



*Happy New Year!*

FROM MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP

**2023**

Municipal offices will be closed on Monday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> in observance of New Year's Day.

The Middletown Recycling Center (52 Kanes Lane) will be closed on Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup>.  
The Center will hold regular business hours on Monday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Reorganization Meeting Set for Sunday, 1/1 at 12 PM:  
Tony Perry and Rick Hibell Expected to Lead Township  
in 2023**

TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN

*Annual Reorganization Meeting*

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2023 AT 12 P.M.  
COURTROOM IN TOWN HALL (1 KINGS HIGHWAY)

Middletown Township invites you to the annual Reorganization of  
the Middletown Township Committee, volunteer emergency  
service organizations, and boards and commissions.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A DAY OF CEREMONY AND TRADITION.



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

## NORTH ZONE GARBAGE & BULK COLLECTION WILL CONTINUE THROUGH SATURDAY, 12/31

DUE TO THE HIGH VOLUMES OF CURBSIDE MATERIAL AND EXTENDED LANDFILL WAIT TIMES FROM THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY, NORTH ZONE GARBAGE & BULK COLLECTION WILL CONTINUE THROUGH SATURDAY, 12/31. PLEASE LEAVE MATERIAL AT THE CURB.

WE APOLOGIZE FOR THE INCONVENIENCE AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE!



GET THE APP TO RECEIVE UPDATES ON GARBAGE, RECYCLING, AND BULK COLLECTION CHANGES VIA TEXT OR EMAIL.

## DPW Holiday Collection Schedule

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**DUE TO THE NEW YEAR'S DAY HOLIDAY, THERE WILL NOT BE A NORTH ZONE GARBAGE COLLECTION ON MONDAY, 1/2. THERE WILL BE A DOUBLE COLLECTION ON THURSDAY, 1/5.**

The NORTH ZONE will have DOUBLE COLLECTION of GARBAGE on Thursday, 1/5. Residents may leave up to 3 closed garbage bags next to the cart. Please do not block the cart with the bags.

The Middletown Recycling Center (52 Kanes Lane) will be closed on New Year's Day (Sunday, 1/1) and will open on schedule on Monday, 1/2. As a reminder, the Middletown Train Station Recycling Center Drop-Off is open 24/7.

#### CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION DATES

North Zone: Saturday, 1/14

South Zone: Saturday, 1/21

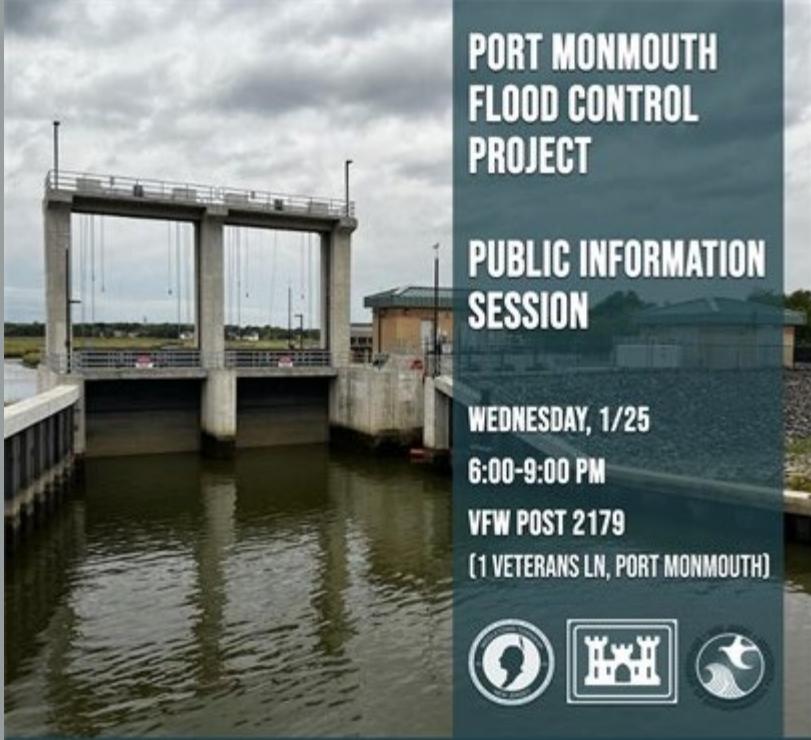
Trees can also be recycled if brought to the Middletown Recycling Center (52 Kanes Lane) during business hours (Thursday - Monday from 8:30AM-4:30PM).



