

The Holiday Candlelight Tour of Historic Homes

Middletown Pennsylvania

Saturday, December 13, 2008 4-8pm

Sunday, December 14, 2008 11am—5pm



Tickets for sale: 60 W Emaus St, Front Office, 8 am to 4 p.m. M-F
(\$10 each)

Or

Day of tour: The Middletown Youth Center in the basement of the
Main Street Gym

Link to historic homes of Middletown:

http://www.middletownborough.com/about_homes.php

Some of these homes will be on the tour plus others

In support of:



Schedule of Other Events



Tour Site A—The Middletown Arts Collective—3 South Union Street, Offering refreshments. Holiday music will be played on an antique victrola provided by Peter and Lillian Dehart. MAAC will also host a display of Performo Toy Company Toy's, manufactured in Middletown from 1925 through 1933, featuring the controversial Micky Mouse toy. The toy collection is provided by Phyllis Nagle.



Tour Site B—Arts on Union Gallery and Studio, 203 N. Union St.—Gallery and Studio will be open during tour hours offering refreshments and holiday music.



Tour Site C—St. Peter's Kierch—Corner of N. Union and High Sts. On the National Historic Registry. Cornerstone laid in 1767, the Kierch was dedicated in 1789 by patriarch of American Lutheranism. Erected on ground owned by Middletown founder, George Fisher and rented annually for one grain of wheat.

The Kierch will be open for touring on Sunday, from 1:00pm until 5:00pm

Tour Site E —Susquehanna Rangers Encampment

The Bachman House—331 W. Main St.
Front Lawn



The Susquehanna Rangers are dedicated to the study, preservation, and interpretation of the history of Pennsylvania and North America between the years 1754 and 1763 (the period known as the French and Indian War and Pontiac's War). We accomplish this by means of research and the use of firearms, clothing, and accoutrements, authentic to that time period. Our goal is to educate and inform the public by giving living history demonstrations of 18th century life at reenactments, historical sites, schools, and community fairs. Based in Lancaster and Middletown, the Susquehanna Rangers represent a frontier "ranger" company of local backwoodsmen and settlers organized for the defense of the Pennsylvania frontier. Rangers at this time served as advance scouts for provincial armies and patrolled nearby mountain passes to intercept French and Indian raiders and/or warn nearby settlements of approaching danger. Founded in 1755, Middletown was one such settlement, located halfway between the established town of Lancaster and the frontier settlement of Carlisle.