

Middletown Minutes

Official Township E-Newsletter



MTFD Hosts Successful Touch-a-Truck Event



Photo courtesy of MTFD

On Monday, the Middletown Township Fire Department (MTFD) held its third annual Touch-a-Truck event at the former Mater Dei Prep High School parking lot. Community members were able to check out fire and utility equipment up close, personally interact with our firefighters, watch fire safety demonstrations, and learn more about the world's largest all-volunteer fire department!

Mayor Tony Perry, Committeewoman Kimberly Kratz, and Committeeman and Ex Fire Chief Ryan Clarke (pictured with the MTFD Fire Chiefs above) were proud to support this wonderful event.

MTPD Conducts Targeted Enforcement in Lincroft to Promote Safe Driving



On Tuesday morning, Mayor Tony Perry did a ride-along with the Middletown Township Police Department (MTPD) for a targeted enforcement along Newman Springs Road in Lincroft. MTPD officers focused on addressing speeding and distracted driving — two of the most common complaints shared by residents in the area. Thank you to the MTPD for helping to keep our roads safe!

Middletown Township Police Explorers Proudly Represent Middletown at New Jersey Law Enforcement Youth Academy



Pictured from left: Sgt. Mike Heaton, Joseph Losquardo, Anthony Capilupi, Gianna Frasco, Preston Goode, Shamar Ellis, and D/Sgt. Ricardo Cruz (Photo courtesy of D/Sgt. Ricardo Cruz)

Middletown Township Police Explorers recently participated in the New Jersey Law Enforcement Youth Academy at Drew University. The academy is a six-day sleep away camp that focuses on various fields in the career of law enforcement. The explorers receive classroom training, hands-on learning, and law enforcement scenarios such as public disturbances, motor vehicle accidents, and crisis calls along with physical fitness training.

This year's participants were Joey Losquardo, Preston Goode, Shamar Ellis, Anthony Capilupi, and Gianna Frasco. Preston Goode won second place in Motor Vehicle Stops and Gianna Frasco won first place in Arrest, Search, and Seizure. Congratulations on a job well done!

If you are an incoming or current high school student and have an interest in joining the Explorers program, please reach out to Sgt. Mike Heaton at mheaton@middletownnj.org or D/Sgt. Ricardo Cruz at 732-615-2071.

Community Comes Together for Middletown Night at the Jersey Shore BlueClaws



Photo courtesy of Patrick Olivero Photography

On Friday, July 18th, residents showed off their hometown pride at Middletown Night at the Jersey Shore BlueClaws! Mayor Tony Perry was thrilled to throw out the first pitch and enjoy the baseball game with his son, Grant. Thank you to everyone who attended!

Check Out New Episode of *Minute with the Mayor*



Join Mayor Tony Perry as he welcomes new officers to the Middletown Township Police Department and recognizes our 2024 Veteran of the Year as well as two Lincroft softball teams' victories. He also provides updates on the acquisition of the Lincroft Presbyterian Church and the construction status of the veterans housing project in Belford!

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



Submit Photos to Middletown America 250's Weekly Photo Contest: This Week's Winners to be Announced on Friday, 8/1

Photo courtesy of Roseann Eteson



Middletown America 250 Weekly Photo Contest

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This week's theme is:
Written in Stone

7/24~7/31

Capture a photo of Revolutionary gravestones, monuments, or plaques in Middletown!

Upload your photo by Thursday, 7/31 with your name, social media handle, and a brief caption with the location at middletownnj.org/250photocontest.

As part of Middletown's America 250 initiative, the Township launched a weekly photo contest! Capture a unique photo in Middletown inspired by the weekly theme, which will be shared via Middletown Township's and the Middletown America 250 Committee's social media channels and in *Middletown Minutes*. This week's theme is "Written in Stone". Take a photo of Revolutionary gravestones, monuments, or plaques in Middletown and share it with us!

Upload your photo to middletownnj.org/250photocontest, along with your name, social media handle, and a short description of your image and its location. New themes will be announced every Thursday. The winners will be announced every Friday, so please submit your photo by noon on Thursday of that week.

