



# Candidates Guide, 2011

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# MAYOR

## **Christine Berry Bourne (Independent) for Mayor**

Democratic City Treasurer – 16 years

- Member of Democratic State Central Committee Representing Middletown, Middlefield, Meriden & Cheshire
- Past Vice President, AFSCME Council 4
- Past President, AFSCME Local 466
- Past Vice President, Community Residences, Inc., a social service agency
- 8th Grade Confirmation CCD Classteacher
- Coordinator CYO Basketball and Cheerleading for St. Sebastian Church
- Past PTO President at Keigwin School, and PTO Secretary at Wesley Elementary School
- Co-Chairman Mayor's Ball Committee
- Wife of Robert J. Bourne and mother of Rose, Andrew & Luke Bourne



## **Daniel T. Drew (D) for Mayor**



Dan Drew is a husband and father who wants to see Middletown realize its potential. Dan believes we have the ability to become the statewide leader in building a first-rate educational system, creating good jobs for working families, preserving our environment, and making life affordable for middle class working families like his own.

Dan is a Middletown City Councilman and serves on the Economic Development, Public Works, and Parks & Recreation commissions, the Ordinance Study Committee, and the Middletown High School Locker Room Building Committee.

Dan Drew graduated from the University of Connecticut with a bachelor's degree in Political Science in 2002.

After graduating, Dan declined a lucrative job offer as a securities broker to work as a newspaper reporter with the goal of exposing corruption. As a journalist, he took on his own party by conducting an investigation of a regional Democratic Party boss who was misidentifying thousands of dollars in campaign contributions. The investigation led to a criminal conviction.

Dan raised more than \$3 million in grant funding for the Community Renewal Team to run programs to help people of Middletown and Hartford achieve self-sufficiency. Dan was a leader in organizing a welfare-to-work program with the Middlesex Chamber of Commerce and Middlesex Community College which brought 20 single mothers on welfare to \$40,000-per-year jobs in the fast-growing healthcare industry.

Dan also acquired millions of dollars worth of grant funding to retrofit older homes with green building materials, energy-saving windows, and solar-panels. These projects lowered the homes' utility bills and reduced their carbon footprints.

Dan believes Middletown's government should be about inclusiveness, fairness, and compassion. This campaign will be about our city's future. It will be about restoring Middletown's standing across Connecticut. It will be about providing quality public education, creating good jobs, attracting new businesses, caring for our environment, building our infrastructure, preserving open space, and caring for seniors. It will be about bringing new people into the political process and empowering marginalized voices. It will be about where we are going together.

And we'll only realize our potential if you make your voice heard. If you get involved. If you become a part of the process.

### **Sebastian N. Giuliano (R) for Mayor**

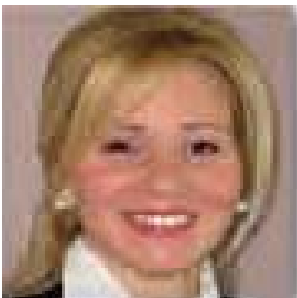
Mr. Giuliano is a practicing attorney in Middletown. A graduate of Xavier High School, he attended the United States Military Academy for two years, and graduated Cum Laude from Boston College in 1975. He earned his Law Degree from the Catholic University of America in 1978, and has been admitted to all Courts of the State of Connecticut, District Court of Connecticut, United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and the United State Supreme Court. His civic activities include membership in the Kiwanis Club of Middletown, Vice President of the Easter Seals Rehabilitation Center of Central Connecticut, Director of the Xavier High School Alumni Association 1991-1996, Vice President of the St Sebastian School Board, member of the St Sebastian Pastor's Advisory Committee, Past President of the Italian-American Civic Organization (IACO) and member of the Middletown 350th Anniversary Committee. He and his wife Paula are the proud parents of three children, Nicolas, Paul and Francesca.



My knowledge of this city - its people, its institutions, its history. Also, my approach to problem solving is to solicit input from all affected parties, account for all points of view, and not be rigidly governed by preconceived or partisan solutions.

## **COMMON COUNCIL**

### **Mary A. Bartolotta (D) for Common Council**



My background in fiscal management and public safety as the South Fire Commissioner shows that I have enacted positive change for taxpayers. I will help rebuild relationships between our city government and the public by better communication, transparency, and accountability to every resident.

### **David Bauer (R) for Common Council**

Born, raised, and educated in Middletown. Current member of the Middletown Common Council. I have served or am serving on the Senior Affairs Committee, Board of Health, Economic Development Commission, ECRRA, CAC, Public Safety Commission, Public Works Commission, WPCA, Redevelopment Agency, Contract Compliance Committee, CVH Advisory Council, Shared Services Committee, and various sub-committees, including all the working groups in the last downtown "parking study".

Petitioning Candidate for Common Council as a in 2001. Petitioning Candidate for 33rd District State Representative in 2002. Republican candidate for Common Council in 2003. Republican candidate 33rd District State Representative in 2004. Republican candidate for Common Council in 2005 & 2006. Republican candidate for Common Council in 2007. Candidate for 34th District State Representative in 2008.



### **Todd G. Berch (D) for Common Council**

I am a blue collar, fiscally conservative candidate ready to serve our community. We will ensure that taxes are utilized by public consensus with scrutiny and transparency. My experience with Steamfitters Local 777 and as a funds trustee has prepared me to serve you.



### **Joseph Bibisi (R) for Common Council**



For the past ten years I have served as a member of the Common Council for the City of Middletown. I am presently the Deputy Mayor and served in this capacity for four years. As Deputy Mayor, I have worked closely with the present administration by working with department heads, members of the business community and the public at large.

I currently serve on the following council committees: Finance/Gov't., Youth Services, MHS Building Comm., Wesleyan University Liaison Comm., Economic Development, Ordinance Study, Parking Authority Committee, MHS Athletic Committee, Code Enforcement.

Education: Masters degree from University of New Haven, graduate of the FBI National Academy, graduate of the Drug Enforcement Administration, graduate of the National Sheriff's Academy Retired Deputy Chief of Police, Middletown Police Department.

As an elected official I will work with the City Administration in continuing the improvement the City has made toward a better quality of life for the Citizens of Middletown.; including access to quality healthcare, smaller government, reduction of our Municipal fleet, increase to go "green" in every measure affordable, maintaining our education standards, pursuing

economic development, ( including our waterfront), being fiscally responsible ( taxes) We have a Mayor and a Administration who are looking to the future and I am proud to have been part of it.

### **Fred T. Carrol (Realistic Balance) for Common Council**

Occupation: Chronically unemployed

Lived in Middletown: 7 years

Active in politics: 1 year

What sets you apart from other candidates? I don't need the job. I don't owe anyone anything. I have an almost uncontrollable need to tell the truth. Lying does not come naturally to me, nor do I get much practice, so I'm not at all good at it. (Also I speak much better English than most Middletown politicians!)



