

Middletown Minutes

Official Township E-Newsletter



Celebrate Local Summer at Middletown Recreation's Beach Bash on Saturday, 9/17 at 4 PM


MIDDLETOWN RECREATION

LOCALS SUMMER

Beach Bash

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH
IDEAL BEACH
4PM-6PM

FREE! BRING YOUR OWN BEACH CHAIRS & BLANKETS
DJ ENTERTAINMENT - ACTIVITIES - BEACH GAMES w/ PRIZES
SAND CASTLE BUILDING CONTEST

Come soak up the best part of being a local — summer weather without the crowds! Enjoy a family fun evening filled with music and fun activities like a sand castle building contest, beach games & more at Middletown Recreation's Locals Summer Beach Bash on Saturday, September 17th! Bring your own beach chairs and blankets to Ideal Beach (Bayside Parkway in North Middletown) for

this
FREE beach party from 4 - 6 PM.

Registration via your CommunityPass account is recommended.

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

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



**Stop by the new Town Hall
(1 Kings Highway) to donate!**


Visit www.middletownnj.org/supplydrive to view
a list of needed supplies and other drop off
locations throughout town.

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 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.

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

Middletown Hosts 21st Anniversary of 9/11 Memorial Service on Sunday, 9/11 at 7:15 PM

Middletown  *Remembers*

21st Anniversary of the World Trade Center Tragedy

Sunday, September 11th, 7:15 p.m.

Join us for a moment of silence and wreath tribute to honor our Middletown friends and neighbors lost in the World Trade Center attack.

Middletown WTC Memorial Gardens
36 Church Street, Middletown, NJ 07748
(next to the Middletown Arts Center)

Parking will be available at the Middletown Train Station. Police will be directing traffic.
Tribute will be held rain or shine.

MTPD Invites Community to Support PBA Local 124's 2nd 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
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WWW.911MIDDLETOWN5K.COM



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.

Registration is \$30 for the 5K Run + Walk and \$10 for the Kids' Race. Prices will increase on Friday, September 9th.

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

MTPD OFFICIALLY MOVED INTO NEW STATION



As of Tuesday, August 23rd, the entire Middletown Township Police Department (MTPD) is officially operating in the new Police Station (1 Kings Highway). The Police Station has a designated parking lot located off Kings Highway. Regular Bureau business hours are 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. The police lobby is open 24/7.

CONTACT US

For emergencies, please call 911.

For non-emergencies, please call 732-615-2100.



MTPD Partners with 7-Eleven Operation Chill to Reward Kids for Good Behavior



MTPD Partners with 7-Eleven in Operation Chill to Reward Kids for Good Behavior!



If an officer witnesses your child doing a good deed or exhibiting positive behavior, they could receive a coupon for a free small Slurpee® drink at participating stores.



If your child is issued a "ticket" for doing a good deed, feel free to share it via social media with the hashtag #MTPDOperationChill.

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chill
RECOGNIZING GREAT KIDS



Middletown Recycling Center to Re-Open on Friday, 9/2: Check Out Our Weekly Update!



This week, the entrance to the Middletown Recycling Center (52 Kanes Lane) has been widened to improve traffic flow and new gates have been added to increase security. Signage has also been added throughout the Recycling Center to improve organization and efficiency in anticipation of the Friday, September 2nd 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 FESTIVAL
 2022
 Saturday, September 24

YOUR BUSINESS HERE!

Have your business viewed by over 10,000 people! Sponsorships and vendor spots available.

Croydon Hall 11am-5pm
middletownnj.org/middletownday

Middletown Day returns to the Great Lawn at Croydon Hall (900 Leonardville Road) on Saturday, September 24th 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 31st. Interact with the Middletown community as we anticipate over 10,000 attendees this year.

Complete a registration form at middletownnj.org/middletownday.



Gear Up for Middletown Recreation's Punt, Pass & Kick Competition!

Watch our latest TikTok to help you prepare for Middletown Recreation's Punt, Pass & Kick Competition! This game will kick off at Middletown Day (Saturday, September 24th) at 12 PM!

Click [HERE](#) to watch the TikTok.

