



# Middletown Minutes

## Official Township E-Newsletter



### Middletown Prepares for Snowstorm: Updates and Safety Tips

## BE IN THE KNOW ABOUT SNOW

The seal of Middletown Township, New Jersey, is centered within the word "SNOW" on a blue background with white snowflakes.

*Follow Middletown Township's social media channels for weather updates and safety tips.*

 @Middletown NJ Town Hall  @MiddletownNJ

 @middletown.township  www.middletownnj.org

A blizzard warning is in effect for Monmouth County from 7:00 PM Friday through 7:00 PM Saturday, according to the National Weather Service.

Middletown Township began preparing for the snowstorm yesterday by treating main roads with brine, fueling snow plows, and working with the State to monitor

tides and adjust our floodgates to prevent flooding. Models are currently predicting an accumulation of 6-12 inches in our area. We will continue to post updates on our website and social media channels.

**Click [HERE](#) to read the full advisory with weather-related information and safety tips.**

## Register for Emergency Updates



**GET AHEAD OF THE STORM.**

TEXT MIDDLETOWNNJ TO 888-777 TO REGISTER FOR SEVERE WEATHER ALERTS & UPDATES.



**Click [HERE](#) to register for severe weather alerts and updates.**

## How to Report a Power Outage

**To report a power outage:**



**firstenergycorp.com/outages**

**Call 888-544-4877**

**Text OUT to 544487**



**Click [HERE](#) to report a power outage and view current outages.**

## Call Ahead for Warming Center

**NEED A WARMING CENTER?**



The Middletown Township Office of Emergency Management will be opening the Warming Center, located at the Middletown Senior Center/Croydon Hall (900 Leonardville Road) on an as needed basis.

If you are in need of a Warming Center, please call the Police Desk at 732-615-2078 so our Office of Emergency Management can prepare.

If you plan on going to the Warming Center, please bring any medications or personal items you may need.

In the event you lose power and need a Warming Center, please call the Police Desk at 732-615-2078 so our Office of Emergency Management can prepare.

### Clear 3 Feet of Space Around Fire Hydrants

# KEEP'EM CLEAR

If there's a fire hydrant near your house,  
help keep it accessible this winter:

**DO YOUR PART SO THEY CAN DO THEIRS**



If there's a fire hydrant near your house, the MTFD requests that residents help keep it accessible by clearing 3 feet of space around it. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Township Fire Marshal, Buddy Skelly, at 732-615-2270.



## Middletown Township Moves Forward with Safe Route to River Plaza Elementary School Project

Yesterday, Middletown Township announced that the preliminary engineering phase for the Safe Route to

School project to create a safer walking environment for River Plaza Elementary School students has begun.

"The Township and School District applied for this grant together, and it's rewarding to see this important project getting off the ground," said Mayor Tony Perry. "These much-needed improvements will help keep our walkers and bikers safe which is a huge priority."

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

## Mayor Tony Perry Appointed to Sustainable Jersey Board of Trustees

Middletown Township today announced that Mayor Tony Perry has been appointed to the Sustainable Jersey Board of Trustees. During his tenure as mayor, he has spearheaded several green initiatives such as prioritizing recycling education, preserving open space, and utilizing renewable energies.

Middletown Township achieved Sustainable Jersey Silver Level status in 2019, earning a substantial number of points through the Port Monmouth Flood Control Project, the Mayor's Wellness Campaign, and the Recycling Education Campaign. Since then, the Township has expanded on these green initiatives.



*Mayor Tony Perry, Middletown Township employees, and members of Sustainable Jersey pose together after Middletown achieved the Sustainable Jersey Silver Level status in 2019.*

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

## Renew Your 2022 Dog License By Monday, 1/31

## **Attention All Dog Owners:**

### **2022 Dog License Renewals Beginning 1/1/2022**

Look out for your dog license renewal paperwork in the coming weeks. It will be mailed and emailed to you (if you have an email address on file). Please review the paperwork for instructions on how to complete the process. Renewals should be submitted either online or via mail between January 1<sup>st</sup> and January 31<sup>st</sup>. Late fees begin February 1<sup>st</sup>.



**Questions? Please call Animal Control at 732-615-2097  
or visit [middletownnj.org/petlicensing](http://middletownnj.org/petlicensing).**

All dog licenses expire on December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. Renewals should be submitted either online or via mail by Monday, January 31<sup>st</sup>. Late fees begin Tuesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>.

