



Parents & Guardians: Please Complete Interest Survey for Free Summer Tutoring Program by Tuesday, 5/2

A graphic designed to look like a chalkboard with a wooden frame. At the top left is a lightbulb icon, and at the top right is an icon of a stack of books with an apple on top. The main title "FREE SUMMER TUTORING PROGRAM" is written in large, bold, yellow, blocky letters. Below it, in smaller white text, is "for eligible Middletown students". A dashed line separates the title from the details. The details are written in white text: "Middletown Township will be providing free tutoring services to students from income-eligible households from July 10th through August 17th on Mondays through Thursdays. Visit middletownnj.org/summertutoring to determine if you are eligible for the program and to complete a brief survey." Below this is a list of bullet points, each preceded by a yellow star icon: "For students entering 3rd through 8th grade for the 2023-2024 school year", "Language Arts and Math lessons based on the New Jersey Student Learning Standards", "Tutoring location will be determined by the number of responses", "Hands-on educational summer activities", and "Students will be grouped by grade level". At the bottom, in white text, is "Survey responses must be received no later than Tuesday, May 2nd." There are two small horizontal bars, one yellow and one light blue, at the very bottom of the chalkboard.

Following the Next Generation Support Program's success, Middletown will be providing free tutoring services to students from income-eligible households this summer. The program will be funded through a special allocation of the Community Development Block Grant CARES Act.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/summertutoring to determine if you are eligible and to complete a brief survey.

Naval Weapons Station Earle Commanding Officer Captain

Ed Callahan Receives "Key to Middletown"



Captain Ed Callahan shows off the "Key to Middletown" that Mayor Perry presented him on behalf of the Middletown Township Committee.

Last Friday, Mayor Tony Perry and the Township Committee were honored to present Captain Edward L. Callahan, Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Weapons Station Earle with a "Key to Middletown" on the day of his retirement after 40 years of honorable service to the United States Navy. Captain Callahan became the Commanding Officer in July 2020 shortly after the COVID-19 pandemic began. Despite the challenges he faced, he remained a steadfast leader and became an esteemed member of our community.

On behalf of Middletown Township, we thank Captain Callahan and his wife Krista for supporting our events, such as our Memorial Day and Veterans Day parades, connecting with residents, and strengthening the relationship between Middletown and Earle. Please join us in wishing Captain Callahan and his family well as they turn the page to a new chapter and welcoming Captain Kent D. Smith who will now serve as Commander.

Middletown Celebrates Earth Day!



With buckets and grabbers in hand, volunteers march through Lincroft Acres Trails! (Photo courtesy of Middletown Recreation)

Last weekend, Middletown Recreation and the Middletown Green Team hosted their Earth Day Celebration! Volunteers of all ages helped pick up trash, rake leaves, and even created new trails for the public to enjoy at Lincroft Acres Trails (112 Orchard Hill Drive). Thank you to everyone who participated and made a difference!

New Jersey Blind Citizens Association Hosts Successful Spring Artisan Market



Last Saturday, Township Committeewoman Kim Kratz was proud to support the New Jersey Blind Citizens Association's (NJBCA) annual Spring Artisan Market. Residents were able to support small businesses through diverse vendors, listen to live music, and enjoy free food from ShopRite's Fill The Grill food truck! In addition to all these incredible opportunities, there were also seeing eye puppies in training, local organizations, and opportunities to donate to the NJBCA (18 Burlington Avenue in Leonardo) and shop from its thrift store.

Visit www.njbca.org for more information about the NJBCA.



*Committeewoman Kratz and
NJBCA Executive Director
Sarah A. Toma (Photo courtesy
of NJBCA)*

CareOne at Middletown Celebrates Official Renaming



Committeewoman Kratz was excited to pet a pony at CareOne at Middletown's renaming ceremony!

Yesterday, Committeewoman Kim Kratz joined CareOne at Middletown (1040 NJ-36) for its renaming celebration! It was previously named CareOne at King James. CareOne is a nursing facility that provides specialty programs and long-term care to address patients' unique health needs.

Click [HERE](#) for more information about CareOne at Middletown.

