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## Message from the Mayor

Happy July Springfield!

As I write this month's Mayor's message, we have just wrapped up our 4th of July Fireworks celebration at Meisel Field. By the estimates, it was the largest crowd to attend the fireworks in the past 42 years. Sometimes things exceed your expectations, and this was one of those times. The Fireworks display was one of the best in the area.

Thank you to all our volunteers and staff that put all the time and effort into making this happen. Thank you to everyone who stopped by our Township Committee table just to chat or ask some questions. It's open communication and access like this that allows us as a town to continue to thrive.

The Springfield Community Pool is running smoothly and Swim Lessons, Swim Team and Pool Camp are back. There is now a monthly calendar of events that the pool puts out. Visit the pool website for info. The joint venture between Springfield and The Summit Area YMCA is proving to be successful. Also, make your plans for movie night at Chisholm Park. August 26th. Gates open at 7:30. Details are in this issue of the Patriot and also online at our Recreation Department webpage.

We are again working to press the Army Corps of Engineers to help Springfield and our neighbors in Union and Essex Counties, with flooding issues. Deputy Mayor Keiser and myself have attended meetings with members of Congress and representatives from each town and city surrounding us. All the representatives from both counties are on the same page and we are looking forward to getting a solution to these issues.

Please take a look at our Springfield Auxiliary Police Program we have advertised on page 12. We are actively pursuing individuals who are interested in joining this great program, which is an integral part of making sure Springfield remains a premier town to live and raise a family.

Finally, just a reminder. This year we have made attending our Township meetings easier and accessible to all. Our meetings are open to the public. There is now a phone in section in which we will take your phone calls during the public comment section of the meeting. The phone number for the meeting, (973)232-4442, is announced several times throughout the meeting. You can also email questions to the Township Clerk to be read during the public comment section. Combine all that with the meetings now being live streamed on YouTube, The Township of Springfield Webpage and various Facebook pages, and you have another reason for the success Springfield has been achieving.

Peace and Love to All,

Chris Weber, Mayor

## 4TH OF JULY

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In an exclusive interview with the Patriot Times, according to Committee Co-Chairmen Scott Seidel and John Cottage, the forecast was a little unsettled earlier in the week but by the 4th it looked good. Low humidity and temperatures in the mid 70's provided a spectacular evening for the event. Seidel commented "In addition to our trackless train, moonwalk, bounce house, petting zoo and pony rides, we added a stilt walker and roving magician to entertain the crowd." Co-Chairman John Cottage commented "The crowd arrived early and just kept coming—I have never seen the field so packed in the 40 plus years we have been doing this event. There must have been more than 4000 people there!"

Springfield OEM Deputy Coordinator and Springfield EMS Chief Apu Mullick commented to us : "Despite the large crowd no injuries were reported and the biggest issue was a few lost cellphones which were reunited with their owners. Volunteers from the Springfield First Aid Squad were at the field throughout the event to render aid if needed." Springfield Police Sergeant, and OEM Deputy Coordinator Ryan Westover told the Patriot Times: "The Office of Emergency Management, Department of Public Works, Fire Department and Police Department all worked together days in advance of the event to provide a safe and great experience for everyone. Members of the Springfield Office of Emergency Management, Auxiliary Police and CERT Team provided the logistical support to make this event happen."

Children were able to ride the trackless train, see the animals at the petting zoo, ride the ponies and enjoy a giant slide and moon bounce. The 1910 Fruitgum Company started their concert at 8 pm and played until 9:15 when the fireworks show started. Frank Applegate, Deputy OEM Coordinator and the person in charge of logistics, told the Patriot, "I am extremely pleased with how the event turned out. It was a safely organized planned event, which is our primary objective. My thanks to each and every volunteer, all the members of our Auxiliary Police, CERT Team members, and the Springfield First Aid Squad who gave up their holiday to make this a great event for the Township." Seidel thanked the businesses that sponsored the show, our Platinum Sponsor Autoland and the County of Union and the Union County Board of Commissioners who supported the event this year by donating the use of the County Bandwagon (stage) and making a cash donation as well to the Township of Springfield which help to fund the event. At the conclusion of the 1910 Fruitgum's performance, 4th of July Committee Co-chairs Scott Seidel and John Cottage introduced Mayor Chris Weber, Deputy Mayor Alex Keiser and Township Committee members Chris Capodice and Erica Dubois. Just before the fireworks started, Mayor Chris Weber welcomed the crowd and thanked all the sponsors and started the display by giving the signal for the Fireworks Flag to be lit up to the sounds of the Star Spangled Banner. What a spectacular 2021 4th of July Celebration enjoyed by All!

(additional photos on page 8)

## TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES

Please check on the Township's website [springfield-nj.us](http://springfield-nj.us) for the most current information.

### TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting Wednesday, August 18, 2021

### PLANNING BOARD

1st Wednesday, 7:00 pm at the Municipal Building

### BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

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

### BOARD OF HEALTH

2nd Wednesday, 6:30 pm at the Firehouse

### 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

3rd Thursday, 7:00 pm at the Library

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JUNETEENTH

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(l to r) Mayor Chris Weber, Reverend Hobbs, Andrea Blair, and Morghan Blair



(l to r) Anderson Blair, Police Chief John Cook, Emergency Management Coordinator Scott Seidel, and Fire Captain Mike Mastroeni



(l to r) Director of Recreation Adam Lieb, Fire Captains Mike Mastroeni, Marc Corea & Victor Kostin and Firefighter Stephanie Bagniewski



Deputy Mayor Alex Keiser and Township Clerk Linda Donnelly

The inaugural event included a live performance by the Essex & Union County Marching Band led by Darryl Taylor; informational tables by Springfield Unity Project and Elvira Chaush of New York Life Insurance; introductions by Anderson Blair; invocation by Rev. Milton Hobbs of Antioch Baptist Church; greetings and proclamation by Mayor Chris Weber; remarks by Andrea Holley-Blair, co-vice president of Springfield Unity Project; and a poem by Morghan Blair. At the conclusion of the program, a flag commemorating Juneteenth was raised by Mayor Chris Weber, Deputy Mayor Alex Kesier, and Township Committeewoman Erica DuBois. Juneteenth -- which became a new federal holiday last week -- recognizes the emancipation of African American slaves, as well as the two year delay between the Emancipation Proclamation in 1863 and the freeing of slaves in Texas in 1865. Township officials in attendance included Municipal Clerk Linda Donnelly, Police Chief John Cook, Fire Administrative Captain Michael Mastroeni, Fire Captain Marc Corea, Fire Captain Victor Kostin, Emergency Management Coordinator Scott Seidel, and Director of Recreation Adam Lieb.

BATTLE OF SPRINGFIELD

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On the 241st anniversary of the Battle of Springfield, members from DAR, SAR, Boy Scout Troop 73, local historical societies and visitors from as far as Florida, gathered to remember what true patriotism is. Linda Jurczak, a Springfield resident and DAR State Officer, led the ceremony which included an NJSSAR Honor Guard. Police Chief John Cook and scouts raised the new American flag; a wreath was laid at the monument by Chapter Regent Nancy Donhauser and NJSSAR State President Charles Morgan; and the Roll Call of known Revolutionary War soldiers who are buried in Springfield was read by John Kieser, of The Forgotten Victory Trail Committee, LLC and Mrs. Jurczak. An information board inside the cemetery provides visitors with historic facts about the battle, the burials and the patriotic work of the DAR and SAR organizations. All respectful visitors are welcome.

The monument, erected in 1896 by the Sons of the American Revolution, along with the burial ground of some of Springfield's founding families and patriots, has been maintained by the Church and Cannon Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution since 1952. Each year on this date, the DAR commemorates the "Forgotten Victory", and all the Revolutionary War patriots that sacrificed their lives and fortunes to protect our freedom from tyranny.

MAYOR'S DAY A SUCCESS

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Lower Individual Low Net and closest to the Pin on #9 Winner Adam Bonaventura receives his prize.



Upper Individual Low Gross and Closest to the Pin on #15 Winner Ed Walsh (left) with Committee Member Michael Quick

On Tuesday, July 6th, on an extremely hot sunny day with temperatures in the 90's, and heat indexes in the 100's, a group of dedicated golfers participated in the 62nd annual Springfield Mayor's Day golf outing at Baltusrol Golf Club in Springfield. The tournament, started in 1960, raises scholarship money exclusively for Jonathan Dayton High School Seniors. Scott Seidel, Tournament Chairman, commented, "With a summer date and people heading away on long awaited vacations we were not at full capacity but we fielded more golfers than we did in 2020 during COVID. However we were very fortunate and pleased to have been one of the first tournaments to play on the newly renovated and famous "Lower Course". We had a total of 138 golfers between the lower and upper courses. While a very hot day, thunderstorms and lightning held off until play was completed." "To be able to be one of the first groups to play on this newly renovated world famous golf course is a rare privilege and a thrill, and despite the heat, everyone enjoyed the day" commented long time golfer in the tournament and committee member Joel Millman. Committee member Michael Quick said "We were at about 75% of our normal capacity but we still hope

to be able to make a nice donation to the Scholarship Fund in June of 2022. This past June we gave out twenty-two \$1,000 Scholarships." Dr. Gary Hecht, the Fourth Committee member, said, "Even though it's been five years since the 2016 PGA Championship was held at Baltusrol the fact that the PGA will return in 2029 keeps our event very popular." Jennifer Sherman greeted all the players as they arrived and checked them. 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. A cocktail hour was held from 515 pm to 615 pm and then dinner and awards followed at 615 pm. Seidel further commented to the Patriot Times, "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 Bridgewater Chevrolet who unfortunately were able to take their cars back after the Tournament! Each dealer generously placed two cars in the Tournament. BMW of Springfield provided the grand raffle prize, a BMW bicycle and a BMW Golf Bag. NJ Winesellers in Greenbrook provided four wine baskets as prizes. Please check our website later in the year for information on the 2022 Tournament [www.springfieldmayorsday.com](http://www.springfieldmayorsday.com).



