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## QUARRY WALK RETURNS TO ENTHUSIASTIC CROWD



Photos by Frank Applegate & John Plum (article/photos on pages 4 & 10)

## LA BRAISE RESTAURANT GRAND OPENING

Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce Officers cut the ribbon to open Springfield's newest restaurant at 247 Morris Avenue on May 5 (l to r) Chamber Vice President Elliot Merkin, Owners Karen Koblan and Arsene Kablan and daughter Yaeli Kablam, and Mike Scalera, Chamber Co-Chairman



## AUXILIARY POLICE NAME OFFICER OF THE YEAR



(l to r) Emergency Management Deputy Coordinator and Springfield Police Lieutenant Ryan Westover, Emergency Management Deputy Coordinator Frank Applegate, Emergency Management Deputy Coordinator and SEAS Chief Apu Mullick, OEM Coordinator Scott Seidel, Officer for the year for 2021 Lieutenant Howard Apsan, Springfield Police Chief John Cook and Auxiliary Police Chief Angelo Palumbo. - (photo by Jennifer Sherman)

## ROTARY CLUB FOOD TRUCK EVENT A BIG HIT!



(more photos on pages 2 & 8)

## MUNICIPAL CLERKS WEEK



Mayor Alex Keiser presents Springfield Township Clerk Linda Donnelly with a Proclamation for Municipal Clerks Week at a Township Committee meeting in April



## Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce Donates \$2200 to Springfield Historical Society



Chamber Co-Chair Scott Seidel presents check to Springfield Historical Society Vice President John Cook Seidel note the funds were left over from the 225th celebration in 2019. Back in 2019 an initial donation of \$3000 was made. - (photo by Ryan Westover)

## EGG HUNT & KITE FEST ATTRACTS CROWD ON WARM AND BREEZY SPRING AFTERNOON

(article on page 6 - more photos on page 8)



Egg Hunt photo caption: Brendan O'Reilly, Assistant Director of Recreation, with Kite Fest winners.





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Message from the Mayor

Dear Neighbors,

Earlier this year, I highlighted several redevelopment projects that were currently underway or nearing final approval. Today, I am pleased to announce the Blacks Lane & Church Mall Redevelopment project was granted unanimous approval from the Springfield Planning Board at its April 18th meeting.

The Township’s effort to revitalize this area dates back to 2006, when the Township Committee and Planning Board deemed it as an area in need of redevelopment. The project was unable to move forward until 2021, when the current Township Committee and Administration designated Garden Homes as the redeveloper.

When completed, the project will consist of 100 luxury residential units. Fifteen of the units are set aside to meet the Township’s court ordered affordable housing obligation. The single four-story residential building will include 275 parking spaces and several electric vehicle charging stations. It will also include a pool, patio, lawn area and playground for the residents; and a number of streetscape improvements, such as colonial street-lights, benches, decorative sidewalks, bicycle racks and the planting of over 161 new trees.

The project included the sale of the Sarah Bailey building, which was no longer in use and in disrepair, for approximately \$2.5 million dollars. The proceeds from the sale will be utilized to pay down the Township’s debt obligations.

The developer also made a monetary contribution in the amount of \$80,000 to the Board of Education. This money will be used to construct a new playground at James Caldwell Elementary School.

Lastly, as part of the project the developer agreed to remodel the façade of the existing Spring Mill Manor to conform with the newly constructed building.

The advancement of this project demonstrates the Township Committee’s commitment to revitalize our downtown.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please do not hesitate to email me at alexander.keiser@springfield-nj.us. And I also encourage you to follow my Mayor Alex Keiser Facebook page @Keiser4Springfield for updates.

Mayor Alexander R. Keiser

ON THURSDAY MAY 4  
SPRINGFIELD POLICE  
SPONSORED "COFFEE WITH  
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There was no agenda or speeches, just a chance to have a casual conversation with local police officers.

SPRINGFIELD ROTARY  
MEMBERS WITH MAYOR  
ALEX KEISER AT THE FOOD  
TRUCK FESTIVAL



(l to r) Dr. Gary Hecht, Treasurer, Event Chairperson Hope Rosenberg, Mike Scalera, Mayor Alex Keiser and Dr. Seth Hammer

THANK YOU SPRINGFIELDERS:  
CLEAN COMMUNITY DAY A  
HUGE SUCCESS!

(photos on page 8)

Sunday, April 10 was windy and chilly and the parks were wet. But, that did not stop 60 volunteers from collecting all kinds of trash in Smithfield, Laurel and Patriots Park. A bench, two shopping carts and multiple old tires were wrestled from the woods and muddy banks of the three parks targeted this year. Alyson Weber Miller, chair of the Springfield Environmental Commission, was thrilled with the turnout: “Our volunteers were terrific and they collected so much garbage! Thanks to everyone for coming out and helping us clean. And, of course, many thanks to our Department of Public Works for supporting our efforts and for hauling away all the trash!”

The SEC also announced that on Sunday, April 24, it will host the return of a town-wide favorite, the Houdaille Quarry Walk. More information will be coming soon.

The Springfield Environmental Commission works with the Township of Springfield and its citizens to educate and advocate for positive changes to our environment and plays a significant role in municipal master planning, land use ordinance development and site plan reviews. The Commission sponsors several annual events including the Houdaille Quarry Walk, Clean Community Day and an Arbor Day Tree Giveaway. For more information, visit the Springfield Environmental Commission’s Facebook page or the Town of Springfield website, www.springfield-nj-us

TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES

Please check on the Township's website springfield-nj.us for the most current information.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting Tuesdays, May 24 and June 14 (7 pm)  
Workshop Wednesday June 1 (7 pm)

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

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## QUARRY WALK



On the beautiful, sunny Sunday morning of April 24, the Mountview Road gates to the Houdaille Quarry opened at 11:30 AM and within a few minutes the parking area was full. More than 175 locals showed up for the first-in-three-years Quarry Walk sponsored by the Springfield Environmental Commission with security provided by the Springfield Auxiliary Police Department.

