



## Middletown Remembers 9/11 With Silent Wreath Laying and Candlelight Tribute



On Wednesday, September 11th, Middletown Township held a silent wreath laying and candlelight tribute through the World Trade Center Memorial Gardens, located at the Middletown Arts Center, to honor the 37 residents we lost in the World Trade Center attack 18 years ago. The Memorial Gardens rest under a canopy of trees and features a landscaped path with benches and a personalized memorial for each of the 37 residents.

More than 500 people attended the service, including 9/11 victims' family members,

neighbors, Township Committee members, local dignitaries, representatives from Middletown's Police and Fire Departments, Office of Emergency Management and Emergency Medical Services, as well as contingents from American Legion Posts 338 and 515 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2179. Everyone bowed their heads in a moment of silence at sunset.

Mayor Tony Perry and the Middletown Township Committee then led the wreath laying ceremony and candlelight walk through the Memorial Gardens. The silence was broken by 37 bell tolls rung by Fire Chief Steven Schweizer and Deputy Fire Chief Russell W. Mount III. The bell, which was donated by the Port Monmouth Fire Company, was rung in memory of each Middletown resident who perished on September 11, 2001.

**[CLICK HERE TO READ THE PRESS RELEASE.](#)**  
**[CLICK HERE TO VIEW PHOTOS FROM THE SERVICE.](#)**

## **Middletown Township Police Department Honors One of Its Own with Flag Raising Ceremony**



The Middletown Township Police Department honored Detective Lieutenant Joseph Capriotti, who diligently served the MTPD for nearly three decades, with a flag raising ceremony on Wednesday, September 11th. The flag was flown in memory of Officer Capriotti who had the difficult task of being the "keeper of the list" of the 37 Township residents we tragically lost on 9/11. He shared in the intense sorrow of the victims' families, listened to their stories and kept in touch with them through the years. We were all very fortunate to have such a humble and kind-spirited individual to have served our community.

## Middletown Proclaims September as Hunger Action Month

Mayor Tony Perry and the Middletown Township Committee proclaimed September 2019 as Hunger Action Month in Middletown. The Township is working with Fulfill, formerly the FoodBank of Monmouth and Ocean Counties, to call attention to this rising challenge in our own backyard and educate people about the important role of food banks in addressing hunger.

Click [HERE](#) for more information about how to donate food or funds to Fulfill. The Middletown Food Pantry, located at 180 Main Street in Port Monmouth, also provides emergency food and household supplies to residents in need. Click [HERE](#) to find out what you can donate year-round.



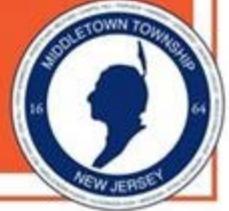
*On behalf of the Middletown Township Committee, Mayor Tony Perry signed the proclamation naming September as Hunger Action Month in Middletown.*

**The Middletown Township Board of Education is asking residents to take part in a 2019 Strategic Planning Survey by Tuesday, November 12th. Click [HERE](#) for more information about the strategic planning process, including upcoming public meeting dates.**

The logo for Middletown Township Public Schools, featuring a stylized tree with red and blue leaves, surrounded by the text "MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS" and "A LEARNER-CENTERED COMMUNITY".

The Middletown Board of Education is asking for the community's input regarding its proposed Strategic Planning process. As you are aware, 62% of your property tax bill goes toward our schools so we encourage you to make your voice heard.

**Click [HERE](#) to take the survey.**

The seal of Middletown Township, New Jersey, featuring a profile of a person's head facing left, surrounded by the text "MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP" at the top and "NEW JERSEY" at the bottom, with the years "36" and "64" on either side of the profile.

