



Middletown Township Earns Silver Recertification Status from Sustainable Jersey Program



Mayor Tony Perry, Township Administrator Tony Mercantante, and Township employees from both the Planning Department and the Department of Public Works & Engineering show off Middletown's recertification!

On Tuesday, Middletown Township was honored at the Sustainable Jersey Annual Luncheon for becoming recertified as a silver town! Sustainable Jersey is a program that provides municipalities, schools, and school districts with tools, training, and incentives to pursue sustainability programs in New Jersey. Municipalities must meet a minimum of 350 points to achieve silver status.

Middletown is humbled for this recognition and very proud to work toward a greener and healthier township!

Middletown's Veterans Affairs Committee Receives "We Value Our Veterans" Award



Pictured from left: New Jersey Governor Philip D. Murphy, VAC Chairman and Vietnam veteran Bob Siemer, and Brigadier General Lisa J. Hou, D.O. Photo courtesy of Mark C. Olsen

On Veterans Day, Middletown Township and its all-volunteer Veterans Affairs Committee (VAC) were recognized with Governor Philip Murphy's "We Value Our Veterans Award". Governor Murphy and Brigadier General Lisa J. Hou, D.O. (the Adjutant General and Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans Affairs) presented the award at the state's official Veterans Day ceremony, which was held in the Vietnam Era Museum at the New Jersey Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Holmdel.

The award recognizes communities, businesses, and academic institutions who honor the sacrifices, patriotism, and bravery of New Jersey's service members. VAC Chairman and Vietnam veteran Bob Siemer proudly accepted the award on the Township's and VAC's behalf.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/veterans for information about the VAC.

**Pre-Register for Middletown Health Department's FREE
Flu Shot Clinic for Residents on Monday, 11/21
Deadline to Pre-Register is TODAY**

**FREE FLU CLINIC
FOR MIDDLETOWN
RESIDENTS**

**FLU
SHOT**

**Monday,
11/21 from
10 AM - 12 PM**

**OEM
Training Room
at Town Hall
(1 Kings Highway)**

**Sign up for an appointment
and download the required
flu consent form at
www.middletownnj.org/fluclinic.**

Middletown Township Health Department is hosting a free flu shot clinic for residents, ages 6 months and older, on Monday, November 21st from 10 AM - 12 PM. Pre-registration and a completed consent form is required.

Registration closes **TONIGHT**.

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

Congratulations to the Recent 8th Grade Graduates of Project P.L.U.S.!



Earlier this week, two 8th grade sessions graduated from Middletown Municipal Alliance's Project P.L.U.S. (Peer Leaders Understanding Students)! The free and after-school 4-week program teaches students the personal, health, and legal consequences of dangerous substances. It also guides them to make good life choices and become a leader in their community.



**Show Off Your Soccer Skills at Middletown Recreation's
Turkey Soccer Shootout TOMORROW at 10 AM**



Think you've got the best penalty shot in town? Take your best shot at Middletown Recreation's Turkey Soccer Shootout **TOMORROW!** 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.

Compete in Middletown Recreation's Alumni Game TOMORROW at 11:30 AM



The flyer features a black header with the Middletown Recreation logo, which includes icons for running, cycling, and a tree, with the text "MIDDLETOWN RECREATION" below it. The main title "ALUMNI GAME" is in large, bold, black letters. Below it, "SAT, NOVEMBER 19TH" is in blue and black. The text "11:30AM KICKOFF - CROYDON HALL TURF FIELD" and "\$5 TO PLAY + CANNED FOOD ITEM" are in smaller black text. The background shows a stylized green field with a white goal post. In the center, there is a white circle with the letters "VS" in black. To the left of the circle is a logo for "MHS" featuring an orange lion's head. To the right is a logo for "MHS" featuring a grey and blue eagle's head. At the bottom, a blue button-like shape contains the text "Must have graduated June 2022 or earlier. Register at middletownnj.org/signup".

Get together with your high school's alumni **TOMORROW** for a friendly scrimmage to crown the soccer champs of Middletown - High School North vs. South!

It costs \$5 to play, but Middletown Recreation is also asking participants to bring a nonperishable canned food item for its food drive. All donations received will be given to Middletown Social Services to be distributed to residents in need.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.



