

# Middletown Minutes

Official Township E-Newsletter



## Middletown Gets into the Fall Spirit at Annual Harvest Hullabaloo

Middletown Recreation, the Middletown Township Cultural Arts Council, and the Middletown Township Education Association held its annual Harvest Hullabaloo on Saturday, October 20th at Poricy Park Nature Center. This festive evening included costume parades, cartooning with the Doodle Dude, hayrides (not-so-scary and haunted) & more! News this year was "Trunk or Treat" where families went from car to car in the parking lot to fill their pumpkins with candy. Among the cars were several members of the Middletown Township Police Department who had a chance to connect with our little residents. Thank you to everyone involved in this "spooktacular" event!



*Township officials had the tough job of judging the Hullabaloo Costume Contest. The kids all looked great!*

*Judges pictured from left: Director of Public Works Ted Maloney, Payroll Director Helen Alfano, Committeeman Tony Perry, Mayor Kevin Settembrino, and Fire Chief Ryan Clarke.*



*Little officers hung out with prisoner K-9 Maverick and his handler Patrolman Frank Mazza during the Trunk or Treat event.*



*Mario and Princess Daisy having fun at the Hullabaloo!*

## Port Monmouth Flood Control Project Update to be Held on Monday, 11/5

Middletown Township, the US Army Corps of Engineers, and the State of New Jersey DEP is holding the

**2nd Port Monmouth Flood Control Project**  
**Public Information Session**

**Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup> from 7:00PM-9:00PM**

**at VFW Post 2179 (1 Veterans Lane) in Port Monmouth**

**Representatives from the Township of Middletown, NJ Department of Environmental Protection and US Army Corps of Engineers will provide an update and discuss the future of the project.**



## Important Storm Reminders



**Due to the anticipated storm, the Township would like to remind residents of the following:**

- Call JCP&L at 1-888-LIGHTSS (544-4877) or text LIGHTS to 544487 to report a power outage or downed wires.**
- Please be aware of flood prone streets and DO NOT DRIVE YOUR VEHICLE THROUGH FLOOD WATER.**
- If you live in a flood prone area, we advise you to move your vehicle to higher ground. Click [HERE](#) to view the list of flood prone streets.**

## Suzi's Sweet Shoppe Celebrates 20th Anniversary



Mayor Kevin Settembrino and Committeewoman Pat Snell stopped by to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of Suzi's Sweet Shoppe with husband and wife owners Suzi and Stan Hordych and the Suzi's Sweet Shoppe Team! We wish them many



more years of success!

(Photos courtesy of Lori Anne  
Oliwa)

## MTPD Joins NJ DEA in Operation Take Back New Jersey on Sat. 10/27

The Middletown Township Police Department Joins the NJ DEA in

### OPERATION TAKE BACK NEW JERSEY

**Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup> between 10:00AM- 2:00PM**  
**at Police Headquarters (1 Kings Highway)**



**DEA NATIONAL Rx**  
**TAKEBACK**

We encourage residents to turn in unused or expired medications for safe disposal. Officers will be collecting medication in the main lobby at Headquarters.

### RECYCLING TIP OF THE WEEK

**TIP OF THE WEEK**  
Please rinse your recyclables thoroughly before placing them (loose) in your blue recycling cart.

**RINSE. RECYCLE.  
REIMAGINE.**

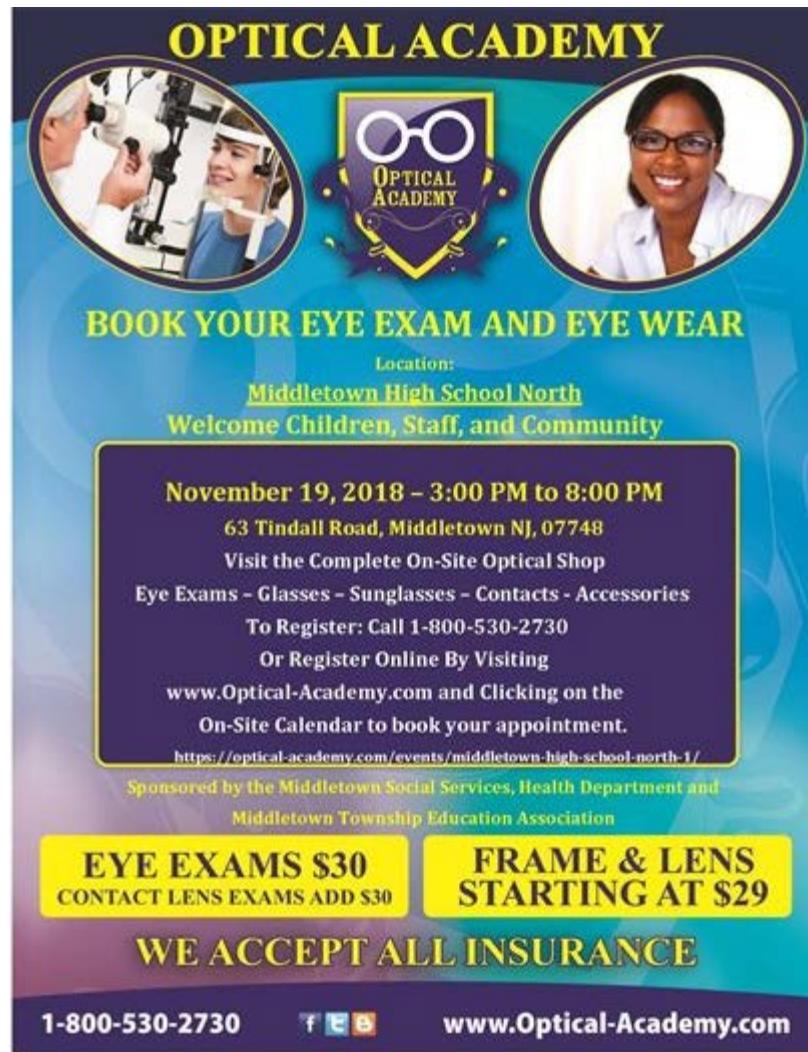
**DID YOU KNOW?**  
Just one soiled item (not-so-empty can of dog food) could contaminate the contents of your entire recycling bin, sending it to the landfill.