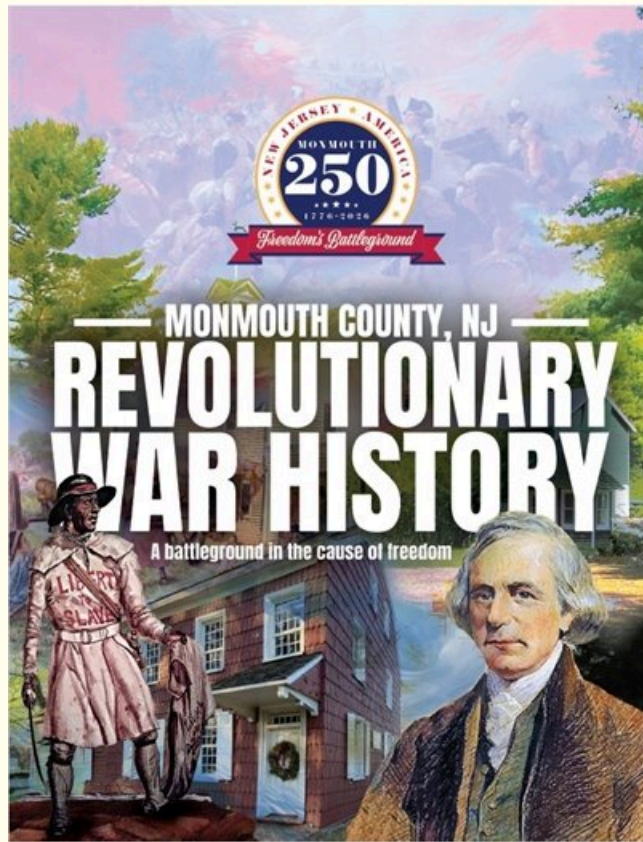
Follow [@middletownamerica250](https://www.instagram.com/middletownamerica250) on Instagram and Facebook to stay in the loop. Your photo could be featured on Middletown Township's and the Middletown America 250 Committee's social media channels, *Middletown Minutes*, and our municipal TV channel (Comcast Cable Channel 20/Verizon FiOS Channel 26), so we encourage you to participate!

Thank you to everyone who participated in last week's contest with the theme "Paths of the Past". Below is the winning photo chosen by Mayor Tony Perry! Claire Garland submitted this beautiful photo of a path along Hartshorne Road, which was a Lenape trail to the sea when the settlers arrived here in the 1660s.



Photo courtesy of Claire Garland

Monmouth County Officials Release Free Educational Resource for Monmouth County Students for America's Upcoming 250th Anniversary



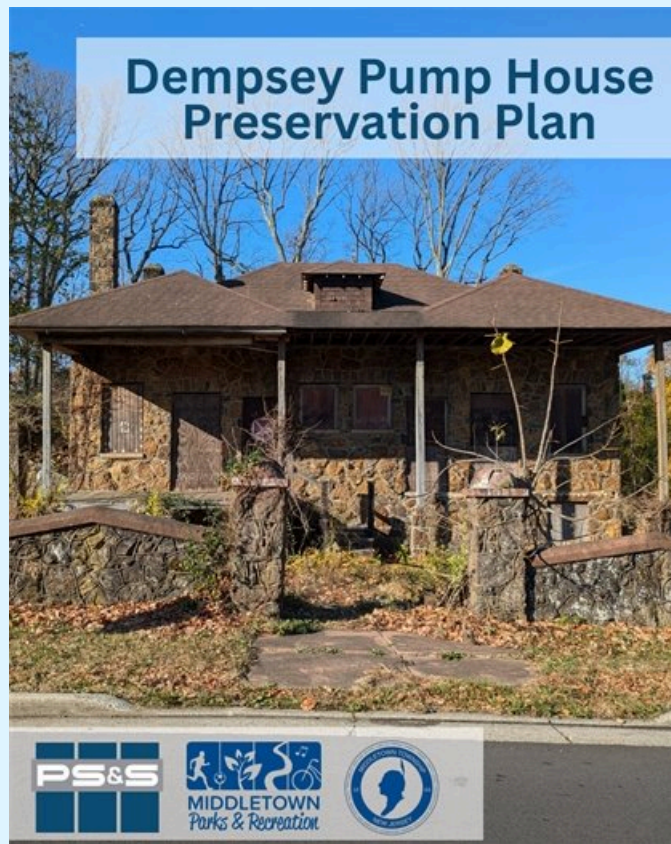
The MonmouthNJ 250 Committee recently released a free educational resource for Monmouth County students in recognition of America's 250th birthday. Schools are invited to implement this book about Monmouth County's Revolutionary era history into their curriculum.

This free educational resource includes stories about influential people, significant places, and key events that have made an indelible impact on American and New Jersey history. It also includes interactive activities for students to learn from while having fun.

For questions or to request printed copies of this resource, please email Ted.Maturo@co.monmouth.nj.us.

Click [HERE](#) to read the book and click [HERE](#) to read the committee's press release.

Contribute to the Dempsey Pump House Preservation Plan by Emailing Your Photos to Middletown Parks & Recreation



In partnership with PS&S, the Township is currently preparing a preservation plan for the Dempsey Pump House in Leonardo. We would love to see YOUR photos of the Dempsey Pump House from back in the day, specifically with the front porch and front gate fully intact. Please send your photo(s) to recreation@middletownnj.org.