**Middletown Township Proclaims
 August 31, 2022 as**

Overdose Awareness Day

The Middletown Township Committee recognized **International Overdose Awareness Day** (August 31st) with a proclamation at the Middletown Township Committee Regular Meeting on Monday, August 15th.

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



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.

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



If you suspect a loved one may have a substance use disorder, please reach out to Crossroads at 732-615-2277 to speak with a counselor.



New Jersey American Water Invests \$10 Million in Leonardo for Water Main Replacement Project



WHAT? New Jersey American Water is replacing over four miles of aging water main with new 6- and 8-inch ductile iron main. This pipeline project will improve water service reliability and increase water flows for household use and firefighting.

WHEN? Work is scheduled to begin early September 2022 and is expected to be completed within one year. Work hours will be from 7 AM - 5 PM, Monday - Friday.

WHERE? Appleton Ave., Atlantic Ave., Bay Ave., Bellevue Ave., Brevent Ave., Broadway Ave., Burlington Ave., Center Ave., Concord Ave., Florence Ave., Franklin Ave., Hamilton Ave., Monmouth Ave., Raritan Ave., Ridgewood Ave., Thompson Ave., Vanderbilt Ave., Viola Ave., and Washington Ave.



Visit www.middletownnj.org/leonardo for more information.

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat

Dig Up the Past at Recreation's Guided Fossil Hunt on Sunday, 8/28 at 11 AM



Recreation's last guided fossil hunt of the summer is this Sunday, August 28th!

Sign up for the chance to discover Cretaceous-Era marine fossils. Hunt includes all equipment and a guide to help identify your treasures. Can't attend a guided hunt? Discover fossils on your own by renting equipment for \$5 at Poricy Park

Nature Center (345 Oak Hill Road) on weekdays from 9 AM - 4 PM.

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



SEPT

ADULT & YOUTH PROGRAMS

Mondays

Kickball*

Youth: 5:00-6:00pm
Adult: 6:00-7:15pm
Clearwater Fields



Tuesdays

Youth Run Club

4:30-5:30pm
Poricy Park

Adult Volleyball*

7:30-9:30pm
Croydon Hall Gym



Wednesdays

Dodgeball*

K-5th: 4:30-6:00pm
6th-8th: 6:00-7:30pm
Croydon Hall Gym

Adult Pickleball

6:00-7:30pm
Normandy Courts



Thursdays

Youth Run Club

4:30-5:30pm
Poricy Park



Register

Sign-Up Online at

middletownnj.org/signup

Choose Summer season.

Drop-ins welcome for select programs.*

Join Middletown Recreation's adult & youth exercise programs which are great for working out and socializing! Choose from Kickball, Youth Run Club, Yoga, Indoor Volleyball, Dodgeball, and Pickleball lessons. To register, log into your CommunityPass account and choose "Summer Season".

Click [HERE](#) to register.

**Deadline to Register for MAC's STEMpowering
Summer Camp is TODAY, 8/26!**



STEMpowering Summer Camp

Join the Middletown Arts Center (MAC) for an exciting STEM program for students between the ages 8 - 12! Camp will take place from Monday, August 29th through Friday, September 2nd from 9 AM - 12 PM. Campers will explore many stimulating subjects including Gummy Bear DNA, Skeletal Systems, Forensics, Solubility, Engineering, Cardiovascular Systems, and more! Camp will take place at the MAC (36 Church Street) and costs \$20 for the entire week.

TODAY, August 26th is the last day to register.

