



## Municipal Offices Closed TODAY, 4/15

Municipal offices will be closed on Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> in observance of Good Friday.



## Stop By the MTPL Today, 4/15!

We are open on  
Good Friday!  
4/15/22



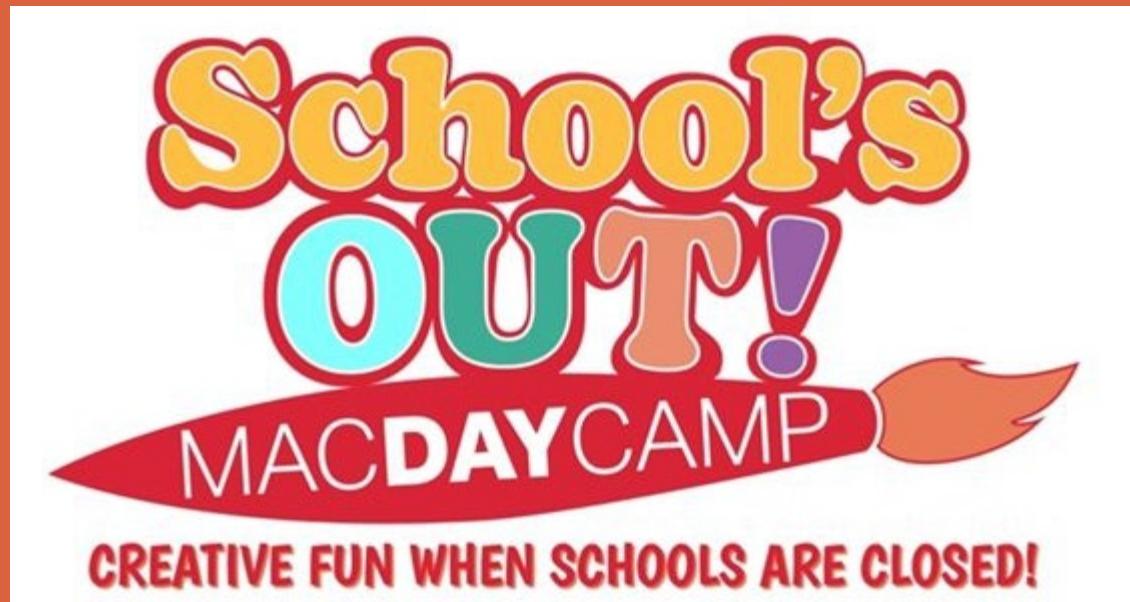


## Laurel Avenue Closure Begins Monday, 4/18

In response to the bridge strike that occurred last 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. Beginning Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, Laurel Ave. will be completely closed. Detours (directing residents to Holland Rd. to Church St. to New Monmouth Rd. to Rt. 35) will be put in place, but we encourage residents to plan alternate routes. Officers will be present to help regulate traffic.

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

Register Your Children for MAC's School's Out Day Camp,  
Beginning Monday, 4/18



Spring break is coming up, so register your children who are in elementary school for the Middletown Arts Center's (MAC) School's Out Day Camp! The MAC offers full and half-day camp programming for elementary school students when the Middletown public school district is closed. Young students are invited to fill their day off from school with crafting, doodling, and more creative activities with Miss Fish, the Doodle Dude & friends!

**The camp will NOT be offered on Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, but it will be offered the week of Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup> to Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Children will hang out at the MAC Annex, which is located at the Middletown Reformed Church (121 Kings Highway).**

**Click [HERE](#) for more information about the program and to register.**



## **Middletown Township Committee to Host Regular Meeting at New Town Hall on Monday, 4/18**

The Middletown Township Committee Regular Meeting on Monday, April 18, 2022 at 7:00 PM will be open to the public and made available to view and listen to through Webex Event Center. The meeting will be taking place inside the courtroom at the new

Town Hall (1 Kings Highway). Going forward, all Township Committee Meetings will be held at the new Town Hall.

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

**Click [HERE](#) to view the meeting agenda.**



## **Temporary Scheduled Water Treatment Change to End in NJAW's Monmouth and Ocean County Service Areas on 4/18**

On Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, New Jersey American Water (NJAW) will resume using chloramines in water treatment at its Swimming River Water Treatment Plant in Colts Neck and its Jumping Brook Water Treatment Plant in Neptune. This effects NJAW customers in Middletown, as well as other towns throughout Monmouth County.