Howard Apsan, a longtime Springfield Auxiliary Police officer and professor of environmental science and policy at Columbia University, guided participants through a nearly two-mile walk through the new growth forest that has sprouted since the quarry was closed in the early 1970s. He explained the resilience of nature and pointed out several beautiful ponds as well as leading the hikers through the Union County composting facility which occupies part of the property.

Alyson Weber Miller, chair of the Environmental Commission, welcomed the crowd, thanked everyone for coming out and encouraged everyone to take local actions to improve our environment. Participants also received recyclable shopping bags provided by Union County in anticipation of the NJ ban on single-use plastic bags that is scheduled to begin on May 4.

Ms. Miller noted that COVID had caused the long break in holding the annual narrated walk through the pristine natural area that hides in plain site under Route 78. She said that the Springfield Environmental Commission will now look into the feasibility of hosting an additional Quarry Walk in the autumn.

To learn more about the Springfield Environmental Commission and its all-volunteer Green Team, visit its Facebook page or the Town of Springfield website, [www.Springfield-nj-us](http://www.Springfield-nj-us)



## SPRINGFIELD HILLSIDE ELKS CELEBRATE CINCO DE MAYO

Cinco de Mayo was a huge success and so much fun at the Springfield Hillside Elks Lodge on Thursday, May 5, 2022. It also fell right in the middle of Youth Week and the Elks were happy to welcome their vocational scholarship winner Justin Flack. Justin has finished his program and is working full time in his field of mechanics. The Elks wish him all the luck in his future endeavors.

## ATTENTION DOG OWNERS:

Recycling containers and yard waste containers are not for dog waste disposal. Please bring your dog waste home.

Please do not allow your dog to do their business on people's flowers, plants, shrubs and private lawn.

## CONGREGATION ISRAEL OF SPRINGFIELD CELEBRATES 47TH ANNUAL DINNER



*Top Row: Ben Hoffer, Akiva Horowitz, Joshua Smilow, Harry Czinn, Les Mandel, Rabbi Chaim Marcus - Bottom Row: Chana Horowitz, Ariella Konigsberg, Clara Harelik Mevorah*

On Wednesday, March 30, over 230 people attended the Congregation Israel of Springfield (CIS) 47th annual dinner at the Crystal Plaza to recognize six distinguished community leaders. Harry Czinn was the recipient of the Rabbi Israel E. Turner Memorial Award in recognition of his role in establishing the High Holiday Aliyah Auction, co-chairing the High Holiday Seating Committee, and for delivering meals to Holocaust survivors. Clara Harelik Mevorah was the recipient of the Aishet Chayil Award in recognition of her long-standing commitment to CIS and the time and legal expertise she has given to support the synagogue, as well as her commitment to the larger Springfield community, having served as Springfield Mayor three times and on numerous boards and committees at the local and county levels. Les Mandel was the recipient of the Edward-Konigsberg Memorial Award in recognition of his daily attendance at the minyan and his weekly management of the Yad Leah donation program. Chana and Akiva Horowitz were the recipients of the Young Leadership Award in recognition of Chana co-chairing the youth department and being one of the founders of the annual CIS Yom Chesed event and for Akiva serving as a Gabbai. Ariella Konigsberg was the recipient of the Joseph Tammam Memorial Youth Community Service Scholarship Award in recognition of her service as a senior youth group leader. For more information about CIS, visit <https://congregationisrael.org/>.

## ARBOR DAY



*Ken Peters, Dan Marinos, DPW, Linda Donnelly, Township Clerk, Margaret Chu, Alexa DeVito, Springfield Green Team*



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## Police Chief's Column for readers of the Patriot Times

*Chief John P. Cook*

Since May is Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month, I would like to take this opportunity to share some motorcycle traffic safety tips, along with some general roadway safety information with Springfield's Patriot Times readers.

Many of the reported motorcycle crashes involve at least one other vehicle whose driver allegedly did not see the motorcycle within an intersection. Considering this, drivers are urged to operate their vehicles with extra care during the summer months, and I offer the following information to motorists to help prevent motorcycle crashes:

- Be extra observant for motorcycles on the road. Motorcycles are not as visible as cars or trucks, and can sometimes be hidden by traffic. Check your mirrors carefully before turning, changing lanes, and merging. Do not use hand-held electronic devices while driving!

- Watch out when making left turns. Many crashes between cars and motorcycles occur when a vehicle is turning left at an intersection. If you are preparing to cross traffic or turn left, take a second look for motorcycles.

- Do not tailgate motorcycles. Leave plenty of space if you are following a motorcycle. Motorcycles require less stopping distance and are more maneuverable than cars.

- Watch out for road hazards. While potholes, debris, or other road defects may not have any effect on your car, motorcycles must avoid these.

- "Share the Road." Treat motorcyclists with the same respect and courtesy you afford to other motorists.

Motorcyclists must also do their part to stay safe on the roads. Fatality rates involving speeding and alcohol use are much higher for motorcyclists than for all other types of motor vehicle operators. We urge all motorcyclists to wear proper DOT-compliant helmets, operate their motorcycles safely and legally, and be extra observant in busy areas.

With nicer weather upon us, people will be heading back outdoors to enjoy the season. Readers of the Springfield Patriot Times will notice an increase in vehicle, motorcycle, and pedestrian traffic, as well as increased enforcement of motor vehicle violations by Springfield police officers.

As a reminder, motorists must come to a complete stop and remain stopped when a pedestrian is crossing in a marked crosswalk. This includes motorists who are making turns while pedestrians are crossing. Marked crosswalks are designated with painted lines and/or stripes, and have yellow warning signs posted as motorists approach. Marked crosswalks can be within intersections controlled with traffic signals, uncontrolled intersections, or mid-block. Crosswalks can also be unmarked, which include all intersections of streets normally considered to represent crosswalks but are not physically painted or striped. At these intersections with unmarked crosswalks, motorists must yield to the right-of-way of pedestrians and allow them to cross, but pedestrians must first wait for an adequate break in traffic that will allow them to cross safely before leaving the curb.

