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# City of Middletown

The Heart of Louisville

## City Officials

2020-2022

**Mayor J. Byron Chapman**

**Commissioner Mark Stigers**

**Commissioner Ron Wolf**

**Commissioner Amy Oliver**

**Commissioner Paul Hayden**

*The world is a dangerous place, not because of those who do evil, but because of those who look on and do nothing.*

**Important information about our newsletters!!**

**The next newsletter will be digital on our website:**

**[cityofmiddletownky.org](http://cityofmiddletownky.org)**

**From the Desk of  
Mayor J. Byron Chapman**

### Greetings from the City of Middletown

I hope you enjoy receiving our newsletter and all the information contained within.

I am pleased and proud of the men and women in our Police Department. I encourage each of you to follow their advice- especially when it comes to your personal safety.

When you get a chance, stop by and visit the newly renovated Middletown Library.

We are planning a city wide clean up later in the year. Please try to keep our city tidy - pick up any trash you may see and dispose of it properly. Thank you.

Our businesses continue to grow thanks to your support - continue to: Shop Middletown!!

I am excited about the spring/summer concert line up. Come out and experience the entertainment. Let us talk and eat!

Sincerely,

J. Byron Chapman, Mayor

*We often take for granted the very things that most deserve our gratitude...*

# MIDDLETOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Message from the Chief

Spring time is upon us and I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable winter. I want to reintroduce you to our Crime Tip Line. Just a few short months of this line being in service we have received some useful information that has helped our detectives with cases they are working. I would like to encourage you to call 502-755-4MPD (4673) if you have any information about a crime or know of any suspicious activity that may provide a tip to solving a crime. The information that you provide can be the missing piece to solving a crime and bringing closure to a victim and their family.

### IMPORTANT NUMBERS

**911 for Police Emergency**

**Call 574-5471 to Report a  
Non-Emergency Crime**

itself. This is a crime that can be prevented, and I am asking for you to do your part. First and foremost, lock your vehicle every time you get out and leave your vehicle unattended. Next, don't leave any valuables in your vehicle. If you need to leave something for a short time, hide the items out of view or store them in your truck. At no time, should you leave a firearm in your vehicle unattended hidden or not. There has been numerous stolen vehicle cases where the owners left a set of keys or a spare set in their vehicle only to have the thieves find the keys and take the vehicle. Adopt a new habit of making sure your vehicle is secure and no items are left inside every night before you retire for the evening. With your help we can reduce or even put a stop to this type of criminal activity in our community.

A common theme that I hear is: I was pulled over by one of your police officers for



**CRIME**  
**755-4MPD**  
**ANONOMOUS**  
**CRIME TIPS**

I am asking for the public's help in reducing this next trending crime topic. There has been a marked increase in items stolen from vehicles and even the vehicle

# MIDDLETOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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minor traffic infraction or your officer stopped me for doing nothing – Don't you guys have anything better to do like fight real crime? Well, we are, often solving larger crimes start with the small things. Stopping a vehicle for running a stop sign can lead to recovering a stolen vehicle or finding a person that is wanted for a more serious crime. So the next time an officer stops you for a minor violation just know it's nothing personal, they may be just looking for a clue that may help solve a bigger crime. If you are not involved in a serious crime then you should have nothing to worry about and you will be on your way.

My officers and I take pride in our city, with your help, we can make Middletown a safer, more enjoyable place to live, raise our families, and work. If you have any suggestions or comments, please feel free to let me know.

*Chief Rob Herman*



### PREVENT CRIME

- **LOCK** your VEHICLE
- Don't leave **VALUABLES** in your VEHICLE
- IF you must, **LOCK VALUABLES** in the TRUNK!
- 80% of all property crime occurs simply because of easy opportunity. Remove the opportunity...  
**REMOVE THE CRIME**



LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC  
**LIBRARY**  
MIDDLETOWN LIBRARY

12556

**The Middletown Library** is ready for spring and summer! In June we begin another year of our wildly popular Summer Reading and Cultural Pass program. Children ages 0-18 can participate in Summer Reading activities and earn prizes for reading and attending library programs. This year's theme is "Adventures in Summer Reading".

