



**Line the Streets and Show Your Support for Veterans at
65th Annual Veterans Day Parade on Sunday, 11/6 at 1 PM**



The parade's approximately 2.3-mile route will begin at Bayview Elementary School, travel down Leonardville Road and proceed through Campbell's Junction, turn right at Cherry Tree Farm Road, turn right onto Wilson Avenue, and turn right at Garrett Place, ending at the rear entrance to VFW Post 2179.

The theme of this year's parade is "For Those Who Fought for Our Tomorrows". Refreshments will be served at VFW Post 2179 (1 Veterans Lane, Port Monmouth) immediately following the parade.

The reviewing stand will be located at the Township's future veterans housing location across the street from Carvel on Leonardville Road in Belford.

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

Honor Our Fallen Heroes at WPC's Annual Field of Flags Ceremony on Saturday, 11/5 at 12 PM



Join Mayor Tony Perry and Middletown Veterans Affairs Committee Chairman and Vietnam veteran Dennis Beauregard at Westminster Presbyterian Church (94 Tindall Road) on Saturday, November 5th for the annual Field of Flags ceremony.

**Cub Scout Pack 122 and Middletown Reformed Church
Install "Little Free Pantry" on Kings Highway**



Committeewoman Kim Kratz was proud to attend the installation ceremony and support both Cub Scout Pack 122 and the Middletown Reformed Church. Photo courtesy of Troop Leader Clare Russo



The pantry is already stocked with some food! Photo courtesy of Troop Leader Christopher Harris

Last weekend, members and leaders of Cub Scout Pack 122, sponsored by New Monmouth Elementary School, unveiled its new "Little Free Pantry" across the street from the Middletown Reformed Church (121 Kings Highway). The pack partnered with the church to create this wonderful opportunity for residents to donate and/or take nonperishables and supplies.

The following quote is painted on the pantry: "Give what you can. Take what you need." We encourage everyone to check it out and follow this motto!

Middletown Enjoys a "Spooktacular" Halloween!



Kids, adults, and pets dressed up in costumes for Middletown Recreation's Halloween Hullabaloo!



Mayor Tony Perry and MTPD Chief Craig Weber had a blast visiting the preschoolers at Saint Mary School on Halloween!



Middletown PBA 124 and New Monmouth Baptist Church teamed up to host a trunk-or-treat!



Students at Middletown Preschool celebrated the holiday with a "monster mash" of a party where they played fun games and showed off their cool costumes!



MTPD collaborated with fellow Bayshore Police Departments and Chaplains to host a trunk-or-treat as part of a Faith & Blue initiative!

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

**Where to Cast Your Early Vote for the
November 2022 General Election**

WHEN
★ Saturday, 10/29 through Sunday, 11/6

WHERE
★ Croydon Hall Gymnasium (900 Leonardville Road)

TIME
★ 10 AM - 8 PM, Monday through Saturday
10 AM - 6 PM, Sunday

Voting booths are open to all Monmouth County residents. For other polling locations, visit monmouthcountvotes.com.

For a list of polling locations in Middletown, visit

www.middletownnj.org/pollinglocations.



MUNICIPAL OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED
ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH FOR
ELECTION DAY.

VISIT MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/ELECTION FOR VOTING RESOURCES.



Drop Off Mail-In Ballots at Middletown's Ballot Boxes &
Sign Up for Monmouth County's BallotTrax to Track Them



**ELECTION BALLOT BOXES ARE
AVAILABLE AT THE
FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:**

- MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY
(55 NEW MONMOUTH ROAD)
- CROYDON HALL MUNICIPAL COMPLEX
(900 LEONARDVILLE ROAD)



Please feel free to drop off your November General Election mail-in ballot at one of our two ballot box locations: Croydon Hall or the MTPL.

Want to see if your ballot was received? Monmouth County Clerk Christine Giordano Hanlon is reminding Monmouth County voters who choose to vote by mail that they can sign up for the County's enhanced ballot tracking notification system: BallotTrax. Voters who sign up for the Monmouth County BallotTrax will receive alerts of when their ballots are received by the County Board of Elections for counting. Voters can opt to enable notifications by text message or email, and can sign up for the software at MonmouthBallotTrax.com.

Click [HERE](#) for instructions on how to vote by mail.

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

Click [HERE](#) for more information about Middletown's election services.