Quarterly Property Taxes Due Monday, 5/1

THE NEXT QUARTERLY TAXES ARE DUE MAY 1, 2023.

THE LAST DAY TO PAY THE MAY QUARTER WITHOUT INTEREST IS ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 10TH BY 4 PM EITHER IN THE TAX COLLECTION OFFICE (900 LEONARDVILLE ROAD) OR VIA OUR ONLINE PAYMENT PORTAL.



QUESTIONS? CONTACT THE TAX COLLECTION OFFICE AT 732-615-2086.

Click [HERE](#) for more information about how you can pay your taxes.



Township Committee to Host Meeting on Monday, 5/1 at 7 PM

The Middletown Township Committee Workshop Meeting will be held on Monday, May 1st 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. If prompted, please enter your name and email address to join. To call in to the meeting, dial 1-408-418-9388. The event access code is 2349 696 0409 followed by #. Enter 2023 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.

Dispose of Unwanted Medication Safely at the Project Medicine Drop Box

The Middletown Municipal Alliance wants to help you
DISPOSE OF UNWANTED MEDICATION SAFELY

Dispose of unused medication from:

- DEATH OF LOVED ONE
- PAST SURGERIES OR DENTAL WORK
- VETERINARY MEDICATION

Please Note:

- NO NEEDLES
- NO SYRINGES
- NO LIQUIDS

PLEASE REMOVE
PRESCRIPTION
LABELS.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL THE MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE AT 732.615.2277 OR VISIT WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/MUNICIPALALLIANCE.



At last week's Operation Take Back, the Middletown Township Police Department (MTPD) collected approximately 62 pounds of prescription medication. The Middletown Municipal Alliance wants to remind residents that they can also dispose unwanted medication safely at our Project Medicine Drop Box, which is located in the MTPD's lobby (1 Kings Highway) and available 24/7.

Thank you to everyone who participated in Operation Take Back!

**Middletown Recreation is Hiring for Middletown
Preschool: Apply Now!**



Middletown Preschool is urgently hiring for the Lead Preschool Teacher of the PreK 3-year-old class. Know someone who would be a great fit? Sharing is caring, so please help Middletown Recreation spread the word!

Click [HERE](#) to apply.

**Register for Middletown Recreation's Open Recreation
After School Program**



Open Recreation is back at the Tonya Keller Community Center (50 Bray Avenue)! Residents can join Middletown Recreation for free homework help, play time, and a light snack. Registration is required.

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Register for MTPL's Considering Homeownership Program
on Tuesday, 5/2 at 7 PM

CONSIDERING HOMEOWNERSHIP

presented by
Anthony Cullen, M&T Bank



Tuesday, May 2 at 7pm
Computer Lab

Please register online @ mtpl.org

Buying a home involves some major decisions, which can be both exciting and intimidating - but don't worry, the Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL) is here to help! The MTPL's Considering Homeownership program, featuring Anthony Cullen of M&T Bank, is designed to help familiarize you with the home buying process. You will learn how to prepare for a mortgage, understand the terms of a loan, review the one-time and ongoing costs associated with home ownership, and explore methods to build your personal and financial readiness.

Click [HERE](http://mtpl.org) to register.

**Kick off Mental Health Awareness Month with MTPL's
Mindfulness Days for Teens on Wednesday, 5/3 at 7 PM**

Mindfulness Days for Teens Preventing and Dealing with Emotional Distress with NAMI



Wednesday, May 3 @7PM

Please register at mtpl.org.



MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY
55 New Monmouth Road Middletown, NJ 07748
Phone: 732-671-3700 • www.mtpl.org

May is Mental Health Awareness Month! Join one of MTPL's Mindfulness Days for Teens, starting with NAMI's program on Wednesday, May 3rd at 7 PM in the library's Computer Lab (55 New Monmouth Road).

Click [HERE](#) to register.

‘A Weekend in Old Monmouth’ Historic Tour Returns Next Weekend

The Monmouth County Historical Commission is proud to announce that the 2023 "A Weekend in Old Monmouth" tour will take place on Saturday, May 6th from 10 AM to 5 PM and on Sunday, May 7th from 12-5 PM with three new locations to visit, including the Grover House (930 West Front Street) in Middletown!



