

Middletown Township Historical Society: December, 2021 Happenings

This newsletter keeps you updated on the latest events and news of the Middletown Township Historical Society. Also, be sure to follow us on social media for even timelier news and for historical items of interest.





Join and Help Us Get to 100 Members!

We are just a few members away from reaching 100 for 2021! Help us reach this milestone when you join by the end of this month.

The Middletown Township Historical Society gets the bulk of its revenue from member contributions, so your support is vitally important. Your contributions make our initiatives possible, and are also essential for paying our administrative costs. Those who become new members in October through December will also receive membership for 2022, with no additional contribution required.

Individuals may join or renew online or via our <u>print form</u>. Do you represent a business? Consider becoming one of our <u>Community Sponsors</u>.

If you have already joined or renewed for 2021, thank you!

Join or Renew Online



Do You Have Any Middletown Yearbooks?

The Society has been scanning the early student publications and yearbooks of Middletown Township (Leonardo) High School, dating from as early as 1918. Eventually, we plan to make these available on our website for all to enjoy. However, our collection does have some gaps. If you have volumes you would like to donate, please let us know. Right now, we are specifically looking for

high school yearbooks or other school publications that are pre-1970, but we would gratefully accept books from any year for any Middletown school. Let us know what you have, and we will let you know if we are missing it!

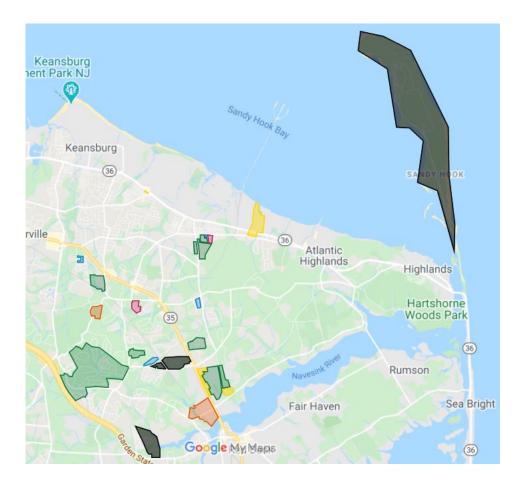
Yearbook Donation

Event Recap: Murder, Disaster, and Scandal in Monmouth

Last month the Middletown Township Historical Society hosted author and historian Brian Armstrong, who recapped numerous tragic tales in Monmouth and beyond. We thank Mr. Armstrong for his time, and also those who attended.

If you would like to watch a recording of the presentation, please visit our YouTube channel.

Watch the Presentation



Middletown Land Development Map

Newly Added: Glenmary Farms and Riverside Heights!

If you are curious about when/why/how your housing development or local park was constructed, take a look at our <u>interactive map!</u> Just click on a shaded area to read the history and see the images. The entries are color-coded so you can see when the various pieces of land were developed. Please note that the map is best viewed on computer or tablet.

Given Middletown's size, this map is a work in progress, so check back in the future if you don't yet see an entry for the land you are interested in. Our goal is to fill the entire map. If you'd like to contribute any entries, <u>please let us know</u>.

Land Development Map

Contribute to Our Archive!

Our Society has a collection of items and documents related the history of Middletown and the surrounding area. Do you have anything that you'd

like to add? Please don't let a treasure be forgotten or thrown away! Contact us and let us know what you would like to donate.

Local Businesses: Become a Community Sponsor!

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Trivia Time

This Month's Question:



Can you name the one-time Middletown resident who appeared on a Beatles album cover?

Answer will be supplied in next month's newsletter!

Answer to Last Month's Question:

James "Jimmy" Kerwin played his high school basketball at Croydon Hall Academy, where our Historical Society once kept our museum.

In Addition to Our Members, Thank You to the Following for their Assistance and Support:















Thanks for reading! The Middletown Township Historical Society will be in touch again soon! If you know others who would be interested in receiving communications from us, please forward this email and ask them to join this list!











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