In February, as part of an annual routine maintenance program for its water distribution system, New Jersey American Water temporarily changed the water treatment process from a chloramine (combination) residual to free chlorine residual. The nine-week planned changeover to free chlorine residual enabled the company to perform routine maintenance.

During the transition to free chlorine residual, some customers may have noticed a slight chlorine taste and odor in their water. With the resumption of the chloramination process, the taste and smell of chlorine will subside. Chloramines have long been effective method of water disinfection that meet all EPA and NJDEP drinking water standards and have been used in Monmouth and Ocean counties since 2012.

**Click [HERE](#) to read NJAW's original press release.**

## **Update on Conover Beacon Restoration**



Our Department of Public Works & Engineering (DPW) continues in-house restoration of the Conover Beacon, a lighthouse located in the Leonardo section of Middletown. Structural repairs should be completed next month, and the Township is currently seeking quotes to have the structure completely repainted.

## Recreation is Hiring: Apply Today!



Looking for a job? Middletown Recreation is hiring a preschool teacher assistant and summer camp coordinators, counselors, and EMTs.

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

## Seeking Employers!

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

# MIDDLETOWN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT FAIR

The Middletown High School Student 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. This event is open to students ages 16 and older.

**WHEN: WEDNESDAY, MAY 4<sup>TH</sup> 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.*

**Complete MTPL's Strategic Input Survey by Monday, 5/31**



The Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL) is asking for YOUR input!

Middletown is a growing community and the library wants to hear from you about its current and future services for the public. The library serves as a community hub and plans to reimagine its space to best serve Middletown.

Please fill out the MTPL's survey by Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. Questions should be directed to MTPL's Business Manager, Wendy LaTona at [wlatona@mtpl.org](mailto:wlatona@mtpl.org) or 732-671-3700 ext. 311.

*Click [HERE](#) to complete the survey.*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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Celebrate Spring Break with Recreation!



**SPRING BREAK  
EVENTS**

**Tues, April 19**

**Spring Break Pond Netting**  
Find out what's at the bottom of the Murray Pond! Look for frogs, turtles, and snakes. Use our nets to catch tadpoles, fish, insect larvae, and more!  
11:00am | \$5.00 (PreK-6th)

**Wed, April 20**

**Spring Break Fossil Hunts**  
Spring rains uncover new fossils! Our guide will supply equipment for finding fossils and aid you in finding and identifying your treasures.  
3:00pm | \$5.00 (6-Ault)

**Fri, April 22**

**Earth Day Watershed Hike**  
Celebrate Earth Day by getting outside for a hike and learning about how you can help your backyard watershed. Hike is approximately 1 hour and covers 2.5 miles of moderate terrain, including some steep hills and stairs.  
10:00am | Free!

**Sat, April 30 + Sun, May 1**

**Murray Farmhouse Open**  
We are proud to be one of the 50 historic sites in Monmouth County opening its doors for "Weekend at Old Monmouth." Staff and volunteers will be on hand to give short tours and answer questions.  
Sat: 10:00am-5:00pm, Sun: 12:00pm-5:00pm | Free!

  
MIDDLETOWN  
RECREATION

Join Middletown Recreation for educational and fun programming this spring break! Participate in fun activities like pond netting, fossil hunts, an Earth Day hike, and the Murray Farmhouse Open.

Click [HERE](#) to register for these events via CommunityPass.

**Register for MTPL's Spring Break Programs!**



[The American History  
Theatre Bessie Coleman  
Performance on Monday  
4/18 at 6:30 PM](#)



[MTPL Teen Job Series:  
Elevator Speech on  
Wednesday, 4/20 at 7 PM](#)



[Talewise Sword in the Stone  
Program on Thursday, 4/21  
at 11 AM](#)

Want to make fun plans over spring break? Come to the Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL), located at 55 New Monmouth Road, for some educational and exciting programs happening this upcoming week!

Start spring break off right by watching American History Theatre perform "Fly! Bessie! Fly! Meet Bessie Coleman" on Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup> in the Community Room at 6:30 PM. In 1921, Bessie Coleman became the first African American woman to earn her pilot's license. Registration is required.