Download the recyclecoach app.

"When in doubt, throw it out!"

[www.middletownnj.org/recycling](http://www.middletownnj.org/recycling)

## Upcoming Events



**OPTICAL ACADEMY**

**BOOK YOUR EYE EXAM AND EYE WEAR**

Location:  
Middletown High School North  
Welcome Children, Staff, and Community

**November 19, 2018 – 3:00 PM to 8:00 PM**  
**63 Tindall Road, Middletown NJ, 07748**  
Visit the Complete On-Site Optical Shop  
Eye Exams – Glasses – Sunglasses – Contacts - Accessories  
To Register: Call 1-800-530-2730  
Or Register Online By Visiting  
[www.Optical-Academy.com](http://www.Optical-Academy.com) and Clicking on the  
On-Site Calendar to book your appointment.  
<https://optical-academy.com/events/middletown-high-school-north-1/>

Sponsored by the Middletown Social Services, Health Department and  
Middletown Township Education Association

**EYE EXAMS \$30**  
CONTACT LENS EXAMS ADD \$30

**FRAME & LENS**  
STARTING AT \$29

**WE ACCEPT ALL INSURANCE**

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**MTPD Community Relations Officer Rick Cruz Presents  
"How to Recognize Senior Scams" at MTPL**



SENIOR SCAMS

presented by  
Officer Rick Cruz

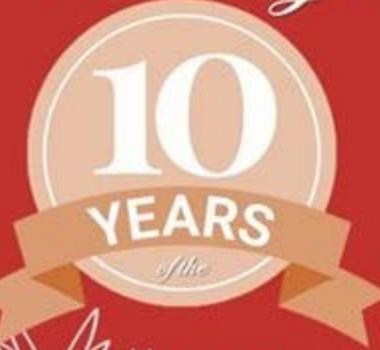


Learn how to recognize the latest scams targeting seniors and how to deal with them.

**Friday, Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>, 11:30 am  
and  
Monday, Nov 12<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm**

 Middletown Township Public Library  
55 New Monmouth Road  
732-671-3700  
[www.mtpl.org](http://www.mtpl.org)

[Click the picture to learn more!](#)



Celebrating  
**10**  
YEARS  
*of the*  
MIDDLETOWN  
ARTS CENTER

After having celebrated our Tenth Anniversary last year, the Middletown Arts Center is working on a new strategic plan and we need your help!

Please take a few minutes to answer our brief survey so that we can better serve you and our community through the arts.