### **Gerald E. Daley (D) for Common Council**



Occupation: Human resources administrator, Connecticut Department of Developmental Services

Lived in Middletown: Entire life

Active in politics: 36 years

What sets you apart from other candidates? Experience – 4 years as administrative assistant to mayor (1975 -1979), 18 years on Common Council, including 6 years as Deputy Mayor, Chairman of Economic Development Committee for past 18 years.

Served on most Common Council committees.

Also, I have a strong understanding of the city budget process and clear priorities: 1)

economic development to broaden the tax base and create jobs; 2) control spending to

deliver essential services with quality and efficiency; 3) protect our investment in infrastructure – both facilities like roads, utilities, and capital equipment and our organization / employees – plan for the future.

### **Edward J. Dypa (R) for Common Council**

Edward Dypa was born and raised in Brooklyn , NY . He received his Chemical Engineering degree from New York University and an MBA from the University of Hartford. Since 1955, he has lived in Connecticut . Ed was employed at Pratt & Whitney for 38 years initially as a project engineer and later as a quality manager. He has been married for 55 years to Genie (Genevieve) and has raised 4 children (Christine, Patricia, Edward and Jean). His wife, children, grandchildren and many members of the community, consider him a strong symbol of strength, dedication and wisdom. Since his residency in Connecticut , Ed has served on many Boards, Commissions and Volunteer organizations, for the better good of the community and its citizens. A few of those boards include Boy Scouts of America, Board of Directors for MARC (Middlesex Association for Retarded Citizens), Westfield Fire District – 45 years as a volunteer and 36 years as District Commissioner, 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Member of the Knights of Columbus, member of the Elks and Polish Falcons of Middletown.



Mr. Dypa has proven to be a strong advocate for Senior Citizens. He currently serves on the committees below:

Ed has been a member of AARP Chapter 3310 and has held the positions of President, Vice-President and various other committees for that Chapter. He has worked as an advocate for the members of this chapter to have them informed of pertinent information relative to the senior population. He is currently Co-Chair for planned AARP trips.

Ed is a Commissioner for the Middletown 's Senior Services Commission. This commission's focus is to work with the Middletown Senior Center to assist older city residents to maintain their maximum possible independence and well-being.

He has worked diligently to acquire a new Senior Center in Middletown which has now been accepted by the City of Middletown . He is serving on the Eckersley Hall Building Committee; the future home of the Middletown Senior Center .

Edward Dypa organized the TRIAD for Middletown and the "Yellow Dot" program, sponsored by People's Bank, where senior citizens would have a medical information card stored in a vehicle's glove compartment and a yellow dot placed on the rear window on the driver's side, so that in the event of an accident or health issue, a First Responder (medical/fire/police) would know there's medical information for the individual. He also works with the Senior Center to ensure that the local Police Department, and any other Public Safety entity, provides information on a periodic basis that would affect senior citizens and help them avoid being involved in criminal-type issues.

Ed served as a Board member of the Eastern Area Agency on Aging ( Norwich ). This agency is a strong voice for the region's elderly citizens. Through their involvement at the federal, state and local level, they work to enhance the quality of life for older persons. In addition to advocating legislatively, their continuing work with volunteer and citizen groups increases public awareness of senior issues. Their mission is to provide funds, information and services to the aging population, their families and care providers.

He is also a member of Middletown Elderly Services Provider (MESP) network. This is an informal group of area providers that meet monthly to build relationship and share information regarding the many different services available for seniors in our community. Outside speakers come in each month to talk about different issues related to elder care including advocacy issues, prevention issues, life care planning issues, etc.

Ed is a member of the Middletown Civitan Club. The club strives to improve the lives of those with developmental disabilities and the community at large.

Most recently Ed has been asked to participate on the Middletown Community Police Advisory Council. This council's vision is to enhance the quality of life of the community by means of a professional police agency. Their mission is to proudly serve in partnership with the community through a commitment to excellence, professionalism and integrity.

Ed is also very active with his St. Pius X Church community. He has been a trustee for over 30 years and has been on the St. Pius Parish Council, Finance Committee and was President of the Men's Club. He was on the building renovation committee and also serves as a lector at masses and assists with funerals. Ed also serves on the Miner Street Cemetery Board of Directors.

In addition to these civic duties, Ed had been recognized by the American Red Cross in 2010 for donating 15 gallons of blood to the life saving mission of the American Red Cross.

Ed is one of the founders member for the Middlesex Community College. The Founders Endowed Scholarship, was endowed in 2001 by the Foundation to honor those whose foresight and labor led to the creation of Middlesex Community College and to recognize all who have helped nurture that original vision of a college. The scholarship is awarded to an outstanding continuing or graduating student who needs financial aid to continue his/her formal education.

#### **Grady L. Faulkner Jr. (D) for Common Council**



After 5 years on the Council, Grady has proven he can make government more efficient and save tax dollars, but his focus remains Middletown's youth. A passionate, effective Youth advocate, Grady will see to it that government is held accountable, becomes more efficient, and that our community lives up to its full potential.

#### **Matt Fraulino (R) for Common Council**

Matt Fraulino is a life-long resident of the City of Middletown and is the son of Michael and Rosemary Fraulino of Middletown. Matt is a product of the City of Middletown's fine public school system, and graduated from Middletown High School with honors.

He went on to attend the University of Connecticut in Storrs where he majored in English. At UConn, Matt became very active with the University's men's basketball program and was a student-manager of the program under Hall of Fame coach Jim Calhoun. In this capacity, Matt attended all practices and was with the team both at home as well as on the road during the NCAA mens' basketball season.

His involvement with the program reached a milestone when he aided the program as a student-manager when the Huskies captured the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball National Championship in San Antonio, TX.



Matt graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from UConn and went to work for NBA and former UConn standout Ben Gordon as his manager during his 2005-06 NBA season with the Chicago Bulls. Knowing the importance of education, Matt decided to pursue a Master's Degree in Sport Management from UConn.

After completing this Master's coursework, Matt was offered a job in by Middlesex Chamber of Commerce president Larry McHugh as the Chamber's director of public relations and media. Matt has been with the Chamber ever since this time. At the Chamber, Matt enjoys working as an advocate of all types of business and has grown a true appreciation for the necessity of a vibrant business environment at the local level. Along with his work at the Chamber, he volunteers for the Middletown Mentor Program and spends one hour per week during the school year as a mentor with a student in the Middletown Public School System.



Matt's parents, Michael and Rosemary, are both employed in the Middletown public school system, and he has two siblings: Peter and Elizabeth.

### **Ruth Ann F. Johnson (Realistic Balance) for Common Council**

Occupation: Counselor

Lived in Middletown: 10 years

Active in politics: n/a

What sets you apart from other candidates? I am not a career politician and take the concerns of the citizens first.



