

# Middletown Minutes

Official Township E-Newsletter



## Kevin M Settembrino to Serve as Acting Mayor

On Monday, June 25<sup>th</sup> Deputy Mayor Kevin Settembrino became the Acting Mayor of Middletown due to Mayor Stephanie Murray's resignation from the Township Committee, effective June 22, 2018.

Settembrino was elected to the Middletown Township Committee in 2010 and has served as Deputy Mayor twice. Additionally, Settembrino has served on several Middletown boards, including the Zoning Board of Adjustment, the Library Board, and is currently on the Planning Board.

As a community leader, Settembrino has been a key player in helping stabilize taxes, Sandy recovery, planned growth, and has been an advocate for increased energy efficiency across the Township. He also supported the fight against JCP&L's monster power lines, helped foster shared service agreements to help the town save money, and has been a presence at both large and small Township events.

"My eight years on the Township Committee have prepared me to fulfill the role of Mayor, and I'm honored to hit the ground running and do it," said Settembrino. "The Township Committee and I will miss Stephanie Murray's energy and ideas, however, we are looking forward to continuing to pursue the goals we have set for our community."

In addition to Settembrino's mayoral responsibilities, he is the founding Principal at Settembrino Architects in Red Bank and a LEED Accredited Professional with a focus on sustainable design. He lives in the River Plaza section of Middletown with his wife and elementary school aged twins.



*Acting Mayor Kevin M Settembrino*



**FIREWORKS SAFETY**

Keep an eye out for the Township's notice regarding fireworks rules and regulations.

Click [HERE](#) to read the State of New Jersey's recent legislation regarding the sale, possession, and use of certain fireworks.





*Dr. Roger Thompson of IMA presented a medical kit for each fire company to help all of our firefighters give temporary first aid to fire victims. Acting Mayor Kevin Settembrino was there to receive this generous donation along with Fire Chief Ryan Clarke, Deputy Chief Steven Schweizer, and members of the Belford Engine Company.*

## Integrated Medicine Alliance Donates Medical Kits to All 11 MTFD Firehouses

On Wednesday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, the Integrated Medicine Alliance (IMA) donated medical kits to all 11 firehouses in Middletown. Fire Chief Ryan Clarke, Deputy Chief Steven Schweizer, and members of the Belford Engine Company graciously accepted the kits which will be installed in the fire engines to be used during emergencies.

Acting Mayor Kevin Settembrino and Fire Chief Ryan Clarke thanked Dr. Roger Thompson of IMA for the organization's generosity. Dr. Thompson is a lifelong resident of Middletown and was happy to donate the kits as a token of appreciation for all our volunteers do to keep our town safe.

## Township Happenings & Events



### Code Ninja Celebrates Grand Opening

Committeeman Tony Perry stopped by Code Ninja, located at the Union Square Mall (500 NJ-35) to present a certificate congratulating independent owner Stadi Sinclair on his grand



### Guttenplan's Receives "Made in Middletown" Certificate

On Friday, June 22nd, Committeeman Tony Perry toured local frozen dough factory Guttenplan's with the business's president, Abe Littenberg. Guttenplan's has been



### Pay Off Your Library Fines with Food Bank Donations Until August 17th!

Acting Mayor Kevin Settembrino stopped by the Middletown Township Public Library on Thursday, June 28th to support the *Food for Fines* Campaign initiated

opening on Friday, June 22. Code Ninja is a center that teaches children computer coding skills though building games. These lessons teach the students problem solving, team work, math skills, and how to learn the new literacy of computer coding.

family owned and operated since 1908, and has been based at its 80,000 sq. foot facility located at 100 Highway 36 in Middletown for over 30 years. Committeeman Perry presented Guttenplan's with a certificate thanking the business for choosing Middletown as its home and for being a leading supplier of frozen dough products to many small businesses in town.  
Click HERE to get a glimpse into how this impressive facility operates.

by Library Director Kim Rinaldi. From now until August 17th you can help pay off your library fines with food bank donations. Each non-perishable food item donated during the program event eliminates a \$1.00 of late fees from the cardholder's account up to a maximum of \$10.00 per card. Donations will be going to all of the local food banks on a weekly basis, including the Town's Pantry, Middletown Helps Its Own, Calico Cat, Project Paul, and Lunch Break.





[\*\*MTPL Presents: Book & Author Talk - Julie Maloney\*\*](#)

[\*\*Date: Monday, July 9th\*\*](#)

[\*\*Time: 7:00PM-8:00PM\*\*](#)

[\*\*Location: MTPL\*\*](#)

[\*\*Community Room \(55 New Monmouth Road\)\*\*](#)

[\*\*Click on the picture to register or to learn more!\*\*](#)



[\*\*Middletown Recreation Department Presents: Summer Camps!\*\*](#)

[\*\*The Recreation Department has added a few options to better meet the needs of our Middletown families, including a trip-based camp for older campers. Sign up for one week or sign up for them all! Camps start the week of July 9 and are designed for children age 3 through grade 9. Click the picture to learn more!\*\*](#)