Township Committee to Host Regular Meeting on Monday, 11/21

The Middletown Township Committee Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, November 21st at 7:00 PM in the courtroom at Town Hall (1 Kings Highway). The meeting is open to the public.

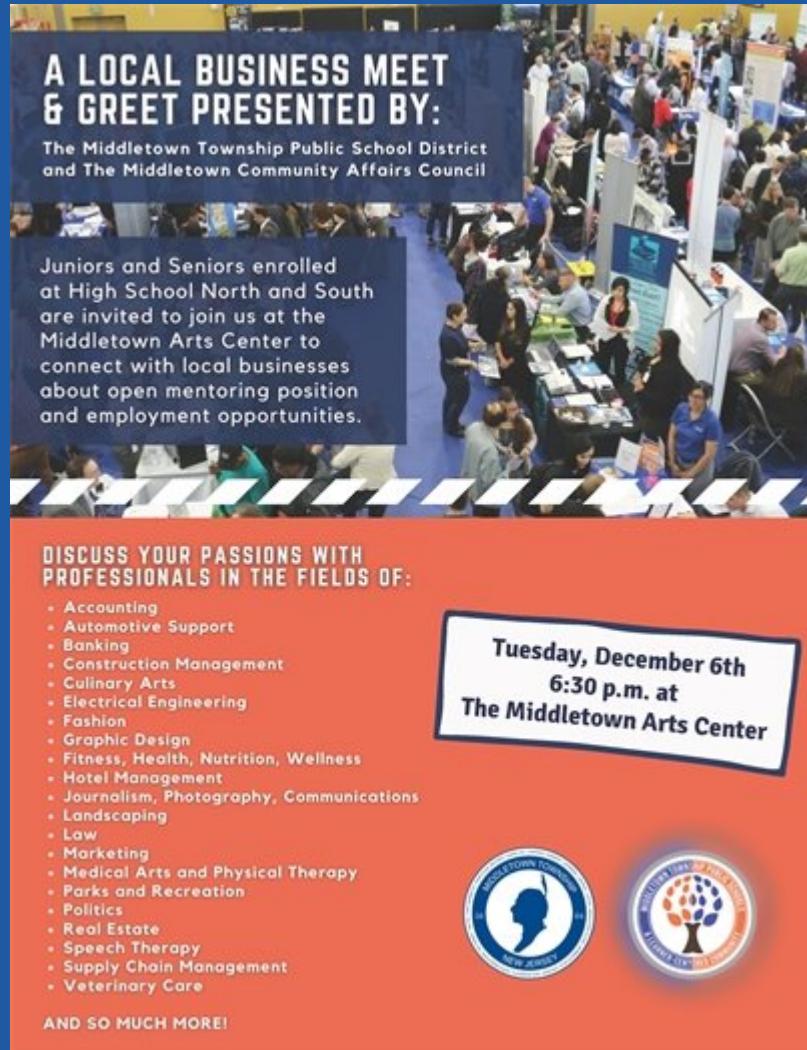
The meeting will also be made available to watch or listen to by visiting www.middletownnj.org/tcmeeting. To call in to the meeting, dial 1-408-418-9388. The event access code is 2331 361 5280 followed by #. Enter 2022 if a passcode is required.

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 aired on the Township's TV channel (Verizon FiOS Channel 26/Comcast Cable Channel 20) and [YouTube channel](#).

Click [HERE](#) for more information and to see the agenda.

High School Juniors & Seniors: Save the Date for Local Business Meet & Greet at MAC on Tuesday, 12/6 at 6:30 PM



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.



The banner features the Middletown Township Public Library logo, which includes a globe and the text "MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY". The main title "Thanksgiving Week Library Hours" is written in large, red, serif capital letters. Below the title, a table lists the library's hours for the week:

Day	Hours
WEDNESDAY	9 AM - 5 PM
THURSDAY	CLOSED Happy Thanksgiving!
FRIDAY	9 AM - 5 PM
SATURDAY	9 AM - 5 PM
SUNDAY	CLOSED

The background of the banner is a photograph of a Thanksgiving meal, including a turkey, a pie, and pumpkins.

