



Join Us for the 3rd Annual National Night Out  
Tuesday, 8/6 at Poricy Park

**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! Visit [NATW.ORG](http://NATW.ORG) for more  
information on National Night Out.

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2019**

**POLICE ★ COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP**



## Middletown Ranked #1 Safest Small City in New Jersey and 7th in the Nation

Middletown, NJ has been named the #1 safest small city in New Jersey and 7th in the nation for 2019, according to *The Top 50 Safest Small Cities in America*, [a new report](#) from Frontpoint Security.

Frontpoint looked at how many property crimes were reported per 1,000 residents in cities with 50,000 - 75,000 residents and ranked four New Jersey cities in the top 10, with Middletown claiming the top spot.

Using 2017 FBI property crime statistics, Frontpoint determined Middletown the 7th safest city in America with a property crime rate of 7.61 per 1,000 residents. This covers burglaries, larceny-thefts and motor vehicle thefts.

“I couldn’t be more proud that Middletown is continually recognized as one of the safest places to live, not only in the Garden State, but also across the country,” said Mayor Tony Perry. “The men and women of our world-class Police Department are

extremely proactive about targeting crime and working with the community to address any issues the town may face.”

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

## RESIDENTS COME OUT FOR "MIDDLETOWN NIGHT" AT LAKEWOOD BLUECLAWS STADIUM



*Mayor Tony Perry (second from left) had the honor of being one of the people to throw out the first pitch at "Middletown Night"!*

Many of our residents came together at FirstEnergy Park to watch the Lakewood BlueClaws take on the Charleston Riverdogs at "Middletown Night" last Thursday, July 25th. After Mayor Perry threw out the first pitch, everyone enjoyed an exciting game, festive food & drinks and fireworks!

**Middletown Recreation Announces August Mayor's Wellness Campaign Activities & 5K Registration**



Click [HERE](#) to get details about our August Mayor's Wellness Campaign community events that are free to residents!

**Wellness Seminar: "Get Moving: Learning Before Doing"**  
Thursday, August 8th from 6:30-7:30 PM  
Middletown Township Public Library (55 New Monmouth Road)

**Physical Activity: Beach Volleyball**  
Saturday, August 17th at 9:00 AM  
Ideal Beach (corner of Bayside Parkway and Ocean Avenue in North Middletown)

Registration is now OPEN for Middletown's inaugural Mayor's 5K Challenge and 1 Mile Fun Run on Saturday, October 19th at Poricy Park (345 Oak Hill Road)!

[REGISTER HERE!](#)

**Middletown Police Officers Visit Prime-Time Learning Center for Superhero Week!**



**Patrolmen Greg Buhowski and Greg Bumbico of the MTPD visited Prime-Time Learning Center (748 Main Street in Belford) on Wednesday, July 31st to support the preschool's Superhero Week. The officers represented the "Community Helpers" heroes that help keep our community safe. The patrolmen taught the children about what it is like to be a police officer, which included giving them a tour of their patrol cars!**

### **Expanded Hours for Middletown Recycling Center through August 17th**

To help accommodate residents after the recent storms, the Township has expanded its hours of operation at the Middletown Recycling Center, located at 52 Kanes Lane, for brush drop off. The Recycling Center will be open 7 days a week from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM through August 17th.



Visit [www.middletownnj.org/DPW](http://www.middletownnj.org/DPW) or call 732-615-2109 for more information.

**Congratulations to Jack Purcell of Boy Scout Troop 122, who recently earned the**



Jack Purcell stopped by Town Hall to visit Mayor Tony Perry who congratulated him on his impressive achievement of reaching the rank of Eagle Scout.

distinguished rank of Eagle Scout. Jack's community service project was to coordinate the refurbishing of the center island in front of VFW Post 2179 in Port Monmouth by removing brush, grading the area and installing temporary pavers. This was all done as part of the VFW's Commemorative Bricks Fundraiser. The rest of the island received fresh sod and the commemorative monuments that are installed there are now more visible to the public.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Register Now for the Mayor's 5K Challenge on Saturday, 10/19**  
*All Proceeds to Benefit Middletown's First Responders!*

**MAYOR'S WELLNESS ACTIVITY**  
**PORICY PARK**  
**OCTOBER 19TH**  
REGISTRATION NOW OPEN:  
[www.middletownnj.org/signup](http://www.middletownnj.org/signup)

Logos include: Middletown Wellness Campaign, MiddleTown Recreation, Middletown Arts Center, and Sustainable Jersey.