Become a Monmouth County Poll Worker for November 2022 Election



The graphic features a stylized American flag with a blue star in the upper left corner. Below the flag, the text reads: **Help Your Community Exercise Their Right to Vote!** Underneath this, it says: **Become a Monmouth County Poll Worker Today!** The text then continues: The Monmouth County Board of Elections is seeking poll workers. Call us today to find out more about taking part in this important civic responsibility. To qualify, you must be a registered voter in Monmouth County and attend a poll worker training class. You will be paid \$300 for working a Primary Election or General Election. Call us today at 732-431-7802 x7150 to register for a training class. At the bottom, there is the Monmouth County Board of Elections logo and the address: 300 Halls Mills Road, Freehold, NJ 07728, 732-431-7802 x7150.

Click [HERE](#) for information about how to become a poll worker in Monmouth County.

Middletown Township Committee to

Host Special Workshop Meeting on Wednesday, 11/9 at Town Hall

The Middletown Township Committee will be having a Special Workshop Meeting on Wednesday, November 9th at 5:00 PM in the courtroom at Town Hall (1 Kings Highway). The meeting is open to the public. It will also be made available to watch or listen to by visiting www.middletownnj.org/tcmeeting.



To call in to the meeting, dial 1-408-418-9388. The event access code is 2338 124 2034 followed by #. Enter 2022 if a passcode is required. Prior to the Township Committee Meeting, the event link will be published on the Township's [Facebook](#) page. The recording of the meeting will be on the Township's [YouTube](#) channel.

Click [HERE](#) to access the meeting.

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

Nominate a Middletown Veteran for Inaugural "Veteran of the Year" Award by Friday, 11/11



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

Click [HERE](#) to complete a nomination form.



Register for MAC's School's Out Day Camp Next Week (Monday, 11/7 - Friday, 11/11)

The Middletown Arts Center (MAC) will be opening its School's Out Day Camp from Monday, November 7th to Friday, November 11th! The MAC offers full and half-day camp programming for elementary school students.

when Middletown's 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!

There are morning, afternoon, and full-day sessions. A half-day costs \$38 and a full-day costs \$75. Children may be dropped off at the MAC Annex, which is located at the Middletown Reformed Church (121 Kings Highway), any time after 8:30 AM and must be picked up by 3:30 PM.

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

Give Back this Giving Season with Social Services' Holiday Food Drive & Adopt-a-Family Program

HELP FAMILIES IN NEED THIS HOLIDAY SEASON THROUGH MIDDLETOWN'S

Holiday Food Drive Adopt-a-Family

WHAT TO DONATE



All types of canned/non-perishable foods and personal hygiene products are welcome throughout the year, but especially around the holidays. Another way to help during this season of giving is to donate a turkey or ham, especially the free ones you may earn through supermarket promotions, to a family in need.

ADOPT-A-FAMILY



Middletown Social Services is looking for individuals, groups, and businesses to "adopt" underprivileged households during the holiday season. Social Services will provide a small shopping list of items that a child would like, as well as a few ideas for parents. As a "foster" family, we ask that you kindly provide a few of the listed items or gifts cards, in hopes that your adopted family may have a special holiday season. Donations are accepted at Social Services (180 Main Street). Questions? Call 732-615-2085.

There are still 40 families that need to be "adopted" and could use your help! Please call Social Services at 732-615-2085 to be assigned a family.

Click [HERE](#) for a list of food pantry items that are needed.

High School Juniors & Seniors: Save the Date for Local Business Meet & Greet at MAC on

Tuesday, 12/6 at 6:30 PM

A LOCAL BUSINESS MEET & GREET PRESENTED BY:

The Middletown Township Public School District and The Middletown Community Affairs Council



Juniors and Seniors enrolled at High School North and South are invited to join us at the Middletown Arts Center to connect with local businesses about open mentoring position and employment opportunities.

DISCUSS YOUR PASSIONS WITH PROFESSIONALS IN THE FIELDS OF:

- Accounting
- Automotive Support
- Banking
- Construction Management
- Culinary Arts
- Electrical Engineering
- Fashion
- Graphic Design
- Fitness, Health, Nutrition, Wellness
- Hotel Management
- Journalism, Photography, Communications
- Landscaping
- Law
- Marketing
- Medical Arts and Physical Therapy
- Parks and Recreation
- Politics
- Real Estate
- Speech Therapy
- Supply Chain Management
- Veterinary Care

