



City of Middletown

The Heart of Louisville

The doors are always open in the City of Middletown.
We are here to help you, the residents and businesses.

City Officials

2019-2020

Mayor J. Byron Chapman

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Commissioner Mark Stigers

Commissioner Ron Wolf

Commissioner Paul Zimmerman

Commissioner Amy Oliver

*The biggest communication
problem is we don't listen to
understand - we listen to reply*

From the Desk of Mayor J. Byron Chapman

J. Byron Chapman, Mayor

The goal of the Middletown City Commission in producing this newsletter is to keep you well-informed of activities and current events within our great city.

We hear so much discourse in the news these days. Read the following two paragraph's and ask yourself which person am I?

"When I arrived, I was annoyed to see a long line, and my frustrations grew as I waited for more than half an hour. When I finally got inside, I was bumped and jostled by a never-ending stream of people trying to get the best vantage point. When I found a decent spot myself, although bedraggled and drained of energy, I prepared for the main event. At last, I thought to myself."

"The first thing I noticed when I got there were loads of people just like me, who couldn't wait to get in. We all laughed and joked as we approached the admission gate. My heart was racing, and the excitement grew as we all filed through the turnstile. I thought: This is it! I was in! And it wasn't disappointing. The tidal wave of expectation carried me along until I found myself in a great spot to see the show. I thought I was going to burst with anticipation before it began!"

It is my hope that the residents of Middletown, as well as my staff, will aspire to be more like the second paragraph and not the first.

Enjoy the newsletter. Please don't hesitate to let us know if we can be of any help!

MIDDLETOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

I would like to thank all the citizens, businesses, and visitors that have supported or given your kind words to our police department. As we continue to grow and expand our services, it is comforting to know we are doing the job that you expect of us. I encourage all the citizens of Middletown to stop and get to know the officers that patrol your city. We are in the process of hiring four new officers, you will be seeing them soon in your neighborhoods and around your businesses.

There are some crime trends that are occurring across Louisville Metro and our city that we need your help in reducing. Break-ins to vehicles are on the rise and our investigations are showing that these are a preventable crime if we all just lock our vehicle doors and not keep valuables, such as firearms, in our vehicles unattended. Statistics are showing that a large majority of these thefts are from vehicles that were left unlocked.

Another crime prevention tip is to close your garage and shed doors when not in use and to repair or install security lighting around your home. Many of our residents and businesses have security cameras. If you record suspicious activity, please feel free to share that with us, it might be the break we need to solve a case. As we receive these videos and pictures, we can post them on our website under the Citizen Detective page along with our Facebook and Twitter. Maybe someone will recognize a person or vehicle and that information will help us solve another case. I encourage everyone to join our Facebook and Twitter and to monitor our website for crime prevention tips and information about your police department.

In closing, I would like to remind everyone to come out and enjoy your city but do so in a safe manner. Please watch your speed and obey all traffic control devices such as stop signs and traffic lights. We all can do our part to reduce traffic collisions by utilizing safe driving habits and reducing distractions while driving. I look forward to meeting you soon at our upcoming city events and patrolling your neighborhoods.



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MIDDLETOWN POLICE

COMMUNITY UPDATE



Introducing Lieutenant Joe Webb



Lt. Joe Webb is the newest addition to our Command Staff, he is a humble man who doesn't like to be the focus of any fan fair. But the truth is Middletown has gained a strong leader in Lt. Webb and will benefit greatly from his knowledge and skill set. Lt. Webb had a shining career with LMPD before retiring, he excelled early on with patrol, detective, sergeant detective then did very well on Lieutenant testing. All of this led to promotion to Lieutenant in the 8th Division where he supervised over 50 officers. In January 2019 Lt. Webb was hired by MPD to supervise the midwatch shift of 4pm – 12am.

As we embark on the growth and development of our very new Police Department, Lt. Webb's skills will be heavily relied upon by Chief Herman. Accreditation, schedule expansion among other departmental goals will require every bit of his knowledge.

Anchorage Middletown Fire & EMS 108 Urton Lane – Chief Andy Longstreet

On May 30, 2019, Louisville Mayor Greg Fischer signed an order making the merger between Anchorage Middletown Fire and EMS (AMFEMS), Eastwood Fire Protection District (EFPD), Harrods Creek Fire District (HCFD) and Worthington Fire Protection District (WFPD) official effective July 1, 2019. Together, they will now be called Anchorage Middletown Fire and EMS.

