

Middletown Minutes

Official Township E-Newsletter



Middletown Officially Opens New Dog Park



Members of our Township Committee and Administration, DPW, and Recreation departments were excited to open the gates to the new dog park!

Last weekend, our community celebrated the official grand opening of the Middletown Dog Park! Located at Tindall Park, this new facility has agility courses for dogs to enjoy and is divided into two separate fenced-in areas: one for small dogs and one for large dogs. There are also benches for dog owners, leash holders, and water fountains for both people and dogs. It was a paw-some day filled with local vendors, treats, giveaways, and fun!

Visit www.middletownnj.org/dogpark for more information about the park.

Catch up on Township Happenings in



"Minute with the Mayor" Segment

In the latest episode of "Minute with the Mayor," Mayor Tony Perry talks about the Middletown Dog Park's grand opening and discusses the Township's plans to restore the Dempsey House without compromising its historic integrity.

Click [HERE](#) to watch the episode.

Deep Cut Gardens
Photo by Walter Johnson

MIDDLETOWN MATTERS SPRING 2024



READ THE LATEST ISSUE OF THE TOWNSHIP'S OFFICIAL NEWS PUBLICATION:

WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/MATTERS.



Watch the Monday, April 8th Township Committee Meeting

Click [HERE](#) to watch the meeting on the Township's YouTube channel or catch it on our TV channel (Verizon FiOS Channel 26/Comcast Cable Channel 20) every night at 5:00 PM and 8:30 PM through Sunday, April 21st.

**New Jersey American Water's
Temporary Scheduled Water
Treatment Change to End in**

Monmouth County



On the week of April 15th, New Jersey American Water (NJAW) will resume using chloramines in water treatment at its Swimming River Water Treatment Plant in Colts Neck and its Jumping Brook Water Treatment Plant in Neptune. These plants serve New Jersey American Water customers in Monmouth and Ocean counties.

In mid-February, as part of an annual routine maintenance program for its water distribution system, NJAW temporarily changed the water treatment process from a chloramine (combination) residual to free chlorine residual.

Click [HERE](#) to read NJAW's full press release.

Check Out DPW's Schedule for Upcoming Road Pavement Restoration



UPCOMING ROAD PAVEMENT RESTORATION



The following roads will be paved from Tuesday, 4/16 through Monday, 4/22:	The following roads will be paved from Tuesday, 4/23 through Monday, 4/29:
Lind Dr. Fairview Dr. Chanceville Pl. Hedden Pl. Volt Pl.	Apple Farm Rd. Brook Rd. Rutledge Dr. Corn Ln. Hamiltonian Dr. Minton Ct.

Residents directly impacted will be notified by the contractor in advance. Visit www.middletownnj.org/roads for information about the contractors and areas of work.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/roads for more information.

Make Every Day Earth Day

Help keep New Jersey
clean and looking good!

Participate in a litter cleanup event
or pick up litter on your own and
make a difference for your
community and the environment.

For information about litter Cleanup
events, visit www.njclean.org or
contact your local Clean
Communities Coordinator,
Environmental Commission or
"green" Team.

Photo courtesy of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

With Earth Day (Monday, April 22nd) less than two weeks away, we would like to remind residents about the importance of taking care of our planet and treating every day like Earth Day.

Stay on the lookout for upcoming volunteer opportunities and check out the [Middletown Green Team](#) and [Middletown Clean Communities Program](#)!



Middletown's Office of Emergency Management Shares Earthquake Safety Tips

Following New Jersey's recent 4.8 magnitude earthquake and aftershocks, the Middletown Office of Emergency Management encourages the community to review the following safety tips from the United States Geological Survey (USGS):

- If you are **INDOORS** -- **STAY THERE!** Get under a desk or table and hang on to it (**Drop, Cover, and Hold on!**) or move into a hallway or against an inside wall. **STAY CLEAR** of windows, fireplaces, and heavy furniture or appliances. **GET OUT** of the kitchen, which is a dangerous place (things can fall on you). **DON'T** run downstairs or rush outside while the building is shaking or while there is danger of falling and hurting yourself or being hit by falling glass or debris.
- If you are **OUTSIDE** -- get into the **OPEN**, away from buildings, power lines, chimneys, and anything else that might fall on you.
- If you are **DRIVING** -- stop, but carefully. Move your car as far out of traffic as possible. **DO NOT** stop on or under a bridge or overpass or under trees, light posts, power lines, or signs. **STAY INSIDE** your car until the shaking stops. When you **RESUME** driving, watch for breaks in the pavement, fallen rocks, and bumps in the road at bridge approaches.
- If you are in a **MOUNTAINOUS AREA** -- watch out for falling rock, landslides, trees, and other debris that could be loosened by quakes.
- If you are near the **OCEAN** - see [these safety rules](#) from NOAA's Tsunami Warning Center.

