



Middletown Remembers 23rd Anniversary of 9/11



On Wednesday, September 11th, Middletown Township held a silent memorial and wreath tribute at the Middletown World Trade Center Memorial Gardens to honor the 37 residents we lost 23 years ago and the individuals who have passed since from 9/11-related illnesses.

The Middletown Township Police Department's Honor Guard and members of the Middletown Township Committee, USS NEW JERSEY (SSN 796), VFW Post 2179, and American Legion Post 515 began the ceremony with a wreath tribute. After the wreaths were placed, Middletown Township Fire Chief William Kane Jr. rang a bell 37 times in memory of each resident whose life was taken on that tragic day.

After the bell tolled, hundreds of people, including 9/11 victims' loved ones, Township Committee members, sailors, local dignitaries, first responders, veterans, and community members, lit candles and walked through the Gardens which were illuminated by luminaries.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our poignant annual service. We promised to never forget 23 years ago, and our silent tribute was a testament to that vow.

Click [HERE](#) to view photos and videos from the event.



Prior to our service, Middletown PBA Local 124 held its 4th annual 9/11 Memorial 5K on Saturday, September 7th. Proceeds will be donated to a scholarship that the PBA is creating in honor of late Detective Lt. Joseph Capriotti, known as the "keeper of the list," because he personally notified every Middletown family who lost a loved one on 9/11. He died from a 9/11-related illness in 2019.

Proceeds will also be donated to local nonprofit The P.O. Ken Tietjen Memorial Foundation, which was created in memory of late Middletown resident, police officer, and volunteer firefighter Kenneth Tietjen who gave his life in the line of duty on September 11, 2001.

Mayor Tony Perry, Committeewoman Kimberly Kratz, and Committeeman Ryan Clarke were proud to support our police and the participants at the event.

USS NEW JERSEY (SSN 796) Commanding Officer Steven Halle Receives Key to Middletown Township



The Middletown Township Committee presented Commander Steven Halle with a Key to the Township and personally thanked crew members for their service.

On Monday, the Middletown Township Committee presented USS NEW JERSEY (SSN 796) Commanding Officer Steven Halle with a Key to the Township! Mayor Tony Perry was honored to speak at the crew's welcome reception at VFW Post 2179 (1 Veterans Lane, Port Monmouth), where he was joined by U.S. Naval Weapons Station Earle Captain Kent Smith, Commissioning Committee President Peter Engelman, and local, county, and state elected officials.

At the reception, local musicians played some songs and the sailors were gifted some "merch" and care packages.

After receiving the Key to the Township, Commander Halle gave the Township Committee an honorary plank to thank them for the Township's involvement. Middletown is incredibly proud to have the commissioning ceremony happen right here in Leonardo this weekend. Visit njcommissioning.org for more information.

USS NEW JERSEY (SSN 796) Sailors Visit Middletown North and South High Schools



On Wednesday, Mayor Tony Perry and sailors from the USS NEW JERSEY (SSN 796) paid a visit to both Middletown High School North and South. While at the schools, they stopped by the civic classes and talked to students about the submarine and their roles while onboard. Thank you to the crew members for taking time out of their busy schedules to chat with our youth!

Lincroft Village Green Association Celebrates 25th Anniversary



Last weekend, the Lincroft Village Green Association (LVGA) hosted its 25th anniversary celebration! LVGA is a civic organization of community volunteers who are committed to quality-of-life issues in the village of Lincroft. Established in 1999, LVGA has continued to advocate for traffic and pedestrian safety, community engagement, historic preservation, and beautification.

Mayor Tony Perry, Committeewoman Kimberly Kratz, and Committeeman Ryan Clarke were proud to attend LVGA's anniversary celebration and present a proclamation on behalf of the entire Township Committee, applauding LVGA for its impressive accomplishments and proclaiming September 7, 2024 as LVGA Day in the Township of Middletown.

Visit www.lincroft.org for more information about the organization and how to join.

Trattoria Toscana Opens in Middletown



Last Friday, Trattoria Toscana (1283 NJ-35) celebrated its grand opening in Middletown! The family-run business opened its first location in Staten Island several years ago.

Mayor Tony Perry, Committeewoman Kimberly Kratz, and Committeeman Kevin Settembrino were honored to help cut the ribbon and present a certificate. We encourage everyone to check out this new restaurant and enjoy "The Taste of Tuscany in every dish"!

