

Middletown Minutes

Official Township E-Newsletter



**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.



Businesses and community members are invited to participate in the Township's **Middletown Month** in November. There are many sponsorship levels for any size business or community group. For more information, please visit www.middletownnj.org/middletownday.



Mayor Perry Speaks with River Plaza 3rd Graders About Community Leadership

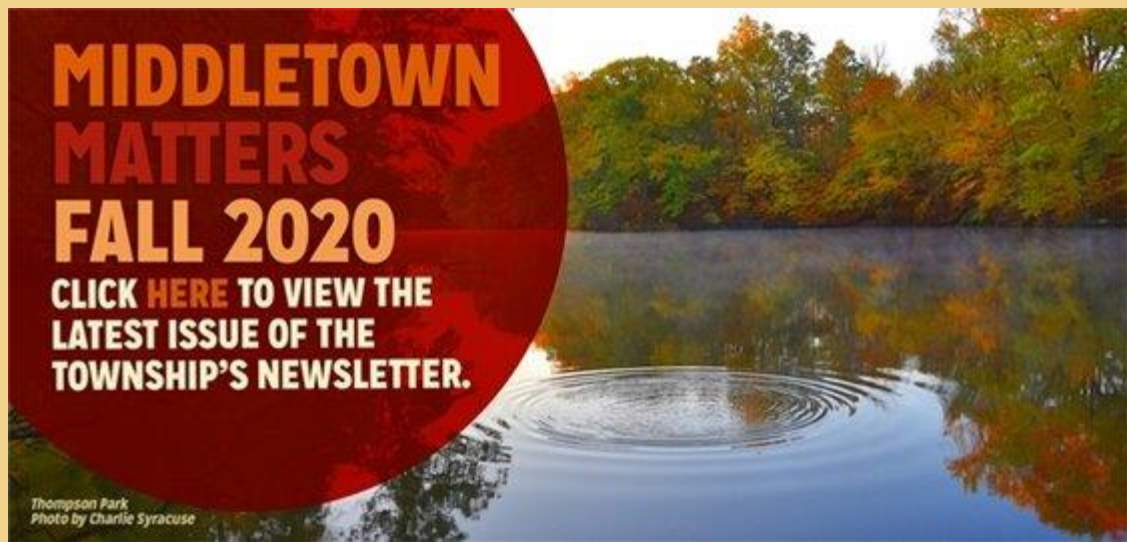
Mayor Perry enjoyed doing virtual Q & A sessions with Ms. Middleton's 3rd grade classes at River Plaza on Tuesday. The students have been learning about local government so they had lots of great questions about what it means to have laws and rules within a community. We hope these children will help lead our town in the future!

Middletown Eagles Cheer Show Support for our Police Officers



On Monday, September 28th, Middletown Eagles Cheer Commissioner Lauren Tiven and her 10U Cheer Team paid a visit to the Middletown Police Department to show their support. They did a cheer and dance and presented the officers with gift bags and blue carnations. They also had the opportunity to meet Mayor Tony Perry and Committeewoman Pat Snell. The event was a positive experience for all involved!

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



Middletown Township Committee to Host Virtual and In-Person Workshop Meeting on Monday, October 5

The Township Committee Workshop Meeting on Monday, October 5, 2020 at 7:00 PM will be open to the public in the Courtroom with social distancing measures in place and made available live through

WebEx Event Center.

If you will be participating remotely, you can do so by [clicking this event link](#). To call in to the meeting, dial 1-408-418-9388. Enter the event access code 173 928 3773 followed by #. Enter 2020 if a passcode is required.

Prior to the Township Committee Meeting, the event link will be published on the Township's [Facebook page](#). If residents are not able to view the meeting live, the recording will be aired on the Township's TV channel (Verizon FiOS Channel 26/Comcast Cable Channel 20) and [YouTube](#) channel.

Click [HERE](#) to view the meeting agenda. Click [HERE](#) to read the entire press release.

**John Lennon's 80th Birthday Celebration Outdoor Concert
at the MAC: Friday, 10/9 from 7:00 to 8:30 PM**

Middletown Recreation and the
Middletown Arts Center present...



The Wag:

John Lennon's 80th Birthday
Celebration Concert in the Park

at The Middletown Arts Center
36 Church Street, Middletown, NJ
on 10/9/20 from 7 - 8:30 pm

*Rain date: 10/10/20

This concert is graciously sponsored in part by Ocean First Bank

Join us for John Lennon's 80th Birthday Celebration Outdoor Concert on the lawn at the MAC! We will celebrate the music of John Lennon, performed by Middletown's own The Wag! This show will feature songs written and/or performed by John Lennon throughout his career, including the Beatles songs that you know and love. The Wag has some special surprises planned for this fun, family-friendly event. You won't want to miss it! Seating is limited. **TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE.** No walk-ins will be allowed.

Ticket link: <https://mac.ticketspice.com/the-wag>

Friday, October 9, 2020 with a rain date of Saturday, October 10, 2020 Families can purchase a ticket for one "Family Circle" that will allow for space for up to 6 family members.

This concert is presented by Middletown Recreation and the Middletown Arts Center and is graciously sponsored in part by Ocean First Bank.

**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.](#)

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!](#)

MTFD Participates in "Light The Night" for Fallen Firefighters Through October 4th



[Lincroft Fire Company, located at 601 Newman Springs Road, is lit up red to honor our fallen firefighters and their families.](#)

**Landmarks and fire departments across the county will
glow in respect of fallen firefighters and their families**

through October 4th. The [National Fallen Firefighters Foundation](#) invites you to light your building or firehouse in red to honor our fallen heroes during America's Tribute to Fallen Firefighters. #nffflightthenight2020



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.