The decision to merge the four districts was made after careful consideration, numerous discussions, and significant planning. I look forward to seeing the benefits our communities will experience thanks to the merger and am grateful to Mayor Fischer and all local officials who have been supportive of this endeavor.

The merger allows the previously independent districts to streamline our operations, making them all more efficient. Additionally, thanks to the merger, the districts will have a more modernized funding structure to help generate the necessary resources to ensure all fire and EMS services in the district are readily available when crucial, life-saving services are required.

This historic merger will create additional depth in our response system. Because of the merger, we will be able to provide the very best fire and emergency medical services available, meaning more abundant and localized emergency resources for our communities.

I look forward to working with our community for many years to come. And I thank you for all the support you show our dedicated first-responders every day.

Historic Middletown

COMMISSIONER MARK STIGERS

Long Run Baptist Church

The story begins in 1789, when Morgan Hughes, with a party of Quaker and Baptist came into central Kentucky and settled near a pleasant little stream in eastern Jefferson County. The original survey for his station, or fort, was made by Squire Boone. When one of the surveying party was interrupted at his work and pursued for a great distance by Native Americans, the little creek gained its name, Long Run.

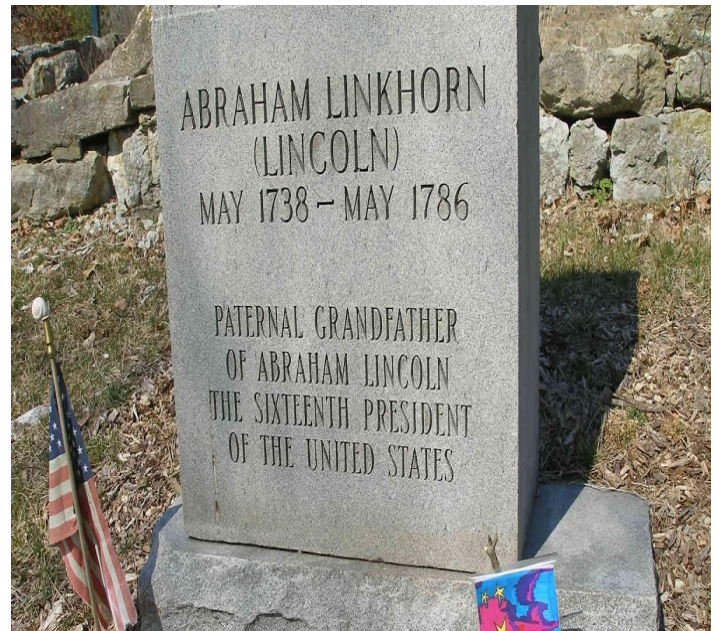
Hughes Station was a weak fort, according to contemporary historians, affording little protection. However poorly built as they were, its cabins and blockhouses were enough to induce Captain Abraham Linkhorn to bring his family there to settle a 400-acre land grant adjoining the little settlement. With the help of his three boys he built a small cabin on his land, though the family continued to live at the fort, and put in a crop. He never lived to harvest the crop. The Widow Linkhorn buried her husband in the dooryard of the little cabin and continued to live at the fort with her children until they could harvest the crop. They then moved to Washington County, where the boys grew to manhood. Thomas Lincoln, as the name was now recorded, married Nancy Hanks and moved to Hardin County. Three years later their baby boy was born, he was named Abraham for his grandfather.

During the month of October 1844, the old stone meeting house was razed: the following year a new brick church was built using the historic old stones as its foundation. The building today stands virtually unchanged.

The family whose name was most outstanding in the church records of 1844 were the Greggs. William Gregg served on the building committee, while his brother John Gregg, was treasurer of the project. They contributed more than their leadership. The bricks were fired on the Old Gregg place and donated, along with much of the labor by the Gregg family. When the churches title to its land proved uncertain, it was a Gregg who gave the land to the church.

One hundred and fiftieth on the church roll of that year was the name of Harriet Louisa Gregg, sister of William and John. Harriet Gregg married Solomon Young, a fellow church member, and with him later moved to Jackson County Missouri, where in 1852 their daughter Martha Ellen was born. Martha Ellen married John Anderson Truman, and in 1884, her baby boy was born. He was named Harry, presumably for his grandmother.

