



## **Middletown Township Swears In First Group of Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers to Serve in Public Schools**



Middletown made history at Monday night's Township Committee meeting with the swearings-in of the first group of Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers who will protect our students, teachers, and staff in each of our 16 public schools beginning in September.

*Click [HERE](#) to read our press release for more information about the Township's shared service agreement with the Middletown Township Board of Education and the Middletown Township Police Department's efforts.*

The Township Committee also proclaimed September 2022 as Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month in support of the [Turn the](#)





*Mayor Tony Perry stands with Michele Collins. Middletown resident and ovarian cancer survivor. after she shared her inspirational story and accepts the proclamation.*

**Towns Teal initiative.**  
Be on the lookout for teal ribbons next month! We also celebrated Middletown North's baseball team for winning their **FIRST** state championship in the school's 109 years of history!

*Mayor Perry applauds Middletown High School North baseball coaches, players, and the parents who support them on their championship win.*

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

Click [HERE](#) to watch the Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting on the Township's YouTube channel or catch it on our TV channel (Verizon Fios Channel 26/Comcast Cable Channel 20) every night at 5:00 PM and 8:30 PM through Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup>.

## **Middletown Hosts 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of 9/11 Memorial Service on Sunday, 9/11 at 7:15 PM**

A purple and white poster with a star pattern. At the top, it says "Middletown Remembers" in a script font, with a circular seal in the center. Below that, it says "21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of the World Trade Center Tragedy" in a bold serif font. Then, "Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 7:15 p.m." in a bold serif font. Below that, a cursive script line: "Join us for a moment of silence and wreath tribute to honor our Middletown friends and neighbors lost in the World Trade Center attack." Then, "Middletown WTC Memorial Gardens" and "36 Church Street, Middletown, NJ 07748 (next to the Middletown Arts Center)" in a bold serif font. At the bottom, it says "Parking will be available at the Middletown Train Station. Police will be directing traffic. Tribute will be held rain or shine." in a small serif font.

*Middletown Remembers*

**21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of the  
World Trade Center Tragedy**

**Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 7:15 p.m.**

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36 Church Street, Middletown, NJ 07748  
(next to the Middletown Arts Center)**

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Tribute will be held rain or shine.

## **MTPD Invites Community to Support PBA Local 124's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual 9/11 Memorial 5K Run on Saturday, 9/10**

# 9/11 MEMORIAL 5K RUN

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH

MIDDLETOWN TRAIN STATION  
9:00 AM 5K RUN  
9:45 AM KIDS RUN  
10:00 AM AWARDS

TOP 3 OVERALL MEN + WOMEN  
COMPLIMENTARY T-SHIRT  
REFRESHMENTS + MUSIC  
AGE GROUP AWARDS

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES  
IN MEMORY OF SIGNS  
IN HONOR OF SIGNS

COURSE CERTIFIED RACE PARTNER

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Proceeds from the 5K will go to a memorial scholarship fund created in honor of late Middletown Township Police Department (MTPD) Detective Lieutenant Joseph Capriotti. As "keeper of the list" of the 37 Township residents we tragically lost on 9/11, Capriotti personally notified every single Middletown family who had lost a loved one that day. As a result of his response to Ground Zero, he contracted cancer and lost his battle in June 2019. The memorial scholarship fund was created as a way to pay tribute to the tremendous impact he has made to the families of the victims and to our community.

Click [HERE](#) to register and for information about how you and/or your company can sponsor this event!

**Congrats to MTPD's Senior Police Youth Week Graduates!**



***Committeeman Ryan Clarke congratulates a graduate with a handshake, certificate, and Challenge Coin!***



***Police Youth Week campers caught behind the scenes of a fabricated crime scene!***



***Campers recite the Pledge of Allegiance.***



***This Police Youth Week class was the first one to spend a day at American Dream Mall and Nickelodeon Universe!***

***All photos courtesy of MTPD  
Detective Ric Cruz***

Middletown Township Police Department (MTPD) wrapped up its Senior Police Youth Week Camp today! There were 21 kids between the ages of 12 and 13 who participated in this program which gave them more insight into what it's like to be a police officer. Participants spent this week learning how to conduct a police investigation from start to finish. Their days began with exercises followed by a police lineup. During the lineup, they were given clues and reports about a recent string of store burglaries. The investigation concluded with each camper completing an interrogation and securing confessions from the criminal.

The week concluded with a graduation ceremony on Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup> at Brookdale Community College's Robert J. Collins Arena. Each graduate received a certificate and a well-earned Challenge Coin. Police Chief Craig Weber and Committeeman Ryan Clarke congratulated each child. Kudos to our Police Youth Week graduates and the officers who run this amazing program!

