



Community Pays Tribute to Fallen Veterans at Annual Memorial Day Parade





On Monday, May 31st, Middletown Township held its annual Memorial Day Parade to remember and honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. The parade followed a two-mile route that began at Bayshore Middle School and ended at the World War II Monument at Croydon Hall where community members listened to a bagpiper. Then, "Taps" was played after Middletown World War II and Korean War veteran John Alonzo raised then lowered the flag to half-staff. To close the ceremony, Mayor Tony Perry expressed the importance of remembering the brave men and women who "laid their lives on the altar of freedom, so that we may be forever free."

A variety of organizations participated in the parade, including the U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps Color Guard, dignitaries, local Scout troops, horses, antique cars and motorcycle groups, as well as 60 patriotic bikers. Our first responders also came out in full force blaring the sirens on their vehicles!

Thank you to the organizations and residents who lined the streets to support our fallen heroes!

Click [HERE](#) to view photos from the Memorial Day Parade.

Friends of Cedar View Cemetery Honor Black Civil War Veterans at Memorial Day Ceremony



3rd New Jersey Volunteer Infantry-Civil War reenactors during their 21-gun salute.



Pictured from left: Friends of Cedar View Cemetery Board Member John Smack, Friends of Cedar View Cemetery President Walter Brown, and Reverend Terrence Porter of the Pilgrim Baptist Church in Red Bank.



Pictured from left: Deputy Mayor Rick Hibell, Committeewoman Pat Snell, Mayor Tony Perry, Friends of Cedar View Cemetery Board Member John Smack, and Committeeman Ryan Clarke.

On Monday, May 31st, Friends of Cedar View Cemetery held a ceremonial wreath laying service at Cedar View Cemetery (located behind St. Leo The Great Catholic Church on Hurley Lane) in remembrance of the Black Civil War veterans who are buried there.

Cedar View Cemetery was sold in 1850 to 14 African-American men by former

slaveholder John Crawford to be used as a burial ground. The cemetery was overgrown and neglected up until November 2015, when it was finally restored.

Friends of Cedar View Cemetery is a group of family descendants, historians, and citizens who have made it their mission to preserve the cemetery and its history.

Click [HERE](#) to view more photos from the ceremony.

Middletown Township Fire Department Celebrates New Fire Truck



On Monday, May 31st, Mayor Tony Perry, Deputy Mayor Rick Hibell, Committeewoman Pat Snell, Committeeman Ryan Clarke, and Assemblyman Gerry Scharfenberger joined Middletown Township Fire Department (MTFD) Chief John Friedmann and the all-volunteer Fire Department for a truck dedication held at Community Fire Company (85 Appleton Avenue in Leonardo). MTFD Chaplain Derrick Doherty blessed the fire truck and Mayor Tony Perry and Community Fire Company Station 4 New Engine Committee Chairperson Sean Corbet had the honor of christening the new vehicle with champagne!

This new engine will provide Middletown's volunteer first responders with state-of-the-art equipment to respond to emergencies and keep everyone safe!



Mayor Tony Perry, Committeewoman Pat Snell, Police Chief Craig R. Weber, and other officials were honored to attend the ceremony.

Battle of Midway Anniversary

On Thursday, June 4th, Mayor Tony Perry, Committeewoman Pat Snell, and Police Chief Craig Weber attended a poignant ceremony at Naval Weapons Station Earle in honor of the 79th anniversary of the Battle of Midway. Middletown veteran John Alonzo, who served in both World War II and Korea, was also invited to participate in the wreath laying ceremony with Captain Edward Callahan.



Mayor Tony Perry was humbled to shake hands with World War II veteran Sammie Citto.

Congratulations to MTPL on its 100th Anniversary!



From left: Monmouth County Commissioner Deputy Director Sue Kiley, MTPL Board President William R. Bucco, Assemblyman Gerry Scharfenberger, Monmouth County Commissioner Lillian Burry, Committeewoman Pat Snell, Deputy Mayor Rick Hibell, MTPL Director Heather Andolsen, and Mayor Tony Perry.

On Wednesday, June 2nd, the Middletown Township Public Library celebrated its centennial. Mayor Tony Perry, members of the Township Committee, State and County dignitaries, trustees of the Library Board, Township officials, and community members attended the morning ceremony held outside the library.

MTPL Director Heather Andolsen and Board President William R. Bucco opened a time capsule that was buried at the library in 1971. The miscellaneous items included eyelashes, sweet corn seeds, and a list of bestsellers from 50 years ago. They also began putting items in the 2021 time capsule that will be buried later this year. Some of the items include toilet paper, a cloth mask, and a description of Bridgerton (the book and Netflix show series).

Congratulations to MTPL on 100 successful years and cheers to its future!

Monmouth Museum Reopens to Public!



