

Middletown Minutes

Official Township E-Newsletter



MIDDLETOWN SUMMER PHOTO CONTEST

If you love nature and enjoy taking photos, this is the contest for you! Photographers of all levels and experience are invited to enter their original work that shows off the unique beauty of Middletown.

HOW TO ENTER:

 **TAKE A PICTURE IN MIDDLETOWN**

 **TAG IT ON SOCIAL MEDIA USING #SUMMERINMIDDLETOWNNJ**
By posting with the hashtag, you allow Middletown Township to use your photo for promotional use (with photo credit).

 **SHARE IT AND INCLUDE YOUR NAME (FOR PHOTO CREDIT)
AND THE LOCATION THE PICTURE WAS TAKEN BY JULY 31, 2020**

The three winning photos will be featured on the Township's social media channels, TV station and in the weekly e-newsletter, *Middletown Minutes*, through Labor Day.

Photo by Jeremy Jaryno

Use Our Tax Dollar Receipt Calculator to See Where Your Municipal Tax Dollars are Being Spent

For the second year in a row, Middletown Township is offering property owners the chance to easily calculate how their municipal tax dollars are being spent through the [Tax Dollar Receipt Calculator](#).

Click [HERE](#) to access the calculator, type in your 2020 residential assessment and see penny for penny where your municipal tax dollars go.

HERE.' The calculator interface shows two input fields: 'Assessed Value of Property' with a value of 'ex: \$100000' and 'Municipal Total' with a value of '\$0.00'. A small disclaimer at the bottom reads: 'Due to rounding, this number may differ slightly from that displayed on your tax bill.'"/>

**MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP
TAX RECEIPT CALCULATOR**

This "Tax Dollar Receipt" calculator was created to help residents gain a greater understanding of where their Municipal tax dollars are being spent.

Simply type in your 2020 residential assessment to see penny for penny where your tax dollars go. Don't know your assessed value? Click [HERE](#).

Assessed Value of Property

Municipal Total

Due to rounding, this number may differ slightly from that displayed on your tax bill.

Middletown Township Public Library is Open!

GOOD NEWS! The MTPL (55 New Monmouth Road) is open to the public Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM and CURBSIDE is still available.



If you are interested in using curbside services:

1. Place items on hold.
2. After you get a notification that they are ready, you may pick them up in the building or curbside Monday-Friday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, and Wednesdays from 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM.
3. When you arrive at the library, call 732-671-3700

ext. 2.

4. Let them know you are there for curbside pick-up and provide your last name and make/color of car.
5. An MTPL staff member will bring your checked out items to you!

DVD check-out is 7 days and may be renewed for 2 days.

New DVD check-out is 2 days.

Other materials can be checked out for 3 weeks, with a 2-week renewal.

Fines are being collected for late items. Please note that items are back-dated because of quarantine.

Computers are on; patrons need to sign in to Reference to use them.

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



FREE PAPER SHREDDING EVENT



SATURDAY 7.18.20

9:00 AM- 1:00 PM

(or until trucks are full)



MIDDLETOWN HIGH SCHOOL NORTH (63 TINDALL ROAD)

MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP IS OFFERING AN OPPORTUNITY FOR MIDDLETOWN RESIDENTS TO DISPOSE OF PAPER DOCUMENTS TO BE RECYCLED SAFELY.

DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE FREE OF LARGE BINDER CLIPS.
STAPLES AND PAPER CLIPS MAY BE LEFT ON DOCUMENTS.

Featured Business of the Week: Greens and Grains

This week's featured small business is Greens and Grains, located at 1092 Route 35 South. They provide a variety of delicious and healthy options to choose from. Mayor Perry is

a big fan of their Buffalo Chick'n and Kale Caesar Wrap (pictured below)! Click [here](#) to view their menu.



**The Middletown Senior Center Presents:
1950's Trivia**

**Sign up for a fun game of 1950's trivia!
Pre-registration is FREE but required at
www.middletownnj.org/signup. Please contact
732-615-2265 for assistance.**

MIDDLETOWN RECREATION
THURSDAY, JULY 23RD - 11AM

1950's Trivia
with Middletown
Senior Center

SIGN UP TODAY!
WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/SIGNUP
OR CALL: 732-615-2265

Who used the argument "I think, therefore I exist?"