***Click [HERE](#) for more information about our pet licensing policy.***

### **Quarterly Taxes Due Tuesday, 2/1**

**THE NEXT QUARTERLY TAXES ARE DUE FEBRUARY 1, 2022.**

THE LAST DAY TO PAY THE FEBRUARY QUARTER IS ON  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10<sup>TH</sup> BY 3 PM THROUGH  
THE WEBSITE AND 4 PM IN THE TAX COLLECTION OFFICE  
(900 LEONARDVILLE ROAD).



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

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS



### MTPD Announces Police Youth Week 2022 Dates: Registration Opens Monday, 2/21 at 10 AM



June 27 - July 1, 2022 ( 8 -11 year olds)  
July 18 - July 22, 2022 ( 8 - 11 year olds)  
August 15 - August 19, 2022 ( 12 & 13 year olds)



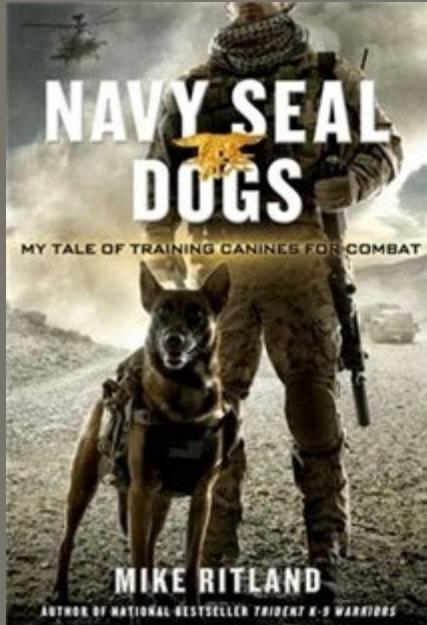
The Middletown Township Police Department (MTPD) will be hosting its annual Police Youth Week program this summer from June 27<sup>th</sup> to July 1<sup>st</sup> for children between the ages of 8 and 11, July 18<sup>th</sup> to July 22<sup>nd</sup> for children between the ages of 8 and 11, and August 15<sup>th</sup> to August 19<sup>th</sup> for children between the ages of 12 and 13. Each program begins on a Monday and ends on a Friday.

Registration will begin on Monday, February 21<sup>st</sup> at 10 AM. Registration will only take place through Middletown Recreation's [CommunityPass](#).

Visit [middletownnj.org/policeyouthweek](http://middletownnj.org/policeyouthweek) for more information.

**Register for MTPL's Virtual Author Visit with Mike Ritland**

on Monday, 2/7 at 7 PM



FOR AGES 9+

## VIRTUAL AUTHOR VISIT with Mike Ritland

**February 7 @ 7pm**  
via **Zoom**

Register on [MTPL.org calendar](#).



Join the Middletown Township Public Library (55 New Monmouth Road) on Monday, February 7<sup>th</sup> for a virtual author visit with Mike Ritland! The event will begin at 7 PM and take place via Zoom. The author will be remote, but patrons have the option of participating from the library's community room. Registration is required.

Noted author and Navy Seal veteran Mike Ritland will lead a discussion centered on his book, "Navy Seal Dogs: My Tale of Training Canines for Combat." He will share the true story of how he discovered his passion and grew up to become the trainer of the nation's most elite military working dogs.

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

**Purchase Tickets for "Minstrel Show, or The Lynching of William Brown" at the MAC in February**

**DUNBAR REPERTORY COMPANY**  
presents

**MINSTREL SHOW,  
OR THE LYNCHING OF WILLIAM BROWN**

**FEB 18-20, 2022 & FEB 25-27, 2022**

Friday 8pm | Saturday 3pm & 8pm | Sunday 4pm

All Tickets \$20  
Box Office: 732-706-4100

MIDDLETOWN ARTS CENTER  
36 Church Street • Middletown, NJ 07748

Dunbar Repertory Company will be presenting "Minstrel Show, or The Lynching of William Brown" at the Middletown Arts Center (36 Church Street) this February. The show is directed by Darrell Lawrence Willis, Sr. and is starring Joseph G. Taylor and Arthur Gregory Pugh.