# MEMBERS NEEDED!

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AUXILIARY POLICE



**JOIN TODAY!**

**CALL: 732-615-2129**  
**EMAIL: MTAP.RECRUITING@GMAIL.COM**

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



**Mayor's CHALLENGE 2019**  
5K + 1 mile Fun Run

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

Middletown Township  
MAYOR'S Wellness CAMPAIGN  
MIDDLETOWN RECREATION  
Middletown Arts Center  
Green Jersey

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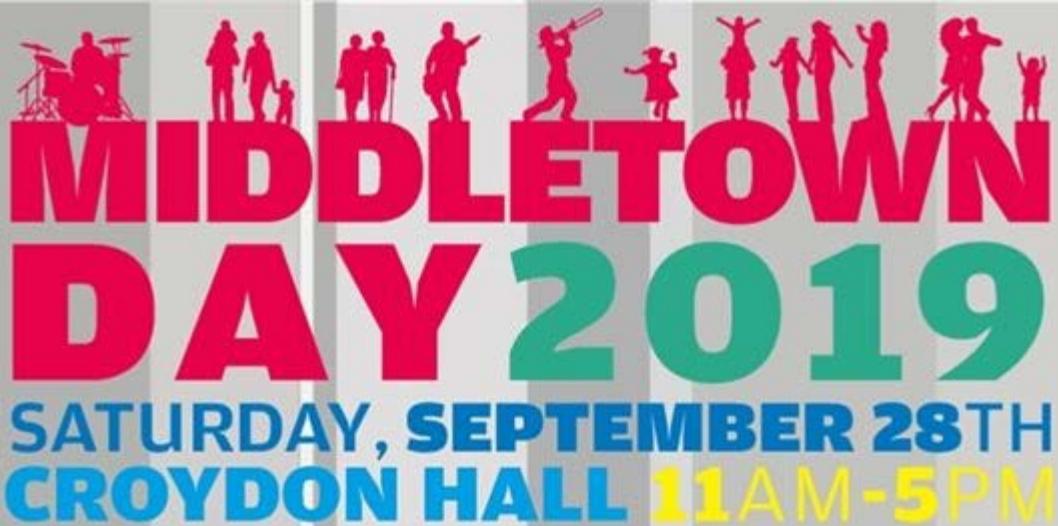
## UPCOMING EVENTS

The Middletown Veterans Affairs Committee Invites the Community to the

**37<sup>th</sup> Annual POW MIA Candlelight Service**  
**Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM**  
**at the VFW (1 Veterans Lane, Port Monmouth)**



In remembrance of POW/MIAs, VFW Post 2179 and Auxiliary will conduct their 37th Annual POW/MIA Candlelight Service. Please join them to remember, reflect and revere the men and women who have still not come home so that they may be laid to rest. Refreshments will be served following the services.



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

**The Health Department is Offering a FREE Cat-Only Rabies Clinic this Saturday, 9/14!**

## Cat-Only Rabies Clinic Being Held Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>

The cat-only Rabies Clinic will be held on Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Croydon Hall Gym, 900 Leonardville Rd, Leonardo. All cats must be accompanied by owner and in its own carrier.

There are no fees for the Rabies vaccination. Please contact Animal Control at 732-615-2097 for more information.



**\*Microchips are being offered for FREE which includes lifetime national database registration. This is available to Middletown residents who have or purchase a license at the clinic.**

## The MTFD is Hosting a Blood Drive on Wednesday, Sept. 18th



### Lincroft Community Blood Drive

Sponsored by Lincroft Fire Co.  
601 Newman Springs Rd.

**Wed. Sept. 18** from 2:30-8:30

All donors will get a \$10 Houlihan's coupon.

