

MIDDLETOWN RECREATION

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SPECIAL EVENTS

PRESCHOOL FAIR

Tuesday, January 10th - 6pm-8pm

Location: Middletown Township Public Library

Free for residents, registration recommended



Finding the perfect preschool for your child can be tough; we're here to save the day by bringing preschools throughout the town together in one place for your convenience. Representatives will be present to speak about class options and to answer any questions you may have. Registration recommended at middletownnj.org/signup.

MIDDLETOWN NIGHT AT THE NJ DEVILS

Sunday, January 22nd - 2pm Puck Drop

Location: Prudential Center, Newark

Fee: \$75/ticket includes on-ice experience & swag-bag for kids



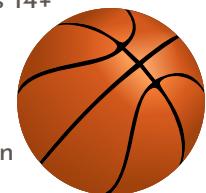
Cheer on Jersey's team during Middletown Night! Tickets include a post-game shoot from the blue line experience and a Devils swag-bag for kids! Reduced parking and half-priced concession options available. Get your tickets today at middletownnj.org/devils.

MARCH MADNESS: DRIBBLE, DISH & SWISH COMPETITION

Wednesday, March 15th | Croydon Hall Gym

Time: 5-5:30pm Ages 6-9 | 5:30-6pm Ages 10-13 | 6-6:30pm Ages 14+

Fee: \$5.00 (R) + nonperishable good



Wear your favorite basketball jersey and show off your skills at this annual basketball competition. Prizes to the top three winners in each grade range. New this year! We are staggering ages for increased fun and participation! Register now: middletownnj.org/signup.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER & DANCE, 21+

Thursday, March 16th | 6:30-9:30pm | Jacques Catering

Fee: \$75/person (R) includes DJ, dinner, unlimited beer & wine



It's adults night out - everyone's Irish on St. Patrick's Day! Join us for DJ dancing, a buffet dinner including traditional Irish corned beef and cabbage (other options available), photobooth, and unlimited beer and wine. Must be 21 to attend. Sign-up today: middletownnj.org/signup.

PORICY PARK PROGRAMS

Pre-Registration is required for all paid programs. Register online at www.middletownnj.org/signup.
Non-resident registrations are subject to out-of-town fees.

MAPLE TREE TAPPING

Thursday, Feb 9th | 4:00pm - 5:00pm | Poricy Park
Fee: \$5 (R), all are welcome!



In the dead of winter, trees begin to prepare for spring. Join Recreation to drill holes, hammer in tappers and hang buckets - the first steps of making maple syrup! The walk down and back is approximately 0.5 miles total. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

SCOUT MAPLE SUGARING PROGRAMS



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH (8:30AM-2:30PM)

SNOW DATE: 3/4/23

SATURDAY, MARCH 11TH (8:30AM-2:30PM)

SNOW DATE: 3/18/23



With cold nights and warm days, the later months of winter is the perfect time for maple sap in New Jersey. Join us to learn why you can collect sap only during this time, how to identify maples and other trees in the winter, and how boiling increases solution concentrations to create syrup! The one-hour session includes science experiments, syrup sampling, and a short hike to check on tapped trees. Maximum of 15 scouts/siblings combined participants (plus any/all adults wishing to attend). Program has both indoor and outdoor components, please dress appropriately.



BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Looking for an outdoor adventure for your child's birthday? We have themed science and nature parties appropriate for ages 4-10. Popular topics include Fossil Hunting, Pond Netting, and Wild Kratt Adventures. Each 2-hour party includes 90-minutes of instructor-led activities and 30 minutes of "party room" time. Basic paper goods provided; all food is supplied by family. Price is \$315 for 15 children (\$8.00 per additional, up to 25 total).

FIELD TRIP OPTIONS

Now Booking for Winter & Spring!



