



## Community and MTPD Strengthen Bond at National Night Out



*All photos courtesy of Sarah Finnerty, Middletown Recreation and Detective Ric Cruz, MTPD*



Despite the rain, residents turned out big time to support the Middletown Township Police Department (MTPD) and PBA Local 124 on Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> to recognize the Township's 7<sup>th</sup> National Night Out. The event was successfully moved indoors to the bubble at Middletown High School North.

National Night Out is an annual police-community building campaign that is celebrated across thousands of communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, and military bases worldwide to promote neighborhood safety and unity. Township Committee members, County law enforcement, and local businesses and organizations were able to connect with the community while residents of all ages enjoyed fun activities like inflatables and games, K9 photos, checking out police vehicles and drone units, face painting, playing with the puppies, kittens, and a

miniature horse, as well as grabbing a bite from the food trucks.

Thank you to the MTPD for doing a fantastic job with this fun, family-friendly event year after year!

*Click [HERE](#) to see more photos from the event.*



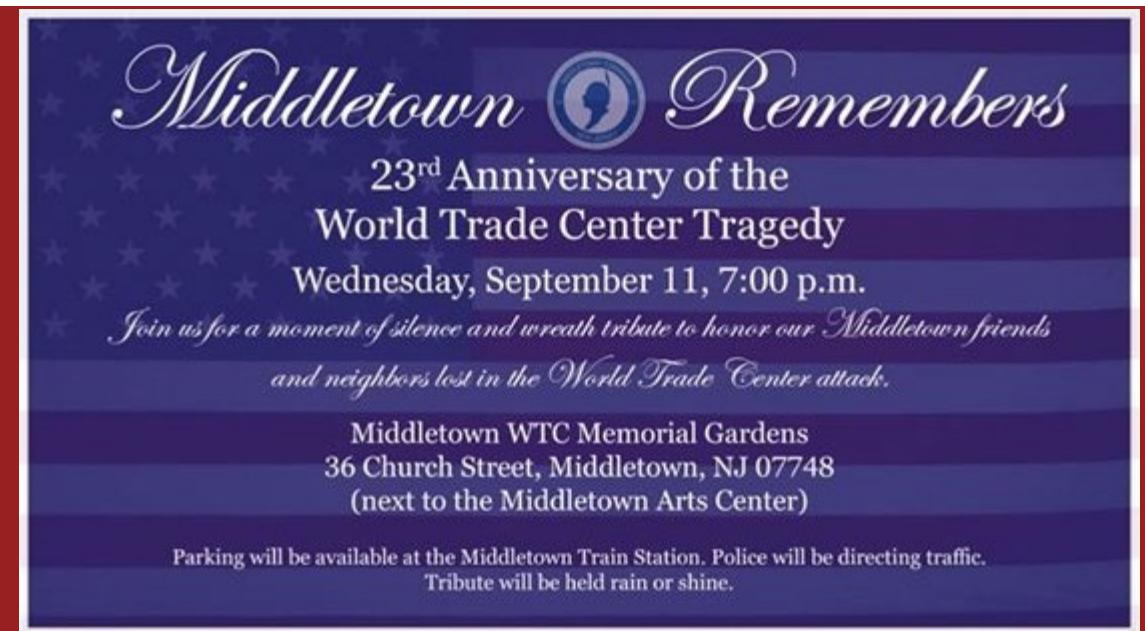
Join Mayor Tony Perry for an inspiring conversation with Kevin Higgins, the visionary behind Stonefitt Performance and Fit Sips, as he shares his journey of turning a passion into thriving businesses and how he's making a difference in our community.

Then, discover the fascinating story behind the USS New Jersey (SSN 796), New Jersey's third named naval vessel. Peter Engelman, Chairman of the USS New Jersey Commissioning Committee, discusses the submarine's commissioning ceremony that will take place in September at U.S. Naval Weapons Station Earle in Middletown and how the community can help welcome the sailors.

*Click [HERE](#) to listen to the episode.*

**Middletown Remembers: 23<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Memorial Service on Wednesday, 9/11 at 7:00 PM**

*Middletown Remembers*



23<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of the  
World Trade Center Tragedy  
Wednesday, September 11, 7:00 p.m.

