



Middletown Minutes

Official Township E-Newsletter

**Middletown Day Postponed to Sunday, 9/29 from 1-6 PM
Fireworks at 7:30 PM!**



**Sunday, September 29th
Croydon Hall 1pm-6pm**

6pm-7:30pm "Tramps Like Us" Bruce Tribute Band

middletownnj.org/middletownday

Due to the anticipated rain, Middletown Day has been rescheduled to Sunday, September 29th. It will still be held 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 lawn chairs.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/middletowntoday for event information, the entertainment schedule, and to check out the vendors and sponsors.

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.

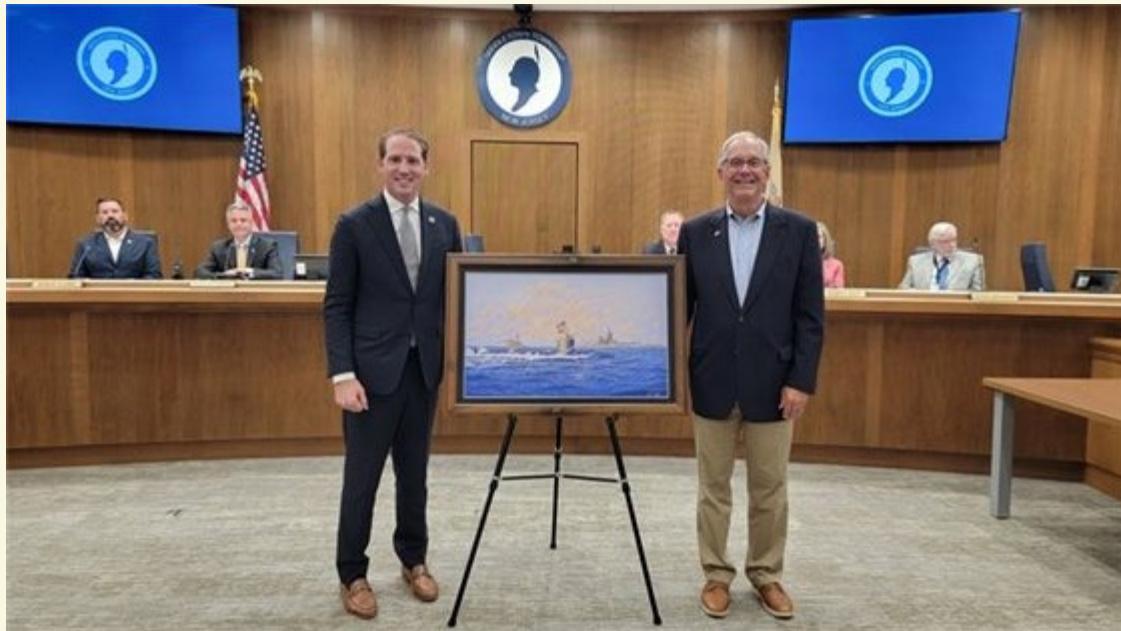


All proceeds benefit [180 Turning Lives Around](#), a local charity dedicated to ending domestic and sexual abuse in our community.

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

If you're participating in the Mayor's Challenge, you'll have the opportunity to see the Murray Farmhouse in person. This revolutionary-era home of Middletown patriot Joseph Murray is currently being restored to ensure our rich history is preserved. (Photo courtesy of Middletown Recreation)

USS NEW JERSEY Commissioning Committee Thanks Township for Support with Submarine Painting



At the Township Committee Regular Meeting on Monday, September 23rd, USS NEW JERSEY Commissioning Committee President Peter Engelman surprised the Township Committee with a painting to thank them for the Township's assistance and support. The painting depicts the USS NEW JERSEY (SSN 796) driving into Sandy Hook with the two previous USS NEW JERSEY boats (the BB-16 from World I and the BB-62 from World War II) in the back.

Hosting the USS NEW JERSEY (SSN 796) Commissioning Ceremony in Middletown was a true honor, and we wish the crew "fair winds and following seas" and thank them for their service.

Township Committee Celebrates Lincroft Little League

12U All Stars' Victories



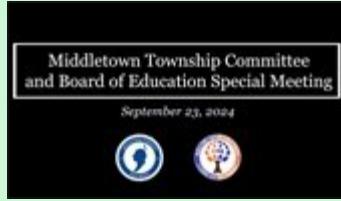
At the Township Committee Regular Meeting on Monday, September 23rd, the Middletown Township Committee recognized Lincroft Little League 12U All Stars for winning the 2024 New Jersey District 19 and Section 3 Little League Championships. In addition to winning two different championships, the team also competed in the state tournament and placed #44 in the entire country!

