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Middletown Ranked #1 Safest City in New Jersey and 8th in the U.S.

Through the outstanding work of the Township's world-class Police Department, Middletown was ranked as the #1 safest city in New Jersey and the 8th safest city in the nation, according to The National Council for Home Safety and Security's *Top 100 Safest Cities in America for 2017* report.

For the second consecutive year, Middletown was also named one of the top 10 safest places to raise a child in the United States by Safewise, a national community-focused security organization, in their report *The 30 Safest Cities to Raise a Child*.

"We are proud to be recognized as the safest town in New Jersey, and once again named as one of the top 10 safest places to live in the country," said Mayor Gerry Scharfenberger, Ph.D. "Our Police Chief Craig Weber and the Department's community-oriented approach to policing, coupled with their proactive policing strategies that target crime, are just some of the reasons they are so deserving of these accolades."

"While many communities strive to provide a safe environment for their residents, Middletown consistently gets top marks for the quality of our education system, the cultural arts and recreational programs we offer, and our exceptionally low crime rates."

"Crime has dropped for the seventh consecutive year, with index crimes down 13 percent over last year and 48 percent compared to 2010," said Middletown Township Police Chief Craig Weber. "Our officers work hard to maintain a strong, positive relationship with the community and schools."

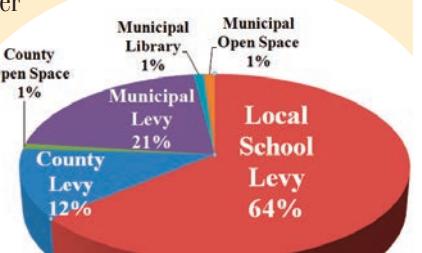


Police Chief Craig Weber visiting with students at Leonardo Elementary School.

Community programs include child safety seat installations, Police Youth Week camps, Project Plus, Rude Awakening, and the Law Enforcement Against Drugs program which utilizes *The Too Good for Drugs* curriculum in the Township's elementary schools.

Municipal Taxes Decreased in 2017

Your tax bill funds three distinct budgets set by different governing bodies: the school budget, the County budget, and the Township's municipal budget. While the Township only has oversight and jurisdiction over the municipal portion of the bill, the Township is legally responsible for collecting and distributing the taxes for all taxing entities. In 2017, for every dollar paid in property taxes, approximately 64 cents is sent to the school district, 13 cents is sent to Monmouth County, and 21 cents stays here in Middletown to cover the cost of municipal operations. The remaining 2 cents goes to the library and open space fund.



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Middletown Day

MIDDLETOWN DAY, HELD AT CROYDON HALL ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD, WAS A RESOUNDING SUCCESS! THE WEATHER WAS BEAUTIFUL AND EVERYONE WAS IN GOOD SPIRITS CELEBRATING THE TOWN WE LOVE. OUR ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL IS 100 PERCENT SPONSORED BY LOCAL BUSINESSES AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR EVERYONE'S SUPPORT! PICTURED FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: TOWNSHIP COMMITTEEMAN TONY FIORE, MAYOR GERRY SCHARFENBERGER, DEPUTY MAYOR STEPHANIE MURRAY AND COMMITTEEMAN KEVIN SETTEMBRINO. SEE PAGE 11 FOR MORE PHOTOS FROM THIS FUN DAY!



PROJECT MEDICINE DROP BOX AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS



In June, the Police Department joined the New Jersey Attorney General's "Project Medicine Drop" initiative and installed a Project Medicine Drop box at Police Headquarters at 1 Kings Highway. The drop box makes it easier for residents to safely dispose of unused, excess or expired prescription medications which helps prevent the abuse of these drugs, including highly addictive opiate painkillers. The box is located just outside the Courtroom and is accessible 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year.



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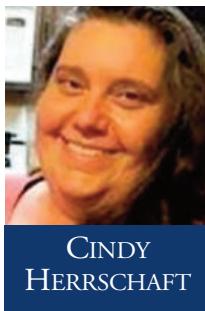
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Middletown Remembers Township Public Information Officer, Cindy Herrschaft

On June 28th the Middletown Township family lost one of our beloved members, Cindy Herrschaft, to cancer. Cindy was the Township's Public Information Officer for 20 years and was the editor of this newsletter. She was a dedicated employee and received many honors for her work. Although Cindy has passed away, the standard she has set for her friends and colleagues will live on for years to come. As



CINDY
HERRSCHAFT

Mayor Scharfenberger stated so beautifully in his tribute to her in the July 6th issue of the *Two River Times*, "Her valiant fight and willingness to perform the job she loved, even in the face of tremendous pain and discomfort, is an inspiration to us all. Knowing that is what will help all of us who knew and loved her to 'keep thinking happy thoughts'." We dedicate this edition to her.



Community Supports Middletown Township Police Department's First National Night Out

The Middletown Township Police Department had a great turnout at their first National Night Out event on Tuesday, August 1st. Hundreds of residents stopped by with their children to check out the police vehicle and equipment display, K9 demonstrations, DWI simulation course, Ident-A-Kid fingerprinting kits, the Mini Horse Heroes' miniature therapy horse, and more. Township Committee members also stopped by to show their support.

Committeeman Tony Fiore, Deputy Mayor Stephanie Murray, Sergeant Anthony Gigante, Deputy Chief Robert Stefanski, Class II Special Officer TJ Mercantante, Mayor Gerry Scharfenberger and Committeeman Stephen Massell at the Emergency Services Unit equipment display, including a remote control robot.

Congrats to Our Police Youth Week Graduates!

Open to all Township youth ages 8-11, Police Youth Week was held from July 10-14. The program gave the children their first exposure to law enforcement at the recruit phase. They learned about every element of police work including officer safety, crime scene investigations, traffic enforcement and K9 units. They also engaged in physical training, and by the end of the program had a better understanding of law enforcement.



Deputy Chief of Police Robert Stefanski, Lieutenant Charles Terefenko, Chief of Police R. Craig Weber, and Committeeman Stephen Massell awarding one of the graduates from Police Youth Week on Friday, July 14th.

Tax Collector's Message

The last day to pay November 2017 taxes without interest is by 4:00 PM on November 13th. You may pay online or by check or credit card through the Middletown website at www.middletownnj.org. Online payments cannot be accepted after 4:00 PM on November 13th.

Due to the Accelerated Tax Sale process, and for the November 2017 tax quarter only, personal checks, online check payments or credit card payments will be accepted until 4:00 PM November 13th. All payments received after 4:00 PM November 13th must be made with certified funds (cash, bank cashier checks or money orders). Tax Sale will be held Wednesday, December 27, 2017. Payments not accepted day of Sale.

The 2015 Homestead Benefit applications were mailed the week of September 17, 2017. The last day to apply is November 30, 2017. If you have any questions, please call the State at 1-888-238-1233 (8:30 AM – 4:30 PM, Monday – Friday).



What's So Great About Middletown?

All too often, people are confronted with a barrage of negative headlines and doom and gloom reports about the world around them. In reality, we residents of Middletown have much to be proud of and so much for which to be thankful. With that in mind, I thought it would be beneficial to use this column to reflect on some of the aspects of the town that have consistently made it one of the top places to live in the country.