Are you a teenager and looking for a job? As you may know, making connections and networking are important during a job search, but how do you quickly answer the frequently asked "So tell me about yourself, what do you do?" question? With an elevator speech! Learn how to put your pitch together at the MTPL's "Teen Job Series: Elevator Speech in an Interview" program on Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> in the Teen Room at 7 PM. Public Speaking Instructor Kim James, MCIS will be presenting. Registration is required.

Join the MTPL on Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup> for an interactive retelling of the legend of King Arthur. This event will take place in the Community Room and begin at 11 AM. Registration is required.

*Click on each graphic for more information about the programs.*

**Donate to Our Earth Day Food Drive on Friday, 4/22 from 8 AM - 12 PM at the Police Entrance of New Town Hall**



**Listen to Live Music at the MAC's Music Café on Sunday, 4/24 from 4 - 6 PM**

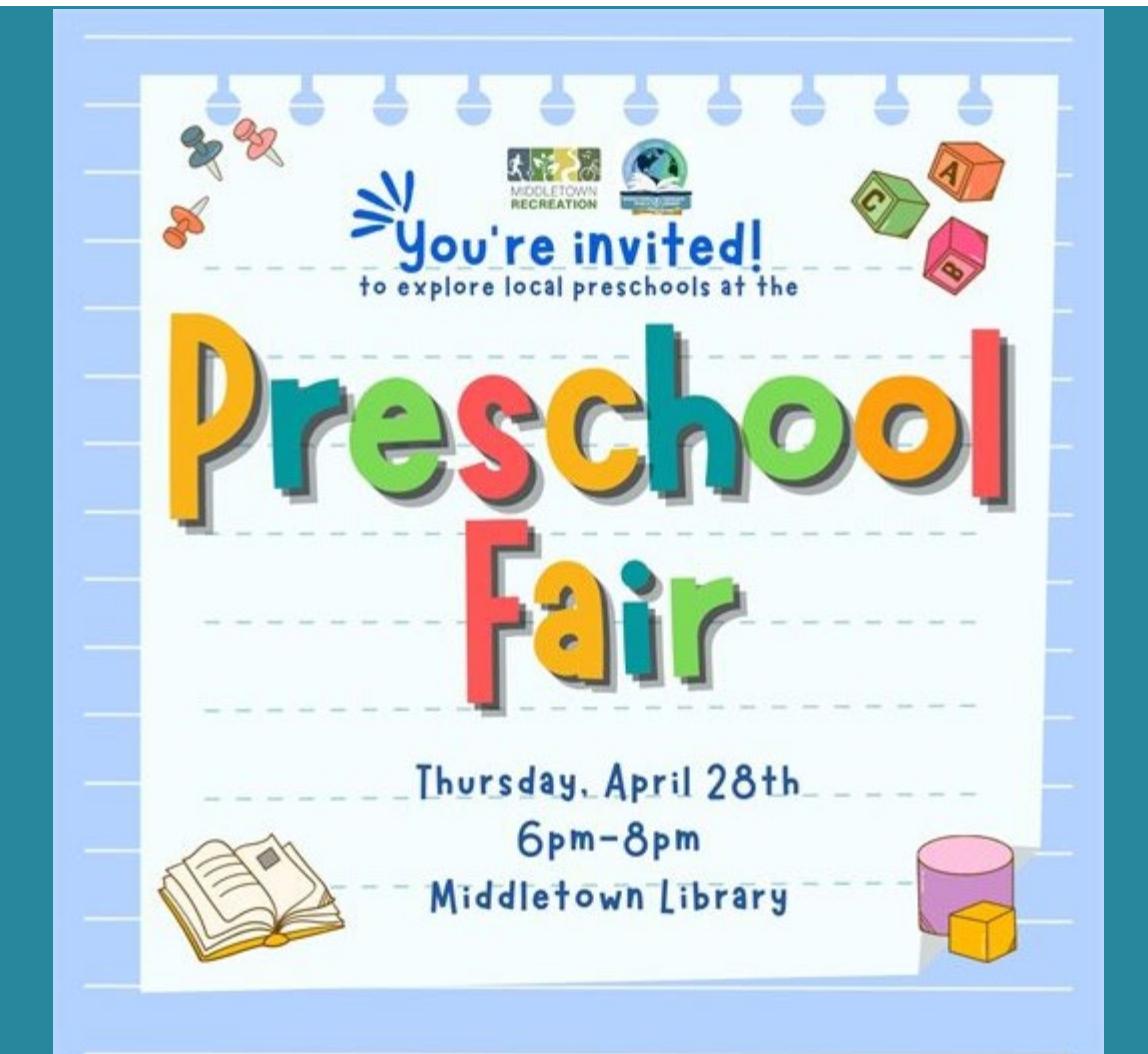


Join the Middletown Arts Center (MAC) on Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup> from 4 - 6 PM for its April singer-songwriters showcase featuring local talents Carl Alderson, Michael Askin, Shotgun Bill Anania, and Tommy Q.

The concert will take place inside the MAC's theater (36 Church Street).  
The event is free with a suggested donation of \$5.

***Click [HERE](#) for more information about the concert.***  
***Click [HERE](#) to donate to the MAC.***

**Register for Recreation's Preschool Fair on  
Thursday, 4/28 from 6 - 8 PM**



Finding the perfect preschool for your child can be tough, so Middletown Recreation is here to save the day!

Recreation is bringing preschools throughout the town together in one place for your convenience. Representatives from various schools will be present at the Preschool Fair on Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup> to speak about class options and program structure, as well as answer any questions you may have. The event will take place at the MTPL (55 New Monmouth Road) from 6 - 8 PM. Registration is recommended.