MTPD Educates Residents about How to Legally and Safely Ride E-Bikes, Scooters & Skateboards



E-BIKES, SCOOTERS & SKATEBOARDS



What to Know

CLASS 1

Class 1 e-bikes provide pedal assist only, meaning the motor only kicks in when you pedal, and shuts off at 20 mph.



CLASS 2

Class 2 e-bikes have both pedal assist and a throttle, which means they can run without pedaling - but still max out at 20 mph.



CLASS 3

Class 3 e-bikes only use pedal assist but go up to 28 mph. They are often treated like mopeds and may require registration, insurance, and a license if you're under 17.



Watts measure electric motor power. 750 watts equals about 1 horsepower.

If your e-bike exceeds **750 watts, 50cc, or 20 mph** on flat ground, it's considered a motorized bicycle and must be registered, insured, and may require a moped license if you're under 18.

Vehicles without pedals are no longer considered bikes and must also be registered and insured.




E-SCOOTERS & SKATEBOARDS

E-scooters can go up to 19 mph and don't require registration, but riders under 17 must wear a helmet. They're allowed on roads and bike lanes, but sidewalk use varies by town. **E-skateboards** are limited to 10 mph, for ages 16 and up, and must stay off sidewalks.

Wear your helmet, follow traffic laws, and ride responsibly. For more information, visit nj.gov/mvc or contact the Middletown Township Police Department at 732-615-2100.

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



ROAD CLOSURE

Bamm Hollow Road will be closed from Tuesday, July 29th through Friday, August 29th between Middletown-Lincroft Road and Blue Jay Court.

The roadway will be closed 24/7 for the duration.

Sign Up for a Free Home Smoke Alarm Installation with the MTFD and American Red Cross



FREE HOME SMOKE ALARM INSTALLATION

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH



The Middletown Township Fire Department and Middletown Fire Prevention Office are partnering with the American Red Cross to install smoke alarms for free throughout Middletown. If you are interested in this service, please schedule an appointment at middletownnj.org/smokealarm.

Click [HERE](#) to watch a Public Service Announcement for more information.

**It's Beach Season:
How to Check Water Quality**

SAFETY FIRST

Before you hit the beach, visit njbeaches.org to find information from the NJDEP on beach statuses, water quality sample results, and advisories.

Put the name of the beach you're heading to in the map's search bar and look for the Beach Monitoring Station Status in the legend. If there's an advisory, you'll see a yellow symbol. You can click on the symbol to see the latest test results. If the number is above 104, it indicates that the water is not safe to swim in.

Visit njbeaches.org/faqs for more information.

Visit njbeaches.org for more information. You can also check the [Monmouth County Beach Safety Dashboard](#) for specific beach conditions.

Middletown EMS Encourages Residents to Follow Safety Measures at the Beach This Summer



THE TOWNSHIP OF
MIDDLETOWN
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Beach Safety Public Service Announcement

Join James De Rugeriis, Public Information Officer for the Middletown Township Department of Emergency Medical Services (EMS), as he shares five crucial beach safety tips every family should know before heading to the shore. Whether you're swimming, sunbathing, or playing in the sand, these tips will help keep your summer outings safe, fun, and stress-free!



Click [HERE](#) to watch the Public Service Announcement.

Learn How to Safely Dispose of Your Vape

Spring Clean Out Your Lungs!



PSA #3: How to Dispose of Your Vape

Presented by



It may be officially summer, but it's never too late to "spring clean" out your lungs! In the spring, the Middletown Alliance for Drug and Alcohol Prevention launched its "Spring Clean Out Your Lungs!" series of Public Service Announcements (PSAs).

The first PSA educated people about the health risks associated with vaping nicotine products and the second one highlighted tips and tricks on how to quit.

You can watch both PSAs on the Township's [YouTube channel](#).

In the third and final PSA of the series, Alliance Coordinator Erika McKee and Department of Public Works & Engineering Director Ted Maloney provide information about how to safely get rid of your vape at the Middletown Recycling Center (52 Kanes Lane).

For more information on the health risks of vaping and further education, please visit middletownnj.org/middletownalliance. For information about the Middletown Recycling Center, please visit middletownnj.org/recyclingcenter.

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

Middletown Alliance Provides Tips for Swimmers on Practicing Alcohol Safety



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

Register Now for Middletown Alliance's July Parent Presentation Happening on Monday, 7/28

ALLIANCE JULY PARENT PRESENTATIONS

MIDDLETOWN
ALLIANCE



With Prevention Specialist Nicki Francis from Wellspring Center for Prevention

The Middletown Alliance is excited to offer parent presentations this July on current drug trends and raising resilient kids! Both presentations will take place from 7-8 PM in the Training Room at Middletown Town Hall (1 Kings Highway).



