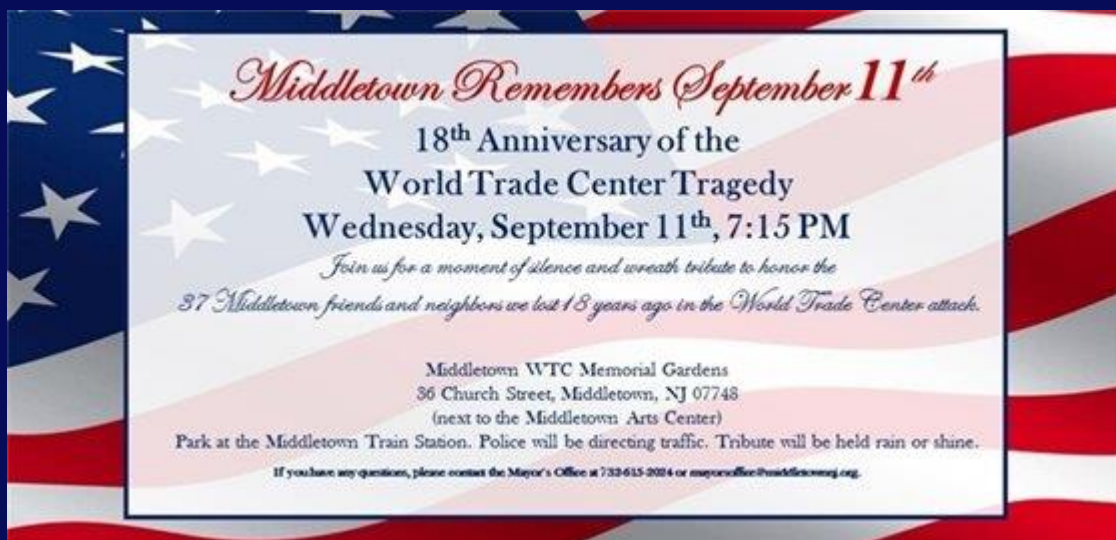


# Middletown Minutes

Official Township E-Newsletter



## "Middletown Remembers" September 11th



**[CLICK THE PICTURE TO VIEW THE INVITATION.](#)**

## Middletown Proclaims September National Recovery Month and Pediatric Cancer Awareness Month

Middletown Township recognized September as National Recovery Month and Pediatric Cancer Awareness Month at the Monday, August 19th Township Committee meeting.



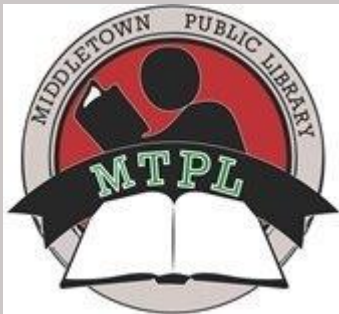
Bob Bucco, President of Middletown Municipal Alliance, accepted the proclamation from Mayor Tony Perry and spoke about the drug abuse prevention programs available at [Crossroads](#) (located in Lincroft). By proclaiming the month of September as National Recovery Month, Middletown is voicing its support of the Municipal Alliance and other groups that are a beacon of hope for those struggling with addiction.

*Pictured from left: Municipal Alliance President Bob Bucco and Mayor Tony Perry*

The Township also recognized September as Pediatric Cancer Awareness Month. John and Louise Gorsegner attended the meeting to accept the proclamation on behalf of [Infinite Love for Kids Fighting Cancer](#), a 501 (c)(3) organization founded by their daughter-in-law, Andrea Verdone Gorsegner, to help raise awareness and fund research for childhood cancer. The Gorsegner's granddaughter is a cancer survivor and they praised the Middletown Township Committee and the community for all of our continued support.



*Pictured from left: Louise Gorsegner, Mayor Tony Perry and Ex-Fire Chief John Gorsegner*



## Middletown Welcomes New Library Director Heather Andolsen

The Middletown Township Public Library (MTPL) and the Township of Middletown are pleased to announce the appointment of Heather Andolsen, MLS, CPM as Library Director beginning September 5, 2019. Click [HERE](#) to read the press release.



*Heather Andolsen will begin at the MTPL on Thursday, September 5th. We wish her the best of luck!*

**MTPD Holds Annual Crossing Guard Training Session**



By law, all crossing guards are required to attend a State-mandated refresher course in August before returning to their posts. Crossing Guard Supervisor Dominick Donatelli conducted the training for our crossing guards at the Middletown Township Public Library on Wednesday, August 21st.

The training featured a video that demonstrates the proper procedures and techniques that should be utilized when crossing both students and pedestrians who come within their guarded areas. Mayor Tony Perry spoke to the Township's Crossing Guards and thanked them for doing the important job of getting our children to school safely. He also presented several Crossing Guards with years of service awards. We wish all of our Crossing Guards a safe school year ahead!