Visit www.trattoriatoscananj.com for more information.

HOTWORX Celebrates Grand Opening



On Saturday, HOTWORX (1048 NJ-35) officially opened its doors! Mayor Tony Perry, Committeewoman Kimberly Kratz, and Committeeman Ryan Clarke were excited to participate in their grand opening and even did a 15-minute workout where they "earned the burn"! The fitness studio offers 24/7 access to virtually instructed infrared sauna workouts and a function exercise zone.

Visit www.hotworx.net/studio/middletown-nj to learn more.

Tindall Park Construction Update: Courts Closed For Recreational Tennis Until Project Is Complete



Construction began this summer at Tindall Park. The first phase of the project, which is now nearly complete, included renovating Tennis Courts 1-8. Since the second phase of the project recently began, tennis and pickleball courts will be closed to the public until the facility is no longer an active construction site. The area between the courts, the roadway into the park, and the area around the second set of courts have not been completed, and the contractors still need to install curbs and pave the parking lot.

Currently, only the Middletown North High School Tennis Team is permitted to practice and play matches on courts 1-8. The Township is making this exception because matches are controlled events that are overseen by coaches with a limited duration. If the Township forced the tennis team to use another location, the School District would have to bus their players to and from wherever they went, which would cost both the District and taxpayers money.

While the renovations are being completed, there are many courts across town that recreational tennis players can use for the next 4-6 weeks.

Thank you for your patience as the Township prepares for a complete opening that ensures the facility is fully functional, safe, and enjoyable for everyone.

Click [HERE](#) to see a list of other courts that recreational tennis players can use and for more information about why the courts are closed to the public.

Catch Latest Episode of *Talk of the Town* to Learn About Upcoming Recreation Events and New Initiatives



In our new episode of *Talk of the Town*, host Tara Berson interviews Middletown Recreation Director Janet Dellett about Recreation's [new registration portal](#), fun fall activities, [new project updates landing page](#), and upcoming events.

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

Join Us for Middletown Day on Saturday, 9/28 from 1-6 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

Middletown Day will be returning on Saturday, September 28th 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 for more information.

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



Run for a great cause! The 6th annual Mayor's Challenge will take place on the trails of Poricy Park (345 Oak Hill Road) on Sunday, September 29th! 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!

**Register for Middletown Recreation's USA Sport Group
Youth Basketball Classes**

KIDS OUTDOOR BASKETBALL

WEDNESDAYS, 9/18-10/23 (RAIN DATE 10/30)

\$159 FOR 6 WEEKS (R)

TONYA KELLER CENTER, 50 BRAY AVE

SQUIRTS (AGE 3-4): 4:00-4:45PM

SENIOR SQUIRTS (AGE 5-6): 4:50-5:40PM

FOUNDATION (AGE 7-8): 5:45-6:35PM

REGISTER ON COMMUNITY PASS:

MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/SIGNUP



Play outside with Middletown Recreation as you grow your basketball skills! This USA Sport Group class offers instructional coaching and structured scrimmages at all program levels.

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

Register Now for MAC's Fall 2024 Classes



Registration for the Middletown Arts Center's (MAC) 2024 fall classes has officially opened! Pick up a hobby and sign up for a class in theater, dance, art, or music.

Click [HERE](#) to view the youth classes and click [HERE](#) to view the adult classes.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Sun. | Mon. | Tue. | Wed. | Thu. | Fri. | Sat. |
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Pre-Register Now for Middletown Animal Control's Free Cat Rabies Clinic on Tuesday, 9/17



FREE CAT RABIES CLINIC

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

TUESDAY, 9/17 FROM 5:00-6:00 PM
CROYDON HALL GYM PARKING LOT (900 LEONARDVILLE ROAD)

Cats must be accompanied by their owners and in their own carriers.



*Please call Animal Control at 732-615-2097
if you have any questions and visit
www.middletownnj.org/rabies to pre-register.*

***Pre-registration will close on Sunday, September 15th at 11:30 PM.
Visit www.middletownnj.org/rabies for more information and to pre-register.***

**Enjoy MTPL's Author Talk About Fort Monmouth with
Melissa Ziobro on Tuesday, 9/17 at 7 PM**

Author Talk featuring
MELISSA ZIOBRO



Tuesday, September 17 | 7PM

Community Room

Registration recommended at mtpl.org



Come to the MTPL's Community Room (55 New Monmouth Road) as Melissa Ziobro, a local author and historian, discusses her new book "Fort Monmouth: The US Army's House of Magic". Registration is recommended.