Questions? Please email
middletownalliance@gmail.com.

To register, please fill out our
Google form by using this link:

middletownnj.org/presentation

You can also scan this QR code:



Current Drug Trends

- Wednesday, July 9th at 7 PM

Raising Resilient Kids

- Monday, July 28th at 7 PM

- ✓ Receive up-to-date information
- ✓ Get your questions answered
- ✓ Learn best ways to address these topics with your child/teen



Connect with the
Middletown Alliance!

 @middletownalliance

 Middletown Alliance page

 [middletownnj.org/
middletownalliance](https://middletownnj.org/middletownalliance)

Click [HERE](#) to view the graphic in a larger PDF format and visit middletownnj.org/presentation to register for the presentation.

**Register Now for Blood Drive Hosted at Town Hall on
Thursday, 8/28 from 12:30-6:30 PM**


Blood Drive

Middletown Township





Thursday, August 28th from 12:30-6:30 PM

Town Hall Training Room
1 Kings Highway

 New Jersey
Blood Services

 New York
Blood Center

How to Prepare:

-  Eat well and hydrate
-  Meet weight requirements
-  Bring a photo ID
-  Be 17+ or 16 with parental consent

To make an appointment,
visit nybc.org/drive and use
the sponsor code **72770**.



nybc.org

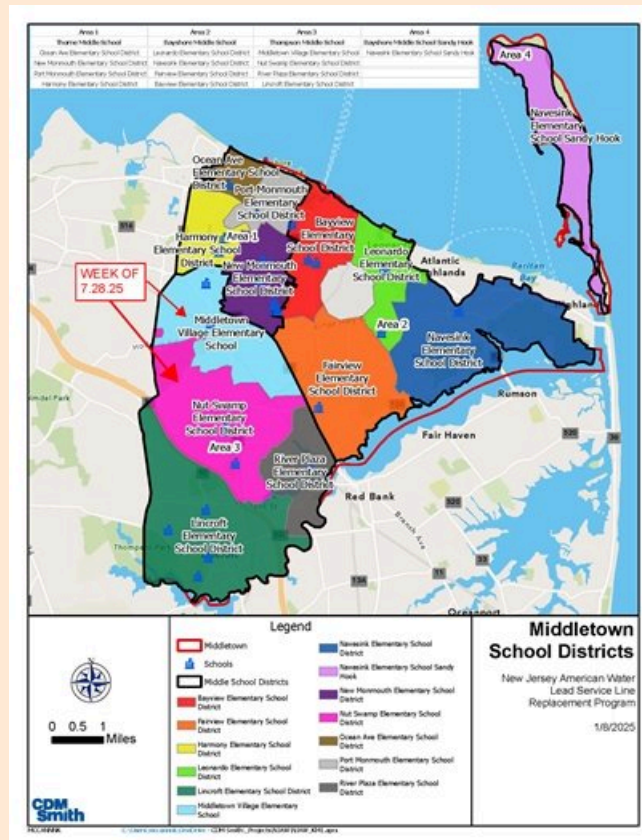
1-800-688-0900

The Middletown Township Health Department is once again partnering with the New Jersey Blood Services/New York Blood Center to host a blood drive at Town Hall (1 Kings Highway) on Thursday, August 28th.

According to New York Blood Center, someone needs blood every two seconds. It is important to have blood available 24/7 for emergencies as well as ongoing, life-sustaining needs for patients battling chronic diseases. Since blood cannot be synthetically made, there is no substitute – only volunteer donors can give the gift of life.

Help make a difference by making an appointment today at nybc.org/drive. Please use the sponsor code 72770.

**NJAW Lead Service Line Replacement Program
Door-to-Door Canvassing Continues**



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

CDM Smith, on behalf of New Jersey American Water (NJAW), started a door-to-door canvassing effort related to the Lead Service Line Replacement Program (LSLRP) in Middletown on Monday, February 3rd. The canvassing and internal inspections are currently taking place in the Middletown Village Elementary School District and Nut Swamp Elementary School District in Area 3 on the map above. The entire canvassing is expected to take place over the next few months.

All CDM Smith inspectors will wear co-branded (NJAW and CDM Smith) high visibility logo vests and will have NJAW-issued Contractor ID badges. Inspectors will introduce themselves and the program to property owners and will then ask to enter the home to inspect the water service where it enters into the home (typically in a basement or crawl space).