### **Hope P. Kasper (D) for Common Council**



Occupation: Budget analyst - retired

Lived in Middletown: 63 years

Active in politics: 25 years

What sets you apart from other candidates? I am family oriented and have a deep love of Middletown. I retired from the police department as their budget analyst. I know how to make the difficult decisions as I have co-chaired the budget for my last two terms in office and the Democrats have lowered taxes this past year.

Encouraging economic development will support Middletown's tax base as well as support a responsible budget for all residents and taxpayers. I presently serve on the Insurance and Claims Commission, Personnel Review Commission, Finance and Government Operations and Public Safety.

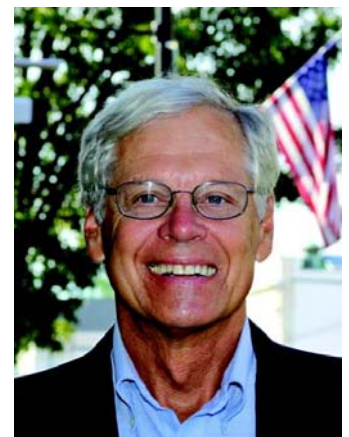
### **Ronald P. Klattenberg (D) for Common Council**

Occupation: Retired environmental services manager, Northeast Utilities

Lived in Middletown: 34 years

Active in politics: 16 years

What sets you apart from other candidates? Marcy and I moved to Middletown in 1977 and raised two children, Sara and Michael, through the public school system. I served as past president of the local chapter of the National Audubon Society; chaired the Conservation Commission and was elected to one term on the Planning & Zoning Commission.



Since 1999 when first elected to the Common Council I have taken on several initiatives that have benefited the city financially and environmentally, led to creative solutions to complex problems and shown a



willingness to be fair to groups and individuals regardless of their point of view.

The projects I am most proud include: (1) serving as Chair of the Mayor's Advisory Panel to locate the Army Training Facility in Middletown but not at the Army's chosen site in Maromas. This was a difficult assignment but selecting Cucia Park was a tremendous win for the City, Army and Westfield residents, (2) being a lead proponent for clean, renewable energy has given Middletown the designation as a Clean Energy Community by the CT Clean Energy Fund and has resulted in energy efficiency systems being installed at virtually every department building in the city, and (3) most recently as the Chair of the Eckersley Hall Building Committee this committee is now faced with the challenge and opportunity to renovate and modernize this historic building for a new Senior Center to meet the needs of our growing aging population. The projects highlighted show my willingness to value divergent points of view. For me politics is still the art of compromise.

### **Deborah Kleckowski (R) for Common Council**



I am a native of Middletown and a graduate of Woodrow Wilson High School. My parents are Beverly Talbot (Dionne) and Daniel Kleckowski. I have two younger siblings Gailyn and Brenda. I am currently an Adjunct Instructor at Middlesex Community College. I am seeking a second term as a member of the Common Council and it will be an honor to serve on the Council and represent the citizens of Middletown for a second term.

My professional career has been dedicated to advocacy and to the betterment of communities. I have also been a member of service organizations. I am committed to the taxpayers of the City of Middletown to pursue ideas and to implement policies that are beneficial to the community today and tomorrow. Long-term planning is the key to sustainable economic success and to ensure an exceptional quality of life in Middletown and for its residents.

I serve on the following Council committees: Citizen's Advisory Committee, Public Safety, Personnel Review, Insurance and Claims

Issues: It is a priority to ensure the safety of the residents of Middletown, especially our children. I initiated an emergency access road, which is currently under construction, at Middletown High School.

Taxes and the economy are in the forefront of issues of urgency. It is essential that the City develop long range plans to address attrition and how to continue to incorporate technology into the application of services. Incorporating technology will improve services; provide residents the opportunity to conduct business outside the traditional business hours and save the taxpayers money. I also want to continue to grow the business community and to ensure Middletown is a business friendly community.

Previous Experience: I served on the Planning and Zoning Commission. I made the recommendation to hold a planning meeting and a zoning meeting to provide better service to the public and to more efficiently address both planning and zoning issues.

I have worked on mayoral, gubernatorial, state representative and Secretary of the State campaigns. I was appointed to serve on commissions including the New Britain Youth Services Commission and the New Britain Health Commission and served as Chairman.

Education: Eastern Connecticut State University-Bachelor of Sociology and Applied Social Relations. Central Connecticut State University-Advanced Certificate in Business Management. Wesleyan University-Master of Arts in Liberal Science.

### **Philip K. Pessina (R) for Common Council**

In my role as Minority Leader on the Common Council, I will continue to bring dedication and loyalty to our slate and display my continued support and defense of the Mayors positions and proposals. I will continue to foster critical thinking based upon our own opinions and share them at the caucus; however, we need to display our commitment and support for our Republican agenda translating it into our community agenda! We always need to keep in mind what is best and cost effective for our community! We need to actively listen to our residents to gauge their community support and concerns on issues of city services, safety, infrastructure and fiscal concerns. I have realized that we do have opportunities to disagree at times on issues at the council level; but this has to be tempered with a need to support our Mayor on critical issues, so he can move his agenda forward! I am a strong supporter of a bipartisan approach to government and believe that at times we need to hang up our party coats outside the chamber and address city issues that affect our residents, i.e. management appointees, budgets, reorganizing and downsizing city government efforts (which we need to institute during these present economic conditions; we need to critically look at regionalization.



#### **My Top Three Priorities**

Priority #1: I will continue to bring my advocacy for our city government and council to be more than one dimensional; in the area of 'transparency' to the public we serve; i.e. Town Hall Type Meeting on the Budgets & Community Conversations. I believe I have managed to achieve this priority over my past two terms on the council. My second term goal will continue to try and facilitate our (council, commissions & city departments) to begin to reach out to our community and listen to public opinion; in essence, allowing our stakeholders (residents & taxpayers) the opportunity to engage in deliberations and be part of the decision making process. This openness in a transparent way, has worked in Community policing, so there is no reason why it can't work in city government!

Priority #2: I will continue to advocate for a business plan for the city, which is more consistent, supportive and inclusive of small businesses and industry. With our present economic condition, we will need to continue with lean and responsive budgets, to include a plan for increased funding of our Reserve Fund. I am confident that we can meet this challenge by providing prioritized city services; avoid duplication, combine services, look for opportunities for regionalizing purchasing and services, support and advocate for 'shared services' at the interdepartmental level. This plan would include development opportunities to expand our tax base, which would be tempered by support for continued open space, recreational opportunities and waterfront development for our residents. It would be built upon opportunities to form partnerships within our city's business and industrial communities, concerning a more open and transparent bid process, which would provide for a balanced approach in selecting local companies and businesses on city projects; in

essence, providing more opportunities to our local stakeholders, who pay taxes in our community and become part of our city's growth process!

