



## Township Updates Mask Policy



**Middletown Celebrates World War II and Korean War Veteran's 94<sup>th</sup> Birthday**



**Mayor Tony Perry and Police Chief Craig Weber presented veteran John Alonso with a certificate to celebrate his 94th birthday.**



*Mayor Tony Perry, Police Chief Craig Weber, and members of the MTPD gathered together to sing "Happy Birthday" to John.*

**On Friday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, Mayor Tony Perry, Police Chief R. Craig Weber, and members of the MTPD surprised World War II and Korean War veteran John Alonso with a gift basket and certificate in honor of his birthday.**



*Mayor Tony Perry shakes hands with the "Man of the Hour".*

**Happy birthday, John!  
Thank you for your service.**

## **MTPD Participates in Torch Run Benefiting New Jersey Special Olympics**



*Photo courtesy of MTPD Detective*



**Mayor Tony Perry and Police Chief Craig Weber cheered on the runners along their route at Torch Run sponsor ShopRite**



*Photo courtesy of MTPD Detective*

*Ric Cruz*

*where they stopped for refreshments and presented a plaque to thank them.*

*Ric Cruz*

On Friday, June 11<sup>th</sup> the Middletown Township Police Department participated in the 38<sup>th</sup> annual [Law Enforcement Torch Run](#) to raise funds for the Special Olympics of New Jersey. The run spans over 750 miles and 26 routes as statewide officers carry the "Flame of Hope". MTPD officers received the torch from the Red Bank Police Department traveled up Route 35, stopped for some refreshments at ShopRite (1361 NJ-35) where they presented a plaque to thank them as a sponsor, and then continued up Highway 35 to pass the symbolic torch to the Holmdel Township Police Department.

The annual Torch Run's completion sparks the lighting of the cauldron at the Special Olympics New Jersey Summer Games Opening Ceremony, which is returning both in-person and virtually this year.

## Ryan O'Toole Makes Middletown Proud by Earning Prestigious Eagle Scout Rank



*From left: Committeeman Ryan Clarke, Deputy Mayor Rick Hibell, and Eagle Scout Ryan O'Toole.*

***All photos provided by David O'Toole, the Scoutmaster of Lincroft Troop 110 and Ryan O'Toole's father.***



*Committeeman Ryan Clarke and Eagle Scout Ryan O'Toole shake hands as Deputy Mayor Rick Hibell proudly watches.*

On Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, Lincroft Troop 110 Boy Scout Ryan O'Toole was promoted to Eagle Scout at a ceremony that took place at Lincroft Village Green. Ryan earned this prestigious rank by building five Lego tables for the disability programs at five Middletown schools. He hosted fundraisers to raise money for supplies and distributed the tables to Bayview Elementary School, Lincroft Elementary School, High School South, Village Elementary, and Harmony School in January 2020. He was officially promoted this past October and celebrated with an official ceremony last weekend.

The Lego tables provide students with disabilities an opportunity to practice their fine motor skills. Inspired by the disability program he went through at Bayview Elementary School, Ryan wanted to give back to the students who are following the same path he took.

Ryan recently graduated from the Diesel Mechanics program at Monmouth County Vocational School District. Now as an Eagle Scout, he plans to serve as a mentor to Lincroft Troop 110.

**Congratulations on all your achievements, Ryan!**  
Your involvement has made a positive difference in our schools and Township.

## Middletown Township Police Department K-9 Receives Protective Vest from Associated Humane Societies



*From left: Deputy Mayor Rick Hibell, Associated Humane Societies General Manager Ronnie Ehrenspeck, Associated Humane Societies Mobile Unit Coordinator Pam Parisio, Patrolman Steve Greenwood and his K-9 partner Cap, Associated Humane Societies CEO Jerry Rosenthal, Deputy Police Chief Robert Stefanski, Police Chief R. Craig Weber, and Committeeman Ryan Clarke.*

On Thursday, June 10<sup>th</sup> representatives from local nonprofit [Associated Humane Societies](#) visited our MTPD headquarters and donated a protective K-9 vest to one of our K-9 officers, Cap. Two-year-old Cap works in patrol explosives, alongside Patrolman Steve Greenwood.

Associated Humane Societies donates protective K-9 vests to police departments who are in need. Email Mobile Unit Coordinator Pam Parisio at [pparisio@ahsppz.org](mailto:pparisio@ahsppz.org) if you are interested in receiving one.

Thanks Associated Humane Societies for this generous donation and for helping us keep our officers safe!