Taken from Hollands, The Magazine of the South-Aug. 1952



◆ Museum Moment ◆

Middletown Museum 11700 Main Street

The Museum hopes that everyone had a chance to read the very nice article featuring the Museum in the "Middletown Magazine". Many visitors who have read the article came in to visit and enjoyed seeing the many items on display. If you haven't visited the museum, be sure to come by.

We are open Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Saturday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. We are always hoping to receive old photos which we can scan into our archives. Items related to Middletown make the Museum interesting and informative. For instance, we have just received items from our former State Representative, Ron Crimm which represents his 30 years of service to our area in Frankfort. We are currently setting up a new display featuring many of these items. A new display case now houses many beautiful vases which were donated to the Museum.

A recent article said..."traveling through certain areas of Middletown is like stepping back in time..." so come visit the Museum for a bit of travel through the history of Middletown.

MIDDLETOWN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Freda Chapman, Executive Director

Join Your Chamber

1 – 5	Employees	\$100
6-10	Employees	\$125
11-20	Employees	\$150
21-50	Employees	\$200
51-100	Employees	\$250
Nonprofits & Churches		\$100
Individual members with no business affiliation		\$50

Upcoming Events

Check our website for details!

9/5 5K Race/Walk 7:30pm-8:30 pm
9/6 & 7 Family Fun Festival
9/12 Chamber Luncheon 11:30-1:00 pm
9/13 Synergy Networking 11:15—12:45 pm
9/19 Chamber Board Meeting 8:30 am
9/27 Synergy Networking 11:15-12:45 pm
10/10 Chamber Luncheon 11:30-1:00 pm
10/11 Synergy Networking 11:15-12:45 pm
10/17 Chamber Board Meeting 8:30 am
10/17 Lunch & Learn 11:30—1:00 pm
10/24 Be out Guest at Breakfast 7:30-9:00 am
10/25 Synergy Networking 11:15-12:45 pm
10/26 Trick or Treat Pancake Breakfast 10-12 pm
10/29 Leads & Lightning Speed 11:00-12:00 pm
11/8 Synergy Networking 11:15-12:45 pm
11/14 Chamber Luncheon 11:30-1:00 pm
11/21 Chamber Board Meeting 8:30 am
11/22 Synergy Networking 11:15-12:45 pm
12/6 Light Up Middletown 6:00 pm—8:30 pm
12/10 Chamber Christmas Party 6:30 pm
12/13 Synergy Networking 11:15-12:45 pm
12/19 Chamber Board Meeting 8:30 am

Hello Middletown

We have just started our 5th year with a current membership of 400+ and are growing by leaps and bounds!!

It's been a busy three months. We had such a successful vintage market in the park that our vendors asked us to do it again next year.

We took buses to the fairgrounds during the annual street rod convention and brought back ladies to shop our businesses and they thoroughly enjoyed it. We also had a picnic at the VFW Friday, 8/2 and we had lots of street rods showing off their vintage automobiles. We had such a great turn out that even Elvis showed up in his pink Cadillac!

If you are a business or know of a business, you need to be a part of our chamber. It is an awesome way to meet people and get your business known. We have a luncheon once a month with interesting speakers. Leads at Lightning Speed meets bi-monthly, Senior Synergy meetings every other week, ribbon cuttings and numerous other activities.

In the next four months we will co-sponsor a trick or treat event in the First Baptist Church parking lot, Light Up Middletown & Craft Bazaar, 5K Run, Family Fun Festival & Taste of Middletown.

For more information please call the chamber office at 245-0404 to speak to me or Laura. We look forward to hearing from you soon. Thanks again for all the community support.