VOLUNTEERISM



Mayor Gerry Scharfenberger with leaders of Middletown's Volunteer Fire Department and recent graduates of the Fire Academy.

One of the things that sets Middletown apart from many other municipalities is the extraordinary spirit of volunteerism that exists in the Township. Most prominent of the volunteer bodies is the Middletown Volunteer Fire Department: the largest of its kind in the world. Other integral volunteer organizations include the Emergency Management Services (EMS), Auxiliary Police, Middletown Drug and Alcohol Alliance, Emergency Management volunteers, CERT members, Fire Police, Youth Athletic Leagues, and hundreds of people who serve on the numerous boards and commissions in town. In addition, we have a permanent Volunteer Corps formed in the wake of Superstorm Sandy. Together, the hundreds of volunteers

save the town millions of dollars while providing top notch services and creating an unshakeable community spirit.

HISTORIC LEGACY

As one of the four original New Jersey municipalities founded

Christ Church, located at 90 Kings Highway, is a historic church in Middletown Township.



in 1664, Middletown is blessed with many historic buildings, cemeteries and roads. Many of these are contained in the five designated historic districts located throughout the town. There are well-known residential buildings such as Marlpit Hall (ca. 1756), the Taylor-Butler House (ca. 1853) and the Seabrook-Wilson House aka Spy House (ca. 1720), churches such as Christ Church (ca. 1702), Old First Church (ca. 1832), Middletown Reformed Church (ca. 1836), and New Baptist Church (ca. 1855), and cemeteries such as the Old Presbyterian Burying Ground (ca. 1684), Throckmorton- Lippit-Taylor Burying Ground (ca. 1684) and Crystal Stream Burying Ground (ca. 1848).

LOW CRIME

One of the aspects of Middletown that we are most proud of is our consistent ranking among the safest places to live in the country. Safewise, a national community-focused security organization, recently ranked Middletown the ninth safest place in the United States to raise a child. Almost immediately after, the National Council on Home Safety and Security named Middletown the number one safest city in New Jersey and the eighth safest city in the United States. These designations are a testament to our spectacular police force, innovative administration, and caring, engaged residents who are very protective of the town and its citizens. It is even more remarkable when you consider that Middletown has one of the smallest police forces per capita in the entire state.



The Croydon Hall Turf Field is a synthetic multi-sport version where football, soccer, field hockey, lacrosse and other sports can be played.

WORLD CLASS PARK SYSTEM

Middletown has always been a leader in preserving open space for active and passive recreation. This is evidenced by over 80 parks and recreation areas consisting of over 5,500 acres of permanently preserved land in the township. These range from heavily utilized athletic fields at Bodman Park, Croydon Hall, Butler Field and Fairview Fields to beaches like Ideal Beach and Leonardo Beach to large nature and

hiking preserves such as Thompson Park, Hartshorne Woods, Deep Cut Gardens and Tatum Park. Many people may also not realize that the Gateway National Recreation Area at Sandy Hook is actually part of Middletown.



EFFICIENT MANAGEMENT

Middletown has always prided itself on being a well-oiled machine run by an efficient, fiscally-conservative administration. Our high quality of life and significant recognition as a great place to live is testament to that. The New Jersey League of Municipalities has used Middletown's budgeting process as a model for the rest of the state, and our municipal website has been named the best in New Jersey by Monmouth University. Money Magazine has also consistently ranked Middletown as one of the top places to live in the country. Fiscal responsibility is evidenced by the fact that Middletown has one of the smallest workforces per capita in the entire state, a below average spending per capita and a stellar AA bond rating. The Township has also been a leader in money-saving shared service agreements years before they became a popular tool of municipal government. All of these efforts have resulted in an exceptionally lean municipal budget year after year and even a tax cut for fiscal year 2017.

In summary, we are truly blessed to be able to call Middletown Township our home. Not only is it a place with great physical beauty and a rich historic heritage, but it is a community with immeasurable spirit and civic pride. Its real strength, however, are the people who live and work here who continually step up to the plate to maintain Middletown's unique quality of life and ensure its prosperity into the future.

MAYOR'S OFFICE HOURS

Mayor Gerry Scharfenberger, Ph.D. generally holds open office hours the first and third Saturday of the month from 10:00 am to noon at Town Hall, 1 Kings Highway. Visitors are seen on a first-come basis. Mayor Scharfenberger is also available by appointment. Please call 732-615-2024 for more information.

Your Municipal Taxes Decreased This Year

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This year's final adopted Township budget totaled \$73,657,241.89, and included the state mandated library tax. The 2017 municipal tax levy decreased \$161,459.06, resulting in a decrease in the municipal tax rate of 1.4 cents per \$1,000 of property value. Moving forward, the Township will continue to find ways to further maximize revenue, minimize costs, and provide core essential services. For example, this year we were able to implement a more cost effective healthcare plan through collective bargaining. We are also always looking for shared service opportunities and continue to hire strategically.

Middletown Township Police Department Promotes Two Officers to Sergeant and Hires 3 New Officers

The Middletown Township Police Department promoted two officers to the rank of sergeant and hired three officers this summer. Sergeants Richard Fusella and Antonio Ciccone III, and newly hired officers Tony Perito, Salvatore G. Albanese, and Douglas P. Habermann, accepted their oaths of office at the Township Committee meeting on August 21st.



Police K9 Tupac Retires:

Deputy Mayor Stephanie Murray with Police K9 Tupac and his handler Officer Frank Mazza. Tupac served the Middletown Township Police Department for 8 years and retired in July. We hope his retirement is filled with treats, leisurely walks, and naps!

First Responders Picnic: On Saturday, October 7th, members of the Middletown Police, Fire, Emergency Medical Services, and Office of Emergency Management Departments attended a picnic at the Middletown Fire Academy. Leaders and members of the Departments, volunteers, along with their families, friends, and members of the Township Committee gathered together for a BBQ with live music to recognize our First Responders for their time and dedication to keeping our residents safe.



Members of our Township Committee with leading members of our First Responders organizations at the picnic.

Middletown Township held a moment of silence and a beautiful wreath laying and candlelit tribute on Monday, September 11th at 7:00 p.m. at the Middletown WTC Memorial Gardens to honor the 37 residents we lost in the World Trade Center attack 16 years ago.

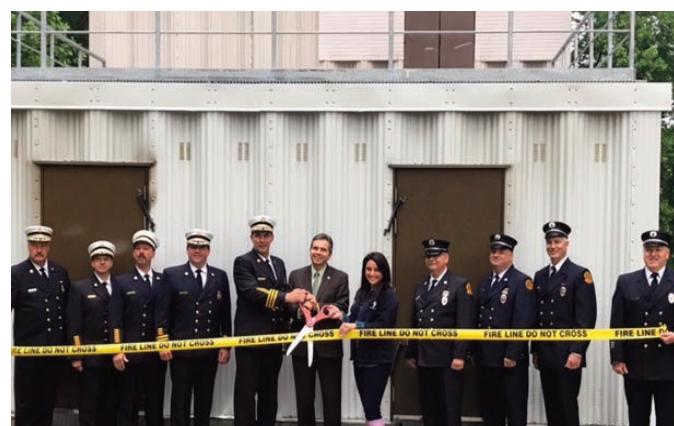


"This year's silent tribute enabled each of us to quietly reflect on the immense tragedy and loss that we feel," said Mayor Gerry Scharfenberger. "The candlelit walk through the Gardens reminded us that the memories of those we lost will always burn brightly in our hearts.