**Tuesday, December 6th
6:30 p.m. at
The Middletown Arts Center**

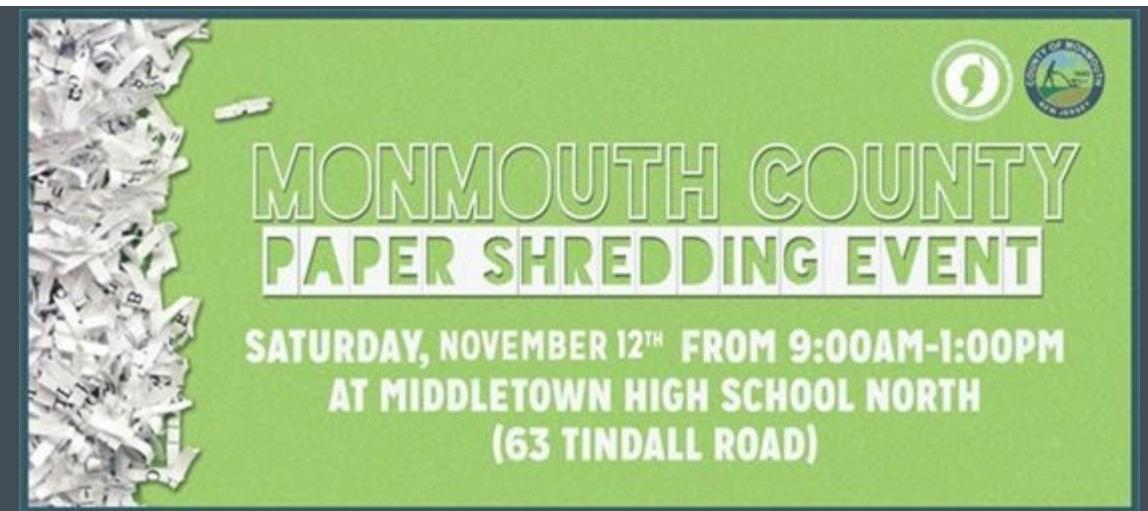


Juniors and seniors enrolled at Middletown High School North or South are invited to a meet & greet at the Middletown Arts Center (36 Church Street) to network with professionals, explore different fields, and learn about career opportunities!

This event will be hosted by the Middletown Township Public School District and Middletown Community Affairs Council on Tuesday, December 6th at 6:30 PM.

If you are a business owner and would like to participate in this networking event, please contact Dr. Patricia Vari-Cartier at cartierp@middletownk12.org by Wednesday, November 30th.

Free Paper Shredding Event at Middletown High School North on Saturday, 11/12 from 9 - 1 PM



Monmouth County will be holding its annual paper shredding event in Middletown on Saturday, November 12th from 9 AM - 1 PM at Middletown High School North.

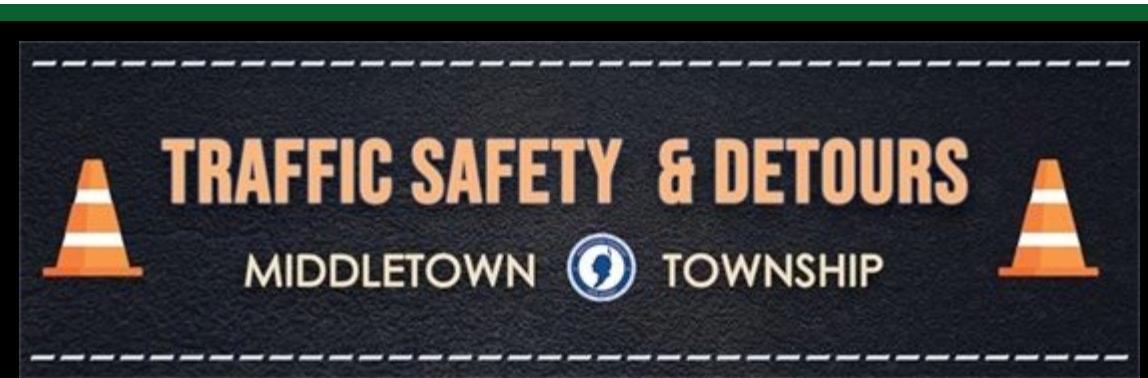
Middletown residents may shred up to 100 pounds, which is equivalent to four office paper boxes or four large sized trash bags. All paper will be shredded on location in the mobile truck, and the event will end either once the mobile truck is full or at its scheduled end time. Large binder clips must be removed from documents, but staples and paper clips can remain.

Click [HERE](#) to read the County's press release with more information.

Read the Digital Version of *Middletown Matters* Before the Bi-Annual Newsletter Arrives in Mailboxes!



Click [HERE](#) to read a PDF of the latest issue of Middletown Matters.



- Kings Highway East, between Stillwell Road and Portland Road, is scheduled to be repaved from Monday, November 7th through Tuesday, November 15th, weather permitting. Construction activities will occur between 8 AM - 5 PM. MTPD traffic control officers and staff from the Public Works Department will be onsite to facilitate access. Please obey signage and follow all instructions from traffic control officers so everyone remains safe.