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

Explore MAC's Fall 2022 Classes: Registration Opens Monday, 9/5

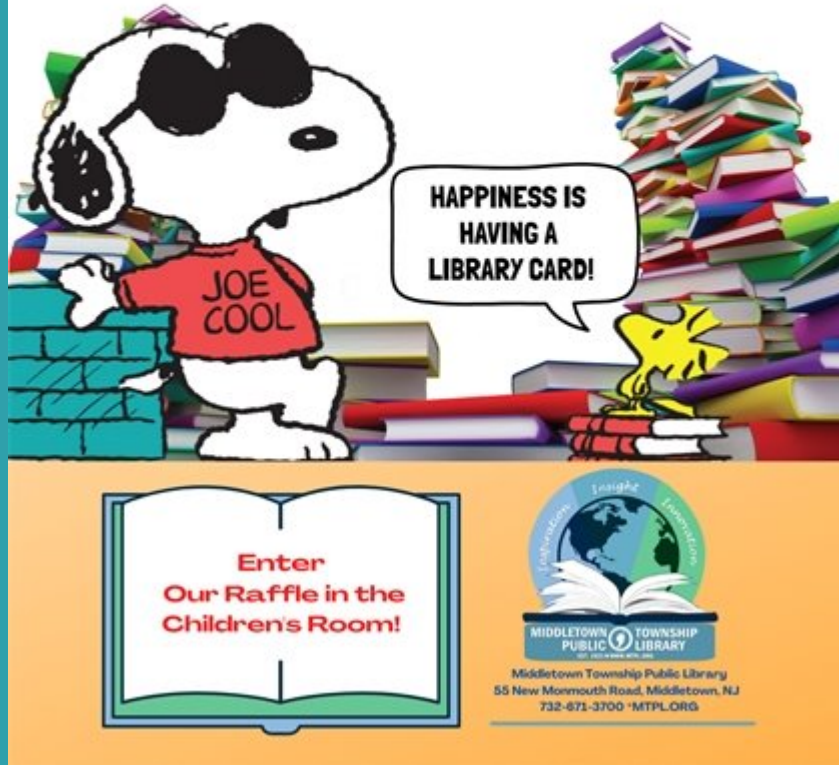
The Middletown Arts Center (MAC) recently released a listing of its fall 2022 classes! Registration opens on Monday, September 5th at 3 PM.

Click [HERE](#) to view a preview of the different classes being offered.



Celebrate September by Joining the MTPL!

September is
Library Card Sign-Up Month!
Get yours today!



Click [HERE](#) for more information about how to sign up for a library card.

**Shadow Lake Management Program Treatment Notice:
Tuesday, 9/13**



Middletown is continuing its Shadow Lake Management Program in an effort to improve the lake's water quality, as well as its recreational and aesthetic value. SOLitude Lake Management is planning to apply Clearcast treatment on Tuesday, September 13th.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/shadowlake for more information.

Click [HERE](#) to view a PDF of the original notice with more information.



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



FREE CAT RABIES CLINIC

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

THURSDAY, 9/15 FROM 5:15 - 6:30 PM
CROYDON HALL GYM PARKING LOT (900 LEONARDVILLE ROAD)

Cats must be accompanied by owner and in its own carrier.
Please visit www.middletownnj.org/rabies or call Animal Control at 732-615-2097 for more information.



The Middletown Township Health Department is holding a drive-thru Cats-Only Rabies Clinic on Thursday, September 15th 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 22, 2022

Monkeypox (hMPXV) Vaccination in New Jersey

Who can get vaccinated?

The vaccine for human monkeypox (hMPXV) virus 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 (hMPXV) within past 14 days
(Contact your [local health department](#) to coordinate vaccination)
- People who attended an event where known monkeypox (hMPXV) 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 (hMPXV) 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 (hMPXV) 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
- **Cooper University Hospital**, Camden: 856-968-7700 or <https://my.cooperhealth.org/mychart/authenticate/login>
- **Eric B. Chandler Health Center**, New Brunswick: 732-235-6733
- **Hyacinth AIDS Foundation/Project Living Out Loud!**, Jersey City: 201-705-3480
- **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.prnvacj.org
- **University Hospital**, Newark: 973-972-8906
- **Zufall Health Center**, Dover: 973-891-3419

For more information visit nj.gov/health/monkeypox

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.prnvacj.org to make an appointment. *Please note that vaccine supply is currently limited.*



On Wednesday, August 31st, Monmouth County will be replacing the pedestrian bridge (MT-33) that is located north of Sunnyside Park and south of the Garden State Parkway on Middletown - Lincroft Road. Work is expected to begin at 9 AM and end later that day. Please expect delays and follow posted detours.

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