

Middletown Minutes

Official Township E-Newsletter



**Get a Sneak Peek of the Fall Edition of
Middletown Matters!**

MIDDLETOWN MATTERS FALL 2020

**CLICK [HERE](#) TO VIEW THE
LATEST ISSUE OF THE
TOWNSHIP'S NEWSLETTER.**

Thompson Park
Photo by Charlie Syracuse





Help preserve and protect our land in Middletown for future generations by voting "Yes" for the Open Space referendum on the November 2020 General Election Ballot.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

**Register Now for Virtual Mayor's Challenge to Benefit
Infinite Love for Kids Fighting Cancer
October 17- November 30**



*Run, Walk,
or Bike*

OCT 17 - NOV 30

JOIN US FROM
VIRTUALLY ANYWHERE

Join us for our second annual Mayor's Challenge with proceeds to benefit [Infinite Love for Kids Fighting Cancer](#). New for 2020, we will be heading into the virtual world. Options for this will include runners, walkers and bikers, too!

This virtual challenge is one that can be completed anywhere. Participants can run, walk, bike, or even crawl the race distance wherever they want during the suggested race dates. We honor ALL miles. The possibilities are limitless: miles can be completed on vacation, along your favorite trail, doing laps in your backyard, or even at the gym. Sign up to join one challenge, or sign up to join them all! (Discounts are available when a participant signs up for more than one challenge in a transaction. Only one shirt per participant.)

For more information, visit: www.middletownnj.org/5k



**ELECTION BALLOT BOXES WILL
BE AVAILABLE AT THE
FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:**



**MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
(1 KINGS HIGHWAY)**



**CROYDON HALL
(900 LEONARDVILLE ROAD)**



**QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE
UPCOMING ELECTION?**

CLICK [HERE](#) FOR MONMOUTH COUNTY MAIL-IN DROP
BOX LOCATIONS.

CLICK [HERE](#) FOR MIDDLETOWN'S 10
POLLING LOCATIONS
(VOTING MACHINES AVAILABLE FOR DISABLED COMMUNITY
MEMBERS ONLY)

CLICK [HERE](#) FOR ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED
QUESTIONS OR VISIT [MONMOUTHCOUNTYVOTES.COM](https://monmouthcountynovotes.com).

BECOME A MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP POLL WORKER!

Click [HERE](#) to watch the meeting on the Township's YouTube Channel or catch it on Middletown Township's TV station (Verizon FiOS Channel 26/Comcast Cable Channel 20) every night at 7:00 PM and 8:45 PM through October 5th.

Middletown Township Hosts Stride & Ride Relay Event on Tuesday, 10/6

Middletown Township is proud to welcome the Give2Those

STRIDE & RIDE RELAY EVENT
to Honor & Remember Our 9/11 Victims,
First Responders, Military & Veterans Lost During Any Era

Tuesday, 10/6 at 11:30 AM
Middletown WTC Memorial Gardens
36 Church Street (next to the MAC)



Middletown Township will be hosting the Stride & Ride Relay to honor our 9/11 victims, first responders and military members. Residents are welcome to witness the motorcycle relay and join the procession in the moment of silence and walk through the World Trade Center Memorial Gardens (36 Church Street).

[Click HERE for more information.](#)



**Please Consider Donating to
Middletown's 9/11 20th
Anniversary Fountain and First
Responders Monument**

As we approach the 20th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks, the Middletown WTC Memorial Gardens Committee is raising money to add a fountain called “The Rise of Hope” that will be erected near the end of the memorial pathway, giving a quiet space to pause and reflect. They will also be honoring the heroism and patriotism of our First Responders with an additional monument.

If you would like to contribute, donations can be sent via PayPal to MiddletownWTC@gmail.com. You can also mail a check made payable to Middletown WTC Memorial Gardens to c/o Mayor's Office, Middletown Municipal Building, 1 Kings Highway, Middletown, NJ 07748.



The MAC Presents:
Outdoor MAC Music Café
Sunday, Sep 27th, 4-6 pm | LOCATION: Poricy Park Gazebo

LIVE!



SEP 27TH 4-6 PM
PORICY PARK

DAN TOYE
KEVIN MCGOWAN
STU COOGAN
ELISE FARNSWORTH

The Middletown Art Center's popular Music Café goes "on location" to Middletown's Poricy Park Gazebo. Social distance while enjoying the outdoors and the talented lineup of singer-songwriters: Dan Toye, Kevin McGowan, Stu Coogan and Elise Farnsworth. Poricy Park is located at 345 Oak Hill Road in Middletown.

Click [**HERE**](#) for more information.

MTPL PRESENTS:

"Hocus Pocus" Trivia Game Night
Wed., 10/21 from 7-8 PM



Halloween is just around the corner and it is time to test your knowledge! Join the MTPL for a Kahoot! trivia challenge about a modern Halloween movie classic "Hocus Pocus"!

Space is limited to 15 participants. ZOOM and Kahoot! are required for this event. Registration opens Wednesday, October 7th at 8:00 AM.

Can't make the event? This quiz will be posted as a two week Kahoot! challenge that you can take at your leisure.