## MTPL's Holiday Schedule



**Port Monmouth Flood Control Project  
Public Information Session Set for Wednesday, 1/25**



**PORT MONMOUTH  
FLOOD CONTROL  
PROJECT**

**PUBLIC INFORMATION  
SESSION**

**WEDNESDAY, 1/25**  
**6:00-9:00 PM**  
**VFW POST 2179**  
(1 VETERANS LN, PORT MONMOUTH)



Middletown Township, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the NJ Department of Environmental Protection invite residents to attend a public information session on the Port Monmouth Flood Control Project on Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-9:00 PM at VFW Post 2179 in Port Monmouth. Prior to the question-and-answer portion, a brief presentation will be given on the status of the project.



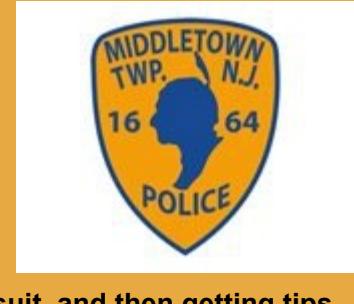
## Middletown Bank Robbery Under Investigation

On Wednesday, December 28<sup>th</sup> at approximately 10:40 AM, the Middletown Township Police Department (MTPD) responded to a report of a bank robbery at the Valley National Bank on Rt. 35 in the Kohl's Plaza. The investigation is being handled by the Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office (MCPO), the MTPD, and the Federal Bureau of Investigations' Red Bank Office.

*Click [HERE](#) to read the MCPO's press release.*

## Middletown Police Arrest Group in Shoplifting / Eluding Incident

On Wednesday, December 28<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 PM, there was a report of a shoplifting at the Verizon store located at 747 Rt. 35. After seeing the suspect car near the Verizon store located in Lincroft, engaging in a brief pursuit, and then getting tips from concerned residents, the MTPD found the three actors involved and arrested



them in connection with shoplifting and eluding.

Click [HERE](#) to read the MTPD's press release.

## MTPD Reminds Residents to Be Cautious

**DON'T BE AN EASY TARGET...  
LOCK YOUR CAR DOORS!**



The Middletown Township Police Department would like to remind residents to lock their cars and take the key fob inside. Thefts of cars and property are often due to keys being left inside vehicles and failure to lock the doors.

### **REMEMBER**

**LOCKING YOUR DOORS IS AN EASY WAY TO  
PROTECT YOURSELF AND YOUR PROPERTY!**



**Renew Your 2023 Parking Permit Today!**



## 2023 Parking Permit Renewal

Parking permit renewal for the 2023 calendar year has begun. Visit [middletownnj.org/parkingpermits](http://middletownnj.org/parkingpermits) for information about how to renew or purchase a parking permit either online or in person.

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

**Remember to Renew Your 2023 Dog License Before January 31<sup>st</sup>!**

**Attention All Dog Owners: 2023 Dog License Renewals Beginning 1/1/2023**

Look out for your dog license renewal paperwork in the coming weeks. It will be mailed and emailed to you (if you have an email address on file). Please review the paperwork for instructions on how to complete the process. Renewals should be submitted either online or via mail between January 1<sup>st</sup> and January 31<sup>st</sup>. Late fees begin February 1<sup>st</sup>.