Upper Individual Low Net Winner Joe Castelano (right) receives his prize with Committee Member Joel Millman.



Long Time Mayor's Day Supporter Barry Greenberg receives 3rd Place Award for Upper Course Individual Low net.

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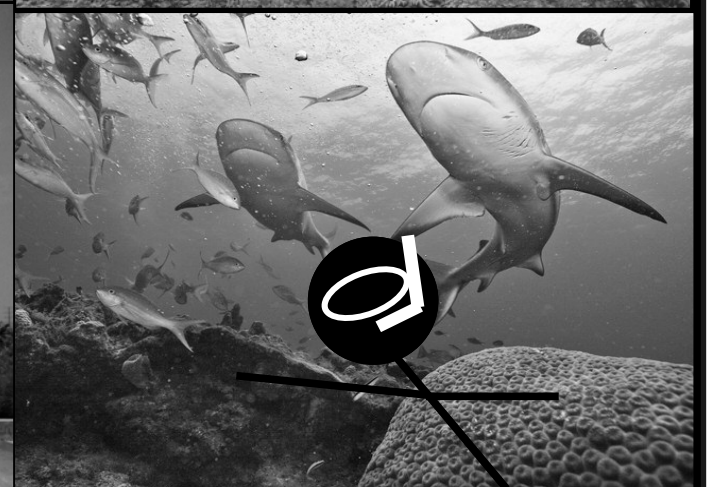
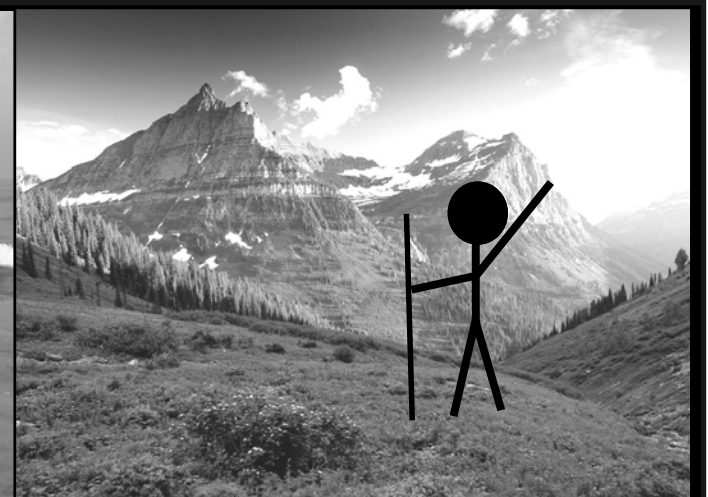
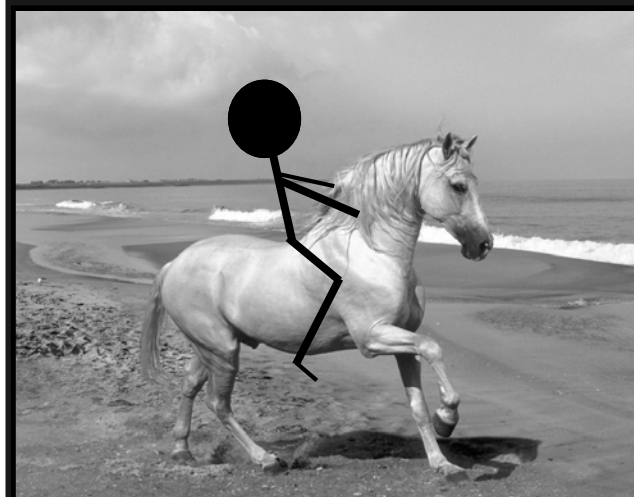
## GRANDPARENT SCAM

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The victim will then be directed not to call anyone else as this has to be taken care of immediately and the caller will direct the victim to get a large amount of cash and then meet with a "courier" who will pick up the money from them at a designated location to then pay the bail with.

Should anyone receive such a call we recommend that you hang up immediately and contact the Springfield Police. Also call your grandchild who is allegedly in trouble and check with them to ensure yourself that they are OK.

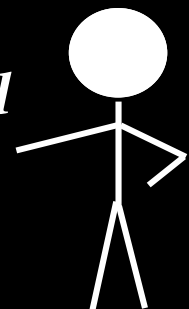
*Painting with your feet was the activity of the morning at a recent outdoor craft at the Springfield Free Public Library. Contact Children's Librarian Ms. Brie at [bmintz@sfplnj.org](mailto:bmintz@sfplnj.org) for more information about all of the fun events scheduled for this summer!*



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(CONTINUED FROM FRONT COVER)



*Springfield First Aid Squad Members (l to r) Timothy Lowe, Jr., Christy Zheng, Sean Flannery, Valon Camaj, Sofia Salefas, Saverio Zipeto*

On Thursday, June 23rd, they had Avellino's Pizza stop by at their building at 415 Morris Avenue in Springfield between 12 and 2 pm and serve pizza from their mobile wood fired pizza oven from their food truck. During the two hours members of all the emergency services that were in Town or own duty that day stopped by for some delicious Pizza and a cold soft drink. Austin Bremner, Community Outreach Liaison from Bradley Funeral Homes, commented to the Patriot Times: "We felt it was really important to honor and say "thank you" in person to our local heroes for keeping us safe each and everyday- especially during the pandemic".