We have a "wild" time planned with programs from Raptor Rehabilitation, Second Changes Wildlife Center, Louisville Nature Center, and WAGS pet therapy program scheduled to appear.

While you are picking up your Summer Reading log don't forget to grab a Cultural Pass! These passes are

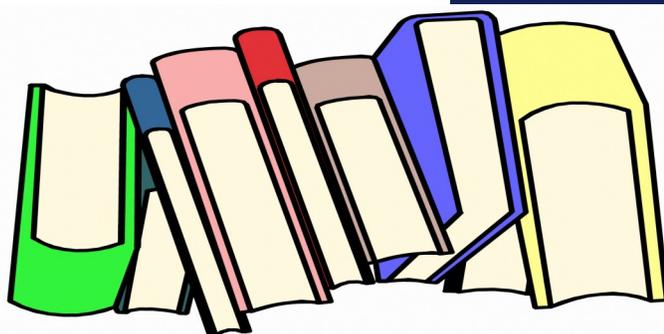
your ticket into museums, galleries, and programs all over the city, all summer long.

For adults we are continuing our popular Early Birds Book Discussion Group. Join us the third Tuesday of every month at 10:00 a.m. to discuss that month's pick. For April we are reading "The Sympathizer" by Viet Thanh Nguyen, winner of the 2015 Pulitzer Prize for fiction. May's selection is the memoir "Bettyville" by George Hodgman, and in June we are reading "The Giver of Stars" by JoJo Moyes. We hope you can join us!



12556 Shelbyville Road  
Mon. -Thur. 10 a.m.-9:00 p.m.  
Friday & Sat. 10:00 a.m. –  
5:00 p.m.

Closed Sunday  
502-245-7332  
[www.lfpl.org](http://www.lfpl.org)



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# 2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER 2022

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## Middletown Chamber of Commerce Laura Wright, Executive Director

In the winter it seems everyone goes into “hibernation mode,” but here at the Middletown Chamber of Commerce, we have been hard at work in “planning mode”. The first quarter of 2022 has seen quite a bit of progress! Our board of directors has been hard at work creating, approving, and executing a working business plan that will ensure the success of our organization well into the future. Part of that plan has been to create two very important committees including a Chamber Event Committee (CEC) to keep our members interested and updated on relevant issues, and a Chamber Growth Committee (CGC) committed to retaining and growing our membership. We truly appreciate the work that has been done by our outstanding Board of Directors, and the committee work that will continue in 2022 by our committed volunteers. We know our Chamber of Commerce is in good hands!

We are excited to report that even through the pandemic, our numbers are still holding strong at 457. We’ve added fourteen new and/or returning members so far this quarter. In January, we held our first monthly breakfast of the year, which was very well-attended! Our speaker was Wayne Hettinger, Creator/Producer of Thunder Over Louisville, who gave us some insights into the largest airshow and fireworks display in North America. Chamber members in attendance had a blast! In February, we held our first panel topic luncheon, which included four different speakers and a moderator. They provided great insights as they walked us through the topic of COVID Protocol and Employee Retention. We held our first, of two, “Be Our Guest at Breakfast” in March with another to be held in September. Throughout the first quarter, we held one ribbon

cutting, as well as several networking events including 2 Happy Hours, 3 Coffee Chit Chats, 3 Senior Synergy meetings, and 3 Leads at Lightning Speed meetings. What a busy quarter!

Looking ahead to this quarter, we are very excited to announce a new date for our annual 5K. Mark your calendars and bring the whole family out because this year, it will be part of our Easter Extravaganza! The 5K Run/Walk will begin at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at Wetherby Park with the Easter Bunny, our annual Easter Egg Hunt, and Vendor Village Shopping to follow. The Vendor Village will be open for shopping from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and the Easter Egg Hunt will take place at 1:00 p.m. Come on out and enjoy the day with us! More planned second quarter events include our monthly luncheons in April/June, and our monthly breakfast in May, many more monthly networking opportunities, and our annual Chamber Golf Outing, which will take place this year on Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. Please check our website often at [www.middletownchamberky.com](http://www.middletownchamberky.com) for our calendar of events, event details, and all Middletown Chamber of Commerce Happenings Around Town!