*(continued on page 15)*

## AUXILIARY POLICE HOLD AWARDS DINNER



*Deputy Mayor Chris Weber addresses the Auxiliary Police and CERT Team at their Awards Dinner.*



*Chief Cook recognizes Auxiliary Officer Plum for his actions in reporting a road rage incident.*

In late March, after a 2021 cancellation for COVID, the Springfield Auxiliary Police held their annual awards dinner at Baltusrol Golf Club. Emergency Management Coordinator Scott Seidel welcomed the members of the Auxiliary Police and the OEM CERT Team, as well as their guests and township officials in attendance. Deputy Mayor Chris Weber addressed the gathering and thanked the volunteers for their efforts especially during the past two years of dealing with COVID. Springfield Police Chief John Cook commented on the unit's work and thanked the members for their dedication.

After dinner, Seidel started the awards ceremony. He noted: "In 2020 and 2021, the unit worked 867 and 1033 hours respectively, which probably converts to over \$120,000 in services to the township. These hours do not include the many hours of training, planning and meetings that the members are required to attend as well.

These past two years have presented unique challenges for us. For many months in early 2020, we were not performing patrol duty at all. With the onset of COVID 19, rules that we had to deal with one day were changed the next, yet we adapted and kept serving the community and moving forward. In the past two years we also saw the first "double" Declaration of a Local Emergency, we were under one for COVID then IDA came to visit. This marked the first time the Township had two declarations of an emergency at the same



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time." He went on to note: "The past two years have been difficult and that every member is a credit to the Springfield Office of Emergency Management."

The Harold Liebeskind Auxiliary Officer of the year award was then presented. Deputy Coordinator Apu Mullick commented to the Patriot Times "We didn't award one for 2020 and for 2020 each member and officer is being acknowledged for their service to the community during 2020. Mullick further commented: This award is presented to an officer who stands out among his peers in his performance and is not necessarily given for the officer with the most amount of hours worked. "Scott Seidel then presented The Chief Harold Liebeskind Auxiliary Officer of the Year award to Auxiliary Lieutenant and unit treasurer Howard Apsan. Apsan thanked the unit and all the members noting how he enjoyed working with everyone and serving the community.

Seidel asked Chief Cook to comment on an incident that occurred the prior fall involving one of their officers. Cook acknowledged Auxiliary Officer John Plum for his actions in reporting a road rage incident to the State Police where he was the victim. "While traveling during his day, Auxiliary Officer John Plum had observed a vehicle with out of state plates driving extremely erratically, at times nearly colliding with Plum's vehicle. At a point during these events, which were on a major highway with a large volume of traffic, the traffic had come to a stop in which the vehicle was now in front of Plum's vehicle. The driver exited with a handgun and took a shooting stance aiming the weapon at Plum. Plum had reacted as his training had taught him to. The driver then got back into his vehicle and left. Plum continued to follow the vehicle especially now knowing the threat that this person posed to the public and kept the State Police updated with live time information as to where the vehicle was located and making sure that they knew that this driver was armed and dangerous, until the NJSP caught up to the vehicle and had initially stopped it before it then took off again resulting in a lengthy pursuit by the NJSP, which was headline news that evening, culminating in the arrest of the driver and the recovery of a loaded handgun." Cook noted Plum's training allowed him to bring what could have been a much more violent confrontation to a peaceful conclusion.

Deputy Coordinators Frank Applegate & Ryan Westover thanked everyone for their assistance during 2020 & 2021 especially with the constantly changing COVID rules and guideline

Seidel further thanked his Deputies, Apu Mullick, Frank Applegate, Ryan Westover and administrative assistant Jennifer Sherman for their hard work, time and effort in keeping OEM properly equipped and supplied.



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### **PEDIATRIC HEALTH FAIR BRING YOUR KIDS OUT FOR A FUN - FREE - FAMILY EVENT**

On Saturday, June 4th, 2022, the Cadet Corps of the Springfield First Aid Squad will be hosting a "Pediatric Health Fair" from 9am-1pm at the SFAS Squad House at 10 North Trivett Ave (directly across from Town Hall). This special family event will be hosted entirely by the young cadet volunteers of the First Aid Squad and is FREE to all who attend.

For those unfamiliar with Springfield's cadet program, the corps is made up of 16 and 17 year old high school students, who are, or training to be, Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs). As part of their annual community outreach project, this group of young adults has organized this year's event with the intent of helping families with young children in the neighborhood. In past years, the cadet's community outreach project has taken many different forms, including blood drives, senior citizen health checks, ambulance tours, and more.

The fair on June 4th will feature booths such as a bike helmet fitting station (remember to bring your child and their bike helmet!), a child car seat station inspection (drive right up with your infant or child in their car seat and have their seat inspected for proper fit), as well as activities such as a "fun zone", ambulance tours for kids and many more things for the kids and parents to do. This event is sure to be a hit!

And of course, the First Aid Squad is always looking for volunteers! If you're interested in asking questions about membership call 973-908-8EMS or come to this "Kids Health & Safety Event", and any squad member would love to help you understand what it's like to be a volunteer. Be sure to stop by for an informative and good time for the whole family. (Adults do not need to be accompanied by a child to attend.)



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Fire Chief's Column

*Chief Carlo Palumbo*

### **MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS**

May is Mental Health Awareness Month and the Springfield Fire Department will be supporting this nation-wide campaign. The Springfield Fire Department together with Members of the FMBA Local 57 have re-designed their traditional blue on-duty T-shirts with a green ribbon and the words "Mental Health Awareness" written across the back. For the month of May, the Firefighters will be wearing these shirts in support of Mental Health Awareness as part of their on-duty station uniform.

Springfield Fire Department is committed to breaking down the stigma surrounding mental illnesses as well as showing others that they are not alone. We want to raise awareness as well as the importance of good mental health for everyone.

The last two years presented many challenges not only for First Responders, but for everyone across the Country. Early recognition can help to reduce the risk factors as well as understanding what treatments are available.

