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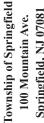
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CERT TEAM MEMBERS RECEIVE RECOGNITION AWARDS

At the August 14th Township Committee meeting, Emergency Management CERT Team Members received special recognition awards. In an exclusive interview with the Patriot Times, Coordinator Seidel noted These awards acknowledge the dedication and hard work that these volunteers have put into their jobs with Emergency Management. They receive no compensation and in times of need, drop what they are doing and come out to help the Township and its residents. When asked by another reporter if I am proud of these 3 members, I noted that I am proud of all our volunteers, Auxiliary Police, Emergency Management and CERT members! The town is fortunate to have such dedicated people.

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(l to r) CERT Team members, Herb Gersh, OEM Deputy Coordinator Apu Mullick, Coordinator Scott Seidel, Craig Abrams, Jim Sedlak, Karen Bonacorda, Mayor Richard Huber, OEM Deputy Coordinator Wally Schultz, CERT members Stephanie Weiss and Jim Bonacorda (Karen's Husband)

SPRINGFIELD'S FREE SUMMER CONCERT A "ROCKIN" SUCCESS!

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Gary Lewis and the Playboys



The Mello Kings

COMMITTEEMAN CAPODICE PARTICIPATES IN "RIDE ALONGS"

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(l to r) Captain Marc Corea, Commiteeman Capodice and Firefighter/EMT Michael Santoro

SPRINGFIELD MAYOR'S DAY AT BALTUSROL SCHOLARSHIP OUTING RAISES MONEY FOR SPRINGFIELD HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

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Tournament Champions pose with the Committee, (I to r) Michael Quick, Low Gross First Place Winner Tim Schmitt, Upper Course Low Gross First Place Winner Jim Miller, Scott Seidel, Joel Millman and Dr. Gary Hecht.

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Message from the Mayor



Hello Springfield friends and neighbors! I hope everyone had relaxing and refreshing summer. I want to start by thanking everyone who made our summer programs and events such wonderful experiences. As we begin September we must first remember all of those who we lost as a result of the attacks on September 11, 2001. Unfortunatley, we lost two Springfield residents, JoAnn Heltibridle and Lee Adler. During this difficult time, lets please keep their families in your thoughts.

Sunday September 30 is shaping up to be an exciting day here in Springfield. We will start the day off with our Salute to Veterans 5K run and also our children's 1 mile fun run. For information on how to register please visit:https://runsignup.com/Race/NJ/Springfield/SalutetoVeterans5KFunRun

After the conclusion of the race we will hold our annual Street Fair and Car Festival. Saturday October 13, there will be the 11th annual Mental Health

run/walk held at Nomahegan Park in Cranford. Finally, September is Ovarian Cancer month.

As Fall begins to approach just a reminder that school is back in session, so please drive carefully. The Township Committee is back to meeting two times per month. Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday September 25. If you are looking for any events going on in town, please visit: https://springfield-nj.us/ calendar/ for an up to date calendar of events. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at mayor@springield-nj.us.

Richard Huber, Mayor 2018

Tuesday, October 16 - Last day to register to vote for the General Election. The Township Clerk's Office will be open until 8 pm. Tuesday, October 30. Last day to apply by mail for a Mail-in Ballot for the General Election.

The Annual Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce Candidates Forum is scheduled for Monday night, October 22, 2018, at the Springfield Town Hall. Doors will open at 7:00 pm and the program will commence at 7:30 pm.

The two Democrats are: Alex Keiser & Chris Weber and the Two two Republicans are Jerry Fernandez and Maria Vassallo. They are competing for 2 vacant seats on the Springfield Township Committee of 5. Attendees are urged to bring pens and paper for questions. In addition, question blanks will be available. Questions will be collected by Chamber representatives. Predetermined time limits for questions and answers along with all guidelines



Springfield is having a Birthday!!! 225 Years Old!



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Springfield Anniversary Committee 1794-2019 * 225 Years

The Township will celebrate its 225th anniversary in 2019. A giant two-day celebration is planned for June 22 & 23 to coincide with the Anniversary of the Battle of Springfield and take advantage of better weather (we hope) than in mid-April. A committee has been formed but they need volunteers to make this event a reality. A Battle Re-enactment by the Brigade of the American Revolution and Encampment is planned, a Festival, Fireworks and a Parade. If you would like to help plan this event, please contact volunteer@225thspringfieldanniversary.com with your information. Help is needed in planning the Parade, Festival and Merchandising.

INFLUENZA IMMUNIZATIONS for MADISON CHATHAM TWP. SPRINGFIELD AND CRANFORD RESIDENTS

Seasonal influenza (FLU) immunizations will be administered by the Madison Health Department to Madison, Chatham Township, Springfield and Cranford residents. On the following dates and at the following locations:

Tuesday, Oct 16 3:30-6:00pm/Cranford Community Center, 220 Walnut Ave., Cranford Wednesday, Oct 17 9:00-11:00 am/Madison Civic Center,28 Walnut St., Madison Wednesday, Oct 17 12:30-2:00 pm/Chisholm Community Center, 100 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield 9:00-11:00 am/Madison Civic Center, 28 Walnut Street.Madison Wednesday, Oct 24 Wednesday, Oct 24 1:30-3:00 pm/Chatham Township Senior Center, 58 Meyersville Rd. Chatham Twp. Tuesday, Oct 30 6:00-7:30 pm/Chisholm Community Center, 100 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield

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TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Monday, September 24 - Workshop Meeting 6 p.m. Tuesday, September 25 - Regular Meeting 7 p.m (No workshop on the 2nd Monday because of Jewish Holiday)

PLANNING BOARD1st Wednesday, 7:00 pm at the Municipal Building

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

3rd Tuesday, 6:30 pm at the Municipal Building

BOARD OF HEALTH

RENT LEVELING BOARD

Last Thursday of month, 7:00 pm at the Municipal Building

RECREATION COUNCIL

Contact Recreation Department For Next Meeting Date and Time **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**

3rd Monday, 7:00 pm at the Chisholm Community Center LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

2nd Thursday, 7:00 pm at the Library

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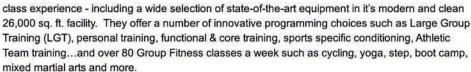
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CERT RECOGNITION

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The three awards were presented to Jim Sedlak, the CERT Team leader for his efforts in directing the Team and making sure projects get done. Karen Bonacorda received a Certificate thanking her for her service in running our Shelter this past March, and seeing that should we need to open a shelter in the future, we have all the supplies we need, including clean cots! Craig Abrams received a commendation for assembling a Shelter Handbook, on his own, and with incredible details about every phase of sheltering. Seidel held up the several pound tome for everyone to see. Seidel noted, "It's an amazing document and I intend to have Craig run a class at Emergency Management for our members showing everyone how to make use of it. The Mayor then thanked all the CERT members and OEM Volunteers.



RECYCLING TIPS

Due to new restrictions, plastic bags will no longer be accepted in recycling receptacles. Recycling materials must be placed loose in containers with lids. No plastic bags of any kind can be used or placed inside the containers. This is a statewide requirement. You may recycle plastic bottles coded #1 and #2, mixed paper (paper, newspaper, magazines, junk mail, catalogs, phone books), aluminum and steel (tin) cans and lids, glass bottles and jars, cardboard (corrugated, cereal and clean pizza boxes), cartons (milk, juice and food cartons).



Police Chief's Column Chief John P. Cook

BACK-TO-SCHOOL SAFETY

Now that summer vacations have ended, I want to take this opportunity to remind the readers of the Springfield Patriot Times of some back-to-school traffic safety tips that will help keep everyone safer while on the road. While the police officers and crossing guards who are posted throughout town do their best to keep our roadways safe, EVERYONE must do their part to ensure we all reach our destinations safely.

All motorists must bring their vehicle to a complete stop at least 25 feet away from a school bus with flashing red lights. This applies to traffic in both directions. Vehicles must remain stopped until the bus deactivates its red lights and continues. The only exception to this rule is if the bus is on the opposite side of the road with a median in the middle, then you must then slow down to 10 mph.

As per NJ motor vehicle law, the speed limit is 25mph when passing through a school zone during recess, when the presence of children is clearly visible from the roadway, or while children are going to or leaving school during opening or closing hours. In Springfield, most of our school zones have reduced speed warnings with flashing signs when this

25mph limit applies, as a reminder to motorists. However, drivers should always slow down and be extra cautious anytime they pass through school areas when school is in session. Sports events and other extracurricular activities often run after the regular school day ends, and some activities are held before the normal school day begins.