*Springfield Chamber of Commerce Co-Chair Mike Scalera, Ron Mowad, of Bradley, Smith & Smith, Springfield Police Investigator Luis Brito, Austin Bremner & Scott Bradley of Bradley, Smith & Smith, Springfield Police Chief John Cook, Police Captain Jon Rachel, Sergeant James Mirabile, Officer Frank Cunha, Sergeant Ryan Westover, Sergeant Kevin Gilchrist and Patrick Reynolds of Bradley, Smith & Smith*



*Sergeant Kevin Gilchrist, Patrick Reynolds, Springfield Firefighters Mark Russo, Stephanie Bagnewski, Pat Federico, Tim Hydock, Joe Cowper and Austin Bremner*



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## SPRINGFIELD STORM 8U SOFTBALL TEAM PRESENTS TROPHY TO CHISHOLM



Following their win at the Colonia Cyclones Summer Tournament in June, players and coaches of the Springfield Storm 8U softball team elected to house their trophy at the Chisholm Community Center for posterity. On Friday, June 25, Head Coach Dominick Segro (top, left) and players presented the trophy to Director of Recreation Adam Lieb (top, right).



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*Chief Carlo Palumbo*

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Approximately 10% of thunderstorms are considered severe, which means they produce hail at least three quarters of an inch in diameter, have winds of at least 58 miles per hour, or produce a tornado. Lightning often strikes outside of heavy rain and may occur as far as 10 miles from any rainfall. Most lightning deaths and injuries occur when people are caught outdoors in the summer months during the evening or afternoon. The chances of being struck by lightning are about 1 in 600,000.

Before

- Stay informed—listen to a NOAA weather radio to check local forecasts and news reports regularly. Keep a battery-powered or hand-cranked radio along with extra batteries.

- Buy ground fault protectors for key electrical equipment.
- Remove dead or rotting trees and branches that could fall.
- If a thunderstorm is likely in your area, postpone outdoor activities.
- Shutter windows and secure outside doors and objects. Secure outdoor objects that could blow away.

- Unplug appliances and other electrical items, such as computers, and turn off air conditioners. If you are unable to unplug them, turn them off.

During

- Follow the 30-30 rule: When you see lightning, count the seconds until you hear thunder. If that time is 30 seconds or less, the thunderstorm is within 6 miles and is dangerous. Seek shelter immediately. The threat of lightning continues longer than most people think. Wait at least 30 minutes after the last thunder before leaving your shelter.

- If you can hear thunder, you are within striking distance for lightning. Seek safe shelter immediately.

- Stop outdoor activities at the first clap of thunder and get inside a large building or an enclosed vehicle. Wait 30 minutes after the thunder to go back outside.

- When inside, stay off corded phones, computers, and other electronic equipment that put you in direct contact with electricity or plumbing. Cordless phones and cell phones are safe to use. Avoid showering or bathing.

- If you are in open water, go to land and seek shelter immediately.

- If you feel your hair stand on end, indicating that lightning is about to strike, squat low to the ground on the balls of your feet. Place your hands over your ears and your head between your knees. Make yourself the smallest target possible and minimize your contact with the ground. Do not lie flat on the ground.

After

- If a person is struck by lightning, call 9-1-1 and get medical care immediately.
- Lightning strike victims carry no electrical charge; attend to them immediately. Check their breathing, heartbeat, and pulse.

## SENIOR CITIZENS VISIT DOWNTOWN WESTFIELD ON RECREATION BUS TRIP



Springfield senior citizens enjoyed a stroll through Downtown Westfield on Friday, June 25, 2021, for lunch at Vicki's Diner and shopping at Trader Joe's.

The bus trip was chaperoned by Donald Wilkenfeld (top, standing), Recreation Bus Driver, and followed current COVID-19 protocols. For more information, contact the Springfield Recreation Department at recreation@springfield-nj.us or (973) 912-2227.