**"Minstrel Show, or The Lynching of William Brown"**

Unsettling and compelling, Max Sparber's "Minstrel Show, or the Lynching of William Brown" recreates a harrowing true story about the 1919 lynching of a jailed Black man, as seen through the eyes of a couple of fictional song-and-dance men.

**Showtimes**

Friday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 8 PM, Saturday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 3 PM and 8 PM, Sunday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM, Friday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 8 PM, Saturday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 3 PM and 8 PM, and Sunday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM

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

**We're Hiring:  
Apply for Middletown Recreation's Summer Camp Staff!**

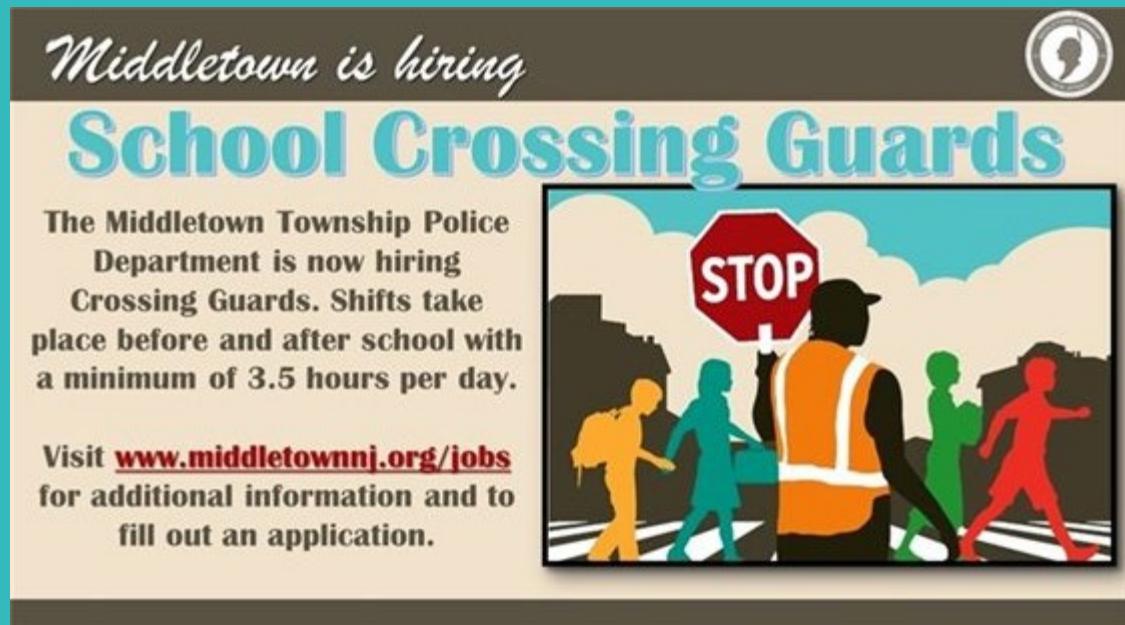


The graphic features the Middletown Recreation logo in the top left, which includes icons for running, a plant, a swimmer, and a bicycle, with the text "MIDDLETOWN RECREATION". To the right is a colorful graphic with a sun and the text "the best days are spent at CAMP". Below this is a large, bold "We're Hiring" text. To the left of the main text is a photo of four diverse young people (three adults and one child) waving. To the right is a call-to-action button with the text "Summer Camp Staff" and a cursor icon pointing to it. Below the button is the text "Descriptions and Applications at [www.middletownnj.org/recjobs](http://www.middletownnj.org/recjobs)".

Middletown Recreation is now accepting applications for summer camp staff positions and lifeguards! Positions include camp coordinators, medical staff/EMTs, counselors, and navigator coaches.

*Click [HERE](#) for more information and to download an application.*

## We're Hiring: Apply to Become a School Crossing Guard!



The graphic has a dark header with the text "Middletown is hiring" and a small circular logo with a silhouette. The main title "School Crossing Guards" is in large, bold, blue letters. Below the title is a description of the job: "The Middletown Township Police Department is now hiring Crossing Guards. Shifts take place before and after school with a minimum of 3.5 hours per day." To the right is an illustration of a crossing guard in an orange vest and a red "STOP" sign, with several children crossing the street.