[Click the picture to watch Mayor Perry's latest Comcast Newsmakers segments.](#)

**On Wednesday, August 14th, Mayor Tony Perry sat down with Comcast Newsmakers host Jill Horner to discuss affordable housing as well as why Middletown is continually ranked as one of the nation's safest towns to live in.**

Click [HERE](#) to watch the interviews.



**After getting a tour of the Police Department, Middletown Village Brownie Troop 1230 paid a visit to the Mayor's Office on Wednesday, August 21st. The girls met with Mayor Tony Perry and chatted about his favorite Girl Scout Cookies!**

**Congratulations to William Davis of Troop 122 in Port Monmouth for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout!**


**William refurbished the outdoor picnic area and stage at VFW Post 2179 (1 Veterans Way Lane) in Port Monmouth. Committeeman Kevin**

**Settembrino stopped by the ceremony held at the VFW to wish him the best of luck as a leader of tomorrow.**



*Pictured from left:  
Committeeman Kevin  
Settembrino, Eagle Scout  
William Davis and  
Freeholder Gerry  
Scharfenberger*

## UPCOMING EVENTS



**MIDDLETOWN  
DAY 2019**  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH  
CROYDON HALL 11AM-5PM

[Click on the picture to learn more!](#)

**Register Now for the Mayor's 5K Challenge on Saturday, 10/19**  
*All Proceeds to Benefit Middletown's First Responders*

**Mayor's**  
**CHALLENGE**  
2019  
5K +  
1 mile  
Fun Run

MAYOR'S WELLNESS ACTIVITY  
**PORICY PARK**  
OCTOBER 19TH  
REGISTRATION NOW OPEN:  
[www.middletonnj.org/signup](http://www.middletonnj.org/signup)

Middleton Township  
**MAYOR'S**  
*Wellness*  
CAMPAIGN

MIDDLETOWN  
RECREATION

MIDDLETOWN  
ARTS CENTER

SUSTAINABLE  
JERSEY

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**THE MIDDLETOWN ARTS CENTER PRESENTS:**

Disney  
**HIGH  
SCHOOL  
MUSICAL**  
JR

AUGUST 23-24

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Last Call to Support  
Middleton Social Services'  
August Back to School Supply Drive

**August**  
**BACK TO**  
**School**   
**Supply Drive** 

The Department of Social Services is accepting all types of school supplies at the following locations:

- Middletown Social Services (180 Main Street in Port Monmouth)
- MTPD Police Desk (1 Kings Highway)
- The Middletown Township Public Library (55 New Monmouth Road)

For more information, call Kathy Straniero at 732-615-2085 or visit [www.middletownnj.org/SocialServices](http://www.middletownnj.org/SocialServices)

## Pay Off Your Library Fines With Food Bank Donations Through August 31st

### FOOD FOR FINES

**PAY OFF LIBRARY FINES WITH FOOD BANK DONATIONS!**

**July 1<sup>st</sup> - August 31<sup>st</sup>**

**Each non-perishable donation eliminates \$1.00 of late fees up to \$10.00 per card.**



Middletown Township Public Library  
 55 New Monmouth Road  
 732-671-3700 [www.mtpl.org](http://www.mtpl.org)



Middletown student age 17 and under and don't have a library card or can't pay fines, obtain a temporary digital library card for summer reading on Overdrive and Hoopla.



Pay off your library fines while doing some good by participating in the MTPL's "Food for Fines" program through August 31st. Each non-perishable food item donated will eliminate \$1.00 of late fees from a cardholder's account, up to a maximum of \$10.00 (although patrons are welcome to donate as much food as they want). Fees associated with lost materials and collection agency fees cannot be waived through this program. No expired food will be accepted.

MTPL will bring donations to all of the local food banks on a weekly basis, including Middletown Helps Its Own, Calico Cat, Project Paul and Lunch

Break.

In addition, any Middletown student (17 years & under) who cannot check out books because of a lost library card or late fines can get a digital library card. Students can do their Summer Reading through Overdrive and Hoopla using these cards. Digital library cards are available until August 31st at the Reference Desk.

## Middletown Offers Home Rehabilitation Public Information Session on Tuesday, 9/10



**Middletown Township  
HOME REHABILITATION PROGRAM**

*September 10<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm*  
*Tonya Keller Community Center, 50 Bray Avenue, North Middletown*

If you are a Middletown homeowner, you may be eligible for a home rehabilitation grant of up to \$25,000 from the Township's Home Rehabilitation Program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The Home Rehab Program assists low- and moderate- income households to repair or replace older systems in the home such as plumbing, heating, roof, or electric. Handicap accessibility improvements are also eligible.

The Director of Community Development will be available at the next Ideal Beach Community Association meeting for questions on Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at the Tonya Keller Community Center, 50 Bray Avenue in North Middletown. The facility is handicap accessible. Applications will be available for distribution.

For more information about the Middletown Township Home Rehab Program, you can call our office (732) 615-2281 or visit online at [www.middletownnj.org](http://www.middletownnj.org).

