

May

June

July

August 2019



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 world will not be
destroyed by those who do evil,
but by those who watch them
without doing anything.”

-Albert Einstein

From the Desk of Mayor J. Byron Chapman

Being in the middle of a large metropolitan area, we strive to maintain our small-town Middletown identity. How can we better serve our residents and businesses? Let us know if you have any suggestions.

Commissioner Stigers writes stories about our historical residents – I hope what we are doing here will one day be worthy of those type of notable articles.

Look at the quote by Albert Einstein and continue to be the solid foundation of America. We ALL can make a difference!

I hope you enjoy this newsletter – take time to read it and see what’s happening in your community.

Keep Middletown strong. Shop, Smile and Enjoy Middletown. See you at one of our concerts!

And remember to Thank a Veteran.

J. Byron Chapman, Mayor

MIDDLETOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

The first year of the newly-formed Middletown Police Department has laid a strong foundation in creating a first-class law enforcement agency. We take pride in our accomplishments and anticipate great success in our future.

The road to establishing our police department has been a work in progress. December 2017 we hired our first Chief, Ed Blaser, who worked to institute the initial procedures, approvals and paperwork to begin a police department. In February 2018, we hired our first officer to establish training guidelines and begin our patrol. Our next two officers were added in August to finish out our year end with a total of 4 officers on the day shift of 8am—4pm. The end of the year brought the retirement of our first Chief and thus the natural and seamless promotion of Rob Herman to Chief of Police. Chief Herman was the first officer hired and was born, raised and continues to live in Middletown.

Within our first Annual Report you will see statistics that represent a rolling growth that comes with launching any new department. Please take a look at all we have accomplished within such a short time. Take a look at the Annual Report on our website or come in and see a printed copy.

Already the growth continues, 3 more officers were hired in December and their first day was January 2nd; incorporating a mid-watch shift of 4:00-Midnight for MPD. As we grow, we intend to become an integral part of this vibrant, thriving, welcoming community. We are here to respond to the needs of our city, working in cooperation with the Eighth Division of the Louisville Metro Police Department. Our goal is to provide for the safety and security of Middletown's residents and businesses.

Chief Rob Herman

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MIDDLETOWN POLICE

COMMUNITY UPDATE



Resident's biggest complaints are:



1. Owners not picking up after their pets.
2. People not stopping at stop signs.
3. Speeding.

Help us help you, Middletown.



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

March marked the one-year anniversary of the merger of the Middletown and Anchorage Fire Districts. We couldn't be happier with the enhanced service our community is receiving as a direct result. We have more highly trained and professional First Responders on the street each day than we've ever had before. This means quicker responses to fires and medical emergencies. We also have added Paramedics and advanced, life-saving equipment to our firetrucks.

I'm sometimes asked why ambulances and fire trucks from other districts make responses into our community. In the Suburban Services area of Metro Louisville, we are very fortunate to have a robust system of automatic mutual-aid with our neighboring districts. When the 911 system receives a call for service the computer-aided dispatch

system searches for closest appropriate resource(s) to send regardless of jurisdiction. If the GPS unit on a fire truck or ambulance indicates that is closer to the emergency, it will be sent. This method ensures we all get the best service possible when seconds count.



Historic Middletown

COMMISSIONER MARK STIGERS

Clara Bishop Brinley

By Mark Stigers, Historic Middletown Inc.

Clara Bishop was born in 1893 and grew up on her parent's farm in southern Jefferson County Kentucky. Her father owned the Bishop Brick and Tile Company on Bishops Lane. The lane was named for her family.

She married Byland Brinley whose family dates to the early residents of Middletown. They settled on his parents farm at what today is Clar-Land Drive. The Brinley farm was one of 23 in the area that grew and shipped strawberries to several states. In 1938 they shipped 6500 crates. Today the Woodland Hills subdivision covers most of the Brinley farmland. Byland Brinley died in 1958.

Mrs. Brinley was described as a cultured woman with a dynamic personality with remarkable leadership which she used during the 1937 flood. At that time, in January 1937 when the Ohio and Beargrass Creek overflowed their banks and inundated all except the highest areas of Jefferson and adjacent Counties, Middletown organizations and citizens joined together to meet the needs of the people displaced by the flood waters. About 2000 people were transported to Middletown. All the meals were prepared and served at the Middletown Elementary School. Mrs. Brinley was also instrumental in providing recreation and entertainment for the children and adults. She was the founder and a charter member of the Middletown Woman's Club and served as its first president from 1937 to 1939. The Middletown Chapter of the American Red Cross was organized in July 1940 and Mrs. Brinley was the first general chairman.