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN HOW TO REGISTER!](#)

Part Time positions are available in the Recreation Department for a support teacher in both the PreK4 and PreK3 classes at Middletown Preschool, located at the Tonya Keller Community Center (50 Bray Avenue).



CLICK **HERE TO LEARN MORE!**

Love Composting? Purchase an Earth Machine Compost Bin at the Middletown Recycling Center!

ATTENTION MIDDLETOWN & MONMOUTH COUNTY RESIDENTS



Earth Machine Compost Bins can be purchased at the Middletown Recycling Center (52 Kanes Lane) for \$35. Please call 732-615-2109 to check for availability and hours for pickup. Checks can be made payable to the Monmouth County Grant Fund.



Free workshops will be offered through the County to learn how to reduce your yard and household waste and improve your soil through backyard composting. For information, visit www.visitmonmouth.com and go to the recycling section of the County Reclamation Center's webpage to get session updates and register.



If you are a composting enthusiast, Middletown is now selling Earth Machine Backyard Compost Bins for \$35 at the Township's Recycling Center (52 Kanes Lane). To purchase an Earth Machine, please call 732-615-2109 to check for availability and hours for pickup. Checks can be made payable to the Monmouth County Grant Fund.

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Township Now Offering Free Screened Compost!



The Township is now offering free screened compost that can be used as a natural, organic way to repair and enhance your yard and garden.

This compost is created from our own leaf collection and is a wonderful way to avoid using harsh chemical fertilizers while keeping Middletown green.

Pick it up
at the Middletown Recycling Center
(52 Kanes Lane) during
business hours
(Thursdays-Mondays
8:30 AM-4:30 PM).

9/25/20: Route 35 Lane Closures Tonight Due to Intersection Improvement Project

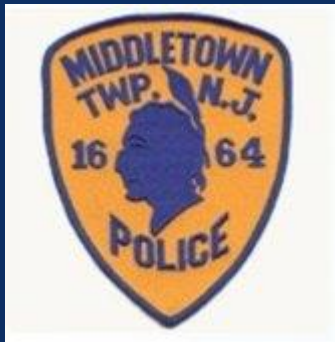
(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced left lane closures on Route 35 in each direction as an intersection improvement project advances in Middletown, Monmouth County.



Beginning at 8 p.m. tonight, Friday, September 25, the developer's contractor, CJ Hesse, is scheduled to close the left lane on Route 35 in each direction between Laurel Avenue and Cherry Tree Lane/Old Country Road in Middletown, Monmouth County and shift traffic to the right. This closure will allow the contractor to restripe the roadway. Two lanes will be maintained at all times.

After this phase of the project, additional lane closures will be required in the coming weeks to install new traffic signals and complete final paving. When the project is completed, it will create a new fully signalized four-way intersection which will enhance safety. The entire intersection improvement project is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

The precise timing of the work is subject to change due to weather or other factors. Motorists are encouraged to check NJDOT's traffic website www.511nj.org for real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on Twitter [@NJDOT_info](https://twitter.com/NJDOT_info) and on the [NJDOT Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/NJDOT).



Volunteers Needed for Middletown Township Police Department Domestic Violence Response Team

Middletown Township Police Department is currently recruiting volunteers to serve on the Middletown Domestic Violence Response Team (DVRT). In affiliation with 180 Turning Lives Around (180), and with the assistance of the response team volunteers, Middletown Township Police Department

continues to make available this service to victims of domestic violence during the initial stages of a highly emotional and traumatic experience.

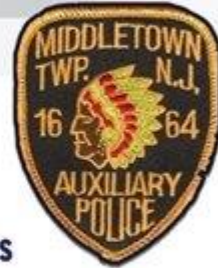
180 will be conducting an intensive 40-hour mandatory training course for DVRT volunteers October 6 - 29, Tuesdays/Wednesdays/Thursdays, 6:00pm-9:30pm, via Zoom. Applications are currently being accepted. Please contact Sgt. Kevin Gardiner, Middletown Township Police Department, DVRT DVLO, at 732 615-2075 to obtain an application or for additional information.

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

MIDDLETOWN AUXILIARY POLICE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!
RECEIVE FIRST HAND EXPOSURE TO POLICE WORK

REQUIREMENTS:

- MINIMUM OF 18 YEARS OLD
- NO CRIMINAL RECORD
- GOOD PHYSICAL CONDITION
- COMMIT TO 160 HOURS TO THE AUXILIARY ACADEMY
- MINIMUM OF 150 HOURS A YEAR OF ACTIVE DUTY
- WILLINGNESS TO WORK LONG HOURS IN ALL WEATHER CONDITIONS



FOR INQUIRIES CALL THE SGT. KEVIN GARDINER AT 732-615-2075 OR EMAIL AUXILIARY CHIEF DAVE DEIGERT AT PDEIGERTO1@COMCAST.NET.

COVID-19 RESOURCES

**The Health Department Reminds Residents
of the Importance of Contact Tracing**

Fight COVID-19

for your community

by getting tested


*and talking to
a contact tracer*

Any information
you share will
**only be used
to fight the virus.**

*for each other
for us all.* 

Learn more.

[Click on the picture for more information from the NJ Department of Health's COVID-19 Information Hub.](#)



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.


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