

Middletown Minutes

Official Township E-Newsletter

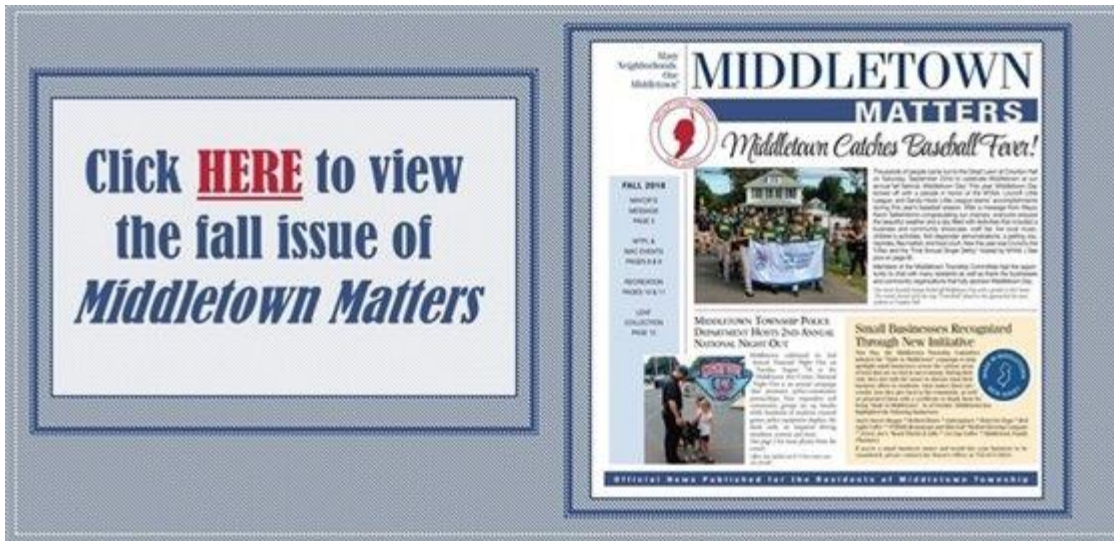


Middletown Welcomes Stride and Ride Relay Team in Honor of 9/11 Victims, Veterans, and First Responders



Mayor Kevin Settembrino and Committeewoman Pat Snell met with Heather Viveiros, founder of the Stride and Ride Tactical Team, at the World Trade Center Memorial Gardens on Monday, October 8th. (Photo courtesy of Maggie O'Brien)

On Monday, October 8th, Middletown was honored to host the [Stride and Ride Relay Tactical Team](#) at the World Trade Center Memorial Gardens (36 Church Street). The Stride and Ride Relay spans 911 miles from Boston, Massachusetts to Arlington, Virginia to honor and remember those who perished on 9/11, our Military Men and Women who deployed Oct. 7, 2001, those lost at war, and those lost to the invisible wounds of war. It also supports those currently serving, including our Veterans, First Responders and their families. The team stopped in Middletown to pay their respects to the 37 residents we lost on September 11th. We thank the Stride and Ride Relay Team for their effort to bring communities together and bridge the gap between service members and civilians. Such events serve as a meaningful step toward the healing of our country.



[Click on the picture to view the Fall 2018 edition of *Middletown Matters!*](#)

River Plaza Elementary School Holds Annual "Walk to School Day" on October 10th



Mayor Kevin Settembrino and Township Committee members Rick Hibell and Pat Snell presented River Plaza Elementary School Principal David Whitman with a certificate recognizing October 10th as "Walk to School Day" in Middletown Township.

On Wednesday, October 10th, River Plaza Elementary School hosted their annual "Walk to School Day". Hundreds of parents, students, and community members participated in the walk that is done in an effort to raise awareness about pedestrian safety for our children. Having a safer route to school will encourage children to exercise regularly and create a routine that can benefit them for years to come. Walking to school will also help reduce traffic and pollution in our Township. Thank you to all who participated in this event!

Mayor Kevin Settembrino sat down with Jill Horner of Comcast Newsmakers to discuss the results of Middletown's Microgrid Feasibility Study.

Middletown was one of only 13 municipalities to be awarded a \$150,000 grant from the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities to conduct the study. The final report should be available by the end of the year. For additional information about the study, click [HERE](#).

Click [HERE](#) to watch the segment.



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Veterans Day Parade
Sunday, November 4th
Start: 1pm, Bayview Elementary School
End: VFW Post 2179 – Port Monmouth

Hosted by VFW Post 2179
New for 2018!
Bike Parade

CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO

MTFD & NJNG Held Large Scale Drill on October 7th

On Sunday, October 7th, the Middletown Township Fire Department and New Jersey Natural Gas held a large scale joint drill at the Middletown Fire Academy. Mayor Kevin Settembrino and Committee members Tony Perry, Rick Hibell and Pat Snell, attended the drill to get an in depth look at what the fire department does in a natural gas emergency. All 11 fire companies and our EMS members, which constituted over 100 volunteers, participated. Thank you to our wonderful emergency services units for their diligence and hard work!



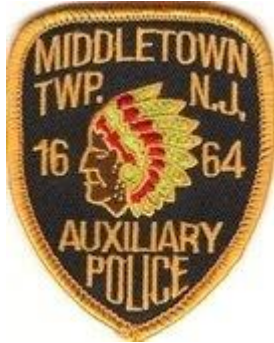
Deputy Fire Chief Steve Schweizer explains the drill to Committeeman Tony Perry.