Close to 500 members of the community, including 9/11 victims' family members, neighbors, Township Committee members, elected officials, local dignitaries, representatives from Middletown's Police and Fire Departments, Office of Emergency Management and Emergency Medical Services, as well as contingents from American Legion Posts 338 and 515 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2179, bowed their heads in a moment of silence at dusk. The silence, which spoke volumes, was broken by a powerful single bell toll by Mayor Gerry Scharfenberger. The bell, which was donated by the Port Monmouth Fire Company, echoed into the night and initiated the wreath laying ceremony and candlelit walk through the Memorial Gardens.

Mayors for a Day: Congratulations to our 2017 "Mayors for a Day" for doing a great job!

This program is offered to Middletown elementary schools as a PTA/PFA fundraiser basket. This year's winners received an oath of office, a tour of Town Hall and were recognized at a Township Committee meeting for their service. Pictured: Sophia Quintano of Lincroft Elementary School, Noah Cook of Middletown Village Elementary School and Troy Mittenzwei of Nut Swamp Elementary School with Deputy Mayor Stephanie Murray, Committeeman Tony Fiore, Mayor Gerry Scharfenberger and Committeemen Stephen Massell and Kevin Settembrino.



IN MAY, A NEW BURN ROOM WAS INSTALLED AT THE MIDDLETOWN FIRE ACADEMY TO CREATE ENHANCED TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES WHERE FIREFIGHTERS CAN FEEL WHAT IT'S REALLY LIKE TO WORK INSIDE A BURNING BUILDING. THE NEW BURN ROOM OFFERS TRAINEES A SAFE YET REALISTIC ENVIRONMENT TO ENCOUNTER SITUATIONS SIMILAR TO THOSE FOUND IN AN ACTUAL STRUCTURE FIRE. MAYOR GERRY SCHARFENBERGER AND DEPUTY MAYOR STEPHANIE MURRAY MET WITH SOME OF MIDDLETOWN'S FIRE CHIEFS AND FIRE ACADEMY INSTRUCTORS TO INSPECT THE NEW TRAINING PROPS. THEY OFFICIALLY MARKED COMPLETION OF THE UPGRADED BURN ROOM WITH A RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY.



Middletown Township-Wide Garbage & Recycling Program

Starting January 1, 2018, all Middletown residents will be part of the Township-Wide Garbage & Recycling Program.

The Township will be split into two zones (North & South) with the new program.

- **NORTH ZONE** = North of State Highway 35

- Garbage Collection on Mondays & Thursdays
- Recycling Collection on alternating Wednesdays (beginning 1/3/18)
- Bulk Collection twice per month - to be announced soon

- **SOUTH ZONE** = South of State Highway 35

- Garbage Collection on Tuesdays & Fridays
- Recycling Collection on alternating Wednesdays (beginning 1/10/18)
- Bulk Collection twice per month - to be announced soon

Please call the Township-Wide Garbage & Recycling Program hotline for the latest information at 732-615-3233.

If you have specific questions about the Township-Wide Garbage & Recycling Program, please e-mail recycling@middletownnj.org.

Frequently Asked Questions

How did the Township make the decision to collect garbage and recycling Township-wide?

The primary reason the Township Committee opted to go Township-wide for garbage collection is because it results in a cost savings for the vast majority of Township residential property owners over the next five years. Additionally, all residents will be receiving enhanced services, including two bulk pick-ups per month at no additional cost and single stream recycling pick-ups every two weeks.

The prior solid waste system had about two-thirds of Township residents in the garbage district, while the remaining third was forced to use private haulers. Seeing trends in both the recycling and solid waste collection industry, the Township was concerned that maintaining the current system would result in higher costs for everyone in the Township.

The Township's five-year garbage contract expired on June 30, 2017. The Township retained a waste management consultant to prepare bids and help analyze potential cost savings. The results of the bidding process were not known until August 22nd when bids were received. Based upon the bids received, if no change had been made to the current garbage and recycling collection system everyone's property taxes would have increased 5 to 10 percent over the next five years due to the increased cost of recycling bids. By offering a Township-wide garbage contract we gained the benefit of economies of scale that would offset the anticipated increases. In fact, it has resulted in cost decreases overall.

The Township followed the public bidding process in accordance with State Law. The public was asked for comment on the resolution at the September 18th Township Committee meeting prior to the vote. This decision was not up for public discussion ahead of time due to the complex public bidding process.

Will recycling and garbage be handled by one company?

Yes, both will be handled by Central Jersey Waste/Solterra.

When will I receive my new garbage and recycling carts?

More detailed notifications will be made to the public in the coming weeks, but we expect to see the new cans, two per household (one for garbage, one for recyclables), start to be delivered in December. Central Jersey Waste/Solterra will start collections as of January 1, 2018.



What do I do with my old garbage and recycling cans?

If you are currently in district, you can keep your cans, but they cannot be used for garbage or recycling collection as we are supplying standardized containers to all residents. If you would like to keep your cans, some people have found that they can be a useful composting container. If you would like to dispose of your cans, you can bring them to the Middletown Recycling Center located at 52 Kanes Lane, where they will be recycled.

If you are currently using a private hauler, you should reach out to the company to inquire about how to dispose of your garbage cart.

How big are the solid waste and recycling carts?

Each container is 95 gallons. You will receive one for recycling and one for garbage. They are all the same size because they will be picked up mechanically by the vendor.

I'm happy with my private garbage company, can I choose to keep them?

You can keep your current vendor, but you would still be paying for the Township-wide garbage collection system through your Municipal taxes, just as residents have always done for recycling collection.

When do I cancel my private garbage service?

We recommend that you contact your private hauler now and notify them that you will be using a new vendor as of January 1, 2018. Your final pick up from them will be the last week of December.

I'm in the Township's Garbage District now. What changes can I expect?

If you are currently in the district, it is possible that your collection days will change. You will also be receiving two new cans. Other than that there should be no change with regards to collection.

Why do the carts have a Radio Frequency ID (RFID) tag?

These short-range signal chips will allow us to ensure that the contractor is making collections in a timely manner as per their contract.

What are the enhanced services we will be receiving through this new program?

- Elimination of multiple solid waste collection trucks throughout many neighborhoods (and none on the weekend)
- 26 single stream recycling pick-ups per year as opposed to 24 before
- Two bulk pick-ups per month at no additional charge
- Assurance that your garbage and recycling will be picked up in a timely manner
- Less wear and tear on roads due to not having multiple private companies in the Township

Save-the-date: 60th Anniversary Veterans Day Parade on Sunday, November 5th

This year we celebrate the 60th anniversary of the **Veterans Day** Parade. The theme of the parade is "Thank a Veteran", so we would like to use this milestone to rededicate ourselves to honoring all the veterans who have served our great nation. We invite the residents of Middletown Township to join us at the **Veterans Day** Parade starting at Bayview Elementary School on Sunday, November 5th at 1:00 p.m. to honor our American heroes past and present.

