



Official Township E-Newsletter

Middletown Township Police Department Invites Community to National Night Out on Tuesday, 8/3

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The section features the "NATIONAL NIGHT OUT" logo, which includes a stylized eagle and the text "NIGHT OUT 2021 POLICE-COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS". Below the logo are four smaller images: a woman and a child at a table, police officers interacting with a child, a woman crouching down to talk to a child, and a group of people standing together outdoors.

Tuesday, August 3, 2021
5:00pm - 8:00pm
Poricy Park
345 Oak Hill Road, Red Bank

A national community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships.

"Together, we are making communities safer, more caring places to live."

Middletown Township announced that the Police Department will be holding its 4th annual National Night Out on Tuesday, August 3rd from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The event will be held outdoors at Poricy Park Nature Center (345 Oak Hill Road).

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. This nationwide movement brings together communities and generates support for local anti-crime efforts by asking residents to spend the evening outside with neighbors and police.

In addition to having the opportunity to meet and learn more about the Middletown Township Police Department, there will be live music, food, fingerprinting, K-9 demonstrations, horses, police equipment displays, an impaired driving simulator, a dunk tank, face painting, drawing with Doodle Dude, Middletown Township Public Library information, giveaways, and more.

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

Pick up or Purchase Your 9/11 Remembrance Yard Sign at

ShopRite This Weekend from 9 AM to 12 PM

We Remember



20TH ANNIVERSARY

9-11-01

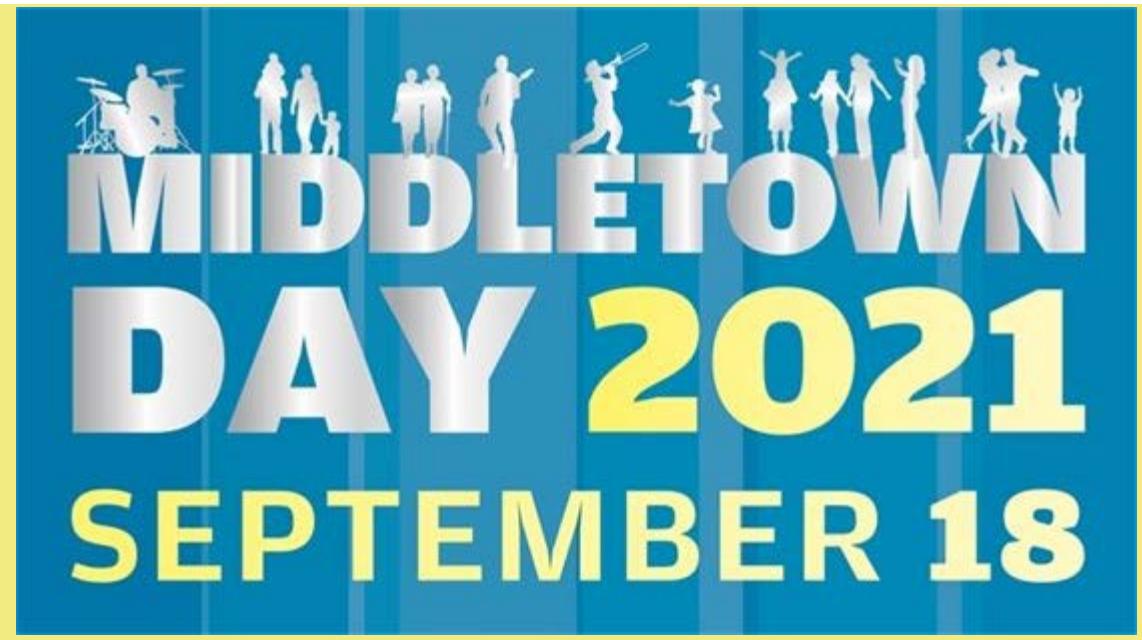
The Middletown Township World Trade Center Memorial Gardens Committee is selling 20th anniversary 9/11 remembrance yard signs and personalized street banners to raise money that will go toward renovations and improvements to our WTC Memorial Gardens (36 Church Street). The committee will be selling signs and taking orders for banners at ShopRite (1361 NJ-35 South) this weekend from 9 AM to 12 PM. Bring your order confirmation number if you already placed an order. Yard signs will be available for \$40. Personalized street banners that feature your business or family name will be available for \$500. Middletown will line the streets leading up to the memorial with these beautiful remembrance banners. Once taken down, the banner will be given to you as a keepsake.