Additional Middletown locations include the All Saints Memorial Church, Joseph

Murray Farmhouse, Marlpit Hall, Old First Church, and Taylor-Butler House.

Click [HERE](#) to read Monmouth County's full press release.

Pre-Register for Middletown Recreation's & MTPD's Youth Bike Rodeo on Wednesday, 5/17 & Thursday, 5/18



May is National Bike Safety Month, so please join us on Wednesday, May 17th and Thursday, May 18th from 4-5 PM for some safety fun at the Youth Bike Rodeo part of the Mayor's Wellness Campaign! Members from Middletown Recreation, the MTPD, and Hackensack Meridian Health are teaming up to teach kids from 1st to 5th grade the rules of the road, how to properly wear a helmet, and other important points.

This great event is free for residents! Pre-registration is required.

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

Audition for The SpongeBob Musical at the MAC on Monday, 5/8 from 6-9 PM



The MAC Players is now casting for the Middletown Arts Center's (MAC) production of The SpongeBob Musical! Auditions will take place at the MAC (36 Church Street) on Monday, May 8th from 6-9 PM. Please email auditionmac@gmail.com to schedule an audition time.

Click [HERE](#) for more information about the production and available roles.

RESOURCES

Staples Announces Free Tech Take Back Program



The Middletown Green Team encourages residents to participate in Staples' Free Tech Take Back, a program that allows customers to bring certain items to Staples stores for recycling. This program will be available until Saturday, June 3rd.

Visit www.staples.com/recycling for more information.

Do You Have an Expired COVID-19 Test?

Before you throw out an expired COVID-19 test, visit shorturl.at/fmryL to see the extensions of expiration dates for each test brand.



Middletown
Health
Department



Click [HERE](#) to view the expiration dates for each COVID-19 test brand.

**Earn Extra Money by Becoming a Monmouth County
Poll Worker**

Become a Monmouth County Poll Worker Today!

EARN EXTRA MONEY...

\$300.00 per election for *June Primary* or *November General Election*. Must be a Monmouth County Registered Voter.

**For More Information Call
732-431-7802 x7150**

Report Your Missed Collection

WAS YOUR TRASH, RECYCLING, OR BULK NOT COLLECTED?

LET DPW KNOW!



Please complete an online form at
www.middletownnj.org/missedpickup.

QUESTIONS?

Please call DPW at
732-615-2090.



THANK YOU!

Click [HERE](#) to complete DPW's form.

NJNG Offers In-Person Energy Assistance to Customers through Friday, 6/30


Last month, New Jersey Natural Gas (NJNG) announced it will provide customers with personal support — at the company's Asbury Park and Lakewood walk-in payment centers — to help access energy assistance grants to pay for their energy bills. On select days through June 30, 2023, representatives from local Community Action Partnership (CAP) agencies will be on hand to help customers determine eligibility for grants and other energy assistance programs and with the application process.



Click [HERE](#) to read NJNG's press release for more information.

Monmouth County May COVID-19 Clinics

MONMOUTH COUNTY COVID-19 CLINICS




COVID-19 Vaccines are
safe, free, & effective

Walk-ins welcome
ages six months & older


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

Free At-Home Testing:
Free over the counter
antigen test distribution
program at
www.covid.gov/tests

**Free transportation
to your vaccination:**
-Get free Lyft rides by calling 2-3-1
-Call NJ TRANSIT at 973-275-5555.



DATES & TIMES



Testing and Vaccine Clinics


- May 3, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Asbury Park Municipal Building Lobby, 1 Municipal Plaza, Asbury Park, 07712
- May 10, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Neptune Senior Center, 1607 NJ-33, Neptune, 07753
- May 17, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Middletown Health Department, 1 Kings Highway, Middletown, 07748
- May 24, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Howell Senior Center, 251 Preventorium Rd., Howell, 07731

Pfizer, Moderna,
both of the updated bivalent boosters,
& Novavax COVID-19 vaccines are available

Monmouth County Health Dept. Clinic Vaccine Only

- Every Tuesday, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Monmouth County Health Dept., 50 East Main St., Freehold, 07728
- Entrance closes 15 minutes before clinic ends

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



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

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

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