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MIDDLEFIELD BANC CORP Form 8-K May 15, 2008

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549 FORM 8-K CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): May 12, 2008 Middlefield Banc Corp.

(Exact name of registrant specified in its charter)

Ohio 000-32561 34-1585111

(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.) incorporation)

15985 East High Street, Middlefield, Ohio 44062-0035

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including area code (440) 632-1666
[not applicable]

(Former nme or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

Date: May 15, 2008

On May 12, 2008, Middlefield Banc Corp. s (Middlefield) Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to 4.99% of Middlefield s outstanding common stock in open market or private transactions from time to time. The repurchase program will depend on market conditions. Accordingly, there is no guarantee of the exact number of shares that may be repurchased. The repurchases generally will be effected through open market purchases or in privately negotiated transactions. The repurchased shares will become treasury shares available for general corporate purposes. Middlefield currently has approximately 1,541,807 shares outstanding.

The repurchase program will expire in May, 2009. The Board of Directors approval of the repurchase program took into account current economic and market factors, alternate investment strategies, and the strong capital position of Middlefield and its banking subsidiaries, The Middlefield Banking Company and Emerald Bank. Middlefield s most recent share repurchase program expired in April, 2008.

Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Middlefield Banc Corp.

/s/ James R. Heslop, II
James R. Heslop, II
Executive Vice President and COO