Click [HERE](#) to read Kings Highway East's paving schedule.

Click [HERE](#) to view a PDF of Kings Highway East's detour map.

- The Rumson-Sea Bright Bridge is currently being replaced. Please visit www.rumsonseabrightbridge.com/travel-advisory regularly for updates.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

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Middletown Recreation has a lot of activities and programs running in November, which is when youth and adult programs pick back up and the start of holiday events is upon us!

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

Middletown Recreation's Santa Ferry is Back in Business!
Registration Begins Monday, 11/14



Middletown Recreation is back on the bay to celebrate Christmas! This yuletide ride features Santa and friends, caroling, entertainment, and a scenic ride around the Statue of Liberty. Resident presale begins Monday, November 14th from 5 - 7 PM at Poricy Park (345 Oak Hill Road). Registration is only in person.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/santaferry for full details.

Participate in Middletown Recreation's Giveaway for Christmas Spectacular Tickets on Sunday, 12/11 at 5 PM



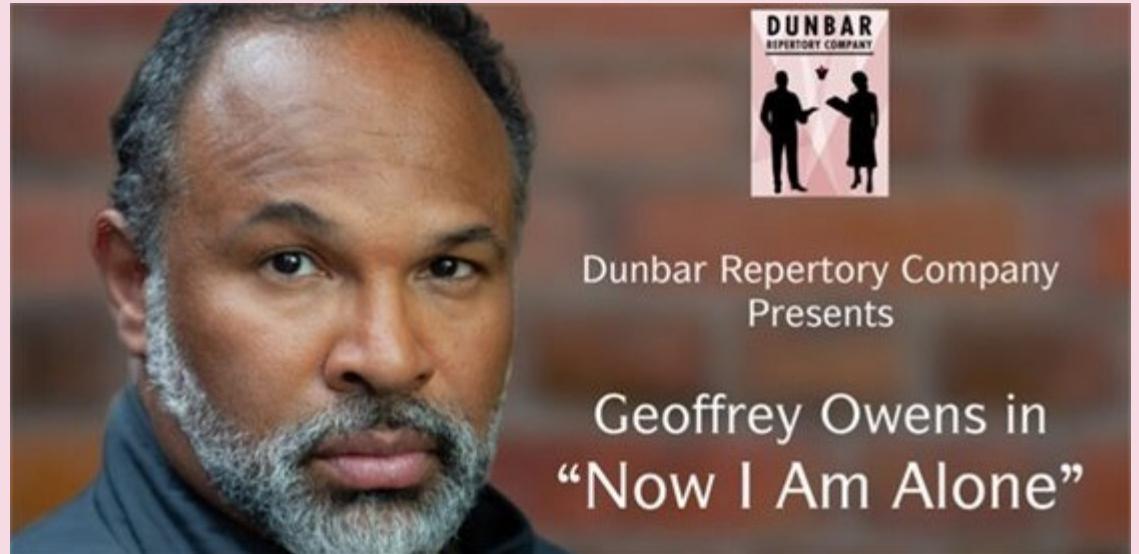
It's almost the holiday season and Middletown Recreation is in a giving mood! Enter a giveaway to win two tickets to the Christmas Spectacular Starring the Radio City Rockettes on Sunday, December 11th at 5 PM.

How to Enter:

Follow Middletown Recreation on Instagram @middletownrecnj. Comment under its giveaway post and tag a friend. Each friend = 1 entry.

A random winner will be chosen by Thursday, December 1st at noon. Good luck!

Step Into Shakespeare's World with "Now I Am Alone" at the MAC on Saturday, 11/5 at 3 PM



Join the MAC (36 Church Street) for a very special performance of "Now I Am Alone", where the works and words of William Shakespeare will come alive by renowned actor Geoffrey Owens. The production, put together by Dunbar Repertory Company, will take place on Saturday, November 5th at 3 PM and is a 90-minute roller coaster of Shakespeare's comedies, tragedies, and romances!

Tickets cost \$9 and will be sold at the MAC's door.

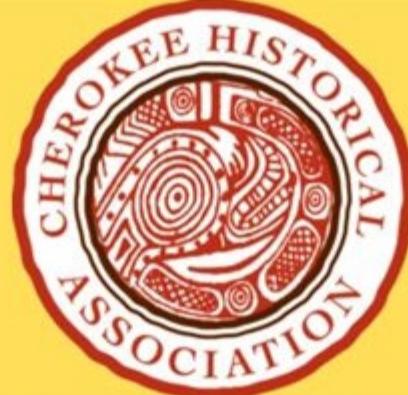
Click [HERE](#) for more information.