Anyone driving on school properties should drive slowly and with extreme caution, especially during the times students are being dropped off or picked up. Children lack auditory localization, and may unexpectedly dart in front of oncoming vehicles if they're not paying full attention. In addition, idling of veh cles for more than 2 minutes is prohibited on all school properties. This applies to vehicles waiting in a large queue within the school lots (such as the Walton School line in the morning and afternoon), but not for vehicles stuck in traffic on the main roadways who are waiting to enter the lot. These vehicles must remain running, with the proper turn signal activated, until traffic begins moving again.

Pedestrians are reminded to utilize crosswalks and obey traffic signals when crossing the street, and to only cross when it is safe to do so. Motorists must come to a complete stop for pedestrians in crosswalks. Crossing guards are posted throughout the town during the school year to ensure children pedestrians cross safely. Even though crossing guards are only responsible for children pedestrians, I urge adults to set a good example for their children and obey the crossing guards' directions as well.

INTERESTED IN SCRAPBOOKING?

The Recreation Department hosts a scrapbooking meet-up at Chisholm Community Center on one Saturday per month. If you are interested in learning more about the art and hobby of scrabooking, or want to bring your own supplies to the meet-up and have company to scrapbook with, contact the Recreation Department at (973) 912-2227 or recreation@springfield-nj.us.



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<u>Sept 30th – Blessing of the Animals</u>

Brief service & individual pet blessings 2pm at the Parish House – light refreshments

Oct 27th – 9th Annual Indoor Flea Market -9am-3pm

Vendor Tables available- \$25 for an 8' table First paid, first reserved –call for information.

SUMMER CONCERT

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Around 600 to 700 people turned out for the Springfield Patriot Chamber of Concert's 11th Annual Free Summer Concert at the Jonathan Dayton High School Auditorium. Concert organizers John Cottage and Scott Seidel welcomed the crowd and thanked the sponsors and introduced the first act, "The Mello Kings", who performed a number of songs from the 50's and 60's including their hit "Tonite Tonite" which was a top 100 hit. Then, a surprise performance by a Vinnie Medugno who was in the audience and took the stage to sing a song by Jay Black, "Cara Mia". He did an fantastic job and the crowd cheered him on. Vinnie will be at the PNC Bank Arts Center on Thursday September 20, 2018 at 1:30 pm. Then John Cottage introduced the main act for the evening, Gary Lewis and the Playboys." Lewis, who charted 17 top 10 hits in the 60's, most notably "This Diamond Ring" and "Everybody Loves Clown", treated the crowd to a 75-minute nonstop performance. After the show Lewis signed autographs and posed for photos with all his fans. Seidel noted, "Without our sponsors, there cannot be a free concert. I wish to thank the Springfield Board of Education and the Jonathan Dayton High School staff for opening their doors and providing the venue. The School is always the best and does everything they can do to make this a wonderful evening. Connectone Bank and investors Bank were major sponsors as well as Mack Camera of Springfield--Retail and Video, Javerbaum Wurgaft Hicks Kahn Wikstrom & Sinins, P.C., The Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce, The Springfield Business Improvement District, Cardinal Land Properties, Inc., Springfield Orthodontics, Hammer Dental and Hecht Family Chiropractic.

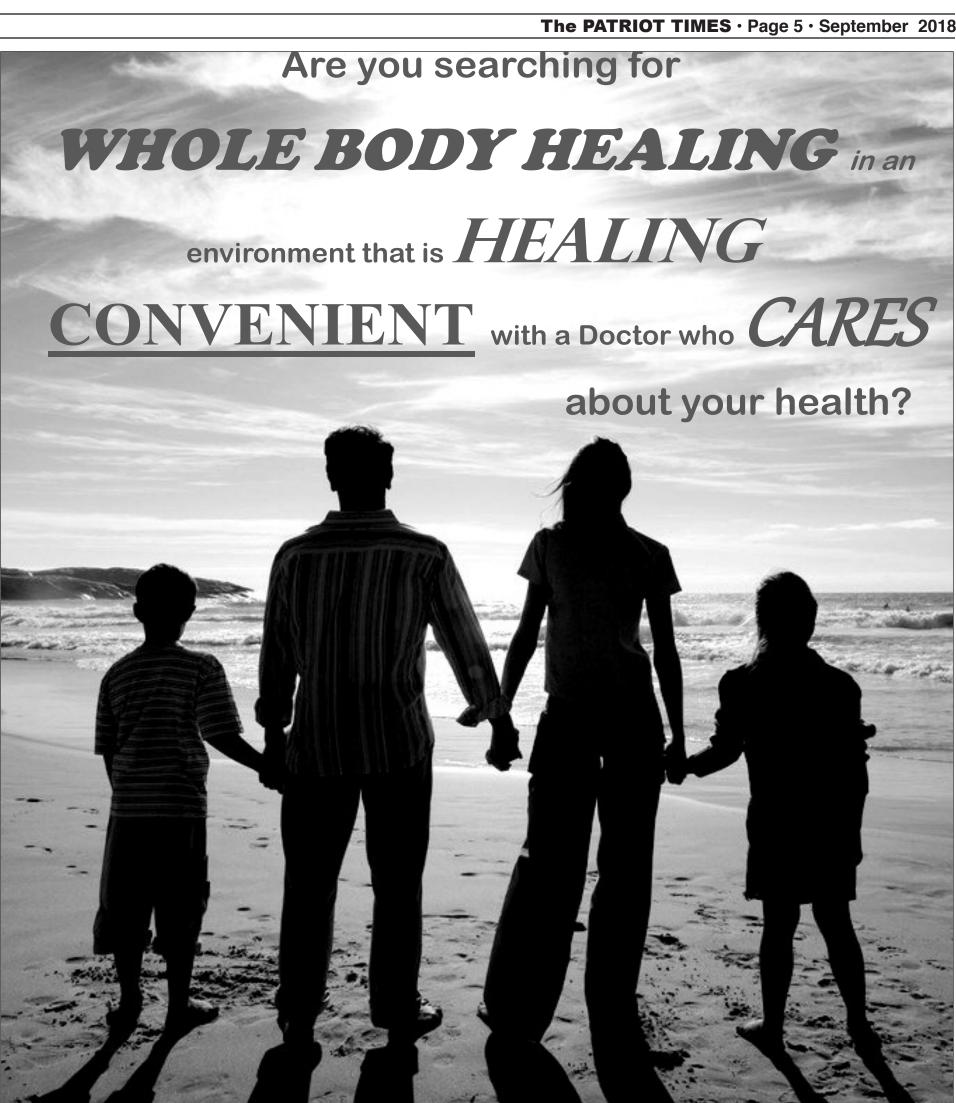
FLEA MARKET VENDORS SOUGHT

Springfield Presbyterian Church (Parish House Auditorium), 37 Church Mall, Springfield N.J. will host their Ninth Annual Indoor Flea Market on Saturday October 27, 2018 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Vendors are sought for the event. An 8 foot table will be provided for the cost of \$25.00 which is payable at the time of reservation. First paid- first reserved. There is on-site parking.

The Presbyterian Women's Group will offer refreshments for sale. Tables have "sold out" quickly in the past, so don't delay! Vendors will not be permitted to sell food. The church reserves the right to prohibit the sale of "inappropriate" or manufacturer's recalled items. Please call the church office 973-379-4320 for reservations. Deadline is October 5th. The reservation form can be found on our website: www.springfieldpresbyterian.com.







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SPRINGFIELD REMEMBERS THOSE LOST ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2001: RESIDENTS CONCERNED OVER TOWN PREPAREDNESS AT COMMITTEE MEETING

By Jesse Broome



Mayor reads Proclamation with Committeeman Chris Capodice and Deputy Mayor Erica DuBois



Gathering at Memorial Gardens

At 6:45 pm on Tuesday, September 11, Mayor Richard Huber read the Township's September 11 Proclamation at the Memorial Community Gardens on the corner of Wabeno Avenue and Mountain Avenue to "pay tribute to those who lost their lives on 9/11..." The Mayor was joined by approximately 25 members of the community, including the Springfield Township Committee, Acting Business Administrator, Department Heads and the Springfield First Aid Squad On September 11, 2001, Springfield lost two Springfield residents, JoAnn L. Heltibridle and Lee Adler.