You can also stop by the Middletown Arts Center (36 Church Street) during regular business hours to purchase a lawn sign by cash or check.

Click [HERE](#) to order a remembrance yard sign or street banner.

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

Save the Date for Middletown Day on Saturday, 9/18!



For more information, visit www.middletownnj.org/middletownday.

**North Zone Bulk Collection Will be Completed on
Friday, 7/30 and Saturday, 7/31**

DELAY TO NORTH ZONE BULK COLLECTION

DUE TO TEMPORARY STAFFING ISSUES AT SOLTERRA, THE TOWNSHIP'S GARBAGE CONTRACTOR, BULK COLLECTION WAS NOT COMPLETED ON THURSDAY, 7/29. ANY BULK NOT COLLECTED ON THURSDAY WILL BE RECOVERED BETWEEN FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, (7/30-7/31). THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE!



Middletown Township Police Department Seeks Domestic Violence Response Team Volunteers: Apply Now

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 this free, 24/7 confidential service available to victims of domestic violence in the aftermath of a highly emotional and traumatic

experience. 180 will be conducting the mandatory 40-hour training course for new DVRT volunteers October 5th - 28th, Tuesdays/Wednesdays/Thursdays, 6:00pm-9:30pm, remotely via Zoom. Applications are currently being accepted through Friday, September 24th.

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 download the application.

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

New Town Hall Construction Update



In the past month, our new Town Hall building has continued to develop. The exterior brick work has progressed, and the windows are starting to be installed. The sheet rock and taping are continuing to advance inside the building.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/municipalcomplex for updates!

**Middletown Office of Emergency Management Shares
Hurricane Survival Guide
Volunteers Wanted**



Volunteers Wanted

Emergency Management

Monthly Meeting
Train Online

732-615-2129



The Middletown Office of Emergency Management (OEM) is looking for volunteers to join its team! OEM is responsible for the Township's all-hazard Emergency Operations Plan, which outlines how Middletown will function during emergency or disaster conditions. With peak season for hurricanes in New Jersey approaching from mid-August through October, now is the perfect time to volunteer and support your community! OEM volunteers train online and meet monthly. Please call (732) 615-2129 if you are interested in volunteering.

In case of an emergency, there is a Middletown Emergency Radio station. Please tune in to 1620 AM for emergency and community information.

Click [HERE](#) for more information about Middletown's OEM.

Click [HERE](#) for tips on how to survive a hurricane in New Jersey.

Be Prepared: Register for Middletown Emergency Alerts

Please ensure that you OPT IN to the Township's emergency communications platform to receive real-time emergency alerts regarding public health and safety, traffic detours and severe weather by texting MiddletownNJ to 888-777. Visit www.middletownnj.org/nixle to register via email.



Upcoming Holland Road Closure Dates

Holland Road Repaving Project

From Thursday, July 29th through Wednesday, August 4th, Holland Road between Red Hill Road and South Laurel Avenue will be closed to thru traffic.

A detour will be in place during normal work hours. The road will remain open to local traffic only. All dates are approximate and subject to change due to weather conditions.



Next Quarter Property Tax Payment Due August 1st

TAX BILLS WERE MAILED ON JULY 21ST. THE LAST DAY TO PAY THE AUGUST QUARTER IS ON AUGUST 20, 2021 BY 3 PM THROUGH THE WEBSITE AND 4 PM IN THE OFFICE.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT THE TAX COLLECTION OFFICE AT 732-615-2086.



The next quarterly taxes are due August 1, 2021. To avoid interest, please pay your taxes no later than 4:00 PM on Friday, August 20th in the Tax Collection Office located at the Croydon Hall Municipal Building (900 Leonardville Road) or by 3:00 PM through the website.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

MTPL Will Be Closed from Thursday, 8/5 to Saturday, 8/7

**PLEASE NOTE: THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED
THURSDAY, 8/5 –SATURDAY, 8/7
IT WILL REOPEN ON MONDAY, 8/9**

This closure is due to HVAC replacement on the library roof.

**During this time, all due dates will be extended
on checked out materials.**

**MTPL parking lots and drive thru book & media drops
will also be closed to traffic during library closure.**

As always, we appreciate your patience and understanding.