*Click [HERE](#) to read the full job description and to apply.*



## COVID-19 Testing at Middletown Train Station on Monday and Thursday from 3 to 7 PM

COVID-19 TESTING HOURS FOR WEEK OF MONDAY, 1/31

**COVID-19 TESTING**  
\$150/TEST UNLESS MEDICALLY NECESSARY  
(EXPOSURE, SHOWING SYMPTOMS, ETC.)

MONDAY AND THURSDAY  
3:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
(OR UNTIL FULL CAPACITY IS REACHED)

MIDDLETOWN TRAIN STATION  
MAIN PARKING LOT OFF  
MIDDLETOWN-LINCROFT ROAD

TESTS WILL BE GIVEN ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS.

VISIT [WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/COVID19SCREENING](http://WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/COVID19SCREENING) TO LEARN MORE.

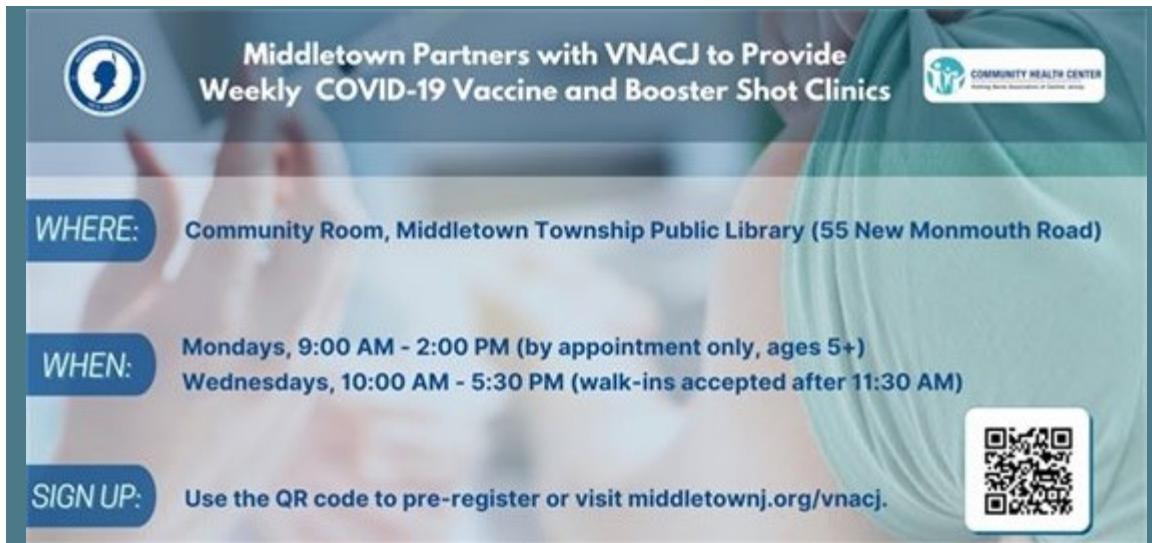
Immediate Care will be offering COVID-19 PCR testing at the Middletown Train Station's main parking lot this week on Monday and Thursday from 3:00 - 7:00 PM, or until the site reaches full capacity. It has come to our attention that some community members have mistakenly gone to the Middletown Arts Center for testing. The testing site, which is off Middletown-Lincroft Road, is marked by orange traffic cones.

Tests will be given on a first-come, first-served basis. Results will be emailed within 48-72 hours. If you have not received an email within 72 hours, you can contact the Immediate Care Call Center at 888-355-0635 to get your results.

*Depending on the weather, the testing site may be closed on Monday. Visit [www.middletownnj.org/covid19screening](http://www.middletownnj.org/covid19screening) for updates.*

*Click [HERE](#) to fill out a form prior to taking the test.*

**COVID-19 Vaccine and Booster Shot Clinic at MTPL Now  
Open on Mondays and Wednesdays: Pre-Register Now!**



**Middletown Partners with VNACJ to Provide Weekly COVID-19 Vaccine and Booster Shot Clinics**

**WHERE:** Community Room, Middletown Township Public Library (55 New Monmouth Road)

**WHEN:** Mondays, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM (by appointment only, ages 5+)  
Wednesdays, 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM (walk-ins accepted after 11:30 AM)

**SIGN UP:** Use the QR code to pre-register or visit [middletownnj.org/vnacj](http://middletownnj.org/vnacj).



The vaccine clinic at the Middletown Township Public Library (55 New Monmouth Road) will now also be administering COVID-19 vaccines and booster shots, by appointment only, for people ages 5+ on Mondays from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM, in addition to its regular hours on Wednesdays from 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM.