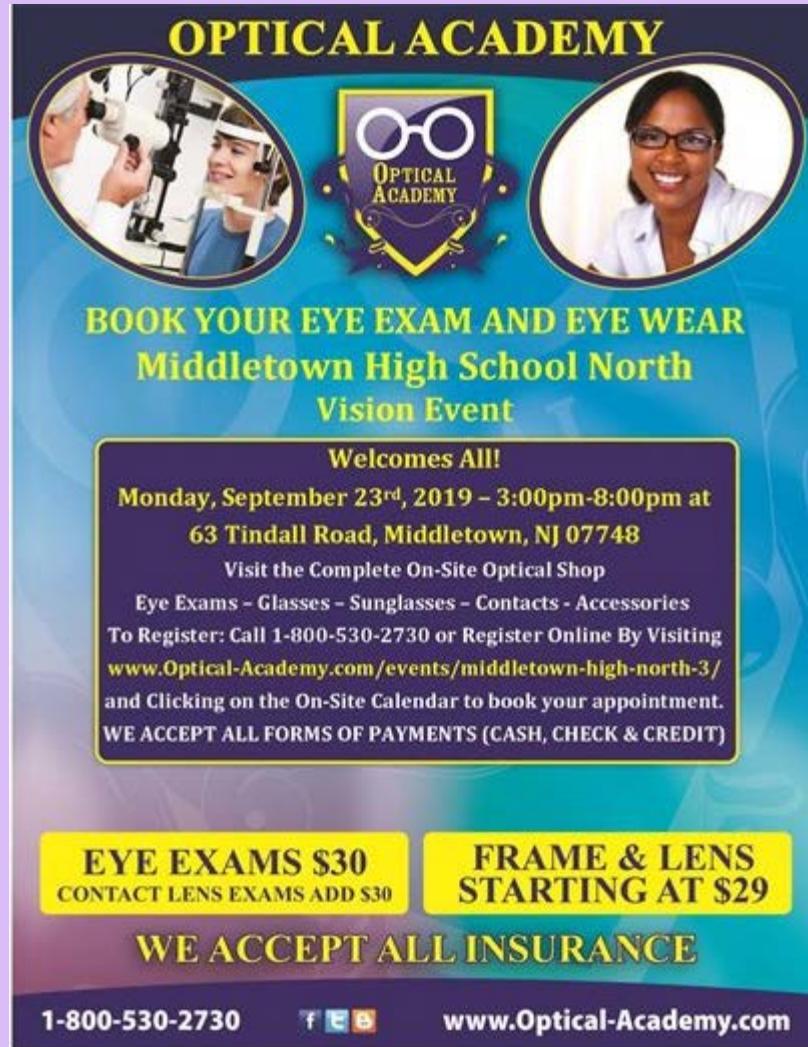
To make an appointment,  
visit [tinyurl.com/GiveBloodNJBS](http://tinyurl.com/GiveBloodNJBS) sponsor code 70286  
or call 1-800-933-2566

**New Jersey** Blood Services  
A Division of New York Blood Center

[Click the picture to make an appointment.](#)

**Need New Glasses? Head to Low-Cost Optical Academy**

on Monday, 9/23 at Middletown North



**OPTICAL ACADEMY**

**BOOK YOUR EYE EXAM AND EYE WEAR**  
**Middletown High School North**  
**Vision Event**

**Welcomes All!**

**Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 – 3:00pm-8:00pm at**  
**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/events/middletown-high-north-3/](http://www.Optical-Academy.com/events/middletown-high-north-3/)  
and Clicking on the On-Site Calendar to book your appointment.  
**WE ACCEPT ALL FORMS OF PAYMENTS (CASH, CHECK & CREDIT)**

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

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

**WE ACCEPT ALL INSURANCE**

**1-800-530-2730**        [www.Optical-Academy.com](http://www.Optical-Academy.com)

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**REGISTER.**

The MTPL Presents: Danny V's 52nd Street Band Cover  
Duo — The Ultimate Tribute to Billy Joel

**Tuesday  
Sep 17<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 pm**

recreating the performances of arguably the greatest rock-and-roll keyboard player ever - *the Piano Man...* **Billy Joel**

**Danny V's 52ND STREET BAND COVER DUO**  
THE ULTIMATE TRIBUTE TO BILLY JOEL



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

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**THE MIDDLETOWN ARTS CENTER PRESENTS:  
PERSEPHONE on September 28th & 29th**



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



**Milling & Paving on Arrowwood Court and Hogan Lane from 9/18-9/20**  
Starting on or about Wednesday, 9/18 through Friday, 9/20, there will be milling and paving within Shady Oaks on Arrowwood Court and Hogan Lane. Please plan alternate routes and expect delays. This work is weather dependent.

**Intermittent Closures on County Road 520 on 9/24**

On or about Tuesday, 9/24 from 8:00 PM to 6:00 AM there will be periodic road closures on County Road 520 (Newman Springs Road) at the Garden State Parkway overpass west of Half Mile Road. There will be one lane eastbound and one lane westbound through that area with periodic closures. Please plan alternate routes. Expect delays.

**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**



**D. DOHERY**

[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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