**Give Back by Donating to Middletown's Back to School Supply Drive: Deadline is Thursday, 10/13**



Visit [www.middletownnj.org/supplydrive](http://www.middletownnj.org/supplydrive) to view a list of needed supplies and drop off locations.

**Middletown Recycling Center to Re-Open on Friday, 9/2**



The majority of improvements this week at the Middletown Recycling Center (52 Kanes Lane) included the installation of a retaining wall near the mulch/compost area to prevent runoff and to create a cleaner, safer environment for workers and residents. The entire Recycling Center was graded and asphalt has been added. Several of the drop-off bins have been moved back to the Recycling Center in anticipation of the Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> re-opening.

*Click [HERE](#) to see what is and isn't being accepted at the expanded recycling site at the Middletown Train Station.*

*Click [HERE](#) for construction updates.*

**Middletown Day Sponsorships and Vendor Spots  
Still Available: Register by Wednesday, 8/31**



Middletown Day returns to the Great Lawn at Croydon Hall (900 Leonardville Road) on Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM!

Be a part of this great day by becoming a sponsor or vendor. All sponsorship levels are still available. Food, business, and craft vendor applications are open until Wednesday, August 31<sup>st</sup>. Interact with the Middletown community as we anticipate over 10,000 attendees this year.

*Complete a registration form at [middletownnj.org/middletownday](http://middletownnj.org/middletownday).*

## Middletown Township Proclaims August 31, 2022 as Overdose Awareness Day

The Middletown Township Committee recognized [International Overdose Awareness Day](#) (August 31<sup>st</sup>) with a proclamation at the Middletown Township Committee Regular Meeting on Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup>.

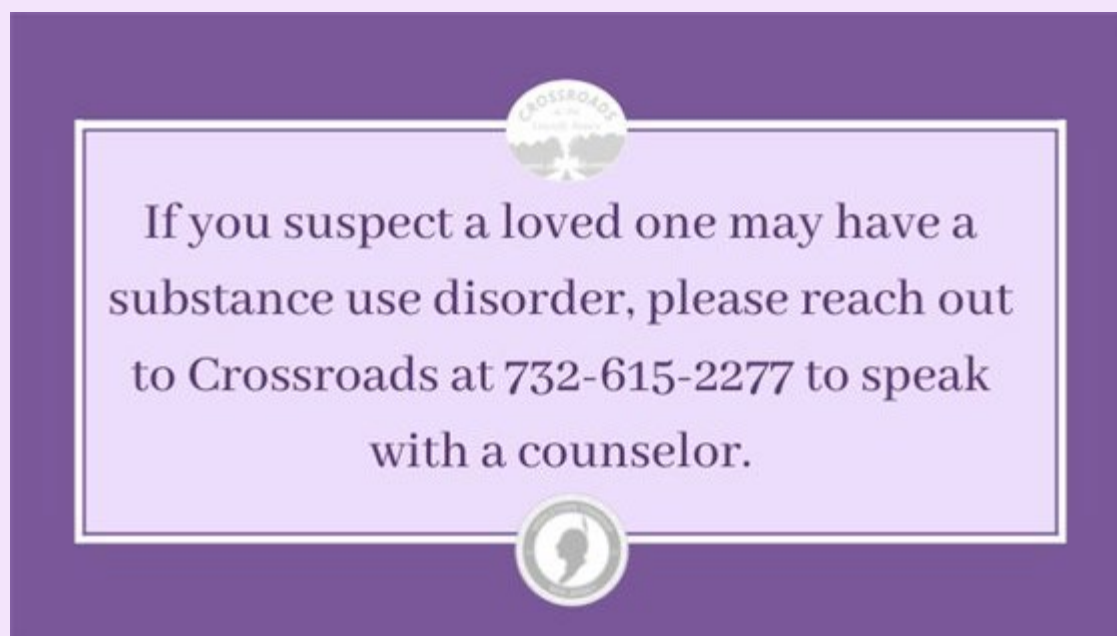
If you or someone you know is struggling with addiction, please reach out to Crossroads at the Lincroft Annex, a New Jersey licensed facility that provides substance use disorder services to all



*Prevention Coalition of Monmouth County volunteers placed 47 purple flags at the "Tindall Triangle" on Route 35 to honor the 47 lives lost to overdose in Monmouth County from 1/1 – 4/30 this year.*

Middletown residents. Call Crossroads at 732-615-2277 to speak with a counselor.

Click [HERE](#) for more information about Crossroads at the Lincroft Annex.



## **New Jersey American Water Granted New Rates by New Jersey Board of Public Utilities**

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU) approved a settlement this week between New Jersey American Water and the N.J. Division of Rate Counsel, BPU Staff, and several intervenors for new water and wastewater rates for New Jersey American Water. The approved rates represent a total annualized revenue increase of approximately \$45.5 million.