Priority #3: I will continue to work hard and be a strong contributing member and advocate for our city's Senior Citizens in my role as Vice Chairman of the Eckersley Hall Community Senior Center Building Committee. Our committee's goal is to ensure that the renovation of the historic Eckersley Hall Building will offer to our Senior Citizens a broad range of programming and activities that will enhance their quality of Life. This project will also provide open office and meeting space for our city government and residents. We need to provide nothing less for our Senior Citizens, as they are and have always been the foundation of our community of Middletown!

Political Philosophy: Community and Conservative Politician with fiscally minded, open transparent government, with labor and management and bipartisan experience.

I currently serve on several city commissions: Public Safety Commission, Government & Finance Committee, Park & Recreation Commission, Harbor Improvement Commission, CVH Advisory Committee, Senior Affairs Commission, Citizen Advisory Committee, Current Vice Chairman of the Eckersley Hall, Community Senior Center Building Committee, Member of the city's BRAC Army Reserve Commission, Founding member of the Community Conversation Committee, Vice Chairman of the City's 350<sup>th</sup> Parade Committee

I have also served in several elected offices in the Town of Haddam where I learned and participated in community forums and the need for transparency in government.

2nd Selectman

4 yr. Vice Chairman of Regional District #17 Board of Education

20 years of volunteer coaching combined in School & Recreational sport teams.

I served 33 ½ years in the Middletown Police Department retiring at the rank of Deputy Chief of Police. During this time I was extensively involved in youth education, preschool through high school DARE Coordinator, Safety Education & Youth & Law. I authored the Community Policing Program for the department. I participated in community 'Quality of Life' involvement in the Business, Residential Neighborhood Communities. I also experienced neighbor and city mediation and Community Relations/Crime Prevention for the community. I was the Liaison Officer to the city's Emergency Management Team

I am currently employment as Deputy Chief of Police on the campus of Southern Connecticut State University. My duties there include: Campus Community Policing duties, Emergency Management, currently the Planning Chief for the Incident Management Team

As a communicant of the Saint Sebastian Church Community, I serve as a Lector and Eucharistic Minister. I also serve on the St. Sebastian Feast Committee, Chairman of the Liturgical Committee. I am a former School Board member and former Finance Committee member.

Organizations: Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Business District, Chamber Auction Committee, Holiday on Main Street Committee, Served on the Car Cruise, Motorcycle Mania Committees, Lion's Club, Knights of Columbus, Council, past Exalted Ruler, Vietnam Veterans Committee, American Legion Post, 8 year Volunteer Dragon Football Coach at Middletown High School, Former member of the Elks Lodge, Italian American Civic Order

Education and Family Background: I was born, raised and educated in the Middletown Community, Class of 1966 Middletown High School; football and track athlete.

I have a Master's in Criminal Justice, Minor in Forensic Science and a Bachelor Degree in Criminal Justice Administration, graduating in 1980 from the University of New Haven.

I am currently married 38 years to my wife Shirley, 3 daughters Carrie, Kristy & Traci and 4 grandchildren.

### **Earle Roberts (R) for Common Council**



Throughout his tenure on the Common Council, Earle Roberts earned a hard fought reputation as someone who pays attention to details and demands answers. He is running to return the Council, bringing a sharp pencil and a desire to make sure Middletown's tax dollars are spent properly with the most value in return.

"We are facing serious budget issues and keeping our private sector employed depends on smaller government," said Roberts, a life-long Middletown resident.

Roberts attended Middletown schools and attended the University of Hartford. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1964-1967 and honorably discharged. Roberts is an active member of

American Legion Post 75.

Working with his hands as a skilled tool and die maker, Roberts understands hard work and how hard Middletown residents work to pay their taxes while expecting good services.

Roberts served three terms on the Common Council and two five year terms as Commissioner and Chairman of the South Fire District, Vice Chairman of the Inland Wetlands Commission, and as Middletown's representative to the Connecticut River Assembly.

"I believe elected officials should always explain their actions and back them up with facts." said Roberts. "Middletown has a great future as long as we are honest and diligent in our responsibilities as elected officials." He and his wife Elizabeth have two children.

### **Linda Salafia (R) for Common Council**

I was born in Biddeford, Maine, but grew up in Portland, CT in where my dad taught in the Portland Public Schools.

I am a graduate of Portland High School and of the University of Vermont in Burlington, Vermont where I earned a B.S. in education, elementary with a concentration in math. I've also earned a Certificate in Accounting from the Morse School of Business.



I've worked at local businesses since high school, including Wannerstrom's in Portland, Mallove's Jewelers in Middletown, the Institute of Living in Hartford as a Psychiatric Aide, as Bookkeeper for Insurance and Real Estate Center, Inc in Middletown. I've worked for the City of Middletown in the Tax Collector's and Purchasing Offices. I'm currently employed by the City of Middletown as the Payroll/Pension Supervisor in the Finance Office.

Memberships: AFSCME Local 466, held office for the past 8 years, FCRV (Family Campers & RVer's), since 1993 and past Secretary, Polish Falcons

### **Robert P. Santangelo (D) for Common Council**



Occupation: Certified addictions counselor

Lived in Middletown: Born and raised in Middletown

Active in politics: I have been involved in politics all my life as my mother was very active. For the last 18 years I have served the city as a councilman.

What sets you apart as a candidate? Our 2011 Democratic slate of candidates is probably the most skilled and diverse group of people than I have ever been fortunate enough with whom to work. Each member of our slate brings different skills and abilities to the job. It is my particular set of abilities, training and work/personal experiences that sets me apart.

### **Thomas J. Serra (D) for Common Council**

Serra graduated from Eastern in 1970 with a Bachelor of Science in Education. He went on to earn an M.A. in Education from UConn. He taught briefly at St. Thomas More Prep School in Colchester, at Tolland High School, and at East Hampton Jr. High School, before returning to our city to teach English at Vinal Technical School in 1974. Serra was a member of the 1964 Middletown High School basketball team, which won the 1964 Class B state championship. In a nearly 30 year career at Vinal, he served as coach of Baseball and Basketball teams, and as Athletic Coordinator. He retired in 2003 as Principal.



Serra has evinced an interest in public service since at least High School. He was elected in his junior and senior year of high school, by his peers, to the mock City Council, in the "Mayor for a Day" program. This interest has not waned in the succeeding 45 years. He began his public service very shortly after he came to Vinal, serving as an appointed

representative on the Park and Recreation Commission. In 1979 he was elected to the first of many terms as City Councilman, and in 1993 was elected as Mayor. He currently serves as the Common Council Majority Leader. Serra, the current majority leader on the council, said in addition to keeping taxes low and supporting education, he and other Democrats would seek to improve public safety by hiring more police officers and boost economic development by offering a variety of incentives.

## TREASURER

### J. Tina Mazzotta (Petitioning Candidates) for City Treasurer



20 years of Banking Experience, Liberty Bank

- Soccer Coach, Middletown

Youth Soccer

- CCD Instructor, St. Sebastian's Church

- Mayor's Ball Committee

- Married to Luigi Raffa and mother of Stefano, Luigi, Luca

- Site Coordinator for Family Resource and Carmelo Raffa

### Quentin W. Phipps (D) for City Treasurer

Occupation: Banker

Lived in Middletown: My entire life

Active in politics: 4 years as an elected official, but I have worked on campaigns since 2000.