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

*Click [HERE](#) to register via CommunityPass.*

**Participate in MTPD's Operation Take Back NJ on Saturday, 4/30 from 10 AM - 2 PM**

The Middletown Township Police Department Joins the NJ DEA in

## OPERATION TAKE BACK NEW JERSEY

Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> between 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

at Police Headquarters (1 Kings Highway)



We encourage residents to turn in unused or expired medications for safe disposal. Officers will be collecting medication in the main lobby at Headquarters.

Register for MMA's Free Mental Health First Aid Trainings:  
Deadline for Youth Session is Saturday, 4/30

1 in 5 American teenagers and adults live with a mental illness.



Learn how to help through Middletown Municipal Alliance's

## FREE MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID TRAININGS

The Middletown Municipal Alliance is partnering with the Mental Health Association of Monmouth County to provide free Mental Health First Aid Trainings in May and June. Trainings will take place at Crossroads (730 Newman Springs Rd.)

**Youth Mental Health First Aid Training**  
Saturday, 5/14 - 9 AM to 5 PM  
Register by Saturday, 4/30

**Adult Mental Health First Aid Training**  
Saturday, 6/11 - 9 AM to 5 PM  
Register by Saturday, 5/28

MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE



Training sessions are open to all, regardless of experience, and capped at 30 participants. Visit [www.middletownnj.org/mhfa](http://www.middletownnj.org/mhfa) for more information about the program and to apply.

The Middletown Municipal Alliance is partnering with the Mental Health Association of Monmouth County to provide free Mental Health First Aid Trainings on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> from 9 AM - 5 PM. Training sessions are open to all, regardless of experience, and capped at 30 participants.