**Enjoy the MAC Musical Theatre Academy Summer Series
This Weekend with Disney's High School Musical 2 Jr.**

Musical Theatre Academy

Summer Series!

with KATHY CONNOLLY



The poster features a blue background with a yellow sun-like border around the title 'Summer Series!'. Below the title, four circular icons represent the shows: 'Willy Wonka KIDS' (purple), 'Disney HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL 2 JR.' (white), 'Annie JR.' (red), and 'SINGIN' IN THE RAIN JR.' (dark blue). Each icon includes the show name and 'JR.' in yellow. Below each icon are the performance dates and times: 'JULY 23 & 24 2 PM & 7 PM', 'JULY 30 & 31 2 PM & 7 PM', 'AUG 13 & 14 2 PM & 7 PM', and 'AUG 20 & 21 2 PM & 7 PM'. At the bottom, there is a yellow box containing the Middletown Arts Center logo (a stylized flower) and text: 'TICKETS ON SALE NOW!', '► GET TICKETS AT MIDDLETOWNARTS.ORG', 'ADULTS \$10 SENIOR/STUDENT \$5'.

The MAC's Musical Theater Academy, helmed by Theater Education Director Kathy Connolly, is excited to bring four Summer Camp student productions to the stage at Middletown Arts Center (36 Church Street)! Disney's High School Musical 2 Jr. will take place on Friday, July 30th at 7 PM and Saturday, July 31st at 2 PM and 7 PM. Tickets cost \$10 for adults and \$5 for seniors/students. Performances are indoors at the MAC theatre. The MAC strongly encourages audience members to wear masks during the show, but does not require them.

Disney's High School Musical 2 Jr.

The gang is back for an action-packed summer extravaganza as Troy, Gabriella, and the rest of the Wildcats finish Junior year and blast onto the summer scene in Disney's High School Musical 2 Jr., based on Disney Channel's blockbuster TV movie.

Click [HERE](#) for more information and to purchase tickets!

Flash Back to the Past at the Historical Fashion Show "What People Wore" at the MAC on Sunday, 8/1 at 7 PM



WHAT PEOPLE WORE

Historical Fashion Show

Presented by

THE PERFORMING ARTS ENSEMBLE

The Middletown Arts Center is hosting "What People Wore," a historical fashion show that will be presented by the Performing Arts Ensemble on Sunday, August 1st at 7 PM. The one-hour event will provide entertainment for the whole family, featuring clothing from the 1500s to 1980s and dances from each time period. Children who have a doll dressed in historical costume are invited to show it off on the runway!

Bring your lawn chair and enjoy this **FREE** show at the outdoor MAC Summer Stage (36 Church Street). In the event of inclement weather, the performance will be brought indoors. Please call the Performing Arts Ensemble at 732-614-5426 to reserve your tickets.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

Submit Artwork to DPW and MAC's Trash & Recycling Sculpture Art Contest by Friday, 8/6 at 4 PM



[Click on the image to view the flyer larger.](#)

The Middletown Department of Public Works and the Middletown Arts Center are seeking trash sculptures to display at the Township's new outdoor Ecological Garden at DPW (52 Kanes Lane). Winners will receive a gift bag that includes a MAC gift certificate and they will also have their artwork showcased at Middletown Day as an example of a creative way to reduce, reuse, and recycle! Please see contest rules in the flyer above.

[Click HERE for more information.](#)
[Click HERE to download the contest's entry form.](#)

Join MTPL at its Olympics Movie Mondays in August!

Playing in August:

OLYMPICS MOVIE MONDAYS



MOVIES

MOVIE	DATE
<i>Cool Runnings</i>	8/2
<i>Miracle</i>	8/9
<i>Chariots of Fire</i>	8/16
<i>Eddie the Eagle</i>	8/23
<i>Foxcatcher</i>	8/30

LIBRARY



Celebrate the Tokyo 2020 Olympics at the Middletown Township Public Library with Olympics Movie Mondays! This monthly series begins with the movie *Cool Running* on Monday, August 2nd in the Community Room at the library (55 New Monmouth Road). The event will take place from 2:30 to 5:30 PM. Chairs will be socially distanced and masks are optional.

Cool Runnings (PG)

When a Jamaican sprinter is disqualified from the Olympic Games, he enlists the help of a dishonored coach to start the first Jamaican Bobsled Team.

Click [HERE](#) for more information about the event.

Middletown Municipal Alliance and Hope for Children Foundation Present 1st Annual Overdose Awareness 5K on Saturday, 8/28 from 8 - 9:30 AM

Middletown Municipal Alliance and Hope for Children Foundation Present the 1st Annual

OVERDOSE AWARENESS 5K

DATE: Saturday, August 28, 2021
LOCATION: Poricy Park (345 Oak Hill Road)
TIME: 8:00 - 9:30 AM

In addition to the 5K, there is also a 1 mile run/walk, as well as the option to complete the 5K virtually. Participants can register in advance or the day of the fundraiser.