Click [HERE](#) for more resources from the USGS.



April is Autism Awareness Month. In recognition of this month-long celebration, the Middletown Township Police Department (MTPD) is participating in the Blue Envelope Program which was developed to assist drivers with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and police officers working with them during a traffic stop. The Blue Envelope helps drivers with organizing their documentation and provides tips and education for officers on how to best assist someone with ASD.

Blue Envelopes are available at the Police Desk window, located at the front entrance of the Middletown Township Police Department Headquarters (1 Kings Highway). The Police Desk window is open 24/7. Enclosed in the Blue Envelope is an emergency contact form. The Blue Envelope Program is sponsored by the Monmouth County Police Chiefs Association.

Click [HERE](#) to see an example of the Blue Envelope.

Get on Middletown Recreation's Summer Camp Waitlist!



The poster for Summer Camps '24 features a blue and yellow color scheme. At the top, the Middletown Recreation logo is displayed. The title "SUMMER CAMPS '24" is in large, bold, yellow and white letters. Below the title, two photographs show children participating in outdoor activities: one group is fishing in a pond, and another group is standing on a wooden bridge. To the right of the photos, the registration information is listed: "Registration begins: MARCH 1ST (R) MARCH 8TH (NR) 10AM ON COMMUNITY PASS". Below this, the text "TRADITIONAL CAMPS" is written in large green letters. A blue starburst graphic on the left says "WEEKLY CAMPS JULY 1 TO AUG 9". On the right, a list of camps is provided: "TONYA KELLER PIONEERS PREK", "CROYDON HALL CAMPS K-6TH GRADE", "PORICY PARK SCIENCE CAMPS PREK-6TH GRADE", and "TRAIL BLAZERS TRAVEL CAMP 7TH-9TH GRADE". Decorative elements include a green frog, a soccer ball, and a basketball.

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MARCH 8TH (NR)
10AM ON COMMUNITY PASS

TRADITIONAL CAMPS

WEEKLY CAMPS JULY 1 TO AUG 9

TONYA KELLER PIONEERS
PREK

CROYDON HALL CAMPS
K-6TH GRADE

PORICY PARK SCIENCE CAMPS
PREK-6TH GRADE

TRAIL BLAZERS TRAVEL CAMP
7TH-9TH GRADE

the best days are spent at CAMP

Join Middletown Recreation for a summer of fun! Get on waitlists for the best chance to get accepted into sold-out weeks.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/camp for more information about summer camp.

Looking for a Job? Apply for Middletown Recreation's

Summer Camp Open Positions!

A colorful graphic for Summer Camp Open Positions. At the top, the Middletown Recreation logo is shown. The main text 'WE'RE HIRING' is in large, bold, yellow letters. To the right is a red megaphone with yellow lightning bolts. Below the main text, it says 'Have a fun summer while earning money. APPLY ONLINE TODAY! Must be 15 years or older'. In the center, 'OPEN POSITIONS' is written in large green letters. To the left, a blue starburst says 'CAMP RUNS JULY 1 TO AUG 9'. To the right, two photos show campers and staff. The top photo shows a group of campers and staff on a wooden platform. The bottom photo shows a group of campers and staff standing in front of a building. Below the photos, a yellow box lists the positions and pay: 'CAMP COUNSELOR \$15/HOUR', 'CAMP COORDINATOR \$20/HOUR', and 'CAMP EMTS \$15/HOUR'. At the bottom right, there is a small graphic with the text 'the best days are spent at CAMP'.

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OPEN POSITIONS

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CAMP EMTS \$15/HOUR

the best days are spent at CAMP

Middletown Recreation is now hiring counselors, aides, and EMTs for Summer Camp 2024! Applicants must be 15+ years old by the start of camp.

Click [HERE](#) for job descriptions and information about the application process.

Participate in 2024 Master Plan Ideas Wall By Friday, 5/31



MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP MASTER PLAN UPDATE

IDEAS WALL - POST YOUR IDEAS!

*What is your vision for
Middletown in the next
10 years and beyond?*



Land Use,
Zoning, &
Development



Transportation



Parks, Open
Space, and
Community
Facilities



Environment &
Resiliency



Historic &
Cultural
Resources



Housing


Participate in the Middletown Master Plan "Ideas Wall," an online tool to gather input from the community that will help shape the plan and future of our Township.