Research shows that ignoring symptoms could potentially be a loss of ten years in which intervention could improve an individual's mental health. Speaking out and sharing the challenges of mental illness can encourage others to recognize symptoms early and empower individuals to be agents in their own recovery. Building support from friends and family can reduce the stigma and discrimination associated with mental illness as it is crucial to recovery.

Identifying Mental Health early together with intervention and integrated services works and can help save lives.

For more information on May is Mental Health Month and resources to help anyone who is struggling, please visit <https://www.mhanational.org/mental-health-month>.

### **EGG HUNT & KITE FEST**

*(continued from front page)*

On Saturday, April 16, 2022, Springfield Recreation Department's Egg Hunt & Kite Fest attracted one of the largest crowds in at least a decade on a day marked by warm temperatures and light wind. Following two years off due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the popular spring event at Chisholm Park featured the return of kite flying and egg hunts for toddlers through teenagers. Prizes were awarded to children for finding the winning ticket eggs, bringing the most creative kites, and flying the highest kites, and were presented by Mayor Alex Kesier; Township Committeeman Richard Huber; Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce Co-Chairman Mike Scalera, who served as master of ceremonies; Director of Recreation Adam Lieb; and Assistant Director of Recreation Brendan O'Reilly. The gift cards were donated by event co-sponsors Mike Scalera State Farm, TD Pizza, Cardinal Land Properties, and Century 21 Norma Altman Realtors, to local establishments TD Pizza, Barnes & Noble, Dunkin' Donuts, Spanish Tavern, Cioffi's, Sofia's, and Super Stuffed Burgers. Following the egg hunt, the Easter Bunny made an appearance and posed for pictures with families throughout the afternoon. In addition, a photo ring by Summit Soundz roamed the event taking pictures and instantly texting them to cell phones for posting on social media. Summit Soundz also provided the DJ music and dancing. Party Maniacs of Springfield was a returning favorite at the event with make-your-own sand art necklaces. TD Pizza partnered with the event for a second time, this year selling a variety of flavor ices to a line that stretched across the park. New in 2022 was a giant inflatable corn maze by Amazing Amusements that proved fun and challenging to hundreds of children. On hand at the event keeping the crowds safe were Office of Emergency Management (OEM) Coordinator Scott Seidel and Deputy Coordinators Ryan Westover and Frank Applegate, as well as Springfield First Aid Squad Chief and OEM Deputy Coordinator Apu Mullick, plus their crews. The Egg Hunt & Kite Fest received logistical support from the Recreation Department, Department of Public Works, Springfield Auxiliary Police, Springfield First Aid Squad, and several youth and adult volunteers.



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FIRST RESPONDER APPRECIATION DAY AT BRADLEY SMITH AND SMITH



LAST RESPONDERS HONOR FIRST RESPONDERS

Once again Bradley, Smith and Smith Funeral Home wanted to say thank you to Springfield's First Responders for all that they do for the community, both now and during the COVID emergency. On Tuesday May 10 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 on duty that day stopped by for some delicious Pizza and a cold soft drink. Austin Bremner, Community Outreach Liaison & Online Memorial Specialist for Bradley, Smith and Smith is on the left in each photo.



Springfield Fire and Police



Springfield EMS



Springfield Police and OEM

CLEAN COMMUNITY DAY



ROTARY CLUB FOOD TRUCK EVENT A BIG HIT! (continued on page 15)



(l to r) NJSP Trooper and Union County OEM Liaison Stephen Tansey, Mayor Alex Keiser, NJSP Sergeant Minh Ngo, Union County OEM Deputy Coordinator Sheldon Green and Springfield OEM Coordinator Scott Seidel



(l to r) Springfield First Aid Squad Chief Apu Mullick, Jessica Miller, Jonathan Mlawski, Taylor Gollin, Annamaria George and Megan Klein



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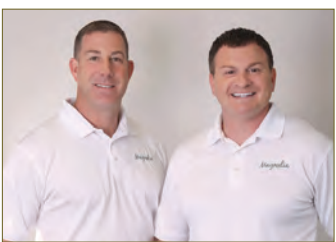
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### SPRINGFIELD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY LOOKING TO HIRE

The Springfield Free Public Library is looking to hire part time library assistants to work at both the circulation desk and in the technical processing department. The schedule for these positions is 16 hours per week, including one evening per week plus a rotating schedule that includes one Saturday every three weeks. Availability to work some Sunday hours, beginning this fall, is also a plus. Requirements for the position include having a high school diploma or equivalent, enjoying working with the public, being comfortable working with computers and being physically able to shelve books. The starting salary is \$13.00 per hour, with the rate of pay increasing to \$14.00 per hour on January 1, 2023, in accordance with New Jersey's minimum wage requirement. The position also offers paid vacation time and paid sick time in compliance with NJ state statutes. If you are interested in applying for one of these positions, please email your resume and cover letter to Library Director Dale Spindel at [dspindel@sfplnj.org](mailto:dspindel@sfplnj.org) no later than Thursday, May 19.

### VIRTUAL CHAIR YOGA FOR MAY AND JUNE

The Springfield Free Public Library will continue to offer its very popular chair yoga sessions during the months of May and June. These 45 minute sessions will be offered via Zoom on the following Fridays at 12:30 PM: May 6th and 20th; June 3rd and 17th.

All classes will be taught by our popular yoga instructor, Tamara Tsoutsouris. Participation is free and all are welcome. The library's chair yoga classes are made possible by a very generous donation from the Friends of the Springfield Free Public Library.

Please email Adult Services Librarian Ian Allcock ([iallcock@sfplnj.org](mailto:iallcock@sfplnj.org)) who will provide the link and password that the instructor will use. Emails requesting the Zoom link will be answered up to 23 hours prior to each Friday 12:30 PM session.

### SPRINGFIELD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY JOINS LIBRARIES STATEWIDE IN TELEHEALTH PROGRAM

The ongoing pandemic has put a spotlight on inequities in the healthcare system, especially among the most marginalized members of the community. Those who suffer most are new immigrants, the elderly, and people from lower incomes who lack access to medical care, technology, and health information that is necessary to make informed choices about their health.

