anything to bring? Come by to see what others bring and get to meet MTHS volunteers and members! Have you not renewed or signed up for a 2020 membership yet? Feel free to bring in your forms and contributions.

The FREE event will take place at the Middletown Township Public Library in the Community Room at 7:00 pm. It is Presidents' Day, but the library will be open.

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***Your Membership Matters . . .***  
**Support Us in 2020!**  
**Join or Renew Today!**



## **Join or Renew for 2020**

It's that time of year again when we ask for your support! The Middletown Township Historical Society gets the bulk of its revenue from member contributions, so your support is vitally important. Your contributions make our initiatives possible, including our speaker series and essay contest for students, and are also essential for paying our administrative costs.

You may [join or renew online](#) or, if you were a member in 2019, you have been mailed a renewal form. You may also [print out the form here](#).

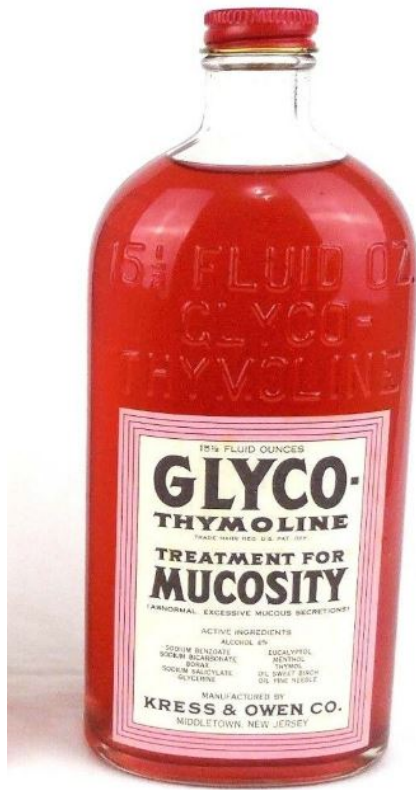
**Join or Renew Online**

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## **Latest Addition to Our Archive**

This unopened bottle was donated to us by MTHS member David Long. The Kress and Owen Company moved into Middletown in 1951 and built a small factory to produce its Glyco-Thymoline product, a mouthwash. The building, located on Route 35 near Oak Hill Road, still exists, and is now in use as a car wash. The company moved out in the late 1960s.

Thank you to Mr. Long for the donation! If you have any items of local interest that you might like to donate, [please contact us](#). Don't let them become lost or thrown away!



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## We are Now on Instagram

We're expanding our social media presence with the addition of [Instagram](#)! Now you can follow us there [@MiddletownHistory](#) in addition to [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).



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**A Call to Help Preserve The Courier Newspaper**

The Courier newspaper ran weekly from 1955 through 2009, and is the most notable Middletown-based periodical. While the Middletown Township Public Library has a bound collection of the newspapers, they are deteriorating and are in dire need of being scanned and digitally preserved so that researchers and future generations can access this trove of knowledge. If you'd like to help with the project, the library would love you to volunteer your time to scan the newspapers! No technical knowledge is necessary. Please contact (MTHS member) Pam Curchin at [pcurchin@mtpl.org](mailto:pcurchin@mtpl.org).



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Now, when you purchase most items from Amazon, they will donate a portion of the sale to us! It costs you nothing! Here's what you need to do:

First, you must [connect our organization to your Amazon account using this link](#). Then, if you shop using a computer, you must go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) for us to receive credit. If you use the Amazon mobile app, be sure it is updated to the latest version and then go into settings to see that Amazon Smile is turned on and that our name is listed.



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## Have You Visited Our Website?

It's live at [MiddletownNJHistory.org](http://MiddletownNJHistory.org)!

The site features our events, provides an easy way to become a member, and affords free access to our library of official newsletters dating back to 1985. Please [check it out](#) and spread the word!

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## Upcoming MTHS Events

**February 17:** Show & Tell / Meet & Greet

**March 16:** Annual Meeting of Members and "Salvage Archaeology at the Hendrickson Farm in Middletown" by Kristen T. Hohn, MA, RPA

Unless otherwise noted, all events will begin at 7:00 pm at the Middletown Township Public Library.

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## Trivia Time

### *This Month's Question:*

Who was Bill Kunkel, namesake of Leonardo's Bill Kunkel Memorial Park?

Answer will be supplied in next month's newsletter!

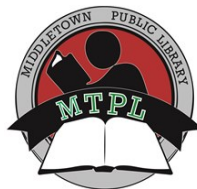
### *Answer to Last Month's Question:*

Hyacinthe Lamarche, a Belgian who bought 22 acres on Navesink River Road in 1877, was an international industrialist. He died in 1881, and the property was divided among his seven children, each of whom built houses.

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In Addition to Our Members, Thank You to the Following for their Assistance and Support:

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Thanks for reading! The Middletown Township Historical Society will be in touch again soon! If you know others who would be interested in receiving communications from us, please forward this email and ask them to [join this list!](#)



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