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IT'S A GREAT MONTH TO TELL YOU...

WE APPRECIATE YOU

From The Desk Of
 Laura Wright
 Executive Director

This being the Valentine month of February seems like the perfect time to let you know how GREAT it is to work with members like you! Our members are the -beat of our Chamber. Without you, we have no Chamber!

Speaking of our members, please make sure you sign up to become a Vendor for our first ever Middletown Business Expo/Taste of Middletown/Job Fair. Who doesn't need more employees? More business? More customers in their restaurants? More catering jobs? I can't think of a better way to promote your business. Call our office if you want more information, or e-mail me at laura@middletownchamberky.com.

HAPPY FEBRUARY!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<https://middletownchamberky.com/events-calendar/>

KCC
<https://middletownchamberky.com/kentucky-chamber-of-commerce/>

GLI

<https://middletownchamberky.com/gli/>

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

<https://middletownchamberky.com/business-directory/>

MEMBER AWARDS

<https://middletownchamberky.com/member-awards/>

SPACE FOR RENT/LEASE

<https://middletownchamberky.com/space-for-rent-or-lease/>

JOB BOARD

<https://middletownchamberky.com/job-board/>

WEEKLY CHAMBER CHATTER

<https://middletownchamberky.com/chamber-chatter/>

CHAMBERLINK NEWSLETTER

<https://middletownchamberky.com/newsletter/>

CHAMBER RESOURCE LINKS

WEBSITE HOME

<https://middletownchamberky.com/>



MIDDLETOWN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



**2022
YEAR IN REVIEW**

**CLICK HERE TO WATCH OUR
2022 CHAMBER HIGHLIGHT SLIDESHOW:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/PeUNAAogS1ahJ4Fs7>





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BBB's February 2023 Hot Topics

- 1. Multiple consumers have reported receiving fake job offers.** While the company itself is real, the job offers are not and are the work of scammers not affiliated with the company in an attempt to steal personal and financial information from victims. BBB warns consumers to be wary of unexpected job offers or interview processes that seem too easy. Review companies on BBB.org and contact the company directly if you are unsure of the legitimacy of an offer.
- 2. A consumer reported an attempt to buy concert tickets from a Facebook user that resulted in a scam.** Once the consumer paid for the tickets via Zelle, the alleged seller cut off all contact and never sent the tickets. BBB advises consumers to only buy tickets from trusted, verified sources and to pay with credit card whenever possible.
- 3. A consumer needing to cancel a flight ended up losing several hundred dollars to a site not affiliated with the airline.** They learned of the scam once they contacted the airline directly. BBB advises consumers to always ensure they are on an airline's website or speaking to a representative of the airline before buying, changing, or cancelling plane tickets.
- 4. A consumer received a call from someone impersonating the Fayette County Sheriff's office,** alerting them they had failed to appear in court as a character witness. This is a scam and an attempt to scare victims into paying fake fines and/or giving out their personal information. Don't fall for it!
- 5. BBB is once again receiving reports of text messages allegedly from the Indiana Department of Workforce,** regarding unemployment benefits. This is a scam message; do not click on any links or respond to the text.
- 6. Scam Publishers Clearing House phone calls are on the rise again in BBB's service area.** As a reminder, the real Publisher's Clearing House only contacts winners by mail, not by phone or text. Any "sweepstakes" that claims you need to pay money upfront to claim your winnings is very likely a scam.
- 7. Multiple consumers have reported online shopping scams to BBB this month,** wherein the victims never receive the ordered item or any kind of refund for a missing item. BBB reminds consumers to research companies first at bbb.org before ordering online, and to always pay by credit card in case you need to dispute a charge.
- 8. Consumers continue to report receiving scam text messages impersonating USPS.** The texts claim a consumer's package was unable to be delivered and that the consumer needs to pay a redelivery fee. This is a scam. Do not click on any links in text messages or give out your financial information.
- 9. BBB warns consumers to be on the lookout for customer service imposters.** Red flags include "representatives" who don't know any details about your account, who ask for information not needed to handle your issue (such as your Social Security Number), or who say you need to pay money to resolve your issue. Never allow anyone remote access to your device, and always contact a company directly if you need to speak to their customer service department.
- 10. BBB warns consumers of fake parking ticket scams.** These scams tend to target out-of-state license plates. Before you travel, research parking options and local parking laws. If you receive a citation, examine it carefully for signs it may be fake, and always pay by credit card in case you need to dispute the charge .