**Learn About Cherokee Culture at the MTPL on
Monday, 11/7 at 11 AM**

Bright Star Theatre Presents

Cherokee Tales

CHEROKEE TALES will introduce you to the rich culture of the Cherokee People through this collection of Cherokee myths, legends and folktales



Monday, 11/7, at 11am
For Grades Pre-K-5

Registration required @MTPL.ORG



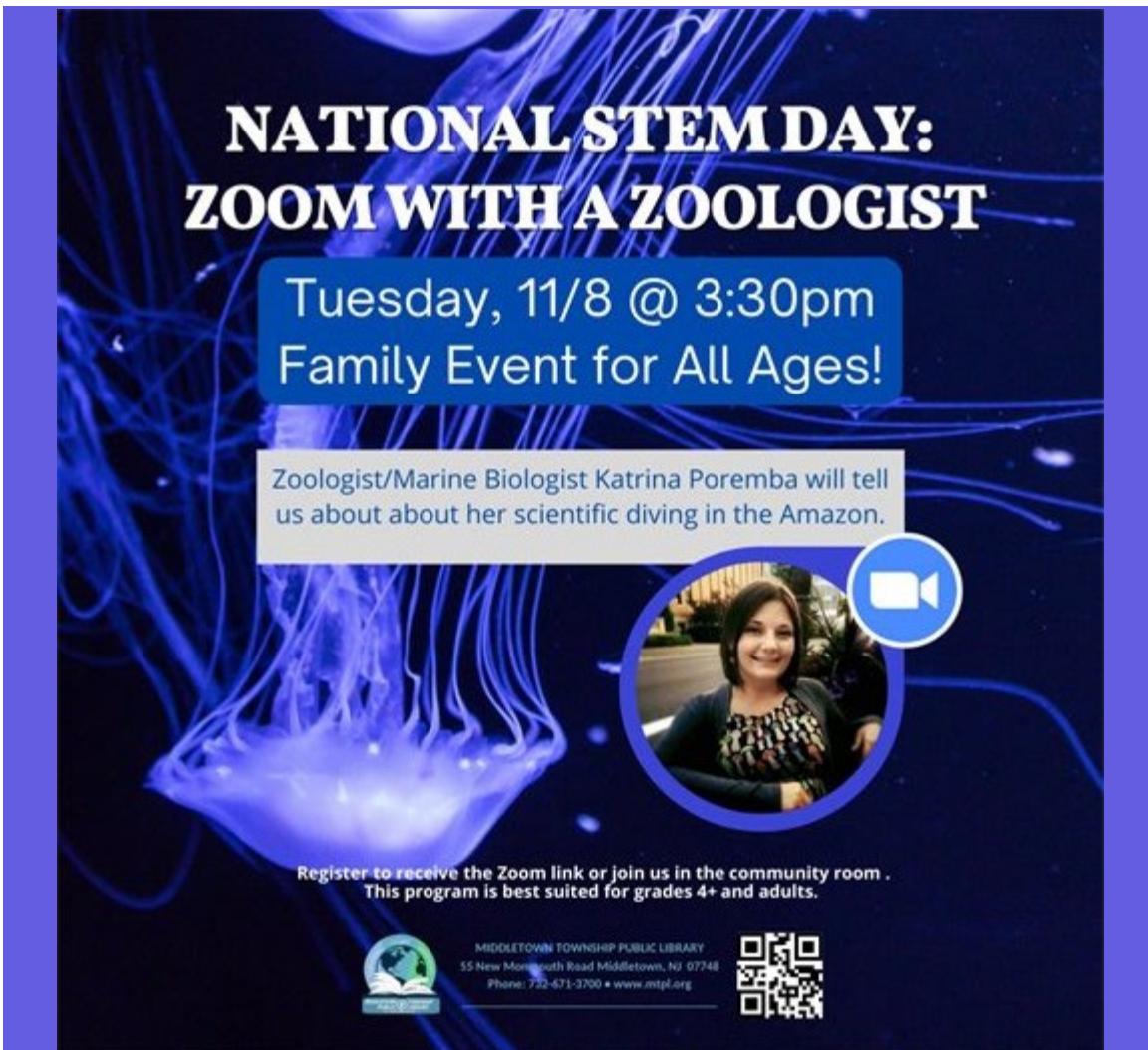
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Celebrate Native American Heritage Month at the MTPL (55 New Monmouth Road) with Bright Star Theatre's "Cherokee Tales" on Monday, November 7th at 11 AM! The program will teach attendees about the rich culture of the Cherokee people through a collection of Cherokee myths, legends, and folktales. Pre-registration is required.

