

Membership Application for 2019 and/or donations to preserve history.

Of course if you have already paid, Thank You for your promptness. Many of you have taken advantage of a MHS Lifetime Membership and may also disregard this notice.

Name _____ Telephone _____

Email _____

Address _____

Please make checks payable to the

Medford Historical Society, PO Box 362, Medford, NJ 08055

For more information call Holly Doyle, Membership Chair at 609-670-2822

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Membership | \$ 12.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Membership | \$ 20.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime Membership | \$125.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Donation to the Dr. Still Center | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Donation for Kirby's Mill | \$ _____ |

The Medford Historical Society is a non-profit corporation in the State of New Jersey and is registered as a charity SIC #5006-04935. Our Federal Tax Exempt Number is 22-1911164. We are exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code dated 12/7/71. Donors may deduct contributions to the Medford Historical Society as provided in Section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers or gifts to the Medford Historical Society are deductible for Federal estate and gift tax purposes under Sections 2055, #2106, and 2522 of the Code.

Interested in: Attending Meetings Setup Refreshments at Meetings

Volunteering:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Quilt Show | <input type="checkbox"/> Country Day | <input type="checkbox"/> Art Show & Sale |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flea Market | <input type="checkbox"/> Apple Festival | <input type="checkbox"/> Santa at the Mill |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Still Center | <input type="checkbox"/> School House | <input type="checkbox"/> Mill |

Donation of time & skills, such as: plumbing, electrical, carpentry, etc.

Please indicate area of skill/s _____



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Mill Phone: 609-654-7767

www.MedfordHistory.org

Kirby's Mill, 275 Church Road, PO Box 362, Medford, New Jersey 08055

Dr. Still Education Center, 211 Church Road, Medford, New Jersey 08055

MARCH 2019

MEDFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY Celebrating Our Annual Lasagna Dinner for our members

Thursday, March 7, 2019 6:30 p.m.

Medford Friends Meeting, 14 Union Street, Medford, NJ

*Lasagna and Rolls will be provided by
L.E. Roselli's Food Specialties*

*Please bring your favorite Salad or Dessert to share with others.
Medford Historical Society will provide the beverages and setups.*

Make your reservations today by calling:

Donna Eshelm at 609-410-5068

PLEASE R.S.V.P. by March 1, 2019

Give the names of those attending and contact phone numbers.

Seating is limited...so your phone call is very important.

Medford Historical Society Officers 2018 - 2019 Fiscal Year

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TRUSTEES

EXPIRES 2019: Pat Alvino, William Pflug, William Frederick (Rick) Young, Carol Milich, Richard Bucko

EXPIRES 2020: Kelly Maguire, Libby Zimbleman, Coles Roberts, Doshia Melroy, Dave Vaughn

EXPIRES 2021: Edmund Gager, Janet Jackson Gould, John Hines, Theresa Freedman, Donna Eshelman

Christmas Open House at the Cross Keys Schoolhouse (Great Grandson Visits Schoolhouse Saved by Great Grandfather)



Anne Botello (daughter), Tommy Botello (grandson), Lincoln Botello (great grandson) and Kathy Harington (daughter).



Santa, Tommy and Lisa Botello (wife) holding Lincoln Botello, and Anne Botello.

The plaque on the wall of the Cross Keys One-Room Schoolhouse reads, **Tom Chavis**, *In Recognition of Your Accomplishments In Preserving Cross Keys School and Other Activities to Enrich Our Community ~ Medford Historical Society ~ 2006*. Among other wall-mounted recognitions, it is the only one to an individual. Visitors have often asked, who is this person and why does he get such a singular recognition? To answer this question, one needs to realize that in 1976 the last remaining one-room schoolhouse in Medford was on the path to demolition. Tom Chavis spear-headed the movement to save, move and restore this last vestige of public education in Medford.

Tom Chavis (1917-2005) was born in Pennsylvania and later lived in California. As a young man, he joined the US Army and served from 1941 (World War II)-1969. Upon retirement from the military, he got a job at RCA, which brought him to Medford. Once in Medford, he joined the Medford Historical Society and worked at restoring the Mill as well as saving the last remaining one-room schoolhouse from demolition. Tom recognized the valuable asset the school was to the community of Medford and worked not only to have it moved but have it restored so that it could be a functional building whose mission was to educate the youth of Medford.

Today that schoolhouse welcomes both adults and children. In 2018 more than 400 student visited the schoolhouse to experience what it was like to go to school back in the 19th century. The schoolhouse also participated in the Burlington County Passport Program throughout the summer and was open for the Christmas Open House featuring a visit from St. Nicholas. It was at the Open House that a young visitor got to see St. Nicholas in a building preserved by his Great Grandfather. The little white building, almost doomed, reflects the value the citizens of Medford place on education and also stands as a tribute to Lincoln Botello's Great Grandfather - Tom Chavis

Crosskeys Schoolhouse Christmas photos