The inspector will take exterior photos of the property and interior photographs of the service material and record the pipe material identified. Inspections generally take 15 minutes or less. At no time will residents be asked for money. Any customer that prefers to not have an internal inspection completed will be directed to alternatives to the inspections including self-reporting.

The Middletown Township Police Department is aware of the canvassing. If you have any questions about LSLRP, please email njawlead@cdmsmith.com and LeadFreeNJ@amwater.com.

Participate in Middletown Township School District's Strategic Planning Meetings



The Middletown Township Board of Education invites everyone to participate in a Strategic Planning Initiative along with their neighbors, community members, friends, teachers, students, and school district administrators to create a shared vision for the future of the Middletown Township School District. This process will be facilitated by the New Jersey School Boards Association.

The goal is to create a shared vision for the district to discuss strengths, challenges, and solutions. Staff members, parents, guardians, students, community leaders, and other interested members of the public are invited to contribute their thoughts and ideas to help plan for the future of Middletown's students.

The third and final meeting will take place on Thursday, August 28th from 6:00-7:30 PM at Middletown High School North (63 Tindall Road). The first two meetings were held in May and June.

Click [HERE](#) to RSVP to the meeting.

Last Day to Pay Quarterly Taxes Without Interest is Thursday, 8/21 by 3:45 PM

THE NEXT QUARTERLY TAXES ARE DUE AUGUST 1, 2025.

THE LAST DAY TO PAY THE AUGUST QUARTER WITHOUT INTEREST IS ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 21ST BY 3:45 PM EITHER IN THE TAX COLLECTION OFFICE (1 KINGS HIGHWAY) OR VIA OUR ONLINE PAYMENT PORTAL.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT THE TAX COLLECTION OFFICE AT 732-615-2086.



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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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Attend the Second Concert of MAC's Summer Concert Series on Tuesday, 7/29 at 7 PM



The Middletown Arts Center's (MAC) annual free summer concert series has officially returned! Goldenseal will perform at the MAC (36 Church Street) on Tuesday, July 29th. The concert will take place on the lawn, but will be moved indoors in the case of inclement weather. Alcohol is not permitted.

Please grab your beach chairs and blankets to listen to this band perform. Since its formation, Goldenseal has developed a reputation as a high energy, high quality band that plays both original songs and covers, especially music written by the pioneers of rock such as Tom Petty and Bruce Springsteen. The band has received numerous awards and favorable reviews from music critics and journalists.

The remaining performances will take place at 7:00 PM on Tuesdays, August 12th and August 26th. The next concert will be performed by Guns 4 Hire and the final concert will be performed by Moroccan Shepherders.

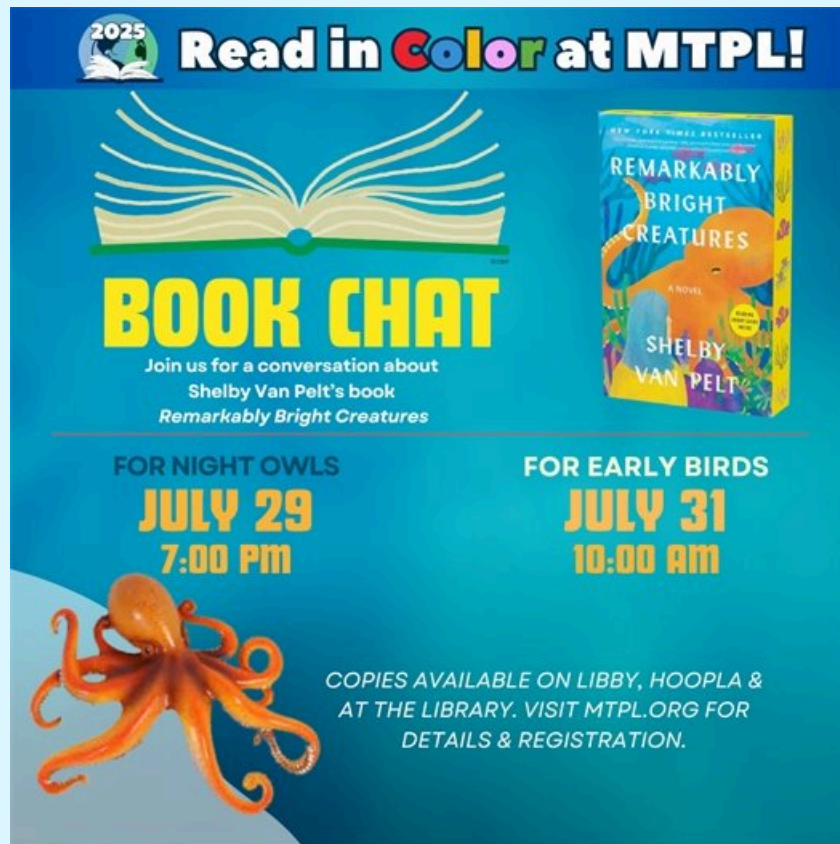
Celebrate Summerween with Middletown Parks & Recreation on Thursday, 7/31