*Si usted es un propietario de Middletown, usted puede ser elegible para una beca de rehabilitación de la casa de hasta \$25,000 del programa de rehabilitación del hogar del municipio financiado por el Departamento de vivienda y desarrollo urbano de los Estados Unidos. Este programa es para hogares de bajos y moderados ingresos. Llame al (732) 615-2281.*

FY2019 Household Income Limits

Household Size Max	Gross Income
1 person	\$52,850
2 people	\$60,400
3 people	\$67,950
4 people	\$75,500
5 people	\$81,550
6 people	\$87,600
7 people	\$93,650
8 people	\$99,700

[Click on the picture to learn more.](#)



## MIDDLETOWN TRAFFIC ALERTS

### **Tindall Road Closed for Milling and Paving from 8/26 through 8/30**

Tindall Road will be closed for milling and paving from Monday, August 26th through Friday, August 30th from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Please plan alternate route and follow detours. Middletown High School North can be accessed via Swartzel Drive.

### **Palmer Avenue Closed for Road and Drainage Improvements**

Palmer Avenue (County Road 7) is closed at Middlewood Road for road and drainage improvements. No thru traffic. Detours will be in place. If you would like an update on the detour, please call the County at 732-431-7760.

### **Monmouth & Navesink Avenue Road Closure Update**

Gray Supply has been working in the area of Monmouth Avenue and Navesink Avenue replacing gas lines. They are anticipating the work will be completed this month. While they are working roads will be intermittently closed in the area and detours will be in place.

### **Route 35 Construction Project**

Construction work on Route 35 began Monday, May 6th northbound from Cooper's Bridge (Red Bank) to Cherry Tree Farm Road and southbound from Cherry Tree Farm Road to New Monmouth Road.

Road work will be done with temporary lane closures from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM and from 8:00 PM to 6:00 AM. All work is weather-dependent.

The project, which consists of repairs and replacement of concrete vertical curb, installation of public curb ramps, repairs to drainage structures and resurfacing of the roadway, is estimated to be completed by December 2019.

Please keep an eye out for possible changes to the schedule.

**NJNG Paves Roads as Part of**



## Gas Main Replacement Program

Starting mid-July, New Jersey Natural Gas will be paving the following roads as part of their gas main replacement program:

- Thompson Ave. Side Streets, North Middletown
- Longwood Ave. & Associated Streets, Middletown
- Collins Ave. & Creek Rd., Port Monmouth
- Reilly St. & Kelly St., North Middletown
- Chapel Hill Rd., Middletown
- Chamone Ave. & Tiensch Ave., Leonardo
- Oakwood Way, Middletown
- Southside Ave. & Portland Rd., Middletown



## Got Bags?

Help Middletown's recycling efforts by dropping off your clean plastic bags at the Plastic Bag Collection Bin at the Middletown Recycling Center (52 Kanes Lane).



Visit [www.middletownnj.org/PlasticBags](http://www.middletownnj.org/PlasticBags) for more information.

THE MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT IS  
SEEKING VOLUNTEERS!

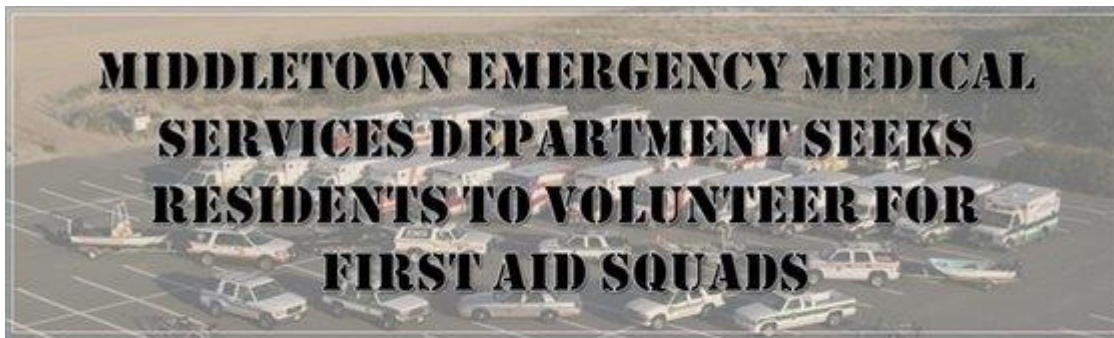
**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS.**

**JOIN TODAY**

**www.MTFDNJ.org**      **#MTFDpride**

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE!](#)

**MIDDLETOWN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SEEKS VOLUNTEERS!**



**MIDDLETOWN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT SEEKS RESIDENTS TO VOLUNTEER FOR FIRST AID SQUADS**

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY SAFE AND HELPING YOUR NEIGHBORS IN A TIME OF NEED?**

**JOIN ONE OF THE 5 VOLUNTEER FIRST AID SQUADS.**

CALL 732-615-2252 OR EMAIL [PUBLICINFO@MIDDLETOWNEMS.ORG](mailto:PUBLICINFO@MIDDLETOWNEMS.ORG)

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE SQUAD THAT SERVES YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND HOW TO VOLUNTEER.

**NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY.**



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