



Township Celebrates High School North Hockey Team's Shore Conference Championship and Introduces 2022 Budget at Township Committee Meeting



Mayor Tony Perry proudly stands with High School North hockey player champions, alongside their Head Coach Don Wood and assistant coaches, inside the courtroom at the new Town Hall.

Mayor Tony Perry and the Township Committee were thrilled to present congratulatory certificates to the Middletown High School North Ice Hockey Team for their recent Shore Conference Championship where they brought home the Handchen Cup title. In addition to this incredible victory, the team won the Mayor's Cup and competed in the NJSIAA Public B Finals. Congratulations on an unforgettable season!

Colleen Lapp, the Township's chief financial officer, also presented the 2022 budget at the meeting. This was the first Regular Township Committee Meeting to be held in our new municipal complex.

Click [HERE](#) to watch the Monday, March 21st Township Committee Regular Meeting on the Township's YouTube channel or catch it on our TV channel (VerizonFIOS Channel 26/Comcast Cable Channel 20) every night at 5:00 PM and 8:30 PM until Sunday, April 3rd.



Mayor Tony Perry was humbled to receive this award at the Four Chaplains service as he stands with Vietnam veterans Dennis Beauregard and Ernest Diorio.

Mayor Tony Perry Receives Four Chaplains Humanitarian Award from VFW Post 2179

Last weekend, Mayor Tony Perry received the Four Chaplains Humanitarian Award from VFW Post 2179 in Port Monmouth. The award was presented during a service that honored the four chaplains who selflessly sacrificed their lives to save the troops aboard the U.S.A.T. Dorchester during World War II.

We are so grateful for our veterans and their service!

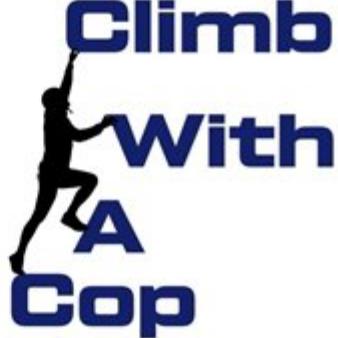
**Join Middletown PBA 124 at Climb With A Cop
TOMORROW, 3/26 at 10 AM**

FUNDRAISER
TO BENEFIT

**Special
Olympics**
New Jersey



SATURDAY
MARCH 26, 2022
10:00AM - 2:00PM
37 Kanes Ln.
Middletown, NJ
Entry fee \$30
*proceeds go to Special Olympics NJ





Visit www.gravityvault.com, www.njtorchrun.org or call
The Gravity Vault at (732) 856-9599 for more details.

Must be 5 years old or older to climb. Individuals under 18 must have waiver completed by parent or legal guardian.

Middletown PBA 124 is partnering with Hazlet PBA 189 to host the annual Climb with a Cop fundraiser on Saturday, March 26th. The event will take place at Gravity Vault (37 Kanes Lane) from 10 AM - 2 PM. Proceeds will benefit the Special Olympics of New Jersey (SONJ). We hope to see you there!

Support Ukraine at Westminster Presbyterian Church's Benefit Concert on Sunday, 3/27 at 4 PM

SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 4PM

SUPPORT

Benefit Concert

UKRAINE

Featuring performances by:

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| The Sorochan Family, from Ukraine | Erika Sayar, Westminster Presbyterian |
| Lern Joy Trio, Folk Ensemble | Malena Towers, St. Mary's Middletown |
| Joe Moffit, Church of the Precious Blood | Shauna Puccio, soprano |
| Nancy Scharff, King of Kings Lutheran | Mike Kabash, Lincroft Presbyterian |
| Jeffrey Boga, violin | Andrew Kosinski, St. Michael's Episcopal |

100% of proceeds collected in-person & online to be
donated to the CARE - Ukraine Crisis Fund.

Concert will also be livestreamed to our YouTube
channel found on our website below.


WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

94 TINDALL ROAD
MIDDLETOWN, NJ 07748
www.wpcmiddletown.org

On Sunday, March 27th, Mayor Tony Perry and members of the Township Committee will be supporting Westminster Presbyterian Church's (94 Tindall Road) benefit concert to raise money for Ukraine. The event will take place at the church and begin at 4 PM. The concert will feature professional musicians from both Ukraine and our community, as well an update from a representative of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in Perth Amboy.

All proceeds will be sent to CARE's Ukraine Crisis Fund. The fund reaches 4 million Ukrainians and provides them with immediate aid, food, water, hygiene kits, psychosocial support, and cash assistance.