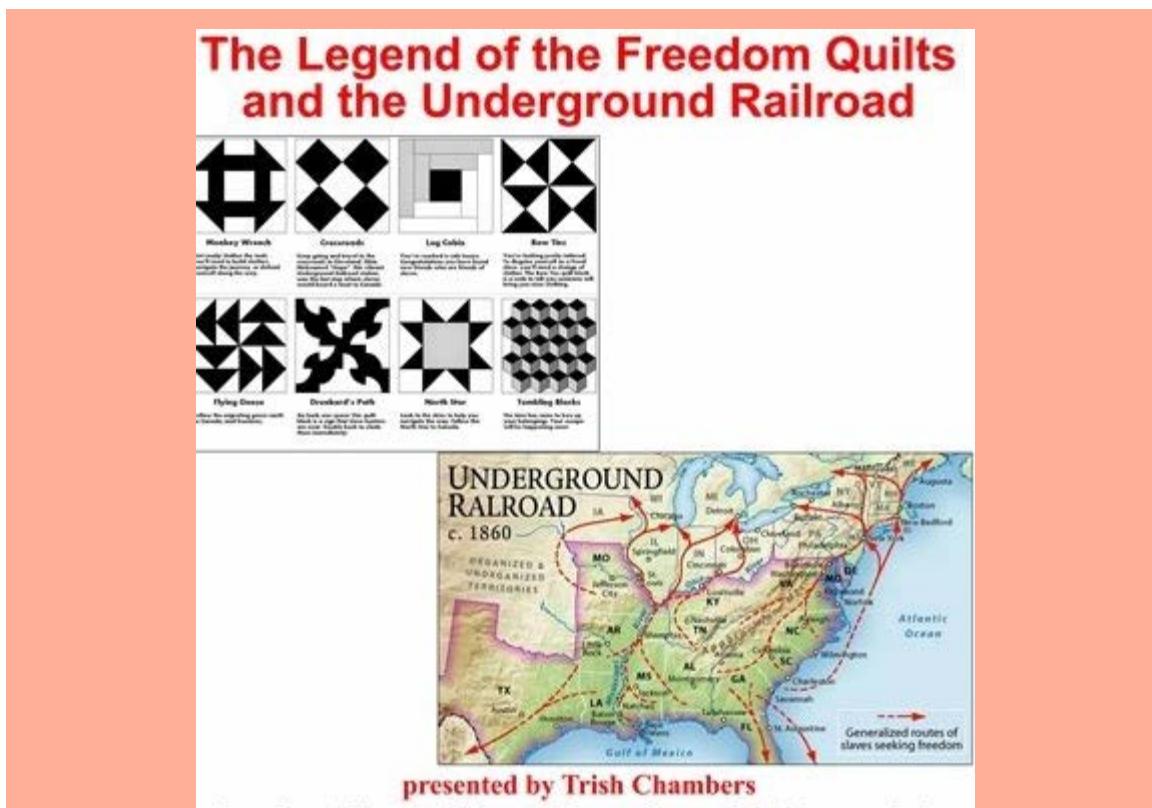
Two randomly selected responders will receive a \$25 Gift Certificate to the MAC.

Click [HERE](#) to take the survey!





A flyer for the Veterans Day Parade. It features a large American flag at the top. Below it, the text "Veterans Day Parade" is written in a large, stylized font. Underneath that, "Sunday, November 4th" is written. At the bottom, the start and end locations are listed: "Start: 1pm, Bayview Elementary School" and "End: VFW Post 2179 – Port Monmouth". To the right, there are two logos: a blue circular logo with a profile of a soldier and a red, yellow, and blue Maltese cross. Below the logos, the text "Hosted by VFW Post 2179" is written. Underneath that, "New for 2018! Bike Parade" is written in red. At the bottom right, there is a yellow button with the text "CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO" and a right-pointing arrow.



A flyer for a presentation titled "The Legend of the Freedom Quilts and the Underground Railroad". The title is at the top in large red letters. Below it is a grid of eight quilt patterns with labels: "Monkey Wrench", "Crossroads", "Log Cabin", "Bear Paw", "Flying Geese", "Dresden's Path", "North Star", and "Tumbling Blocks". Each label has a small description underneath. Below the quilt grid is a map of the "UNDERGROUND RAILROAD c. 1860". The map shows the generalized routes of slaves seeking freedom from the South through various states like TX, LA, MS, AL, GA, NC, SC, and DE to the North and Canada. The map also shows the "Gulf of Mexico" and the "Atlantic Ocean". At the bottom of the map, it says "Generalized routes of slaves seeking freedom". Below the map, the text "presented by Trish Chambers" is written.

[MTPL Presents: The Legend of the Freedom Quilt and the Underground Railroad](#)

[Date: Saturday, November 3rd](#)

[Time: 2:00PM- 3:30PM](#)

[Location: The MTPL Community Room \(55 New Monmouth Road\)](#)

[Performed in period costume Trish Chambers discusses the history, legends and personal stories that make up the rich heritage associated with the Underground Railroad.](#)

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

**October is Make a Difference Month in Middletown!**  
We ask that residents help make a difference by participating in the



**FOOD AND CLEANING SUPPLIES DRIVE**

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.

**Other Drop Off Locations Include...**

Department of Public Works (52 Kanes Lane)  
Middletown Arts Center (36 Church Street)  
Middletown Township Public Library (55 New Monmouth Road)  
Middletown Recreation at Poricy Park (345 Oak Hill Road)  
Middletown Senior Center (900 Leonardville Road, Leonardo)  
Tonya Keller Community Center (50 Bray Avenue)  
Middletown Town Hall & Johnson Gill Annex (1 Kings Highway)  
Red Light Coffee & Espresso Bar (642E Newman Springs Road, Lincroft)



## Roadwork and Detours

### Milling and Paving on Red Hill Road

The County will be milling and paving Red Hill Road in the vicinity of Holland Road. The road will be milled on Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup> and paved on Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>.

### Maintenance on Railroad Crossing at Church Street Beginning Thursday, 11/8

New Jersey Transit will be performing maintenance on the railroad crossing at Church Street beginning Thursday, November 8th. Weather permitting, the work is expected to take 7 days, including the weekend, to complete. Click [HERE](#) to learn more.



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