They are confronted with barriers to health equity, such as the ability to find health information in a language or reading level that they can understand in order to ask their medical provider the right questions. Other barriers, such as the high cost of medical insurance or the need to work irregular shift hours, exclude some people from seeing a doctor during normal office hours. Springfield Free Public Library is playing a role in levelling the playing field through NJHealthConnect@Your Library so that everyone has an equal chance to live their healthiest life possible.

NJHealthConnect@Your Library addresses health inequities in the community by providing iPads that are pre-loaded with apps and links to telemedicine sites for doctor appointments, multilingual health information, low literacy health resources, places for mental health support for adults and teens, the latest COVID updates, and crisis hotlines in New Jersey.

To reserve an iPad, contact the library by phone at (973) 376-4930 x228 or online at [questions@sfplnj.org](mailto:questions@sfplnj.org). The New Jersey State Library, an affiliate of Thomas Edison State University, is administering this program. The project is supported by American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

### GUSTAV KLIMT AND VIENNA'S GOLDEN AGE

Join us via zoom at 7:00 PM on Monday, May 23, when art historian Janet Mandel makes a return virtual visit to the Springfield Free Public Library for the presentation, "Gustav Klimt and Vienna's Golden Age." This program is free and open to all members of the general public and preregistration is not required. The zoom link to access this program is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86884899365?pwd=MTVseDYxb2RvNVJiaGxXVjRzZ2Nkdz09> Gustav Klimt dominated cultural life in Vienna at the turn of the Twentieth Century and was the bridge between the Symbolism of fin-de-siècle Europe and the wave of Modernism that captured the imagination of the Continent. This talk will tell the story of his remarkable life, while examining his ebullient landscapes, sensual drawings, and ravishing portraits.

Janet Mandel taught in New Jersey's public schools for 32 years, the last eighteen of which were at Columbia High School in Maplewood, where she taught English, art history, and World Languages and Cultures. Now retired, Ms. Mandel presents illustrated talks on a variety of art history topics at adult schools, libraries, museums, senior centers, community centers, and similar venues. More information about Janet Mandel can be found on her website for ArtTalks at <https://jcmandel.wixsite.com/arttalks/bio>

For more information, please contact Library Director Dale Spindel at [dspindel@sfplnj.org](mailto:dspindel@sfplnj.org)

### IN-PERSON CHAIR YOGA RETURNS TO SPRINGFIELD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY!

Starting this June, Springfield Free Public Library will resume in-person Chair Yoga. Each class offers the benefits of traditional yoga with guided relaxation, breath work, seated stretching/poses and standing stretching/poses. These will be taught by our popular yoga instructor, Tamara Tsoutsouris in the Donald B. Palmer Museum. Sessions meet at 12:30 PM on the following dates:

June 3, June 10 July 1, July 15, July 29 Patrons who would like to attend remotely, may do so (via Zoom) at the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87020614558?pwd=SjV2M2l4ZkpVMFJJJeE4zY2ZCNVRaZz09>

This program is made possible by an extremely generous donation from the Friends of the Springfield Free Public Library. Participation is free, all are welcome.

### ARTWORK BY DAVID CIAMPICHINI ON DISPLAY IN THE DONALD B. PALMER MUSEUM DURING THE MONTHS OF MAY AND JUNE

The Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library will host an exhibit of artwork by Garwood resident David Ciampichini during the months of May and June. Featuring large scale portraiture with elements of collage, the exhibit includes likenesses of Joan of Arc, Anne Frank, Princess Diana, and other historical and cultural icons.

Mr. Ciampichini has years of experience in retail marketing, including mannequin and shop window design and has worked for retailers such as Saks Fifth Avenue and Lord & Taylor. His work has been exhibited extensively in New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania as well as internationally.

Members of the public will have the opportunity to meet Mr. Ciampichini at an artist's schedule which will be held in the Palmer Museum from 6:00 to 7:30 PM on Wednesday, June 15. For more information about this and other exhibits in the Palmer Museum, please contact Dale Spindel, Library Director, at [dspindel@sfplnj.org](mailto:dspindel@sfplnj.org)

### A PRESENTATION ABOUT THE TRIANGLE SHIRTWAIST COMPANY FIRE

We invite you to join us in person in the library's Palmer Museum at 7:00 PM on Thursday, May 26 when Springfield resident Abbie Gorin shares his presentation about the disastrous fire at the Triangle Shirtwaist Company that took the lives of 146 textile workers on March 25, 1911.

New York experienced its worst industrial disaster when 146 textile workers lost their lives in a fire at the Triangle Shirtwaist Company at Washington Place near Washington Square. There are many aspects to the Triangle Fire which remain relevant today. Chief among these was the commitment of the New York Legislature to address safety concerns wherever workers undertook their tasks in close proximity to each other, and where potentially explosive substances are part of the end product they manufacture. Among the lessons will still hold important today are that places of manufacturer have sufficient safety exits, that fire control systems such as sprinklers be installed in industrial buildings, and that regular fire drills be held for workers in any workplace.

Among the curious aspects about the Fire was that were it not for the change of styles as shown by contemporary fashion shows in Paris the previous February, the Triangle factory probably would not have been open in March and the fire would likely not have occurred. Also of note was that it was actually a "safety" feature which acted as a tinder box for the excess cotton and linen paper that gave the Fire its explosive impact. Additionally, besides the lives of the needle trade workers that were lost, the fire had a profound impact over New York politicians Al Smith and Robert Wagner, who while part of the Tammany machine joined the I.L.G.W.U. in its fight for worker safety. Also, Francis Perkins, a New York City reformer was to go on to become the first woman member of a president's cabinet for Franklin Roosevelt. Little known Tammany lawyer Max Steuer successfully defended the Triangle Shirtwaist owners in their criminal trial and help them avoid bearing legal responsibility for what happened.