First Round of Leaf Collection Begins Monday, 11/28



FALL 2022 LEAF COLLECTION SCHEDULE

COLLECTION ZONE	START DATE
A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I	MONDAY, 11/28
J,K,L	THURSDAY, 12/8

VISIT WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/COLLECTION FOR ZONE UPDATES AND MORE INFORMATION.
COLLECTION START DATE IS WEATHER DEPENDENT. PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL ONLY BE ONE COLLECTION IN EACH ZONE.

LEAF COLLECTION ONLY – NO BRUSH UNTIL SPRING!

DO NOT SET OUT LEAVES AFTER YOUR STREET HAS BEEN COLLECTED – Violators will be charged up to \$1,250 for an individual collection. Do not place material at the curb earlier than 7 days before start date. Brush, tree stumps, lumber, plywood, fence posts, railroad ties, or garbage will not be collected. Residents can bring leaves to the Middletown Recycling Center (52 Kanes Lane) from November 1st until June 1st. Brush is accepted year-round for residents.

Click [HERE](#) for a list of FAQs, updates, and more information.

**Our Middletown Elves are Collecting Letters to Santa:
Drop One Off by Thursday, 12/15!**



Letters to Santa

Deliver a letter directly to the North Pole - Santa will write a return letter!

Mailbox Locations Open Nov 15- Dec 15:

Middletown Arts Center

Middletown Library

Middletown Senior Center - Croydon Hall

Middletown Town Hall

Tonya Keller Community Center

Program is free, but please consider making a donation to the Middletown Arts Center.

Click [HERE](#) for more information about how to drop off a letter.
Click [HERE](#) for a list of topics that children can write about.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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Celebrate Late Musician Bob Kasper at the MAC's Music Café on Sunday, 11/20 from 4 - 6 PM



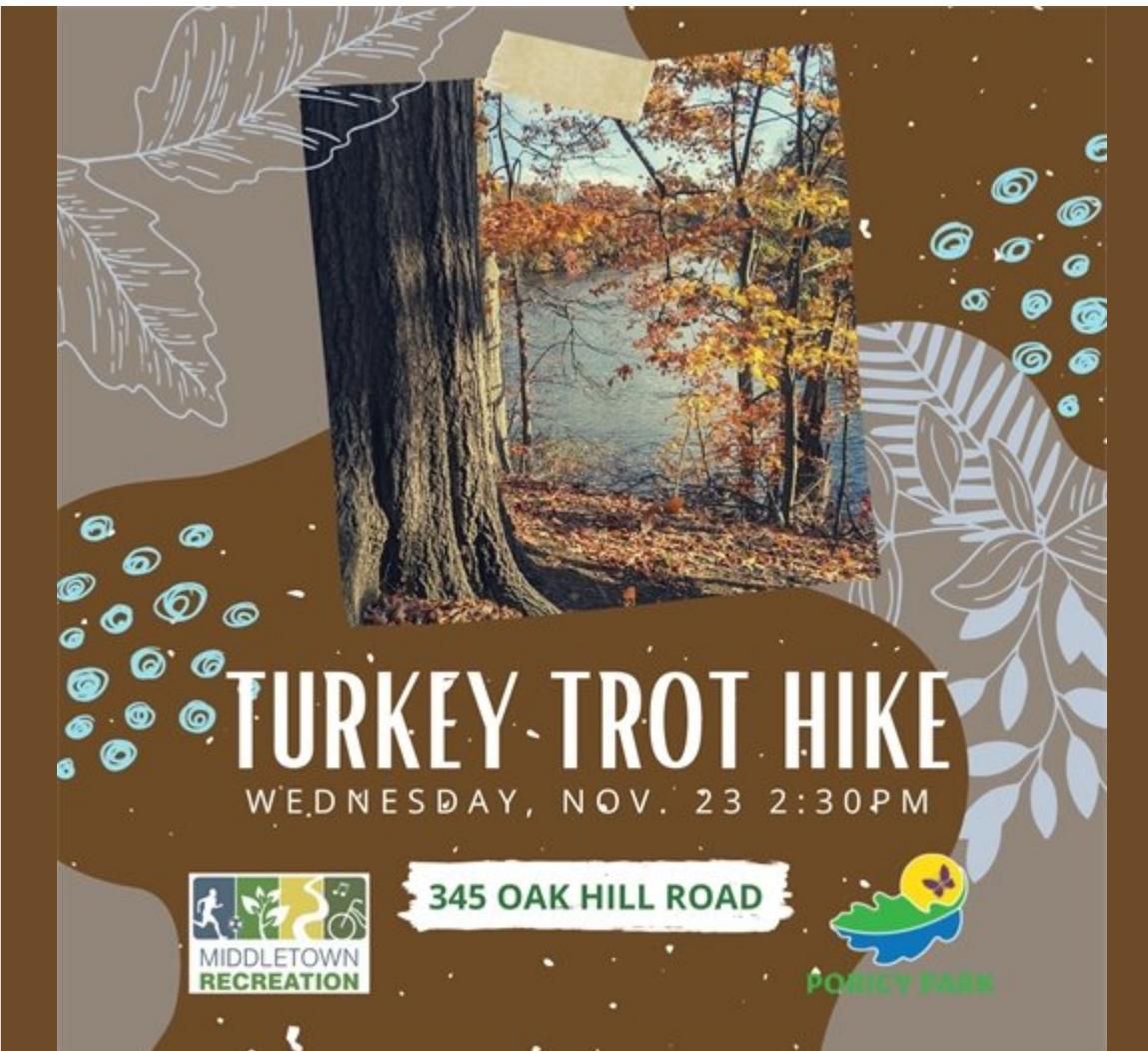
Join the Middletown Arts Center (MAC) this Sunday for a very special Music Café in honor of late singer-songwriter Bob Kasper, who passed away last October from pancreatic cancer. Bob left the world with great memories and a catalogue of heartfelt songs, and his beautiful soul touched the lives of all who knew him.