Prior to the presentation, the players began the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

We are so proud of this amazing team for their dedication and for bringing not one, but two, championships home to Middletown.

Click [HERE](#) to view photos from the 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, October 6th.



Township Committee and Board of Education Host Special Meeting

The Middletown Township Committee and Middletown Township Board of Education co-hosted a meeting on Monday, September 23rd at Town Hall (1 Kings Highway) to discuss a new joint initiative. The meeting was open to the public.

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

Middletown Senior Center Hosts "Miles with the Mayor"



On Wednesday, Mayor Tony Perry went to the Middletown Senior Center (900 Leonardville Road) for "Miles with the Mayor", which is part of the annual Mayor's Wellness Campaign! At the event, Mayor Perry met with our senior citizens to discuss the renovations that will be taking place at the Senior Center and the importance of having this community hub in town. He also happily answered any questions they asked.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/seniors for more information about the resources and programs that are offered at the Middletown Senior Center.

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

Community Comes Together to Fight Against Pediatric Cancer at Annual Love for Luca 5K



Pictured from left: Mayor Tony Perry, Luca's parents Michele and Frank Iacono, and Committeeman Ryan Clarke

Last weekend, Mayor Tony Perry and Committeeman Ryan Clarke were honored to attend the third annual Love for Luca 5K. The event was held in memory of Luca Iacono, a beloved 11-year-old resident who passed away from cancer in 2019. All proceeds from the event are donated to local nonprofit [Infinite Love for Kids Fighting Cancer](#). Although the 5K has passed, it's not too late to donate!

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



Mayor Perry kicks off the race and thanks the participants for their support!

Beacon Hill Country Club Celebrates 125 Years



Photo courtesy of Monmouth County Government

Last weekend, Mayor Tony Perry, Deputy Mayor Rick Hibell, and Committeeman Ryan Clarke were honored to attend the Beacon Hill Country Club President's Reception and celebrate its 125th anniversary. They presented a proclamation that proclaimed September 21, 2024 as Beacon Hill Country Club Day and applauded the facility for providing golf, recreational, and social enjoyment to its members for more than a century.

Visit www.beaconhillcc.org for more information about Beacon Hill Country Club.

**Free Tutoring Program for Income-Eligible Students:
Apply by Monday, 10/7**



Next Generation Support Program
for eligible Middletown students

Beginning this fall, Middletown Township will be offering free tutoring services to 3rd through 8th grade students from income-eligible households who have fallen behind academically due to the pandemic. Visit www.middletownnj.org/ngsp to see if your household qualifies and www.middletownnj.org/apply to complete the application.

Tutoring will take place on Saturdays from October 12th through April 5th in the Training Room at Town Hall (1 Kings Highway). The program will run from 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM.

Please apply by Monday, October 7th.

If you have any questions, please contact Middletown Community Development Manager Jill Cammarosano at jcammarosano@middletownnj.org and 732-615-2000 x2281. We kindly ask residents to apply by Monday, October 7th.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/ngsp for more information and www.middletownnj.org/apply to apply.

North Middletown-Port Monmouth Community Reconvene for Third NRTC Program Meeting



Middletown Township, Affordable Housing Alliance, Ideal Beach Community Association, Bayshore Family Success Center, and Habitat for Humanity hosted the third Neighborhood Revitalization Tax Credit (NRTC) Program meeting on Thursday, September 26th at Ocean Avenue Elementary School. Presenters highlighted the local economy and economic opportunities in North Middletown and Port Monmouth. Participants discussed local businesses and initiatives to provide job training and opportunities for all residents.

Visit www.middletownplan.org for more information about the plan.

The next community meeting will be on Thursday, October 24th at 6:00 PM at Ocean Avenue Elementary School (235 Ocean Avenue). We hope to see you there!

Catch Latest Episode of *Minute with the Mayor*



Join Mayor Tony Perry as he discusses Lincroft Little League's 12U All Stars' championships, watch USS NEW JERSEY Commissioning Committee President Peter Engelman recognize the Township's support with a beautiful painting of the USS NEW JERSEY (SSN 796), learn more about the Love for Luca 5K, and get information about recent recreational updates.

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

New Locally Sourced Episode Now Available



Join Mayor Tony Perry as he talks with veteran local reporter Muriel Smith and learn

about her illustrious 65 year-long career as a reporter, including some of the most interesting Middletown stories she has covered.

Visit locallysourcedmiddletownnj.podbean.com for more information about Locally Sourced and to listen to the episode.



