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Longtime Parks & Recreation Director Paul Kopera Retires

After many years of dedicated service to Middletown Township, longtime Parks & Recreation Director Paul Kopera has announced his retirement, leaving behind a lasting legacy of leadership and community impact.

Throughout his tenure, Paul played a vital role in shaping Middletown Township's parks and recreation system, helping to expand programs, enhance public spaces, and create opportunities for residents of all ages to connect, stay active, and enjoy their community. His leadership helped guide improvements to Township parks, strengthened community events, and ensured residents had access to high-quality recreational experiences.

Paul's vision and commitment to public service have made a meaningful and lasting difference in Middletown Township. His work has not only enhanced the Township's recreational offerings but has also helped improve the overall quality of life for residents.

We thank Paul for his years of dedication, leadership, and service to Middletown Township, and we wish him all the best in his retirement.

Excellence in Recreation and Parks Award

Middletown Township's Parks & Recreation Department has once again been recognized for excellence, receiving the prestigious Excellence in Recreation and Parks Award from the Pennsylvania Recreation and Park Society (PRPS) for their Charity Car Show benefiting Fostering Hope.

This marks the second consecutive year the department has received this statewide honor, highlighting Middletown Township's continued commitment to offering meaningful, high-quality programs for residents.

The Charity Car Show was created to support Fostering Hope, a nonprofit organization dedicated to serving youth in foster care by providing essential resources, support, and opportunities. The event brought together residents and families from across the community while raising awareness and support for an important cause.

The PRPS Excellence in Recreation and Parks Award recognizes outstanding programs and initiatives that demonstrate creativity, innovation, community impact, and excellence in parks and recreation.
Last year, Middletown Township received the same recognition for its Teen Talent Show, further reflecting the department's ongoing efforts to create engaging and impactful programs for residents of all ages.

This continued recognition is a testament to the Parks & Recreation team's dedication to building strong community connections and enhancing quality of life in Middletown Township.

Congratulations to the Parks & Recreation Department on this outstanding achievement.

Black History Month

The Board of Supervisors recently declared February as Black History Month in Middletown Township, underscoring the importance of recognizing and celebrating the profound contributions and achievements of Black individuals throughout history. This dedicated month provides an opportunity for our community to reflect on the rich cultural heritage, resilience, and remarkable milestones that have shaped the narrative of the Black community. It is a time to honor the countless leaders, visionaries, and unsung heroes who have left an indelible mark on the world, contributing to the progress and inclusivity we cherish today.

By acknowledging Black History Month, we collectively affirm our commitment to fostering understanding, appreciation, and unity within Middletown Township.

Middletown Township Welcomes Interim

Parks & Recreation Director

As Middletown Township bids farewell to longtime Parks & Recreation Director Paul Kopera upon his retirement, we are pleased to welcome Monica Tierney as Interim Director of the Parks & Recreation Department.

Monica brings more than 15 years of experience in parks administration, financial management, and community engagement. Most recently, she served as Parks & Recreation Director for Lower Makefield Township, where she oversaw more than 700 acres of parkland, an aquatics complex, and a community center, while leading a large and dedicated team.

Throughout her career, Monica has demonstrated a strong commitment to enhancing public spaces and expanding recreational opportunities for residents of all ages. Her leadership has helped strengthen community programs and improve access to quality parks and recreation services.

Monica holds a Master of Business Administration from Temple University and a Master of Education from Texas State University and is a Certified Parks & Recreation Executive (CPRE).

We welcome Monica to Middletown Township and look forward to her leadership in continuing to provide high-quality parks, programs, and community events for our residents.

Community Health Fair - Join Us March 19

Middletown Township and Penndel Middletown Emergency Squad invite residents to attend a Community Health Fair on Thursday, March 19 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Middletown Township Municipal Center (3 Municipal Way, Langhorne, PA 19047).

This free, family-friendly event brings together leading healthcare providers and local emergency services to offer health screenings, educational demonstrations, and valuable community resources - all in one place. Presentations will begin at 12:00 PM.

Hospitals in Attendance

- St. Mary Medical Center
- Jefferson Health
- Capital Health
- Lower Bucks Hospital

Free Screenings & Demonstrations

- Hands-Only CPR Demonstration (Penndel Middletown Emergency Squad)
- File of Life & Subscription Fund Drive Presentation
- Free Blood Pressure Screenings (Capital Health)
- Bleeding Control Demonstration (St. Mary Medical Center)
- Free Prostate Cancer Screenings (Jefferson Health – registration required)
- Ambulance Tours (PMES)

Community Resources

- Bucks County Health Improvement Partnership (BCHIP)

- Bucks County Department of Health
- Middletown Township Fire & Emergency Services
- Penndel Middletown Emergency Squad

Free beverages and snacks will be available for attendees.

Prostate Cancer Screening Registration
Participants must register in advance for a time slot for the free prostate cancer screening. **Click here to register.**

For additional information, please contact:
Lt. Andrew Foley
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215-919-7245
afoley@pmems.org

We hope you'll join us for this important opportunity to learn more about your health, connect with local healthcare professionals, and explore the many resources available right here in our community.

Middletown Township Seeks Residents for Boards & Commissions

Are you a dedicated Middletown Township resident looking to get more involved in your community? Serving on a Township board or commission is a meaningful way to contribute, share your perspective, and help shape decisions that impact Middletown's future. Read more to learn how to get involved.

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SEPTA to Host Open House on

Langhorne Station Area Concept

SEPTA is inviting residents, commuters, and local businesses to attend an upcoming open house to learn more about the Langhorne Station Area Concept and share their input.

SEPTA is currently exploring the potential redevelopment of the south commuter parking lot at Langhorne Station. This effort is part of an ongoing initiative to evaluate opportunities that enhance station areas while supporting the needs of riders and the surrounding community.

The open house will provide an opportunity for attendees to learn more about the concept, view preliminary information, and offer feedback that will help inform future planning.

Open House Details:
Date: Monday, March 23
Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Location: Penndel Borough Hall
300 Bellevue Avenue
Penndel, PA 19047

Community input is an important part of the planning process, and SEPTA encourages residents, riders, and stakeholders to participate and share their perspectives.
For more information, please contact SEPTA at **RealEstateInquiry@septa.org**.

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.

To make your request, visit **MTGo.co**!

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