In an exclusive interview with the Patriot Times Editor, Mayor Huber commented that this anniversary is always an emotional time for him as he was in Tower One that fateful morning. He was heading for the "Windows on the World" restaurant for a job he was working on when the first plane hit. Other people helped him to head down the stairs to safety and he was walking away from Tower One when Tower Two came down. Mayor Huber told me, "I saw Fireman going in that never came out".

Following the remembrance of 9/11, the Township Committee held their regular bi-monthly meeting. The first order of business was a Proclamation announcing September 2018 as Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month. More than 22,000 women per year are diagnosed with ovarian cancer, and less than half of all women inflicted with the disease survive. Understanding warning signs and early detection are essential to combating ovarian cancer.

The meeting also opened with the announcement of two upcoming events:

Union County POW/MIA Remembrance Day Ceremony to be held on Friday, September 14, 2018, at 11:15 AM in Elizabeth at the Courthouse on Broad Street.

Mental Health Association 11th Annual Walk / Run for Wellness is scheduled for Saturday, October 13 at 9:30 AM. The event will take place at Nomahegan Park in Cranford

In other business, the Township Committee unanimously passed Ordinance No. 2018-16, which made changes to some of the fees for the Springfield Recreation Department and the Springfield Community Pool

The meeting ended with public concerns over flooding and town preparedness in the wake of Hurricane Florence, expected to make landfall in North Carolina

on Friday, September 14. One resident of Mountainview Gardens on Hillside Avenue complained that his apartment was recently flooded with 18 inches of water, seemingly due to changes made to drainage when building of Longhorn Steakhouse. Sam Mardini, Township Engineer, was asked to look into the issue. Another resident questioned whether or not the power system in Springfield was in better shape following the extended outages in March 2018. The Mayor assured the resident that improvements to the local power stations are ongoing.

UNION COUNTY CELEBRATES HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH WITH EVENT AT UCPAC ON SEPTEMBER 23RD

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders invites the community to join the county's first Hispanic Heritage Celebration on Sunday, September 23rd, from 12:30 pm to 4:00 pm at the Union County Performing Arts Center, 1601 Irving Street in Rahway. The County is partnering with the City of Rahway for the event, which is free and open to the general public

Attendees are invited to explore the richness of the Hispanic culture through music, art and entertainment, featuring a performance by the Mike Ramirez Salsa Band. Local leaders will be honored for their community achievements. An upcoming press release will contain more information on the honorees and the event. "Now more than ever, it is important to celebrate the diversity and cultural ties that builds a strong,

inclusive community," said Freeholder Chairman Sergio Granados, who is of Salvadoran-American descent. "Hispanics continue to make major contributions in all aspects of our culture, and continue to be progressive trailblazers." Freeholder Angel Estrada, who is also Hispanic, was the first Cuban-American elected to the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders

The event is being coordinated through the County's Office of Community Engagement and Diversity, which is part of Freeholder Chairman Granados's 2018 "Moving Union County Forward" initiatives. For more information please contact the Office's coordinator Nathalie Hernandez, email: nahernandez@ucnj.org, or call 908-527-4880.

KAREN BOCIAN COMPLETES TWENTY YEARS AS A SPRINGFIELD SWIM TEAM COACH, BY LUKE BERNSTEIN

As the coach of the Springfield Swim Team for two decades, Karen Bocian has become a legend in the town of Springfield, NJ. Karen has been a positive and dynamic leader of the team and her influence on the lives of young swimmers and their families goes well beyond the lanes of the swimming pool.

Karen Bocain has been a swimmer for almost her entire life. She began her career as an 8-year-old on the Springfield Swim Team and continued on this summer team until she graduated from high school. At the same time, Karen swam year round for Berkeley Aquatics until she transferred to the Summit Seals YMCA team during her sophomore year. During this career, Karen attended national level swim meets in Florida, was the Senior Captain at the YMCA and for Governor Livingston High School. She was a member of the TCNJ swim team for all four years in college and was the captain during her senior year. She has incorporated all of this swimming knowledge and experience into her role as the coach of the Springfield Swim Team. The team practices five days a week throughout the month of July, with 8 dual meets during the season and two championship meets. Over 100 swimmers participate on the team each year under the loving guidance and direction of Coach Karen.

Mrs. Patricia Boyle, a longtime Springfield Swim Team parent, recently reflected on Karen's role with the team and Karen's impact on her own children. Mrs. Boyle feels that Karen is such a special coach, "because of her ability to reach any swimmer where they are in their development and she helps them improve. She is also very encouraging and is able to make learning fun by focusing on the individual in and out of the water.' Mrs. Boyle also credits Karen for suggesting that her children swim all year round in the more competitive environment of club swimming. Mrs. Boyle is most grateful for all the memories she has had witnessing the growth of her kids, and all the other swimmers, through the years. She says that, "as parents we have enjoyed seeing the younger swimmers look up the older swimmers and, in time, seeing the older swimmers have so many opportunities to lead, encourage, and support the younger team members." All of the Boyles are, "most grateful for Karen's influence through the years in the lives of each of our children.

Coach Karen also shared her thoughts about the team and what it has meant to her over the past twenty years. She feels that the best part about coaching, "is the amazing group of swimmers and parents who are a part of the team every year." She feels that they are "the kindest, most generous, and spirited group she has ever been a part of." She keeps coming back as a coach because the Swim Team is her summer family and as she is able to, "work in a place that she has grown up in, doing a job I love, with amazing coaches and swimmers, and being outside in the sunshine."

Karen's consistent goal for the swimmers is that all of the kids have fun and make tons of memories. She wants all of them to grow up and be able to look back on the summer and remember all the fun they had on the team. Coach Karen goes above and beyond just running swim practices and making lineups for the meets.

On July 27, 2018, the team celebrated the end of the season with the annual awards night and dinner. The team presented Karen with several gifts to acknowledge and celebrate her 20 years as coach. As a result, Karen's new hands-down favorite moment as the town's swim team leader was, "watching the slide show that everyone put together for her to celebrate her 20th season coaching" as it is a memory she will never forget. Karen hopes to be able to continue with the team for many years to come so that everyone can have lots of fun while showing their Springfield Swim Team spirit.

Karen's influence goes beyond her abilities in the pool. She knows how to create memories, how to teach kids to give back to the community, and most importantly, how to enjoy time with friends and how to care for teammates. In an exclusive interview with the Patriot Times, Adam Lieb, Springfield Director of Recreation said "Karen has been a pleasure to work with during the past five summers -- only a fraction of her twenty years as a coach in Springfield. She is an engaging, professional, and organized coach, who is well respected in Springfield and our regional swim league. Karen engages her young swimmers at a high level and makes the relatively short swim team season an action-packed one." Karen Bocian has made an incredibly positive impact on the people in her life over the past twenty years. Thanks Karen!







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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 IS NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION DAY 2018

On Tuesday, September 25, 2018, Americans will celebrate National Voter Registration Day with a massive 50-state effort to register voters before Election Day this November. The League of Women Voters of the Union Area plans to register voters at the Springfield Free Public Library, 10 am to 5 pm.

With midterms and governor races happening this fall, every eligible American voter should exercise his or her right to be heard at the ballot box this year and next. National Voter Registration Day is the right place to start by getting registered.

The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, is dedicated to ensuring that all eligible voters – including first-time voters, non-college youth, new citizens, minorities, the elderly and low-income Americans – have the opportunity and the information to exercise their right to vote.

Thousands of national, state, and local organizations and volunteers will be the driving force behind National Voter Registration Day 2018. Partner organizations will coordinate hundreds of National Voter Registration Day events nationwide and leverage #NationalVoterRegistrationDay on all social media platforms to drive attention to voter registration and the midterm elections.

The effort's website, www.NationalVoterRegistrationDay.org, provides a listing of National Voter Registration Day events across the country.

Founded in 2012, National Voter Registration Day is designed to create an annual moment when the entire nation focuses on registering Americans to exercise their most basic right – the right to vote. More than two million Americans have registered to vote on this day since the inaugural National Voter Registration Day.