The company's rate request was filed on January 14, 2022 and was primarily driven by more than \$985 million in infrastructure investment in treatment system and distribution upgrades since its last rate filing.

The new rates will become effective September 1, 2022. With the approved rate increase, the monthly bill for an average water customer using 5,520 gallons will increase approximately \$2.93, and the monthly bill for an average wastewater customer will increase approximately \$3.74. Even with the new rates, the cost of high-quality, reliable, water and wastewater service continues to be about one penny per gallon and remains among the lowest household utility bills.

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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**Register Your Team for the World Cup-Themed  
Middletown Soccer Showdown by Sunday, 8/21 at 10 PM!**

**MIDDLETOWN  
SOCCER  
SHOWDOWN**

**AUG 29TH** 5 - 8:30 PM RECREATION  
**AUG 31ST** 5 - 8:30 PM TRAVEL

**cost \$45/team**

**Location**  
**Normandy Park**  
625 Nutswamp Rd, Middletown

Registration & More Info: [middletownnj.org/soccer](http://middletownnj.org/soccer)

**Sign up your team for the inaugural Middletown Soccer Showdown, a double-elimination, 4v4 tournament to be crowned the winner of your division.**

**This year's theme is World Cup - teams are encouraged to dress and represent a different country. All participants receive a commemorative patch. Divisions based on grade (3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>), gender (boys and girls) and skill level (recreation & travel). The deadline to register is Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup> at 10 PM.**

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

Enjoy a **FREE Live Performance** at Recreation's Final  
"Music in the Park" Concert on Tuesday, 8/23 at 7 PM



The poster features a vibrant sunset background with silhouettes of cheering people. The text "MUSIC IN THE PARK" is in white, "Summer" is in large red script, and "CONCERT SERIES" is in white. Below, "Yellow Brick Thunder Road" is in yellow script. A quote describes the band as a tribute to Sir Elton John and Bruce Springsteen. The bottom section shows a road with pianos and the event details: "AUG 23RD - 7PM-9PM" in red, the venue "INSIDE THE MIDDLETOWN ARTS CENTER THEATRE" and address "36 CHURCH ST, MIDDLETOWN" in white, and logos for the 15th anniversary of the arts center and Middletown Recreation.

MUSIC IN THE PARK  
**Summer**  
CONCERT SERIES  
**Yellow Brick Thunder Road**

"Comprised of band members from the top Jersey Shore bar & banquet bands, Y.B.T.R. cranks out original adaptations of the greatest hits from Sir Elton and The Boss."

**AUG 23RD - 7PM-9PM**

INSIDE THE MIDDLETOWN ARTS CENTER THEATRE  
36 CHURCH ST, MIDDLETOWN

15th Anniversary of Middletown Arts Center  
MIDDLETOWN RECREATION

Middletown Recreation's last **FREE** summer concert in its "Music in the Park" Summer Concert Series is on Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> inside the Middletown Arts Center's (36 Church Street) theater.

Get ready to dance in the dark & feel the love tonight with Yellow Brick Thunder Road. Sir Elton John meets Bruce Springsteen "The Boss" in this tribute band comprised of band members from the top Jersey Shore bar and banquet bands. Parking is free and seating is provided inside the theater.

We hope you have a rockin' time!

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

**Watch the Sunset and a FREE Movie** at Recreation's Final  
"Movies in the Park" Screening on Thursday, 8/25 at 8 PM



Middletown Recreation's final screening of its "Movies in the Park" FREE summer series is on Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup>! Get your family and friends together and enjoy "Sing 2" at Croydon Hall Field #1 (900 Leonardville Road) at 8 PM. Remember to bring your own lawn chairs, blanket, and movie snacks. We hope to see you there!

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

**Learn About the Connection Between Financial Wellness  
and Health at the MTPL on Thursday, 8/25 at 7 PM**



## **MIND, MONEY & BODY** **financial wellness seminar**

presented by  
Nicole Landolfi,  
*United Teletech Financial*



### **Thursday 8/25 @ 7 pm**

Registration is recommended, not required.  
**Visit the calendar page at [mtplt.org](https://www.mtplt.org)**

Come to the Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL) on Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup> to attend "Mind, Money and Body", an educational seminar about financial wellness and lowering stress. The program will be led by Nicole Landolfi of United Teletech Financial and will take place in the Computer Room (55 New Monmouth Road).

Registration is recommended, but not required.

Click [HERE](#) to register.

**Splurge on Novels at the Friends of the MTPL's Book Sale  
on Friday, 8/26 and Saturday, 8/27**

August  
26 - 27  
9am-5pm

## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY END OF SUMMER BOOK SALE



FRIDAY, AUGUST 26 & SATURDAY, AUGUST 27  
IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM!



Friends



*Middletown is hiring*



## School Crossing Guards

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.

