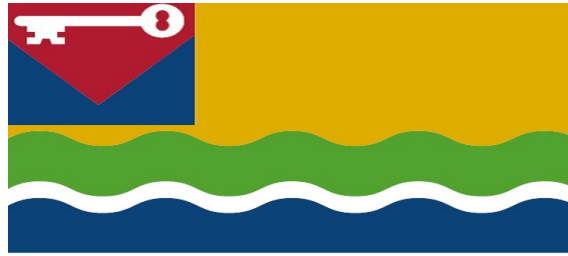


MIDDLETOWN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEWSLETTER

May 2017



CHAMBER CHATTER

FROM THE DESK OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, FREDA CHAPMAN

The Middletown Chamber of Commerce has had a busy 6 months with monthly Chamber luncheons, Lunch and Learn workshops, ribbon cuttings, Meet and Greet, after-hours, networking events, our first blood drive, annual Easter Egg Hunt and our first annual golf scramble at Lake Forest Country Club.

We look forward to the next 7 months with new and reoccurring events such as the Middletown Hoedown on 6/9/17 (tickets are \$20 each and can be bought at the Chamber office or First Baptist Church, Middletown), annual Trick or Treat/Pancake Breakfast on 10/28/17 and our second Night of Heroes event to help Veterans and their families with PTSD on 11/11/17.

Make sure to mark your calendars for the City of Middletown's annual Concerts in the Park. Upcoming dates are 6/11, 7/9, 8/6, 9/17 and 10/1. All start at 5:30 p.m. except for the concert on 10/1 which begins at 4:30 p.m. All concerts are held in Wetherby Park, 11803 Old Shelbyville Road. Free food, courtesy of the city, is served by our loyal Lions Club and Leos. This is an alcohol-free event. No pets please!

Look for our upcoming full-page ad in Business First coming out on June 9th. We have partnered with Business First for 6 months to run a monthly ad showcasing the Middletown Chamber of Commerce beginning in June. Each ad will also feature a local member/business testimonial at the bottom of the page. We are currently finalizing the template for the advertising campaign and are looking for a few businesses to participate and help to underwrite some of the costs of the advertising for the Chamber. Please let us know if you and your business would like to participate

We are working hard to increase our Chamber membership. Our Chamber has grown to over 285 members in less than 3 years and we urge everyone to be a part of this thriving organization. Please take the time to reach out to your business friends and help us grow. We are in a good location in the Metro area to be one of the best Chambers and we ask you to be a part of it.

Remember, we hold a Chamber Luncheon the 2nd Thursday of every month in Celebration Hall, 11711 Main Street in Middletown. We also hold a Lunch and Learn Workshop every third Thursday of the month in Middletown City Hall, 11803 Old Shelbyville Road in Middletown. Both the luncheon and workshop have been created to help your business grow in a positive way.

FREDA

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

(please take a moment to e-mail our new members & welcome them into our Chamber family):

Louisville Business First—Cheryl Green @ cgreen@bizjournals.com

Merri Jack Photography— Meredith Esarey @ merrijackphotography@gmail.com

Rabbit In The Moon—Yolanda Long @ bumble1957@hotmail.com

Lawn Doctor—Alex Marshall @ group1221@lawndocor.com

Point Blank Range & Gun Shop—Andy Hofmann @ ahofmann@shootpointblank.com

AcuBalance Acupuncture & Integrative Medicine—Andrea Johnston @ info@acubalanceky.com

Treehouse Artisans & Merchants—Nikki Fisher @ info@treehouseartisans.com

City of Douglass Hills - Mayor Bonnie Jung @ douglasshillsmayor@gmail.com

Hancock Law Office, PLLC - Nancy Hancock @ nancyshancock@gmail.com

Christian Care Communities, Inc. - Mary Lynn Spalding @ mary.spalding@ccc1884.org

Louisville Metro Neighborhood Place - Charmoli Center - Jessica Fleischer @ jessica.fleischer@louisvilleky.gov

Beck Realty Group - Jason Richardson @ richinland@gmail.com

CHAMBER LUNCHEON

Our next speaker on 6/8/17 is David L. Nicholson, Jefferson County Circuit Court Clerk. David is proud to be a lifelong resident of Louisville. He is the youngest of four children, and brother of retired Jefferson County District Court Judge Jimmy Nicholson. As early as David can remember, his late father, Jefferson County Circuit Court Judge S. Rush Nicholson, stressed the importance of community involvement. Mr. Nicholson is a graduate of Ballard High School and worked summers on the assembly line at the Ford Truck Plant. On January 26, 2006, Mr. Nicholson announced his candidacy for Jefferson County Court Clerk, pledging to bring the office into the 21st century with a track record of experience, leadership and vision. He was elected in November 2006 and assumed his duties as Circuit Court Clerk in January 2007. Mr. Nicholson was re-elected in November 2012. The Circuit Court Clerk is a constitutional office in service to state government. The core business of the Office of the Circuit Court Clerk is to document trial court activities and issue Kentucky driver's licenses and identification cards. Mr. Nicholson manages a staff of more than 300 employees and operates from eight locations including six driver's license branches.