RECREATION DEPARTMENT WELCOMES BRENDAN O'REILLY AS PROGRAM COORDINATOR

The Springfield Recreation Department is excited to welcome Brendan O'Reilly as Recreation Program Coordinator. Brendan will focus yearround on Springfield Community Pool planning, operations, and marketing. Brendan earned his

undergraduate degree in psychology from Lynn University in 2017, and his Certified Pool Operator (CPO) license from the National Swimming Pool Foundation in March 2018. He had previously served as Recreation Assistant in the Springfield Recreation Department and Assistant Manager at the Springfield Community Pool.







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COMMITTEEMAN CAPODICE

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This month Township Committeeman Christopher Capodice has been conducting "ride alongs" with Springfield Police, Fire, OEM, and the First Aid squad to better understand the process and procedure of all township responders. Capodice, who serves as Chair of the Public Safety Committee, says "It is our responsibility to have our Public Safety personnel be one of the best trained and best equipped in Union county. Public safety is job number one." Committeeman Capodice most recently participated in an extraction exercise with the fire department utilizing a spreading tool, better known as the the "jaws of life" to aid in the removal of an accident victim from a vehicle.



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MAYOR'S DAY

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On Tuesday, September 4, on a very hot but sunny summer day with temperatures in the low 90's, 168 golfers participated in the 59th annual Springfield Mayor's Day outing at Baltusrol Golf Club in Springfield. The tournament, started in 1960, raises money for Jonathan Dayton High School Seniors. Scott Seidel, Tournament Chairman, commented, "The weather was very hot but the golfers enjoyed the day!" "To be able to play on this world famous golf course which just two years ago hosted the PGA Tournament and walk these same greens as the pros is always a rare privilege and a thrill," commented long time golfer in the tournament and committee member Joel Millman. Committee member Michael Quick said "We were almost at capacity, with the lower course at maximum and the upper course almost full." Dr. Gary Hecht, the fourth Committee member, said, "Even though it's been two years, the 2016 PGA Championship, held at Baltusrol has certainly helped keep our event very popular." A cocktail hour was held from 5 pm to 6 pm and then dinner and awards followed at 6. Gennifer Abraham and Amy Roselle, office managers for Seidel and Hecht respectively, provided logistical support in keeping track of all the golfers and their registrations. Seidel further commented to the Patriot, "Without the generous support of Baltusrol, its Board of Directors, General Manager Kevin Vitale, Head Pro Ryan Fountaine, and all their staff, this event would simply not be possible. I would also like to thank our major sponsors, our hole in one sponsors, Autoland of Springfield and Celebrity Motor Cars--BMW of Springfield for sponsoring cars on the lower course, and Nissan World of Springfield who sponsored two cars one on the Upper Course and one on the Lower Course, and Bridgewater Chevrolet for sponsoring a car on the Upper Course, all who unfortunately were able to take their cars back! A special thanks to Mario DeChellis and Jerry Zeliniskie of Stew Leonard's Wines of Springfield for supplying four great gift baskets as prizes. This past June the Committee donated \$30,000 to Jonathan Dayton High School seniors. Check our website in the spring for sign up information for the 2019 Springfield Mayor's Day Tournament at www.springfieldmayorsday.com.



The rain on Monday evening August 13th did not keep Springfield's Rock N' Roll fans at home.

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2018 JUNIOR POLICE ACADEMY









During the week of July 16, the Springfield Police Department conducted their 2018 Junior Police Academy. The program, directed by Sgt. Ryan Westover and assisted by Coporal Danielle Kahora and Officer Frank Cunha produced a new fast paced look by adding Drill Instructors, Investigator Joe Leniart and Officer Marcos Vaz. Investigator Leniart, an Officer with the United States Army Reserve and Officer Vaz, a veteran of the United States Marine Corp brought a strict para-military format to the Academy.

The Academy class consisted of both males and females ranging from age 11 to 14. They started each morning with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by 5 busy days. This year, the recruits learned Drill and Ceremony, conducted physical fitness assessments, observed presentations by the

Springfield Police Detective Bureau, Springfield Fire Department, Springfield First-Aid Squad, Union County Sheriff's Departments K-9 and Bomb Squad, Union County SWAT, and Sisbarro Towing.

The class were taught how to conduct radar speed enforcement, dust a crime scene for fingerprints, tag and photograph a crime scene, roadway safety, water safety, and even drove a mock emergency vehicle operations course (with a golf cart).

Chief John Cook and his Academy Staff hosted the Graduation on the evening of July 20th at Springfield Town Hall. He addressed the graduates by congratulating them on this great accomplishment. He urged them to always remember the values this academy taught them and to always work hard towards accomplishing their goals.

MAYOR'S DAY PHOTOS



A framed Print was presented to Mayor Richard Huber.



Mayors Day Committee Member Michael Quick with assistants Wally Schultz and Jennifer Sherman at the sign in table.



Golfers Kevin Dailey, Joan Magrath, Kevin Bradley and Russ Dillion prepare to tee off on the first hole of the lower course.



The Golfers head out to start on the Lower Course.



SEPTEMBER 11TH CEREMONY









Police, Fire, OEM, and FAS personnel along with Township employees assembled in front of Town Hall at 8:30 am on Tuesday morning September 11th for a brief ceremony following which the wreath was placed at the Memorial Community Gardens on Wabeno Ave. The ceremony conducted by Police Chief and Acting Business Administrator John Cook and Fire Chief Carlo Palumbo, started at 8:46 with the the ringing of the Ceremonial Bell and concluded at 9:03 am with a second ringing of the bell.

ATLANTIC CITY IS DESTINATION FOR SENIOR CITIZEN BUS TRIP



On Wednesday, September 5th, Springfield senior citizens visited Bally's Casino in Atlantic City on a bus trip sponsored by the Springfield Recreation Department. The trip was chaperoned by Amefika Gray, Recreation Program Coordinator (not pictured).





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FALL SPORTS PROGRAMS

Springfield Recreation Dept

All programs take place at Chisholm Park

2 DAY SCHOOLS OUT CAMPS		All programs take place at Chisnolin Park				
SKU	Class Name	Day	Date	Time	Age	Price
MCA53767	Multi Sports Camps	Thu-Fri	11/8/2018 to 11/9/2018	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM	5 - 11	\$89

One day only options are available for these programs

ONE DAY SCHOOLS OUT CAMPS

SKU	Class Name	υay	Date	Time	Age	Price	
MCA53764	Multi Sports Camps	Tue	11/6/2018 to 11/6/2018	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM	5 - 11	\$54	
MCA53762	Multi Sports Camps	Wed	9/19/2018 to 9/19/2018	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM	5 - 11	\$54	
WEEKLY SQUIRTS CLASSES							

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	SKU	Class Name	Day	Date	Time	Age Price	
	QSP54131	Parent & Me Soccer Squirts	Sun	9/16/2018 to 11/4/2018	2:00 PM to 3:00 PM	2 - 3	\$154
	QMS55954	Squirts Multi Sports	Sun	9/16/2018 to 11/4/2018	3:00 PM to 4:00 PM	3 - 5	\$154

MULTI SPORTS CAMP: Try a variety of sports at USSI's flagship Multi Sports Camp. Learn to play sports like soccer, hockey, disc golf, handball & more!

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RUNNING CLUB Fall 2018 • Grades K-8th

Our co-ed running club with Coach Mike Czech helps improve your child's speed and agility!

Physical fitness training is an important life lesson for all children and young athletes. In the Running Club, children learn to run faster over short distances. Agility drills and injury prevention techniques will also be covered, as well as an introduction to endurance running. The Running Club is open to Springfield residents and children in Springfield schools. A minimum of six children are required. In the event of inclement weather every effort will be made to reschedule outdoor classes. No refunds are provided.

Mondays from September 10th-October 22nd, at Meisel Avenue Park No class October 8 • Grades 3rd-8th @ 5:00-6:00 pm



Mondays from October 29th-December 3rd, at Chisholm Community Center Grades K-2nd @ 4:30-5:00 pm • Grades 3rd-8th @ 5:00-6:00 pm

Cost: \$70 per session (payable to Township of Springfield) Includes: Professional coaching instruction, apparel item

Register by mail or in person at the Springfield Recreation Department. Or register online with a Visa, Mastercard, or Discover at

https://register.communitypass.net/springfield (\$0 processing fee for credit cards)

Chisholm Community Center • 100 South Springfield Avenue • (973) 912-2227 • Monday-Friday @ 8:00 am-6:00 pm Daniel Hesse, Recreation Program Coordinator, at daniel.hesse@springfield-nj.us

Pool Party Room Rental Available for Springfield and out-of-town residents and businesses. Fees vary from \$200-\$500.



