From the Desk of
Mayor J. Byron Chapman

I hope everyone had a great Holiday season and enjoyed family and friends.

As we get ready for the New Year, I want to first thank you for electing me to continue as your Mayor. I promise I will do my best to make the right decisions, and rest assured I want the best for Middletown. The elected commissioners for the next two years are Mark Stigers, Ron Wolfe, Paul Zimmerman and Amy Oliver. Our commissioners are ready to jump in and support Middletown as we start the New Year.

Tom Abbott, will step down this term. Tom has served Middletown as commissioner for a total of 10 years. Tom is a true public servant as he served his elected position with pride and commitment; Middletown is much better because of his service. We will continue to reach out to Tom for his knowledge and commitment to the city.

Thank you, citizens, for allowing us to serve you and as always call if you have concerns or problems; if we can we will say YES.

Thanks again,

Mayor J. Byron Chapman

“This City is what it is because our citizens are what they are.”

– Plato
Merry Christmas from Santa
and everyone at
Middletown City Hall
Happy holidays to all our residents and businesses, Middletown Police Department (MPD) has enjoyed becoming an active part of the community while working city events and regular patrol. We thank the many residents who have approached us with well wishes and support. Our Police presence is doubling in the New Year as we hire more officers and have both day shift and mid shift. These are exciting times in Middletown!

The crime trends we have noticed can be curbed with a little proaction from all of us. Lock your car doors and don’t keep any valuables in your vehicles. If you see suspicious activity, report it! There are also many collisions occurring in Middletown, we can do our part to avoid those with some mindful steps. Coming to a complete stop at all stop signs, and obeying speed limit signs are a few helpful habits.

Have you visited our website yet? We have a section called Citizen Detectives where we will post videos of alleged crimes occurring. We want your help! Have you seen these people, do you recognize them? The MPD website also has a News section to keep you up to date about what is happening with us. Speaking of keeping you up to date, we have a Facebook page and Twitter account we are continuously trying to update you through – please follow us!

Social Media

Website:
www.Middletownkypd.org

Facebook:
@MiddletownKYPoliceDepartment

Twitter:
@MiddletownPoli1
The Vance Family

The Vance’s were very prominent in the civic and social life of Middletown and Jeffersontown. Joseph Vance was one of the Trustees in 1799. The Reverend James Vance, a Presbyterian minister officiated at many of the marriages in Middletown as his name appears frequently in the Jefferson County marriage records. His son, Dr. Robert C. Vance married Harriet Hobbs of Middletown. Harriet was born in 1809 and died in 1868. Dr. Vance was born May 21, 1800 and died January 18, 1859. A number of the Vance family is buried in the Middletown Cemetery as well as local family graveyards and at the Jeffersontown Cemetery.

Insurance Premium Tax: What you need to know!

Did you know that every time you purchase a new insurance policy or renew an existing one you are charged a local government premium tax? This premium tax is included on almost every type of insurance you purchase. With each policy you have your insurer must include the amount of local government premium tax charged for that period and the name of the taxing jurisdiction your premium is to be dedicated.

Local governments rely on insurance premium taxes, it is a significant part of a city or county budget. The City of Middletown relies on this tax to fund many projects, and provide road improvements, new or improved sidewalks, streetlights, as well as many services and events that residents enjoy.

Taxes are never fun to pay but if we must pay them let’s at least make sure we keep them in the Community we live, work, and play!

If you have any questions about this tax, please contact Tracy at 502.245.2762 or tracy@cityofmiddletownky.org
Happy Holidays to everyone. We hope you enjoyed Thanksgiving and wish you a great Christmas Holiday.

We are embarking on a New Year which means we are very busy at the Chamber. Just a recap, we have 380 plus members and are growing every day. Come by and view the holiday display in Wetherby Park which was installed for Light Up Middletown; it was a huge success, our biggest crowd to date. Our Business Expo has grown every year, too. If you didn’t get the chance to check it out, please mark your calendar to visit it next year during Light Up.

Our Chamber is doing so much! The Golf Scramble this year raised $9,500 for a local charity - Wounded Heroes. We had our second 5K during the Festival with more runners than the previous year. Our Easter Egg Hunt was a huge hit. Trick or Treat was overrun by Goblins. We are proud that our functions are growing each year!

In August we hosted transportation out to the fairgrounds for Street Rods. We are hoping to have an event in honor of the car show’s 50th anniversary. As you can see our Chamber is moving in a positive way.