Share your ideas and see what others have said on the Ideas Wall! What do you like about Middletown and where do you see potential for improvements?

To access the Ideas Wall, visit:
middletownnj.org/mpideas

We encourage you to visit www.middletownnj.org/mpideas to participate in our virtual "Ideas Wall" to help shape the future of our town. The wall will be live until Friday, May 31st so please share your thoughts.

Check Out DPW's Spring 2024 Brush Collection Schedule



MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS & ENGINEERING
52 KANES LANE
MIDDLETOWN, NJ 07748

PRESORTED STANDARD
US POSTAGE PAID
RED BANK, NJ
PERMIT NO. 652
ECRWSS

POSTAL CUSTOMER

SPRING 2024 BRUSH COLLECTION SCHEDULE

*COLLECTION START DATES ARE APPROXIMATE AND WEATHER-DEPENDENT.

COLLECTION ZONE <small>TO FIND YOUR BRUSH COLLECTION ZONE, VISIT WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/ZONEMAP.</small>	START DATE <small>PLEASE HAVE YOUR BRUSH AT THE CURB BY THIS DATE.</small>	COLLECTION RANGE <small>BRUSH MAY BE COLLECTED AT ANY POINT DURING THIS DATE RANGE. DO NOT PLACE BRUSH OUT AT THE CURB AFTER YOUR START DATE.</small>
A,B,C,D	MARCH 25	MARCH 25-APRIL 8
J,L	APRIL 8	APRIL 8-APRIL 22
F,H	APRIL 22	APRIL 22-MAY 6
I,K	MAY 6	MAY 6-MAY 20
E,G	MAY 20	MAY 20-JUNE 3

RESIDENTS MAY BRING BRUSH AND LEAVES TO THE MIDDLETOWN RECYCLING CENTER (52 KANES LANE) FREE OF CHARGE.
BRUSH IS ACCEPTED YEAR-ROUND AND LEAVES CAN BE DROPPED OFF BETWEEN NOVEMBER 1ST - JUNE 1ST.
BRUSH AND LEAF DROPOFF BY LANDSCAPERS IS CURRENTLY SUSPENDED.

VISIT WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/COLLECTION FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/brush for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun.

Mon.

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Register for MTPL's Nature Explorers Program at
Huber Woods Park Happening Monday, 4/15 at 10 AM

NATURE EXPLORERS AT HUBER WOODS PARK



**Monday, April 15 at 10am
for Grades PreK-K**

Registration Required at mtpl.org.



MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY
55 New Monmouth Road Middletown, NJ 07748
Phone: 732-671-3700 • www.mtpl.org



Now that renovations have begun at the Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL), the MTPL is partnering with the Monmouth County Parks System for a program at Huber Woods Park (25 Browns Dock Road, Locust) for patrons to discover the wonders of nature!

During this program, children will be introduced to the simple aspects of our natural world through a craft, guided nature walk, and live animal program. Space is limited and registration is required for each child within the PreK-K age range. Adults do not need to register since they are expected to accompany their child.

Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register.

**Register for MTPL's Poetry Writing & Reading Workshop
Happening Tuesday, 4/16 at 6:30 PM**

Poetry Writing & Reading Workshop

with instructor Frank Valentino of



Tuesday, April 16 at 6:30 pm
The Community Room



**Registration is required at mtpl.org
as space is limited to 15 people.**

April is National Poetry Month! Celebrate this initiative by attending the MTPL's Poetry Writing & Reading Workshop with instructor Frank Valentino of local nonprofit Art for Sea. Come to the MTPL's Community Room (55 New Monmouth Road) to enjoy the creative art form of writing and letting your words find a place in a poem. Registration is required since the program is limited to 15 people.

Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register.

Attend Middletown Preschool's Children Art Show & Open House on Wednesday, 4/24 at 5 PM