Enjoy a family-friendly night filled with a DJ, meet-and-greet with the Sanderson Sisters, haunted décor, and Halloween activities beginning at 6:30 PM at Ideal Beach (Bayside Parkway, North Middletown)! Stay after Middletown Parks & Recreation's free beach party to watch a Summerween classic, *Addams Family Values*, at 8:45 PM.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

Sign Up for MTPL's Book Chats about *Remarkably Bright Creatures* Happening on Tuesday, 7/29 & Thursday, 7/31



The poster features a blue background with a stylized open book at the top center. To the right is the book cover for 'Remarkably Bright Creatures' by Shelby Van Pelt, which shows an orange octopus. Below the book cover is a small image of a real orange octopus. The text '2025' is in a small circle at the top left. The main title 'Read in Color at MTPL!' is in large, colorful letters. Below that, 'BOOK CHAT' is in large yellow letters. The text 'Join us for a conversation about Shelby Van Pelt's book Remarkably Bright Creatures' is in white. Two chat times are listed: 'FOR NIGHT OWLS JULY 29 7:00 PM' and 'FOR EARLY BIRDS JULY 31 10:00 AM'. At the bottom right, it says 'COPIES AVAILABLE ON LIBBY, HOOPLA & AT THE LIBRARY. VISIT MTPL.ORG FOR DETAILS & REGISTRATION.'

2025 **Read in Color at MTPL!**

BOOK CHAT

Join us for a conversation about
Shelby Van Pelt's book
Remarkably Bright Creatures

FOR NIGHT OWLS
JULY 29
7:00 PM

FOR EARLY BIRDS
JULY 31
10:00 AM

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DETAILS & REGISTRATION.

Join the Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL) for a morning or evening book chat on *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt. The evening chat will take place on Tuesday, July 29th at 7 PM in the MTPL's Community Room (55 New Monmouth Road). The morning chat will take place on Thursday, July 31st at 10 AM in the same location. Registration is recommended.

Click [HERE](#) to register for the evening chat and click [HERE](#) to register for the morning chat.

**Compete in MTPL's Star Wars Trivia Night on Thursday,
7/31 at 7 PM: Sign Up Now!**



Come to the MTPL for a night of trivia about a galaxy far, far away! This fun event is for adults only. Registration is required.

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

Join MTPD at Annual National Night Out on Tuesday, 8/5 from 5-8 PM



The Middletown Township Police Department (MTPD) will be hosting this year's National Night Out at Middletown High School North (63 Tindall Road)! If the weather is nice, the event will be held on the field. If it is raining, it will be held in the gym. Attendees will be able to park in the lot off Swartzel Drive.

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. This is the MTPD's 8th year hosting it.

The MTPD will be on site to meet the public, give demonstrations, and have fun. Activities include fingerprinting, K-9 demonstrations, police equipment displays, impaired driving simulator, inflatables, giveaways, food, and more!

We hope to see all our residents at this FREE, family-friendly event!

Become a Vendor for the MAC's Antique, Vintage, & Collectibles Marketplace Happening on Saturday, 8/16 from 9 AM - 3 PM



The MAC's Antique, Vintage, & Collectibles Marketplace will be returning next month! The event will feature over four dozen vendors offering a huge selection of unique and one-of-a-kind antiques including vinyl records, costume jewelry, vintage clothing, collectibles, postcards, toys, and more.

Only 50 vendor tables will be offered for just \$25 each. Reserve your spot ASAP by calling 917-880-1222.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

**Vendor and Sponsorship Opportunities Now Available for
Middletown Day 2025**



MIDDLETOWN DAY 2025

YOUR BUSINESS HERE!
Have your business viewed by over 12,000 people! Sponsorship and vendor opportunities available.

Sunday, October 19th
Croydon Hall 1pm-5pm
middletownnj.org/middletownday

SAVE THE DATE! Middletown Day will be returning to the Great Lawn at Croydon Hall (900 Leonardville Road, Leonardo) on Sunday, October 19th from 1:00-5:00 PM!

Interested in becoming a vendor or sponsor? Visit middletownnj.org/middletownday for more information.



