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The Midland Park Press is the premiere online news source for Midland Park, NJ. We cover municipal and school news as well as local businesses and community events. The site was launched in December of 2012 to provide outstanding news coverage for the residents of Midland Park.



Advertising in the Midland Park Press puts your business or organization's message before a targeted local audience. Our rapidly growing readership and fan base comprises all age demographics in the Midland Park community. Our social media presence is expanding daily. In addition to advertising packages, the Midland Park Press also offers valuable social media tools and training for local businesses.

The Midland Park Press donates 10% of all advertising revenues to local charities, and offers discounted advertising to non-profit organizations.



### Meet The Editor: Rebecca Abma

Rebecca Abma is no stranger to local news. She began covering municipal council meetings 20 years ago while in college and has worked in more than 50 municipalities in North Jersey. As Editor-in-Chief of North Jersey Media Group's Shopper News Group, she led her staff to win a New Jersey Press Association award for news coverage of a fatal gang shooting.

Abma honed her online news skills at Patch, AOL's hyper-local news division She launched Franklin Lakes Patch as a local editor in 2010 and later serving as community editor for the North Jersey region. In addition to perfecting fast-paced news reporting, Patch also served as an intensive training ground for social media skills, such as Facebook and Twitter.

She left Patch to launch the Midland Park Press in an effort to help improve online communication for the 7,000 residents living in the borough, a need that became evident after Superstorm Sandy knocked out power in much of Midland Park for close to two-weeks. At the time, residents were only able to find out news and information through Facebook and Patch.

In the first six months of the Midland Park Press, Abma succeeded in improving access to public information by creating a Public Notice Board for all legal notices pertaining to the borough and by broadcasting and archiving public meetings at Borough Hall and the Board of Education on Midland Park Press's Livestream page.

## **Quality Local News Coverage**

The Midland Park Press provides quality local news coverage exclusive to Midland Park. In addition to reporting on government and schools, MPK Press covers crime, business and community groups. We also provide human interest and local history stories, and a community calendar.



# Other highlights include:

**Editor's Notebook:** Meeting notes are posted immediately following every Borough Council or Board of Education Meeting — typically within hours.

**Weather Alerts:** From blizzards to flash floods to heat waves, MPK Press keeps readers informed on National Weather Service alerts.

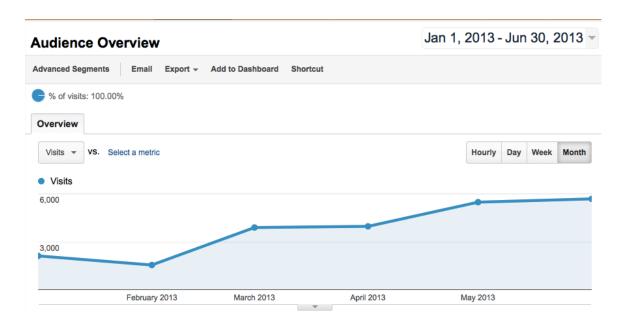
**Police Blotter:** Local crime reports from the police department posted a week before they appear in the Suburban News and Villadom Times.

**Events Calendar:** Local events compiled by the editorial staff and readers, plus reminders about recycling night, water restrictions, etc.

**Livestream Meetings:** MPK Press broadcasts public meetings and events live on our Livestream Page, where they are archived for viewing at a later time.

## **Statistics: Continued Growth**

In the first six months of business the Midland Park Press showed continued month-over-month growth. During that period, the site exceeded 20,000 visits and 50,000 page views.



## By The Numbers

First Full Month: January 2013

877 Unique Visitors 2,118 Visits

6,025 Page Views

**Last Full Month: June 2013** 

3,257 UVs 5,684 Visits

10,584 Page Views

#### Social Media

Facebook: 750+ Likes as of June 2013

Growing at a rate of 150 new likes a month

Find out how Midland Park Press can help your local business succeed. For advertising rates and marketing packages, contact Rebecca Abma at 201-615-0154 or email rebecca@mpkpress.com.