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

**Attend Monmouth County's 2024 Fall Job Fair on
Wednesday, 9/18 from 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM**

A promotional poster for the 2024 Fall Job Fair. The top half features a large photograph of a crowded indoor job fair with many people and booths. Overlaid on the left side of the photo is the text '2024 FALL JOB FAIR' in large, bold, white letters. Below the photo, the poster is divided into several sections. On the left, it lists the location: 'BROOKDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE Robert J. Collins Arena | Parking Lot 7 765 Newman Springs Rd. Lincroft, NJ, 07738'. On the right, it states the date and time: 'Wednesday, September 18 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.'. Below this, a red banner reads 'Early Access For People With Disabilities & Veterans | 9:30-10:30 a.m.'. The next section has a dark blue background with white text asking 'Interested in registering to attend? SCAN THE QR CODE TO LEARN MORE!' next to a QR code. Below that, a white section with a dark blue border says 'OPEN TO EVERYONE' and 'Join us for the opportunity to meet local employers and apply for Full-Time & Part-Time Jobs as well as Internship Opportunities!'. To the right of this is a dark blue box with white text listing benefits: '• FREE EVENT', '• FREE PARKING', and '• HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE'. The bottom section has a dark blue background with white text listing sponsors: 'PRESENTED BY: Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners Monmouth County Workforce Development Board Monmouth One Stop Career Center'. It also includes the logos for 'COUNTY OF MONMOUTH NEW JERSEY', 'BROOKDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE', and 'americanjobcenter'. At the very bottom, it lists the 2024 Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners: Thomas A. Arnone, Director; Ross F. Licitra, Deputy Director; Susan M. Kiley; Dominick "Nick" DiRocco; and Erik Anderson.

Looking for a job or to hire? Stop by the Monmouth County 2024 Workforce Development Fall Job Fair at the Brookdale Community College Robert J. Collins Arena (765 Newman Springs Road) on Wednesday, September 18th! Free parking for attendees will be available in Lot 7.

Whether you're a student, recent graduate, someone looking to change careers, an employer hiring, or just exploring options, a job fair is the perfect place to network.

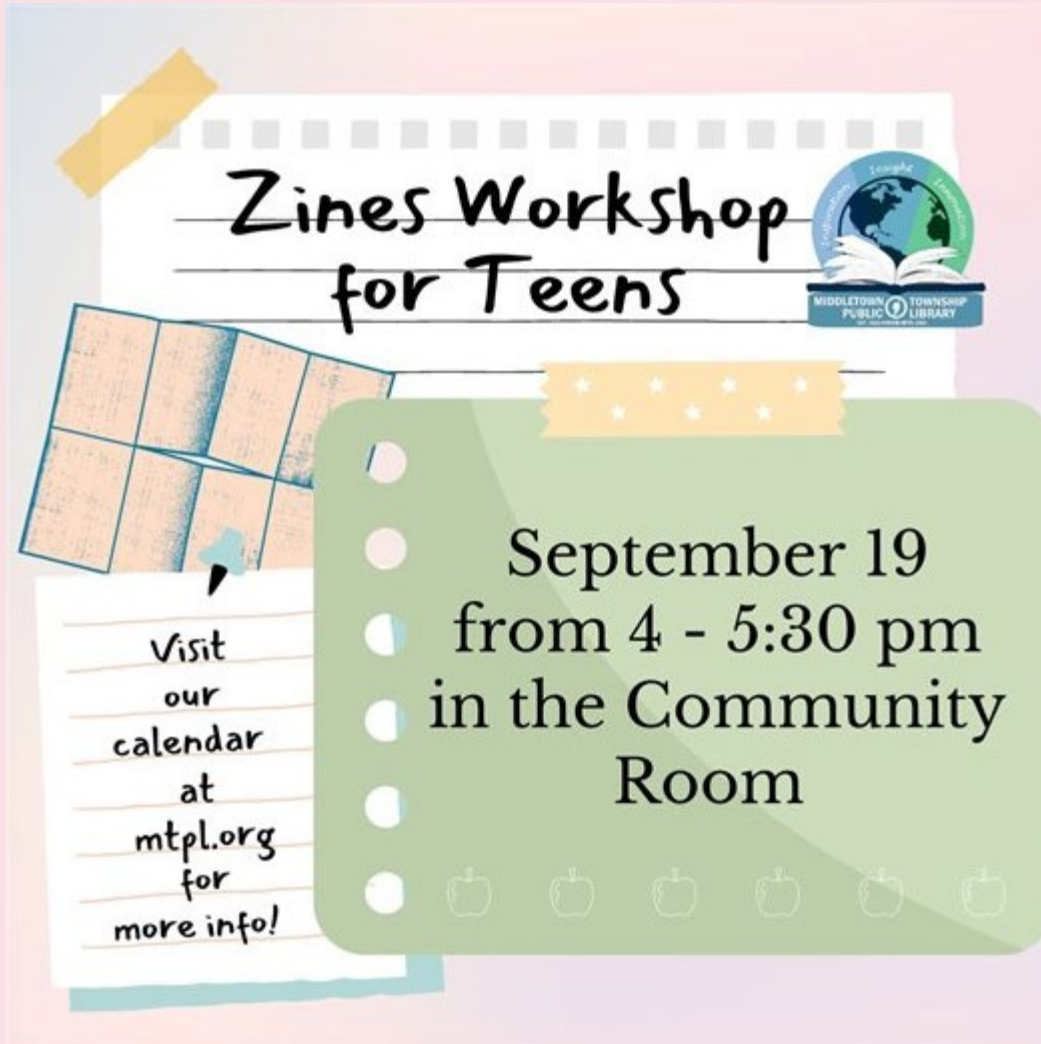
Participating organizations are expected to offer full-time and part-time jobs, as well as internship opportunities. There will be early access from 9:30-10:30 AM for individuals who have a disability and for veterans.

