



**TONIGHT IS "MIDDLETOWN NIGHT" AT
LAKEWOOD BLUECLAWS STADIUM
COME WATCH MAYOR PERRY THROW THE FIRST PITCH
AT 6:30 PM!**

A promotional graphic for "Middletown Night" at the Lakewood BlueClaws stadium. It features the Middletown Township logo (a blue circle with a white profile of a person's head), the Lakewood BlueClaws logo (a blue crab wearing a baseball cap), and the Charleston Riverdogs logo (a yellow dog wearing a baseball cap). The text "MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP PRESENTS" is at the top, followed by "MIDDLETOWN NIGHT" in large blue letters, "July 25, 2019 | 7:05 PM" in red, and "VS." in blue. Below the logos, it says "\$15 TICKET INCLUDES: SEAT, HOT DOG, SODA, & ICE CREAM" and "Purchase tickets in person at the Middletown Recreation office located at Poricy Park, 345 Oak Hill Road, Red Bank." The background of the graphic is a blue gradient.

Join Middletown Township for a relaxing evening at FirstEnergy Park TONIGHT (7/25) to watch the Lakewood BlueClaws take on the Charleston Riverdogs! It's "Middletown Night" and Mayor Tony Perry will have the honor of throwing out the first pitch. It's also Italian Heritage Night so the park will be offering festive food and drink specials, unique promotions & more! The night will end with post-game fireworks.

There are still a handful of tickets left. Call the Recreation Department at 732-615-2260 if you're interested! The stadium is located at 2 Stadium Way, Lakewood, NJ 08701.

Middletown Withdraws from Unfair Affordable Housing Proceedings

Last week the Middletown Township Committee directed its attorneys to withdraw from court



proceedings that commenced in July 2015 to address unrealistic affordable housing obligations imposed upon municipalities throughout New Jersey by the Supreme Court. On Wednesday, July 17, 2019, the Township Attorney applied for an Order of Dismissal, which was entered by the Hon. Jamie S. Perri on July 19, 2019.

As a result of the demise of the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing ("COAH"), municipalities have been subjected to proceedings in Superior Court to address ongoing and ever-increasing demands by the Fair Share Housing Center ("FSHC") to develop more high density affordable housing.

"Middletown has always abided by the rules set forth at the time, but whatever we do never seems to be enough," said Mayor Tony Perry. "We have a strong track record of creating realistic opportunities for affordable housing but refuse to be held hostage by special interest groups."

CLICK [HERE TO READ THE PRESS RELEASE](#).

Sunnyside Recreation Area Trail Named in Memory of Alexis "Lexi" Mason



Members of our community gathered on Tuesday evening to honor the memory of Alexis "Lexi" Mason. Lexi was only 12-years-old when she lost her life while running on a trail with her soccer team at Sunnyside Recreation Area six years ago. Lexi's family, friends and local dignitaries, including Mayor Tony Perry, Township Committee members Pat Snell and Rick Hibell, and Middletown resident Governor Phil Murphy, gathered at Sunnyside Recreation Area to attend the dedication of a trail to commemorate her life.

Lexi's family and friends come together at Sunnyside to release balloons every year on July 23rd, the day of her passing, but this year the Monmouth County Parks System honored the Mason family by naming the trail after their beloved daughter. There is now an engraved plaque on a boulder declaring a section of the park as the "Alexis T. Mason Trail" that will serve as a permanent marker to honor her life.

On behalf of the Middletown Township Committee, Mayor Tony Perry designated the 23rd day of July as Alexis "Lexi" Mason Day in Middletown to help memorialize her drive, passion and kindness towards others.

Please consider supporting the [Alexis Mason Foundation](#) to help fund scholarships for children so they can follow their passion and dreams in Lexi's memory.

Middletown Township Committee Requests Public Hearing Regarding New NESE Pipeline Application



July 25, 2019

The Honorable Catherine R. McCabe
Commissioner
State of New Jersey
Department of Environmental Protection
401 East State Street, 7th floor
P.O. Box 402
Trenton, NJ 08628

Dear Commissioner McCabe,

On behalf of the Middletown Township Committee, I respectfully request that the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection conduct a public hearing regarding the Williams Northeast Supply Enhancement Project (NESE) along the Bayshore region and extend the comment period by 30 days.

The Bayshore region will be significantly impacted by the proposal and the communities along the Raritan and Sandy Hook Bay should be afforded an opportunity to voice their opinions about this very significant proposal. During the last application process, the DEP denied our request to hold a public hearing in the Bayshore region. The Bayshore communities will be directly impacted by the construction and operation of this project, especially local businesses, recreational users, water-based transportation services, recreational and commercial fisheries, and bay-side home owners. As such, the DEP should hold a public hearing to allow for residents to voice their concerns.