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

**The MAC Presents Summer Concert Series**  
**Featuring Ocean Grove Violin Academy on**  
**Tuesday, 8/6**

MIDDLETOWN ARTS CENTER  
2019  
SUMMER  
CONCERTS  
AUGUST 6TH  
7-9 PM • FREE!  
New Jersey State Youth  
Orchestra (NJSYO)  
Ocean Grove Violin Academy (OGVA)

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

The MTPL Presents *HamilTea* on  
Saturday, 8/10

# HamilTea

in collaboration  
with



Learn about Colonial life and manners when  
Middletown was founded.  
Enjoy traditional cookies and a cup of tea.  
Colonial era crafts and Colonial-themed giveaways.

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**Saturday, Aug 10<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 pm**

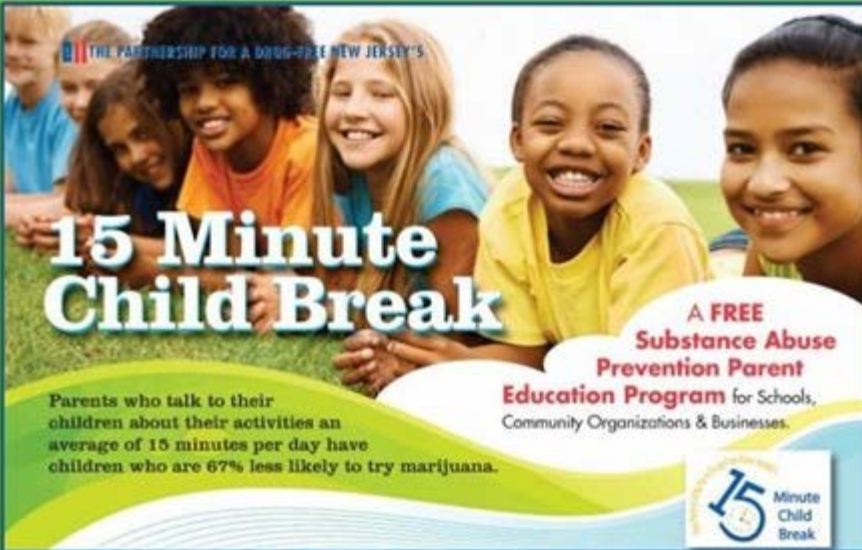
register online @ [mtpl.org](http://mtpl.org)



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

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**Middletown Senior Center Hosts Substance Abuse  
Prevention Program for Parents  
Thursday, 8/15**




THE PARTNERSHIP FOR A DRUG-FREE NEW JERSEY'S

# 15 Minute Child Break

**A FREE Substance Abuse Prevention Parent Education Program** for Schools, Community Organizations & Businesses.

Parents who talk to their children about their activities an average of 15 minutes per day have children who are 67% less likely to try marijuana.



**Thursday, August 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**7:00PM- 8:00PM**  
**Middletown Senior Center (900 Leonardville Road)**

**The 15 Minute Child Break presentation is a one-hour program that informs, encourages and empowers parents, grandparents, educators, coaches and other adult caregivers about how to communicate effectively with children about the misuse and abuse of alcohol and other drugs. Light refreshments will be served.**

**Call 732-732-2265 for more information.**



# TRAFFIC ALERT

**Tree Trimming on Oak Hill Road, Monday 8/5**

JCP&L will be performing tree trimming in the area of Oak Hill Road and Normandy



Road on Monday, August 5th from 8AM to 3PM. Expect delays and plan alternate routes.

### **Old Country Road Closed to Traffic on Tuesday, 8/6 and Wednesday, 8/7 for Milling and Paving**

Old Country Road will be closed on Tuesday, August 6th and Wednesday, August 7th for milling and paving the entire roadway from Hwy 35 to Harmony Road, weather-permitting. Detours will be posted. No thru traffic. Please seek alternate routes and expect delays.

### **Palmer Avenue Closed for Road and Drainage Improvements**

Palmer Avenue (County Road 7) is closed at Middlewood Road for road and drainage improvements. No thru traffic. Detours will be in place. If you would like an update on the detour, please call the County at 732-431-7760.

### **Monmouth & Navesink Avenue Road Closure Update**

Gray Supply has been working in the area of Monmouth Avenue and Navesink Avenue replacing gas lines. They are anticipating the work will be completed this month. 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.

**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](http://www.middletownnj.org/PlasticBags) for more information.

THE MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT IS  
SEEKING VOLUNTEERS!



**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS.** **JOIN TODAY**

WORLD'S LARGEST VOLUNTARY  
MIDDLETOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT  
NEW JERSEY

**D. DOHERTY**

[www.MTFDNJ.org](http://www.MTFDNJ.org) **#MTFDpride**

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE!](#)

**MIDDLETOWN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SEEKS VOLUNTEERS!**



**MIDDLETOWN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT SEEKS RESIDENTS TO VOLUNTEER FOR FIRST AID SQUADS**

**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](mailto:PUBLICINFO@MIDDLETOWNEMS.ORG) TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE SQUAD THAT SERVES YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND HOW TO VOLUNTEER. **NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY.**



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