Welcome

NEW CHAMBER MEMBERS

Amanda Brainard, Hollyhock Homes
Rob Sightler, Concierge Home Services
Sumit Gupta, Paradise Fine Indian & American Cuisine
Michelle Musacchio, Fit Money CPA
Rob Barnett, Indeed Electric
Don Delafield, HopeWell Heights Counseling
Justin Laswell, Laswell Security & Automation
Evala Rahm, Evla Rahm Coaching

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

"Our restaurant truly feels like home and I hope to share that with as many people as possible!"



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Laney.Brittingham@chickensaladchick.com

I started as a team member 10 years ago, worked my way up, then moved here from Georgia in 2020 to open the Middletown Location! My favorite saying is "You're only as good as your team". Building a team of leaders in Louisville is my goal. We currently have 1 store operating in the Louisville area with 2 more locations to come! We are proud to have broken sales records in our first year and have now reached #1 in sales in the brand!



Welcome

NEW BOARD MEMBER

**THANK YOU
BOARD
MEMBERS!**

**WELCOME
NEW BOARD MEMBER
CLIFF WHALIN,
CHRISTIAN CARE
COMMUNITIES**



PICTURED:
LEFT: New Member, Cliff Whalin
RIGHT: Board President, Tom Stone, Stone Legal
BELOW:
January Board Meeting



NEW PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

Introducing

**MIDDLETOWN
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**



**JOIN
US!**

MIDDLETOWN WOMEN'S BUSINESS NETWORK MISSION STATEMENT:

To connect women from all different departments within a business, to share experiences, brainstorm new initiatives, and increase connections that support, enrich, and inspire women to advance professionally and personally.

KICK-OFF BREAKFAST!

Tuesday, 2/7/23, 9-10am

**GENEROUSLY HOSTED BY:
THE GRAND SENIOR LIVING
9300 CIVIC WAY LOUISVILLE, KY 40059**

**TO RSVP:
CALL LAURA AT 502-245-0404 OR
EMAIL LAURA@MIDDLETOWNCHAMBERKY.COM**

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28TH
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CHAMBERLINK CLIPPINGS FROM JANUARY...

CHAMBER MEMBER ORIENTATION



LEADS AT LIGHTNING SPEED



COFFEE CHIT CHAT



SENIOR SYNERGY



MIDDLETOWN YOUNG PROFESSIONALS JANUARY COFFEE & HAPPY HOUR MEETINGS



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OFF TO A GREAT START!



Jeff Gladney
Phoenix IT



John Miller
Internetek



Steve Edrington
Service Solutions



TECHNOLOGY PANEL DISCUSSION

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MONTHLY BREAKFAST



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UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	TIME	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
2/1/23	2:00PM	WORKING	CHAMBER EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING, CHAMBER OFFICE
2/7/23	9:00AM	NEW PROGRAM	WOMEN'S BUSINESS NETWORK KICK-OFF BREAKFAST THE GRAND, 9300 CIVIC WAY, LOUISVILLE, KY 40059
2/7/23	12:00PM	BI-MONTHLY	MIDDLETOWN NETWORKING GROUP, CHAMBER OFFICE
2/8/23	8:30AM	BI-MONTHLY	MIDDLETOWN YOUNG PROFESSIONAL COFFEE,
2/8/23	1:00PM	PLANNING	CHAMBER EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING PHOENIX IT 11911 PLANTSIDE DR
2/8/23	4:00PM	NETWORKING	QUARTERLY NETWORKING WITH THE BBB & SPENCER COUNTY 13104 EASTPOINT PARK BLVD, LOUISVILLE, KY 40223
2/9/23	11:30AM	MONTHLY	CHAMBER MONTHLY LUNCHEON, CELEBRATION HALL
2/9/23	6:00PM	MONTHLY	MIDDLETOWN CITY MEETING, MIDDLETOWN CITY HALL
2/14/23	12:00PM	MONTHLY	NON-PROFIT AFFINITY GROUP, FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
2/15/23	8:00AM	NETWORKING	COFFEE CHIT CHAT, ENCLAVE OF EAST LOUISVILLE 100 SHELBY STATION DR, LOUISVILLE, KY 40245
2/15/23	11:00AM	MONTHLY	LEADS AT LIGHTNING SPEED, MIDDLETOWN CITY HALL
2/16/23	9:00AM	MONTHLY	CHAMBER BOARD MEETING, CHAMBER OFFICE
2/16/23	1:00PM	MONTHLY	CHAMBER MEMBER ORIENTATION, MIDDLETOWN CITY HALL
2/20/23	HOLIDAY	PRESIDENTS DAY	CITY & CHAMBER OFFICES ARE CLOSED
2/21/23	12:00PM	BI-MONTHLY	MIDDLETOWN NETWORKING GROUP, CHAMBER OFFICE

FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF UPCOMING EVENTS,
PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT

<https://middletownchamberky.com/events-calendar/>

2023 FIRST ANNUAL TASTE OF MIDDLETOWN/ BUSINESS EXPO/ JOB FAIR



Presented by:
The Middletown Chamber of Commerce

11:00AM - 4:00PM

For sponsorship and vendor opportunities,
contact Laura Wright at (502) 245-0404 or
laura@middletownchamberky.com



MARCH 7TH, 2023

HOLIDAY INN HURSTBOURNE EAST LOUISVILLE
1325 S HURSTBOURNE PARKWAY
LOUISVILLE, KY 40222

CALL NOW!
502-245-0404

We need

YOU!



**SPONSORS, VENDORS
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& VOLUNTEERS**

CALLING ALL YOUNG PROFESSIONALS



Middletown Young Professionals Mission Statement:

To provide young professionals (ages 21-35) in the Louisville area fun opportunities to connect, collaborate, and develop professionally. Whether you are a young professional looking for social events, volunteer opportunities, or career enrichment, the Middletown Chamber Young Professionals group can help you grow professionally while providing you with exciting ways to deepen your connection with the Louisville community!

COFFEE MEETING



WEDNESDAY, 2/8/23
8:30 AM - 9:30 AM
STOCKTON MORTGAGE
1901 BLANKENBAKER PKWY
LOUISVILLE, KY 40299

PLEASE RSVP TO LAURA AT 502-245-0404 OR EMAIL LAURA@MIDDLETOWNCHAMBERKY.COM



COME JOIN US FOR OUR QUARTERLY NETWORKING EVENT



Spencer County-Taylorsville
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

February 8th 2023 from 4:00 - 6:00pm

13104 Eastpoint Park Blvd
Louisville, KY 40223

Please RSVP to Laura by February 6th
lcalhoun@ky-in.bbb.org or (502) 588-0037

FEBRUARY MONTHLY LUNCHEON

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THURSDAY, 2-9-23, 11:30AM-1:00PM
CELEBRATION HALL | 11711 MAIN ST | MIDDLETOWN

MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND RSVP TODAY AT:
<https://middletownchamberky.com/product/monthly-luncheon-2-9-23/>

*** DON'T FORGET...
VENDORS WILL BE THERE WITH
VALENTINE'S DAY GIFTS
FOR PURCHASE!**

JOIN THE FUN! LEADS...

WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 15, 2023
11:00AM-12:30PM



MIDDLETOWN CITY HALL
11803 OLD SHELBYVILLE RD
MIDDLETOWN, KY 40243

AT LIGHTNING SPEED!



Only one company per industry is allowed to attend.
If you attended the previous month, you must sit out a month.
A total of 20 participants per event, first to respond can attend.
Laura will confirm your reservation.
Must be a Chamber member and in good standing to participate.
Bring your business cards to share with the other 19 participants.
Speed networking will begin promptly at 11:00 a.m.
You will have 2 minutes, each round, to give your commercial.
Refreshments will not be provided
Signed up, but didn't attend? Must sit out 2 months.

Registration is not available online.

Please call Laura Wright at (502) 245-0404 or e-mail her at laura@middletownchamberky.com.