9/27/24 Rabies Alert: Rabid Raccoon Found Near Hartshorne Road

The Middletown Township Animal Control Division responded to a call for an altercation between a dog and a raccoon in the area of Hartshorne Road.

Middletown Animal Control Officers retrieved the raccoon and sent it for testing. Lab results confirmed the raccoon was positive for rabies.

Click [HERE](#) to read important reminders regarding rabies and wildlife.

Pre-Register Now for Middletown Animal Control's Free Dog Rabies Clinic on Tuesday, 10/22

A poster for a free dog rabies clinic. It features a logo for the Middletown Township Animal Control Division. The text on the poster includes: "FREE DOG RABIES CLINIC", "PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED", "TUESDAY, 10/22 FROM 5:00-6:00 PM", "CROYDON HALL GYM PARKING LOT (900 LEONARDVILLE ROAD)", "This is a drive-thru clinic, but dogs must still be on a leash and accompanied by their owner.", and "Please call Animal Control at 732-615-2097 if you have any questions and visit www.middletownnj.org/rabies to pre-register." To the right of the text is a small illustration of a dog.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/rabies for more information and to pre-register.

MTPL Closure Advisory

The Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL) has

been closed due to construction since Monday, September 23rd. It was originally supposed to re-open on Monday, September 30th but it must now also be closed that day as well as Tuesday, October 1st.



More information and updates will be shared on www.mtpl.org and via the MTPL's social media channels. Thank you for your patience!

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.



**Register for MTPL's Eyes of the Wild Animal Program
Happening Thursday, 10/3 at 10 AM and 11 AM**

EYES OF THE WILD



ANIMAL PROGRAM AT CROYDON HALL!

This is where animals, education and fun collide! Eyes of the Wild will be presenting a collection of mammals, reptiles, birds, amphibians, and invertebrates.

**Thursday, October 3rd
10am OR 11am
All Ages Welcome**



Registration is required at mtpl.org.

Back by popular demand, the MTPL's Eyes of the Wild program returns with another fascinating and entertaining group of animals along with their handler Travis Gale! The program will take place at Croydon Hall (900 Leonardville Road) on Thursday, October 3rd at 10 AM and 11 AM.

Registration is required for each person attending, as space is limited.

Click [HERE](#) to register for the 10 AM program and click [HERE](#) to register for the 11 AM program.

Register for Middletown Recreation's Halloween Paint Night Happening Thursday, 10/17 at 6 PM



Join Middletown Recreation for Halloween Paint Night at the Croydon Hall East Wing (900 Leonardville Road). A live instructor will help guide you through the process of painting a Booooogie Night ghost — just in time for Halloween! Pizza will be provided.

This event is open to all ages and artistic skill levels. Children 12 years old and under must be accompanied by an adult.