Walk-ins can receive their vaccines and booster shots on Wednesdays between the hours of 11:30 AM to 5:30 PM.

You do not need to be a Middletown resident to register. Those seeking vaccines should bring their ID and insurance card if they have one. Those seeking boosters should also bring their vaccine card.

[Click HERE to read the full press release.](#)  
[Click HERE to pre-register for your appointment.](#)



[Click on the graphic for information about vaccine eligibility.](#)



**Monmouth County partners with Vault Health and Brookdale Community College to provide State-funded COVID-19 testing site**

The Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners and Vault Health have partnered to provide a COVID-19 testing site at Brookdale Community College's Robert J. Collins Arena, which is being funded by the New Jersey Department of Health.

The testing site will be open at least three days per week through February with saliva PCR tests and rapid antigen tests available. Results will be provided for PCR tests in 24 to 48 hours.

[Click HERE for more information about the partnership and testing dates.](#)

## Monmouth County February COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics



**MONMOUTH  
COUNTY COVID-19  
CLINICS**

**FEBRUARY  
2022**

**Free At-Home Testing:**  
Visit [learn.vaulthealth.com/nj/](https://learn.vaulthealth.com/nj/) for free saliva tests, shipped directly to your home at no cost.  
Visit [www.covidtests.gov](https://www.covidtests.gov) for 4 free at-home COVID-19 tests for every home in the U.S.

**COVID-19 Vaccines are safe, free, & effective**  
Pfizer, Moderna, & Janssen available for 1st, 2nd, 3rd & booster doses

Walk-ins welcome ages 5 & up

ID documentation and health insurance not required. No impact on immigration status

**For free transportation:**  
To your vaccination, enter "VAXRIDE" promo into your NJ TRANSIT app or call NJ TRANSIT at 973-275-555. Get free Lyft rides by calling 2-1-1

&  
Monmouth County Division of Transportation SCAT: 732-431-6480

### DATES & TIMES



**Testing and Vaccine Clinics**

- Wed., February 2- Asbury Park- 4pm-7pm, Asbury Park Transportation Center, 1 Municipal Plaza, Asbury Park, NJ
- Tues., February 8- Freehold- 4pm-7pm, Freehold Borough Fire Department, 49 W Main Street, Freehold, NJ 07728
- Wed., February 16- Neptune- 4pm-7pm, Neptune Senior Center, 1607 NJ-33, Neptune City, NJ 07753
- Wed., February 23- Howell- 4pm-7pm, Howell Senior Center, 251 Preventorium Road

**Vaccine Clinics**

- Mon., February 7- Bradley Beach- 1pm-4pm, Bradley Beach Firehouse, 815 Main St., Bradley Beach, NJ 07720
- Wed., February 9- Eatontown- 3pm-6:30pm, Eatontown Memorial Elementary School, 7 Grant Ave, Eatontown, NJ, 07724
- Thurs., February 10- Red Bank- 4pm-6:30pm, Red Bank Primary School, 222 River Street, Red Bank, NJ 07701
- Mon., February 14- Long Branch- 9:30am- 1:30pm, Brookdale at Long Branch, Broadway and 3rd Avenue, Long Branch, NJ 07728
- Thurs., February 17- Neptune City- 1pm-4pm, Neptune City Community Center, 117 3rd Ave, Neptune City, NJ 07753
- Mon., February 28- Belmar- 12:30pm-3:30pm, Belmar Municipal Complex, 601 Main St., Belmar, NJ 07719

**Brookdale Community College Clinic - Vaccine Only**

- Every Tuesday, 2pm-6pm, Brookdale Community College, 765 Newman Springs Rd., Lincroft - Children's Learning Center (CLC) Parking Lots 4 & 5

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION & INQUIRIES, VISIT [WWW.VISITMONMOUTH.COM/HEALTH](http://WWW.VISITMONMOUTH.COM/HEALTH) OR DOWNLOAD THE MONMOUTH HEALTH APP OR CALL 732-431-7456**



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