Location: Celebration Hall, 11711 Main Street (next to First Baptist Church)

Cost: \$20 in advanced or \$25 at the door

Reservations Required:

Call 245-0404 or middletownchamberofcommerce@yahoo.com or thru our website @

<http://middletownchamberofcommerce.com/member-login/>.

SPOTLIGHT ON CHAMBER BUSINESSES:

GradePower Learning, also known as Oxford Learning, has been helping kids ages 3 to 18 reach their highest potential since 1984. We teach students how to learn in a fun positive environment so they will not need a tutor year after year. Each student will get an individualized program based on the results of our Dynamic Diagnostic Assessment which assesses the child's cognitive skill and academic level. Our program includes reading, writing, math, science, ACT and SAT Prep and incorporate teaching Meta-Cognitive awareness along with building academic, organizational and cognitive skills.

Please visit our website @ <http://gradepowerlearning.com>. We currently offer free dynamic diagnostic assessments with refunds after 2 full months' enrollment of a minimum of 8 sessions per month or after 16 sessions are completed or the purchase of 30 hours for the price of 25 hours.

UPCOMING EVENTS 2017 - MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- 6/1 – Ribbon Cutting @ AcuBalance Acupuncture & Integrative Medicine – 306 Middletown Park Pl., #6 @ 5:00 p.m.
- 6/8 – Chamber Luncheon – 11:30 – 1:00 p.m. – Speaker David Nicholson
- 6/8 – City Meeting @ 6:00 p.m. – Middletown City Hall @ 11803 Old Shelbyville Road
- 6/9 – Middletown Hoedown – 6:00 - ?, First Baptist Church, 11711 Main Street. \$20 per ticket.
- 6/10 – Ribbon Cutting @ 10:00 a.m. @ Treehouse Artisans & Merchants, 10302 Shelbyville Road
- 6/15 – Chamber Board Meeting – 8:30 a.m. @ 11803 Old Shelbyville Road
- 6/15 – Lunch and Learn Workshop – 11:30 – 1:00 p.m. – topic & speaker to be announced
- 7/8 – First Baptist Church's Annual Auction @ 6:00 p.m. in Celebration Hall @ 11711 Main Street
- 7/13 – Chamber Luncheon – 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in Celebration Hall @ 11711 Main St. Speaker to be announced.
- 7/20 – Chamber Board Meeting @ 8:30 a.m. @ 11803 Old Shelbyville Road
- 7/20 – Lunch and Learn Workshop – 11:30 – 1:00 p.m. in Middletown City Hall @ 11803 Old Shelbyville Road. Topic & speaker to be announced.

Thank you, from your Chamber, to all of those that participated in our First Annual Golf Scramble – sponsors, donors, golfers, volunteers and staff. It was perfect weather for the scramble, food was great, prizes and giveaways were outstanding and monies were raised for our Charity of Focus – Life Adventure Center, a 501(c)3 charitable organization. Receiving no governmental funding, they rely on tax-deductible gifts from kind and caring donors to rebuild military families, improve resiliency for impoverished kids and help heal the wounds of trauma. Life Adventure is a program that creates an environment where service members and their families build relationships and interact as a part of a healthy community. Life Adventure helps Veterans heal, while connecting with each other and their families. Program Director, Byron Marlowe, sent us this message after the golf scramble: "One of the veterans, who played on our team, contacted me yesterday to tell me that he received some life-changing mentorship from his golfing partner, an alumni of our veteran's program. As a result of that interaction, he is now signing up to attend our 5 ½ day PTS program. Thank you, on behalf of the veterans, who we serve.



Rumpke Team



Dan Wright, Tracy Wedekind, Gerry Perkins & Jim Wright



Congratulations to Safelite AutoGlass for participating, for the first time, in the Kentucky Derby Festival Bed Races. They also participated in the Pegasus Parade and had a great experience. Safelite is a national company, but definitely wants folks to know that they are local and support the community.

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