What sets you apart from other candidates? I have experience in business management, a record of making government more effective and efficient, and a clear executable plan for job growth and tax relief for the city of Middletown.

I have been in banking for 9 years and have managed banking centers to be more profitable with significantly less resources through business analysis and strategic implementation of best practices. I have also served as an elected official on the Planning & Zoning Commission for four years. While I served as chairman for two years, the commission adopted an updated Plan of Development and began comprehensive riverfront development planning.



As treasurer, I will be focused on two primary goals: job growth and tax relief. I am prepared to accomplish these initiatives through comprehensive budget analysis to create a strategic investment plan and promote Middletown's assets to encourage corporate development in our city.

### Jonathon Pulino (R) for City Treasurer



Jon Pulino is seeking a first term as City Treasurer of Middletown, CT. Previously Mr. Pulino has served one term on the Middletown Board of Assessment Appeals and currently sits on the town's Zoning Board of Appeals committee as well as Chairperson the Cable Advisory Board.



Occupation: Currently teaches English Literature at Maloney High School in Meriden, Connecticut where besides teaching five daily classes, he has been elected building representative for the Meriden Board of teacher four years in a row.

Mr. Pulino holds the following educational credentials: English certification state of Connecticut (015); Certified Media Specialist (062); Educational Leadership Certification/6th year degree (Scheduled Completion date spring 2013). Besides teaching full time in Meriden, Mr. Pulino works for the Wesleyan Upward Bound Program in Middletown and the New Britain Rock Cats organization, a double AA affiliate of the Minnesota Twins. Mr. Pulino holds a Bachelors of Science in Communication and Bachelors of Arts Degree from Eastern Connecticut State University (1994/1995). He also holds a Masters in Educational Technology from Central Connecticut State University (2007) as well as 30 credits past his Masters. His earlier education includes earning an Associate Degree from Middlesex Community College in 1992 and a member of Xavier High School's class of 1989.

Political Offices Held: Chairperson of the Middlesex Cable Advisory Board (2009-Present); Zoning Board of Appeals (2009-Present), and Board or Assessment Appeals 2007-2009. Civic Organizations: Italian American Civic Organization (2005-Present); Washington Lodge No. 70 Windsor, and American Federation of Teachers.

Volunteer Work: Comcast Cable - Host of "The Edge": a political satire program that deals with local political issues since 1998 and co-host of "The Variety Hour" with Billy Wilson since 2007.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

### **Franca A Biales (D) for Board of Education**



Occupation: Teacher

Lived in Middletown: 28 years

Active in politics: This is my first time

What sets you apart from other candidates? I moved to Middletown in 1983 and have been living here for the past 28 years. I taught for 12 years in a different district and became head of the World Language Department and a voice for teachers and students of World Languages. I also designed a pilot program for teaching foreign languages in the elementary schools and then gained the support of the towns and the BOE to begin a Foreign Language in the Elementary School program.

I now have three children in three different Middletown schools. I have been active in all of their schools, mostly at the PTA, activity planning levels, but I have also assisted in the classrooms. I have been an advocate for my children, as well as others'. When my daughter's 4th grade teacher wanted to differentiate instruction for a group of about nine students, I made the commitment to go in and work with them. Over the course of the years, I helped out with reading, math, projects, etc. in many classrooms.

When the BOE was looking for community members to sit as externs on the board, I volunteered and ended up serving two terms. It was an invaluable opportunity to see our schools and our community from a completely different perspective. It gave me a greater appreciation for what the job of a BOE member entails.

My experience as a teacher, a parent, an informed and educated community member, my experience as a BOE extern, along with my own personal skill set makes me a great choice for a seat on Middletown's Board of Education.

**Mark Loomis (Write In Candidate) for Board of Education**

Occupation: Teacher

Office: Board of Education Slot Write in

How long have you lived in Middletown: 12



I have a background in the mental health field, having earned a Masters in Social Work. I worked in a private psychiatric setting doing group and family counseling. Later, I was a clinician and the Education Services Coordinator at a drug and alcohol dependency treatment facility. This career helped me sharpen my listening skills, provided lessons in team work and problem solving, and gave me an understanding of family and group dynamics. I also bring twenty years of experience as a special education teacher. I have observed first hand the wide variety of needs that we are called to meet in our public schools. I have had extensive experience in responding to worries and concerns of parents, and worked successfully in teaming with colleagues. Special education also requires an understanding of, and strict compliance with, applicable state and federal laws, as well as documentation to demonstrate that compliance. As a special education teacher and the husband (for 33 years) of a school nurse, I have come to appreciate the important role played by every member of a school's staff, including paraprofessionals, nurses, secretaries, and custodians. In addition, I have served on both sides of the negotiations table – as a member of the Portland Board of Education, and as a member of my union's negotiating committee.

In my years as a parent and an educator, I have seen school leaders make many decisions that failed to serve the needs and welfare of students. But I have also had the good fortune to see what top quality management looks like. As a result, I have a vision of the type of leadership that can help our students excel. I have no interest, and see no benefit, in pointing the finger of blame for any past or current problems with our schools. Instead, from day one, I will look forward to the type of system we can become, and work to have every stakeholder pulling together in a positive direction. I hold no delusions about being someone who has "all the answers", and I am open to new learning wherever I might find it. Anyone who interacts with me in my role as a Board member will feel that they have been heard and treated with respect. I think students will benefit from the fact that I will model the type of behavior that I expect from them, and demand that all school employees do the same.



**Callie L. Grippo (R) for Board of Education**

My name is Callie Grippo, I am running as a Republican candidate for The Middletown Board of Education. I live in Middletown with my family and have an incredible love and devotion to this community and it's people, especially it's children and I want to see that our city's schoolchildren are again made the focus of our school system.

I think it's important to remember that our kids are our future -- our future business owners, teachers, city workers and parents of Middletown. Without the proper resources, which require setting the right priorities at the Board of Ed level, how can we really expect the classrooms to our teachers, and ultimately our students, to be successful?

Any successful strategy to educate our kids and prepare them for a successful career begins and ends with our teachers. Our kids intuitively know that and expect our school system to treat them as full partners in shaping policy and appropriating limited resources. To be frank, I believe that our Board of Ed needs to be more viable, direct lines of communication with the professionals who work day in and day out with the students.

Simply put, I am committed to doing my part to help ensure that new, reenergized thinking with an improved sense of priorities is brought to bear at our Board of Education. Part and parcel to that effort is new leadership, and I pledge to you that I will help ensure that we also make changes in that area.