Although the concert is technically free, the church will be accepting donations through its website. There is a "Ukrainian Relief Drive" section on the donation link.

Click **HERE** to donate to the church's Ukrainian Relief Drive.

Donate to MTPL's Food Drive Beginning Monday, 3/28



The Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL) is hosting a food drive to support local food pantries! Non-perishable food donations will be accepted at the library (55 New Monmouth Road) from Monday, March 28th through Friday, April 15th.

Help Neighbors in Need by Donating to Social Services' Easter Basket Drive by Monday, 4/11

EASTER BASKET DONATIONS

Middletown Social Services is collecting Easter grass, candy, and gift cards to create baskets for those in need in our community. Please also consider donating the free ham you can earn through supermarket promotions.

Donations should be dropped off at 180 Main Street in Port Monmouth by Monday, April 11th. Please call Social Services at 732-615-2085 before dropping off donation items to ensure someone is there to receive them.



Questions? Call Social Services at 732-615-2085. We kindly request that donations be dropped off by Monday, April 11th.

Apply for MTPD's Volunteer DVRT by Friday, 4/8

Middletown Township Police Department Seeks Domestic Violence Response Team Volunteers

Apply Now!

MTPD 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, MTPD 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 in April and May. Deadline to apply is Friday, April 8th.

For more information:

Contact Lt. Anthony Gigante, Middletown Township Police Department, DVRT DVLO at 732-615-2075 or visit 180nj.org.



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

Brush Collection Update: Zones A & B are Complete

Spring 2022 Brush Collection Status

| Collection Zone | Start Date | Collection Date Range | Current Status |
|-----------------|------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| A,B | MARCH 21 | MARCH 21 - MARCH 27 | COMPLETED |
| C,D | MARCH 28 | MARCH 28 - APRIL 3 | NOT STARTED |
| F,H | APRIL 4 | APRIL 4 - APRIL 17 | NOT STARTED |
| E,G | APRIL 18 | APRIL 18 - MAY 1 | NOT STARTED |
| I,K | MAY 2 | MAY 2 - MAY 15 | NOT STARTED |
| J,L | MAY 16 | MAY 16 - MAY 31 | NOT STARTED |

Brush collection is swiftly moving along! Our Department of Public Works and Engineering (DPW) have already completed zones A and B. Zones C and D are next.

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

Animal Control Department Reminds Residents: Please Do Not Disturb or Feed Fawns

MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP ANIMAL CONTROL
TIPS FOR CONTACT WITH ANIMALS



FAWNS



TIP #1
"If you care, leave it there"

A fawn will be left alone on lawns, in flower beds, and in tree lines for most of the day. The baby is best left undisturbed.

TIP #2

Mom is usually close by monitoring the situation. The fawn will move very little and sometimes not at all.

TIP #3

Mom will return in the late afternoon or early evening to feed and pick up her fawn.

TIP #4

If the fawn seems injured or in distress, please contact Animal Control to assess the situation.



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT
WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/ANIMALCONTROL
OR CALL 732-615-2097.

'Tis the season when deer give birth! The Middletown Township Animal Control Department offers some helpful tips on how to respond when coming in contact with fawns.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

recycling tip of the week

RECYCLE YOUR YARD WASTE!

RESIDENTS OFTEN THROW YARD WASTE INTO THEIR TRASH CAN, WHICH IS NOT ONLY NOT PERMITTED, BUT ALSO A WASTE OF RECYCLABLE MATERIALS. SEE CHART BELOW ON HOW TO DISPOSE OF YARD WASTE.

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|  | LEAVES | Residents can bring leaves to the Middletown Recycling Center (52 Kanes Lane) from November- June free of charge where they will become next year's compost! |
|  | BRUSH | Residents can bring brush to the Middletown Recycling Center (52 Kanes Lane) year-round free of charge where they will become next year's mulch! |
|  | GRASS CLIPPINGS | Leave them there! Grass clippings provide an excellent source of nutrients for your lawn. |



Still confused? Download the  app to get the [What Goes Where](#) look-up tool.

Click [HERE](#) for more information about Recycle Coach.

Click [HERE](#) to download Recycle Coach from the Apple App Store.

Click [HERE](#) to download Recycle Coach from the Google Play Store.