In her church, the Middletown Methodist Church, she gave generously of her time and talents having taught Sunday school. The church bells in the tower was a gift from the Brinley's in memory of her parents.

In her later years, Mrs. Brinley was active in Historic Middletown Inc. and the American Mothers Association which when founded sought to heal the damage done to families during the Civil War by organizing a day of love and friendship. This effort grew into what today is known as Mothers Day. In 1955 she and her husband traveled to Israel with a group that included Col. Harland Sanders, famous for his Kentucky Fried Chicken. A highlight of the trip was baptism in the River Jordan. Mr. Brinley died in 1958.

Mrs. Brinley died on December 11, 1971 in a fire at her home on Old Shelbyville Road and was buried at Cave Hill Cemetery.

District 19



Saturday, May 11th

9:00am-12:00pm

Parking Lot next to Middletown Target

12975 Shelbyville Rd.

What the Clean-Up Includes

- Junk Drop Off
- E-Cycle Drop Off (TVs accepted)
- Shredding
- Prescription & OTC Drug Drop Off

NOT Accepted

- Hazardous Waste—motor oil, batteries, paint gasoline, antifreeze or chemicals
- Automotive parts, boats or motorcycles
- Loose debris—dispose in weekly garbage or recycling collection
- Construction & demolition materials

For more information on where you can dispose of these things please visit

www.louisvilleky.gov/district19

District 19 is excited to partner with District 17 to provide this free event to our districts.

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

4/20 Annual Easter Egg Hunt in Wetherby Park—1:00 p.m. SHARP

5/13 Annual Golf Scramble

Our luncheons are the second Thursday of each month . Check our website for speakers.



Middletown Chamber of Commerce
502-245-0404

Freda@middletownchamberky.com

I'm glad to say we're on our way to spring.

We just participated in the Polar Plunge at Texas Roadhouse for Special Olympics. The water was a little cold, but everyone had a good time. A big thank you to Texas Roadhouse for allowing us to stage it there.

Our Easter Egg Hunt in Wetherby Park, 11803 Old Shelbyville Road is April 20th at 1:00 p.m. sharp.

Our annual Golf Scramble is May 13th with Eastern Area Ministries our charity of focus.

Check out our website for information on the District 19 Clean Up & Junk Drop Off being held on May 11th.

We have much going on not only for our members but the community.

Currently we have over 400 members and we continue to work hard for our businesses. Check us out on our website or Facebook.

Come network with us at our monthly luncheons the second Thursday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at Celebration Hall, First Baptist Church, 11721 Main Street.

If you would like to be a part of our growing family, give us a call or come by and see us.

Our team has new emails:
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Freda Chapman
Executive Director
Middletown Chamber of Commerce



MAJOR'S MINUTES

Major Jamey Schwab, Louisville Metro Police 8th Division

Greetings from the Louisville Metro Police Department's 8th Division. Traffic concerns continue to be one of the most common complaints we receive. This primarily involves speeding on residential streets and the running of stop signs and red lights. Of course, the adage of "where are the police when you need them" is never truer than when you witness a reckless driver placing your life in jeopardy. We have several tools we use to address traffic concerns in the division and as a result saw a 57 percent reduction in fatal collisions in the division in 2018.

Speed Trailers:

Our five new Speed Alert monitoring trailers were placed in service in the 8th Division in 2018. These were donated by the Louisville Metro Council. The machines were deployed to 106 different locations in 2018 to deter speeding and enhance safety. Each trailer provides "real-time" monitoring of traffic and allows us to generate a wealth of data to better identify where and when speeding is occurring the most. On average we have found that roughly 75% of speeders will slow down when they come into sight of the flashing display.

Enforcement Cars:

The 8th Division has two dedicated traffic enforcement officers to address speeding and other traffic violations in areas needing additional attention. These officers operate in uniform, but utilize unmarked cars to catch violators. Last year our traffic enforcement officers issued over 2,200 citations in the division (mostly for speeding). Of course, distracted driving has become one of the most common reasons for wrecks, so we urge everyone to put down your phone and slow down! Please continue to follow LMPD on social media to stay on top of everything going on. As always, I have attached a few important phone numbers and addresses to keep handy.