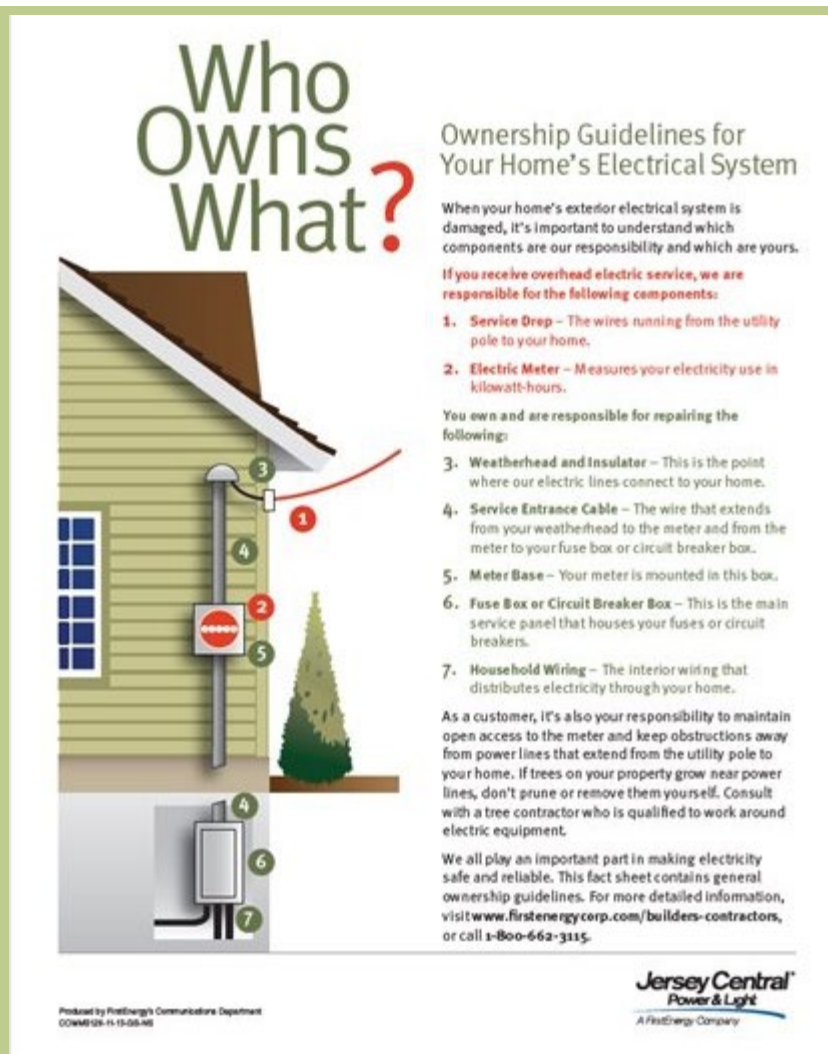


Join Middletown Preschool (50 Bray Avenue) for a Children's Art Show & Open House! Enjoy artwork, learn about the preschool, and get information about classes. Registration for the 2024-25 school year is open and filling quickly!

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

RESOURCES

**JCP&L's Ownership Guidelines for Your Home's
Electrical System**

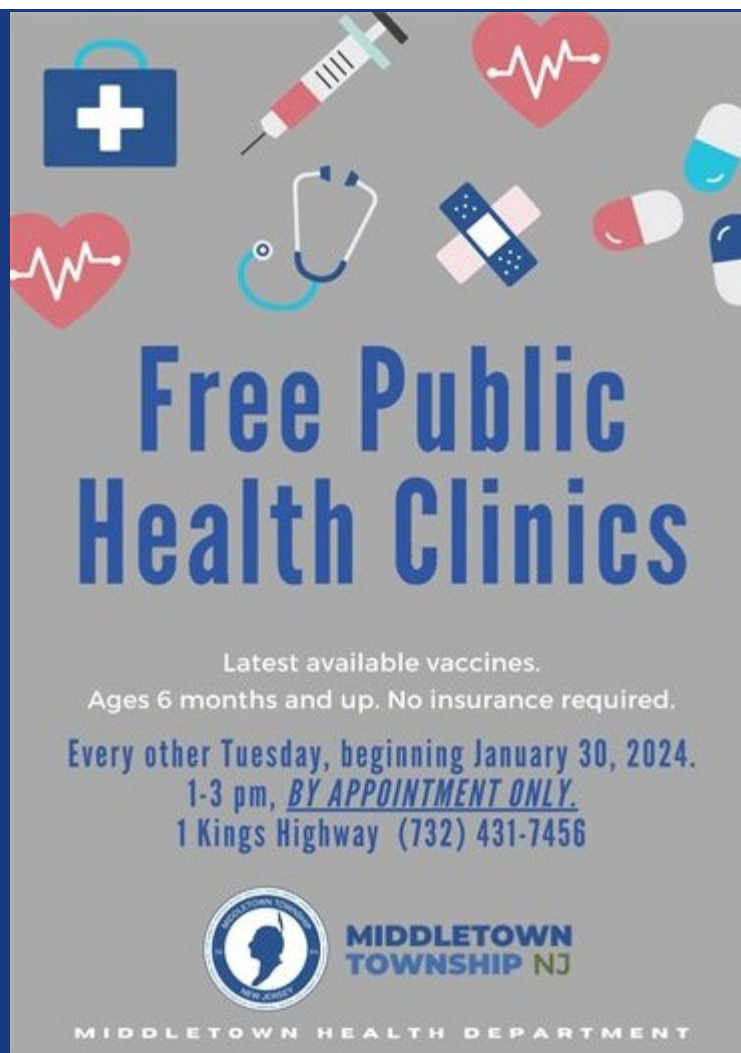


[Click on the graphic to view it in a larger PDF format.](#)

Jersey Central Power & Light (JCP&L) reminds customers that they need to be aware of individual outages to their homes that may require an electrician and inspection before service can be restored. The photo above provides information that helps explain what equipment customers may need an electrician to address before restoration can be completed.