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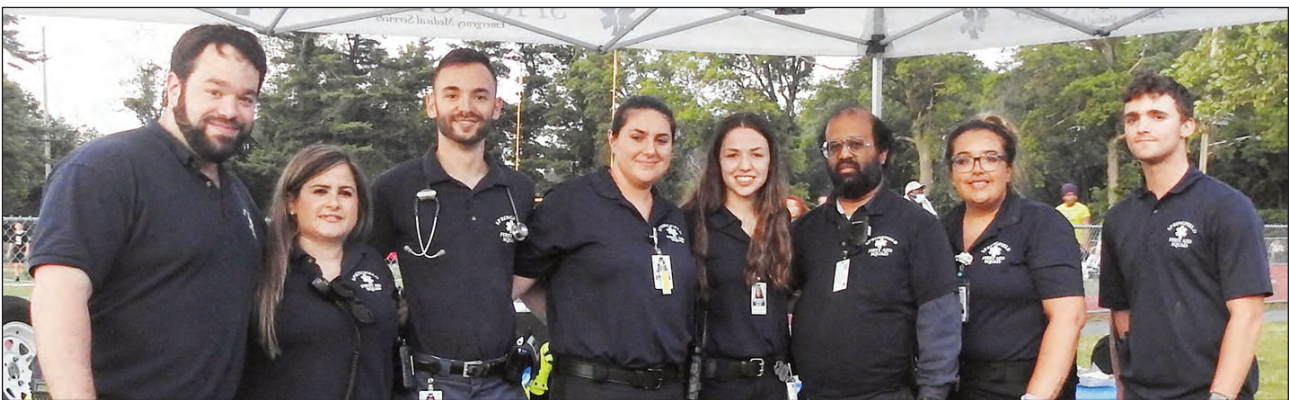
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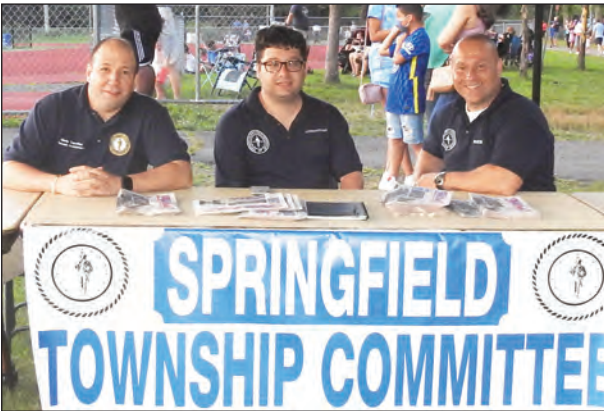
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CERT Volunteers Ken Stele and Craig Abrams



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Township Committeeman Christopher Capodice, Deputy Mayor Alex Keiser, Mayor Chris Weber



★ Springfield Recreation  
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THE LION KING

★ Thursday, August 26, 2021 ★  
(Rain date Friday, August 27, 2021)  
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MAYOR'S DAY

(l to r) Scott Seidel, Joel Millman, Jennifer Sherman, Michael Quick and Dr. Gary Hecht check golfers in.

Grand Prize Raffle Winner Hans Case won the BMW Bicycle.



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July is Park and Recreation Month! Springfield Recreation Department and National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) are celebrating our parks, programs, staff, volunteers, and our stories. July is the perfect time to see what Springfield's parks and recreation have to offer and share your stories about what parks and recreation mean to you!

For more information, visit <http://www.nrpa.org/july> or <http://www.springfield-nj.us/recreation>.

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## HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY!



*Mayor Chris Weber presents Bill Levidow with a resolution Commemorating his 100th Birthday at the July 13, 2021 Township Committee Meeting*

**By Margaret Bandrowski**

The Township of Springfield in conjunction with the Springfield Senior Citizens Club is honoring one of its longtime resident, Bill Levidow, on the occasion of his 100th birthday.

Born on July 10, 1921 on Long Island to a photographer and a music teacher, Bill's family moved to Brooklyn in 1937. During WWII, Bill served in the US Navy's Construction Battalion (Seabees) where he contracted malaria on Guadalcanal and spent the rest of the war on New Caledonia in the South Pacific. In 1943, on a three day leave, he married Beatrice Ezrol of Brooklyn.

Bill earned his BS in Electrical Engineering at CCNY and his MS at Newark College of Engineering. Along the way he was elected to Eta Kappa Nu, the EE honor society.

After working several years for Federal Electric Products designing circuit breakers and motor control equipment he joined the faculty of Newark College of Engineering (now NJIT).

Bill joined Bell Labs in the early 1960's, and became part of a select group of engineers who were seconded to Washington, D.C. to provide technical support to NASA and the Office of Manned Space Flight. Among the projects on which he worked were Skylab (providing alignment with the sun to utilize solar power) and the Apollo mission (on attitude control systems for the lunar lander).

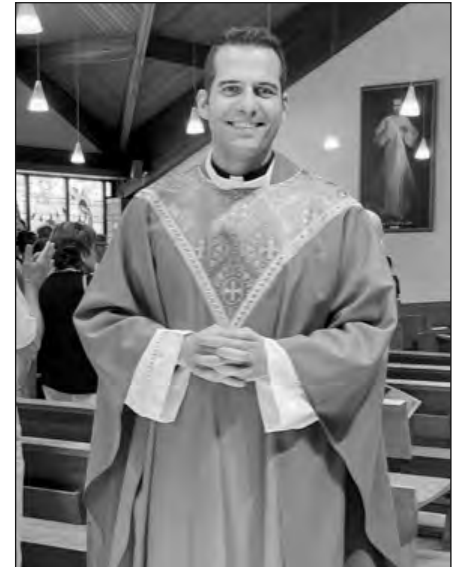
For close to four decades, Bill and Bea taught international folk dancing at several local groups, retiring only recently.