**Middletown Chamber
of Commerce**

502-245-0404

Executive Director, Freda Chapman



MAJOR'S MINUTES

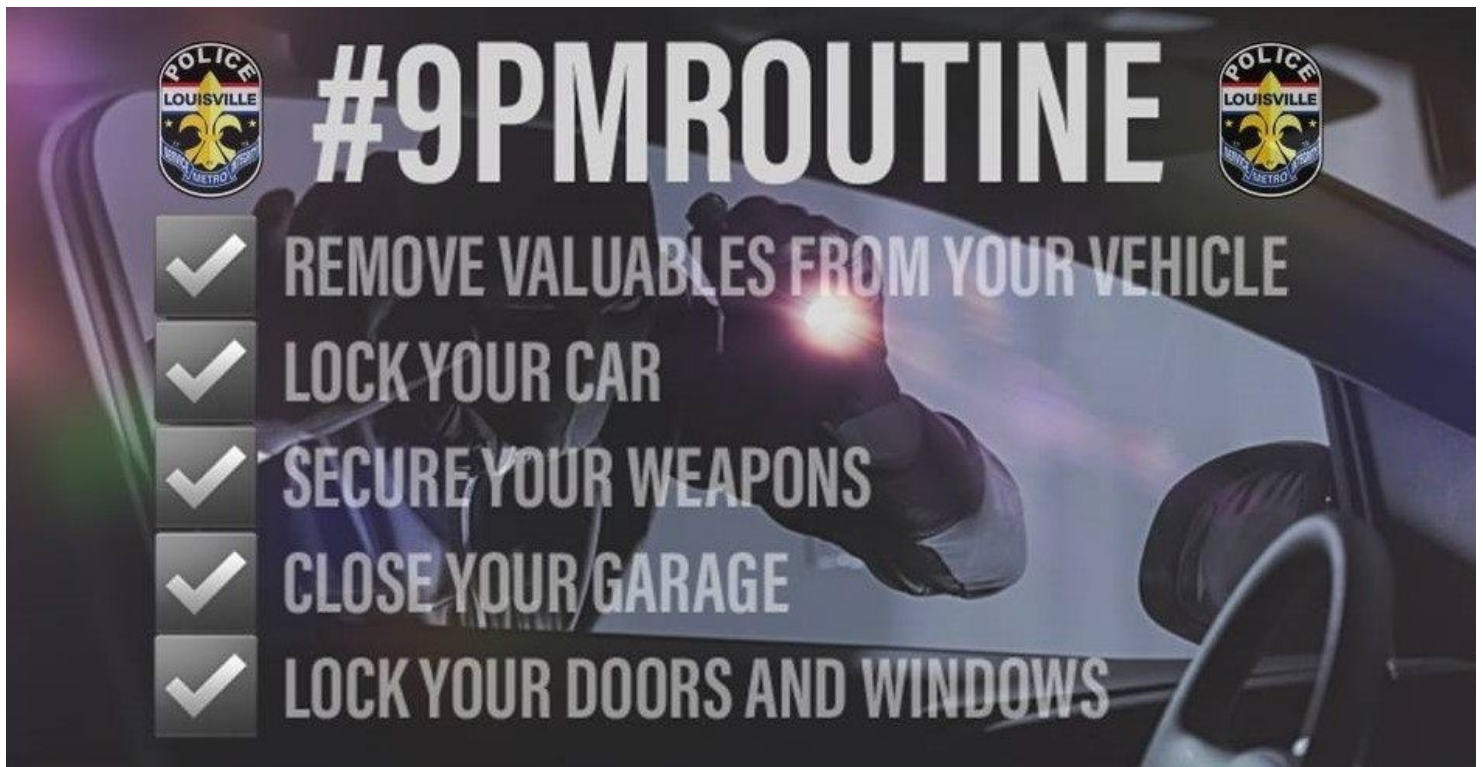
Major Jamey Schwab
Louisville Metro Police 8th Division

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

- ♦ Non-Emergency Dispatch:
502-574-2111
- ♦ LMPD Crime Tip Line
502-574-LMPD
- ♦ LMPD 8th Division
502-574-2258
- ♦ Facebook: [https://
www.facebook.com/LMPD.ky/](https://www.facebook.com/LMPD.ky/)
- ♦ Twitter: <https://twitter.com/>

I know it often times feels like there is nothing but crime around us! As a longtime resident of Louisville, I share the same frustrations when I see the community I love victimized by opportunist criminals. Perhaps the most exasperating aspect is the ease at which criminals may commit a theft. Every day we see car door handles pulled upon by would-be thieves looking for a quick score. During a recent week this summer in the 8th Division we had 24 thefts from cars with 18 of them being completely unlocked. Additionally, 8 cars were stolen during the same week with all of them containing keys or key fobs. Crime is therefore not just a police problem, it is a community problem. LMPD is recommending that residents get into the good habit of securing their homes and vehicles by following the 9PM Routine.

Please continue to follow LMPD on Facebook and Twitter to stay on top of everything going on. As always, I have included a few important phone numbers and web social media sites to keep handy.



