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**Middletown Township Board of Supervisors Join Community Members
for Ribbon Cutting at Cobalt Ridge Park**



Pictured from left to right: Commissioner Bob Harvie, Secretary Dawn Quirple, Vice Chairperson Anna Payne, Chairperson Mike Ksiazek, Supervisor Dana Kane, and Diane Marseglia

On Wednesday, August 10th, 2022, the Middletown Township Board of Supervisors joined local community members for a ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate the grand opening of the new playground at Cobalt Ridge Park.

The Department of Public Works broke ground in the beginning of June to replace the 17-year-old playground at Cobalt Ridge Park. This playground is one of a few in the Township that will broaden our inclusive features for children of varying abilities.

The new playground has many features: wheelchair access, solitude seats designed for children on the autism spectrum, a music feature, expression swings with adaptive seating for adults and children to sit face-to-face, plus new benches and trash cans.

“We are pleased to expand our parks for residents with varying abilities,” Chairperson Mike Ksiazek said, “It is part of our vision to continue to offer recreation spaces that are accessible to everyone in the community”.

“I grew up in Cobalt just a few houses away from the park, so I’m excited that kids of all abilities will be able to play, learn to socialize, and interact with their environment,” said Vice Chairperson Anna Payne.

The Cobalt Ridge Park Playground design checks all seven principles of inclusive play that qualifies it as a National Demonstration Site for Inclusion. This means that the playground illustrates community vitality across a variety of influences, including social-emotional, environmental, health, community engagement, public services, and educational opportunities.

Mark Your Calendars for the Beer Garden on September 10th!



Join your friends for a Beer Garden benefitting the [Middletown Community Foundation](#) at Styer's on September 10th!

Come out for live music from Big Whiskey, local craft beers from Aristeaus Brewery and food from Styer's. Enjoy hayrides through the farm, corn hole, foosball, and fun kids games!

Middletown Township Announces Dates for 2022 Road Program

2022 Road Program Schedule



Middletown Township has announced the milling and paving schedule for Middletown Township's Road Improvement Program to be completed by JD Morrissey, Inc. The Road Program is a fourteen-year plan to repave more than 100 miles of Township-owned roads in the community. The contract to complete this work was awarded for \$1.76 million.

Included in the tenth year of the Road Program is the repaving of a parking lot at Twin Oaks Park which will begin on August 22nd, as well as paving of a lot at the Middletown Community Center for pickleball courts which will begin on September 5th.

The milling and paving of the following roadways will begin the week of September 19th:

- 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;

The scheduled dates are the current tentative schedule and are subject to change.

Construction is expected to be completed by the fall. Please follow posted signage as crews perform work. In addition to these roads, PennDOT is busy throughout the area repaving state-owned roads.

Fall Rec Program Registration Open Now!



Although Summer is almost over, the fun does not have to end! Middletown Township Parks & Recreation Fall 2022 Program Guide is now available online, and registration for the 2022 Fall programs is now open.

There are a great variety of recreation programs available for all age groups. Some of the programs include: dog training sessions for both beginner and advanced students, yoga and Qi Gong Tai Chi classes, art programs, and many sports programs including kickball, pickleball, archery, and golf lessons.

To browse or join our fall programs, please visit www.middletownbucks.org/ProgramRegistration.

If you have any questions, please call 215-750-3890 for assistance.

Save the Date – ParklandFest Community Day on Saturday, October 8th!

Saturday, October 8th • 12pm to 4pm

6TH ANNUAL **PARKLANDFest**
COMMUNITY DAY

FIREFIGHTERS' PARK
800 POPLAR STREET, LANGHORNE, PA 19047

**LIVE PERFORMANCE BY
THE UPTOWN STRING BAND**

Beer Garden run by Middletown Community Foundation

**GAMES
VENDORS
FOODTRUCKS
LIVE MUSIC
BEER GARDEN**

Uptown
String Band

The Middletown Township Community Foundation is excited to invite residents to a Beer Garden at ParklandFest Community Day on Saturday, October 8th from 12-4 PM at Firefighters' Park.

Grab a bite to eat, gather with neighbors, have a cold beer or wine and check out the vendors, while the children play the many games and activities available.

There will be live music throughout the day with a final musical performance by Uptown String Band.

We hope to see you there!

Campers from Middletown Townships' Summer Recreation Program Make a Donation to the Sunshine Foundation



At the Board of Supervisors meeting on Monday, August 15th, the campers from Middletown Township Parks and Recreation Summer Recreation Program made a donation of \$2,500 to the Sunshine Foundation.

