Middletown Proclaims September National Recovery Month and Pediatric Cancer Awareness Month

Middletown Township recognized September as National Recovery Month and Pediatric Cancer Awareness Month at the Monday, August 19th Township Committee meeting.
Bob Bucco, President of Middletown Municipal Alliance, accepted the proclamation from Mayor Tony Perry and spoke about the drug abuse prevention programs available at Crossroads (located in Lincroft). By proclaiming the month of September as National Recovery Month, Middletown is voicing its support of the Municipal Alliance and other groups that are a beacon of hope for those struggling with addiction.

Pictured from left: Municipal Alliance President Bob Bucco and Mayor Tony Perry

The Township also recognized September as Pediatric Cancer Awareness Month. John and Louise Gorsegner attended the meeting to accept the proclamation on behalf of Infinite Love for Kids Fighting Cancer, a 501(c)(3) organization founded by their daughter-in-law, Andrea Verdone Gorsegner, to help raise awareness and fund research for childhood cancer. The Gorsegner's granddaughter is a cancer survivor and they praised the Middletown Township Committee and the community for all of our continued support.

Pictured from left: Louise Gorsegner, Mayor Tony Perry and Ex-Fire Chief John Gorsegner

The Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL) and the Township of Middletown are pleased to announce the appointment of Heather Andolsen, MLS, CPM as Library Director beginning September 5, 2019. Click HERE to read the press release.

Middletown Welcomes New Library Director Heather Andolsen

Heather Andolsen will begin at the MTPL on Thursday, September 5th. We wish her the best of luck!

MTPD Holds Annual Crossing Guard Training Session
By law, all crossing guards are required to attend a State-mandated refresher course in August before returning to their posts. Crossing Guard Supervisor Dominick Donatelli conducted the training for our crossing guards at the Middletown Township Public Library on Wednesday, August 21st.

The training featured a video that demonstrates the proper procedures and techniques that should be utilized when crossing both students and pedestrians who come within their guarded areas. Mayor Tony Perry spoke to the Township’s Crossing Guards and thanked them for doing the important job of getting our children to school safely. He also presented several Crossing Guards with years of service awards. We wish all of our Crossing Guards a safe school year ahead!

On Wednesday, August 14th, Mayor Tony Perry sat down with Comcast Newsmakers host Jill Horner to discuss affordable housing as well as why Middletown is continually ranked as one of the nation’s safest towns to live in.

Click HERE to watch the interviews.

After getting a tour of the Police Department, Middletown Village Brownie Troop 1230 paid a visit to the Mayor's Office on Wednesday, August 21st. The girls met with Mayor Tony Perry and chatted about his favorite Girl Scout Cookies!
Congratulations to William Davis of Troop 122 in Port Monmouth for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout! William refurbished the outdoor picnic area and stage at VFW Post 2179 (1 Veterans Way Lane) in Port Monmouth. Committeeman Kevin Settembrino stopped by the ceremony held at the VFW to wish him the best of luck as a leader of tomorrow.

Pictured from left: Committeeman Kevin Settembrino, Eagle Scout William Davis and Freeholder Gerry Scharfenberger

UPCOMING EVENTS

MIDDLETOWN DAY 2019
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH
CROYDON HALL 11AM-5PM

Click on the picture to learn more!

Register Now for the Mayor’s 5K Challenge on Saturday, 10/19
All Proceeds to Benefit Middletown’s First Responders
THE MIDDLETOWN ARTS CENTER PRESENTS:

Click on the picture to purchase tickets!

Last Call to Support Middletown Social Services' August Back to School Supply Drive
Pay Off Your Library Fines With Food Bank Donations Through August 31st

MTPL will bring donations to all of the local food banks on a weekly basis, including Middletown Helps Its Own, Calico Cat, Project Paul and Lunch.
In addition, any Middletown student (17 years & under) who cannot check out books because of a lost library card or late fines can get a digital library card. Students can do their Summer Reading through Overdrive and Hoopla using these cards. Digital library cards are available until August 31st at the Reference Desk. 

Middletown Offers Home Rehabilitation
Public Information Session on Tuesday, 9/10

Middletown Township
HOME REHABILITATION PROGRAM

September 10th @ 7:00pm
Tonya Keller Community Center, 50 Bray Avenue, North Middletown

If you are a Middletown homeowner, you may be eligible for a home rehabilitation grant of up to $25,000 from the Township’s Home Rehabilitation Program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The Home Rehab Program assists low- and moderate-income households to repair or replace older systems in the home such as plumbing, heating, roof, or electric. Handicap accessibility improvements are also eligible.

The Director of Community Development will be available at the next Ideal Beach Community Association meeting for questions on Tuesday, September 10th at 7 pm at the Tonya Keller Community Center, 50 Bray Avenue in North Middletown. The facility is handicap accessible. Applications will be available for distribution.

For more information about the Middletown Township Home Rehab Program, you can call our office (732) 615-2281 or visit online at www.middletownnj.org.

Sustados en un propietario de Middletown, usted puede ser elegible para una beca de rehabilitación de la casa de hasta $25,000 del programa de rehabilitación del hogar del municipio financiado por el Departamento de viviendas desarrollo urbano de los Estados Unidos. Este programa es para hogares de bajos y medianos ingresos. Llame al (732) 615-2281.

FY 2019 Household Income Limits

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Click on the picture to learn more.
Tindall Road Closed for Milling and Paving from 8/26 through 8/30

Tindall Road will be closed for milling and paving from Monday, August 26th through Friday, August 30th from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Please plan alternate route and follow detours. Middletown High School North can be accessed via Swartzel Drive.

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.
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. & Tiensh 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!
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 TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE SQUAD THAT SERVES YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND HOW TO VOLUNTEER. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY.
Click HERE to access hi-res photos from this e-newsletter.