Firefighters assess a situation upon arrival and perform vehicle rescue.



Deputy Chief Steve Schweizer with Mayor Settembrino and Township Committee members Tony Perry, Former Fire Chief Rick Hibell, and Pat Snell.



Volunteers Needed for Middletown Township Police Department Auxiliary Police

Middletown Township Police Department is currently recruiting volunteers to serve on the Middletown Auxiliary Police. You can download an application at www.middletownnj.org/AuxiliaryPolice. Applications are accepted year-round.

The Middletown Township Auxiliary Police duties include traffic control, security, and patrol for major events, road races, fairs, high school sporting events, and more. The Auxiliary Academy starts in March and you will learn NJ Criminal Code, Title 39 Motor Vehicle Laws, side-handle baton, handcuffing, pepper spray, drill and ceremony, and more.

Basic requirements for volunteers to apply include that they must be eighteen years of age or older, live within a five mile radius of Middletown, have access to reliable transportation, possess a valid driver's license, be willing to serve on an on-call basis during major incidents, submit to a background investigation and fingerprinting, and successfully complete the mandatory training.

For additional information, please contact Sgt. Kevin Gardiner, Middletown Township Police Department, Auxiliary Liaison, at 732 615-2075.

Upcoming Events



New this year: Trunk or Treat! Harvest Hullabaloo will kick off with a costume parade and contest. Once the parade has commenced, the Trunk or Treaters will be allowed to spend time going from trunk to trunk, collecting candy from vehicle owners who have decorated their trunk, tailgate, or hatchback and provide candy for the "treaters".

If you're interested in setting up a vehicle or table in the parking lot, click on the image to download the registration form. Can't make the event, but still want to be involved? Donate a 5lb bag of candy and we will proudly display your business name.



DANCE SOCIAL

for Our Special Friends
featuring DANCE MAN DJ JAY!

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9th • 6-10 pm
at the Middletown Arts Center

Please join us as we celebrate the start of a new series of arts-related programming at the Middletown Arts Center specifically designed for students with special needs and their families.

Students must be accompanied by a parent or chaperone.
Refreshments will be provided.

\$5 Per Family
Please register by visiting
middletownArts.org or
call 732-706-4100
for more information.



36 Church Street
Middletown, NJ
(Next to Train Station)
732-706-4100
middletownarts.org

On Friday, November 9th, the Middletown Arts Center is presenting its first *MAC PACK event, "JUST DANCE!" a DANCE SOCIAL for our Special Friends featuring DANCE MAN DJ JAY from 6-10PM! The cost is \$5 per family and refreshments will be served. Students must be accompanied by a parent or chaperone. Click on the picture to register online.

****MAC PACK will continue to offer arts-related programming for students with special needs and their families throughout the year.***



MTPL Presents: STAR Party Astronomy Observing Session

Date: Monday, October 15th

Time: 7:00PM- 9:00PM

Location: The MTPL (55 New Monmouth Road)

Star Gazing Event presented by S.T.A.R. Astronomy Group will take place in our staff parking lot on the other side of the building. This group brings out their professional telescopes to allow for excellent sky viewing.

[Click on the picture for more info!](#)

Pre-Register Now for 10/20 Dog-Only Rabies Clinic

Croydon Hall Gym (900 Leonardville Road) from 9:00AM- 11:00AM

*Pre-registration is available from now through Thursday, October 18th at 10:00PM.
Pre-registering will allow you to enter through the Express line and bypass the walk-in crowds.

BONUS: The first 50 applicants to pre-register will receive a FREE pet micro-chip.



For more information, please contact
Animal Control at 732-615-2097.

Please note: There will be a second
Dog-Only Rabies Clinic on December 1st.
Pre-registration for this clinic will begin on October 26th.

[Click the picture to pre-register!](#)

October is Make a Difference Month in Middletown!

We ask that residents help make a difference by participating in the



All non-perishable food, cleaning supplies,
personal items, and paper products are needed.

All donations will be collected and added to the Middletown
Township Social Services/ Middletown Helps Its Own
Household Pantry located at
180 Main Street, Port Monmouth
Questions? Call Social Services at 732-615-2085.

Important Voter Information from the Township Clerk's Office

IMPORTANT IF YOU VOTED BY MAIL IN 2016

The Monmouth County Clerk's Office will begin the process of notifying all vote by mail voters from the 2016 presidential election (who have not requested a ballot for the 2018 election) that they will be receiving a ballot unless they **opt out in writing**. The County Clerk's Office is sending out approximately 25,000 of these letters.

If voters would like to call with questions, please contact the Elections Office at (732)431-7790.

VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

Tuesday, October 16 Voter Registration Deadline for General Election (21 days before election) N.J.S.A. 19:31-6 Mandated Evening Voter Registration Available for General Election in Offices of County Commissioner of Registration 300 Halls Mills Rd. Freehold, NJ 07728 (732)431-7780 or visit www.monmouthcountyvotes.com

[Click HERE to visit the Township Clerk's page for polling locations and registration questions.](#)



[Click the picture to learn important information about the upcoming November election!](#)



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