From left: Committeewoman Pat Snell and Mayor Tony Perry join Monmouth Museum Executive Director Erika Schaefer and Board Chairman Ben Fleischner on Wednesday, June 2 to celebrate the reopening of the Monmouth Museum. Photo courtesy of Monmouth Museum.

On Wednesday, June 2nd, Mayor Tony Perry and Committeewoman Pat Snell visited the Monmouth Museum (765 Newman Springs Road) in preparation for its grand reopening to the public on Saturday, June 5th.

The museum will be open from 10 AM to 4 PM, Wednesdays through Sundays. Admission is \$10 per person, with children two years and under free.

Check out the museum's two galleries with new contemporary exhibits and the Wonder Wing for children.

Click [HERE](#) to learn more.

Middletown Township Committee to Host In-Person and Virtual Workshop Meeting on Monday, June 7th

The Middletown Township Committee Workshop Meeting on Monday, June 7, 2021 at 7:00 PM will be open to the public 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. The event access code is 173 152 6713 followed by #. Enter 2021 if a passcode is required.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

Pick Up or Purchase a 9/11 Remembrance Yard Sign at the
MAC on June 11th-13th from 12 to 3 PM



The Middletown Township World Trade Center Memorial Gardens Committee is selling remembrance yard signs to raise money for the World Trade Center Memorial Gardens (36 Church Street). The committee will be handing out signs at the Middletown Arts Center (36 Church Street) on Friday, June 11th, Saturday, June 12th, and Sunday, June 13th from 12 to 3 PM. Bring your order confirmation number if you already placed an order. You will also be able to purchase one while there.

Click [HERE](#) to order a remembrance lawn sign.

Visit www.middletownremembers911.com for more information or call (732) 615-2287 if you have any questions.



Poll Workers Needed for Primary Election: Workers Will Receive \$200 Bonus on Top of \$200 Pay

The Monmouth County Board of Elections is seeking Poll Workers for the Primary Election being held on Tuesday, June 8. Due to the urgent need for Poll Workers, the State has authorized a one-time \$200 bonus, on top of the standard \$200 pay, for the

Primary Election.

To qualify to be a Poll Worker, you must attend a poll worker training class on Monday, June 7 at 10 a.m. at the Board of Elections, Special Services Building at

300 Halls Mill Road, Freehold, NJ 07728.

Poll Workers will be compensated \$400 (\$200 standard and \$200 bonus) for working the Primary Election.

Click [HERE](#) to read the original press release.

Middletown Senior Center Reopens Monday, June 7th!



Middletown Senior Center welcomes back all members starting June 7th!

The building will be open to the public for in-person classes, activities, and events. Please note: Social distancing and mask requirements will be suspended for those who have been vaccinated. We ask all who have NOT been vaccinated to continue to wear a mask and socially distance where possible. Transportation is unavailable at this time, so please check with the Senior Center for future availability.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/seniors for a schedule of activities.
Email kdavis@middletownnj.org to receive weekly email updates.

**Sunset Movie in the Park - *The War with Grandpa* (PG),
Thursday 7/24**



Join Recreation to watch this great family film in the park! Make sure to pack your chairs and some snacks to enjoy this movie with your family. Seating is first come, first served. No registration, so get there early to claim your spot on the lawn!

Featured Movie: *The War with Grandpa* (PG)

Sixth-grader Peter (Oakes Fegley) is pretty much your average kid—he likes gaming, hanging with his friends and his beloved pair of Air Jordans. But when his recently widowed grandfather Ed (Robert De Niro) moves in with Peter's family, the boy is forced to give up his most prized possession of all: his bedroom. Unwilling to let such an injustice stand, Peter devises a series of increasingly elaborate pranks to drive out the interloper, but Grandpa Ed won't go without a fight. Soon, the friendly combatants are engaged in an all-out war with side-splitting consequences.

Register For This Summer's Snapology Camp!



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CAMP AT PORICY PARK

MONDAY - FRIDAY | 9:00AM - 12:00PM
GRADES 1 - 5

8/9-8/13: POKEMANIA CAMP
8/16-8/20: MINECRAFT® MAKERS CAMP
8/23-8/27: AMAZING ANIMALS ROBOTICS & CODING CAMP
8/30-9/3: JEDI MASTERS CAMP

TO REGISTER, VISIT:
WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/SIGNUP
CHOOSE "SUMMER CAMP - 2021"

This year, Middletown Recreation is offering half-day camps at Poricy Park – Nature Center. Kids will have a blast making new friends and tackling S.T.E.A.M. projects with Snapology this summer. Camps will be smaller socially-distanced groups in accordance with state COVID-19 guidelines.

Registration is now open! Click [HERE](#) to sign up.

Register Now for MTPL's Summer Reading Challenges!



MTPL

Children's Summer Reading Challenge

Ages 5-12

REGISTRATION HAS BEGUN

LOGGING begins JUNE 21st - August 16, 2021

REGISTER ON MTPL.ORG
Or Download the APP

REGISTER
by 6/29/21

To earn a Virtual Badge & Receive a
VIRTUAL RAFFLE TICKET
for a chance to win

Sandy Hook 2021
Season Parking
Pass

NEW!