Job seekers and employers interested in more information should call 732-683-8850, ext. 6011, or visit www.workinmonmouth.com.

A full list of participating businesses will be posted at www.workinmonmouth.com.

Sign Up for MTPL's Zines Workshop for Teens Happening

Thursday, 9/19 at 4 PM



Teens, share your creativity and learn how to make your own zines with Rutgers Art Librarian Megan Lotts at the MTPL's Community Room next week! Megan will bring part of her collection for participants to view and give a brief history of zines.

Registration is recommended.

Click [HERE](#) to register.

**Sign Up for Free Flu Clinic on Wednesday, 10/16 from
9 AM - 1 PM**

MIDDLETOWN HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Flu Before Boo!

Get your flu vaccine before Halloween.
Wednesday, October 16th: 9 AM - 1 PM
Town Hall Training Room
1 Kings Highway



Appointment required! Sign up at middletownnj.org/fluclinic.

Getting the flu can be scary, so sign up to get your flu vaccine before Halloween! The Middletown Township Health Department will be hosting a free flu shot clinic for residents ages 6 months and older on Wednesday, October 16th. The clinic will be held at the Training Room at Town Hall (1 Kings Highway) from 9 AM - 1 PM. Appointments are required.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/fluclinic to pre-register.

Middletown Senior Center Hosts Bus Trip to See "The Jersey Four" on Tuesday, 10/22 at 10 AM

All Star @ The Shore Club
Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons Tribute
by "The Jersey Four"

Enjoy this "Jersey Boys" - Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons tribute band covering your favorite Rock & Roll sounds of the 60's. A hilarious comedian will open the show!

OCTOBER 22, 2024
BUS DEPARTS 10AM
\$115 MEMBERS
\$125 NON MEMBERS
INCLUDES LUNCH, SHOW AND ONE HOUR OPEN BAR
CALL 732-615-2265 TO SAVE YOUR SPOT!


MIDDLETOWN
SENIOR CENTER

Join the Middletown Senior Center for its bus trip to see "The Jersey Four" on Tuesday, October 22nd! This fabulous tribute band recreates the vibrant music, vocals, harmonies, and stage presence of your favorite "Jersey Boys" - Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons!

The bus will depart from the Center (900 Leonardville Road) at 10 AM. Tickets cost \$115 for members and \$125 for non members. One ticket includes lunch, show, and a one-hour open bar.