WORLD WAR I DOUGHBOY MONUMENT DEDICATION ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH

Directly following the KIA Compton Street Sign Dedication at 12:30 p.m., there will be a ceremony at the newly-restored World War I Doughboy Monument located on Church Street in Belford. "This year marks the Centennial of the United States' entry into World War I, so we wanted to commemorate the several dozen WWI veterans from Belford, Port Monmouth, and New Monmouth by restoring this monument to its former glory," said Mayor Gerry Scharfenberger, an archaeologist and long-time member of the Township's Landmarks Commission. "Our Doughboy statue is a way for our residents and visitors to pay homage to these veterans who sacrificed so much for us. It is also a reminder to future generations of the role Middletown played in one of the most significant conflicts in our nation's history."



Middletown Township officials, Veterans Affairs Committee members, and the sculptor with the Doughboy Monument located on Church Street in Belford.



Middletown honors those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our country at our annual Memorial Day Parade.



Vietnam Veterans Monument Rededication

The Middletown Veterans Affairs Committee held a rededication ceremony on Saturday, September 9th for the Township's Vietnam Veterans Monument in recognition of three names that were added. It was an important service for Vietnam Veterans who were Killed in Action and their families, and a fitting tribute to honor them. Uras Monuments of Middletown generously donated their time and added the following names to the monument:

George P. Berg, Army, CWO
Thomas H. Birch, Marine, CPL
Dennis W. Klein, Army, SP4

EMS Cadet Awards: Mayor Gerry Scharfenberger and Deputy Mayor Stephanie Murray attended the EMS Cadet Awards in June at Fairview First Aid. The EMS Cadets are young men and women, ages 14 to 18, who learn basic life support skills. At age 16, they can ride the ambulances in Middletown and further their skills and experience to become first aid members. The members of the program are our future EMS members serving and protecting the Township. High schoolers interested in joining can call the EMS office at 732-615-2252 for more information.



Firefighter Bud McKnight Commended for 50 Years of Service:

Austen B. McKnight, Jr., also known as "Bud", of the Lincroft Fire Company was commended for 50 years of dedicated service and invaluable contributions to the community at a Township Committee meeting this summer.

New Walkway at Ideal Beach! Before the Ideal Beach Party on July 27th, Township officials and employees, Ideal Beach Community Association members, and executives from T&M Associates gathered at the new pedestrian walkway and deck for a ribbon cutting ceremony. The structured pedestrian access to the beach is part of the dune restoration project. There is also an improved parking lot. Stop by the beach to check it out!



Pictured from left to right: Township Administrator Anthony Mercantante, Robert Gregoria of T&M Associates, Deputy Mayor Stephanie Murray, Public Works Director Ted Maloney, Mayor Gerry Scharfenberger, Kris Krzyzon of T&M Associates, Ideal Beach Community Association (IBCA) President Lisa Cordova and her children Nico and Luna, Assistant Public Works Director Victor Wymbs, Recreation Director Janet Dellett, Eric Nathanson of T&M Associates, IBCA Trustee Howard Moore, and IBCA Recording Secretary, Jack LeRoy.



NJBPU Microgrid Grant: Township Committeeman Tony Fiore, Mayor Gerry Scharfenberger, New Jersey Board of Public Utilities President Richard Mroz, Township Administrator Anthony Mercantante, and Community Plans & Liaison Naval Weapons Station Earle Dennis Blazak at the August 30th Microgrid press conference held at Butler Park in Port Monmouth. In July, the NJ BPU awarded the Township a \$150,000 grant to conduct a Microgrid Feasibility Study. The press conference highlighted the benefits of the proposed study and how crucial it is to have advanced local microgrids that can improve energy resiliency and help Middletown prepare for emergencies.

Best Wishes to Township Committeeman Stephen G. Massell!

The Middletown Township Committee awarded Stephen Massell with a proclamation and a "Key to the City" in appreciation for his eight years of service at the October 16th Township Committee meeting. He was elected to the Township Committee three times and served as Deputy Mayor in the years 2012 and 2015. During his time on the Township Committee, Steve worked diligently to keep property taxes down while continuing to maintain and improve our quality of life. He also worked to help protect the community through trying times such as Superstorm Sandy and Hurricane Irene. Steve has also been an advocate for affordable housing initiatives for people who have family members with special needs. Steve has accepted a position on the Monmouth County Tax Board and we wish him well in his future endeavors.



Crossroads of Middletown: Free Substance Abuse Evaluations and Counseling

Crossroads of Middletown is a free substance abuse counseling program. We offer free substance abuse evaluations for all of Monmouth County, as well as free individual and family substance abuse counseling for residents of Middletown. If it is determined that a higher level of care is needed, our counselors work with individuals to refer them to the proper facility that would better suit their needs. In addition to counseling services, we offer annual prevention services for Middletown youth through the Middletown Municipal Alliance. If you or someone you know is in need, or you are interested in finding out more about our programs, visit the Crossroads page at www.middletownnj.org or call 732-615-2277.

Middletown Social Services Needs Holiday Helpers

The Social Services Division is looking for individuals, groups, and businesses to adopt underprivileged households this holiday season. The Adopt-A-Family Program is simple, but very rewarding. You get a small shopping list of items that a child and parent would like. As a "foster" family, you provide a few items or gift cards to the adopted family in hopes that they too may have a special day. Social Services is also accepting any "extra" free turkeys or hams you might receive during the many supermarket promotions for local families in need. Donations can be brought directly to the Middletown Food Pantry, 180 Main Street, Port Monmouth. Please contact Kathy Straniero in the Social Services Department at 732-615-2085 for more information.

Fall Leaf Collection



Zone	Start Date
C & D	November 8
A & B	November 15
H	November 17
G & K	November 25
J	November 29
I	December 6
L	December 11
E	December 12
F	December 20
A,B,C,D,H	December 27

*Collection start dates are approximate and weather dependent.

LEAF COLLECTION ONLY – NO BRUSH PICKUP UNTIL SPRING 2018

DO NOT SET OUT LEAVES AFTER YOUR ZONE HAS BEEN COLLECTED (except ABCDK after 1st collection). Do not place material at the curb earlier than 7 days before your zone's start date as doing so creates a hazard for pedestrians and drivers. Brush, grass, tree stumps, lumber, plywood, fence posts, railroad ties, or garbage will not be collected. Violators will be charged up to \$1,250 for a separate individual collection.

Rehab Grants Available For Homeowners

If you are a Middletown homeowner, you may be eligible for a home rehabilitation grant/loan of up to \$25,000 from the Township's Home Rehabilitation Program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. This program is for low and moderate income households. Call (732) 615-2281.

FY2017 INCOME LIMITATIONS

Household Size	Max Gross Income
1 person	\$48,450
2 people	\$55,400
3 people	\$62,300
4 people	\$69,200
5 people	\$74,750
6 people	\$80,300
7 people	\$85,850
8 people	\$91,350

Township Briefs

EMERGENCY ALERTS & COMMUNITY NOTIFICATIONS

As we approach the winter season, sign up to receive alerts about emergencies, flooding, weather alerts, road closures, power outages, and other information relevant to the community. Register at www.middletownnj.org/emergencyalerts. Since some alerts can be targeted to a specific geographic area, we recommend you register with your street address.

