

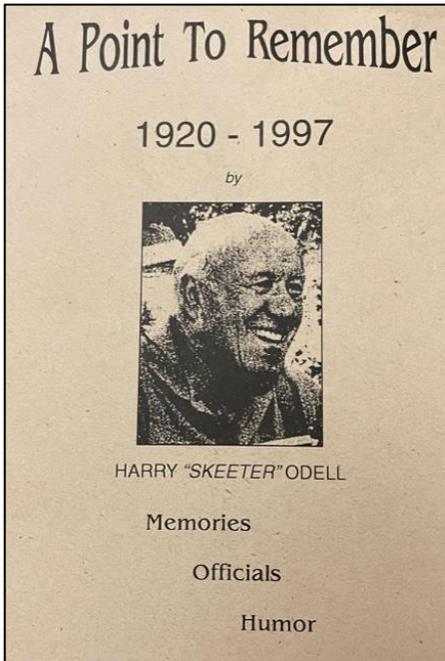


History Term Paper

We're returning to in-person meetings! Our November 2021 meeting will be held on November 8 starting at 7:30 PM. Board members Rich Morris and Sal Marino will discuss local artifacts that are currently a part of the Point Pleasant Historical Museum's collection. Meeting location: Woman's Club of Point Pleasant Building, 513 St. Louis Avenue, Point Pleasant Beach. Face coverings are optional and your decision to mask or not mask will be respected by all.

A Point to Remember

Editor's Note: "A Point To Remember" by Harry "Skeeter" Odell is a fascinating and often humorous first-hand look into the history of Point Pleasant Borough. The 143 page spiral-bound book includes listings of all borough mayors, clerks, council members, police chiefs, as well as trivia, historic photographs and humorous stories covering the period from the borough's incorporation in 1920 to the present. Odell, who passed away in 2010 at the age of 93, was employed by Point Pleasant for many years, first as a police officer and later as borough clerk and tax collector. This book was published in 1997 and although now out of print, some copies may still be obtained from various local businesses. Below is an excerpt taken word for word from the section titled "About The Early Years" from pages 7 -8 in honor of the recent Point Pleasant Borough's recent Centennial Celebration.



One of the best spots for sleigh riding (in the early years) was a spot we called "Stoney Hill." It was the highest area in town and only one sand hill trail from Herbertsville Road southerly to Lakewood Road. It started in the vicinity of Crestview Terrace and Hillside Avenue, and came out near what we called Burnt Bridge just west of the present Bridge Avenue.

We made trails down through the trees and had bonfires at night.

One night after a heavy storm, we were sleigh riding and a local resident I think it was Harvey Pearce came along and I think he had a Model T Ford. He asked a lot of us if we wanted to be towed over the Golf Links in Brielle where there were a lot of hills. We agreed and seven or eight of us hooked on to one another and went up Herbertsville Road to what is now Route 70 and started across the old wooden bridge that was just west of the present one by Petersons (editor's note: today this is River Rock). It was going good and we could see sparks flying out from under the sled from the stones etc. The ride ended as we reached the north side of the bridge as there was very little snow on the wooden bridge and one by one we had to drop off a it was too much of a strain on our arms.

When the last edition was put on the Ocean Road School they built a large concrete court that was used for tennis, roller skating etc... In the winter months fire company #1 would flood the court and the children would use it for ice skating.

It was also used I recall for the Halloween Parade and the judging of the entries and I recall also one time we had a large Christmas Party there for the youngsters and the pastors of the various churches attended and spoke and enjoyed the program with the children, singing carols and waiting for Santa.

Bennett Cabin Christmas Celebration to Return in December!