BEANSTACK BOOK
LOGGING PLATFORM!



MTPL TEENS SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Logging Begins June 21 -August 16, 2021
Grades 6-12



Register on the MTPL.org
website and download the
Beanstack App

EARLY REGISTRATION
begins June 1st
REGISTER ONLINE!

REGISTER BY 6/29

AND YOU WILL BE ENTERED
INTO A VIRTUAL RAFFLE
FOR A CHANCE TO **WIN** A

**\$75 GIFT CARD TOWARD
ANY CORE FITNESS YOUTH
OR ATHLETE SUMMER
PROGRAM**



DID YOU KNOW?

Middletown Preschool
registration is open for the
2021-2022 School Year!

3 Year Old & 4 Year Old Classes

Monday - Thursday
9:00am - 12:00pm



Tonya Keller Community Center
50 Bray Ave, Middletown

Enrollment applications being accepted while space is available.

Contact us to learn more about enrollment, our waitlist and tuition fees.
www.middletownnj.org/preschool || 732-615-3250 || recreation@middletownnj.org

Middletown Preschool is accepting applications for enrollment in the 2021-2022 school year! Applications for the PreK-3 and PreK-4 year old classes are being accepted while space is available.

For more information about the school, enrollment, and tuition fees visit

www.middletownnj.org/preschool.



NJ Poison Center Advisory: Common Summer Poisoning Hazards

With the unofficial start to summer upon us and the easing of many COVID-19 restrictions, New Jersey residents are ready to get out and enjoy the warm weather. While we must continue following proven safety protocols to limit the spread of COVID-19, we also need to protect our health from common summer hazards that have the potential to cause serious poisoning injury.

Summer is meant to be spent outdoors having fun, not in the emergency room/department. Keep your friends and families safe by being aware of potential poisoning hazards that lurk in and around our homes during the summer.

Click [HERE](#) to read the original press release that includes 10 poison safety strategies and was published by the New Jersey Poison Center.



Pictured above is the new flood gate and pump operation at the Port Monmouth Flood Risk Management Project. Photo credit to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and caption credit to Civil Structure + Engineer magazine.

Port Monmouth Flood Risk Management Project Featured in Magazine

The Port Monmouth Flood Risk Management Project was featured in the June 2021 Vol. 7 Issue of *Civil + Structure Engineer* magazine. The article discusses the importance of communication between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and communities, the purpose of the project, and the project's anticipated culmination date.

Click [HERE](#) to read the article.

Adopt-A-Garden

Help be a part of keeping Middletown beautiful by volunteering to adopt a Township garden for the 2021 season!

Visit www.middletownnj.org/adoptagarden to sign up.



TEMPORARY CHANGE IN BULK COLLECTION IN NORTH AND SOUTH ZONES THROUGH JULY 9TH

SOLTERRA, THE TOWNSHIP'S GARBAGE CONTRACTOR, IS CURRENTLY TRAINING STAFF AFTER BEING HEAVILY IMPACTED BY COVID-19. DUE TO THESE STAFFING ISSUES, NORTH AND SOUTH ZONE BULK COLLECTION WILL CONTINUE TO TAKE PLACE ON THE SATURDAY AFTER YOUR REGULAR RECYCLING DAY THROUGH JULY 9TH.

VISIT WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/BULK FOR MORE INFO.



Keep "Striving for Five" Middletown!

| ITEMS ACCEPTED IN CURBSIDE RECYCLING: | | | | | DOWNLOAD FOR UPDATES SENT VIA TEXT OR EMAIL INCLUDING: ✓ PERSONALIZED COLLECTION CALENDARS ✓ EMERGENCY COLLECTION NOTIFICATIONS ✓ WHAT GOES WHERE LOOK-UP TOOL VISIT WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/RECYCLECOACHAPP TO DOWNLOAD ON APPLE OR ANDROID DEVICES |
|---|----------------------------|---|--------------------------|--|---|
| CANS | GLASS | PAPER | PLASTIC | CARDBOARD | |
| ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED IN CURBSIDE RECYCLING: | | | | | |
| DO NOT BAG RECYCLABLES | NO PLASTIC BAGS | NO TANGLES, CORDS, HOSES OR CHAINS | NO YARD WASTE | NO FOOD OR LIQUID EMPTY AND RINSE CONTAINERS | |

As part of Middletown's Recycling Education Campaign, the Department of Public Works will be adding the sticker above on new and replaced recycling carts in town as a reminder to keep "Striving for Five!" and recycling right.

Items accepted curbside include bottles and cans, glass, paper, and cardboard. Please note the items listed above that are not accepted curbside, which contaminate our recycling stream.


For questions on what goes where, emergency collection notifications, and personalized collection calendars, residents can download the [Recycle Coach app!](#)


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


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