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/>
- ♦ Twitter: <https://twitter.com/LMPD>

Museum Moment

Middletown Museum 11700 Main Street

I know we are all looking forward to saying goodbye to our cold wet winter weather but being inside so much gives us the time to read and research our family histories. Have you found something new about your family? Maybe you have located some pictures of your family members with backgrounds showing scenes of Middletown and streetscapes no longer there. The museum would love to scan those pictures and have them available to share and preserve the images.

Recently the museum was contacted by two individuals who were preparing articles for the free "Middletown Magazine". The first individual was seeking information about Governor Wetherby's boyhood adventures, any photos while he was growing up in Middletown and his accomplishments during his terms as Lt. Governor and then Governor. The second individual wanted to write about the formation and running of the Historic Middletown Museum. We were happy to have been able to provide both individuals with the information they were seeking.

Middletown Market

At

First Baptist Church

Celebration Hall 11711 Main Street

Hooray! Derby season is almost upon us, and the next Middletown Market takes place just one weekend prior! The “Derby Edition” of Market will be Friday, April 26, from 6 until 9 p.m. and Saturday, April 27, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. What a great opportunity to find your new Derby fascinator or hat at reasonable prices! We’ll also have LuLaRoe for the younger set, or for those still young at heart, and a fantastic assortment of jewelry.

We’re again going to do a fashion show! Last year’s show was a great success, with models who could have come directly from a New York runway they were so good! They will again be attired by Tracie from the “Wright Stuff” consignment store with makeup by Denise of Mary Kaye. The show will be on Saturday, just after lunch. Speaking of lunch, which starts at 11:00 on Market Saturday, people just can’t seem to get enough of Miss Cristi’s chicken salad on croissant sandwich! She also makes a mean grilled cheese sandwich and tomato soup. Remember: a meal or “entree” of chips and a drink is just \$4.00, and a la carte is only \$3.00.

New vendors continue to make the Market always fresh. For the Valentine Market, Bland Matthews was a first-time vendor selling his “Berserkerbrew” coffee. Honestly, he must put magic in it because it is incredibly smooth and didn’t keep me awake Friday night despite drinking many cups! The coffee really went well with the many goodies from the Friday night church-wide Bake Sale! Amazing what our bakers come up with!

Space, unfortunately, does not allow me to spotlight all our recent new vendors, so you’ll just have to stop by to meet them, and, when you do, be sure to sign up for our periodic door prize drawings; you need not be present to win. Follow us on our new and improved Facebook page at www.facebook.com/middletownmarket for updates, and for more information or booth rental, call 245-7889. The Market is sponsored by First Baptist Church of Middletown.

Parents, please mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School at the church June 23-27, and adults mark your calendars for the annual Festival (as in Family Fun Festival) Auction July 13. WHEW! The year is just flying by—again!

And did you know? First Baptist has a “metals mission?” A few of our big, strong men will come to your location to pick up metals ranging from bags of aluminum cans to your old washer/dryer or metal siding. Simply call the church office at 245-7889 to schedule. Their motto: “Your junk is our bread and butter!”

2019 MIDDLETOWN MARKET SCHEDULE

DERBY EDITION MARKET

Friday, April 26 & 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**

Website: middletownoutdoormarket.com

Facebook.com/Middletown Market

For Booth Rental: 245-7889



They Were There For Us

Be There For Them

Kentucky Wounded Heroes (KWH) was established in 2008 by Chuck Reed, a retired Kentucky State Trooper and retired Kentucky Army National Guardsman. Our mission, from the onset, was to provide quality outdoor programs to combat-wounded or disabled veterans returning home from the battlefields of Iraq and Afghanistan. Hunting and fishing trips were, and still are, the main focus. In 2012, community first-responders: police officers, fire fighters, and emergency medical technicians, that had been injured in the line of duty were also included. This duality is what sets Kentucky Wounded Heroes apart from other similar programs throughout the country. To date, over 2,000 Wounded Heroes from Kentucky and several other states have participated in the programs.

Kentucky Wounded Heroes continues to seek out members of the community that would benefit from our programs. If you have a relative, friend, or

neighbor that was wounded in action or has a service-related disability or injury please tell them about us. Reminder, all of our programs are provided at no cost to the participants, and the staff and Board of Directors are all volunteers.

Over the last two years a special relationship has evolved between KWH and the civic leaders of Middletown. Our office is now located in City Hall, and the organization is a member of the Middletown Chamber of Commerce. In 2018, the Chamber chose KWH as the beneficiary of the donation of proceeds from their annual Lake Forest Golf Scramble. That donation in the amount of \$9,500, was a large portion of our annual operating budget. Recently, well-known Middletown resident Dan Wright became the Treasurer for KWH, and his wife Laura is now serving on the Board of Directors. We look forward to our continued partnership.