18

Answers

Plato

Descartes

[CLICK ON THE PICTURE TO SIGN UP!](#)

The Middletown (Virtual) Arts Center Presents:
KidzArt Summer Art Series
Available July 13th

KidzArt

Virtual Learning

Featuring recorded videos of themed lessons your kids can easily participate in whenever it fits your home schedule. A new video will be available each week with 5-6 hours of lessons exploring various art techniques, notable artists' lives and styles, art inspired by nature and art around the world. You can register for just one video or the whole bundle:

- Art From the Masters, Ages 6-11
- Art From Nature, Ages 6-11
- Art Around the World, Ages 6-11
- TeenzArt, Ages 11+
- The Preschool Virtual Summer Program

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER!](#)



**MTPD Offers Free Car Seat Safety Check on
Wednesday, 7/15**

Middletown Township Police Department



CAR SEAT SAFETY CHECKPOINT

The Middletown Township Police Department will be hosting a **FREE Car Seat Safety Checkpoint** for residents on **Wednesday, July 15** at **Old Village Fire Company (1340 NJ-35)** from **2:00 to 6:00 PM.**

All adults should wear a face mask. Please call **732-615-2046** for more information.



GET AHEAD OF THE STORM

Text **888-777** to **MiddletownNJ** (no spaces) or visit **www.middletownnj.org/nixle** to receive storm alerts.

COVID-19 RESOURCES

Click **[HERE](#)** for Middletown COVID-19 updates.

Executive Order Violation Reporting Process

Compliance with Executive Orders is not voluntary. If you believe an employer, organization or entity is violating any Executive Order and wish to report them, you should complete the online form at covid19.nj.gov/forms/violation.

Please note that the COVID-19 hotlines do not take complaints about violations.

[CLICK HERE](#) TO ACCESS A LIST OF GOVERNOR MURPHY'S EXECUTIVE ORDERS, INCLUDING GUIDELINES REGARDING WEARING MASKS OUTDOORS AND THE REOPENING OF VARIOUS BUSINESSES.

Middletown Township Public Library Encourages Residents to Participate in the COVID-19 Local History Archive Initiative

MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP REMEMBERS

Our Town During the COVID-19 Pandemic

A Local History Archive Initiative

We are currently experiencing and living through
an unprecedented situation.

The Middletown Township Public Library is looking for your help in documenting this historical event by submitting your personal photos, feelings, artwork, stories for our local history archive.

Thank you for your assistance with this local
archive initiative!

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE.](#)

What is the recommendation for wearing a face covering/mask inside while patronizing a business?

According to the New Jersey Department of Health, accommodations can be made if someone is not able to wear a face mask due to a medical condition. Essential businesses that never closed (e.g. a grocery store or a pharmacy) cannot refuse entry to someone who has a medical condition and can't wear mask. They may offer options, such as to provide curbside delivery and limit time spent inside store, but the person must be allowed to enter.

If the person doesn't have a medical condition, but refuses to wear a mask, essential businesses *can* refuse entry but must arrange curbside delivery or provide a mask, if available. No one can be asked for medical documentation due to various laws that already existed, so people do not need to "prove" why they can't wear a mask.

MINIMIZING THE RISK OF COVID-19

The spread of COVID-19 can be broken down into four factors: TIME, SPACE, PEOPLE & PLACE.




Keeping these factors in mind can help you assess your risk while participating in activities.

Minimizing the Risk of COVID-19

- Limit capacity, especially indoors
- Social distance from others (6 feet)
- Avoid crowded areas
- Choose outside activities vs. inside (dining, worship services, etc.)
- Don't share food/drink, cups or utensils with others; bring your own or use disposable items at outdoor gatherings
- Wear face coverings in public areas
- Wash hands often or use hand sanitizer with 60% alcohol

Singing, yelling/shouting and close contact increase the risk of contracting COVID-19.



COVID-19 SUBSTANCE ABUSE HELP

WE ARE ALL FACING OUR OWN CHALLENGES DURING THIS UNCERTAIN TIME. OUR SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELORS AT CROSSROADS ARE HERE FOR YOU AND OFFERING VIRTUAL SERVICES. IF YOU, A FRIEND OR FAMILY MEMBER ARE STRUGGLING CALL 732-615-2277 OR EMAIL CROSSROADS@MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG.

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





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