The Sunshine Foundation answers the dreams of children, ages three through eighteen, who have severe or profound physical/developmental/intellectual challenges or trauma from physical/sexual abuse, and whose families have limited income.

Core Creek Park Site Supervisor, Carol Garner, shared a project she led with her campers called, "A Little Kindness Matters". This project started as a treasure chest decorating craft at camp to which Carol gave the kids a penny and encouraged them to grow the penny. Through their own creativity, the children at the Core Creek Park camp site raised through picking up extra chores around the house or helping a neighbor.

In addition to the campers contributions, money was collected from the pool snack bar over the summer as well as from a community car wash at the Middletown Community Center.

The money donated to the Sunshine Foundation will make the dream of a local child to go to Disney Parks! Thank you to the summer camp kids for helping make a dream come true.

Municipal Center Closed September 5th for Labor Day



The Middletown Township Municipal Center will be closed on Monday, September 5th for Labor Day. As we celebrate Labor Day, we honor the men and women who fought tirelessly for workers' rights, which are crucial to our strong and successful labor force.

In the event of an emergency, please dial 911. Our offices will reopen on Tuesday, September 6th, from 8:30AM to 4:30PM.

Labor Day Trash Collection Notice



In observance of Labor Day, there will be no trash and recycling collection on Monday, September 5th, 2022.

Monday's trash will be collected on Thursday, September 8th, 2022. Up to 20 containers may be placed out for collection on Thursday. Recyclables will be collected on Tuesday, September 6th, 2022 throughout the Township.

MTGo!

MTGo is Middletown Township's citizen service request portal. Residents and community members can report issues to the Township faster than ever before, only a button-click away.



Do You Need a REAL ID?

REAL ID is optional in Pennsylvania, but you'll need a federally-accepted form of ID, like a REAL ID or passport, to fly on a commercial plane or enter secure federal buildings after May 3, 2023.

You will still be able to get a standard driver's license or identification card after May 3, 2023 but will not be able to use it to board commercial flights or enter secure federal buildings.



Visit PennDOT.gov/REALID for more information and required documentation for getting a Real ID.

Help Prevent Mosquitos Around Your Home



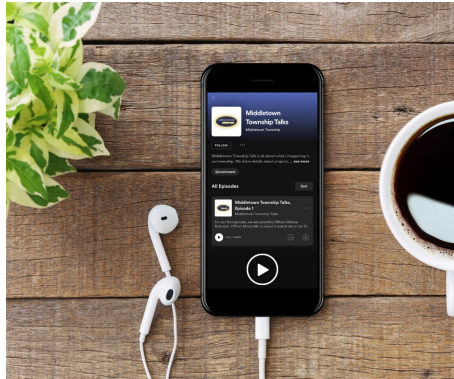
COMMON MOSQUITO BREEDING AREAS

This diagram shows the most common breeding areas for mosquitos around your home.

The [Bucks County Department of Health's \(BCDH\)](https://www.buckscountypa.gov/health) Disease Vector Control Program works to protect the population of Bucks County from mosquito infestation, nuisance mosquito bites and potential mosquito borne disease through enforcement of the County's Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Disease Vector Control. The Department conducts an extensive mosquito control program during the warmer months of the year.

Residents and property owners can also help prevent mosquito infestations and bites by eliminating standing water which promotes mosquito breeding around their homes.

They can further reduce the threat of mosquito borne disease by using a repellent when going outdoors. Long sleeve shirts and pants can offer protection from bites as well as limiting time outdoors at dawn or dusk when mosquitoes are most active.



Tune Into Middletown Township Talks - the Township Podcast!

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

Tune in for [monthly episodes online](#) or search "Middletown Township Talks" on your favorite streaming platform.

We're on Twitter!

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!



Give Your Sprinkler a Break!



Stormwater Sprinkler Tips!

With the summer heat, you might find yourself using your sprinklers more often. As part of on-going efforts to reduce the effects of polluted stormwater runoff, which is the water you see flowing down

the street when it rains, there is one important reminder:

If you have automatic sprinklers for your lawn, turn them off before leaving for an extended period of time. Most established lawns are happy with one inch of water per week, including rainfall.

If you don't have automatic sprinklers, there are still a few other tips for outdoor watering without waste:

- Adjust sprinklers so that they don't water paved surfaces.
- Don't water in the heat of the day. Watering early in the morning or in the evening

minimizes the water lost to evaporation.

- Consider using slow-watering techniques such as drip irrigation or soaker hoses. They are considerably more effective than sprinklers at getting the water where it's supposed to be.

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