As a kid, I was blessed with parents that taught me strong values such as treat people the way you want to be treated; root for the underdog; help your neighbor; treat people with respect; respect authority; and there is no "I" in Team. If you share those values with me, I ask for your vote on November 8. Thank you!

My Background:

I am an accomplished and highly experienced professional with demonstrated ability to achieve objectives and produce results. I have a track record of success in insurance/risk management fields as well as extensive background in litigation, marketing and public relations.

I have key experience working successfully for more than 17 years with several recognized insurance industry leaders. I worked in a high-level capacity brokering settlements, protecting assets, and conducting long-range risk planning. I effectively managed the most complex, high-exposure asbestos and silica premises operations and products claims, including multi-plaintiff/class action suits and assured optimal resolution of high-profile cases involving numerous defendants and plaintiffs and with exposure ranging into the multi-millions of dollars. These settlements preserved assets, mitigated expenses, forecast/prescribed reserves, contributed to departmental savings, preserving capital through settlements below reserve funds.

I was selected from pool of over 100 candidates to serve on a Corporate Business Resolution Team. During that time, I helped initiate and incorporate visible and effective diversity and inclusion training.

I am an accomplished speaker; Speaker, The Columbus Bar Association ("Pre-Suit Mediation") , Speaker, Professional Education Systems, Inc. ("Evaluating/Settling Insurance Claims —The Insurance Companies' Perspective") , I have won numerous awards for my original speech writings and deliveries. I sat on The Hartford Toastmasters Club Board of Directors for 3 years (CTM designation). I was selected to mentor/teach Hartford Magnet students on speech writing and delivery and office and professional decorum.

While at home raising my child before school age, I established a highly successful production company that enabled me to develop and tap key production and marketing skills. During that time, I designed, developed and managed 12-full scale productions and was selected as Connecticut's Most Prestigious Productions 2 years in a row.

I enjoy boating with my family, golfing, and spending time with my friends.

I am also an active Volunteer in my children's schools and multiple charities throughout Connecticut.

**Ava M. Hart (D) for Board of Education**



Occupation: Social worker

Lived in Middletown: 24 years

Active in politics: Since I became of legal age to vote.

What sets you apart from other candidates? I want to ensure that schools, families and community work collaboratively to support student academic achievement which also includes social/emotional and behavioral needs.

**Tami Kapaczewski (R) for Board of Education**

I am a candidate for Middletown Board of Education. I am a compassionate, hardworking and trustworthy individual who has a positive attitude. I have two children who attend Middletown Public Schools. I am confident and down to earth. The reason I have decided to run as a member of the Middletown Board of Education is simple, I want to help the Children of the City of Middletown succeed at their goals. Children need to be guided and taught. The Board of Education needs to adjust their focus to what is important and that is the children!



I have previously served as the PTO Vice President at my children's school and I remain an active PTO member. I have served on many committees for the PTO and volunteer as much as possible. I also serve at the Committee Chair for the Cub Scouts as well as a Den Leader.

My goal is to make positive changes to the Board of Education and to put Middletown back on the map for having a productive Board of Education with a good reputation. Together, we can show everyone what the kids in Middletown are capable of. This is only possible if we work together. I hope I can count on your support and I look forward to seeing you at the polls on Election Day.

**Kevin M. Kelly (R) for Board of Education**



My name is Kevin Michael Kelly. I'm seeking a seat on the Middletown Board of Education on the Republican ticket.

If chosen to serve, my goal is to restore a sense of accountability to the Board of Education. As a grandfather, I expect Middletown public schools to provide the same quality education and opportunities that I was privileged to receive as a child.

My family moved to Middletown when I was 2 years old. I attended a combination of public and Catholic schools, including three years at Xavier High School. I hold a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from the University of Connecticut. While attending Western New England School of Law, I began working at Connecticut Valley Hosp as a Psychiatric Aide. This led to a change of career paths and I became a Registered Nurse. I worked over 30 years at Connecticut Valley Hosp and the Whiting Forensic Institute. I held a variety of positions at the hospital, including more than 18 years I was psychiatric nurse supervisor at Whiting. I also served as Director of Nursing and Assistant Director of Whiting as a temporary service assignment.

I retired in 2008 and enjoy spending time with my grandchildren. I also enjoy reading, skiing, scuba diving, motorcycles, hunting and boating. I am a member of the Polish Falcons nest 519 in Middletown and a member of the Meriden Motor Boat Club in Portland. I am an active member of the Middletown Republican Town Committee and currently serve as a Justice of the Peace.

I'm married to Donna Kelly and have 2 sons and 3 grandchildren. My two youngest grandchildren attend school in Middletown.

#### **Alexander Mac Levin (R) for Board of Education**

Alex Levin is originally from New York City, but later moved to Miami, Florida, one of the most important political districts in the country. At a very young age, he started to attend city council meetings in the town of Bal Harbor and volunteered for local elections. Alex is currently a member of the Wesleyan University Class of 2012. An Economics and Political Science double-major, Alex has worked both in politics and in banking in Connecticut and New York. While in New York, Alex worked for a Private Banking and Investment team that manages over \$2 billion and also worked on a structured solutions trading desk with a \$5 million minimum trade.



While a freshman at Wesleyan University, Alex joined the Wesleyan College Republicans in 2008 to help campaign for Senator John McCain's Presidential bid and because he believes that government is not always the answer to our nation's problems. As President of the WCR, Alex made it his goal to make Wesleyan a more politically diverse community. While President, Alex grew the club to one of the largest College Republican chapters in Connecticut. In the spring of 2010, Alex was elected State Chairman of the Connecticut Union of College Republicans. While Chairman, Alex increased membership and participation in campaigns and other activities around the state to unseen levels and as a result, he was re-elected as Chairman in April 2011. In July 2011, Alex was elected National Treasurer of the College Republican National Committee where he helps to oversee the organization's spending and fundraising.



#### **Cheryl McClellan (R) for Board of Education**

I was born in New Britain, CT. I went to New Britain catholic and public schools. I graduated from Central CT State University with a bachelor's degree in Political Science and a master's degree in Business Administration.

I served in the US Army on active duty for twelve years. I served in various staff positions in New Jersey, Germany, and Washington as Maintenance Officer, Maintenance Branch Manager and Training Officer among other duties. I worked for the Installation Commander during mobilization/demobilization for Desert Shield/Desert Storm.

After I left active duty, my family moved back to CT and adopted Middletown as our hometown. I worked in the Middletown elementary schools as a substitute teacher for ten years. My children attended Middletown public schools. I have been a member of various PTA's as my children grew older and Booster clubs. I have been a member of Middletown Schools Association.

I am a member of American Legion Post 75 and serve as Finance Officer and Assistant Service Officer. Part of my duties as Service Officer is to be a representative for the Soldiers, Sailors and Marine Fund aiding veterans and their families in need with financial assistance. I also volunteer in the concessions at Palmer Field during the American Legion Baseball season and during high school football season. I also volunteer at my Church, St Pius X in the SHARE ministry.