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

RESOURCES



SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

HOW TO PREPARE IN MIDDLETOWN

 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 

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

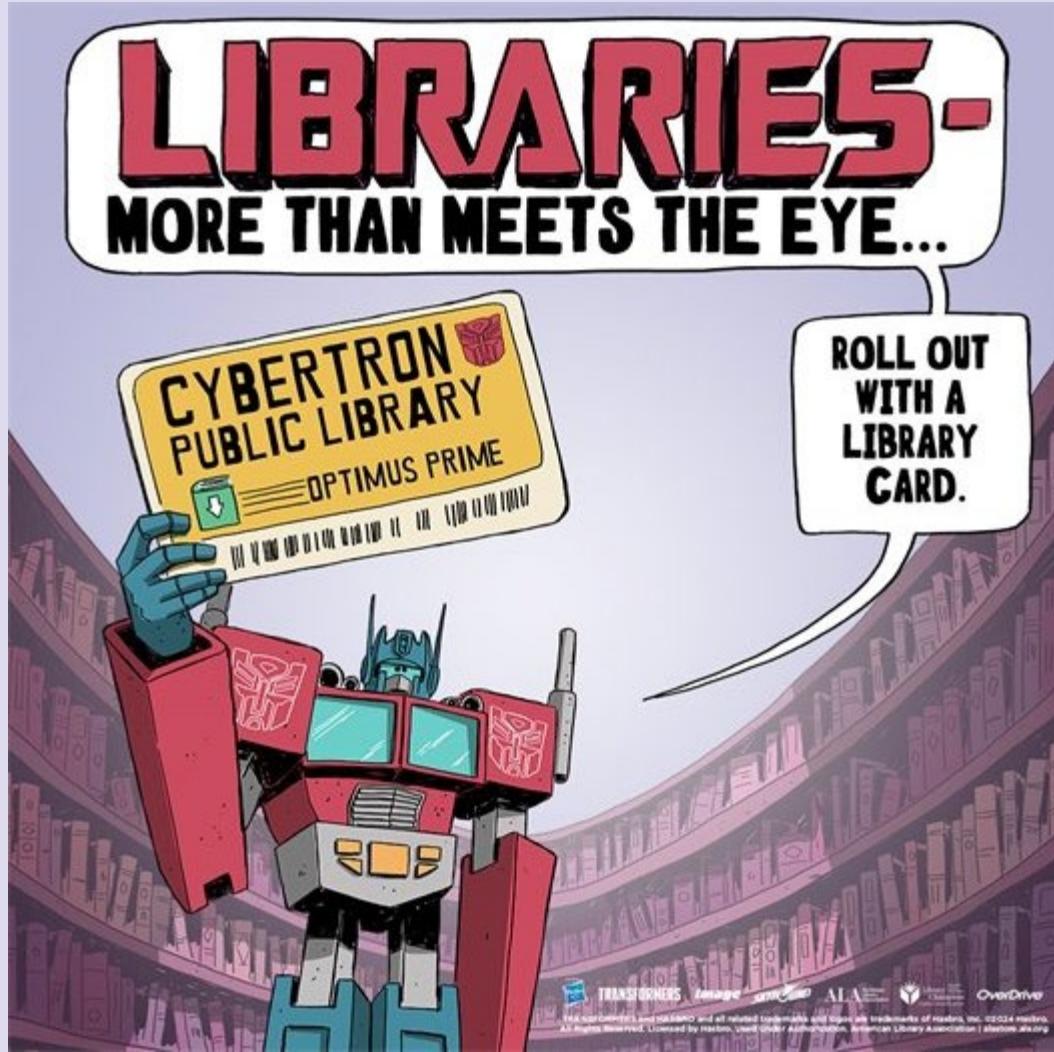
- Text your zip code to 888-777
- Visit www.middletownnj.org/nixle to register for/customize notifications
- Download the Everbridge Nixle mobile app on Apple Store or Google Play to receive/manage notifications and limit text messages



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.



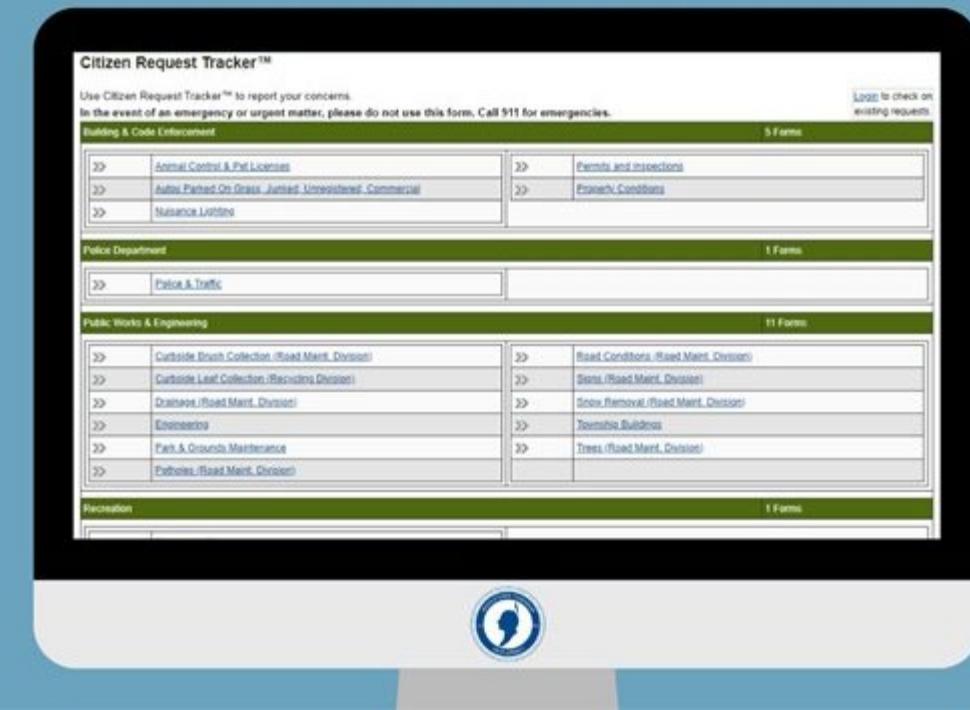
Know Someone with a Disability?
Make Sure They Register with NJ
Register Ready!

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.](#)

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