Volunteer with Our Adopt-A-Garden Program

ADOPT-A-GARDEN PROGRAM



**MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP IS SEEKING GARDENERS TO
PARTICIPATE IN THE ADOPT-A-GARDEN PROGRAM
FOR THE 2022 SEASON!**

PERKS OF ADOPTING:

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

VOLUNTEER HOURS

SCOUT BADGES

BE A PART OF KEEPING MIDDLETOWN BEAUTIFUL!

**EMAIL [JTICINO@MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG](mailto:jticino@middletownnj.org) FOR
MORE INFORMATION OR TO PARTICPATE!**



Email jticino@middletownnj.org for more information about how you can participate in the Adopt-A-Garden program.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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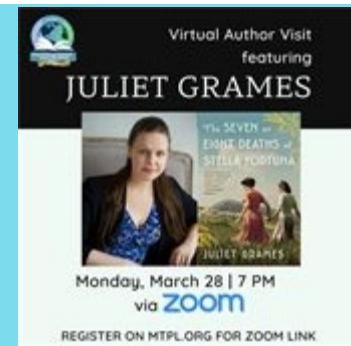
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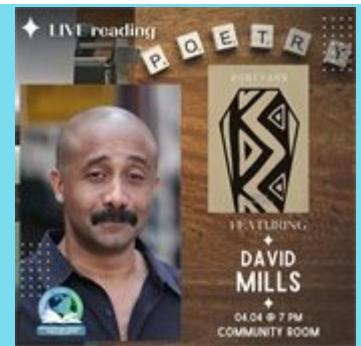
Register for MTPL's Upcoming Programs



[Virtual Author Visit with Juliet Grames on Monday, 3/28 at 7 PM](#)



[Social Security/Pre-Retirement Planning on Tuesday, 3/29 at 7 PM and Thursday, 3/31 at 1 PM](#)



[An Evening with Poet David Mills on Monday, 4/4 at 7 PM](#)

Mark down your calendars for the Middletown Township Public Library's (MTPL) informative, upcoming events!

Are you a fan of "The Seven or Eight Deaths of Stella Fortuna"? Good news! The MTPL is hosting a free virtual visit with author Juliet Grames on Monday, March 28th at 7 PM. Registration is required.

Looking to retire soon? Jeffrey Costello, CFF, NSSA is partnering with the MTPL and will be leading a virtual program on Tuesday, March 29th at 7 PM and Thursday, March 31st at 1 PM about pre-retirement planning with a focus on social security. Registration is required.

Celebrate National Poetry Month (April) by joining the MTPL on Monday, April 4th for an evening with poet David Mills, author of the bestselling poetry collection Boneyarn. The event will take place inside the library's Community Room (55 New Monmouth Road) at 7 PM. Registration is NOT required.

[Click on each graphic for more information.](#)

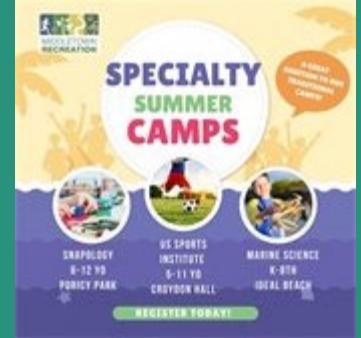
Get Involved this Spring and Summer with Recreation!



[Easter EGGstravaganza on Saturday, 4/9 from 10 AM - 1 PM](#)



[PDF of Recreation's Spring 2022 Brochure](#)



[Recreation's Specialty Summer Camps](#)

Recreation has a bunch of fantastic events coming up!

Hop into the holiday spirit on Saturday, April 9 for Easter EGGStravaganza! This family fun day of activities, a Peter Cottontail show, and pictures with the Easter Bunny will take place at the Middletown Arts Center (36 Church Street) from 10 AM - 1 PM. Goodie bags will be given to the first 300 kids at the event. Registration is recommended.

Check out all of Recreation's great spring program offerings from weekly youth and adult programs, special events like the Mother-Son Cornhole Tournament and Daddy-Daughter Luau, to the Middletown Preschool Fair. Be sure to register for Spring Break activities and fossil hunts at Poricy Park for education and fun!

Click [HERE](#) and go under "Spring Season" to register for these programs.

A great compliment to traditional camps, Recreation's specialty summer camps specialize in multi-sports, STEM, and marine science. Explore some options today!

Click on each graphic for more information.