CHAMBER MEMBER ORIENTATION

THURSDAY
FEBRUARY 16, 2023
1-2PM



Held on the 3rd
Thursday of
every month!
PLEASE RSVP

MIDDLETOWN CHAMBER OFFICE
11803 OLD SHELBYVILLE RD, MIDDLETOWN, KY 40243



...not just for new members!

Join fellow chamber members and Chamber Staff as we highlight everything our Chamber of Commerce has to offer you! Come get acquainted with our offices, benefits, events, and communications. Oh, and don't forget to bring your business cards for the networking opportunity too!

To participate, you MUST register in advance: Registration is not available online.
Please call Laura Wright at (502) 245-0404 or e-mail her at laura@middletownchamberky.com

SOMEDAY IS NOT A
DAY OF THE WEEK.

Janet Dailey

COFFEE CHIT CHAT WITH THE CHAMBER



HOST: MIKE LAFOUNTAIN,
ENCLAVE OF EAST LOUISVILLE
100 SHELBY STATION DR
LOUISVILLE, KY 40245



NON-PROFIT AFFINITY GROUP



PLEASE JOIN US!

WHAT: NETWORKING WITH OTHER NON-PROFITS
WHERE: MIDDLETOWN 1ST BAPTIST CHURCH
11721 MAIN ST, MIDDLETOWN KY
WHEN: TUESDAY, 2/14/23, NOON - 1:00PM
*BRING YOUR LUNCH, DRINKS & DESSERT PROVIDED

QUESTIONS? CALL OR EMAIL LAURA: 502-245-0404, LAURA@MIDDLETOWNCHAMBERKY.COM



DON'T FORGET

PARTICIPATION PAYS!



MIDDLETOWN CHAMBER MEMBER INCENTIVE PROGRAM

CHAMBER ACTIVITY	PTS
SPONSOR AN EVENT	10
BRING IN A NEW MEMBER	10
SECURE DOOR PRIZES FOR EVENTS	8
VOLUNTEER AT LEAST 2 HOURS AT CHAMBER EVENTS	8
SERVE AS COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON	7
ATTEND BOARD MEETINGS	5
GOODWILL CALLS TO PAST MEMBERS	5
GOODWILL CALLS TO CURRENT MEMBERS	5
ATTEND ANNUAL LUNCHEON	5
ATTEND ONE OF THE EVENTS LISTED BELOW	4
ATTEND RIBBON CUTTINGS/GRAND OPENINGS	3
ASSIST WITH SET UP AT EVENTS	3
ASSIST WITH BREAK DOWN AT EVENTS	3
ATTEND ONE OF THE EVENTS LISTED BELOW	2



4 POINTS	2 POINTS
MONTHLY BREAKFAST/LUNCHEON	NON-PROFIT MEETINGS
HAPPY HOUR NETWORKING EVENTS	SENIOR SYNERGY MEETINGS
TRICK OR TREAT EVENT	COFFEE CHIT CHAT
LIGHT UP MIDDLETOWN EVENT	MULTI CHAMBER EVENT
MIDDLETOWN FESTIVAL EVENT	YOUNG PROFESSIONALS EVENT
VINTAGE MARKET EVENT	WOMEN'S NETWORKING EVENT
5K RUN/WALK EVENT	CHAMBER ORIENTATION
DAY AT THE DOWNS EVENT	COMMITTEE MTNGS (CGC, CEC)
HEALTH FAIR EVENT	BRING QUALIFIED GUEST TO EVENT
JOB FAIR EVENT	
TASTE OF MIDDLETOWN/ BUSINESS EXPO EVENT	
MOVIE NIGHT IN THE PARK	
MISCELLANEOUS EVENT	

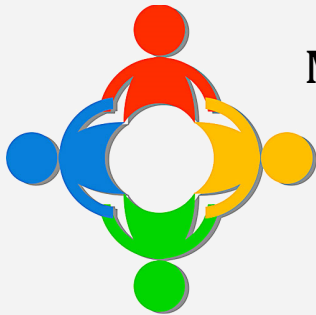


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**Please refer to our website listed below
for our most up-to-date information!**

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**MIDDLETOWN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



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