*Join us for a moment of silence and wreath tribute to honor our Middletown friends and neighbors lost in the World Trade Center attack.*

Middletown WTC Memorial Gardens  
36 Church Street, Middletown, NJ 07748  
(next to the Middletown Arts Center)

Parking will be available at the Middletown Train Station. Police will be directing traffic.  
Tribute will be held rain or shine.



## MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP MASTER PLAN UPDATE

### PUBLIC SURVEY #2 SHARE YOUR FEEDBACK ON DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS

Your feedback will help the project team refine recommendations and content in the final Master Plan update.

*Draft Elements include:*

- Land use
- Circulation & Mobility
- Utilities
- Community Facilities
- Open Space and Recreation
- Historic Preservation
- Economic Development
- Green Building and Sustainability

To access the Master Plan Public Survey #2, visit:  
[middletownnj.org/mpsurvey](http://middletownnj.org/mpsurvey)

Middletown Township is preparing a comprehensive Master Plan update to serve as a roadmap to guide the future planning of the Township! For more information about the process, please view the [project website](#).

**Draft recommendations were presented at a Public Workshop on June 12<sup>th</sup>. To view the draft recommendations before taking the survey, click [HERE](#).**

*Click [HERE](#) to complete the survey.*

## **Port Monmouth Flood Control Project Continues with Pile Driving for Floodwall**



The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (USACE) Port Monmouth Flood Control Project continues along Main Street. The current phase of the project includes pile driving for a floodwall that will run from the recently built levee to a new road closure gate at Broadway.

Any questions or concerns regarding the work can be directed to USACE Project Manager Dave Gentile at [David.T.Gentile@usace.army.mil](mailto:David.T.Gentile@usace.army.mil).

**Learn About Floodplain Management Resources on  
*Talk of the Town***



Since hurricane season is in full swing, floodplain management should be top of mind. *Talk of the Town* host Tara Berson interviews Middletown Township's Municipal Floodplain Manager Stacy Krause about flooding in our area, how to find out your base flood elevation, and where to access helpful resources.

***Click [HERE](#) to watch the episode on YouTube. You can also watch it on Middletown TV (Verizon FiOS Channel 26/Comcast Cable Channel 20) daily at 11:30 AM, 12:00 PM, 1:30 PM, and 11:00 PM. The station also streams from [middletownnj.org/tv](http://middletownnj.org/tv).***



**Listen to Local County Tales at "Stories 'Round the Campfire" on Sunday, 8/18 at 7:30 PM**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 18 | 7:30-8:30 PM  
MIDDLETOWN ARTS CENTER LAWN  
36 CHURCH STREET**

Middletown Township and Sand Hill Indian Historical Association invite you to an evening of listening to local county tales under the moonlight.

Please bring your own lawn chair and blanket so you can sit and relax as you enjoy smores and stories about Middletown's history!



**Stories 'Round the  
CAMPFIRE**



**In July 2026, the United States will mark its 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence – and Middletown is preparing to celebrate in a monumental way! The Township's America 250 Committee has already started planning thoughtful ways to commemorate this historic milestone.**

**Middletown Recreation and the Sand Hill Indian Historical Association are partnering to host the first official America 250 event, Stories 'Round the Campfire, on Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup>. The event will take place at 7:30 PM at the Middletown Arts Center's lawn, located at 36 Church Street!**

**We encourage everyone to join us for this free event as we dig deep into our community's rich history. Bring your own lawn chair or blanket and make s'mores while listening to local county tales under the moonlight just like Native American tribes used to do many centuries ago.**

***For more information, please visit [www.middletownnj.org/america250](http://www.middletownnj.org/america250).***

**Middletown Day is on Saturday, 9/28 from 1:00-6:00 PM:  
Fireworks at 7:30 PM!**



**MIDDLETOWN DAY 2024**

**FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!**

- Live Music
- Food Trucks
- Arts & Crafts Vendors
- Petting Zoo & Hay Rides
- Inflatables & Games
- First Responder Vehicles
- Pirate Ship Show
- Car Show & More!