Additionally, the time period allocated to gather public comments is insufficient, as the residents of the Bayshore experience a peak in business due to the surge of tourism during the summer months. Furthermore, the initial permit applications and the supplemental materials submitted by the applicant should be made readily available through the DEP's website. If residents cannot review documents and plans easily the DEP should extend the public comment period by 30 days to allow for more robust public engagement on this serious and significant proposal.

We continue to oppose this project and we strongly urge the DEP to deny the pending permits, with prejudice.

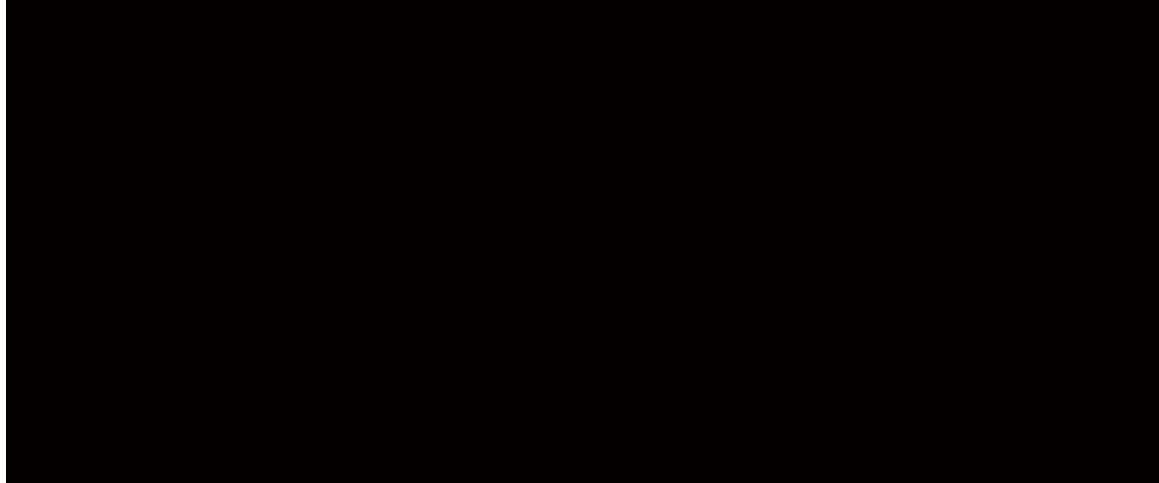
Thank you for your consideration of this matter. I look forward to your response.


Sincerely,
Tony Perry
Mayor

Belford □ Chapel Hill □ Fairview □ Harmony □ Leonardo □ Lincroft □ Locust □ Middletown Village
Monmouth Hills □ Navesink □ New Monmouth □ North Middletown □ Nut Swamp □ Oak Hill □ Port Monmouth □ River Plaza

[Click the picture to read the letter to the DEP.](#)

Middletown Welcomes Tractor Supply Company





Mayor Tony Perry and Committee members Pat Snell and Rick Hibell stopped by the recent Grand Opening of Tractor Supply Company (1515 Route 35).

Tractor Supply Co. is a great addition to Middletown and will help our community maintain their homes, properties, pets and more!

TSC TRACTOR SUPPLY CO



UPCOMING EVENTS

FREE PAPER & DATA SHREDDING EVENT



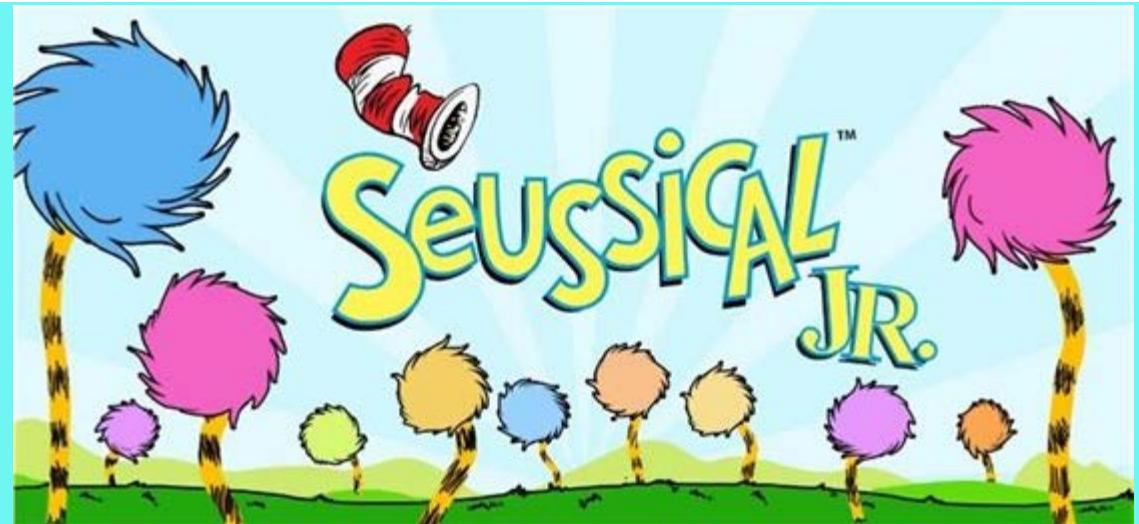
SATURDAY 7.27.19
9:00 AM- 1:00 PM



MIDDLETOWN HIGH SCHOOL NORTH (63 TINDALL ROAD)