TRAFFIC SAFETY & DETOURS

MIDDLETOWN  TOWNSHIP

- On Saturday, July 26th, Cooper Road will be closed between Sleepy Hollow Road and Bowne Road from 8:30-10:00 AM. The Middletown Township Police Department will be on scene.
- On Monday, July 28th, Red Hill Road will be closed between Kings Highway and Holland Road from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM for road construction. A detour has been set. All residences between Kings Highway and Holland Road will have access from the Holland Road side.
- Bamm Hollow Road will be closed from Tuesday, July 29th through Friday, August 29th between Middletown-Lincroft Road and Blue Jay Court. The roadway will be closed 24/7 for the duration. The Monmouth County Bridge Division will be performing repairs in the area. Please follow the posted detour.

- Navesink River Road is now open. It was previously closed between Club Way and McClees Road to all traffic for repairs.
- In June, Monmouth County began the construction of the replacement of Bridge S-14 on County Route 50 (Swimming River Road). The road will remain open throughout construction and two 11-foot-wide travel ways in each direction will be maintained. Construction is anticipated to take two years. Please follow all posted signs and stay alert while driving in the area, as temporary changes to traffic patterns may occur. Click [HERE](#) to read the County's press release for more information.
- Church Street in Belford (near Saint Mary's School) between Leonardville Road and Drift Road is currently closed to replace Bridge MT-10. It will be closed 24/7 to vehicular traffic through October, but pedestrian access will be maintained throughout the course of the project.
- As of Monday, January 13th, Broadway is closed between Main Street (Port Monmouth) and Church Street (Belford) due to construction of the final phase of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Port Monmouth Flood Control Project. Broadway will be closed for approximately two years. Detours were posted. Port Monmouth Road between Main Street (Port Monmouth) and Church Street (Belford) reopened on Monday, January 13th, providing an alternate detour route for the Broadway closure.

RESOURCES



NJCCIC

NJCCIC Warns about Texting Scam that Impersonates NJDOL

New Jersey Cybersecurity & Communications Integration Cell (NJCCIC) recently received reports regarding the impersonation of NJ Department of Labor and Workforce Development (DOL) personnel in SMS text phishing (SMiShing) schemes.

Cybercriminals are contacting claimants via text message, identifying themselves as "NJLWD Claim Department" and alleging they need clarification on a claim.

Middletown Township encourages residents to be aware of any unexpected and suspicious messages.

Click [HERE](#) to read the NJCCIC's alert for full details.

MTPD Provides Safety Tips for Scam Text Messages and Online Threats



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

The Middletown Township Police Department (MTPD) has recently been contacted by residents who have received text messages stating that they have outstanding traffic violations. **THIS IS A SCAM.** Please review the information above for tips on how to stay safe from scam text messages and online threats. Always remember: **NEVER CLICK ON A LINK YOU MAY BE UNSURE OF.**

Middletown Township Health Department Provides Information on How to Properly Dispose Sharps

WHAT TO DO WITH SHARPS?



DISPOSING AT HOME

- 1 Place sharps into a heavy-duty plastic container. The bottle should be sturdy, puncture-resistant, and should not leak. Do not use glass bottles or water bottles with flimsy lids.
- 2 When the container is $\frac{3}{4}$ full, put the lid on, seal it with duct tape, and label it "DO NOT RECYCLE".
- 3 Put the plastic container in the household trash. Sharps should never be recycled or thrown loosely into the trash or toilet.



LOCAL DISPOSAL OPTIONS

**Call prior to going in case an appointment is required*

Bayshore Medical Center

Address: 727 North Beers Street, Holmdel, NJ, 07733

Phone number: 732-739-5900

Drop-off location: Emergency Room, 24/7

Riverview Medical Center Container Exchange Program

Address: 1 Riverview Plaza, Red Bank, NJ, 07701

Phone number: 732-530-2402

Drop-off location: Basement-Sterilization Room, Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

**Sharps container provided by hospital*

Still have questions?
Visit safeneedledisposal.org
for more disposal locations in
New Jersey and guidance on
sharps disposal.



SafeNeedleDisposal.org
Be sharp about sharps.

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Middletown OEM Shares Information about How to Stock Up on Hurricane Supplies

THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT GETTING YOUR HURRICANE SUPPLIES

- 1

Food/Water - Get supplies well in advance, enough for each person for at least one week.
- 2

Medicine/First-aid - Have 30 days worth of medicines and medical supplies. Fill prescriptions before the storm.
- 3

Communications - Have extra batteries or portable chargers for your cell phones and batteries for your radios.
- 4

Gas - Fill up your car or a gas can beforehand. If the power goes out, you will be unable to pump gas.
- 5

Money - Have cash on hand. With no electricity, ATMs and credit cards will not work.