Bill served for several years on the Springfield Environmental Commission including as chair. Among other projects which continue through today, Bill worked to implement water quality testing for local rivers and streams, provided recycling containers for public use, and the annual County-wide Bio Blitz.

Bill also enjoys participating in the Summit Old Guard, taking classes for seniors, and watching the colorful birds which come to the home-made feeder in his yard. Bill and Bea have three children: Les (in London), Roger (Union, NJ) and Nancy (San Francisco).

We are proud and happy to recognize and thank Bill Levidow on his service and his significant contributions to his country and his community on the occasion of his 100th birthday.

## SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE CHURCH WELCOMES FR. DAVID C. SANTOS AS ADMINISTRATOR



*Fr. David C. Santos, the new Administrator at Saint James the Apostle Church*

**Photo courtesy of Saint James Church**

On July 1, 2021, Rev. David C. Santos became the Administrator of Saint James the Apostle Church, Springfield's only Catholic church.

Rev. Santos replaced Rev. Joseph F. Barbone, who retired on June 30, after serving the parish as pastor since January 2016.

A Kearny native born to Portuguese immigrants, Rev. Santos did a combat tour in Iraq prior to formally discerning a call to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Newark. He is a graduate of Seton Hall University and has studied at the Pontifical North American College in Rome. Upon returning to the United States, Rev. Santos was assigned to Saint Bartholomew the Apostle Church in Scotch Plains, where he served as Assistant Pastor for almost 8 years.

"While the priesthood was never a path I considered until my early 20's, I attribute its flourishing to a supportive family and the wonderful example of good priests in my life," said Rev. Santos in his written introduction to the parish.

Fr. Santos will serve the parish as Administrator for one year prior to being named Pastor. During this time, he plans to offer Saint James parishioners opportunities to express their thoughts regarding the vision of the parish.

Saint James the Apostle Church is located at 45 South Springfield Ave. More information about the parish can be found on its Web site: <https://saintjamestheapostle.org/>

## SAINT JAMES PARISHONERS BID THEIR PASTOR FAREWELL



*Rev. Joseph F. Barbone, pastor of Saint James the Apostle Church celebrates his final mass as pastor on June 27, 2021. Photo Credit: Ernie DellaSala.*

The parishioners of Saint James the Apostle Church expressed love and appreciation for their pastor, Rev. Joseph F. Barbone on the occasion of his retirement with a special mass followed by a picnic on the church grounds on Sunday, June 27, 2021.

"Fr. Joe," as he is affectionately known to his parishioners, has served as pastor of Saint James since January 2016. His last day as pastor was June 30, 2021.

"You have enriched my life by your faith, your dedication to the parish and the sharing of your families with me," Fr. Joe told those attending the mass in the packed church.


Rev. Barbone was ordained a Catholic priest by the Archdiocese of Newark on May 27, 1972, and had served as pastor of Catholic parishes in Plainfield and Bayonne before coming to Saint James.

Township Committeeman, Chris Capodice, a long-time parishioner of Saint James, read a proclamation by Springfield Mayor, Chris Weber, that summarized Rev. Barbone's 49 years of ministry. While in Springfield, Rev. Barbone was an active member of the Springfield Clergy Association, and a regular participant at the Township's reorganizational meetings and annual Memorial Day and Veterans Day Observance Ceremonies.

Father Joe led Saint James in community participation with Springfield's Adopt a Spot, an annual veterans appreciation mass and luncheon, and his involvement with the Knights of Columbus and Boy Scout Troup #73.

Rev. Barbone plans to retire in Monmouth County where he will assist local parishes as a weekend associate.

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## Police Chief's Column

*Chief John P. Cook*

With the summer months here, school sessions done, vacations taking place, etc., readers of the Patriot Times are reminded that more and more of us, especially our children, are out and about on bicycles.

I encourage parents to spend a few minutes with their children to explain and emphasize the importance of safe bicycle riding, before letting them pedal away with their friends.

In New Jersey, bicycles are considered vehicles and must follow the same laws as motorists. Bicyclists must ride on the right side of the road with the flow of traffic and obey all traffic signals. Bicyclists should never attempt stunts or tricks, ride with more people on the bike than for what it was designed, "hitch" rides by holding onto moving vehicles, weave in and out of traffic or between cars, ride against the flow of traffic, or ride at night without proper lights and/or reflectors.

NJ law mandates that all cyclists under the age of 17 years (including children strapped in attached child-seats) must wear an approved, properly fitting helmet, but it is recommended for all cyclists to use one to protect themselves. This also applies to persons skating, skateboarding, roller blading, etc.