To receive our weekly **Middletown Minutes** e-newsletter and get e-mail notifications about Township news, community events, meeting agendas, etc., visit www.middletownnj.org/subscribe.

"DRUGS AND ALCOHOL AMONG US" SERIES

The Middletown Township Municipal Alliance to Prevent Alcoholism and Drug Abuse produced a series of five informational videos about drug abuse and prevention resources that will be featured on our Township's website and Municipal TV station (Verizon FiOS Channel 26 and Comcast Cable Channel 20) this fall/winter. If you have a friend or family member who you suspect may be abusing drugs and would like to contact a counselor or schedule a substance abuse evaluation, please reach out to Crossroads at (732) 615-2277.

SUSTAINABLE JERSEY GRANT

In May, the Township was awarded a \$20,000 Sustainable Jersey grant funded by the PSEG Foundation to construct a green pavilion with a living roof in Poricy Park. This modular green roof will have various forms of vegetation including an irrigation system. The pavilion will be used as an outdoor classroom for children to learn about the positive impact that green infrastructure has on long-term sustainability. The grant funds, along with a donation from the Poricy Park Conservancy and Township monies, will enable the Township to move forward with these plans.



Rick Dovey, Chair of Sustainable Jersey Board of Trustees, Vic Wymbs, Assistant Director of Public Works, Elaine Hinckley, President Poricy Park Conservancy Board of Trustees, Janet Dellett, Recreation Director, Amy Sarrinikolaou, Director of Community Development, Maria Spina, Corporate Responsibility Stakeholder/PSEG Foundation Program Officer and Randall Solomon, Executive Director of Sustainable Jersey at the 2017 Sustainable Jersey and PSEG announcement event in May.

All Pets Must Be Licensed In Middletown

The Township of Middletown requires that all dogs and cats be licensed. All dog license renewals must be completed by January 31st, and cat renewals by September 30th, or you will be subject to late fees. Dogs must have a rabies vaccination that is valid for 10 months out of the licensing year. Your cat's vaccination must be valid on the date you apply for their license. To obtain proof of your animal's vaccination history, simply contact where the vaccination was administered. You can then apply for your animal's license through the mail, online, or in person at the Middletown Health Department. If licensing through the mail, remember to pick up an application, or you can print one from the Township's website www.middletownnj.org. If you have any questions please call the Middletown Township Health Department at (732) 615-2097, or go to the office located at 180 Main Street in Port Monmouth.



Visit
www.mtpl.org
for details

MTPL 100th Anniversary Library Logo Contest

As we near the 100th anniversary of the Middletown Township Public Library, the Board of Trustees and Library Administration are exploring new services and fresh ideas that will lead the library for the next 100 years. One area in need of modernizing is the library's logo.

The library has long been a community center that offers so much more than books. The Library Board and Director wish to convey that message with a new logo that embodies the heart of the library and expresses the mission of Middletown Library – to enrich, empower and educate its community. The Board of Trustees is pleased to announce the **Library Logo Contest**.

The contest is open to all Middletown students in grades 6 - 12. Students are asked to design a new logo that symbolizes the mission of the Middletown Public Library and articulates the true identity of the library as a community center offering opportunities for both education and entertainment. Deadline for submissions will be **November 30, 2017**.

Submissions will be judged by the Library Board of Trustees and one winner will be announced at the December 13, 2017 meeting of the Library Board of Trustees. The winner will receive a \$250 prize and community-wide recognition. The new logo will be used on the library's website, letterhead, flyers, and other library documents.

Artists may submit their designs by mail or email. Paper and digital submissions will be accepted. Digital submissions must be in JPEG format. Submissions will be reviewed in both color and black/white.

Please include your name, address, phone number, and email address with your submission. One entry per person. Middletown Township Public Library employees and their families are not eligible. For questions, please contact Kim Rinaldi, Library Director, at (732) 671-3700. Mail submissions to: Middletown Township Public Library, Logo Contest, 55 New Monmouth Rd. Middletown, NJ 07748. Email submissions to logoclass@mtpl.org.

Host Your Next Private Event at the MTPL Community Room!

With a room capacity of 150 people, the MTPL's Community Room may be the ideal space for residents to host private events such as birthday parties, fundraising events, business meetings, and other private gatherings during weekend hours when the library will be closed to the public. Fees run from \$150 for a 2-hour rental to \$300 for a 4-hour rental, making this an affordable option for residents seeking a large space to hold a weekend event. More information and the rental application are available on the library's website at www.mtpl.org.

Fall/Winter Middletown Township Public Library Events for Children

Choose Kind! Wonder Event for Ages 4 & up

Date: 11/6 @ 2:30 pm

Based on the bestselling book and upcoming movie, "Wonder" by R.J. Palacio, we'll make some kindness projects and brain-storm to create our own "precepts" or words to live by.

Funny Freckled Frogs: A Nature Storytime with Live Animals for ages 3-5

Date: 11/9 @ 10 am

This program is presented by Monmouth County Park System.

Children's Author Marge Kroh Visits for ages 4-9

Date: 11/11 @ 11 am

Come join us in our cozy quiet reading area to hear author Marge Kroh read her book, "The Missing Little Mitten". If you'd like to bring a pair of mittens for our mitten tree, we'll get them to a local charity for distribution to those less fortunate.

For Teens: College prep programs, AP study groups, creative writing, community service. Check calendar for program info.

Check out all our other great activities for both children and teens at www.mtpl.org.

Fall/Winter Middletown Township Public Library Events for Adults

LOST AMUSEMENT PARKS OF THE NORTH JERSEY SHORE

Date: 11/3/2017 - Time: 2 to 3 PM

Rick Geffken's and George Severini's new book, "Lost Amusement Parks of the North Jersey Shore", brings together rarely seen images from local historical societies, and private collections to document how the Jersey Shore became the most famous vacation and recreational destination in the coastal United States. James Bradley in Asbury Park and William Sandlass Jr. in Highland Beach created mass entertainment for hundreds of thousands of people. Their seaside recreation centers, along with those in Long Branch, Bradley Beach, Pleasure Bay, and others, endured for years but are just fond and fading memories today. Come hear the author describe these parks.

SUPER MUSIC OF THE MOVIES CONCERT

Date: 11/4/2017 - Time: 2 to 3 PM

Super-sized movie music program with renowned violinist David Podles! Showcasing some of the most unforgettable and famous movie themes both American and International spanning the 1940s-1990s, spend some time at the movies with Acclaimed International Concert violinist Dr. David Podles. Hear him evoke the emotional and vibrant melodies that touched so many of us from these brilliant and moving story lines. Some of the movies to be included: "Waterloo Bridge", "The Umbrellas of Cherbourg", "Sunvalley Serenade", "The Godfather", "Doctor Zhivago", "James Bond-007" and "Frantic". Let David bring you right to the heart and soul of each poignant and epic story.