There are two locations in Middletown near the First Baptist Church where there are Blessing Boxes. Blessing Box is a simple concept: take what you need and leave what you can. Anyone can drop off nonperishable food and other items to help those in our community who may need it.

If you are not a member of our chamber, we would love to have you join us and help our community flourish in a positive way. Call Middletown Chamber 245-0404 or check out our website and see what we are all about!

Freda Chapman
Executive Director
Middletown Chamber of Commerce

Join Your Chamber

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Upcoming Events

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2/14 Chamber Luncheon, 11:30a-1:00p, Speaker TBA
3/14 Chamber Luncheon, 11:30a-1:00p, Speaker from OSHA
4/11 Chamber Luncheon, 11:30a-1:00p, Speaker TBA
4/20 Annual Easter Egg Hunt in Wetherby Park—1:00 p.m SHARP
Greetings from the Louisville Metro Police Department’s 8th Division. As we head into the fall and winter seasons, we are diligently preparing for the hustle and bustle that comes with cooler weather and upcoming holiday events. Cooler weather also means a shift in crime patterns. One of the crimes we see spike during frosty mornings are auto thefts. Cars that are left to warm up in driveways are a tempting target for thieves. We typically see several cars taken in this manner. Please lock your vehicles and clear frost the old fashioned way, with a scraper!

Shoplifting crimes also spike this time of year. If you are shopping and witness it occurring, please make a point to notify a store employee. To help curb our shoplifting spike we will be conducting a large shoplifting sting this fall. This is a partnership between LMPD and our retailers to utilize plainclothes officers to capture and prosecute “persistent” shoplifters. Often times these persistent shoplifters are involved in narcotics and other criminal activities. Shoplifting therefore is never just a victimless crime!

Please continue to follow LMPD on Facebook and Twitter to see our upcoming events. We typically host a weekly Coffee With a Cop event, which is a great opportunity to meet and chat with our officers. Also, through our partnership with Kroger, we will have additional outreach events including Pancakes With Police and Cops and Cookies this season, so please keep an eye on your social media feeds.

As always, I have attached a few important phone and web social media sites to keep handy.
Happy New Year one and all! Can you believe, the Middletown Market is now starting its sixth year! When I think back to our first Market, I remember what a leap of faith it was to venture into this kind of event. Originally, we were just holding Markets outside, but that first year when we had a Market during the Church’s annual “Pastor’s Perfect Pecan Pancake Breakfast”, we quickly decided that being outside in November was NOT a good idea, and now we ONLY have inside Markets. We’ve gone through several other changes throughout these years, particularly in the area of scheduled Markets. I think the Market four times a year is a good fit and will be our schedule for the foreseeable future.

Our last Market for 2018, the Holiday Edition, was a great success. We even had a cameraman from WDRB filming on that Small Business Saturday with the Middletown Market featured in the 10:00 news that evening. Also, the Courier Journal featured us in their Wednesday edition as part of their 30 holiday events in the area!

Despite that, we remain very humble and grateful for each and every vendor and each and every member of the public who attend the Middletown Market! Something you already know, but I’ll mention it anyway: ALL booth rental fees and proceeds from “the Lunch Counter” and our bake sales go directly to First Baptist Church’s renovation debt.

If you would like more information on booth availability for the Markets listed below, please contact the church office at 245-7889.

2019 MIDDLETOWN MARKET SCHEDULE

Valentine Edition Market
Friday, February 8 and Saturday, February 9

Derby Edition Market
Friday, April 26 and Saturday, April 27

Middletown Festival Market
Friday, September 6 and Saturday, September 7

Holiday Market
Saturday, November 30

Market hours are Friday, 6 - 9 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
At Celebration Hall, 11711 Main Street in Historic Middletown

September 2018

Dear Valued Customer,

We appreciate the opportunity to provide your household with dependable, weekly collection of trash, yard waste and recycling.

As an Industry leader, Rumpke wants to make it easy for our customers to properly dispose of materials; however, we do have to set some parameters on what we accept in each program to ensure environmental compliance and safety of our employees, equipment and facilities.

Recently, we’ve experienced issues with high levels of contamination in yard waste. Only shrubbery, grass, weeds, leaves and sticks are accepted in Rumpke’s yard waste program. If material other than yard waste is found in your yard waste container, our team will not collect until the contaminated material has been removed.

As a reminder, yard waste must be placed in compostable paper bags or containers clearly marked as yard waste. Yard waste placed at the curb in plastic bags will not be collected. If you were provided a Rumpke yard waste container, all material must be placed inside for collection.