**7:30pm FIREWORKS!**

**Saturday, September 28th**  
**Croydon Hall 1pm-6pm**  
**6pm-7:30pm "Tramps Like Us" Bruce Tribute Band**  
**[middletownnj.org/middletownday](http://middletownnj.org/middletownday)**

Middletown Recreation is excited to announce that Middletown Day will be returning on Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-6:00 PM at Croydon Hall (900 Leonardville Road). Enjoy food trucks, live music, local businesses and crafters, touch-a-trucks, children's entertainment, inflatables, and so much more!

New this year, there will be fireworks at 7:30 PM! Join us beforehand for "Tramps Like Us" – NJ's #1 Bruce Springsteen Tribute Band from 6:00-7:30 PM. Please bring your own blankets and chairs. Sponsorship and vendor spots are still available, so apply today!

Visit [www.middletownnj.org/middletownday](http://www.middletownnj.org/middletownday) for more information.

**Tindall Park Tennis and Pickleball Courts Are Closed  
Through August**



Middletown Recreation would like to inform the community that the Tindall Park tennis and pickleball courts will be closed for renovations through August. These updates are necessary to ensure that the facilities remain safe, functional, and enjoyable for everyone.

*Click [HERE](#) for more information.*



Visit [www.middletownnj.org/nixle](http://www.middletownnj.org/nixle), text your zip code to 888-777, or download the Everbridge Nixle mobile app to sign up for the Township's emergency notifications, which include alerts about road detours and closures.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun. Mon. Tue. Wed. Thu. Fri. Sat.

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**Enjoy Beatles Tribute Band THE WEEKLINGS at the Middletown Arts Center on Tuesday, 8/13 at 7:00 PM**



*Event is sponsored by Middletown Recreation and the Middletown Arts Center.*

As part of Middletown's free Summer Concert Series, head to the Middletown Arts Center (36 Church Street) on Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> to listen to THE WEEKLINGS, America's most unique tribute to the music and inspiration of The Beatles! The band performs explosive renditions of Beatles classics, uniquely arranged Beatles nuggets, plus brilliant Beatles-inspired power-pop originals.

Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and refreshments. Alcohol is prohibited. The event will be held indoors in the MAC Theater in case of inclement weather.

*Click **HERE** for more information.*

## Register for Middletown Senior Center's Upcoming Bus Trips to Atlantic City



Press your luck in AC with the Middletown Senior Center (900 Leonardville Road, Leonardo)! The Center will be running bus trips on several dates in the fall to Resorts Casino. Price includes transportation and play credit. Seating is limited.

*Reserve your spot today by calling the Senior Center at 732-615-2265.*

**Run for a Great Cause at Annual Mayor's Challenge at Poricy Park**



Run for a great cause! The 6<sup>th</sup> annual Mayor's Challenge will take place on the trails of Poricy Park (345 Oak Hill Road) on Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>! Choose between the 5K run, 5K walk or 1 mile fun run with awesome prizes for runners! Medals and long sleeve shirts for everyone.

All proceeds benefit 180 Turning Lives Around, a local charity dedicated to ending domestic and sexual abuse in our community. Prices increase closer to race day.

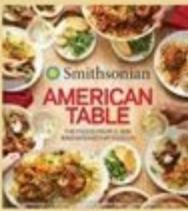
*Click [HERE](#) to sign-up today!*

**Join MTPL's Dine & Discuss Food Adventure on  
Wednesday, 8/14 at 7:00 PM**



**ADVENTURE  
BEGINS AT  
YOUR LIBRARY.**

## DINE & DISCUSS: A FOOD ADVENTURE



**WEDNESDAY, 8/14  
AT 7:00 PM  
COMMUNITY ROOM**



- \* Watch, then discuss the virtual author talk & "FOOD" exhibit
- \* Enjoy "indoor" s'mores
- \* Share your favorite summertime recipe/cooking tips



**REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED  
SEE MTPL.ORG (AGE 18+)**

Join a food adventure at the Middletown Township Public Library (55 New Monmouth Road)! Watch the recorded virtual author talk featuring the "The Foods, People, & Innovators that Feed Us" with Paula J. Johnson, virtually explore the Smithsonian Exhibit: "Food: Transforming the American Table", snack on indoor s'mores, and share favorite summer recipes.