Call Recreation Department (973) 912-2227



Party Room and Kitchen available at the Chisholm Community Center for your next event. Fee is \$200 for Springfield residents only.

SPRINGFIELD RECREATION YOUTH BASKETBALL

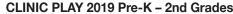
LEAGUE PLAY 2018-2019 BOYS & GIRLS: GRADES 3-8

Springfield Recreation Youth Basketball is comprised of programs for all children from Pre-K through 8th grades, and consists of clinic play for our younger children (Pre-K-2nd grades), recreation teams (3rd-8th grades), and travel teams (4th-8th grades). League Play is divided into boys-only and girls-only teams, and registration is open to all boys and girls in grades 3-8 who attend a Springfield school.

Registration Deadline: Friday, October 19, 2018

Fees • League Play: \$110 payable to Township of Springfield Includes: jersey, game officials, time clock operators/scorekeepers, coaching instruction, equipment

· Pink Zone: \$30 payable to Springfield Basketball Association Includes: commemorative t-shirt, coach-led skills clinic



Youth Basketball is comprised of programs for Springfield children from Pre K-8th grades, and consists of clinic play for younger children grades), recreation teams (3rd-8th grades), and travel teams (4th-8th grades).

You are registering your child for CLINIC PLAY, a series of weekly Sunday clinics and games that are open to children in Springfield schools in Pre-K, K, 1st, and 2nd grades. Coaches teach basic and age-appropriate skills, boost basketball awareness, and encourage fun and sportsmanship through the game of basketball. Pre-K clinics include some non-basketball and coordination skills.

You are registering your child for LEAGUE

PLAY, which consists of in-person player

evaluations, weekly practices, one game

PRACTICES: Weekly practices will start in early-

per weekend, and playoffs.

Clinic Play: Clinics are held on Sundays from January 6, 2019, to March 3, 2019, in the Boys Gym at FMG Middle School. Clinics are not held on January 20th, and February 17th. The schedule includes an extra (seventh) clinic in case of snow. There are no make-up dates.

A maximum of 30 players are allowed in each Clinic Play group. Clinic Play groups are: Pre-K @ 10:00-10:45 am K @ 10:50-11:35 am Girls 1st-2nd Grade @ 11:40 am-12:40 pm Boys 1st Grade @ 12:45-1:45 pm Boys 2nd Grade @ 1:50-2:50 pm

Registration Deadline: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2018 (or until each time slot fills up)

Fees: • \$80 payable to Township of Springfield Includes: t-shirt, junior basketball (distributed at last clinic), coaching instruction, dessert after final clinic

Three ways to register.

1) Online with Visa, Mastercard, or Discover (\$0 processing fee): https://register.communitypass.net/springfield

In person with credit card, cash, check, or money order: Springfield Recreation Department Chisholm Community Center, 100 South Springfield Avenue. Weekdays @ 8:00 am-6:00 pm.

3) By mail with check or money order: Springfield Recreation Department, Chisholm Community Center, 100 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081

Tennis Classes at Irwin Park Tennis Courts



TGA brings the tennis court to you, making it convenient and affordable to learn and play tennis in a fun and safe environment. Kid-friendly instructors help students develop tennis skills and knowledge, while using the sport to teach valuable life lessons like honesty and sportsmanship.

Instagram.com/TGAPremierSport

For more info contact: Nick Meltzer (732) 835-8TGA or nmeltzer@playtga.com

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• Individual & Team Instruction

• Sport Rules & Etiquette

Academic Concepts & STEAM Labs //

Physical Activity

• Life Lessons in Perseverance & Leadership

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Fridays (No Class on 9/28) 9/14/2018 - 10/26/2018 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Cost: \$120.00/6 weeks

All kids ages - 5 -11 **Irwin Park Tennis Courts** (101 Adams Terrace)

Golf Classes at Springfield Recreation Dept.



TGA brings the golf course to you, making it convenient and affordable to learn and play golf in a fun and safe environment. Kid-friendly instructors help students develop golf skills and knowledge, while using the sport to teach valuable life lessons like honesty and sportsmanship

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Tuesdays 9/18/2018 - 10/23/2018

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Cost: \$120.00/6 weeks All kids ages 6-11

Location: Chisholm Park







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Co-ed Lacrosse Clinics Fall 2018 • Pre-K, K, & 1st Grade

Interested in trying a new sport? Join Springfield Lacrosse Club's fall clinics!

The instructional clinics are open to Springfield students in Pre-K through 1st grades. No equipment required. Six Sunday sessions from September 16th to October 21st @ 10:30-11:30 am, at Chisholm Park. In the event of rain, every effort will be made to reschedule. No refunds will be provided.

Fee: \$65 Payable to Township of Springfield. Register by mail or in-person with cash, check, or money order. Or register online with a credit card at https://register.communitypass.net/springfield.

(\$0 credit card processing fee!)

Payments must be made prior to the first clinic. Includes: coaching, loaned stick (if needed), balls, shirt

Chisholm Community Center 100 South Springfield Avenue Monday-Friday, 8:00 am-6:00 pm • (973) 912-2227 www.springfield-nj.us/recreation

Daniel Hesse, Recreation Program Coordinator, at daniel.hesse@springfield-nj.us

SENIORS CRUISE AROUND MANHATTAN



Springfield senior citizens spent the afternoon of Tuesday, August 14, on the Spirit of New Jersey cruise around Manhattan. They enjoyed a lunch buffet, dancing, and beautiful views of Ellis Island, the Statue of Liberty, New York City skyscrapers, and the Brooklyn Bridge. The trip was chaperoned by Amefika Gray, Recreation Program Coordinator.

POOL CELEBRATES SENIOR CITIZENS DAY



In honor of National Senior Citizens Day, Springfield Community Pool Activities Director Dawn Wilkenfeld (pictured, left) sponsored a breakfast for senior citizens in the pool's new air conditioned party room on Sunday, August 19. The senior citizens received a full breakfast catered by Campus Sub Shop II of Springfield. Several local businesses donated prizes, including: Outback Steakhouse, Capelli E Mani Salon, Alen's Deli & Catering, Salon Bangles, and Campus Sub Shop II.



The Springfield Recreation Department is a member of TryCAN, a multi-community collaboration that provides a variety of recreational programs for youth with special needs. For more information on program offerings or to register, please visit http://cityofsummit.org/trycan.



SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2018 CALL (973) 912-2227 FOR MORE INFORMATION

Monday, September 17 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm

Tuesday, September 18 - Bus trip to Central Farmers Market and Coppola's @ 11:30 am (RSVP), Cards @ 11:30 am

Thursday, September 20 - Bus trip to PNC Bank Arts Center @ 11:45 am (RSVP)

Friday, September 21 - Forever Fit @ 11:00 am, Cards @ 1:00 pm

Monday, September 24 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm

Tuesday, September 25 - Stretch & Meditation @ 10:00 am,

Cards @ 11:30 am
Thursday, September 27 - Club birthday bash luncheon @ 12:00 pm (RSVP)

Friday, September 28 - Shape UP @ 11:00 am, Cards @ 1:00 pm

Monday, October 1 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm

Tuesday, October 2 - Cards @ 11:30 am

Wednesday, October 3 - Bus trip to Jersey Shore Outlets @ 9:30 am (RSVP), Define 7 Sculpt @ 11:00 am

Thursday, October 4 - "Bag It" documentary @ 10:00 am

Friday, October 5 - Walk Talk Tone @ 11:00 am, Cards @ 1:00 pm

Tuesday, October 9 - Forever Fit @ 10:00 am, Cards @ 11:30 am, Bingo @ 12:30 pm

Wednesday, October 10 - Bus trip to Route 10 Farmers Market and Irving's Deli @ 10:30 am (RSVP)

Thursday, October 11 - Club monthly meeting @ 11:00 am (RSVP) Friday, October 12 - Stretch & Meditation @ 11:00 am, Cards @ 1:00 pm

Monday, October 15 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm

Tuesday, October 16 - Cards @ 11:30 am

Wednesday, October 17 - AmeriCare Balance & Fall Presentation @ 11:00 am (RSVP), Flu Clinic @ 12:30 pm

Friday, October 19 - Zoom-Ba @ 11:00 am, Cards @ 1:00 pm

FALL 2018 • GRADES K-3RD

Flag Football is co-sponsored by the Springfield Recreation Department and Springfield Jr. Dawgs Football. This co-ed program is open to children in Springfield schools in grades K-3.