Friends and fellow members of the local singer-songwriter scene will gather to celebrate his songs including: Bill Anania, Rudy Baker, Christian Beach, Gorgo Beach, Tim Borkowski, Paul During, Linda Eckman, Shelly Hesson, Al Milewski, Barbara Paskin, Frank Patrouch, Bob Savoy, and George Wirth.

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](#) to read about Bob Kasper's music career.

Traverse Through Poricy Park at Middletown Recreation's Turkey Trot Hike on Wednesday, 11/23 at 2:30 PM



Come stretch your legs before your Thanksgiving feast on Wednesday, November 23rd at 2:30 PM! Join Middletown Recreation to hike the trails of Poricy Park (345 Oak Hill Road) and remember to enjoy the beautiful scenery as you keep your eyes peeled for wildlife!

The hike will be about an hour and roughly 2 miles. Adults are required to stay with all children. This activity is geared more for people ages 5+, but younger hikers are also welcome. The Turkey Trot Hike costs \$5 per person.

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

**Celebrate Thanksgiving with MTPL's Thanksgiving Story
Time on Saturday, 11/26 at 10:30 AM**

Middletown Township Public Library Presents:



**THANKSGIVING
STORY TIME**

Get cozy and listen to *Feast for 10*,
Peyton Picks the Perfect Pie, and
Sharing the Bread in the Children's
Quiet Reading Area at the Middletown
Township Public Library, with some
coloring pages to take home!

November 26th, 2022
at 10:30 AM

For parents and children aged 3-6

Get cozy and join the Middletown Township Public Library, located at 55 New Monmouth Road, for a special Thanksgiving Story Time on Saturday, November 26th in the Children's Quiet Reading Area. They will also hand out some coloring pages for patrons to take home. All are welcome to attend.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

**Hop Into the Holiday Spirit at Middletown Recreation's and
the MAC's Tree Lighting on Sunday, 12/4 from 5 - 7 PM**



Look who's coming to town! Catch Middletown Recreation's and the MAC's (36 Church Street) Christmas Tree Lighting, followed by a holiday performance, on Sunday, December 4th! Bring the whole family to this festive event where you can get a photo with Santa, take a horse-drawn wagon ride, enjoy crafts, watch our ice sculptor, and more! There will be a FREE giveaway to the first 300 children.



Monmouth County November COVID-19 Clinics

MONMOUTH COUNTY COVID-19 CLINICS

November 2022

Free At-Home Testing:
Visit learn.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 "VAXRIDE" 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: 732-431-6480

DATES & TIMES



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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