I am running as a candidate for Board of Education because I want transparency in the Board's budget process. The budget is tax payer money, and as a taxpayer I want to know how it is spent. There is a need for a change in the membership of the Board and a change in the attitude and priorities of the Board. The Superintendent of Schools should work for the Board of Education, not the other way around, as it stands now. There should be more involvement of the Board in the various PTA's to get a better sense of what parents in the town want of their schools and how to help parents to help their children succeed in school. We want High School graduates who go to and graduate from college, community college, trade school, and Apprenticeships. We want our children to be successful. We as a community need to give our children the help to become successes.

### **Edward M. McKeon (D) for Board of Education**



Occupation: Film and video producer

Lived in Middletown: 10 years

Active in politics: Active in community affairs for 10 years. This is my first-ever political run.

What sets you apart from other candidates? I'm a lifelong Democrat, but I believe that decisions on issues that come before the Board of Education cannot be dictated by party affiliation. I will encourage participation in education decisions by all constituents, including parents, teachers, students and interested residents.

I don't think we can continue to starve the schools and expect the quality of education to improve. I believe that good public schools are the single most important economic development tool a city has. Good schools draw new residents, new companies, new revenue. With a will to do it, we can have the best schools in the state.



### **Eugene P. Nocera (D) for Board of Education**

Lifelong Resident of Middletown - 61 years

General Chairman St. Sebastian Church Festival

Education: BS - Central Connecticut State University - Education 1972; MS, 6th Year, PhD - University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT - Curriculum - School Leadership, 1976 - 1989.

Currently principal of St. Anthony School, Bristol, CT Pre-K - 8th grade.

Retired Middletown Public School Educator - (38 years), Teacher Lawrence School, grades 5-6, 1972-1978. Principal MacDonough School - 1979-1985, Principal Bielefield School, 1986 - 1992, Principal Snow School, 1993 - 2004, Principal Woodrow Wilson Middle School, 2004 - 2010.

What I would bring to the Board of Education:

Extensive experience; I possess current understanding of learning theory and teaching.

I possess knowledge of multiple strategies to positively influence our school district's culture, including goal clarification, reduction of teacher and community isolation in the decision making process, staff development, and the sharing of power and responsibility.

I value the participation and collaboration of members of the school community in establishing a climate of reflection and learning, to improve the overall safe learning environment for students.

I will help the school district develop shared values, that create a positive school/community climate of openness, mutual respect, support and inquiry.



### **Mitchell G. Wynn (D) for Board of Education**



Mitchell worked at Middletown High for 5 years and is currently the owner of Mike's Barber Shop and the Pastor of Mt. Olive Church. He will focus on better communication between schools and families and will hold administrators accountable to close the achievement gap.

## **BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS**

### **Kathryn M. Antonucci (D) for Board of Assessment Appeals**

Katie is a Social Worker for the Middletown school system, and is a part of the North End Action Team. She has served the City well and looks forward to continuing to make our community an even better place to live, work and play.



**Laura Gionfriddo (R) for Board of Assessment Appeals**



I am a lifelong resident of Middletown, CT. I graduated from Middletown High School and received my Bachelor Degree in Economics with a concentration in Mathematics from the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg, VA.

I've worked for the City of Middletown for eight years. I spent five years working in the Tax Collector's Office and am currently the Program/Budget Analyst for the Middletown Police Department.

I have been a member of the Middletown Republican Town Committee for almost nine years and have served as its Treasurer for the past six years.

I have been actively involved with both the Republican Town Committee and the Middletown community for all of my life. I will be excited to serve as an elected official and help Middletown continue on its journey forward!

**James P. Streeto (D) for Board of Assessment Appeals**

For nearly 20 years, Jim has served our community, on the Common Council, the Zoning Board of Appeals, and the Board of Ethics. He will ensure that all citizens of Middletown are treated fairly and impartially, and that all assessment appeals are handled professionally and thoroughly.



**William Wilson (R) for Board of Assessment of Appeals**



- Assessment Appeals Commissioner 2009 - Present
- Planning and Zoning Commissioner from 2001 - 2005
- Personal Appeals Board for the City of Middletown 1995 - 1999
- Cable Advisory Board from 1995 - Present
- Member of Fellowship Church for the past 30 years
- Host of the Cable Variety Hour Show
- Self Employed website designer
- Born and raised in Middletown, Graduate of Middletown public schools

Attended University of Connecticut at Storrs.

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION**

**Carl R. Chisem (D) for Planning and Zoning Commission**

Carl's experience as Planning and Zoning Alternate and former member of the Zoning Board of Appeals has prepared him to better serve our community. Carl's goal is to work with the citizens of Middletown to protect land development.



### **William Gregorio Sr. (R) for Planning and Zoning Commission**



I was born in Glens Falls, NY and shortly after moved to Bloomfield, CT where I grew up. I have been a resident in Middletown for the past 28 years. My wife, Chris, and I have been married for 32 years and we currently live in South District with our daughter Holly. Our son Billy lives in Westfield section of Middletown with his wife Nicole.

I have grown up and spent many years around family farming and construction companies. I have been a sales engineer for Atlantic Ventilating in Cromwell for the past 18 years. After moving to South District 10 years ago I got involved in the South District Fire Department where I have been a Fire Commissioner for the past 4 ½ years.

If I am elected to the Planning and Zoning Committee I would like to see local businesses grow and bring new business into Middletown. I feel I can serve the Middletown residents as a fair and unbiased representative.

### **Michael J. Johnson (D) for Planning and Zoning Commission**

After 2 years as an Alternate, Mike understands the guiding principles of our Plan of Conservation and Development, which includes new sidewalks, responsible development on Main Street, and riverfront renewal. Mike will also make certain we expand our efforts as a business incubator.



### **Ken McClellan (R) for Planning and Zoning Commission**



I am a 19 year resident of Middletown, Connecticut. I moved here in 1992, after serving 11 years on active duty with the United States Army, during which I served as an Infantry Captain in Germany and Fort Lewis Washington. I enlisted in the Army in after graduating from high school, serving 4 years, during which I earned the rank of Sergeant. I left the service to attend Temple University in Philadelphia, studying in biology and computer science. During my senior year, I was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant and served as an Infantry Platoon Leader in the Pennsylvania National Guard. Upon graduation, I entered active duty, again, and have served as an Infantry Platoon Leader, Executive Officer, Personnel Officer, Operations Officer and Automation Management Officer. On leaving active duty, I briefly ran my own business in computer consulting, and joined Johnson & Higgins, a commercial insurance broker, as a software support specialist. I worked for Computer Systems Corporation, as a Computer System Administrator at Pratt & Whitney in Middletown and am currently employed as a Project Manager at Aetna. I retired from the United States Army Reserve as Lieutenant Colonel, after serving as an advisor to the Iraqi Army, in the Multi-National Security and Transition Command. I served on the Middletown High School Building Committee, working on the Technology

subcommittee. I hold a Master's Degree in Computer Information Technology at Central Connecticut State University. I am currently serving as an Alternate on the Planning and Zoning Commission, and served two years on the Inland Wetland Commission. My other activities include Vice-Commander of American Legion, Post 75, Middletown, past Committee Member and Merit Badge Counselor with Boy Scout Troop 10, and past Cubmaster of Cub Scout Pack 43 and Vice-Chairman of the Middletown Republican Town Committee.