Rebecca Murray's Children
Year-Round
PreK-2nd Grade

Life on the Murray Farm
Year-Round
3rd-8th Grade



Geo-Explorer
Winter
4th Grade+

Winter Habitats
Winter
K-2nd





2023 SUMMER CAMPS

the best days are spent at CAMP



Registration Starts

MARCH 1ST - 10AM (R)

MARCH 8TH - 10AM (NR)

More info:

MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/CAMP



Traditional Camps

- ✓ Tonya Keller Center Pioneers Camp (PreK)
- ✓ Croydon Hall Camp (K-6th)
- ✓ Poricy Park Science Camp (PreK-6th)
- ✓ Trail Blazers Travel Camp (7-9th)

Weekly Camps Run July 5-August 11

WEEKLY PROGRAMS & MIDDLETOWN PRESCHOOL

Pre-Registration is required for all paid programs. Register online at www.middletownnj.org/signup. Non-resident registrations are subject to out-of-town fees.

Youth

AFTER-SCHOOL SCIENCE CLUB

Tuesdays | 4pm - 5pm | Poricy Park Nature Center
Jan 10 - Mar 7, Off 2/14
Fee: 8-week session, \$120.00 (R)
Grades: K-2nd



Don't wait for summer to continue your Poricy science adventures. We've got STEM activities to do, nature to explore, and fun to be had! This winter session has all new activities based on kitchen science experiments: slime, baking soda volcanoes, elephant toothpaste, density towers and more! Each week has a different topic and will include an outdoor hike (weather permitting).

YOUTH DODGEBALL LEAGUE

Wednesdays | 5pm - 7pm | Croydon Gym
Jan 18 - Mar 1, 7-week season
Fee: \$70.00 (R) - No weekly drop-in
Grades: 3rd-5th



Join us for Youth Dodgeball League! Sign-up as an individual player to be drafted into a team. Winning team will receive a medal at the end of the league season.

Adult

ADULT YOGA

Tuesdays | 6:30pm - 7:30pm | Croydon Gym
Session dates & prices coming soon!
Ages: 18+



Join June Somma of Hot and Soul Yoga in this weekly class to awaken and restore the body. This total body workout targets and tones every muscle group while elevating the heart rate to create cardiovascular endurance.

Great exercise and socialization! Enjoy these co-ed sports with teams picked weekly. No prior experience is necessary.

ADULT INDOOR VOLLEYBALL

Tuesdays | 7:30pm - 9:30pm | Croydon Gym
Jan 10 - Apr 4, Off 2/14
Fee: \$48.00 (R), 12-week session
Weekly drop-in, \$5.00 (R)
Ages: 18+



ADULT BASKETBALL

Wednesdays | 7pm - 9pm | Croydon Gym
Jan 18 - Mar 29
Fee: \$44.00 (R), 11-week session
Weekly drop-in, \$5.00 (R)
Ages: 18+



Middletown Preschool
OPEN ROLLING REGISTRATION

PREK3 (3 YR)
PREK4 (4 YR)

FULL DAYS
9AM- 3PM

HALF DAYS
9AM-12PM

50 BRAY AVENUE, MIDDLETOWN NJ 07748
CALL US 732-615-3230
MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/PRESCHOOL

You're invited!
to explore local preschools at the
Preschool Fair

Tuesday, January 10th
6pm-8pm
Middletown Library

Finding the perfect preschool for your child can be tough, we're here to save the day! Middletown Recreation is bringing preschools throughout the town together in one place for your convenience. Representatives from various schools will be present to speak to about class options, program structure and answer any questions you may have.

MIDDLETOWN SENIORS

Membership to the Middletown Senior Center is free for residents age 60+. Non-residents are welcome to join for an annual fee. The Center is a gathering place where you can engage in new friendships and try different experiences; our goal is to provide a place where activity and participation will improve your quality of life.

Our programs range from a variety of trips, arts and crafts, painting classes, chorus group, bowling, billiards, knitting group, book club, games, weekly movies, to a variety of fitness classes. We also host bi-monthly birthday parties, seasonal events and so much more!



