MIDDLEFIELD BANC CORP Form 8-K April 16, 2019

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

April 15, 2019

(Date of Report: Date of earliest event reported)

Middlefield Banc Corp.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-36613

(Commission File Number)

34-1585111

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

15985 East High Street

Middlefield, Ohio 44062

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(440) 632-1666

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

(not applicable)

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

ITEM 8.01 Other Events

On April 16, 2019, Middlefield Banc Corp. (the Company), issued a press release announcing that its Board of Directors has approved a new share repurchase program under which the Company is authorized to repurchase up to 150,000 shares of its common stock in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions, subject to market and other conditions (the Program). The Program may be modified, suspended or terminated by the Company at any time. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

Middlefield Banc Corp. is a bank holding company with total assets of \$1.2 billion at December 31, 2018. The Company s subsidiary bank, The Middlefield Banking Company, operates 15 full-service banking centers and one loan production office at locations in Northeast Ohio and Central Ohio.

Middlefield Banc Corp. may be accessed at www.middlefieldbank.bank. The Company s common shares are traded on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the symbol MBCN .

ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

99.1 Press Release, dated April 16, 2019

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.

Date: April 16, 2019

MIDDLEFIELD BANC CORP.

/s/ James R. Heslop, II

Executive Vice President and COO