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— MIDDLETOWN —
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Join Us for National Night Out 2022!



Join us for National Night out on Tuesday, August 2nd from 6pm to 9pm at the Municipal Center hosted by the Middletown Township Police Department.

National Night Out is an annual Nationwide community policing event that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie.

Families and community members will have the opportunity to meet Middletown Township Police and participate in Police demonstrations.

"National Night Out is a great opportunity for police officers to engage with residents" said Chairperson Mike Ksiazek, "It's a fun night that brings out a true sense of community".

Come out for a fun night of activities including: crafts, throwing a pie in the face of a local elected official, basketball, jumbo yard games, and much more. Shop small from many of our vendors. Once you've worked up an appetite, grab a bite from one of our food trucks!

We hope to see you there!

Middletown Township Recognized as Platinum Certified Sustainable Township



Middletown Township is newly recognized as Platinum Certified Sustainable Township among a select group of high performing municipalities. The Township is the ninth municipality in Pennsylvania to be certified at the platinum level, the highest level possible, through the Sustainable Pennsylvania Community Certification Program. The program's rigorous performance criteria track 31 policies and practices that define a sustainable community.

The Sustainable Pennsylvania Community Certification Program, managed by the Pennsylvania Municipal League in partnership with Sustainable Pittsburgh, is intended to bring recognition to municipalities that are implementing the policies and practices of sustainability to advance community and regional prosperity. It also serves as a mechanism for sharing best practices for creating a more sustainable Pennsylvania. Middletown Township was previously a Certified Gold community.

The certification is implemented statewide, recognizing Townships, Boroughs, Municipalities, cities, and home rule municipalities across the Commonwealth that are working to save money, conserve resources, and serve vibrant communities.

In earning the Platinum Certification, Middletown Township is acknowledged for its progress in such areas as community design and land use, energy efficiency, health and wellness, intergovernmental cooperation, recycling and waste reduction, fiscal controls, and internal management and operations.

"Middletown Township is proud to be recognized as a Platinum Certified Community by the Sustainable Pennsylvania Community Certification Program," said Chairperson Mike Ksiazek, "The Township has and continues to demonstrate a commitment to advancing sustainable best practices to foster thriving and vibrant communities where people long to live, work, and play. We are pleased to be recognized and be part of the regional community of good government."

Details about Middletown Township's certification performance within these topics can be found on the [certification program's website](#).

Middletown Township Board of Supervisors Recognize July as Disability Pride Month



Middletown Township Board of Supervisors recognized July 2022 as Disability Pride Month at their meeting on Monday, July 18, 2022. Disability Pride Month is celebrated nationally during the month of July to commemorate the passing of the landmark Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in July 1990.

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) was passed to prohibit discrimination against people with disabilities and to ensure the rights of citizens with disabilities. July is a time to recognize and celebrate how disability is a natural part of human diversity in which people living with disabilities can take pride.

People with disabilities are the largest and most diverse minority in the United States making up approximately 26% of the population with people representing all ages, races, ethnicities, genders, sexual orientations, religions, and socio-economic backgrounds.

"One of the community's greatest strengths is the diversity of its people", said Chairperson Mike Ksiazek, "We encourage all people in our community to promote the elimination of discriminatory policies and practices toward any group of people".

"This is a time to celebrate our disability culture, empowerment, and identity, while challenging the discrimination that people with disabilities face" said Vice Chairperson Anna Payne, "No matter the disability that someone is facing, it's important that they are included in conversations about how to improve the community".

In 2020, the Middletown Township Board of Supervisors created the Middletown Human Relations Commission (HRC) and charged it with the task of addressing discrimination in the Township, merging the board with the previously-established Disabled Persons Advisory Board.

Middletown Township and the Human Relations Commission recognize that disabled individuals contribute to our community's success and strength in immeasurable number of ways.

It's Showtime at Middletown Community Park!



Bring your family out for a fun movie night at Middletown Community Park on Thursday, July 28th. Middletown Township Parks and Recreation will be showing *Pixar's Luca* and hosting fun summer activities.

Pre-movie activities will start at 6:45pm and the movie will start once it starts to get dark around 8:15pm.

There will be a raffle sponsored by Middletown Community Foundation Board Member Diane Loomis benefitting the Middletown Community Foundation. Popcorn and other snacks will be available for purchase.

We hope to see you there!

Park and Plug Your Vehicle with Us!



Four stations are now available in Middletown Township for charging your electric vehicle:

- Middletown Township Municipal Center (3 Municipal Way)
- Department of Public Works building (700 Veterans Highway)
- Styer Orchard Farm Store (1121 Woodbourne Road)

All four charging stations are open for public use at the rate of \$0.18/kWh. Most vehicles can be fully charged for less than \$12!

The charging station at the Municipal Center is located in the parking lot outside of the Police Department, and the charging station at the Department of Public Works building is located outside of the main entrance next to Veterans Memorial Park.

To make charging your vehicle easier, [set up an account with ChargePoint](#) before plugging in.

2022 Road Program Schedule is Available Now!



Middletown Township's Road Improvement Program is a fourteen-year plan to repave more than 100 miles of Township-owned roads in the community. Damaged and worn roads can cause safety hazards and additional risk to vehicle maintenance. It is important to keep road repaving on schedule because delays cause additional wear to roads, making them more expensive to fix and maintain over longer periods of time.