Middletown Market

At

First Baptist Church

Celebration Hall 11711 Main Street

As you now read this, the Middletown Family Fun Festival is just days away on September 6 & 7. Hooray! The Festival is our town's annual chance to shine as thousands of visitors walk the streets of this charming small city. Naturally, though, I'm hoping you will stop by Celebration Hall for a look at the Middletown Market and all our terrific vendors. You'll also find a little peace and quiet and a chance to rest a bit while enjoying a sandwich from "The Lunch Counter" and/or a sweet treat from the church-wide bake sale! Although you may not see Miss Cristi herself, she is allowing her chicken salad on croissant sandwich to be featured! Remember: a meal or "entre" with chips and a drink is just \$5.00 and a la carte is only \$4.00. This year we have several vendors selling children's or doll's clothing and vendors who will start you thinking about decorating for Halloween. Something else to remember: we're air-conditioned! First Baptist Church sponsors so many things during the Festival—a parade float, children's booth, our 50s-style soda shop in the church basement, as well as the Middletown Market. Do not forget to attend at least one of the four, free performances of "Mama's House," this year's "Broadway on Main" musical extravaganza. Could anything top last year's play? Come and find out!

Speaking of Halloween, have you ever been to the church's annual trick or treat/pancake breakfast? This year's event is October 26, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. in Celebration Hall. What started out as a small pancake breakfast, hosted by the church for 20 or 30 folks has now become a multi-activity free event for hundreds featuring pancakes, candy, games, door prizes, face painting, storytelling, fire trucks, police cars, music and bounce houses! WHEW! It is now "all hands on deck" for the Middletown City Hall and Chamber of Commerce in addition to First Baptist Church members. Wear a costume for an extra pancake!

The last Middletown Market of the year is the Holiday Market edition on November 30. Our only one-day Market it supports Middletown's "Small Business Saturday" promotion. After Thanksgiving you'll want to walk around Celebration Hall and Main Street stores to work off those few, extra calories. Just keep in mind that the church will probably again hold a bake sale that day. Naturally, we'll also have terrific vendors happy to show you their stuff! Bring your out-of-town visitors so they can see why living in Middletown is FINE!





FIRST BAPTIST MIDDLETOWN
A Church Without Walls
Middletown Market

MIDDLETOWN MARKET

DURING THE
MIDDLETOWN FAMILY FUN FESTIVAL
IN AIR-CONDITIONED
CELEBRATION HALL, 11711 MAIN STREET

Friday, September 6 **6 - 9:30 PM**
outside concert featuring The Louisville Crashers

Saturday, September 7 **10 AM - 9 PM**
fireworks

*Come in and enjoy our food counter ...
dinner/lunch • coffee, iced tea, soda • bake sale*





*Vendors inside with jewelry,
crafts and homemade items*

MIDDLETOWN'S FAMILY FUN FESTIVAL and CRAFT SHOW



SEPTEMBER 6th & 7th Wetherby Park and
Downtown Historic Middletown

The 2019 Middletown Family Fun Festival and Craft Show will be held Friday, September 6th 6:00-9:00 pm and Saturday, September 7th 10:00 am—9:00 pm. This family fun event promises to have something for everyone. Enjoy some great food while listening to toe-tapping music featuring the Louisville Crashers on Friday night and Wax Factory and the Wulfe Pak on Saturday.



The Dog Show and Festival Parade are the pride of Saturday morning. Interactive walk-around entertainment, the all FREE Kidz Zone, over 100 vendor booths (commercial, non-profit, education, political, arts and crafts) and a Broadway-style stage show, Mama's House, at the Middletown First Baptist Church will all be available throughout the two days. Everything culminates Saturday night with ginormous fireworks presented with a patriotic musical program by the Wulfe Brothers.

Bring your kids, your grandmother, tell your neighbors, church friends, everyone and anyone you know who likes to enjoy themselves meeting new people, having new experiences, listening to live music, playing with small farm animals, shopping, sampling culinary delicacies (aka Carnival Food), bouncing around with the kids, sitting enjoying the parade and oohing and aahing over fireworks !! For the 47th year Middletown is hosting two-day, grand festival of memory making experiences.

Please join us and in the meantime check out the Schedule of Events at www.middletownsfamilyfun.com

If interested there is still room for a few more booths. Applications can also be downloaded at the website.



Trash Recycle Yard Waste

Rumpke Contact Information



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

Recently Rumpke has been experiencing 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 yard waste containers, the team will not collect it until the contaminated material has been removed.

Yard waste guidelines: biodegradable bags only – NO plastic. Weight limit: 50 pounds. Size limit: no more than 15 bags or bundles. Bundles of limbs no more than 4' lengths and 5" in diameter.

