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## SPRINGFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT HIRES 2 PROBATIONARY FIREFIGHTERS AND PROMOTES A FIRE CAPTAIN



*(l to r) Fire Chief Carlo Palumbo, Probationary Firefighters Robert Scaniello and Justin French, Mayor Alexander Keiser and Captain Mark Russo*

At the March 22 meeting of the Township Committee, the Springfield Fire Department hired two new Probationary Firefighters and promoted Mark Russo to Fire Captain.

## SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY REOPENS!



*(l to r) Elliot Merkin, Chamber Vice President, Library staff members Brie Mintz, Janice Smith, Dolores DiLeo, Jenna Weiss, Ian Allcock, Antoinette Boettcher, Library Board President Tricia Golden, Library Director Dale Spindel; Library staff members Mara Friedman, Alice Chunn, Bonnie Lafazan, Helen Speros, Karen Gallini, Lori Wuest; and Mike Scalera, Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce Co-Chair*

After being closed for over six months since sustaining damage during Tropical Storm Ida, the Springfield Free Public Library has re-opened its doors on March 14th!

## SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT ACHIEVES SECOND RE-ACCREDITATION



*(l to r) Springfield Police Chief John Cook and Captain Jon Rachel Display the Accreditation Certificate*



*Accreditation Officer  
Lieutenant Ryan Westover*

## HALO ROASTERS TO HOST ART EXHIBIT

*(see story on page 6)*



*Josh, Avi and Noa Zylbershlag*

## TEMPLE BETH AHM YISRAEL ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF RABBI ADRIENNE RUBIN AS NEW RABBI

*(see story on page 10)*



## ARBOR TERRACE SPONSORS DONUTS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AT CHISHOLM

*(see story on page 13)*



*(l-r) Adam Lieb, Director of Recreation; Joan Aranzullo; Ilene Wilkenfeld, Recreation Program Coordinator.*





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Message from the Mayor

Dear Neighbors,  
As April 22nd is Earth Day, I felt that the focus of this month’s letter should address the existential threat climate change presents to our way of life and the role each of us must play in mitigating its dangers.

The effects of climate change are no longer abstract. Every day we witness the ramifications this crisis causes. Hurricanes, wildfires, floods, heat waves and droughts continue to intensify, and their devastation wreak havoc across our nation.

Last year, Tropical Storm Ida ravaged our state. It left thousands without power, cost millions of dollars in damage and claimed the lives of 30 New Jerseyans. This storm was not an isolated event but an instance of a new normal. According to the White House Office of Management and Budget, by the end of the century climate change will likely cost the U.S. federal budget around \$2 trillion dollars each year.

To combat this threat requires our national, state and local leaders to take action. However, each of us also has a part to play in this fight. This challenge brings to mind the old adage, “think globally, act locally.” Each of us must do our part to protect our planet.

Taking small steps such as reducing food waste, eating less red meat and adopting a plant-rich diet, conserving energy, and using less single-use plastic are examples of ways we can all make a difference.

Lastly, you can volunteer with the Springfield Green Team!

The Green Team is comprised of dedicated volunteers that work closely with the Springfield Environmental Commission, Department of Public Works and the Township Committee to implement environmentally sustainable practices. If any resident is interested in joining, please email Betzy Blondet (Chair of the Springfield Green Team) and Alyson Miller (Chair of Springfield Environmental Commission) at environmental.commission@springfield-nj.us.

Together, we can help make Springfield a cleaner, greener and healthier place to live.

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

SECOND RE-ACCREDITATION

(continued from front page)

At the Township Committee meeting on March 22, 2022, Chief Cook read the following correspondence from Mr. Harry J. Delgado who is the Accreditation Program Director for the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police.