MONMOUTH COUNTY AND GUARDIAN DATA DESTRUCTION ARE OFFERING AN OPPORTUNITY FOR MIDDLETOWN RESIDENTS TO DISPOSE OF PAPER DOCUMENTS AND DATA (I.E. CELL PHONES, HARD DRIVES, THUMB DRIVES, ETC.) TO BE RECYCLED SAFELY. [CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE.](#)

The MAC Present Seussical Jr.
This Friday & Saturday



[Click on the picture to purchase tickets!](#)

THE MTPL PRESENTS MAHJONG FOR ADULTS

A photograph showing several Mahjong tiles arranged on a green felt mat. The tiles are white with various Chinese characters and patterns. Several hands are visible, some holding tiles and others reaching for them, indicating a game in progress.

**Interested in learning or playing Mahjong?
Join us every month.
All skill levels welcome.**

3rd Tuesday each month, 7:00 pm



Middletown Township Public Library
55 New Monmouth Road
732-671-3700 www.mtpl.org

Join Us for Our Third Annual National Night Out on

Tuesday, 8/6!



Tuesday★August 6, 2019

5:00-8:00 PM

Poricy Park Nature Center ★ 345 Oak Hill Road

Join us for FREE Live Music, Fingerprinting,
K-9 Demonstrations, Police Equipment Displays,
Impaired Driving Simulator, Dunk Tank, Face Painting,
Giveaways and more!



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Visit NATW.ORG for more information on National Night Out.

NJNG Paves Roads as Part of Gas Main Replacement Program

Starting mid-July, New Jersey Natural Gas will be paving the following roads as part of their gas main replacement program:

- Thompson Ave. Side Streets, North Middletown
- Longwood Ave. & Associated Streets, Middletown
- Collins Ave. & Creek Rd., Port Monmouth
- Reilly St. & Kelly St., North Middletown
- Chapel Hill Rd., Middletown
- Chamone Ave. & Tiensch Ave., Leonardo
- Oakwood Way, Middletown
- Southside Ave. & Portland Rd., Middletown



Got Bags?

Help Middletown's recycling efforts by dropping off your clean plastic bags at the Plastic Bag Collection Bin at the Middletown Recycling Center (52 Kanes Lane).

Visit www.middletownnj.org/PlasticBags for more information.

THE MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT IS SEEKING VOLUNTEERS!

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS.



JOIN TODAY



D. DOHERTY

www.MTFDNJ.org #MTFDpride

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE!](#)

MIDDLETOWN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SEEKS VOLUNTEERS!



**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY SAFE AND HELPING YOUR NEIGHBORS IN A TIME OF NEED?
JOIN ONE OF THE 5 VOLUNTEER FIRST AID SQUADS.**



**CALL 732-615-2252 OR EMAIL PUBLICINFO@MIDDLETOWNEMS.ORG
TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE SQUAD THAT
SERVES YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND HOW TO VOLUNTEER.
NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY.**



Palmer Avenue Closed for Road and Drainage Improvements



Palmer Avenue (County Road 7) will be closing for road and drainage improvements for approximately 45 days, beginning on July 15th, depending on weather. It will be closed at Middlewood Road. No thru traffic. Detours will be in place. If you have any questions regarding this detour, please call the County at 732-431-7760.

Monmouth & Navesink Avenue Road Closure Through End of July

Gray Supply will be working in the area of Monmouth Avenue and Navesink Avenue replacing gas lines for the next several weeks. They are anticipating the work will be complete near the end of July. While they are working roads will be intermittently closed in the area and detours will be in place.

Route 35 Construction Project

Construction work on Route 35 began Monday, May 6th northbound from Cooper's Bridge (Red Bank) to Cherry Tree Farm Road and southbound from Cherry Tree Farm Road to New Monmouth Road.

Road work will be done with temporary lane closures from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM and from 8:00 PM to 6:00 AM. All work is weather-dependent.

The project, which consists of repairs and replacement of concrete vertical curb, installation of public curb ramps, repairs to drainage structures and resurfacing of the roadway, is estimated to be completed by December 2019.

Please keep an eye out for possible changes to the schedule.

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