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

**Get the 411 on Ticks and Mosquitoes at the MTPL on  
Thursday, 8/15 at 1:00 PM**

# The 411 on Ticks & Mosquitos

Presented by Marissa Mascaro  
of the Monmouth County  
Mosquito Control Division



August 15 at 1 pm  
watch online or in the  
Community Room



Registration is  
required at [mtpl.org](http://mtpl.org).



Marissa Mascaro of the Monmouth County Mosquito Control Division will lead this session sharing tips on how to protect yourself and your family from mosquitoes and ticks this summer. Option to attend in-person in the Middletown Township Public Library's Community Room (55 New Monmouth Road) or via Zoom.

Click [HERE](#) to register.

**Make a Bug Repellant Luminary Craft Jar at MTPL on  
Thursday, 8/15 at 2:15 PM**

# The Bugs of Summer: Luminary jar craft



THURSDAY, AUGUST 15  
AT 2:15 PM  
IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM

\*We will make an all natural mosquito repellent mason jar luminary!



REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED;  
LIMITED TO 20 (ADULTS AGE 18+)



Head to Middletown Township Public Library's Community Room (55 New Monmouth Road) to create an all natural mosquito repellent luminary jar at this adult craft session for ages 18+. Registration is required as supplies are limited.

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

## RESOURCES



## Calculate How Your Municipal Tax Dollars Are Being Spent



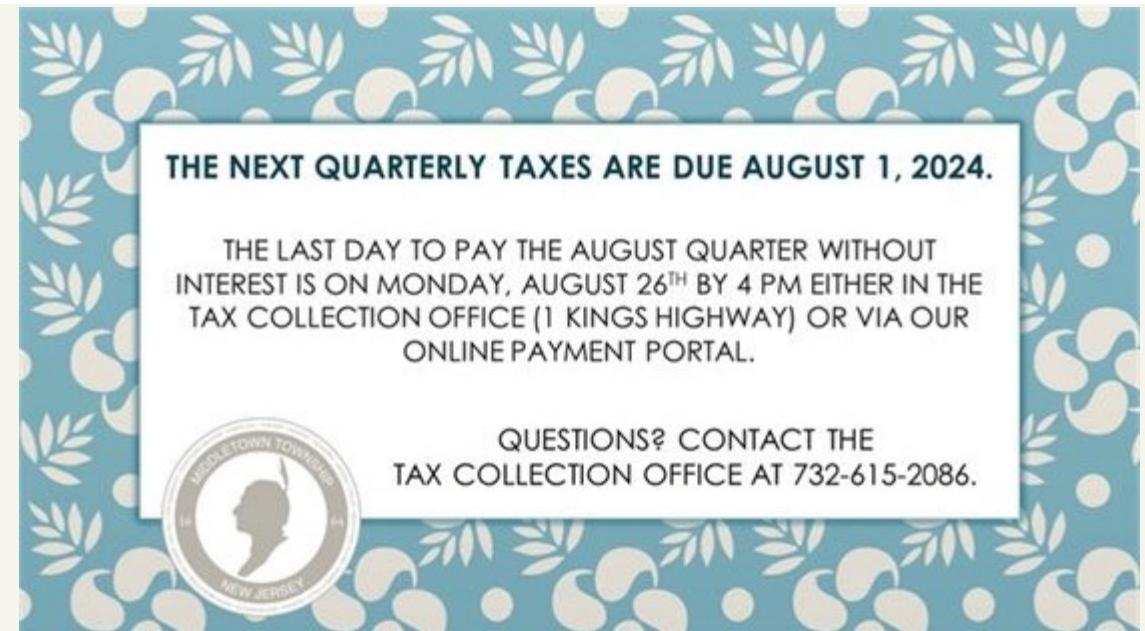
Property owners can easily calculate how their municipal tax dollars are being spent. Visit [middletownnj.org/mytaxdollars](http://middletownnj.org/mytaxdollars) to access the calculator, type in your 2024 residential assessment, and see penny for penny where your municipal tax dollars go.