Wearing a helmet is the single most important safety measure to follow when bicycling, skateboarding, or roller blading, especially for children and young adults. Each year, many cyclists and skaters are injured or killed in crashes – many of which do not even involve other vehicles. Head injuries are the most common reported injury, and are the most

common cause of death resulting from these accidents. They are also the most preventable, since the use of a proper-fitting helmet offers excellent protection against head injuries.

Bicycles should be routinely inspected and maintained to ensure that they are in good working order and should be sized properly for the rider. The tires/wheels, brakes, chain, reflectors, lights, and seat height should be checked before every use to help prevent malfunction. Cyclists should also be alert and wear bright reflective clothing (especially if cycling at night or early morning).

In an effort to keep our children safe, Springfield police officers will be more aggressively enforcing the NJ helmet laws, and will be monitoring bicycle riding activity for other unsafe behavior. Violations can result in the child being warned of the offense, and the parent or guardian of the child being issued a citation.

Preventable injuries, or worse, have been a growing concern in most communities so please speak to your children not only about the importance of wearing a helmet for safety reasons, but the laws requiring them to wear a helmet and operate their bicycles properly.

On another note, parents are also reminded that their children should not be permitted to play on public roads, even on quiet cul-de-sacs or side streets. Public roads are intended for vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian traffic only, and should never be utilized for children's games or other activities.

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### SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY TO LAUNCH THURSDAY GAME NIGHT FOR MAHJONGG, CANASTA, SCRABBLE AND CHESS ENTHUSIASTS

The Springfield Free Public Library is ready to bring mahjongg, canasta, scrabble and chess back into the library on a new schedule. Because the availability of meeting space inside the library continues to be limited, the library plans to offer a combined game night from 6:00 to 7:30 pm on Thursdays during the months of July and August. If there is a large enough response, a second session for games may be scheduled during afternoon hours. Please contact Dale Spindel, Library Director, at [dspindel@sfplnj.org](mailto:dspindel@sfplnj.org) or by calling 973 376-4930, ext. 227 no later than June 30 to let her know which game you are interested in participating in.

### ADULT GAME NIGHTS TO START AT THE SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY

Beginning Thursday, July 8 from 6:00 to 7:30 PM the Springfield Library will host Adult Game Night in the Donald B. Palmer Museum every Thursday evening in July and August. Currently, there is a group that will be playing mahjong. Those interested in canasta, chess, or Scrabble are encouraged to inform Library Director, Dale Spindel at [dspindel@sfplnj.org](mailto:dspindel@sfplnj.org) and she will determine if there is enough interest to add new games.

The library will provide bridge tables and chairs as well as some gaming materials such as a couple of mahjongg sets as well as Scrabble and chess sets. Because not all of the library's games are in perfect condition, it is recommended that participants bring their own games to ensure that they are complete and in good condition. The library will not provide additional items such as mahjongg cards that may be needed to play.

People of all skill levels are invited to attend and participants are asked to respect one another and accommodate all levels of play. It is up to the players to work together to enable everyone to participate regardless of skill level. The library will not be involved in organizing the games or matching skill levels.

Adult Game Night at the Springfield Library is a great way to gather with old friends or make some new ones. For more information or to express interest in joining, please contact Dale Spindel at [dspindel@sfplnj.org](mailto:dspindel@sfplnj.org) or call 973-376-4930.

### SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY RESUMES INDOOR PROGRAMS WITH CELLO CONCERT

Cellist Randy Calistri-Yeh will perform a solo cello recital at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, July 28 at the Springfield Library. The concert entitled "Songs from Stage and Screen" features Randy's special arrangements of music from movies, opera, ballet, and Broadway. The concert will include classical favorites by Bizet and Tchaikovsky, recognizable Broadway blockbusters, a special musical tribute to John Williams, and a "guest appearance" by Liberace. As a special treat, Randy will use a microphone looper to play duets with himself. In addition to sharing his musical talent, Randy promises to entertain with the inside scoop on the selected music with fascinating stories and little-known facts.

"We are so excited to be holding our first indoor event since re-opening after the pandemic shutdown and we couldn't be happier to bring Randy Calistri-Yeh back to Springfield for this special event," stated Library Director, Dale Spindel.

Randy is the principal cellist of the Livingston Symphony Orchestra, plays in several local pit orchestras and chamber groups, and created the Synergismus Duo with his wife Millie. He was previously principal cellist of the Penfield Symphony Orchestra and the Finger Lakes Symphony Orchestra in upstate New York.

Randy also runs Custom Chamber Music, an online company that produces customized arrangements of classical music for any combination of instruments.

Randy has a Ph.D. in computer science and has spent many years in the computer industry building artificial intelligence and personalization systems. He lives in Florham Park, NJ.

For more information about this and other events at the library go to [www.sfplnj.org](http://www.sfplnj.org) or call 973-340- 376-4930. To learn more about Randy Calistri-Yeh go to [www.calistri-yeh.com/randy](http://www.calistri-yeh.com/randy).