Call the Senior Center at 732-615-2265 to reserve your seat and visit www.middletownnj.org/seniors for more information about the Center.

RESOURCES

SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

HOW TO PREPARE IN MIDDLETOWN

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|  REGISTER FOR NIXLE | Get up-to-date alerts via text message and e-mail by registering for Nixle. You can register by either texting your zip code to 888-777 or visiting middletownnj.org/nixle . |
|  REGISTER WITH NJ REGISTER READY | Know someone with a disability? Make sure they register with NJ Register Ready at middletownnj.org/njregisterready . |
|  KNOW EVACUATION ROUTES AND FLOOD-PRONE STREETS | Review coastal evacuation routes and flood-prone streets at middletownnj.org/oem . |
|  PURCHASE FLOOD INSURANCE | Find an insurance provider at middletownnj.org/floodinsurance . |

Register for Middletown's Emergency Alerts & Updates

REGISTER FOR ALERTS: BE IN THE KNOW WITH NIXLE

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.

Celebrate Library Card Sign-up Month with the MTPL



September is Library Card Sign-up Month! Help spread the word that anyone who lives, works, or goes to school in Middletown is eligible for a free Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL) card.

Visit www.mtpl.org/get-a-library-card to read more about how to get a library card.

Become a Monmouth County Poll Worker for the November Election

Become A Poll Worker And Earn
\$300 Per Election!



Contact Monmouth County Board of Elections

(732) 431-7802 ext 7150

Also looking for bilingual workers with the ability to conduct a conversation in Spanish.
Must be a registered voter of Monmouth County and attend one training class.

**The Monmouth County Board of Elections is recruiting poll workers for the
upcoming 2024 Presidential Election!**

**Poll worker classes began on Wednesday, September 4th and run through
Thursday, October 17th. If you know of anyone interested in becoming a Poll
Worker, please call the Board of Elections at 732-431-7802 ext. 7150.**

Click [HERE](#) to watch a video with more information.



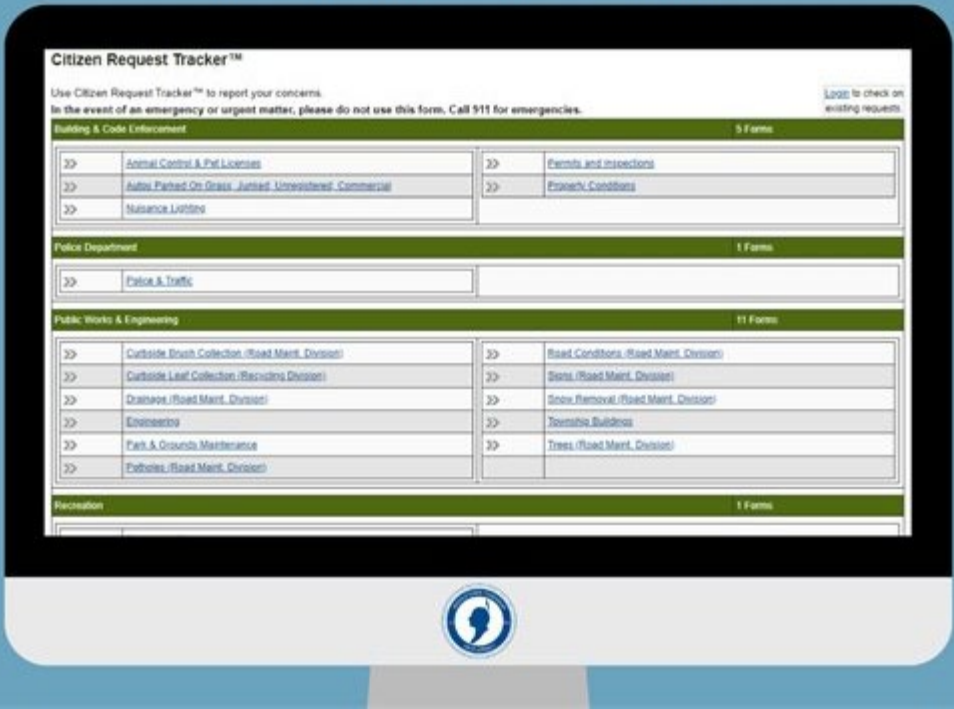
**Know Someone with a Disability?
Make Sure They Register with NJ
Register Ready!**

**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.**

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.



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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