**Middletown Veterans Affairs Committee Invites  
Community to Attend County Veterans Resource Fair on  
Wednesday, 8/14**



*Click [HERE](#) to view the flyer.*

**Last Day to Pay Quarterly Taxes Without Interest is  
Monday, 8/26 by 4 PM**



*Click [HERE](#) for more information about how to pay taxes.*



The image is a dark blue advertisement for a passport acceptance agency. At the top, it says "Planning a Vacation? Renew Your Passport at the Middletown Town Hall Passport Acceptance Agency". Below this, there is a map of the world with a blue passport resting on it. To the left, there is text that reads "Take a trip to the Middletown Town Hall Passport Acceptance Agency". At the bottom, there is a box containing the text: "For more information, please call the Middletown Town Hall Passport Acceptance Agency at 732-615-2014, email [passport@middletownnj.org](mailto:passport@middletownnj.org), visit [www.middletownnj.org/Passports](http://www.middletownnj.org/Passports), or stop by the Clerk's Office at 1 Kings Highway."

The Middletown Township Clerk's Office would like to remind residents about the Middletown Town Hall Passport Acceptance Agency (1 Kings Highway). Please visit [www.middletownnj.org/passports](http://www.middletownnj.org/passports) for more information. You can also email [passport@middletownnj.org](mailto:passport@middletownnj.org) or call 732-615-2014 if you have any questions.

**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](http://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](http://www.middletownnj.org/nixle) to register for Nixle.



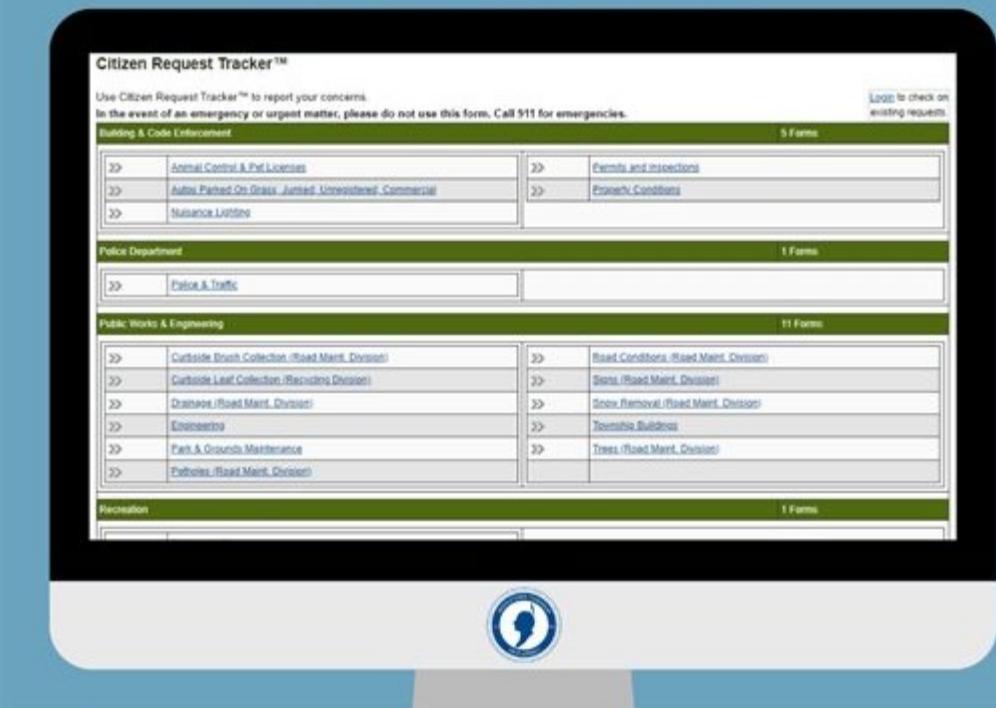
Know Someone with a Disability?  
Make Sure They Register with NJ  
Register Ready!

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](http://www.middletownnj.org/oem).

# REPORT A CONCERN

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



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

Click **HERE** to access hi-res photos from this e-newsletter.



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