We appreciate your assistance. If you have questions about how to properly dispose of an item, please contact our customer service team at 1-800-828-8171.

Regards,

Rumpke Waste & Recycling

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Trash Guidelines
- Rumpke is not permitted to accept batteries, tires, liquids, combustible materials or any items identified as hazardous.
- Bulky materials including drywall, concrete, bricks, dirt or rocks are not acceptable.
- Mattresses, box springs and upholstered furniture must be wrapped and sealed in plastic prior to collection. Freon must be properly removed by a certified professional, prior to collection. Visit www.rumpke.com for additional details.

Recycling Guidelines
Only the items listed below should be placed in your Rumpke Recycling container for collection. Material should be empty and placed in containers loose. Please don’t place inside of plastic bags. Plastic bags are not accepted.
- Bottles (plastic and glass)
- Cartons
- Cans (aluminum and steel)
- Paperboard (cereal boxes, 12-pack containers, etc.)
- Cardboard (please break down cardboard small enough to fit into container)
- Paper (Acceptable paper includes: office paper, newspaper, magazines, junk mail, envelopes with or without windows telephone books, paper grocery bags)
Rumpke Contact Information

Phone—800-678-6753 or 502-568-3800 Ext. 3
for Customer Service
Website: www.rumpke.com

Contact customer service for all your needs: to order a cart, if you have more carts than you want, if you have a broken cart that needs repair or replacement, for a special pick up or if you have a complaint.

In the event you are not satisfied with Rumpke’s customer service, please contact City of Middletown: 245-2762.

RECYCLE PICK UP

North of Shelbyville Road
*Friday, January 4th
Thursday, January 17th
Thursday, January 31st
Thursday, February 14th
Thursday, February 28th
Thursday, March 14th
Thursday, March 28th
Thursday, April 11th
Thursday, April 25th

South of Shelbyville Road
Thursday, January 10th
Thursday, January 24th
Thursday, February 7th
Thursday, February 21st
Thursday, March 7th
Thursday, March 21st
Thursday, April 4th
Thursday, April 18th

* One day delay due to holiday
Middletown Woman’s Club
11719 Shelbyville Road

The Club building holds 93 people and is equipped with round tables and chairs and a full service kitchen. The building rents at $50 an hour - minimum 3 hours. Additional hours are $50 per hour.

Reservations can be made by calling:
Sissy c– 502-541-1853 h– 502-241-9559

MIDDLETOWN CONCERT SERIES
SUMMER 2019

Save these dates for our free concerts in Wetherby park:
May 19
June 9
July 14
August 11
September 15

The talent will be announced in future newsletters and on our website: www.cityofmiddletownky.org.
The fall semester has ended successfully with our annual Holiday Care-A-Van. It is a great opportunity for our students to assist those in the Eastern Community with holiday food. Our students and staff work tirelessly to raise food and cash donations. We were able to deliver food to 300 needy families in our community to make their holiday season a bit more festive.

Our arts programs and athletic teams also completed successful fall seasons. We look forward to more performances and victories in the winter and spring seasons.

Our track and field project and stadium update is almost finished. Thank you to all community members who worked to make it a success.

Please consider attending one of our after-school events – performances or athletic contests. For a schedule –

www.easterneagles.org/calendar

We are off to another great start to our year! Students collectively read for more than 400,000 minutes as part of our annual Read-A-Thon drive. I received the honor of being slimed because students surpassed their reading goal. We believe strongly in developing students’ love of reading at an early age, and this event, led by our outstanding Parent Teacher Association (PTA), gets our school year started in a fun and engaging way. I want to give a big thanks to Lauren Russ, our PTA president this year, for planning the Read-A-Thon and such events as our Fall Family Fun Night, which give our students experiences they will remember for years to come!

We believe it is our moral imperative to keep improving and making sure that our students receive a world-class education in an ever-changing global economy. We host several after-school clubs and activities to help students learn the value of culture, connectedness, and creativity. These opportunities also help students build positive social connections with peers and learn how to think and function effectively as a team.

We believe it is our responsibility not only to teach but also to ensure that all students learn at high levels. Our teachers are committed to the success of their students, and we value the partnership of this great community. We also believe that every Middletown resident has a vested interest in the success of our schools, and we are committed to ensuring that Middletown Elementary represents the excellence and hard work of our community.

Justin Matson
Principal, Middletown Elementary
## CITY CALENDAR

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