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

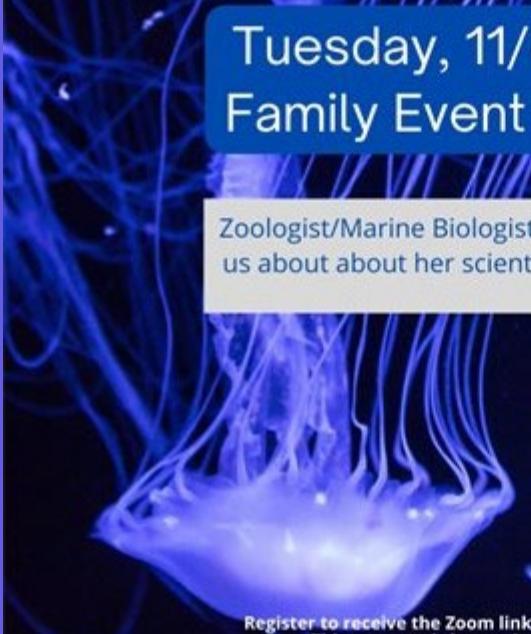
Celebrate National STEM Day by Zooming with a Zoologist at the MTPL on Tuesday, 11/8 at 3:30 PM



**NATIONAL STEM DAY:
ZOOM WITH A ZOOLOGIST**

**Tuesday, 11/8 @ 3:30pm
Family Event for All Ages!**

Zoologist/Marine Biologist Katrina Poremba will tell us about her scientific diving in the Amazon.



Register to receive the Zoom link or join us in the community room.
This program is best suited for grades 4+ and adults.

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Schools may be closed next week, but the MTPL (55 New Monmouth Road) will be recognizing National STEM Day by zooming with a zoologist!

Zoologist/Marine Biologist Katrina Poremba will share her experiences about diving in the Amazon River for scientific research! Patrons are welcome to join either via Zoom or in person at the Community Room where the MTPL will be streaming the video chat on its big screen.

Registration is required if you would like to join via Zoom. Once registered, you will receive the Zoom link.

Click [HERE](#) for background information about Katrina and to register.