## MTPD Hosts Free Car Seat Safety Checkpoint Wednesday, June 16<sup>th</sup> from 2 - 6 PM at Old Village Fire Company



Residents are welcome to come to this **FREE** Car Seat Safety Checkpoint hosted by the MTPD at Station 11 Old Village Fire Company (1340 NJ-35) to ensure your child is in the right car seat and that it is installed correctly.

## Vincent T. Lombardi Knights of Columbus Council #6552 Participates in Clean Communities Mini Grant Program



On Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, the [Vincent T. Lombardi Knights Of Columbus Council #6552](#) participated in the Clean Communities Mini Grant program by picking up litter in the Belford Seaport area. All together, they picked up 16 bags of trash that would have otherwise polluted our waterways.

The group plans to use the \$500 they will receive to host a barbeque for the Middletown Township Police Department to thank them for their service.

We are so grateful to the Knights of Columbus for being a part of this program and all they do for our Township!

Click [HERE](#) for information about the Clean Communities Mini Grant program and how you can get involved.

## Watch the June 7<sup>th</sup> Middletown Township Committee Workshop Meeting



Click [HERE](#) to watch the Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup> Workshop meeting on the Township's

YouTube channel or catch it on our TV channel  
(Verizon FIOS Channel 26/Comcast Cable Channel 20) every night at  
5:00 PM and 8:30 PM through June 20<sup>th</sup>.



### MTPD Nixle Advisory

Per the County, Middletown-Lincroft Road will be closed from 6 PM Monday, 6/14 until 6 AM Tuesday, 6/15 from Holland Road to Castle Drive for milling and paving. There will be no through traffic. Expect delays, follow detours, and plan alternate routes.

Pick Up or Purchase a 9/11 Remembrance Yard Sign at the  
MAC this Weekend from 12 to 3 PM



The Middletown Township World Trade Center Memorial Gardens Committee is selling remembrance yard signs to raise money for the World Trade Center Memorial Gardens (36 Church Street). The committee will be handing out signs at the Middletown Arts Center (36 Church Street) on Friday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup> from 12 to 3 PM. Bring your order confirmation number if you already placed an order. You will also be able to purchase one while there.

Click [HERE](#) to order a remembrance lawn sign.

Visit [www.middletownremembers911.com](http://www.middletownremembers911.com) for more information or call (732) 615-2287 if you have any questions.

**Register for a Free Flood Insurance Webinar:  
Monday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM**



Middletown's Office of Emergency Management recommends Risk Reduction Plus and Smart Vent's free webinar happening on Monday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM to residents who live in flood-prone areas.

Click [HERE](#) to register for the event.  
Click [HERE](#) for information and resources.

**NOW  
HIRING**



**SEASONAL LABORERS AT THE RECYCLING CENTER**

VISIT [WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/JOBS](http://WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/JOBS)  
OR CALL 732-615-2017 TO APPLY.



This position is ideal for someone who likes to help others, enjoys being outdoors, and doesn't mind a little exercise!

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



*Pictured above is the helicopter, Bell 206 with the tail number 828HA. Photo courtesy of FirstEnergy and JCP&L.*

## FirstEnergy and JCP&L Conducting Annual Vegetation Management Aerial Patrols on Monday, 6/14 & Tuesday, 6/15

FirstEnergy and JCP&L will be conducting Annual Vegetation Management Aerial Patrols. Please be advised that the *HeloAir* will be the helicopter company assisting in the inspections on all Jersey Central Power and Light Transmission Lines, beginning 6/14 through 6/15, weather permitting.

Vegetation aerial inspections are scheduled during the April through September time frame covering all transmission facilities system-wide annually. Patrols are intended to identify conditions that may be a threat to the safety and reliability of the transmission system.

The helicopter will be flying at a speed of about 35-40 mph above or alongside the lines and may circle around for a closer inspection.

As always, poor weather and emergency patrols/repairs elsewhere may cause re-scheduling and/or delays.

## The Middletown Senior Center Is Now Open!

**WE'RE BACK!**

**JOIN US**

**MONDAY - FRIDAY, 9AM - 4PM**

VISIT [WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/SENIORS](http://WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/SENIORS) FOR UPDATES AND SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES.

MIDDLETOWN SENIOR CENTER

Middletown Senior Center welcomes back all members to the center! The building is open to the public from 9am – 4pm for in-person classes, activities, and events.

Please note: social distancing and mask requirements will be suspended for those who have been vaccinated. We ask all who have NOT been vaccinated to continue to wear a mask and socially distance where possible. Transportation is unavailable at this time, so please check with the Senior Center for future availability.