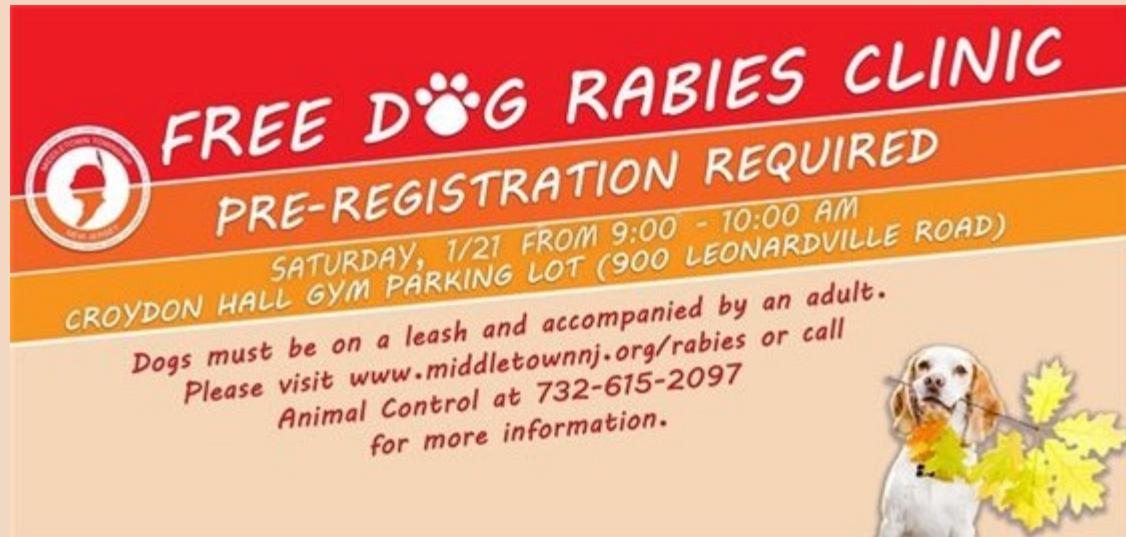


**Questions? Please call Animal Control at 732-615-2097 or visit [middletownnj.org/petlicensing](http://middletownnj.org/petlicensing).**

All dog licenses expire on December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. Renewals should be submitted either online or via mail between January 1<sup>st</sup> and January 31<sup>st</sup>. Late fees begin February 1<sup>st</sup>.

[Click \*\*HERE\*\* for more information about our pet licensing policy.](#)

**Pre-Register for Middletown Health Department's FREE Dogs-Only Rabies Clinic on Saturday, 1/21 from 9 - 10 AM**



The Middletown Township Health Department is holding a FREE dogs-only rabies clinic on Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 - 10:00 AM at the Croydon Hall Gym Parking Lot (900 Leonardville Road).

Animal Control will open an additional session from 10:00 - 10:30 AM if the first session fills up. Registration closes on Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 PM.

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

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

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**Find the Perfect Preschool at Middletown Recreation's Preschool Fair at the MTPL on Tuesday, 1/10 from 6 - 8 PM**



Finding the perfect preschool for your child can be tough, so Middletown Recreation is here to save the day with a **FREE** Preschool Fair for interested parents and guardians!

Middletown Recreation and the Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL) are bringing preschools across town together in one place for your convenience on Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at the MTPL (55 New Monmouth Road). Representatives from different schools will be present to speak to you about class options, registration availability, and answer any questions you may have.

Click [HERE](#) for more information and a list of participating schools.

**Ring in the New Year by Registering for  
Middletown Recreation's Youth Dodgeball League**



Join Middletown Recreation this winter for seven weeks of dodgeball fun! Players will be drafted into teams for the entirety of the season where they will compete to be crowned champion of the league. Space is limited, so sign up today!

*Sign into CommunityPass [HERE](#) and choose "Winter Season" to register.*

**Register Now for Recreation's Winter Adult Programs**



# WINTER

ADULT PROGRAMS, 18 +

Tuesdays

## **Yoga**

6:30-7:30pm

Croydon Gym

III: Jan 10-Feb 21

Off 2/14

IV: Mar 14-Apr 18

\$12 (R)

Tuesdays

## **Volleyball**

7:30-9:30pm

Croydon Gym

Jan 10-Apr 4

Off 2/14

\$5 (R)



Wednesdays

## **Basketball**

7-9pm

Croydon Gym

Jan 18-Mar 29

\$5 (R)



Register

Sign-Up Online at  
[middletownnj.org/signup](http://middletownnj.org/signup)

Choose Winter season. Weekly drop-ins welcome.