## PATRIOT PROFILES

Organizations and People that make a Difference in Springfield

By John Cottage Sr.



### MEET BRENDAN O'REILLY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF RECREATION

Brendan O'Reilly has been Springfield's Assistant Director of Recreation since March of 2019 but his connection to Springfield is life long.

Born and raised in Springfield, Brendan graduated from Jonathan Dayton High School in 2013. He graduated from Lynn University in Boca Raton, Florida in 2017 with a degree in Psychology. While still in college, he got his first taste of Springfield Recreation

serving as the Assistant Manager of the Springfield Community Pool in the summer of 2016. In August of 2017 he became Recreation Assistant where he managed the teen drop in program for grades 6-12. A year later he became Recreation Program Coordinator. In that position he oversees year-round pool work, handles all the hiring of pool staff and coordinates events that take place in the pool clubhouse. In 2018, he became a Certified Pool Operator.

Finally, in 2019 he assumed his current position as Assistant Director of Recreation. In addition to his previous responsibilities, he is in charge of senior citizen programs, has responsibility for all recreation staff and coordinates special Township events throughout the year.

In May of 2021, Brendan was elected a Member-at-Large of the Aquatics Section of the New Jersey Recreation and Park Association. In that position, he advises New Jersey pools on how to staff and how to operate.

In an exclusive interview with the Patriot Times, Brendan said "Working in Springfield has been an amazing experience. I am able to work for the town I grew up in and make a difference in this community. Springfield has been such a huge part of my life, I am glad I'm able to have a huge role in the town and continue to grow with my role in Springfield".

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## SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES - JULY/AUGUST 2021 CALL (973) 912-2227 FOR MORE INFORMATION

Monday, July 26 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm  
 Tuesday, July 27 - Exercise class with Liz @ 10:30 am  
 Wednesday, July 28 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm  
 Thursday, July 29 - Club meeting @ 11:00 am (RSVP)  
 Friday, July 30 - Exercise class with Betsy @ 10:30 am,  
 Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Pickleball @ 1:00 pm  
 Monday, August 2 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm  
 Tuesday, August 3 - "Conversations" discussion group  
 with Lori Barnett, LCSW @ 1:00 pm (RSVP)  
 Wednesday, August 4 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm  
 Thursday, August 5 - Exercise class with Betsy @ 10:30 am  
 Friday, August 6 - Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Pickleball @ 1:00 pm  
 Monday, August 9 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm  
 Tuesday, August 10 - Exercise class with Liz @ 10:30 am  
 Wednesday, August 11 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm ]  
 (sponsored by Arbor Terrace Mountainside)  
 Thursday, August 12 - Exercise class with Betsy @ 10:30 am  
 Friday, August 13 - Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Bus trip to Stage  
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### DOES NOT INCLUDE

Personal protective equipment (face mask), gloves, footwear, awards dinner

### REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Copies of birth certificate and most recent report card

### REFUNDS

100% refund of both fees will be provided until Friday, August 13, 2021. After this date, 75% refund of Jr. Dawgs fees will be provided until Friday, August 27, 2021. In the event of a season interruption or cancellation, every effort will be made to return unspent funds, but this is not guaranteed.

### DEADLINE

Registration deadline is Sunday, July 18, 2021. After this date, subject to team availability.

### COVID-19

We are following preventive measures outlined in our COVID-19 Program Preparation Plan, as required by the New Jersey Department of Health and the New Jersey Suburban Youth Football League.

### VOLUNTEER COACHES NEEDED

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Springfield Jr. Dawgs at [springfieldjrdawgsfootball@gmail.com](mailto:springfieldjrdawgsfootball@gmail.com)

Springfield Recreation Department at [recreation@springfield-nj.us](mailto:recreation@springfield-nj.us) or (973) 912-2227

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## SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB REUNITES AND HOSTS THE DT'S FOR LIVE CONCERT



The Springfield Senior Citizens Club returned to the Chisholm Community Center on Thursday, June 17, 2021, for its first in-person meeting in over a year! The dt's (formerly known as Dave & Tom) performed a live set of original and cover songs. Light refreshments were served. The next in-person meeting on Thursday, July 29, 2021, at 11:00 am, will feature an update from various Township officials, as well as the Springfield Police Department's Rx drop box for unused or expired medications. Club members can RSVP by contacting the Springfield Recreation Department at [recreation@springfield-nj.us](mailto:recreation@springfield-nj.us) or (973) 912-2227.

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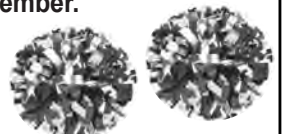
*For more detailed information check on the Township Webpage later this month. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community.*

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## Jr. Dawgs Cheerleading

**FALL 2021 • GRADES 3-8**

- Cheerleading is open to children in Springfield and Millburn schools entering grades 3-8 in Fall 2021.
- 1-2 practices per week. Schedule to be announced.
- Sunday football games in September, October, and November.
- Participants will cheer at home and away games for the Jr. Dawgs football teams.
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