"Climb with a Cop" Event Reaches New Heights to Benefit NJ Special Olympics

On Saturday, February 9th, the Middletown Township Police Department, P.B.A. Local 124 and police officers from neighboring towns came together for the first "Climb with a Cop" event held at the Gravity Vault in Middletown. The event gave kids a chance to meet and climb with local officers while raising money for the NJ Special Olympics. Mayor Tony Perry, along with Committee members Kevin Settembrino and Pat Snell, joined the fun to show their support. Thank you to all involved in this wonderful fundraiser!

*Click the pictures below to view the photo album!*

*Patrolman Macdonald gave Madeleine Settembrino a boost*
Residents of Middletown and surrounding communities came together on Sunday, February 10th for the annual Four Chaplains Memorial Service held at VFW Post 2179 in Port Monmouth. This moving service honors the bravery of four United States Army chaplains, each of a different faith, who made the ultimate sacrifice in February of 1943. These men gave up their life-jackets to save others, both civilian and military, after a torpedo sank the SS Dorchester. Their selfless act serves as an enduring reminder to put aside our differences and show kindness to those around us.

Photo credit: Marielina Larosa

Pictured from left: Monmouth County Sheriff Shaun Golden, Committeewoman Pat Snell, Freeholder Gerry Scharfenberger, Assemblywoman Serena DiMaso, Freeholder Sue Kiley, MTPD Deputy Chief
Experts Present Microgrid Feasibility Study Results

Middletown Township hosted the final Microgrid Feasibility Study community outreach event at the Middletown Arts Center on Wednesday, February 13th. The session was held to present a program update, study outcomes, as well as financing options to determine a cost-effective configuration that would allow the town to use local resources to power critical facilities during times of emergency.

Highly-qualified experts, including engineers and designers, discussed the results of the study as well as options for implementing the microgrid going forward.

Click HERE to view the presentation.
Monday, February 18th at the MAC (36 Church Street)

Includes creative adventures in a day-camp setting designed to enrich your child’s curriculum when school is not in session.

Full and Half Day Sessions - Pre-register by calling 732-706-4100. Click the image to learn more!

Tuesday, February 19th at the Middletown Township Public Library (55 New Monmouth Road) from 6:00-8:00PM.

Middletown Recreation is bringing preschools throughout the town together in one place for your convenience. Representatives from various organizations will be present to speak to you regarding class options, program structure and help answer any other questions you may have! Click on the picture to learn more!

Presents: Teen/Tween Cooking Class for grades 6-12

Wednesday, February 20th 7:00-8:00PM in the MTPL Children's Program Room (55 New Monmouth Road)

It's Cooking Time! Teens and Tweens from ages 6-12 are welcome to come and learn how to make Sesame Noodles and cake in a mug! Registration required. Click the picture to register or to learn more.

Renew Your Dog License Before March 1st to Avoid Additional
Late Fees

The Middletown Health Department would like to remind residents that all dog licenses should have been renewed by Jan 31st. Any dog license that was not renewed will incur a $5.00 late fee through February 28th. If you haven't renewed yet, please do so before the next late fee of an additional $2.00 starts on March 1st.

All dogs and cats must be licensed in Middletown. You may obtain a license online through the citizen portal, at the Health Department Office (180 Main Street, Port Monmouth), or by mailing your license to the Health Department's attention to 1 Kings Highway, Middletown, NJ 07748. Please call 732-615-2097 for more information.

College Scholarship Open to Middletown High School Juniors and Seniors
Deadline is March 11th

Volunteers Needed for Middletown Township Police Department Domestic Violence Response Team

The Middletown Township Police Department (MTPD) is currently recruiting volunteers to serve on the Middletown Domestic Violence Response Team (DVRT). In affiliation with 180 Turning Lives Around (180), and with the assistance of the response team volunteers, the MTPD continues to make this service available to victims of domestic violence during the initial stages of a highly emotional and traumatic experience. 180 will be conducting an intensive 40-hour mandatory training course for Domestic Violence Response Team (DVRT) volunteers April 29th – May 23rd on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 6:00-9:30 PM in the courtroom at Hazlet.
Police Headquarters, 255 Middle Road in Hazlet. Applications are currently being accepted. [CLICK HERE](#) for additional information and to download an application.

**Temporary Water Treatment Changes in Monmouth County Beginning February 18th**

Beginning this month, New Jersey American Water will temporarily change the water treatment process from a chloramine (combination) residual to free chlorine residual at the company’s Swimming River Water Treatment Plant in Colts Neck. [Read on...](#)

**Correction:** The 2/8/19 edition of *Middletown Minutes* stated that VFW 2179 partnered with Middletown’s Office of Emergency Management to host a complimentary dinner for U.S. Coast Guard families who have been impacted by the government shutdown. The dinner was sponsored by VFW 2179 and SOS Matters.

**Roadwork and Detours**

**New Jersey Turnpike Authority Begins GSP Interchange 109 Construction Project**

On November 1, 2018, the New Jersey Turnpike Authority (NJTA) began a construction project to make improvements to Garden State Parkway Interchange 109 at Newman Springs Road (C.R. 520) in the Lincroft section of Middletown. Motorists are advised to expect delays and plan alternate routes if possible.

[Click HERE](#) to learn more.

For more information on roadwork, please call the Traffic Division at 732-615-2045.

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