Click [HERE](#) for more information about JCP&L.

Make an Appointment for Middletown Health Department & Monmouth County's Free Vaccine Clinics



The next clinic is on Tuesday, April 23rd.

Clinics are available by appointment only, so please call 732-431-7456 if you would like to make one. Patients under the age of 18 need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Patients are NOT required to have insurance or bring their immunization records.

Register for Middletown's Emergency Alerts & Updates

REGISTER FOR ALERTS: BE IN THE KNOW WITH

Three ways to get emergency notifications, such as severe weather updates, from Middletown Township:

- Text your zip code to 888-777
- Visit www.middletownnj.org/nixle to register for/customize notifications
- Download the Everbridge Nixle mobile app on Apple Store or Google Play to receive/manage notifications and limit text messages



Less urgent messages will be delivered to your email address on file. If it isn't on file, text your email address to 888-777 or download the mobile app.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/nixle to register for Nixle.

Monmouth County Introduces Monmouth ACTS Navigation System

Monmouth ACTS Navigation System

Warm Line: 732-683-8959



The Navigation System offers residents a comprehensive and accessible way to connect with resources in the Monmouth County area.

This tool provides easier access to services including :

-  Mental Health
-  Food
-  Housing
-  Substance Use
-  More



Monmouth County has recently launched the Monmouth ACTS Navigation System – an easy way for residents to find and access appropriate services in Monmouth County to meet their needs. Created as part of Monmouth County's Department of Human Services, the Navigation System will serve as one point of entry for residents to be connected to any human service provider in the County without needing to make multiple calls and needing to tell their story again and again.

Call the Warm Line at 732-683-8959 to reach countless service providers and visit www.monmouthacts.org/navigation-system for more information.

Report Your Missed Trash, Recycling, or Bulk Collection to DPW

**WAS YOUR TRASH, RECYCLING,
OR BULK NOT COLLECTED?**

LET DPW KNOW!



Please complete an online form at
www.middletownnj.org/missedpickup.

QUESTIONS?

Please call DPW at
732-615-2090.

THANK YOU!



We encourage you to complete a form at www.middletownnj.org/missedpickup if your trash, recycling, or bulk was not collected.

Please call DPW at 732-615-2090 if you have any questions.

Click [HERE](#) to complete DPW's form.

REPORT A CONCERN

Visit www.middletownnj.org/reportaconcern to notify the Township about matters such as property and/or road conditions, traffic safety, and others.

Citizen Request Tracker™

Use Citizen Request Tracker™ to report your concerns.
In the event of an emergency or urgent matter, please do not use this form. Call 911 for emergencies.

[Log in to check on existing requests](#)

Building & Code Enforcement 5 Forms

>> Animal Control & Pet Licenses	>> Permits and Inspections
>> Autos Parked On Grass - Juried - Unregistered - Commercial	>> Property Conditions
>> Nuisance Lot/Signs	

Police Department 1 Form

>> Police & Traffic	
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Public Works & Engineering 11 Forms

>> Curbside Brush Collection (Road Maint. Division)	>> Road Conditions (Road Maint. Division)
>> Curbside Leaf Collection (Recycling Division)	>> Signs (Road Maint. Division)
>> Driveway (Road Maint. Division)	>> Snow Removal (Road Maint. Division)
>> Engineering	>> Township Buildings
>> Park & Grounds Maintenance	>> Trees (Road Maint. Division)
>> Potholes (Road Maint. Division)	

Recreation 1 Form

You will need an account to log in. If you don't have an account, it only takes a few minutes to create one.



**Know Someone with a Disability?
Make Sure They Register with NJ
Register Ready!**

Middletown's Office of Emergency Management encourages residents with disabilities to register with NJ Register Ready. This free program is designed to assist first responders and emergency planners in identifying community members who may need assistance evacuating in advance of an emergency.

For more information about the program and the three ways you can register, visit www.middletownnj.org/oem.

Click [HERE](#) to access hi-res photos from this e-newsletter.



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