

Middletown Minutes

Official Township E-Newsletter



Kick Off the Holiday Season with the Township Christmas Tree and Menorah Lighting this Sunday, 12/2



Please join us for the official Township Christmas Tree and Menorah Lighting at the Middletown Arts Center (36 Church Street) on Sunday, December 2nd at 5:00 PM.

There will be crafts, an art exhibition, carols, cartooning, a 50/50 raffle, and a visit from Santa Claus (bring your own camera for photos!). The festivities will also include an ice sculpturist, a high school band & chorus performance, hot cocoa and cookies.

WE HO-HO-HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

On Thursday, November 15th, Mayor Kevin



[Mayor Settembrino sat down with Jill Horner of Comcast Newsmakers to discuss the Port Monmouth Flood Control Project at the New Jersey League of Municipalities Conference in Atlantic City this month.](#)

Settembrino was interviewed by Jill Horner of *Comcast Newsmakers* about the Port Monmouth Flood Control Project.

The Mayor explained the scope of the project and the history of flooding in the Bayshore area that finally brought it to fruition. To learn more about the project, please click [HERE](#).

Click [HERE](#) to watch the *Comcast Newsmakers* TV segment.

Poricy Park Conservancy Holds Annual Colonial Christmas Event



Committeeman Tony Perry and his wife Alannah visited with Santa to get started on their Christmas wish list!

The Poricy Park Conservancy held its annual Colonial Christmas event last weekend. The Christmas festivities were held at the Historic Murray Farmhouse at Poricy Park and included horse and wagon rides, music, refreshments, and visits with Santa! Committeeman Tony Perry stopped by to join in the merriment of the season and chat with local residents. Please mark your calendar for next year's event which will be the weekend after Thanksgiving.

Mayor to Hold Open Office Hours at the MTPL on Monday, 12/3

Mayor Kevin M Settembrino will hold Open Office Hours from 4:30PM to 6:30PM in the lobby of the Middletown Township Public Library (55 New Monmouth Road) on Monday, December 3rd. Visitors are seen on a first-come basis. Mayor Settembrino is also available by appointment. Please call 732-615-2024 for more information.



Ideal Beach Community Association Holds Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony



The Ideal Beach Community Association held its Annual Christmas Tree Lighting on Sunday, November 25th at Roosevelt Park on Port Monmouth Road. The East Keansburg Fire Department and North Middletown First Aid were honored for their continued dedication to the Ideal Beach community. Township Committee members Pat Snell and Rick Hibell joined the fun while Girl and Boy Scouts added to the holiday spirit with caroling. Stop by to see the beautiful tree!



The Middletown Township Clerk's Office Invites You to Participate in VFW Post 2179's Engraved Brick Fundraiser



This holiday season, The Middletown Township Clerk's Office invites you honor a veteran and show support for VFW Post 2179 in Port Monmouth through their **Engraved Brick Fundraiser**.

The proceeds will go towards the purchase of a much-needed new sign for the VFW facility on Highway 36 & Veterans Way. Bricks are located outside of VFW Post 2179.

This is an opportunity to show support for those who sacrificed so much for our country and freedom.



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2018 Leaf Collection Status

LEAF ZONE	APPOX. START DATE	STATUS
A	November 7	Completed
B	November 7	Completed
C	November 16	In Progress
D	November 16	In Progress
L	November 19	Completed
H	November 24	In Progress
F	November 26	-
K	December 1	-
G	December 3	-
J	December 6	-
E	December 12	-
I	December 12	-
L (2 nd Collection)	December 17	-
A,B,C,D (2 nd Collection)	December 26	-

Leaf Collection Guidelines

Please place leaves at the curb (*not in roadway or on sidewalk*) no earlier than 1 week prior to your collection start date.

The following will not be collected:

- Bagged leaves
- Branches
- Brush
- Grass clippings

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

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Volunteer Opportunities

Middletown Recreation has a number of activities that need the generous help of volunteers. Click this slide to learn more!




RECYCLING TIP OF THE WEEK

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Rubber/vinyl garden hoses *are not* recyclable and should be disposed of in your black garbage cart.

They can also be **reused** as blade covers, slow drip sprinklers, planter guides, tree support and much more!



DID YOU KNOW?

Garden hoses are a mess for recycling plant operators because they are long, stringy items that damage equipment. They also create safety hazards for the employees.

*Please **do not** place garden hoses in your blue recycling cart.*

Download the recycleCoach app.
"When in doubt, throw it out!"
www.middletownnj.org/recycling

Upcoming Events



The MTPL Presents: The Band of the Two Rivers Holiday Concert

Date: Saturday, December 8, 2018
Time: 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM
Location: MTPL Community Room (55 New Monmouth Road)

The Band returns to the Middletown Township Public Library with their exhilarating renderings of traditional holiday music.



SAVE-THE-DATE for the MAC's Handbags & Bingo Fundraiser
Friday, March 1, 2019

Join the Middletown Arts Center for a fun & fabulous evening at its annual Handbags & Bingo fundraiser



where you can win designer handbags and prizes!
Volunteers and donations also needed.
Call 732-706-4100 for more information.



Roadwork & Detours

Highway 36 Southbound Jug Handle at Main Street in Belford Closed for Milling and Paving on 12/3

On Monday, December 3rd, the Highway 36 Southbound Belford jug handle on Main Street will be closed for milling and paving by the County between the hours of 7:00 AM-4:00 PM, weather dependent.

Church Street Southbound Lane Closure Through Friday, 12/14

The southbound side of Church Street (in the vicinity of the Middletown Train Station) will be closed until approximately Friday, December 14th by Kiely Construction for improvement of gas lines. Detours will be in place.

New Jersey Turnpike Authority Begins GSP Interchange 109 Construction Project

On November 1, 2018, the New Jersey Turnpike Authority (NJTA) began a construction project to make improvements to Garden State Parkway Interchange 109 at Newman Springs Road (C.R. 520) in the Lincroft section of Middletown. Motorists are advised to expect delays and plan alternate routes if possible.

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