**Show Off Your Soccer Skills at Middletown Recreation's
Turkey Soccer Shootout on Saturday, 11/19 at 10 AM**

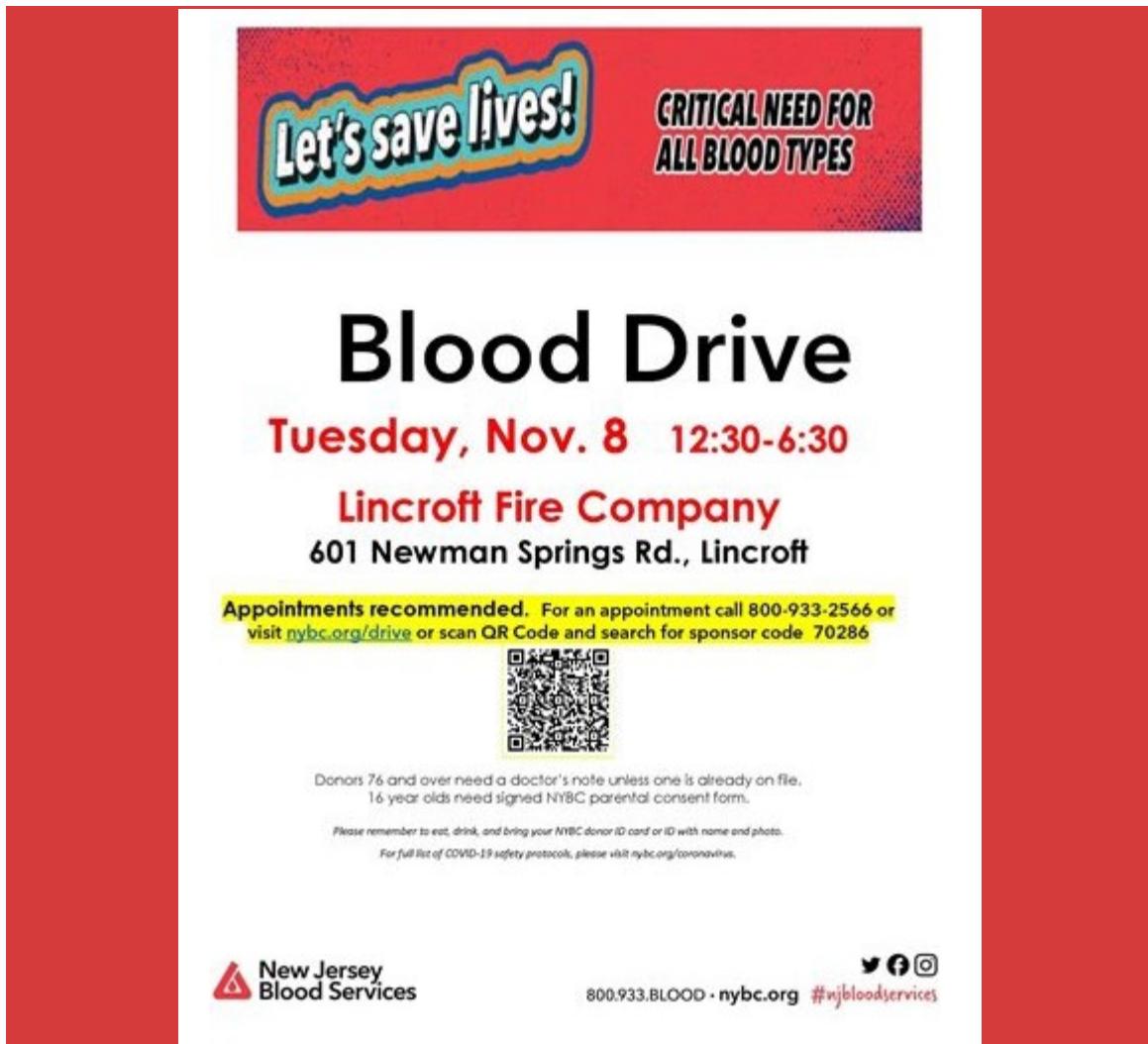


Think you've got the best penalty shot in town? Take your best shot at Middletown Recreation's Turkey Soccer Shootout on Saturday, November 19th! Each participant gets five chances to rack up the most points. Top winners in each age range receive a frozen turkey courtesy of Circus Foodtown.

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



Fight the Blood Shortage by Donating Blood at Lincroft Fire Company on Tuesday, 11/8 from 12:30 - 6:30 PM



The image is a blood drive flyer. At the top, there is a red banner with the text "Let's Save Lives!" in a blue, bubbly font on the left and "CRITICAL NEED FOR ALL BLOOD TYPES" in white on the right. Below the banner, the word "Blood Drive" is written in large, bold, black letters. Underneath that, the date and time "Tuesday, Nov. 8 12:30-6:30" are in red. The location "Lincroft Fire Company" and address "601 Newman Springs Rd., Lincroft" are in black. A yellow box contains the text "Appointments recommended. For an appointment call 800-933-2566 or visit nybc.org/drive or scan QR Code and search for sponsor code 70286". To the right of this text is a QR code. Below the QR code, the text reads: "Donors 76 and over need a doctor's note unless one is already on file. 16 year olds need signed NYBC parental consent form." At the bottom left is the New Jersey Blood Services logo, which is a red triangle with a white outline. To the right of the logo, the text "New Jersey Blood Services" is in black. To the right of that, there are three social media icons: Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram. Below the social media icons, the phone number "800.933.BLOOD" and website "nybc.org" are in black, followed by the hashtag "#njbloodservices".