Children will learn football in a NON-TACKLE instructional team format! Emphasis will be on learning positions, football fundamentals, and playing as a team.

Six sessions take place on Mondays @ 6:30-7:30 pm, from September 17th- October 22nd, at the Pool Field (44 Morrison Road). Schedule and field is subject to change.

Fee: \$70 (payable to Township of Springfield)

(Includes: jersey to keep, loaned equipment, keepsake medal, end-of-season party.Does not include: cleats.)

Register by mail or in-person at the Springfield Recreation Department
Or register online with a Mastercard, Visa,
or Discover at https://register.communitypass.net/springfield
(\$0 credit card processing fee)



Chisholm Community Center 100 South Springfield Avenue (973) 912-2227 Monday-Friday @ 8:00 am-6:00 pm

Questions? Email recreation@springfield-nj.us or springfieldjrdawgsfootball@gmail.com.

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Class 4-Baking inspired by cereal! Fruity Pebble Cupcakes, Golden Graham Cookies, To ast Crunch Cake!

Class 5 - Vampire Cupcake & Mini Spider! Learn to make and use fondant, work with cereal treats & more!

Class 6 - Fall Baking - Pumpkin Cake roll, Apple Pie bites, Swiss cinnamon crisps, & spice cupcakes with maple frosting!

TUESDAY OR THURSDAY evening session available 6-7:30 pm
Springfield Chisholm Community Center, 100 South Springfield Ave., Springfield
Class Dates: Tues: 9/25, 10/2, 10/9, 10/16, 10/23, 10/30 OR 9/27, 10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25, 11/1
Price \$195 - Includes all materials, tools, and recipes

Please contact Samantha with any questions and to register at: samilynn9@aol.com www.sweet-samantha.com - (973) 445-1620

Flag Cheerleading

Fall 2018 • K-2nd

Flag Cheerleading is open to children in Springfield schools in Kindergarten through 2nd grade.



Practices take place on Thursdays from September 13th-October 25th @ 4:45-5:45 pm at Chisholm Park. Games take place on Mondays from September 17th-October 22nd @ 6:30-7:30 pm at the Pool Field. Practice and game locations are subject to change.

Fee: \$70 payable to Township of Springfield Includes: shirt to keep, loaned pom-poms and skirt, keepsake medal, end-of-season party. Does not include: optional spiritwear apparel

Register by mail or in person at the Springfield Recreation Department.

Or register online with a Visa, Mastercard, or Discover at https://register.communitypass.net/springfield (\$0 credit card processing fee)

Chisholm Community Center 100 South Springfield Avenue (973) 912-2227 • Monday-Friday @ 8:00 am-6:00 pm

Questions? Contact the Springfield Recreation Department at recreation@springfield-nj.us

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Fall Session: All New Classes!

The Science Exploration Class

Geared for our future Scientists! Fostering Curiosity, Exploration and Experimentation. Back with ALL NEW experiments/projects with the QUALITY you've come to expect. Your child will have a blast learning and exploring age-appropriate scientific concepts while using real child-friendly science tools with a focus on S.T.E.A.M. Projects/Experiments such as:

Engineering
 Glow in the dark slime
 Magnets
 Chemical Reactions

Chisholm Community Center 100 S. Springfield Ave, Springfield, NJ Grades K-2 Fridays: October 12th, 19th, 26th and November 2nd - 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Cost: \$110

Please Register at: www.KiddiesKaleidoscope.com

FREE SENIOR CITIZEN BUS SERVICE

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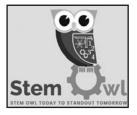
Calling all future scientists! Come learn, build and experiment with us! Our budding astronomers, meteorologists, zoologists, and inventors will learn about space, weather, animals, and more! We'll build all sorts of awesome scientific models and gadgets that are sure to spark both imagination and intellect. If you just can't get enough of hands-on science fun, then you won't want to miss out on our World of Science unit! class begins with a discussion of the topic of the day and the functions of LEGO® Technic pieces are carefully explained and demonstrated as they are incorporated into the model.

Lego Motorized Build - World of Science

Tuesdays 9/18-10/23 @ 4:00-5:00 pm

Cost \$99 Grades K-5

Students are captivated in this super fun and hands-on class as we explore various STEM projects such as creating exciting gadgets, exploring electricity, building a circuit for a buzzer and constructing an electromagnet. Kids become engineers as they discover marvelous machines and discover how they make work easier and more fun! The knowledge and learning experience from the class not only help students build a strong foundation in STEM, but also strengthen their critical thinking and problem-solving skills.



Junior Engineering – Make & Take

Fridays 9/21-10/26 @ 2:45-4:00 pm

Cost \$115 Grades 1-4

Location: Chisholm Community Center 100 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081

For additional information about our program offerings, please visit our website at

bricks4kidz.com/cnj Click on green wheel with "view classes"

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SPRINGFIELD BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

BOYS TRAVEL Basketball Tryouts 2018-2019 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade Teams

Springfield Recreation Department and Springfield Basketball Association (SBA) sponsor five Minutemen travel teams for boys enrolled in a Springfield school in grades 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, for the 2018-2019 season.

Travel basketball requires a very high level of commitment, including 2-3 practices weekly and/or games. Playing time may be mandated by the league, however if not, playing time is earned by the boys in practice with their attitudes and their abilities. Post-season clinics and tournaments may be added for travel players.

GIRLS TRAVEL Basketball Tryouts 2018-2019 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade Teams

Springfield Recreation Department and Springfield Basketball Association (SBA) sponsor three Nettes travel teams for girls enrolled in a Springfield school grades 6, 7, and 8, for the 2018-2019 season.

Travel basketball requires a very high level of commitment, including 2-3 practices weekly and/or games. Playing time may be mandated by the league, however if not, playing time is earned by the girls in practice with their attitudes and their abilities.

PROSPECTIVE PLAYERS MUST ATTEND BOTH TRYOUTS.

TO REGISTER FOR TRY-OUTS: Register for free online at https://register.communitypass.net/springfield. Or complete the registration form on the back of this form and return it to the Springfield Recreation Department at the Chisholm Community Center (100 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081) before the first try-out. Fees of \$165 are collected by Springfield Basketball Association after players are accepted onto a team.

SPRINGFIELD

Questions? Email Daniel Hesse, Recreation Program Coordinator, at daniel.hesse@springfield-nj.us, or call the Springfield Recreation Department at (973) 912-2227.

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Springfield Free Public Library

66 Mountain Avenue, Springfield 973-376-4930

Check Library website for MGG schedule:www.sfplnj.org

---- REGULAR LIBRARY HOURS ---Monday, Wednesday & Thursday
10:00 am – 9:00 pm
Tuesday, Friday, Saturday
10:00 am – 5:00 pm
Sunday (September) Closed
Sunday (October) 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Saturday, September 15: Baby Rembrandts!: Come paint with food! For children 10 months- 2 years. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Mother Goose Group: Selected dates: Tuesday September 18, 25, Thursday Sept. 20, 27, Friday September 21.

Family Craft: Wednesdays in September at 10:30 am. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Crafty Friday: Fridays in September at 4:00 pm. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Bingo: Tuesday, September 18.

TEENS:

DIY Origami Stars Thursday, September 20 at 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Grades 6+ are invited to fold mini 3D paper stars!

3D Pens Tuesday, September 25 3:00 pm-4:00 pm 3D Pen Art open to tweens and teens, Grades 5+. Registration not required, but room is limited. First come. first serve.

SPECIAL EVENTS

October 7 – November 8 Art Show: drawings by Yelena Piatigorsky.

Friday, September 21 & October 5, Chair Yoga.

12:30 pm

Saturday, September 22, 11 am "**Imagine the Possibilities**" - anti-bullying program for adults and teens.

DISCUSSIONS and WRITING

Thursdays, September 20, 10:00 am Great Books: The Bible "Book of Joel"

Thursdays, September 27 & October 11 Memoir Writing Group. 10:00 am

Thursday, October 4, 7:00 pm Really Good Book discussion: "The Beautiful and Damned" by F. Scott Fitzgerald.

Every second & fourth Tuesday, 1:00 pm Next Chapter Book Club – book club for adults with developmental disabilities.