For more Hurricane Safety Information, visit weather.gov/hurricanesafety

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

With hurricane season officially here, the Middletown Township Office of Emergency Management (OEM) reminds residents about the importance of being prepared. Now is the time to review your emergency plans, stock up on essentials, and stay informed. Whether securing your home, checking your supplies, or signing up for emergency alerts, a little preparation goes a long way in keeping you and your loved ones safe.

Visit [weather.gov/hurricanesafety](https://www.weather.gov/hurricanesafety) for safety tips and resources.

Prepare for Hurricane Season by Purchasing or Renewing Flood Insurance

THE ATLANTIC HURRICANE SEASON BEGINS JUNE 1ST!

KNOW YOUR PROPERTY'S FLOOD RISK.



There are areas in Middletown that are more at risk to flood than others. Visit middletowntownshipnj.withforerunner.com and search the flood map using your address to find out if you live in a flood-prone area.

Middletown participates in FEMA's Community Rating System (CRS), so if you own a home in the floodzone and are interested in purchasing or renewing a flood insurance policy, you are eligible for a discount.

For more information, contact Floodplain Manager, Stacy Krause PP/AICP, CFM at 732-615-2000 ext. 2167 or visit middletownnj.org/floodinsurance.



Middletown Township Health Department Shares Information about Ticks and Mosquitoes

'Tis the season for ticks and mosquitoes! The Middletown Township Health Department would like to share some useful resources with our community.

Click [HERE](#) for more information about ticks and click [HERE](#) for more information about mosquitoes.

Monmouth County Currently Offering Greener Blue Pump-out Boat on Fridays and Saturdays



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

The Greener Blue Pump-Out Boat, which is operated by the Monmouth County Department of Health and Human Services, is currently in service on Fridays and Saturdays from 8 AM to 4 PM.

This free program, which is available to all recreational boaters and not limited to Monmouth County residents, helps properly dispose sewage from boats. Service is available on a first come, first served basis and does not require any paperwork. The service areas are the Navesink and Shrewsbury Rivers and the Atlantic Highlands Marina (Sandy Hook Bay).

If you have general inquiries, please call the Monmouth County Division of Health at 732-431-7456 (Option 3). On service days, you can contact VHF Channel 9 (Marine radio) or call 732-761-4997.

Need Assistance? Utilize the 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 proudly offers 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 serves as one point of entry for residents to be connected to any human service provider in the County without needing to make multiple calls.

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

Middletown Township Building & Inspection Department Launches New SDL Online Permit Portal

CONNECT WITH MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP'S Building & Inspection Department

- ✓ Request Building Inspections
- ✓ Search Town Data
- ✓ Access Town Maps



Middletown is on the SDL Portal, an online hub where residents and professionals can access information, check status updates, and submit requests 24/7.



Visit sdlportal.com to get started or scan the QR code above to access the SDL Citizens Portal.

Visit sdlportal.com to access the portal and create an account.

Need assistance? Click [HERE](#) for step-by-step instructions on how to create an account.

Connect with the Township to Help Correct Concerns



Middletown Township is now utilizing the “See-Click-Fix” platform so residents can easily contact the Township to report any concerns. The Township is branding this reporting tool as *Connect & Correct* since you can submit your request via the website and track its progress through completion.

Visit middletownnj.org and click on the *Connect & Correct* button. This link will direct you to a page of categories you can choose from to report your concern.

Simply choose the relevant category from the list such as lost pet, pothole, sidewalks, playgrounds, etc. and add a brief description of the issue. You will be able to enter an address or pinpoint the location of the issue on the map. You will also have the option to attach a photo if you would like, and then you can click to submit the report.

You will then be able to track the status of the issue through updates on the platform or via email notifications.

Exciting news — the *Connect & Correct* app is now officially available on the [Apple App Store](#) and [Google Play](#)! The goal of the app is to make it even easier to report your concerns on-the-go as well as streamline communications regarding any concerns you may have.

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.

VACANT/ABANDONED PROPERTY POLICIES IN MIDDLETOWN

Middletown Township has an ordinance that requires owners of a business or vacant and abandoned property to maintain liability insurance for negligent acts and omissions.

The ordinance holds property owners responsible for maintaining and securing the property since vacant, abandoned, and blighted properties can cause a cycle of neighborhood deterioration. The ordinance penalizes owners whose property remains vacant year after year.

HOW TO REGISTER OR REPORT VACANT/ABANDONED PROPERTY

Please visit middletownnj.org/abandonedproperty to either register your vacant/abandoned property or report a vacant/abandoned property.

You can also contact Lisa Vena from the Planning & Community Development Department at 732-615-2000 ext. 2283 or lvena@middletownnj.org if you have any additional questions.





**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 middletownnj.org/oem.

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


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