The Bennett Cabin Christmas celebration will resume on December 11 and 12, 2021! Santa and Mrs. Claus are planning to make a visit. So, we are asking for volunteers to provide cookies for treats for the children (and adults!). Please call Sharon Morris at 732-892-8827 before December 1 if you are able to bake or purchase cookies for us. Leave your name and phone number and Sharon will return your call as well as give you a reminder call the week before the event. Thanks to all who have helped in the past, and to those able to help this year. **Remember: Please, no nuts in the treats, as so many have allergies! Thank you!**

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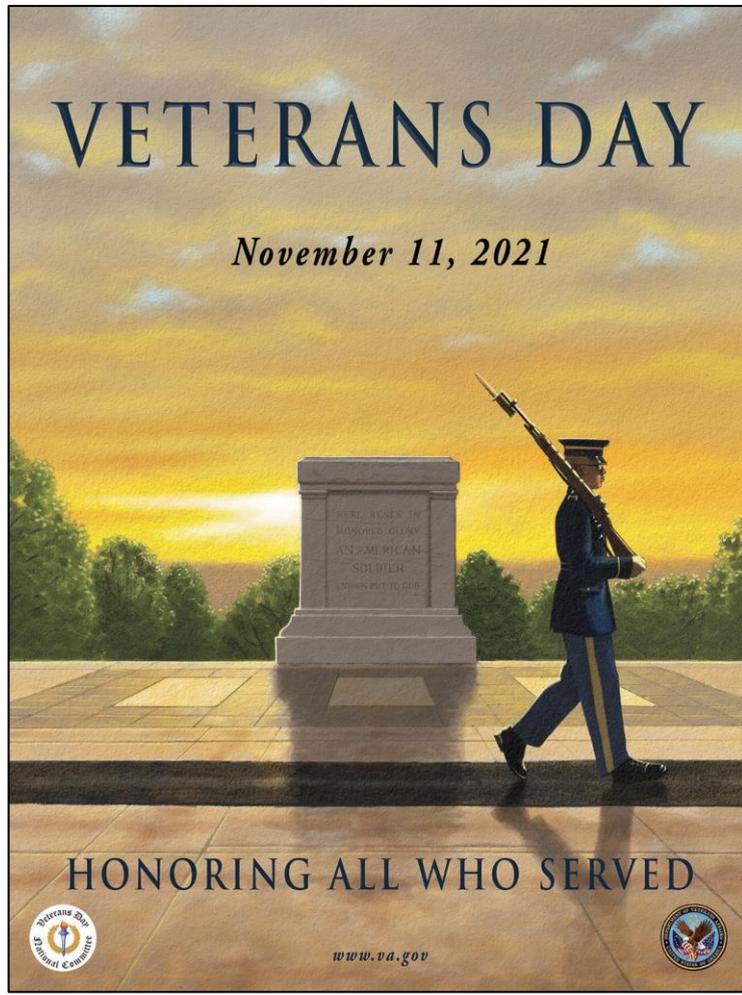
Vintage Postcard Packs For Sale

Thanks to a generous donation from an unnamed benefactor, the Point Pleasant Historical Society is selling packs of ten different vintage postcards for \$10. Please contact PPHS treasurer Ed Lavan at (914) 715 3432 if you are interested in purchasing a pack. Postcards will be for sale at our November meeting. The photo below is a representative of one of the postcards you might receive in the packet. All proceeds benefit the Point Pleasant Historical Society and Museum.



Museum Open By Appointment

The PPHS is pleased to announce that the Point Pleasant Historical Museum is now open for appointments **ONLY** on Thursdays between 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM. Please email your appointment request and include as much information as possible about what you are interested in researching/seeing to ppbhistoricalsociety@gmail.com and someone will get back to you.



Thanksgiving Trivia

Answers will be included in the next newsletter!

What NFL team has played on every Thanksgiving since 1934?

- A. Green Bay Packers
- B. New York Jets
- C. Detroit Lions
- D. Dallas Cowboys

Which president was the first to officially pardon a turkey?

- A. Calvin Coolidge
- B. Dwight D. Eisenhower
- C. Ronald Reagan
- D. John F. Kennedy