The tenth year of the Road Improvement Program was recently authorized by the Middletown Township Board of Supervisors and will repave 3.85 miles of road. Road paving is focused on the Idlewood neighborhood, as well as select other Township-owned roads in the Township. A full list is available below. Repaving is expected to occur between July and September.

The contract to complete this work was awarded to JD Morrissey, Inc., for \$1.76 million. The Township solicits bids for repaving several miles of Township roads each year. Soliciting bids from contractors allows the Township to find a competitive rate from various businesses, while avoiding overhead costs such as equipment and seasonal personnel. Also included with this bid are the repaving of a parking lot and walking path at Twin Oaks Park, as well as paving of a lot at the Middletown Community Center for pickleball courts.

The full list of roads (all or in part) to be paved include:

- Doublewoods Rd, from Fulling Mill Rd to dead end;
- Knoll Ave, entire length;
- Shaw Ave, entire length;
- Fairhill Ave, from Old Lincoln Highway to dead end;
- Grand Ave, entire length;
- S Hazel Ave, entire length;
- Hill St, entire length;
- Orchard Ave, entire length;
- Walnut St/Bristol Ave, from parking lot on PFC John Delola Ave to municipal line;

- Dogwood St, entire length;
- Turtle Ln, entire length;
- Deer Dr, entire length;
- E Ravine Ave, entire length.
- Eagle Ln, entire length;
- Pheasant Dr, entire length;
- Granite Ave, entire length;
- Forget Me Not Ln, entire length;
- Twin Oaks Park, entrance, parking lot, and a portion of walking path; (Alternate Bid No. 1)
- Middletown Senior Citizen Center, rear parking lot repaving and installation of three pickleball courts. (Alternate Bid No. 2)

In addition to these roads, PennDOT is busy throughout the area repaving state-owned roads.

Construction is expected to be completed by the fall. Please follow posted signage as crews perform work.

Help Stop the Spread of Spotted Lanternflies

Spotted Lanternflies have many different life stages. They can exist in most of these stages during the summer. An effective way to stop the spread of this invasive insect is by smashing or stepping on them.

SLFs attack fruit trees and feed on the sap in the trunks, leaves, and branches of trees. Because of how the SLF uses its mouth to feed on sap, it will leave wounds on the trees. As the sap is extracted, the wounds can attract bees and other insects, or fungi and mold can grow on the wounds.



Some things you can do to manage the spread of spotted lanternflies is squash the bugs, scrape egg masses off trees, use tree traps to catch them, remove host plants, and apply insecticides.

If you see any spotted lanternflies at any of the above stages in the community or on your property, [you can report the sighting to the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.](#)

For more information, visit middletownbucks.org/SLF.

Household Hazardous Waste Event Hosted by Bucks County

On Saturday, August 13th, Bucks County will be holding a Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection event at Bensalem High School (4319 Hulmeville Rd, Bensalem). The event will be held from 8:30 AM to 2 PM and is free for all Bucks County residents.

Household Hazardous Waste Event

Pre-registration is NOT required



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SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 2022
Bensalem High School
4319 Hulmeville Road, Bensalem, PA 19020
8:30am - 3:00pm

Household products containing toxic chemicals, like pesticides, oil-based paints, solvents, cleaning products, weed killers and automotive batteries can be a threat to people and the environment if improperly discarded. Never throw these materials into the trash, as the toxic chemicals may harm sanitation workers, or result in fires in collection vehicles. It is also not safe to pour them into a sink or storm drain as they can end up in the environment polluting the air, water, or soil.

Residents may bring up to 25 gallons or 220 pounds of hazardous products. Hazardous products will have cautionary words on label, for example: Danger, Warning, or Caution.

Unlike prior events, no advanced registration is necessary. Please visit, the [Bucks County Government](#) Household Hazardous Waste webpage to view a list of waste items that will be accepted.

Sign Up For Penndel-Middletown Emergency Squads Annual Subscription



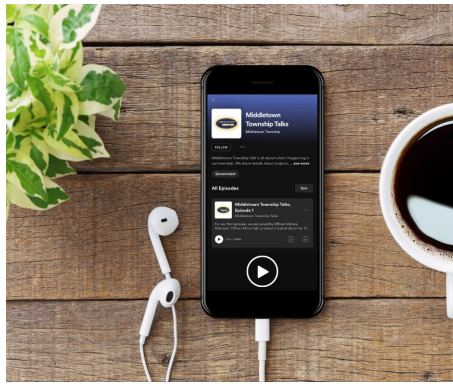
The Penndel-Middletown Emergency Squad (PMES) is currently promoting its 2022-2023 Subscription Program. Your subscription assures that Penndel-Middletown Emergency Squad will have the staff, vehicles and equipment required to provide around-the-clock protection for you and your family in the event of an emergency.

Your subscription can save you hundreds of dollars by covering any co-payments or deductibles. Most insurance companies do not pay 100% of total ambulance charges. Your subscription covers any copayments or deductibles.

In addition, your subscription also assures that you will not incur any unnecessary bills for medically necessary emergency ambulance service to the closest appropriate facility, regardless of your insurance coverage.

For more information about this program, please [view this subscription form](#), or visit

their [website](#) to register or renew your subscription.



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Middletown Township Talks provides residents the inside scoop about Township events, projects, and other community happenings.

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You might've heard from a little bird that we're on Twitter!

Make sure to follow us @middletownbucks to keep up with important updates and news about the community.

Tweet us your pictures from events, of our parks, or any fun pictures from things in our community and we'll retweet our favorites!



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