RECYCLE PICK UP



* One day delay due to holiday

North of Shelbyville Road

Thursday, Sept. 12
Thursday, Sept 26
Thursday, Oct 10
Thursday, Oct 24
Thursday, Nov 7
Thursday, Nov 21
Thursday, Dec 5
Thursday, Dec 19
Thursday, Jan 2

South of Shelbyville Road

Thursday, Sept 5
Thursday, Sept 19
Thursday, Oct 3
Thursday, Oct 17
Thursday, Oct 31
Thursday, Nov 14
*Friday, Nov 29
Thursday, Dec 12
Thursday, Dec 26
Thursday, Jan 9

CITY

CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER



- 5th Middletown Chamber 5K Run
- 6&7th Family Fun Festival & Craft Show
- 12th Chamber Luncheon 11:30-1:00
- 12th City Meeting 6:00 p.m. City Hall 11803 Old Shelbyville Rd.
- 15th Concert in the Park—Louisville Brass & Electric-Chicago/Beatles

OCTOBER



- 10th Chamber Luncheon 11:30a-1:00p, Speaker TBA
- 10th City Meeting @ 6:00 p.m., City Hall, 11803 Old Shelbyville Rd.
- 11th Trick or Treat Pancake Breakfast, Middletown First Baptist Church 10-12

NOVEMBER



- 11th City Hall closed for Veterans Day
- 14th Chamber Luncheon 11:30a-1:00p, Speaker TBA
- 14th City Meeting @ 6:00 p.m., City Hall, 11803 Old Shelbyville Rd.
- 28/29th City Hall closed for Thanksgiving

DECEMBER



- 6th Light Up Middletown, Celebration Hall & Wetherby Park
- 12th Chamber Member Christmas Party
- 12th City Meeting @ 6:00 p.m., City Hall, 11803 Old Shelbyville Rd.
- 24/25th City Hall closed for Christmas
- 31st/1st City Hall closed for New Years

SAVE THE
DATES

School News

Eastern High School



We are off to an exciting start for the 2019-20 school year. Students and staff are working hard in the classroom, on the playing fields, and in the performance halls.

We have countless ways for your student to become active in activities, clubs and sports. Students have been shown to do better in school if they are involved.

Parents and prospective parents are invited to join us for our Open Houses:

Parents of current students -
September 11th at 6:00 pm
Prospective students and their parents
– October 24th at 6:00pm.

Construction seems to be a constant recently. This year is no exception. We are replacing the bleachers in the gym and expanding the seating layout on the “home” side.

Visit our website
www.easterneagles.org or follow us on
Twitter @easternhsmedia or
@athleticsehs.

Middletown Elementary



Middletown students are off to another great year, and we are excited about the school year ahead! Students are working hard to master rigorous academic content, and they are enjoying the many events and extracurricular activities that Middletown offers before, during, and after school.

Our staff believes in educating the whole child and preparing students to be critical thinkers and problem solvers who are ready to meet the ever-changing workforce needs in the twenty-first century. Last year, we highlighted real-world skills that we refer to as the Backpack of Success Skills. These include being Prepared and Resilient Learners, Globally and Culturally Competent Citizens, Emerging Innovators, Effective Communicators, and Productive Collaborators. We believe it is our responsibility to guide students to become their best selves and master these twenty-first-century skills so they can be prepared for the future workforce.

The Middletown Elementary annual Read-a-Thon, **September 16-27**, is an event in which students pledge to read books and participate in a 12-day reading challenge. Our culminating event for the Read-a-Thon will be Boomer's Bedtime Stories on **September 27**, where community members and staff will volunteer to read their favorite stories to students. The Read-a-Thon is at the heart of our mission to instill the love of reading in students and help them become lifelong learners.

Check out Middletown Elementary on Facebook for upcoming events or visit our website at **www.middletownelementary.org** for a detailed calendar and more information about our program. Call our office at **485-8300** and schedule a tour. We would love to show you our school, of which we are so proud. We are committed to excellence and finding the brilliance in every child. Thank you for your partnership and dedication to the students of Middletown. I look forward to seeing you soon!

Justin Matson—Principal, Middletown Elementary

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MIDDLETOWN CONCERT SERIES

Wetherby Park, 11803 Old Shelbyville Road
5:30-7:30 p.m. NO PETS NO ALCOHOL Please!



Final concert of the season

September 15 Louisville Brass & Electric-Chicago/Beatles

Food provided by the city & prepared by the Lions Club