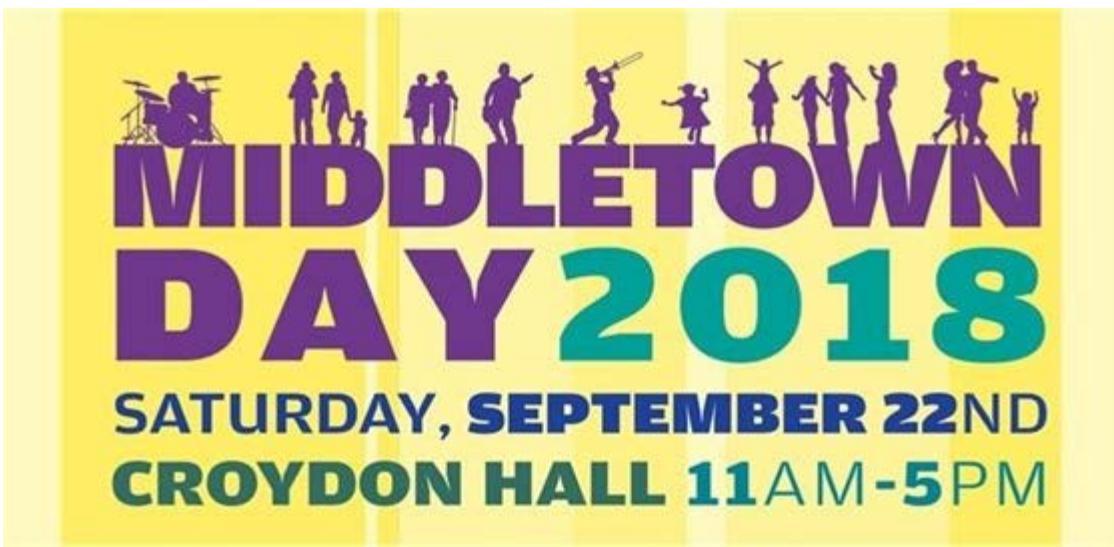
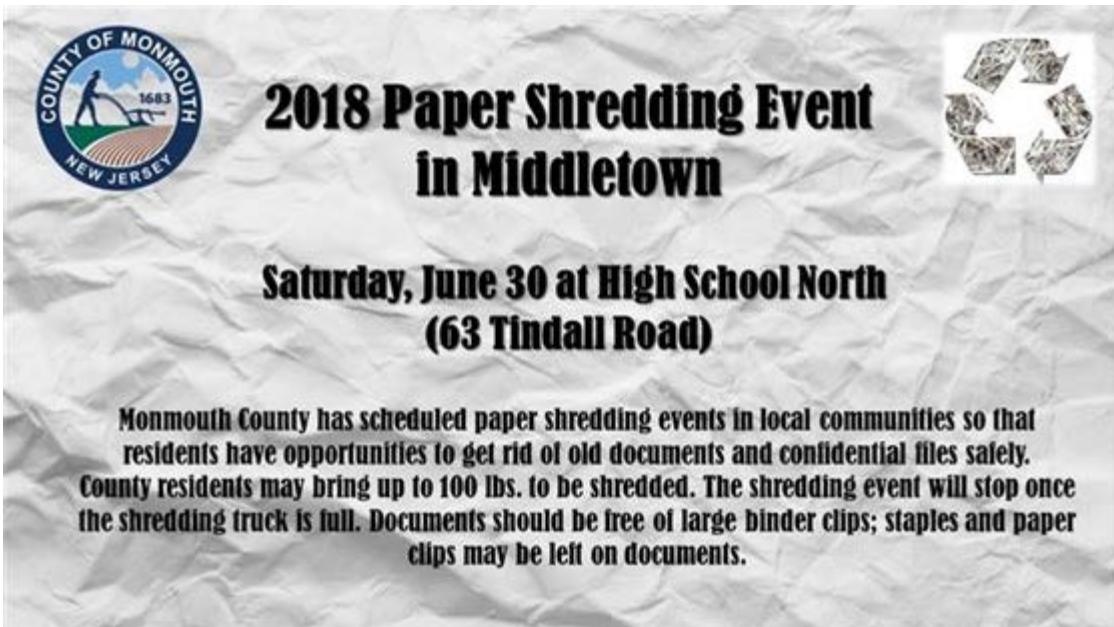
[\*\*The MAC presents: Garden State Watercolor Society Exhibition Artist Demonstration with Isabella Pizzano\*\*](#)

[\*\*Date: Saturday, June 30th\*\*](#)

[\*\*Time 12:30-2:00PM\*\*](#)

[\*\*Cost: FREE\*\*](#)

[\*\*Click the link to learn more!\*\*](#)



[Middletown Day is a fantastic opportunity to celebrate all that makes Middletown special. Vendor spaces are limited. Priority spaces will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis through August 1. Reserve your space today! Please contact our Recreation Department for more information \(732\) 615-2260 or \[recreation@middletownnj.org\]\(mailto:recreation@middletownnj.org\). Click the image for more info!](#)

### Frequently Dumped Items That Are Not Accepted at Middletown Recycling Center

Please refer to the chart below to see which materials are not accepted at the Middletown Recycling Center located at 52 Kanes Lane. If you would like to learn more about what is and isn't recyclable, download the **Recycle Coach** app. You can download the free app from [iTunes](#) or the [GooglePlay](#) app store. You can also access it online [HERE](#).

Click [HERE](#) to view the Township's [printable Comprehensive Recycling Chart](#).

## Middletown Recycling Center does NOT accept:



## Roadwork & Detours

### 'LET THERE BE LIGHT' on Kings Highway & Church Street!

The roadwork at the intersection of Kings Highway and Church Street to signalize the roadway is now complete. ***Please be aware that there will be a traffic light at that intersection beginning on Monday, July 2nd at 11:00AM.***

### Road Restoration Work for New Jersey American Water Continues on the Following Streets:

- Avenue A
- Ataboy Ave.
- Gordon Ct.
- Avenue D
- High Boy Ave.
- Walada Ave.
- Wood Ave.
- Carter Ave.
- Avenue B
- Handy Boy Ave.
- Plymouth Ave.
- Georgia Ave.
- Orphan Boy Ave.
- Bergen Ave.

If you have any questions, contact Traffic at 732-615-2045.



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