The Prevention Coalition of Monmouth County will also be providing purple flags. Runners and walkers are encouraged to write on the flags about who/what inspired them to participate in the event.

Visit middletownnj.org/OA5K to register for the 5K and for more information.

 HOPE FOR CHILDREN FOUNDATION

All proceeds from this event will benefit the Middletown Municipal Alliance.

 MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE



Middletown Municipal Alliance is partnering with the [Hope for Children Foundation](#) to host the first annual Overdose Awareness 5K on Saturday, August 28th at Poricy Park (345 Oak Hill Road). The Middletown Municipal Alliance is a volunteer organization that focuses on educating people about substance abuse and eliminating the stigma surrounding it. Participants are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food donation to the 5K for Middletown Social Services.

Middletown will be taking additional measures to raise awareness about substance abuse. The Middletown Township Committee will be recognizing International Overdose Awareness Day (August 31st) at the Township Committee Meeting on Monday, August 16th. During the month of August, Town Hall will be illuminated in purple and the [Prevention Coalition of Monmouth County](#) will also be displaying purple flags along the perimeter of Town Hall to honor the lives lost to overdose in Monmouth County this year.

Click [HERE](#) to register and for more information about the 5K.
Click [HERE](#) for more information about Middletown Municipal Alliance.



NJ Poison Center Advisory: Drugged Driving Doesn't Just Involve Alcohol

Typically, when people hear the phrase “driving under the influence” or “drugged driving” it’s

associated with driving under the influence of alcohol. However, driving under the influence can occur anytime someone uses a substance that may impair their ability to drive, including prescription and nonprescription (also called over-the-counter or OTC) medicines, herbal remedies, illegal/street drugs, and recreational drugs including alcohol and cannabis products.

The message about drugged driving is clear — it's dangerous for you, your passengers, and others on the road. Law enforcement considers driving while under the influence of legal and illegal substances as dangerous and unsafe as driving under the influence of alcohol. The legal consequences are the same.

Click [HERE](#) to read the original press release about the dangers of driving under the influence of medications.

Updated COVID-19 Information

The Middletown Health Department has recently updated its website with additional COVID-19 information and resources.

Brookdale Community College (765 Newman Springs Road) is offering walk-in vaccination appointments for people ages 12+.

Please check out the graphic to the right for more information about Monmouth County COVID-19 vaccines.



[Click on the image to view the flyer in a larger format.](#)

Visit www.middletownnj.org/covid19 for more information and resources.

Download Ocean Conservancy's "Clean Swell" App to Help Keep Our Waters Clean

MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP INTRODUCES THE **CLEAN SWELL APP** 

JOIN A GLOBAL MOVEMENT TO KEEP BEACHES, WATERWAYS AND THE OCEAN TRASH FREE! HEAD OUT TO YOUR FAVORITE MIDDLETOWN BEACH, PARK OR ROADWAY AND USE THE CLEAN SWELL APP TO EASILY RECORD EACH ITEM OF TRASH YOU COLLECT. THEN SHARE YOUR EFFORT WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

WITH CLEAN SWELL, YOU CAN:

- Record every item of trash you collect.
- Share your cleanup results via social media & email.
- Track your total distance cleaned.
- Earn badges based on the type and quantity of trash and cleanups you do, like the Sea Turtle Saver!

 Sea Turtle Saver
Thousands of people and families can change their trash. Since the start of the app, users have logged over 25 million imperfections.

- Keep a historical record of your cleanup efforts.
- Create ocean trash solutions by contributing to a global database and helping to identify trends.
- Learn scientific facts about the impact of trash on ocean animals and what you can do to help.

 **VISIT WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/CLEANSWELL FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

The Middletown Department of Public Works will be using Ocean Conservancy's Clean Swell app for litter tracking and cleanup! The Clean Swell app is an easy way for the Middletown community to be proactive in making our town a more beautiful place while assisting in the worldwide effort to keep our oceans clean.

[Click HERE for more information about the app.](#)

[Click HERE to watch an informative video about the app.](#)

NOW HIRING



SEASONAL LABORERS AT THE RECYCLING CENTER

**VISIT WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/JOB
OR CALL 732-615-2017 TO APPLY.**

This position is ideal for someone who likes to help others, enjoys being outdoors, and doesn't mind a little exercise! Rate of pay is \$15.00 per hour.

[Click HERE for more information and to apply.](#)

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