DIY NIGHT: MAKER FOR GROWN-UPS SERIES

Date: 11/8/2017, 12/13/2017

Time: 7 to 8 PM

The Maker Movement is in full effect with DIY projects, crafting, and upcycling. Each month we will tackle a different project and have fun learning something new. The November DIY Night will focus on making holiday wreaths. We will have supplies available for everyone to use. The December DIY Night will focus on making air fresheners and sachets.

Maker Monday: Chemistry Rocks! with "Mrs. McChem"

for ages 7 & up

Date: 11/13 & 12/4 @ 4 pm

Explore, predict, tinker and make. This program will allow young people to develop confidence, creativity and interest in science, technology, engineering, math, arts, and learning as a whole through making. Registration required.

Special Drop-In Craft & Storytime featuring "The Rainbow Fish"

Date: November 15 @ 10 am

MTPL in conjunction with Two River Theater is proud to participate again this year in One Book, One Community featuring "The Rainbow Fish" by Marcus Pfister. To celebrate, we'll have a weeklong craft, storytime and raffle to win tickets to the show at Two River Theater!

TALK SAVES LIVES: AN INTRODUCTION TO SUICIDE PREVENTION

Date: 11/8/2017 - Time: 6:30 to 8 PM

The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, NJ Chapter, will be giving a community-based presentation that covers the general scope of suicide, the research on prevention, and what people can do to fight suicide. Attendees will learn the risk and warning signs of suicide, and how together, we can help prevent it.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS SPEAKER ANNMARIE DEVITO, DIRECTOR

Date: 11/13/2017 - Time: 11 AM to 12 PM

Monmouth County Dept of Consumer Affairs assists the public with any problems they encounter including auto sales, repairs, gift cards, vacation clubs and much more. They enforce the NJ Consumer Fraud Act. Come hear what they do.

CLASSICAL VIOLIN AND PIANO CONCERT

Date: 11/18/2017 - Time: 2 to 3 PM

Returning are Joel DeWitt, violin and Evan Schwartzman, piano playing a repertoire including sonatas of Prokofieff (Opus 80), Aaron Copland, Beethoven, and more.

TRIO FONT S PIANO TRIO CONCERT

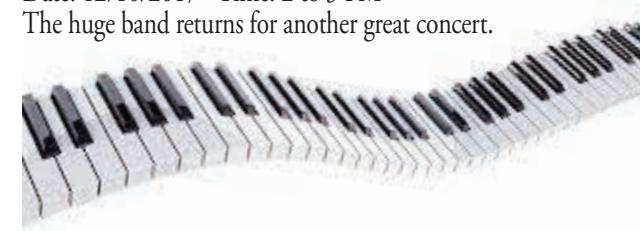
Date: 12/9/2017 - Time: 2 to 3 PM

Trio Font s returns with a whole new repertoire; Arensky, Shostakovich and Pianzzola.

THE BAND OF THE TWO RIVERS HOLIDAY CONCERT

Date: 12/10/2017 - Time: 2 to 3 PM

The huge band returns for another great concert.





Upcoming Events...

36 Church Street
732-706-4100

For more information, visit our website at
www.middletownarts.org

November 3-4
November 12
November 17-19
November 27
December 1
December 2
December 3
December 17
December 21
December 22
December 31
January 13

Premier Theater Company "Nunsense"
Malena Towers Classical Thanksgiving Concert
Constellations Productions "Midsummer's Night Dream"
Instructor's Showcase
Club MAC Elf Party
Miss Deena's Dance Program Holiday Shows
Township Christmas Tree Lighting
Rock n' Roll Chorus Holiday Show
Fairview Fix Community Band Holiday Concert
Club MAC Gingerbread Party
Doodle Dude's "Noon Year's Eve" Bash
Doodle Dude's Birthday Celebration and Exhibit

A Day OFF From School is a DAY ON at the MAC!

When the Middletown Schools are closed, the Middletown Arts Center IS OPEN with fun and enriching arts programming for your children. Our Day Off Camps, featuring the Doodle Dude, Miss Fish and Miss Deena, offer half and full day programs with before and after care available for working parents. Half day programs are \$25 for Members and \$30 for Non-Members. Full-day (9-3) programs are \$50 for Members and \$60 for Non-Members. Upcoming fall "Day Off" dates are November 6-10, December 27, 28, and 29. Call to register.



New Café Opens in the MAC Lobby

Fall is in the air and it smells like coffee!

Café Capri will be offering an easier start to your morning with the best coffee, tea, pastries, bagels, sandwiches and more. Café Capri will be open Monday through Friday from 5:30 am to 1:00 pm for commuter's convenience, with additional hours according to MAC programming and events.

Visit cafecaprinj.com to stay informed on their official launch date and like them on Facebook for upcoming events.

IN THE GALLERY

GARDEN STATE WATERCOLOR SOCIETY

NOVEMBER 6 – JANUARY 6

Volunteer Opportunities Await You at the MAC!

Interested in sharing your time and talents with the community? The Middletown Arts Center seeks volunteers to serve on various committees including a Teen Arts Advisory Council, event volunteers, and office assistants. New Board of Trustees members are also needed. Honor Society community service and Presidential Service Award hours apply. Come join us!

Did you know...?

Many spaces at the MAC are available to rent for your event! Private parties, business training sessions, lectures, and even weddings and fundraisers are possible. Email mobrien@middletownnj.org for an application and rental fees.

Thank You

for supporting the Middletown Arts Center's Tenth Anniversary Celebration. We are so honored and proud to have been able to bring enriching arts programming to the community since the the Middletown Township Cultural & Arts Council was incorporated fifteen years ago! Please congratulate our honorees and community arts champions: Donahue, Gironda, Doria & Tomkins, LLC, the Mater Dei Seraph Players, the Middletown Board of Education, Middletown Township, Rosemarie Peters, Joan and Bob Rechnitz and Judy Zocchi as well as all of the individuals who helped make the Middletown Arts Center the community gem that it is.



Mayor Gerry Scharfenberger received the 2017 M. Claire French Award for Historic Leadership at the Monmouth County Archives and History Day held on October 14th at the Monmouth County Library Headquarters.

From left to right: Monmouth County Freeholder Gary Rich, Monmouth County Sheriff Shaun Golden, Monmouth County Clerk Christine Hanlon, Mayor Gerry Scharfenberger, Freeholder Director Lillian Burry, Monmouth County Surrogate Rosemarie Peters, and Freeholders Serena DiMaso, Thomas Arnone and Deputy Director John Curley.

Photo credit: Michael Colarusso, Monmouth County Public Information.



TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN

Middletown Heritage Tourism wrapped up its 2017 guided walking tours of the Village Historic District with its first evening horse and carriage ride. This sold-out tour visited sites that are among the oldest permanent English and Dutch settlements in New Jersey. In addition to the tour, there was a variety of autumnal activities set up on

the MAC's Great Lawn, including colonial characters making butter, as well as pumpkins and apple cider to get you into the fall spirit.



MIDDLETOWN CELEBRATED THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AWARD-WINNING MIDDLETOWN ARTS CENTER AT AN ELEGANT GALA AT THE MAC ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14TH. DEPUTY MAYOR STEPHANIE MURRAY AND MAYOR GERRY SCHARFENBERGER HONORED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MAGGIE O'BRIEN FOR HER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ARTS OVER THE PAST DECADE.

