

By Mayor Ben Garlich

We are in the process of reviewing proposals for a Middlefield Village Comprehensive Plan. Utilizing the input of local talented people we will be able to produce a plan that will set the flavor of our future development as well as create goals for existing areas that need improvement. I look forward to a comprehensive document that will set the stage and give us the footprint we need to set an action plan with goals and completion dates. We felt the timing was appropriate as we've recently expanded our Village boundaries, have some new projects in the works and continue to aggressively go after new investment. We will solicit input after the contract is awarded.

In the month of June, we are producing a video that touts the attributes of our Village. The focus will be all encompassing, in that; it will give illustration to the positives for residing here as well as locating a commercial or industrial business in our Village. We are fortunate to have local business leaders who will represent each of these aspects and are willing to participate and assist in helping us market this Village. I look forward to the final result and want to personally thank those participating individuals for sacrificing their time to assist us with telling the story of what Middlefield Village has to offer.

Community garden plots (free) are still available at George Knox Park on Woodsong behind the Tractor Supply plaza. Water is available and if you have a desire to grow your own vegetables, fruit or herbs and don't have the space at your residence, I encourage you to call Village Hall, 440-632-5248 and reserve a plot.

Middlefield Farmers Market will begin July 6 at Mineral Lake Park. University Hospitals has joined forces with us along with many quality vendors to create a great family experience with activities for all ages. We hope to draw from a large demographic and I can guarantee the quality of all vendors. You will not be disappointed with the many activities or any product you purchase. I hope you will take advantage of this unique experience.

Be involved, shop local.