Sample Daily Events

Mondays:

Pinochle, Billiards, Mahjong
Zumba Gold
Walking Group
Move to the Groove

Tuesdays:

Billiards & Mahjong
Brain and Body Class
Walking Group
Yoga
Daily Calm Meditation
Learn to Play Pinochle
Afternoon Event

Wednesdays:

Pinochle, Billiards, Mahjong
Gentle Strength
Mixed Media Art
Walking Group

Thursdays:

Billiards & Mahjong
Yoga
Knitting Group
Book Club
Tai Chi
Afternoon Event

Fridays:

Pinochle, Billiards, Mahjong
Senior Shape Up
Tap Class
Bowling at Bowlero
Rummikub

Winter Events

Thursday, January 12th - Elvis Presley Birthday Celebration - 1:00pm East Wing

Join us to watch Elvis's movie "Viva Las Vegas" and enjoy birthday cake to celebrate the King!

Tuesday, February 14th - Valentine Dance & Lunch - 12:00pm East Wing

Celebrate Valentine's Day with a special lunch from Talercio's! \$12/person. Must register by 1/31.
.....STAY TUNED FOR MORE!



Transportation Available Monday-Thursday

Includes transportation to/from center and select locations based on monthly calendar, for members only. For more information and to register please call the Center.

To learn more or to register, please call (732) 615-2265 or visit our website:

www.middletownnj.org/seniors

Senior Center is located at 900 Leonardville Road Leonardo, NJ 07737

MIDDLETOWN PARKS & FACILITIES

Applebrook Park • Belford Park • Bicentennial Park • Bodman Park • Butler Park • Campo Trails • Chanceville Park
Church Street Park • Clearwater Fields • Countryside Park • Croydon Hall • Crystal Pond Park • Dorsett Park • Dutch Neck Park • Evergreen Park • Fairview Acres • Fairway Park • Gordon Court Park • Greeley Park • Hillside Park • Ideal Beach Kunkel Park • Leonardo Beach • Lincroft Village Green • Lincroft Acres • McMahon Park • Middletown Arts Center / Memorial Gardens • M.T. Thompson Park • Normandy Park • Nutswamp Turf • Nutswamp Park • Poricy Park • Poricy Park Fossil Beds Poricy Park—Cotton Tract • Roosevelt Park • Shultz Park • Shorecrest Mini Park • Stevenson Tract • Sunrise Park I • Sunrise Park II • Tindall Park • Tonya Keller Community Center • West Front Street Park • Waloo Park • Wilmort Park

Enjoy all that our facilities have to offer! Find field, park & picnic permits online at middletownnj.org/recreation.



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LOOKING AHEAD...



Saturday, April 1st - EGGstravaganza at the MAC

Saturday, April 1st - Beach Egg Hunt



Friday & Saturday, April 14th & 15th - Adult Pickleball Tournament

Sunday, April 24th - First Fossil Hunt of the Year

Thursday, May 4th - Mother-Son Cornhole Tournament

Wednesday, May 10th - Mother-Daughter Paint Night



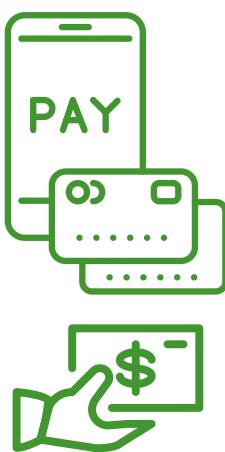
Saturday, May 20th & Sunday, May 21st - Town-Wide Garage Sale



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Registration Information



Credit Card Payment

www.middletownnj.org/signup

Cash / Check Payment

Recreation Administrative Office
Poricy Park Nature Center
9:00Am-4:00Pm, Mon - Fri

Refund Policy

No refund for any program within 7 days of the program's start date. For Summer Camps, no refunds after May 15. Please choose carefully. A refund request form must be filled out for processing. Form must be received prior to refund deadline. Please allow up to eight weeks for your credit or refund to be processed. Incomplete Refund Requests will delay processing. All refunds are subject to approval. Processing fees apply. Effective 2/4/15.