**Laura L. Wright**  
**Executive Director**  
**Middletown Chamber**  
**of Commerce**  
[laura@middletownchamberky.com](mailto:laura@middletownchamberky.com)

# Trash Recycle Yard Waste

## Rumpke Contact Information



Phone—800-678-6753 or  
502-568-3800 Ext. 3 Customer Service

Website: [www.rumpke.com](http://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 Hall at 245-2762.

For a holiday calendar, please visit [rumpke.com](http://rumpke.com) and click on the holiday schedule.



## RECYCLE PICK UP

### North of *Shelbyville Road*

Thursday, April 7  
Thursday, April 21  
Thursday, May 5  
Thursday, May 19  
Friday, June 3 \*  
Thursday, June 16  
Thursday, June 30

\*1 day holiday delay

### South of *Shelbyville Road*

Thursday, April 14  
Thursday, April 28  
Thursday, May 12  
Thursday, May 26  
Thursday, June 9  
Thursday, June 23  
Friday, July 8 \*

\* 1 day holiday delay

### Large Items

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If you have a large item to be picked up such as a mattress, you must call Rumpke to schedule the pick up. All Mattresses must be wrapped in plastic. In addition, cloth furniture items must also be wrapped in plastic.

# Historic Middletown

COMMISSIONER MARK STIGERS

## Work and Beautification Continued on the Middletown Cemetery Middletown Garden Committee November 3, 1938

Wonder how many have visited the cemetery lately? Mr. Wood continues faithfully on the job and has taken up about two hundred of the old rock grave markers and replaced them with concrete blocks sunken into the ground giving the appearance of the more modern cemeteries, with a slab even with the ground. This makes it much easier to keep the grass cut.

Mr. Fred Myers of the Myers Funeral Home, voluntarily promised the garden committee last summer that he would give us some tulip bulbs. He not only did this but sent a florist to plant them resulting in two lovely tulip beds. We appreciate and thank Mr. Myers very much for his generosity. Mr. Myers is very civic minded and cooperates in every possible way. He very kindly delivers the chairs at our club meetings.

The garden committee had an outdoor benefit party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sams sometime back and the money realized from this will be turned over to

Mr. Wood to buy some implements for the cemetery work.

*Middletown Cemetery*  
*210-212 Old Harrods Creek Road*  
*Middletown KY 40253*



SPRING 2022

A cleanup of the cemetery grounds will occur this spring prior to Memorial Day. A date has not been set but if you or a group you're associated with would like to help please email Commissioner Mark Stigers at [commissionerstigers@cityofmiddletownky.org](mailto:commissionerstigers@cityofmiddletownky.org)



Happy  
Easter

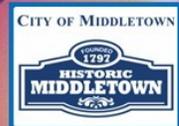
# MIDDLETOWN ANNUAL EASTER EGG-STRAVAGANZA

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2022  
1:00PM, WETHERBY PARK  
11803 OLD SHELBYVILLE RD,  
MIDDLETOWN

**Come see the EASTER BUNNY!**  
**Bring your basket & be ready to fill**  
**with Easter eggs hidden in the park**  
**- free for ages 12 and under!**

**Before & after the hunt:**  
**Shop in the Easter Vendor Village**  
**10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Enjoy shopping,**  
**tastings and coupon giveaways!**

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FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (502) 245-0404



# EASTER VENDOR VILLAGE & SPRING FLING



**SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2022**

**RAIN OR SHINE**

**12:00PM-3:00PM, WETHERBY PARK  
11803 OLD SHELBYVILLE RD**

**(before, during, & after the 1:00PM Easter Egg Hunt)**

**SHOWCASE YOUR BUSINESS!  
SELL PRODUCTS, PROVIDE FOOD SAMPLES,  
HAND OUT DISCOUNTS, ETC.\***

**\*YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE  
FOR THE SET UP  
OF YOUR OWN SPACE  
(TABLES, CHAIRS, TENTS, ETC)**