FILMS

Monday, September 24, 1:00 pm Lunchtime Film: "Wonder" (2017). Starring Julia Roberts & Owen Wilson

Monday, October 9, 1:00 pm Lunchtime Film: "Battle of the Sexes" (2017). Starring Emma Stone & Steve Carell

HOBBIES AND INFORMATION

Every Monday at 7:00 pm Scrabble - Bring a friend or meet new opponents! Every Monday, 6:15 pm to 8:00 pm Canasta Club. Every Tuesday Afternoon Mahjong Club. 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm.

Every Wednesday, 6:00 pm to 8:45 pm Bridge Club. Every Wednesday, 6:45 pm to 8:45 pm Evening Mahjong Club.

Every Thursday at 7:00 pm Chess Club. Every first Saturday of the month, 11:30 am Needle Crafts and Fiber Arts.

INSTRUCTION

Every Monday from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm Drop-in Technical Help (Nooks, Kindles, Androids, iPads, iPhones and more), no appointment necessary.

Every Thursday, 10:30 am – 12:00 pm One-to-One Computer Training BY APPOINTMENT

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP READS THE BEAUTIFUL AND DAMNED BY F. SCOTT FITZGERALD

The Springfield Free Public Library's (Really Good!) Book Discussion Group will meet on Thursday, October 4th at 7 p.m. to discuss The Beautiful and Damned by F. Scott Fitzgerald. The Beautiful and Damned, first published by Scribner's in 1922, is F. Scott Fitzgerald's second novel. It portrays the Eastern elite during the Jazz Age, exploring New York café society. As in Fitzgerald's other novels, the characters are complex, especially with respect to marriage and intimacy. The book is believed to be largely based on Fitzgerald's relationship with Zelda Fitzgerald. The Beautiful and Damned tells the story of Anthony Patch, a 1910s socialite and presumptive heir to a tycoon's fortune, his relationship with his wife, Gloria, his service in the army, and his alcoholism. (Amazon)

Discussions take place at 7 p.m. in the Staff Room. Refreshments are served. New members are welcome. To reserve your copy of the book call 973-376-4930 x228 or send an email: questions@sfplnj.org

SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY FRIENDS ANNUAL VINTAGE JEWELRY SALE SEPT. 27 – 29, 2018

The Friends of the Springfield Free Public Library will hold their annual Vintage Jewelry Sale Friday through Saturday, September 27 – 29, 2018, 10am – 4pm at the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave. in Springfield. There will be a wide assortment of costume and fine jewelry and watches offered for sale. All battery-operated watches come with brand new batteries.

There will also be a selection of CD's, DVD's, Children's Books, and oversize books for sale.

Donations of vintage and costume jewelry, watches, CD's, DVD's, children's books, adult paperbacks, and current popular magazines (last 3 months) are accepted at the Library Circulation Desk all year long.

The Friends are an independent, tax-exempt organization dedicated to assisting the library. Money raised will go to support programs and added resources for Children and Adults. The Friends welcome new members all year long. Memberships start at \$10. The Friends can be reached via email at friendssfpl66mt@aol.com if you wish to join or have any questions.

TO OFFER A PROGRAM OF MUSIC AND MUSICAL STORIES AT SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY

The Springfield Free Public Library is pleased to present cellist Randy Calistri-Yeh in a solo cello performance of classical, ethnic and big band favorites at 2:00 PM on Sunday, October 14 in the library's Donald Palmer Museum. The program will also include the fascinating stories behind the music to be performed. In addition to performing as a soloist, Calistri-Yeh is the principal

cellist of the Livingston Symphony Orchestra and one half of the Synergismus Duo, along with his wife Millie. He also runs Custom Chamber Music, an online company that produces customized arrangements of classical music for any combination of instruments. When not playing the cello, Calistri-Yeh, who holds a PhD in computer science, can be found working in the field of artificial intelligence personalization systems. More information about Calistri-Yeh can be accessed at www.calistri-yeh.com/randy.html.

SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY TO OFFER COFFEE TASTING PROGRAM ON OCTOBER 7

The Springfield Free Public Library will present a program about coffee, including a small optional tasting, at 2:00 PM on Sunday, October 7 in the library's Palmer Museum. This program will go beyond everyone's basic familiarity with coffee to let attendees know just how much work goes into getting coffee to the consumer, from the time the small red coffee cherry is picked, processed, and then shipped around the globe to become the world's third most consumed beverage. Program attendees will also learn simple ways to improve brewing coffee at home and how to taste coffee like a professional, concluding with a small optional coffee tasting

The program will be presented by Ana Mallozzi, Director of Education at Royal Coffee NY, a specialty green coffee importer located in South Plainfield, NJ. Having worked in the specialty coffee field for the past ten years, Ms. Mallozzi has experience in almost every part of the coffee supply chain and holds industry certifications in coffee roasting, education, and coffee evaluation.

This program is free and open to the general public. Because the number of participants is being limited to fifteen, preregistration is required and preference will be given to Springfield residents. Registration can be done in person at the library or by calling 973 376-4930, ext. 229 for the adult reference desk.

SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION GROUP RESUMES SEPTEMBER 20

The Great Books Discussion Group of the Springfield Free Public Library will resume this fall with the following schedule of Thursday morning meetings:

September 20 – The Bible: The Book of Joel October 18 – Lysistrata, by Aristophanes November 15 – Poetry, by Phyllis Wheatley December 20 – Walden (Chapter 1), by Henry David Thoreau

All meetings run from 10:00 - 11:30, new members are always welcome and previous experience in a book group is not required.

FALL INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL BEGINS AT THE SPRINGFIELD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Fall International Film Festival begins at the Spring-field Free Public Library on Thursday, October 18. The library will screen 13 Minutes (2015) at 1:00 and 6:45 p.m. In November 1939, Georg Elser's attempt to assassinate Adolf Hitler fails, and he is arrested. During his confinement, he recalls the events leading up to his plot and his reasons for deciding to take such drastic action. Directed by Oliver Hirschbiegel. Starring Christian Friedel, Katharina Schuttler and Burghart Klaussner. In German with English subtitles. 114 minutes.

Funding for the film program has been made possible by the NJ State Council on the Arts, Department of State, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts, through a grant administered by the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs. Additional funding is also provided by the Friends of the Springfield Free Public Library.







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The St. James Nature and Hiking Club is planning a walk through Briant Park—on the Springfield-Summit border—on Saturday, September 22, 2018. Walkers will meet at 2 pm outside the entrance to the park—on Briant Parkway—off of Orchard St.—Shunpike Road. Those planning to attend should telephone Bob or Joan Faszczewski at 973-218-0046 by 11 pm on Friday, September 21 or email them at: writersgate48@verizon.net.

SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY PARTNERS WITH AREA HOSPTIALS TO IMPROVE HEALTH LITERACY

The Springfield Free Public Library, as part of the Libraries of Union County Consortium (LUCC), has partnered with the Overlook Medical Center and the Morristown Medical Center libraries in a pilot program to provide resources to help improve health and health literacy in the community. Library card holders will be able to check out Health Literacy Tote Bags packed with information on specific health topics. Tote bags available at the Springfield Free Public Library include information on Alzheimer's Disease, Diabetes, Fall Injury & Prevention, Heart Health, Parkinson's Disease, and Stroke. Additional topics available at other participating libraries include Arthritis, Bereavement/ Grief, Hospice/ Palliative Care, Mental Health, and Opioid & Substance Abuse. Tote bags include books, CDs, DVDs, and links to online resources. There are also complimentary handouts on each topic that patrons may keep. Other participants in this initiative include the Clark, Cranford, Kenilworth, Mountainside, Plainfield, Roselle, Roselle Park, Scotch Plains, Summit, Union and Westfield public libraries as well as the health sciences libraries at Overlook and Morristown Medical Centers. This program is generously supported in part with funding from the Chubb Foundation and Novartis.

"ADOPT" A STAR ON THE SPRINGFIELD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY DONOR WALL

With summer over and kids heading back to school, library supporters are reminded that they can "adopt" a star on the library's donor wall as a way of honoring or memorializing a family members or friend who loves the library. Available in three sizes, stars that are adopted at the \$1,000, \$500 and \$250 levels will be engraved with the name of the person being honored. Donations collected through this project will go toward the purchase and renovation of furniture and other fixtures so that the library can remain a vibrant and inviting place to visit for many years to come.