Abbie Gorin is a Springfield resident who has spent most of his work life in the trade union movement and currently handles union grievances for the Civil Service Bar Association in New York City, representing many New York City attorneys.

For more information about this program, please contact Library Director Dale Spindel at [dspindel@sfplnj.org](mailto:dspindel@sfplnj.org)

### COME AND LISTEN TO A STORY ON THE LIBRARY'S NEW TONIE BOX!

The library's new Tonie Box is a kid-friendly, screen-free listening device that plays stories and songs for kids ages 3 and up. While the library's Tonie Box is not available to be checked out of the library, it is something that can be enjoyed during your next visit to the children's room.

Please contact Brie Mintz, Children's Librarian, at [bmintz@sfplnj.org](mailto:bmintz@sfplnj.org) if you have any questions.

### QUARRY WALK





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### WEEKLY CLASSES • JULY - AUGUST 2022

**SUMMER CLASSES**  
**THURSDAYS, 7/7 • 8/11**  
 Tennis Squirts: 4:00-4:50 pm (Ages 3-5)  
 Foundation Tennis: 5:00-5:50 pm (Ages 5-8)  
 Foundation Tennis: 6:00-6:50 pm (Ages 8-11)  
 Foundation Tennis: 7:00-7:50 pm (Ages 11-14)

**SUMMER CAMP**  
**MONDAY - FRIDAY, 8/29 • 9/2**  
 Tennis Camp: 9:00-12:00 pm (Ages 5-14)

REGISTRATION FEE  
**\$170**

**AGES 3-14**  
**All Abilities Levels**  
 Visit our website for more program information.

**PROGRAM INCLUDES:**

- Professional Coaches
- Dri-Fit T-Shirt for every player
- Age appropriate equipment
- Skills & drills plus fun games

**LIMITED SPACE**

**REGISTRATION**  
 Online or by phone. Register soon as these classes typically sell out!

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### FREE SENIOR CITIZEN BUS SERVICE

Call the Springfield Recreation Department at (973) 912-2227 at least one day prior to your transportation request. This service is unavailable on municipal holidays and days of certain senior citizen bus trips.

Bus runs Monday - Friday from 9:00 am-3:00 pm.

The bus is equipped with a passenger lift for wheelchairs. Other riders should be able to board and depart the bus independently or with their aide.

## Empowering Kids through Magic Camp

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- **Dates:** Mon- Fri June 20-24, 2022.
- **Time:** 1pm-4pm
- **Location:** Chisholm Community Center
- **Fee:** \$190 - (Includes magic kit that's yours to keep - \$50 value)

We are offering children enrolled in half-day Chisholm Playground Camp a supervised lunch at 12:30 p.m. (Campers provide their own lunch)

**Spaces sell out quickly. Register now to guarantee your space:**  
[AcademyofAmazement.com/Springfield](https://AcademyofAmazement.com/Springfield)

## LACROSSE AND SOFTBALL CLINICS OPEN SPRING SEASON



Lacrosse clinics for Pre-K through 1st graders, co-sponsored by the Lacrosse Club of Springfield, and softball clinics for Pre-K and Kindergarteners, co-sponsored by Springfield Girls Softball Inc., took over Chisholm Park to start their spring seasons. For more information on youth sports programs, contact Joani Lico, Recreation Program Coordinator, at [joani.lico@springfield-nj.us](mailto:joani.lico@springfield-nj.us) or (973) 912-2227.

## Play Golf at Baltusrol !!!

**TUESDAY**  
**SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>**  
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Springfield Mayor's Day at Baltusrol  
 Golf Committee, Inc.  
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[scottseidel@gmail.com](mailto:scottseidel@gmail.com)



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## SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES MAY / JUNE 2022

**CALL (973) 912-2227 FOR MORE INFORMATION**

Monday, May 16 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Bingo @ 11:45 am  
 Tuesday, May 17 - Computer lab with Linda @ 10:00 am,  
 Exercise class with Liz @ 11:00 am, Mahjong @ 12:00 pm  
 Wednesday, May 18 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm,  
 Bingo @ 11:45 am, Bus trip to PNC Bank Arts Center  
 @ 12:00 pm (RSVP and pay \$15)  
 Thursday, May 19 - Exercise class with Betsy @ 11:00 am,  
 bus trip to Jimmy Buff's @ 12:00 pm (RSVP)  
 Friday, May 20 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm,  
 Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Poker @ 12:00 pm, Dominoes @ 1:00 pm  
 Monday, May 23 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Bingo @ 11:45 am  
 Tuesday, May 24 - Mahjong @ 12:00 pm  
 Wednesday, May 25 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm,  
 bus trip to Turtle Back Zoo @ 10:00 am (RSVP)  
 Thursday, May 26 - Springfield Senior Citizens Club meeting  
 and luncheon @ 12:00 pm (RSVP)  
 Friday, May 27 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm,  
 Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Poker @ 12:00 pm, Dominoes @ 1:00 pm  
 Monday, May 30 - Chisholm closed in observance of Memorial Day  
 Tuesday, May 31 - Exercise class with Liz @ 11:00 am,  
 Mahjong @ noon  
 Wednesday, June 1 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm,  
 Bingo @ 11:45 am  
 Thursday, June 2 - Exercise class with Betsy @ 11:00 am  
 Friday, June 3 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm,  
 Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Poker @ 12:00 pm, Dominoes @ 1:00 pm  
 Monday, June 6 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Bingo @ 11:45 am  
 Tuesday, June 7 - Primary Election @ 6:00 am-8:00 pm  
 Wednesday, June 8 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm,  
 Bingo @ 11:45 am (sponsored by Arbor Terrace Mountainside)  
 Friday, June 10 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm,  
 Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Poker @ 12:00 pm, Dominoes @ 1:00 pm