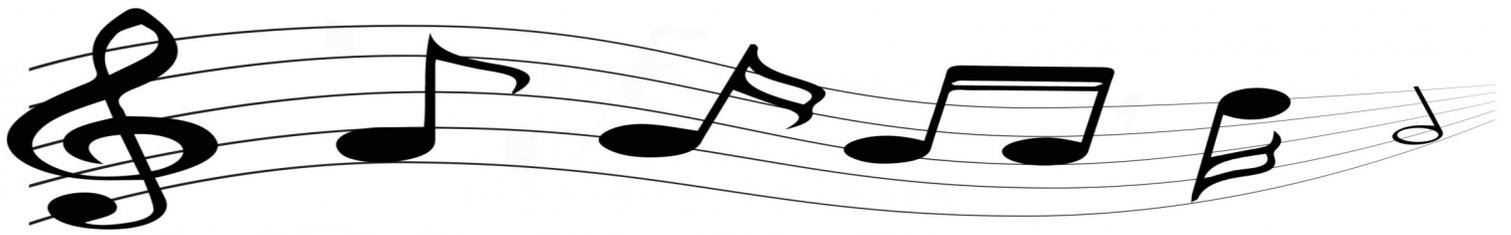
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MEMBERS  
FREE**



**NON-  
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MEMBERS  
\$50**

**INTERESTED? QUESTIONS?**

**CONTACT THE CHAMBER AT 502-245-0404 OR EMAIL: [LAURA@MIDDLETOWNCHAMBERKY.COM](mailto:LAURA@MIDDLETOWNCHAMBERKY.COM)**



## **Middletown Concert Series**

**SUNDAY EVENINGS 5:30-7:30 P.M.  
WETHERBY PARK GAZEBO  
11803 Old Shelbyville Rd.**

**5/15/22 - Local Schools**

**6/12/22 Caribou- Louisville's Premier Dance Band**

**7/10/22 Rockland Road-from Nashville six musicians who share the last name Martin—representing four generations of musical heritage all vocalists who among them play 23 different instruments with a vocal driven melodic and signature sound**

**8/14/22 Jake Gill-Country**

**9/18/22 Sweet Beats-Beatles Tribute**

**Food provided by the City of Middletown  
Prepared by Middletown Lions Club**

**Please... NO PETS, NO ALCOHOL**

**Rain Cancels**

# CALENDAR 2022



## *April*

- 14 City Meeting @ 6:00 p.m., City Hall, 11803 Old Shelbyville Rd.
- 15 City Hall closes at noon for Good Friday
- 16 Easter Egg Hunt & Easter Vendor Village, Wetherby Park, 11803 Old Shelbyville Rd.

## *May*

- 12 City Meeting @ 6:00 p.m., City Hall, 11803 Old Shelbyville Rd.
- 15 Concert in Wetherby Park—Local Schools
- 30 City Hall closed for Memorial Day

## *June*

- 9 City Meeting @ 6:00 p.m., City Hall, 11803 Old Shelbyville Rd.
- 12 Concert in Wetherby Park—Caribou

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**Important Phone Numbers:**

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| ■ County Clerk 12312 Shelbyville Rd., Car Tag renewals, titles, transfers, marriage licenses, pay Jefferson County tax | 245-3631 |
| ■ Rumpke (garbage & recycling)   | 568-3800 |
| ■ Middletown Fire Dept.  | 245-7555 |
| ■ Middletown Post Office   | 245-5791 |
| ■ Metro Police 8 <sup>th</sup> Division 2927 Goose Creek Rd, 40241<br>(moved from 200 Juneau Dr.)                      | 574-7916 |
| ■ Driver's License Branch: Hurstbourne, 9112 Leesgate and Bowman Field, 3545 Roger E. Schupp St.,                      |          |