The initial seed money for the donor wall came from a generous bequest from the estate of Lila Lustig, a longtime resident of Springfield. In addition to honoring those who have passed away, naming a star for a child or grandchild is a great way to help kids get hooked on the joys of reading and to provide them with a lasting connection to their library.

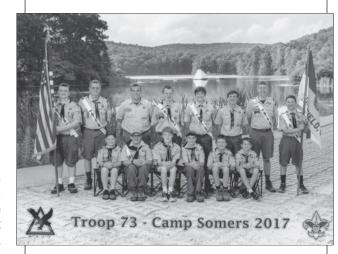
Anyone who would like to find out more about the donor wall project is invited to call Library Director Dale Spindel at 973 376-4930, ext. 227

PATRIOT PROFILES

Organizations and People that make a Difference in Springfield

By John Cottage Sr.

SPRINGFIELD BOY SCOUT TROOP 73 A LONG HISTORY AND STILL GOING STRONG



For decades, Boy Scout Troop 73 has been a fixture in Springfield. With very dedicated scout masters over the years, hundreds of local residents have been members with a remarkable number achieving the highest rank – Eagle Scout.

Today the troop is 23 strong. Five Scouts have achieved Eagle in just the past two years and 4 more are working towards that goal. The troop is open to ages 11 to 18. The local cub scout troop is for ages 5-10. They meet every Monday night (except the first Monday of the month) at the Chisholm Center from 7:30 to 9 PM.

A very active troop, the past few years trips have included a Veterans camping trip at Watchung Reservation, Valley Forge camping and hike, shooting and fishing at Allaumuchy, the Klondike Derby sled race, Whitewater rafting on the Lehigh River, Canoeing at Ten Mile River, Week long camping at Summer camp, New Jersey State Police Camporee, Work weekends at the Girl Scout Camp, Assisting at Cub Scout family camping events, Indoor Climbing, West Point Camporee, and backpacking on Assateague Island.

Each year the scouts have the opportunity to attend summer camp. While there this past summer, troop members worked on almost 50 merit badges. Merit badges are offered to expose the scouts to over 130 different areas of interest. Scouts have used that exposure to find jobs, hobbies, and even save a life.

In an exclusive interview with the Patriot Times, Scoutmaster Richard Locke stated "Unlike many other youth organizations, the troop is very much run by the youth themselves. This aspect of scouting gives the boys real leadership experience and lets them learn from making decisions that don't always go according to plan, which makes them better leaders as they continue to grow."

The easiest way to obtain information for all types of scouting is through the website www.beascout.org. This portal will show nearby Cub and Boy Scout units, as well as Sea Scouts, Venturing, and Exploring units, which have been co-ed for over 30 years.

FREE TEEN DROP-IN

Who: Springfield residents in 6th-12th grades What: Basketball, volleyball, lounge games, TV,

quiet study supervised by Recreation Dept. staff

Where: Chisholm Community Center

hen: Monday-Friday (closed municipal holidays)

2:30-8:00 pm

How: Handbook, registration form, photo ID **Contact:** (973) 912-2227, recreation@springfield-nj.us

www.springfield-nj.us/recreation www.facebook.com/springfieldnjrec

APPLICATIONS TO EXHIBIT ART WORK AT SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY'S PALMER MUSEUM CURRENTLY BEING ACCEPTED

The Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library is currently accepting applications from artists who would like to exhibit their work in the museum during 2019. Applicants are asked to submit a current resume, 10 slides, prints, a CD ROM or computer files representative of the work and a stamped self-addressed envelope that will accommodate the return of submitted samples. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Due to increased use of the museum for library programming, sculpture cannot be exhibited at this time unless the pieces can be hung on the wall or displayed on wall-mounted shelves, with a limited amount of pedestal space also available.

The application form and library policy pertaining to museum exhibits can be found at the library's website, www.springfieldpubliclibrary.com. For more information, please contact Dale Spindel, Library Director, at 973-376-4930, ext. 227 or at dspindel@springfieldpubliclibrary.com.

HONEYBEE AWARENESS DAY AT POOL



The Springfield Community Pool celebrated National Honey Bee Awareness Day on Saturday, August 18, with Springfield resident and local beekeeper P.J. Martin. Pool members and guests enjoyed a beekeeping demonstration and a special bumble bee craft.



ANYONE SEEKING HELP OR ASSISTANCE CALL 973-467-3388

The American Red Cross & Saint James
Parish are sponsoring a Blood Drive on
Saturday, September 22, from 9:00 am
to 2:00 pm, in the school gym,
41 South Springfield Ave. To schedule
an appointment, please call
1-800-REDCROSS, or visit
redcrossblood.org, and enter the
keyword: St. James.





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Fire Chief's Column Chief Carlo Palumbo

CAMPUS FIRE SAFETY

Every year college and university students experience a growing number of fire-related emergencies. There are several causes for these fires; however, most are due to a general lack of knowledge about fire safety and prevention.

In cases where fire fatalities occurred on college campuses, alcohol was often a factor. There is a strong link between alcohol and fire deaths. In more than 50% of adult fire fatalities, victims were under the influence at the time of the fire. Alcohol abuse often impairs judgment and hampers evacuation efforts. Cooking is the leading cause of fire injuries on college campuses, closely followed by careless smoking and arson.

THE CAUSE

Many factors contribute to the problem of dormitory housing fires.

- Improper use of 911 notification systems delays emergency response.
- Student apathy is prevalent. Many are unaware that fire is a risk or threat in the environment.
- Evacuation efforts are hindered since fire alarms are often ignored.
- Building evacuations are delayed due to lack of preparation and preplanning.
- Vandalized and improperly maintained smoke alarms and fire alarm systems inhibit early detection of fires.
- Misuse of cooking appliances, overloaded electrical circuits and extension cords increase the risk of fires.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

- Provide students with a program for fire safety and prevention.
- Teach students how to properly notify the fire department using the 911
- Install smoke alarms in every dormitory room and every level of housing
- Maintain and regularly test smoke alarms and fire alarm systems. Replace smoke alarm batteries every semester.
- Regularly inspect rooms and buildings for fire hazards. Ask your local fire department for assistance.
- Inspect exit doors and windows and make sure they are working properly.
- Create and update detailed floor plans of buildings, and make them available to emergency personnel, resident advisors and students.
- Conduct fire drills and practice escape routes and evacuation plans. Urge students to take each alarm seriously.
- Do not overload electrical outlets and make sure extension cords are used properly.
- Learn to properly use and maintain heating and cooking appliances.

ETERANS CORNER

By Gerry Gebauer

American Legion Post 228 has started the Legion Year. Meetings go from September to June. This is a special year for the American Legion since we are celebrating our 100 the Anniversary. Post 228 has some special events planned. We welcome any qualifying veteran from Springfield and the surrounding towns to come join our Post. We meet the first Thursday of every month. We hold our meeting at Millburn Post 140, located at 200 Main Street, Millburn. For further

information call 973-379-2292. A special event for veterans. On October 6 and 7th there will a Wings & Wheels Expo 2018 "A salute to Veterans" at the Essex County Airport, 165 Passaic Avenue, Fairfield, NJ. Old plans and older cars will be on display, for 'young at heart" veterans. Free admission to veterans wearing American Legion or VFW caps. General admission \$15 while those of a mature age (62+) pay \$10.



REGAL BANK TO SPONSOR ENTERTAINMENT AT SPRINGFIELD PATRIOT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE **FESTIVAL AND CAR SHOW**

Regal Bank will be sponsoring the musical entertainment at this year's Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce Festival and Car Show. The event is scheduled to take place on Sunday, September 30, 2018 from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm in the heart of downtown Springfield.

Performing on stage at the Regal Bank location on Mountain Avenue will be the original Bruce Springsteen tribute band, the B Street Band. The opening act will be the budding pop-rock band The Vaughns.

Springfield Recreation Department Bus Trip

Sands

Casino, Restaurants, Outlet Shopping



Thursday, November 15, 2018

Bus will depart the Chisholm Community Center at 10:00 am Bus will depart the Sands Casino at approximately 4:30 pm

\$30 per person

Payment due by Thursday, November 12, 2018 Seats are limited, and first-come first-served. No refunds.

Make checks payable to: Springfield Recreation Department Chisholm Community Center, 100 South Springfield Avenue Includes: Round-trip coach bus transportation, driver gratuity, chaperone, morning snack, \$20 slot free play (photo ID required), \$5 food coupon. Questions: (973) 912-2227





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