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## SPRINGFIELD RECREATION - SUMMER 2022 MULTI SPORTS CAMP

**AUGUST  
15 - 19**

**9 AM - 12 PM**

REGISTRATION FEE

**\$179**

Participants will enjoy 8 different sports throughout the week learning new skills and taking part in fun challenges. This camp is outdoor only with no indoor location available. NJ Department of Health, CDC & local covid guidelines will be followed. For more information on how the program will operate please visit [USsportsInstitute.com](http://USsportsInstitute.com)

### CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:

- Professional Coaches
- Low group ratios
- Age appropriate equipment
- Skills & drills plus fun games

**AGES 5 - 11  
ALL ABILITY  
LEVELS**

Visit  
[USsportsInstitute.com](http://USsportsInstitute.com)  
for full camp and  
class descriptions

**LIMITED  
SPACE**

### REGISTRATION

Online or by phone. Register soon  
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## SPRINGFIELD RECREATION SUMMER 2022 SOCCER CAMP

**AUG 22 - 26  
9 AM - 12 PM**

REGISTRATION FEE

**\$179**

This camp will focus on ball skills, turns and moves. All participants will have a great time learning new techniques while participating in lots of fun challenges. This camp is outdoor only with no indoor location available. CDC & NJ Department of Health guidelines will be followed. For more information on how the program will operate please visit [USsportsInstitute.com](http://USsportsInstitute.com)

### PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- Professional Coaches
- Low group ratios
- Age appropriate equipment
- Skills & drills plus fun games

**BOYS &  
GIRLS**

All Abilities:  
5 to 11  
years olds

**LIMITED  
SPACE**

### REGISTRATION

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{Ages 8-10 6:30 - 7:45 pm}

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## PICKLEBALL LESSONS AT CHISHOLM



U.S. Sports Institute stopped by the Chisholm Community Center on Monday, April 25, to introduce the game of pickleball to beginner players ages 55+! The Springfield Recreation Department offers indoor pickleball up to three times per week, and occasional lessons. For more information, contact Ilene Wilkenfeld, Recreation Program Coordinator, at [ilene.wilkenfeld@springfield-nj.us](mailto:ilene.wilkenfeld@springfield-nj.us) or (973) 912-2227.

## SPRINGFIELD RECREATION - Summer 2022

# SOCCER SQUIRTS

CLASSES HELD OUTDOORS AT DENHAM PARK

**6 WEEK SESSION**

**SATURDAY'S**

Registration Fee  
**\$130**

**SATURDAYS - Summer • July 9 - August 13 (6 weeks).**

Soccer Squirts: Ages 3-4 - 8:30am - 9:20am

Parent & Me Squirts: Ages 2-3 - 9:30am - 10:20am

Soccer Squirts: Ages 4-5 - 10:30am - 11:20am

Senior Soccer Squirts: Ages 5-6 - 11:30am - 12:20pm

All programs adhere to Covid-19 state & CDC guidelines

**PROGRAM INCLUDES:**

- Professional Coaches
- Low group ratios
- Age appropriate equipment
- Skills & drills plus fun games

**BOYS & GIRLS**

All Abilities:  
2 to 6  
years olds

**LIMITED SPACE**

**REGISTRATION**

Online or by phone. Register soon as these classes typically sell out!

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## SENIOR CITIZENS VISIT WIND CREEK CASINO



Wind Creek Casino (formerly Sands Casino) in Bethlehem, PA, was the destination for Springfield's senior citizens on Thursday, April 21. The busload enjoyed slot machines and table games, lunch, and outlet shopping. The trip was chaperoned by Ilene Wilkenfeld, Recreation Program Coordinator, and Donald Wilkenfeld, Recreation Bus Driver.

## SPRINGFIELD RECREATION - Summer 2022

# MULTI SPORTS CLASSES

HELD OUTDOORS AT DENHAM PARK

JULY 5 - AUGUST 9 • TUESDAY - 6 SESSIONS

Participants will play Soccer, Lacrosse, T-ball and more throughout the program. A fun and exciting way to introduce your child to sports. Sessions will be 50 mins and follow State CDC and local covid guidelines.

**CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Professional Coaches
- Low group ratios
- Age appropriate equipment
- Skills & drills plus fun games

**AGES 3 - 6 ALL ABILITY LEVELS**

Visit [USsportsInstitute.com](http://USsportsInstitute.com) for full camp and class descriptions

**REGISTRATION FEE**

**\$130**

**LIMITED SPACE**

**REGISTRATION**

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## YOUTH FOOTBALL FALL 2022

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and  
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## Social Code For Kids

Children's Parties & More!

[www.socialcodeforkids.com](http://www.socialcodeforkids.com)

## SUMMER ENRICHMENT CAMP

Ages 5-10

### HEALTHY EATING/MANNERS

Children will learn healthy eating habits and make kid-friendly healthy snacks weekly.

They will also learn:

**Let's Meet**

- Eye contact
- Learning to share and what not to share (aka germs)
- Party and play date manners
- Life skills: learning to help around the house
- Magic words: saying please, thank you, you're welcome, etc.

**Let's Eat**

- Mealtime/table manners
- Setting the table and cleaning up
- How to hold a fork correctly
- How to sit and behave at the table
- How to set a table and help clean up

Play Games, Make projects, Make fun healthy snacks, Build Confidence, Have FUN!

**Dates:** August 8th-12th **Time:** 12:30-3:00

**Location:** Chisholm Community Center 100 S. Springfield Ave. **Springfield, NJ** **Fee:** \$250 Classes will close at 12 students.

Register now to guarantee your space,  
**To register:** Contact Sherri Fishman –  
Social Code For Kids at: [sherri@socialcodeforkids.com](mailto:sherri@socialcodeforkids.com)  
For details on Birthday Parties and Scouting Workshops go to: [www.socialcodeforkids.com](http://www.socialcodeforkids.com)  
Co-hosted by: **SPRINGFIELD RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

## Bus Trip to Resorts Casino

Thursday, June 30, 2022

**\$45 per person**

**Payment due by Thursday, June 23, 2022**

Seats are limited, and first-come first-served. No refunds.