**KWH is a 501(c)(3) non-profit entity.
Donations to the organization are
tax-deductible.**



**Check us out on FACEBOOK or
on the internet at:**

kentuckywoundedheroes.net

Contact:

**Chuck Reed, Director 502-235-4262
Jim Smith, Board Member 502-533-4613**

Trash Recycle Yard Waste

Rumpke Contact Information



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for Customer Service
Website: www.rumpke.com**

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

RECYCLE PICK UP



* One day delay due to holiday

North of Shelbyville Road

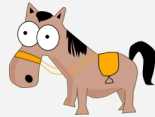
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Thursday, July 18th
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Thursday, August 15th
Thursday, August 29th
Thursday, September 12th

South of Shelbyville Road

Thursday, April 4th
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Thursday, May 16th
Friday, May 31st *
Thursday, June 13th
Thursday, June 27th
Thursday, July 11th
Thursday, July 25th
Thursday, August 8th
Thursday, August 22nd
Friday, September 6th *

APRIL

- 11th Chamber Luncheon ,11:30a-1:00p, Greg Gitschier, Retired Secret Service
- 11th City Meeting @ 6:00 p.m., City Hall, 11803 Old Shelbyville Rd.
- 19th Closed at 12:00 for Good Friday
- 20th Annual Easter Egg Hunt in Wetherby Park—1:00 p.m. SHARP

**MAY**

- 9th Chamber Luncheon 11:30a-1:00p, Speaker TBA
- 9th City Meeting @ 6:00 p.m., City Hall, 11803 Old Shelbyville Rd.
- 11th District 19 Clean Up Day at Target Parking Lot
- 13th Chamber Golf Scramble 11:00 a.m. at Lake Forest
- 19th Concert in the Park 5:30 p.m. Wetherby Park
- 27th Closed for Memorial Day

**JUNE**

- 9th Concert in the Park 5:30 p.m. Wetherby Park
- 13th Chamber Luncheon 11:30a-1:00p, Speaker TBA
- 13th City Meeting @ 6:00 p.m., City Hall, 11803 Old Shelbyville Rd.

**JULY**

- 4th Closed for Independence Day
- 11th Chamber Luncheon ,11:30a-1:00p, Speaker TBA
- 11th City Meeting @ 6:00 p.m., City Hall, 11803 Old Shelbyville Rd.
- 14th Concert in the Park 5:30 p.m. Wetherby Park

**AUGUST**

- 2nd Street Rods
- 8th Chamber Luncheon ,11:30a-1:00p, Speaker TBA
- 8th City Meeting @ 6:00 p.m., City Hall, 11803 Old Shelbyville Rd.
- 11th Concert in the Park 5:30 p.m. Wetherby Park



School News

Eastern High School



They have been completed!!! After a “few” delays, our track has been expanded from yards to meters and the concession/restroom building has opened. We have been able to add more field events and resurface the track. These projects could not have been successful without support from our Eastern community. We look forward to bringing many track and field events back to campus.

Spring is the time of year where we have many events on campus for the public to enjoy.

Please visit our calendar for complete list of available events: www.easterneagles.org/calendar or you can follow us on Twitter:

@easternhsmedia or

@athleticsehs.

Middletown Elementary



Middletown Elementary boasts a variety of opportunities for our students and community. We believe that students benefit from participating in the local community and in after-school learning opportunities that foster academic and social development. We offer our students a variety of choices, such as Cross-Country, Chess, Dance, STEAM, Minecraft, and many other clubs. We have an obligation to our community to educate students to be prepared to stand out and shine in the twenty-first-century job market. At the same time, we must educate them to be outstanding citizens.

We are gearing up for an exciting 2019-20 school year and are preparing for our Boomer’s Back-to-School Bash in August. For our incoming kindergarteners, we will also host Kindergarten University, where we will share important information about the upcoming year and give helpful tips to new kindergarten parents. These students will also take a brief assessment, which will be used by the classroom teacher to better guide individualized instruction during the first few months of school and to give important educational feedback to parents.

I look forward to meeting lots of new students and parents in the coming months. Call our office at **485-8300** for upcoming tour dates. We are so proud of our school and would love to show it to you. 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!



May 19 Eastern High Band & Middletown Elementary

June 9 Checkmates-Hits of the 50's, 60's & 70's

July 14 JD Shelburne - Country

August 11 ReVinylize -Oldies

September 15 Louisville Brass & Electric-Chicago/Beatles