Visit [www.middletownnj.org/seniors](http://www.middletownnj.org/seniors) for a schedule of activities.  
Email [kdavis@middletownnj.org](mailto:kdavis@middletownnj.org) to receive weekly email updates.

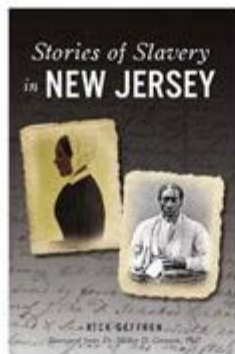
## MTPL Presents Book and Author Talk: *Stories of Slavery in New Jersey* on Tuesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM

### Book and Author Talk presents

**Rick Geffken**

**SPECIAL  
EVENT**

**Zoom**  
Video Conferencing



Slavery went beyond the tobacco, cotton and sugar industries. Did you know New Jersey was the last state to abolish slavery? Or that Lewis Morris used slaves in his Monmouth County home *Tinton Manor*? Join Rick Geffken, local historian and author of *Stories of Slavery in New Jersey* as he discusses slavery in New Jersey from the early 17th century through the late 1880s.

Copies of his book are available for check out at the Library.

register online @ [mtpl.org](http://mtpl.org)

**Tuesday, Jun 15<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 pm**



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

## Join MTPL at its Psychological Thriller Fest on Tuesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 PM

**PSYCHOLOGICAL THRILLER FEST 2021**



**ONE NIGHT ~ THREE AUTHORS**




**J.T. Ellison    Mary Kubica    Lisa Unger**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 22 @ 6:30PM**



Visit [www.mtpl.org](http://www.mtpl.org) to register and receive the Zoom link for this event.

**Celebrate Weissfest 2021 at the Middletown Arts Center  
from Thursday, June 24<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup>**



**THE DECADE THAT ROCKED**  
THE PHOTOGRAPHY OF MARK "WEISSGUY" WEISS

Stop by the MAC (36 Church Street) for a special three-day weekend of events celebrating renowned Rock 'n Roll Photographer Mark "WEISSGUY" Weiss' birthday and his 40+ years as a Rock 'n Roll photographer.

Spend an evening with Rock 'n Roll Photographer Mark Weiss on Thursday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at the Opening Reception of his MAC exhibit "The Decade that Rocked" from from 7 to 10 PM. The exhibit, which will be displayed at the MAC until August 15<sup>th</sup>, features his one-of-a-kind photos and artwork that celebrate the music icons of the 1980s and his personal stories of life with the legends. Tickets are required to attend the Opening Reception. All proceeds benefit the MAC.

There will be outdoor concerts at the MAC on Friday, June 25<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 - 9 PM.

Click [HERE](#) to purchase tickets for the Opening Reception.

## Join Middletown Recreation at Sunset Movie in the Park on Thursday, 6/24

The poster features a film strip background. On the left, a movie poster for 'The War with Grandpa' shows a boy and a man. The text reads: 'MOVIE IN THE PARK Thursday, June 24th THE WAR WITH GRANDPA (PG)'. Below this, it says 'Free!' and 'Poric Park - Nature Center, Lawn Movie starts at sunset, approximately 8:30pm.' On the right, there is a large black silhouette of a movie camera on a tripod. The camera has a logo that says 'MIDDLETOWN RECREATION' with icons of a person running, a person on a bicycle, and a person in a wheelchair. In front of the camera are two anthropomorphic characters: a red and white striped popcorn bucket and a red cup with a straw.

Join Recreation to watch this great family film in the park! Make sure to pack your chairs and some snacks to enjoy this movie with your family. Seating is first come, first served. No registration, so get there early to claim your spot on the lawn!

### Featured Movie: *The War with Grandpa* (PG)

*Sixth-grader Peter (Oakes Fegley) is pretty much your average kid—he likes gaming, hanging with his friends and his beloved pair of Air Jordans. But when his recently widowed grandfather Ed (Robert De Niro) moves in with Peter's family, the boy is forced to give up his most prized possession of all: his bedroom. Unwilling to let such an injustice stand, Peter devises a series of increasingly elaborate pranks to drive out the interloper, but Grandpa Ed won't go without a fight. Soon, the friendly combatants are engaged in an all-out war with side-splitting consequences.*

**Middletown Social Services Presents Vision Event at  
Middletown High School North  
Wednesday, June 30<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 6 PM**



**MIDDLETOWN SOCIAL SERVICES**  
**PRESENT A VISION EVENT**  
**Wednesday, June 30, 2021**  
2PM - 6PM  
Middletown High School North's Cafeteria  
(63 Tindall Road)  
Visit [www.middletownnj.org/socialservices](http://www.middletownnj.org/socialservices) for more information.