Bus will depart the Chisholm Community Center at 8:00 am

Bus will depart Resorts Casino at approximately 6:00 pm

Register online with a credit card at: <https://register.communitypass.net/springfield>

Or make checks payable to: Springfield Recreation Department

Return form and check to: Chisholm Community Center, 100 South Springfield Avenue

Includes: Round-trip coach bus transportation, driver gratuity, chaperone, morning snack, \$18 slot play (photo ID required)

Questions: (973) 912-2227 or [ilene.wilkenfeld@springfield-nj.us](mailto:ilene.wilkenfeld@springfield-nj.us)

**Bus Trip to Resorts Casino Thursday, June 30, 2022 (one form per person)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Need bus to/from Chisholm? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Emergency contact name and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check payable to Springfield Recreation Department for \$ \_\_\_\_\_



# SPRINGFIELD RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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## Kiddies Kaleidoscope

"Shaping young minds, teaching with heart."

### 2022 Summer Camps

"Making Memories" HALF DAY or FULL DAY for Rising Grades K-6

Keep the learning going throughout the summer while having fun with some of our most popular programs! *NEW classes weekly. Children take home daily projects!*

**S.T.E.A.M. BASED CLASSES**

- ~ SCIENCE EXPLORATION
- ~ ROBOTICS
- ~ ENGINEERING
- ~ KIDDIES KRAFTING
- ~ MOSAIC STORY TELLING and ART
- ~ KIDDIES AROUND THE WORLD
- ~ MUSIC
- ~ OUTSIDE PLAY

Children will have a blast learning through hands-on activities featuring experiments, curated books and art while exploring lessons involving: Science, Engineering, Robotics, Math, Reading, Geography & Art.

**Chisholm Community Center**  
100 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield NJ 07081

<b>Half-Day Weeks</b>		
July 11th - 15th	1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	\$175 per week
July 18th - 22nd	1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	\$175 per week
<b>Full Day Weeks</b>		
August 15th - 19th	9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	\$255 per week
August 22nd - 26th	9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	\$255 per week
August 29th - September 2nd	9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	\$255 per week

*We are offering children enrolled in the half-day Chisholm Playground Camp a supervised lunch at 12:30 p.m. (Campers provide their own lunch) — children will then be escorted to the Kiddies Kaleidoscope afternoon mini-camp courtesy of Kiddies Kaleidoscope!!*

For registration please visit: [www.KiddiesKaleidoscope.com](http://www.KiddiesKaleidoscope.com)

We help children grow into creators.

## SUMMER 2022 STEM CAMP

**built by me**  
STEM LEARNING

**LEGO® Robotics and Coding - Amazing Engineers Camp**  
Incoming grades 2 - 4  
July 25 - 29, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

*We are offering children enrolled in the half-day Chisholm Playground Camp a supervised lunch at 12:30 p.m. (Campers provide their own lunch)*

This fun and interactive camp focuses on coding and robotics as it introduces children to the engineering design process using LEGO® Spike Essential Education Robotics Construction Sets. The young engineers will work in teams of 2 on guided projects as they define problems, brainstorm solutions, and test and refine their LEGO prototypes to improve their ideas. This camp will help develop their problem-solving and team-building skills as they find solutions to meet the needs of others. Children will gain confidence and understanding as they build and explore their construction projects.

Cost: \$295 per Camper  
Max 8 Campers

Location: Chisholm Community Ctr., 100 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield  
Register online at: [builtbyme.com/summerspringfieldnj](https://builtbyme.com/summerspringfieldnj)

## POLICE CHIEF ARTICLE

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Pedestrians are reminded to cross only where legally permitted. At intersections with traffic signals, pedestrians must follow the signal, and cross only when the "WALK" symbol is displayed. If an intersection is not equipped with pedestrian signals, pedestrians should cross with the green light. At uncontrolled intersections or at mid-block crosswalks, pedestrians must remember to cross only when there is an appropriate gap in traffic. Pedestrians should never suddenly leave the curb and begin crossing into the path of a vehicle that is so close it would be impossible for the driver to stop or yield. Pedestrians should always be alert and wear bright reflective clothing (especially if walking at night or early morning).

Cyclists must remember that they have the same rights and responsibilities as motor vehicle drivers. Cyclists should always ride on the right side of the road, obey all signs and traffic signals, and ride with the flow of traffic. Cyclists should always be alert, wear bright reflective clothing (especially if cycling at night or early morning), and properly maintain their bicycles in good working order – including reflectors and lights. NJ law mandates that all riders 17 years and younger (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.

Parents are 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.

Let's work together to keep Springfield's roads safe for everyone this summer.

## FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL

On May 1st the Rotary Club of Springfield held its second annual Food Truck Festival. The weather cooperated and there were over 2500 attendees. With 19 food trucks there was something for everyone to enjoy. There was also a Tricky Tray with prizes and a 50/50 for those feeling lucky. The live music was provided by The Mike Lawlor Band did an amazing job entertaining people while they ate or enjoyed a beer or sangria at the beer garden. Jonathan Dayton High Scholl volunteers were a tremendous help. Thanks to Springfield recreation Dept for allowing rotary to utilize the pool parking lot.

A great time was had by all and the Rotary Club looks forward to next year's event.



## ELKS PROCLAMATION

At the last Township Committee meeting in April. The Committee read a Proclamation stating that the Elks proclaimed May 1- 7 as Youth Week. Barbara Brennan, Past District Deputy accepted the Proclamation on behalf of the Springfield Hillside Elks Lodge #2004 from Mayor Alexander Keiser.

Geri Ann Kazimar, Exalted Ruler, stated the Springfield Hillside Elks Lodge will be a force in both the Springfield and Hillside communities starting with handing out hot dogs at the Memorial Day Parade.



## PIZZA WITH THE POLICE

**TUESDAY, JUNE 14**

**5:00 PM - 7:00 PM**

**TD PIZZA NJ**  
222 MOUNTAIN AVE

JOIN THE SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT AND YOUR NEIGHBORS FOR AN EVENING OF CONVERSATION AND FREE PIZZA\*

\*Pizza per person, while supplies last



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