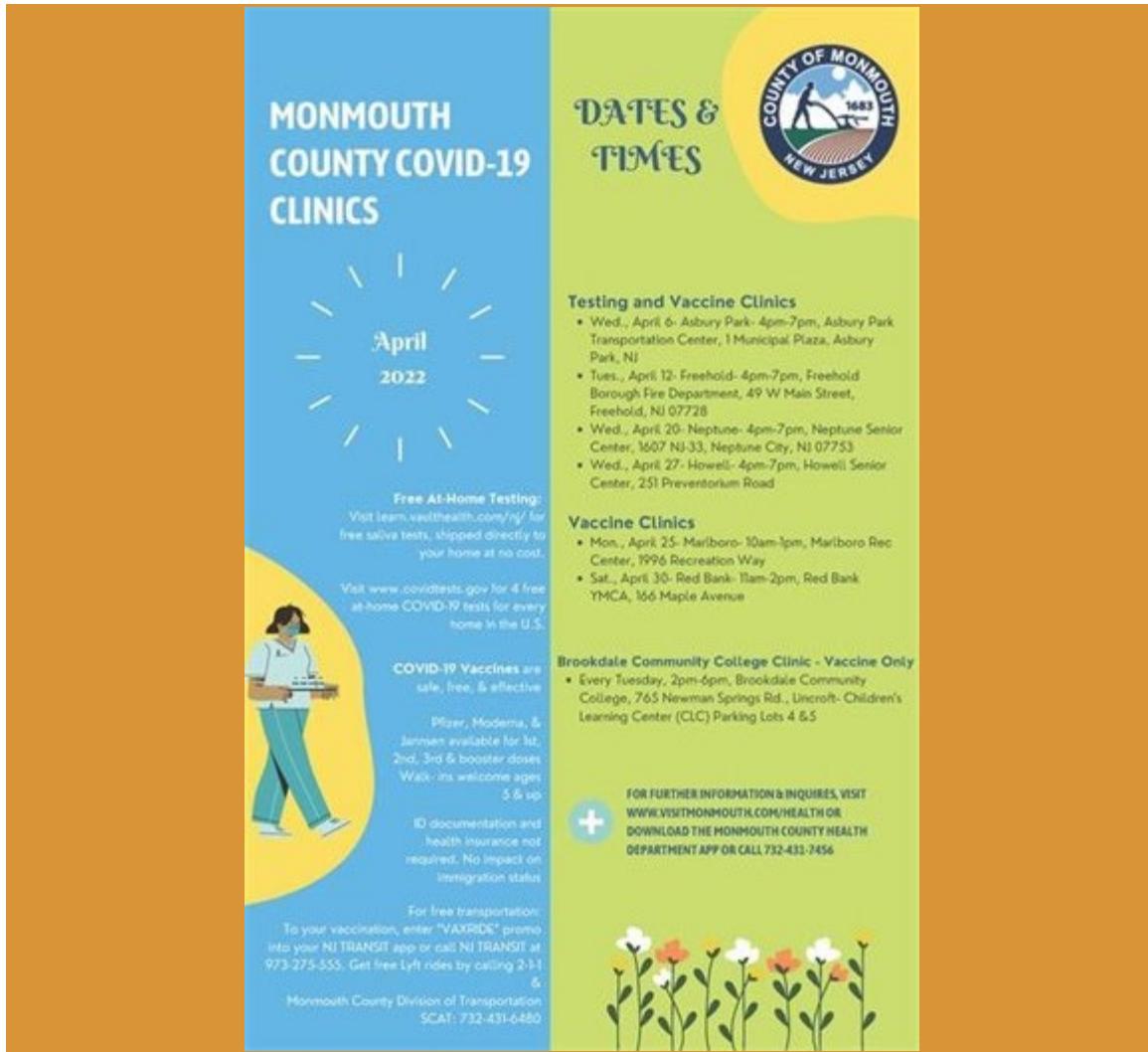
The first session will be the Youth Mental Health First Aid Training on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, which will take place at Crossroads from 9 AM to 5 PM. This training will teach adults how to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental illness and substance use orders in children and adolescents (ages 6-18) and help connect them to the appropriate care. *The deadline to register is Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>.*

If you're interested in attending a session, please email Angela Pepe-Lage at [apepe-lage@middletownnj.org](mailto:apepe-lage@middletownnj.org) and include your name, email address, and phone number.

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

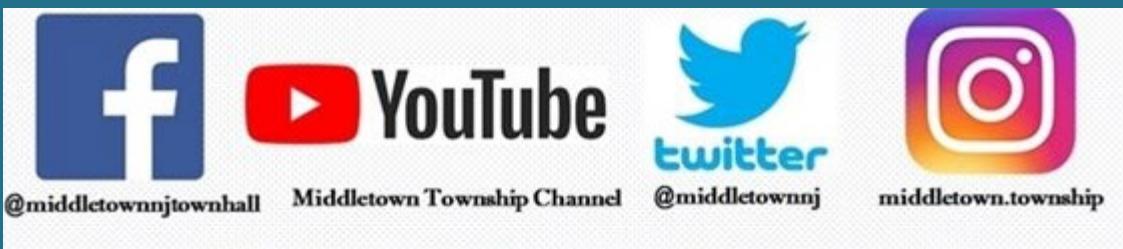


## Monmouth County April COVID-19 Clinics



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