I lives in the Westfield section of Middletown, with my wife, Cheryl and son, Michael. My daughter, CPT Meagan McClellan is serving as a Maintenance Officer, with the United States Army in Iraq

### My Issues

Planning and Zoning - update the Long Range Plan for development of the city of Middletown.

Update the Planning and Zoning code to eliminate inconsistencies, make it clearer, and easier to understand.

Business: - I will work to encourage businesses to come to Middletown, to provide meaningful employment, to increase the tax base of the city, and to help lower property taxes.

### **Richard P. Pelletier (D) for Planning and Zoning Commission**

Rich has served on numerous committees for our city, including the Committee on Persons with Disabilities and the High School Building Committee. He will work tirelessly to honor the City's commitment to protect open space while ensuring common sense development.



### **Joyce Rossitter (D) for Planning and Zoning Commission**



Joyce's goal as a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission is simple: to help Middletown plan its future. Her experience shows her deep commitment to the community as former Middletown Transit Commissioner, president of the Wesleyan Hills Association, and president of the League of Women Voters.

### **Molly Salafia (R) for Planning and Zoning Commission**

I am an architectural designer and job captain at an architectural firm in New Haven specializing in HUD /CHFA supportive and affordable housing as well as historic preservation / renovation. I have a bachelors as well as masters degree in architecture. I believe everyone deserves a safe place to live, it is a basic human necessity and should be a right, not a privilege. I am currently employed, but I know what it is like to have no job as I had been laid off recently and had to rely on unemployment to pay bills. I am an active volunteer in Middletown working with Middletown Kiwanis. I support Catales as one of my favorite causes. I



am a member of the Historic Preservation and Design Review Board of the City of Middletown. I am a Republican candidate for the Planning and Zoning Board seeking election in the 2011. If elected, I hope to preserve open space in Middletown, work on a plan to develop the riverfront that engages residents in a dedicated *public* space, and bring the right kind of development to the riverfront area that will make Middletown thrive. I want to preserve the nostalgia and vitality of Main Street, but also help spread that vitality to other parts of town. I want to encourage new businesses to come to Middletown and stay and employ residents. This is the only way to keep Middletown economically sound for all residents, even if the country is on a down hill swing. I hope to open people's minds and to challenge preconceived ideas so that Middletown *can* grow. Middletown is open for business, with people ready to work; growth starts at home. I want to use my training and experience in sustainable/green building knowledge to bring new ideas to the city.

Education:

Roger Williams University, RI. Master of Architecture + BS Architecture, Dual Minor in Visual Arts and Art History  
Member of the American Institute of Architecture Students (AIAS) at RWU 2005-2006, Chapter President of AIAS 2005-2006

Represented AIAS during the 2006 National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) accreditation of Frank Lloyd Wright School of Architecture

Certifications, Honors and Awards:

Alpha Rho Chi Medal Recipient

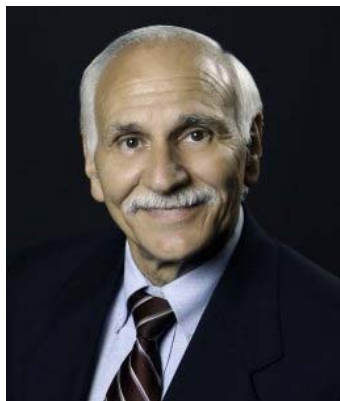
Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Associate (GA) certified

Service:

Member of the Historic Design Review Board of the City of Middletown

Member Kiwanis of Middletown

**Frederick J. Terrasi (R) for Planning and Zoning Commission**



For the past 5 years I have served as a Commissioner of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission, and have been active in the city of Middletown for many years, as President of the Italian-American Civic Order (IACO), President of the Holy Name Society and President and Commissioner of the Middletown Youth Little League.

As an elected member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, I will bring my experience as a Commissioner of Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission to the Planning and Zoning Commission. I will conduct myself responsibly and be proactive in making Middletown a place where businesses want to locate, and create employment and benefit

the city's tax base.

I have an Associates Degree in Business Administration from Middlesex Community College and a Bachelor of Science from Central Connecticut State University.

I have been married for forty years to my lovely wife Betty, and we have one son, Rick.



# PLANNING COMMISSION ALTERNATES

## Ronald Borrelli (R) for Planning and Zoning Commission Alternates



Planning and Zoning Commissioner for 4 years.

Past member of the Inland wetlands commission.

Self employed business owner for the past 30 plus years, Commercial and residential construction experience.

Member of the Disabled American Veterans

Pushed to get the By-law review committee established to review and update the City's P&Z ordinances, Married to wife Stephanie and has lived in Middletown since released from Military service in 1972.

## Corrine Dorsey (R) for Planning and Commission Alternates

Corrine Dorsey has lived in Middletown all her life, attending grammar and high school locally. She has worked at Pratt & Whitney over 34 years as a machinist and active union member in Local 700. Dorsey is a member of the Republican Town Committee, Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, and the Eastern Stars. Corrine has been very active in the community, she was first elected to the Board of Tax Review (now called the Board of Assessment Appeals) in 1985. In 2000 she served as a commissioner on the Planning & Zoning Board. Her civic activities include her role as an alternate commissioner on the Inland & Wetlands Board as well as service as a member on the Mayor's Board of Ethics.



Dorsey is married and has three daughters, twelve grandchildren, and two great-grand children.

Goals: My vision is for more affordable housing in Middletown. Affordable housing is a building block for a good life, a good income, and as a whole, a good home. Affordable housing helps families acquire decent and safe places to live.

Supporting affordable housing is critical because it is far less costly to keep a family in their homes rather than treat the symptoms after they become homeless. As a Commissioner on Planning and Zoning, I will work closely with the Planning, Conservation & Development office to work better with local property owners, developers, and current landlord to include affordable housing on their property. We need support and participation from town government, realtors and area builders that are interested in building affordable housing. This will create jobs in Middletown as well.

## Gary W. Faraci (D) for Planning and Zoning Commission Alternate



Gary is a lease compliance officer and graduate of Vinal Tech. His experience as a Water Pollution Commissioner has prepared him for an important role in the North End Development, the move of the sewage treatment plant, and redevelopment of the Aetna property.

## Elizabeth R. Emery (D) for Planning and Zoning Commission Alternate

Beth has been an educator and coach for 28 years and is excited to serve our community. She is dedicated to preserving Middletown's natural resources, while promoting economic development.