Middletown Recreation

345 Oak Hill Road, Middletown
732-615-2260
recreation@middletownnj.org

Seasonal Brochures

The Recreation Department publishes seasonal brochures to showcase the various programs and events offered throughout the year. Pick one up at the Recreation Office or visit www.middletownnj.org/recreation.

Registration

Register for programs and classes online at register.communitypass.net/Middletown. No telephone registrations accepted. Fees listed are for residents. Non-residents may register for a higher fee if space permits.

Senior Center



NOVEMBER
BIRTHDAY PARTY
Thursday, November 9,
1:00pm

PRE-THANKSGIVING
COVERED DISH
Friday, November 17,
12:00pm

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING
Thursday, December 7, 1:00pm

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY
Friday, December 8
Shore Casino Restaurant Sign up
by December 1

DECEMBER
BIRTHDAY PARTY
Thursday, December 21,
1:00 pm

PRE-NEW YEAR'S
PARTY
Thursday, December 28, 11:30 am
Sign up by December 21



Poricy Park

345 Oak Hill Rd, Red Bank, (732) 615-2260

Birthday Parties

Looking for a different type of birthday party? Why not come to Poricy Park! Choose from one of our standard party options, or work with our team to create your own personalized party. Call the office for more information.

Rental Equipment

Visitors to the park can stop by the Nature Center and rent equipment to enhance their park experience. Rent a seine and trowel to dig for fossils in our fossil beds. Or, rent a native backpack filled with tools for an enjoyable hike in the park.

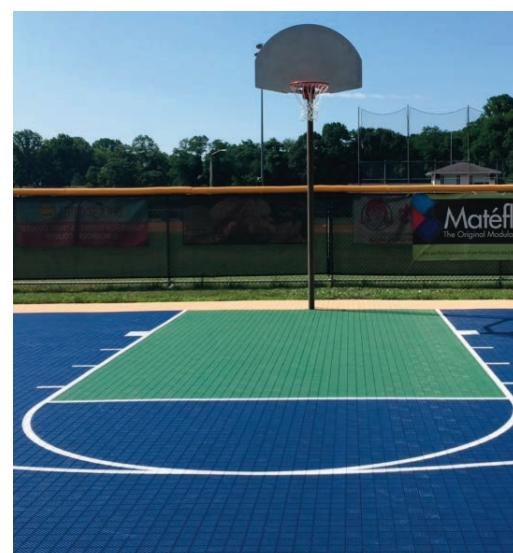
School Trips

Poricy Park is a great place for your next class trip. We offer a variety of fun, hands-on programs in Science, Nature, and History for grades Pre-K through 5th. Our schedule fills up quickly, so call today to make reservations!



Scout Programs

Scout groups -both girls and boys- can complete 90-minute programs. They are scheduled after school or on weekends. Programs fulfill current badge requirements. Specifics can be found online.



Stop by Bodman Park to play on the newly resurfaced basketball courts!

Tonya Keller Community Center

Middletown Preschool

Middletown Preschool is for children, 18 months to Pre-Kindergarten. Age-Appropriate Curriculum Includes: Social Skills, Arts & Crafts, Stories, Music, Numbers, Letters, Shapes, Colors, Science, Sight Words, Writing Skills, Physical Education and Games. All classes run from September through June. The school schedule runs parallel to the Middletown Board of Education schedule. Please be aware, the age of your child on October 1, 2017 will determine which class he/she will be registered. Rolling admissions available.

Young Toddlers

Mondays, 9:30 - 11:30am
Age 18-35 months with parent.
Fee \$65.00 per month, \$650/program

PreK3

Tues, Wed, & Thurs, 9:30am -12:00pm
Fee \$215.00 per month, \$2150/program

PreK4

Mon, Tues, Wed, & Thurs, 9:00am -12:00pm
Fee \$275.00 per month, \$2750/program

Preschool Playdates

Preschool Playdates features fine and gross motor skill development, arts and crafts, storytelling and art projects. Along with indoor and outdoor play, we create a fun, relaxed atmosphere where children can...PLAY! Preschool Playdates enables parents with children already enrolled in our Just for Toddlers an extended day option. For those children not currently enrolled in our preschool, the Playdates group enables your child to have a playdate! The emphasis of this program is to build upon the cognitive, social and creative mind!

Mon, Tues, Wed, & Thurs, 12:00pm - 2:00pm
Fee: \$175/session *Children must be 3 by October 1st

Adult Programs

The following are held at the Croydon Hall Gym.

Indoor Co-Ed Volleyball

Tuesday 7:30-9:30
Age 18 and older. Ongoing 12-week sessions.
Fee \$48.00 Weekly Drop-in fee: \$5.00

Yoga

Tuesday 7:00-8:30pm
Age 18 and older. Ongoing 8-week sessions.
Fee \$60.00

Youth Programs

Karate

Saturday 10:00-11:00am. 6-week program.
Ages 4-14. Class held at Amato's Karate, 589 Palmer Ave.
Uniform required and can be purchased at Amato's Karate.
Fee: \$30.00 (Does not include uniform)



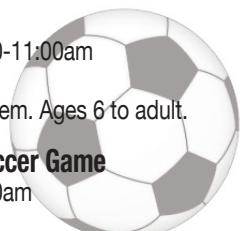
Special Events

Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular

Friday, November 24
10:00am show (8:00am ferry)
Belford Ferry Terminal, 10 Harbor Way
Fees: Orch/1st Mezz - \$115 Adult/\$85 Child (under 12yo) OR
2nd Mezz - \$95 Adult/\$65 Child (under 12yo)

Turkey Soccer Shootout

Saturday, November 18, 10:00-11:00am
Croydon Turf Field
Fee: \$5.00 + non-perishable item. Ages 6 to adult.



North vs. South Alumni Soccer Game

Saturday, November 18, 11:30am
Croydon Turf Field
Interested in playing? Email recreation@middletownnj.org.

COMMUNITY SCIENCE: ELECTRICITY!

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 3:00PM
PORICY PARK
FEE: AGES 3-12 \$3; 13+ \$5

Visit the Special Events section of Recreation's webpage for specific details and more events. Fees listed are for residents; non-resident fees apply. [Middletownnj.org/events](http://middletownnj.org/events)



Santa Ferry Ride

Saturday, December 2, Belford Ferry Terminal
Fees: General (ages 1+): \$17 / Infants (ages -1): \$5
Tickets must be purchased in person

Christmas Tree Lighting

Sunday, December 3, 5:00-8:00pm
Middletown Arts Center, 36 Church St., Middletown
Fees: Free!

9th Annual Dodgeball Tournament & Toy Drive

Saturday, December 9 - start times vary by division
Croydon Hall Gym, 900 Leonardville Rd., Leonardo
Co-Sponsor: Middletown Social Services. Pre-Registration required.
Fee: \$50 per team, plus one unwrapped toy per player
Adult teams wanted!