Stay active and social this new year with Middletown Recreation's adult sports offerings! You can either commit to a full season and save money or join Middletown Recreation for a weekly drop-in.

*Sign into CommunityPass [HERE](#) and choose "Winter Season" to register.*

**Enjoy the MAC's Theatre Horizons Talent Showcase on  
Wednesday, 1/4 at 7 PM**



Come to the Middletown Arts Center's (MAC) Theatre Horizons Talent Showcase on Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM! Theatre Horizons is a specialized performing arts program for adult individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. This **FREE** performance will take place inside the MAC's theater (36 Church Street).

**Register Now for MAC's Winter 2023 Session!**



**Registration is now open for the Middletown Arts Center's (MAC) winter session!  
This year's selection features exciting new programs along with your favorite  
classes in theater, art, dance, and more!**

*Click [HERE](#) to check out and register for youth classes.  
Click [HERE](#) to check out and register for adult classes.*

**Get Artsy and Register for MTPL's Teen Craft Night on  
Wednesday, 1/4 at 7 PM**



Teens, come to the Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL) on Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup> to relax, listen to music, and create crafts! The program will take place in the Children's Program Room (55 New Monmouth Road) and begin at 7 PM.

Registration is recommended.

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

A section titled "RESOURCES" in large blue letters. Below the title is a large blue rectangular area with a white border. To the right of this area is a smaller blue box containing the text "Middletown Township" and a small circular logo. At the bottom of the page, a dark blue bar contains the text "Need to Send a Fax? Come to the MTPL!" in white.



# FAX SERVICES NOW AVAILABLE AT MTPL

Contact the reference desk for more information.  
Outbound faxing only - \$1.00/per page

## Free Pack of At-Home COVID-19 Tests Available Through USPS

Order Free  
At-home  
COVID-19  
Tests  
Through  
USPS

All households in the U.S. are eligible to order one pack of at-home COVID-19 tests through USPS. One pack comes with four individual rapid antigen COVID-19 tests. The entire order, including shipping, is free.

Visit [special.usps.com/testkits](https://special.usps.com/testkits) to place your order.

Click [HERE](#) for more information and to order a pack of COVID-19 tests.

**Looking for Mental Health Support?  
Contact 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline if Needed**

**988 SUICIDE & CRISIS  
LIFELINE**

No matter where you live in the U.S.,  
you can easily access 24/7 emotional support.

Call or text 988 or visit [988lifeline.org/chat](https://988lifeline.org/chat) to  
chat with a caring counselor.

We're here for you.



According to the American Psychological Association, 38% of people's stress increases during the holiday season, which can lead to depression, anxiety, and substance use. We encourage residents to reach out to the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline if they are experiencing a mental health crisis and need assistance.

*Click [HERE](#) for more information.  
Click [HERE](#) to chat with a counselor.*

**Recycle Your Fridge/Freezer with JCP&L and Receive \$50**

**Receive \$50 for your old fridge or freezer!**



**Receive \$50 by recycling your working fridge or freezer in 3 easy steps:**

- 1 Schedule your pick up online by clicking [here](#) or by visiting [energysaveNJ.com/FRIDGE](http://energysaveNJ.com/FRIDGE).
- 2 JCP&L will collect your working fridge or freezer and responsibly recycle it.
- 3 You'll **receive \$50** and save money on your electric bill.

Receive \$25 when you recycle an air conditioner or dehumidifier along with a qualifying full-size refrigerator or freezer.

The Department of Public Works & Engineering (DPW) encourages residents to recycle their working fridge or freezer to receive \$50 from JCP&L! You can also recycle your air conditioners or dehumidifiers along with your fridge or freezer and earn an additional \$25. JCP&L will collect the item and recycle it for you. You can either schedule a pickup online or by calling 1-888-740-8005.

*Click [HERE](#) for more information and to schedule a pickup online.*

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