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



The graphic features a light blue background with a white scalloped border. On the left, there are two photographs: the top one shows a diverse group of campers and staff sitting together outdoors, and the bottom one shows a counselor interacting with a group of children in a grassy field. To the right of the photos, the text "the best days are spent at CAMP" is written in a stylized font with a yellow sun icon. Below this, the words "We're Hiring" are written in large, bold, black letters, with "for 6 weeks of fun!" in smaller letters underneath. A white callout box contains the pay rates: "Coordinators \$17+/hr", "Counselors \$13+/hr", and "EMTs \$15+/hr". A black cursor arrow is pointing towards the "EMTs" text. At the bottom right is the Middletown Recreation logo, which includes icons for running, a tree, and a bicycle, with the text "MIDDLETOWN RECREATION".

Looking for a job? Middletown Recreation is hiring coordinators, counselors, and EMTs for summer camp. Grow your resume and wallet all while having a fun

summer!

Click [HERE](#) for full job descriptions and to apply.

**Purchase Tickets for the MAC's "The Little Mermaid Jr."
Next Weekend on Friday, 4/1 and Saturday, 4/2**



Celebrate life under the sea by attending the Middletown Arts Center's (MAC) production of "The Little Mermaid, Jr." next weekend! Performances will take place inside the MAC's theater (36 Church Street) on Friday, April 1st at 7 PM and Saturday, April 2nd at both 2 PM and 7 PM. This musical is brought to you by Director/Choreographer Kathy Connolly and Musical Director Malena Towers.

Tickets cost \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens.

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

**Participate in Lincroft Fire Company's Blood Drive on
Wednesday, 4/6 from 12:30 - 6:30 PM**



BLOOD DRIVE

Help accident victims like Jeff.

DONATIONS SAVE LIVES

Wed. April 6 12:30-6:30

Lincroft Fire Company

601 Newman Springs Rd., Lincroft

Appointments recommended. Walk-ins accepted if space allows.
For an appointment go to
<https://nybc.org/newjerseydrive> sponsor code 70286 or call 800-933-2566

Please remember to eat, drink and bring your donor ID card or ID with name and photo.
Donors 76 and over need a doctor's note unless one is already on file.

If you have received the CoVid vaccine there is no waiting period before donating as long as you are feeling well.

New Jersey Blood Services

800.933.BLOOD • nybc.org #njbloodservices

Help save lives and donate blood in Lincroft Fire Company's blood drive on Wednesday, April 6th! The blood drive will take place at Lincroft Fire Co. (601 Newman Springs Road) from 12:30 - 6:30 PM. Appointments are recommended. The sponsor code to make an appointment online is 70286.

*Click [HERE](#) to make an appointment.
Click [HERE](#) to view a larger version of the graphic.*

Middletown Community Affairs Council to Host 30th Annual High School Student Job Fair on Wednesday, 5/4

MIDDLETOWN YOUTH FAIR

The Middletown Youth Job Fair, organized by the Middletown Community Affairs Council, is a great way for high school students and employers to meet and discuss employment opportunities in a relaxed and organized environment.

Registration is not required for students and there is no charge for employers who wish to participate. Employer participation is not limited to Middletown businesses.

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, MAY 4TH FROM 7:00 - 8:30 PM

WHERE: MIDDLETOWN HIGH SCHOOL NORTH (63 TINDALL RD.)



*Employers who would like to join can contact
Mitch Gotesky (732-915-2445/nycred1@aol.com) or
John Giordano (732-996-7495/johngiordano@yahoo.com)*

Click [HERE](#) for more information.



TRAFFIC SAFETY & DETOURS

MIDDLETOWN



TOWNSHIP



In response to the bridge strike that occurred earlier this month on Laurel Avenue between Holland Road and Route 35, NJ Transit will be performing repairs on the North Jersey Coast Line Bridge that goes over Laurel Avenue in both Holmdel and Middletown. These repairs will cause various lane closures along Laurel Avenue for approximately two months.

On Monday, March 28th, Laurel Avenue will be subject to alternating traffic lane closures. Detours will be put in place, but we encourage residents to plan alternate routes.

[Click HERE to register for instant traffic and safety emergency updates.](#)

Monmouth County Reminds Residents About Utility Assistance Available through ERAP



[ERAP Flyer in English](#)

Click on each graphic to view the flyer larger.



[ERAP Flyer in Spanish](#)

Since the State of New Jersey winter moratorium against utility shut-offs expired on March 15th, the Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners would like to remind tenants and landlords that the Monmouth County Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) is available to provide utility assistance through New Jersey SHARES.

There will be New Jersey Shares On-Site Applicant Assistance in various Monmouth County library locations throughout March.

[Click HERE for the schedule and to read the County's full press release.](#)
[Click HERE for more information about ERAP.](#)

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



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