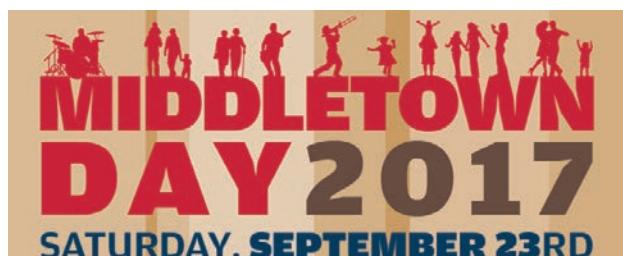
Holiday House Light Decorating Contest

Help Middletown get in the holiday spirit by
decorating your house! All residents are
welcome to enter. Entry forms
and decorated houses
must be submitted by
December 6th.



COMMUNITY SCIENCE: MICROSCOPE WORLD!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 3:00PM
PORICY PARK
FEE: AGES 3-12 \$3; 13+ \$5



More than 12,000 people came out to celebrate Middletown Day this year. Special thanks to our amazing sponsors for fully-funding this fun and festive event!



Middletown Day sponsor with Police Chief Craig Weber, Deputy Mayor Stephanie Murray, Recreation Director Janet Dellett and Executive Director of the Middletown Arts Center, Maggie O'Brien.

Thank you to our Middletown Day Sponsors

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FRIENDS

Beacon Awards & Signs • Dunkin' Donuts of Lincroft • Prown's Windows & Doors • Sebastians Hair-em & Day Spa • Zeek's Tees

RECYCLING

Recycling Is Mandatory!

Recyclables must be separated from garbage. Garbage that includes recyclables will not be collected. Violators may be fined. Recyclable items may NOT be placed in plastic bags! Visit www.middletownnj.org/recycling for information.

Recyclable Material	Accepted:	ACCEPTED:			
		RECYCLING			CURBSIDE GARBAGE COLLECTION
		CURBSIDE (single stream) RECYCLING COLLECTION	KANES LANE RECYCLING CENTER (52 Kanes Ln) Thur-Mon 8:30 AM-4:30 PM (Closed Tues & Wed)	TRAIN STATION RECYCLING AREA	
APPLIANCES	A/C Units	✓ (\$25)*	✓ (\$10)	NO	NO
	Refrigerators	✓ (\$25)*	✓ (\$10)	NO	NO
	Stoves	✓ (\$20)*	✓	NO	NO
	Washer/Dryer	✓ (\$20)*	✓	NO	NO
CARDBOARD	Cardboard (broken down)	✓ (In garbage can)	✓	NO	NO
	Food-based cardboard (pizza boxes)	NO	NO	NO	✓
ELECTRONICS	Computers/monitors/laptop	NO	✓	NO	NO
	DVD Players/Stereos/VCRs	NO	✓	NO	NO
	Printers/Tel/Fax/Copiers	NO	✓	NO	NO
	Television	✓ (\$20)*	✓ (limit of 2)	NO	NO
GLASS	Bottles/Jars	✓	✓	✓	NO
	Ceramics/Dishware**	NO	NO	NO	NO
	Lightbulbs**	NO	NO	NO	✓
	Windows***	NO	NO	NO	NO
PLASTICS	Containers (#1, 2, 5 symbol)	✓	✓	✓	NO
	Containers (#3, 4, 6 symbol)	NO	NO	NO	✓
	Buckets/Storage Bins	NO	✓	NO	NO
	Kid's Toys/Play Equipment	NO	✓	NO	NO
	Coolers/Trash Receptacles	NO	✓	NO	NO
METALS	Aluminum/Tin/Steel Cans	✓	✓	✓	NO
	Aluminum Foil/Trays/Pie Tin	NO	NO	NO	✓
	Metal Hangers	NO	✓	NO	NO
	Scrap Metal	NO	✓	NO	NO
ALL PAPER	Ads/Catalogs/Magazines	✓	✓	NO	NO
	Cereal Box/Br Paper Bags	✓	✓	NO	NO
	Copy/Fax/Office Paper	✓	✓	NO	NO
	Envelopes	✓	✓	NO	NO
	Soft Cover Books	✓	✓	NO	NO
	Hardcover Books	✓ (no cover/binder)	✓ (no cover/binder)	NO	NO
	Non-Metallic Wrapping Paper	✓	✓	NO	NO
	Paper Cups/Plates/Food Wrappers	NO	NO	NO	✓
	Newspaper (clean)	✓	✓	NO	NO
	Newspaper used for Pet Waste/ Projects	NO	NO	NO	✓
MISCELLANEOUS	Aerosol Cans	NO	NO	NO	✓
	Batteries – household	NO	NO	NO	✓
	Batteries - car	NO	✓	NO	NO
	Batteries – rechargeable**	NO	NO	NO	NO
	Bowling & Golf Balls	NO	NO	NO	✓
	Construction Material***	NO	NO	NO	NO
	Metal Fence Posts (w/o concrete)	NO	✓	NO	NO
	Motor Oil	NO	✓	NO	NO
	Grass Clipping/Tree Stump**	NO	NO	NO	NO
	Latex Paint, lid off (dried)	NO	NO	NO	✓
	Plastic Hangers	NO	NO	NO	✓
	PVC piping	NO	NO	NO	✓
	Rubber Products (hoses)	NO	NO	NO	✓
	Tires – Automobile (< 17" Rim)	NO	✓ (\$2 off rim/\$3 rim on)	NO	NO
	Tires – Pick-up Trucks/SUV	NO	✓ (\$7, off rim only)	NO	NO
	Propane Tanks	NO	✓	NO	NO
	Vinyl Products (manageable size)	NO	NO	NO	✓

*Must be scheduled and paid for prior to pick up.

**Accepted at home improvement and electronic stores. Visit www.Call2Recycle.org for more information.

***Contact the Monmouth County Landfill at 732-683-8686 for disposal.

Township Directory

Police, Fire & Rescue
Emergencies

Dial 9-1-1

Police Department
Non-Emergency

615-2100

Municipal Offices

(All numbers have a 732 area code)

Main Number 615-2000

Animal Control 615-2097

(Monday - Friday, 8am- 5pm)

Animal Control 615-2100

(holidays, nights & weekends)

Building & Inspections 615-2106

Community Development 615-2281

Court Administrator 615-2036

Code Enforcement 615-2106

Crossroads 615-2269

(substance abuse services)

Emergency Management 615-2129

EMS (First Aid) 615-2252

Fire Prevention 615-2270

Health 615-2095

Library 671-3700

Mayor's Office 615-2024

Middletown Arts Center 706-4100

Planning 615-2098

Public Works 615-2109

Public Information 615-2287

Recreation 615-2260

Recycling 615-2008

Senior Center 615-2265

Tax Assessor 615-2089

Tax Collector 615-2086

Township Administrator 615-2013

Township Engineer 615-2110

Township Clerk 615-2015

(elections, marriage/birth/death records,
parking permits, passport services,
voter registration, Twp. Committee agenda)

Social Services 615-2085

Zoning 615-2278

Other Important Numbers

Board of Education 671-3850

Sewerage Authority 495-1010

Comcast Cable 20

Verizon FiOS Channel 26

Emergency Radio 1620 AM

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