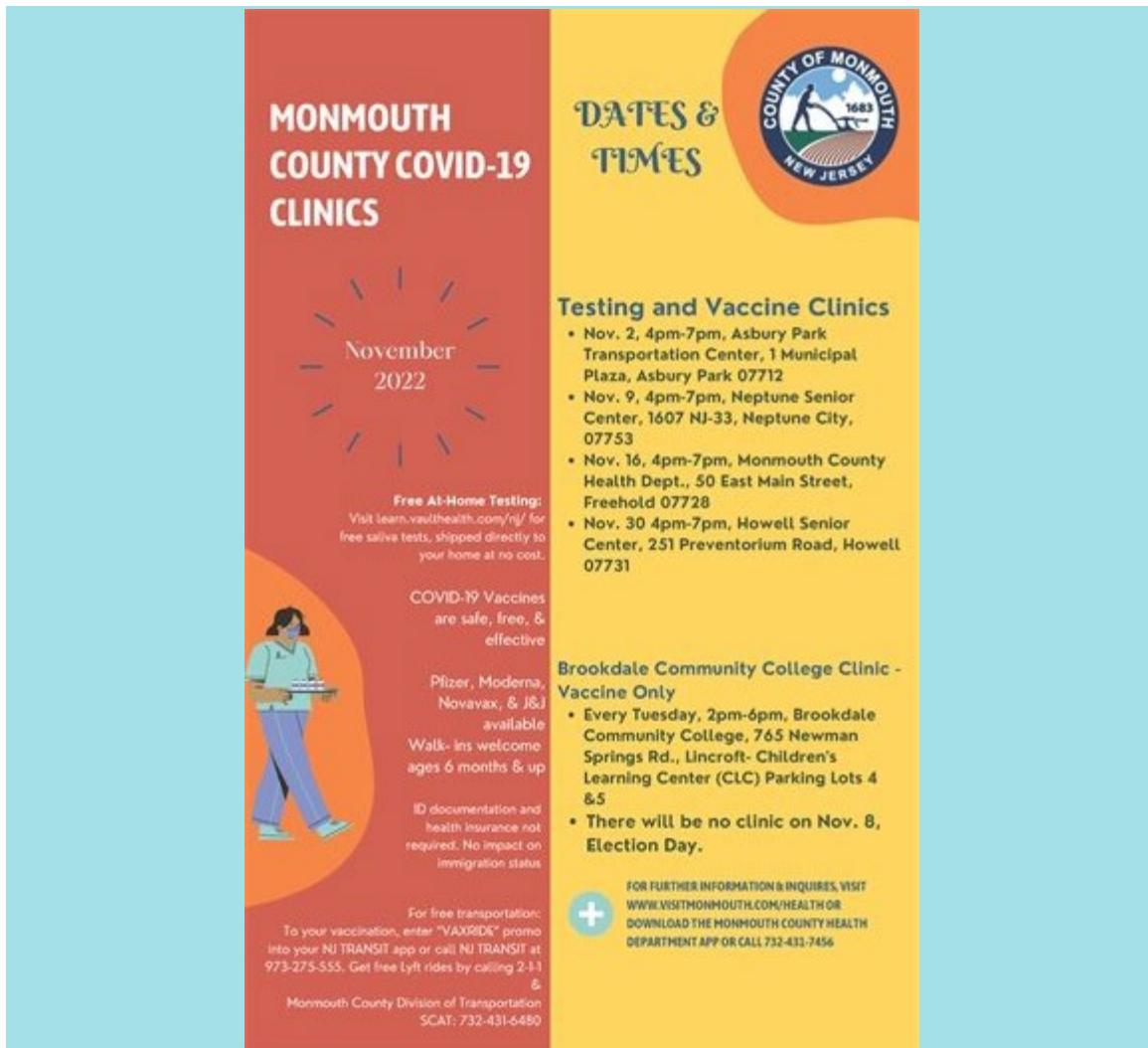
[Click on the graphic to view the image larger.](#)

You may keep hearing about blood shortages — that's because the pandemic has devastated the foundation on which we collect blood. The need for blood is higher now than in 2019. Therefore, we don't just need to "return to normal", we need to collect more!

People can help by donating, encouraging first-time donors, sharing this flyer, and spreading the word to friends and colleagues. Please help us get the message out about this upcoming blood drive!

*Click [HERE](#) to make an appointment.
Visit www.middletownnj.org/blooddrive and search "Monmouth County" to find other local blood drives throughout November.*

Monmouth County November COVID-19 Clinics



MONMOUTH COUNTY COVID-19 CLINICS

November 2022

Free At-Home Testing:
Visit www.vaulthealth.com/nj/ for free saliva tests, shipped directly to your home at no cost.

COVID-19 Vaccines
are safe, free, & effective

Pfizer, Moderna, Novavax, & J&J available

Walk-ins welcome ages 6 months & up

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

For free transportation:
To your vaccination, enter "VAAX025" 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: 732-431-6460

DATES & TIMES

COUNTY OF MONMOUTH NEW JERSEY

Testing and Vaccine Clinics

- Nov. 2, 4pm-7pm, Asbury Park Transportation Center, 1 Municipal Plaza, Asbury Park 07712
- Nov. 9, 4pm-7pm, Neptune Senior Center, 1607 NJ-33, Neptune City, 07753
- Nov. 16, 4pm-7pm, Monmouth County Health Dept., 50 East Main Street, Freehold 07728
- Nov. 30 4pm-7pm, Howell Senior Center, 251 Preventorium Road, Howell 07731

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
- There will be no clinic on Nov. 8, Election Day.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION & INQUIRIES, VISIT WWW.VISITMONMOUTH.COM/HEALTH OR DOWNLOAD THE MONMOUTH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT APP OR CALL 732-431-7456

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Visit www.vaccines.gov/search to find other locations to receive a Pfizer or Moderna booster.

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