**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).



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.



MONMOUTH COUNTY PAPER SHREDDING EVENT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10TH FROM 9:00AM-1:00PM
AT MIDDLETOWN HIGH SCHOOL NORTH
(63 TINDALL ROAD)

CLICK [HERE](#) FOR ADDITIONAL DATES AND DETAILS.



MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP FLAG DONATION DROP BOX

MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP HAS PARTNERED WITH VFW POST 2179 TO PROVIDE AN AMERICAN FLAG DROP BOX AT THE MIDDLETOWN RECYCLING CENTER (52 KANES LANE). AMERICAN FLAGS* THAT ARE WORN, FADED OR DAMAGED CAN BE RESPECTFULLY DISPOSED OF IN THE DROP BOX WHERE MEMBERS OF VFW POST 2179 WILL COLLECT THEM.

*NOTE: ONLY FULL-SIZED AMERICAN FLAGS ARE ACCEPTED IN THE DROP BOX. PLEASE DO NOT PLACE ITEMS EMBELLISHED WITH AMERICAN FLAG DESIGNS IN THE DROP BOX, SUCH AS PARTY DECORATIONS, CLOTHING, HOUSEWARES OR MINIATURE FLAGS.



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!



Two Rabid Animals Found in Middletown This Week

Middletown Township Health Department responded to a call concerning an aggressive groundhog on September 25th. Middletown Animal Control was able to capture the animal in the area of Main Street, Belford, between Broadway and Palmer Street. The animal was sent to the State Laboratory for testing. Results received on September 29, 2020 confirmed that the groundhog was rabid.

On September 30th, Middletown Animal Control recovered a raccoon that was killed by multiple dogs in the area of Hopi Drive, Windy Hill Lane and Kings Highway East. The animal was sent to the State Laboratory for testing. Lab results received confirmed the raccoon was positive for Rabies.

Residents should not interact with wildlife under any circumstance. If you come across a sick or injured animal, keep your distance and avoid all contact. Call Animal Control at [732-615-2097](tel:732-615-2097) immediately or contact the Police Department at 732-615-2100 after hours and on weekends. Please make sure all domestic animals (dogs, cats, and livestock) are currently vaccinated with a Rabies shot. Do not let your pets run free off leash, even in the woods, to ensure they do not come in contact with wildlife that may be rabid.

Rabies is a fatal disease. The best course of defense is the vaccination of your pets and not handling or interacting with wildlife. If you are bitten or exposed to blood/saliva of an animal, contact your physician immediately. Contact your Veterinarian immediately if your pet was exposed to wildlife, even if previously vaccinated.

The Middletown Health Department would also like to remind everyone that all [dogs and cats must be licensed in the Township.](#)

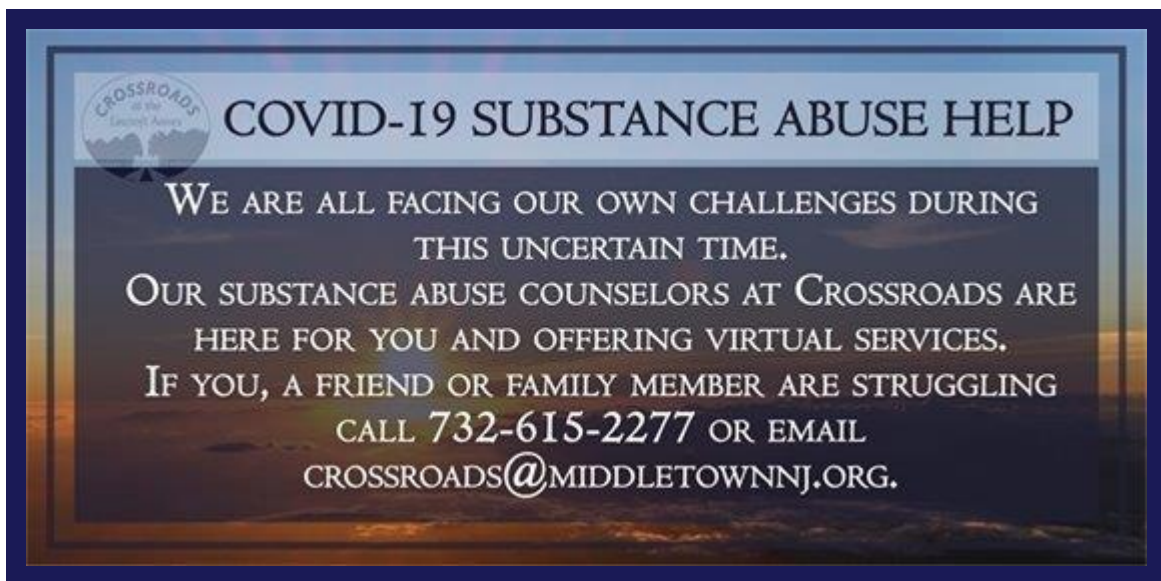
COVID-19 RESOURCES



NJ Poison Control Center Warns Community About Potential Misuse of Hand Sanitizers

In the COVID-19 era, alcohol-based hand sanitizers are not just a household staple, they are an everyday necessity. Since becoming part of our daily defense against coronavirus infection, these products are kept just about everywhere — from vehicles to handbags/backpacks to lunchboxes. Although hand sanitizers play an important role in preventing infection and slowing the spread of COVID-19, these products can result in potentially serious health consequences. In fact, hand sanitizers carry a potential for misuse, abuse and accidental exposure which can lead to alcohol overdose (poisoning).

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