All insurances are accepted.  
Self pay: \$30 eye exam  
\$30 contact lens fitting  
Frame & lens starting at \$29

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



**DID YOU KNOW?**  
Middletown Preschool  
registration is open for the  
2021-2022 School Year!

**3 Year Old & 4 Year Old Classes**

**Monday - Thursday**  **Tonya Keller Community Center**  
9:00am - 12:00pm 50 Bray Ave, Middletown

Enrollment applications being accepted while space is available.

Contact us to learn more about enrollment, our waitlist and tuition fees.  
[www.middletownnj.org/preschool](http://www.middletownnj.org/preschool) || 732-615-3250 || [recreation@middletownnj.org](mailto:recreation@middletownnj.org)

Middletown Preschool is accepting applications for enrollment in the 2021-2022 school year! Applications for the PreK-3 and PreK-4 year old classes are being accepted while space is available.

For more information about the school, enrollment, and tuition fees visit [www.middletownnj.org/preschool](http://www.middletownnj.org/preschool).

**Register For This Summer's Snapology Camp!**



MIDDLETOWN  
RECREATION

# MIDDLETOWN RECREATION

PRESENTS



## Snapology

CAMP AT PORICY PARK

MONDAY - FRIDAY | 9:00AM - 12:00PM  
GRADES 1 - 5

**8/9-8/13: POKEMANIA CAMP**  
**8/16-8/20: MINECRAFT® MAKERS CAMP**  
**8/23-8/27: AMAZING ANIMALS ROBOTICS & CODING CAMP**  
**8/30-9/3: JEDI MASTERS CAMP**

TO REGISTER, VISIT:  
[WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/SIGNUP](http://WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/SIGNUP)  
CHOOSE "SUMMER CAMP - 2021"

This year, Middletown Recreation is offering half-day camps at Poricy Park – Nature Center. Kids will have a blast making new friends and tackling S.T.E.A.M. projects with Snapology this summer. Camps will be smaller socially-distanced groups in accordance with state COVID-19 guidelines.

Registration is now open! Click [HERE](#) to sign up.

## TEMPORARY CHANGE IN BULK COLLECTION IN NORTH AND SOUTH ZONES THROUGH JULY 9<sup>TH</sup>

SOLTERRA, THE TOWNSHIP'S GARBAGE CONTRACTOR, IS CURRENTLY TRAINING STAFF AFTER BEING HEAVILY IMPACTED BY COVID-19. DUE TO THESE STAFFING ISSUES, NORTH AND SOUTH ZONE BULK COLLECTION WILL CONTINUE TO TAKE PLACE ON THE SATURDAY AFTER YOUR REGULAR RECYCLING DAY THROUGH JULY 9<sup>TH</sup>.

VISIT [WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/BULK](http://WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/BULK) FOR MORE INFO.





## Keep "Striving for Five" Middletown!

ITEMS ACCEPTED IN CURBSIDE RECYCLING:					<b>DOWNLOAD</b>  FOR UPDATES SENT VIA TEXT OR EMAIL INCLUDING: ✓ PERSONALIZED COLLECTION CALENDARS ✓ EMERGENCY COLLECTION NOTIFICATIONS ✓ WHAT GOES WHERE LOOK-UP TOOL VISIT <a href="http://WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/RECYCLECOACHAPP">WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/RECYCLECOACHAPP</a> TO DOWNLOAD ON APPLE OR ANDROID DEVICES
<b>CANS</b> 	<b>GLASS</b> 	<b>PAPER</b> 	<b>PLASTIC</b> 	<b>CARDBOARD</b> 	
ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED IN CURBSIDE RECYCLING:					
<b>DO NOT BAG RECYCLABLES</b> 	<b>NO PLASTIC BAGS</b> 	<b>NO TANGLES, CORDS, HOSES OR CHAINS</b> 	<b>NO YARD WASTE</b> 	<b>NO FOOD OR LIQUID EMPTIED AND RINSE CONTAINERS</b> 	

As part of Middletown’s Recycling Education Campaign, the Department of Public Works will be adding the sticker above on new and replaced recycling carts in town as a reminder to keep “Striving for Five!” and recycling right.

Items accepted curbside include bottles and cans, glass, paper, and cardboard. Please note the items listed above that are not accepted curbside, which contaminate our recycling stream.

For questions on what goes where, emergency collection notifications, and personalized collection calendars, residents can download the [Recycle Coach app!](#)

Click [HERE](#) to access hi-res photos from this e-newsletter.

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