Visit [www.middletownnj.org/jobs](http://www.middletownnj.org/jobs) for additional information and to fill out an application.



This is a very rewarding part-time position that affords the opportunity to help protect children as they walk to and from school. The position requires that you are able to work on all school days and have reliable transportation to get to the site. You will be required to successfully complete a criminal background check along with a pre-employment physical that includes a vision and hearing test.

The position pays \$13.00 per hour and offers paid holidays, as well as two days paid vacation and sick time. A clothing allowance will also be provided for purchase of uniform and safety equipment. Interested applicants can complete an application and e-mail it to [cvenezia@middletownnj.org](mailto:cvenezia@middletownnj.org).

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



## Pre-Register Now for Middletown Health Department's Free Cats-Only Rabies Clinic on Thursday, 9/15



The Middletown Township Health Department is holding a drive-through Cats-Only Rabies Clinic on Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup> from 5:15 - 6:30 PM at the Croydon Hall Gym Parking Lot (900 Leonardville Road).

Click [HERE](#) to pre-register.

## Spotted Lanternflies Have Returned: Tips for How to Prevent the Spread and Report Sightings to NJDA

Spotted lanternflies are being spotted everywhere! This insect is a serious invasive pest that feeds on sap from over 70 different plant species. Spotted lanternflies can negatively impact our



agriculture, economy, and everyday life through the honeydew they excrete, which eventually turns into mold.

The Middletown Health Department advises residents to kill and report them to the NJDA when spotted. The Middletown Health Department also encourages residents to utilize the NJDA's checklist for spotted lanternfly quarantine areas, in an effort to stop the spread.

Click [HERE](#) to read the NJDA's checklist.  
Click [HERE](#) for instructions on how to report a sighting to the NJDA.

## Read Information about the State's Monkeypox Vaccination Regulations

August 15, 2022

Monkeypox Vaccination in New Jersey

Who can get vaccinated?

The vaccine for monkeypox is called JYNNEOS. With the current limited supply of JYNNEOS vaccine in New Jersey, the following residents may be eligible for vaccination\*:

- People who have known contact with someone who tested positive for orthopoxvirus or monkeypox virus within past 14 days  
(Contact your local health department to coordinate vaccination)
- People who attended an event where known monkeypox exposure occurred within past 14 days  
(Make an appointment at a vaccine location) →
- People who had multiple sex partners in the past 14 days in areas where monkeypox has been reported  
(Make an appointment at a vaccine location) →

Anyone who attests to their eligibility (having multiple sex partners or attending an event where monkeypox exposure took place) is eligible for vaccination.

Current vaccination efforts focus on disproportionately affected groups, including gay and bisexual men, and other men who have sex with men. This may change over time.

\*New Jersey is expecting additional doses from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and as the State gets additional supply the Department will continue to expand access to the vaccine.

HIGH PRIORITY GROUPS

Residents who are eligible for vaccination and who also have a condition that may increase their risk for severe disease should be considered high priority for vaccination, including people who:

- Have a weakened immune system
- Have a history of atopic dermatitis or eczema

VACCINE LOCATIONS

Appointment only - No walk ins:

- Bergen New Bridge Medical Center, Paramus: [www.newbridgehealth.org](http://www.newbridgehealth.org)
- Cooper University Hospital, Camden: 856-968-7900 or <https://my.cooperhealth.org/mychart/authentication/login>
- Eric B. Chandler Health Center, New Brunswick: 732-235-6733
- Hyacinth AIDS Foundation/Project Living Out Loud!, Jersey City: 201-706-3480
- North Hudson Community Action Corp, HCCC Union City and HCCC Jersey City: <https://nhcac.org/northhudsonmonkeypox>
- North Jersey Community Research Initiative (NJCRI), Newark: 973-483-3444, ext. 200
- Passaic County Health Department, Totowa: 973-881-4396
- Prevention Resource Network, a program of the Visiting Nurse Association of Central Jersey, Asbury Park: [www.prmvna.org](http://www.prmvna.org)
- University Hospital, Newark: 973-972-8906
- Zuffli Health Center, Dover: 973-891-3419

For more information visit <https://bit.ly/njmapx>

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

With the recent increase in monkeypox cases, the Middletown Health Department would like to share information from the [New Jersey Department of Health](#). Individuals with questions regarding monkeypox symptoms or close contact should contact their healthcare provider. Only a healthcare provider can determine eligibility for monkeypox treatment.

Those who are eligible for the monkeypox vaccine can make an appointment at the


Prevention Resource Network, which is part of the Visiting Nurse Association of Central Jersey, in Asbury Park. Visit [www.prnvnacj.org](http://www.prnvnacj.org) to make an appointment.  
*Please note that vaccine supply is currently limited.*


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