Having achieved their second re-accreditation, the Springfield Police Department for nearly a decade, has made a commitment to adhering to best practices at the state and national level in a highly regarded voluntary statewide law enforcement accreditation program. This long-term commitment to state accreditation places the Springfield Police Department in an exclusive group of law enforcement agencies of less than 8% in New Jersey. This program, administered through the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police and the New Jersey Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission has helped to transparently demonstrate the professionalism and preparedness of the State's law enforcement agencies. The New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police Law Enforcement Accreditation Program is purposefully designed to enhance the professionalism and transparency in the State's public safety system.

During these uniquely challenging times, and the threat to our health and safety, encouraging law enforcement agencies to follow standardized practices and policies is a potentially lifesaving, and cost-effective investment of time and resources.

Accreditation gives an agency a preparedness plan and verification of excellence.

Accreditation status represents a significant professional achievement.

The Springfield Police Department’s goal is to work in partnership with the community and the other entities within the Township. They have successfully established a Junior Police Academy to help teach the youth of the town about law enforcement and promote teamwork.

More recently, they have partnered with the Springfield Unity Project to help build a stronger bond between the Department and the community by co-hosting a meet and greet event.

With the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Police Department has worked diligently with the Office of Emergency Management, First Aid Squad, Fire Department, and Public Works to establish healthy and safe guidelines while responding to calls of service.

They ensured all Officers were outfitted with proper PPE while at work and designed a new schedule to limit possible exposure to the virus.

Under its administration, the high level of competence, leadership and professionalism is evident within the agency. Officers are forward thinking and engaged in self-improvement.

It is the opinion of the assessment team that the Springfield Police Department is a highly professional and committed agency which exemplifies all the tenets of Law Enforcement Accreditation at the state and national levels.

Harry J. Delgado, Ed.S.

TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES

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

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting Tuesday, April 26 (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

3rd Thursday, 7:00 pm at the Library

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## What's Happening

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## SPRINGFIELD POLICE HOST SECURITY DISCUSSION FOR LOCAL HOUSES OF WORSHIP



(l to r) Standing in front, Union County Prosecutor William Daniel, Springfield Police Chief John Cook and Union County Police Captain Martin Mogensen

On Wednesday evening March 23rd, Springfield Police Chief John Cook hosted an in person seminar for the clergy in Town. All of the Houses of Worship were invited and there were over a dozen representatives present. The seminar which lasted about two hours was presented by Captain Martin Mogensen of the Union County Police Department. The presentation included videos, power point displays and commentary from Captain Mogensen. Also in attendance to meet the local clergy was Union County Prosecutor William Daniel. Daniel commented that it was his goal to get out into the community to meet the people. Topics covered involved incidents surrounding attacks in houses of worships, how to watch for suspicious behavior, what steps to take in the event of an attack or shooting and what type of response to expect from the various police agencies that will be involved. At the end questions were fielded by Cook, Daniel & Mogensen. Also in attendance were Springfield Police Captain Jon Rachel, First Aid Squad Chief and OEM Deputy Coordinator Apu Mullick and OEM Coordinator Scott Seidel.

# BLOOD DRIVE

**Friday, May 13, 2022**  
**1:00-7:00 pm**

*Sponsored by the Springfield First Aid Squad*  
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## – PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT – **ALCOHOL AWARENESS** **ALCOHOL AFFECTS** **THE BODY**

**Drinking too much on a single occasion or over time can take a serious toll on your health.**

## GIRL SCOUT LEADERS NEEDED FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

Do you have a daughter interested in Girl Scouts? Are you interested in developing leadership in young women? Do you have some free time on your hands and like to have fun? If the answer to any or all of these questions is yes then please consider volunteering to be a Girl Scout Leader in Springfield. "Every year girls are looking for troops however we never have enough leaders," says Christy Barone the Service Unit manager. Most troops meet 1 to 2 times a month and often use Chisholm as a meeting place. As a leader, you can make the most significant difference in a girl's life because you can work with them throughout their school career. "I work full time and have 3 children however I have been a leader for years. I feel such pride in the girls who have been in my troop as I watch them grow up, I know I am a better person for working with them," says one long-time leader. If you are interested, please contact Christy Barone at [thebarones@verizon.net](mailto:thebarones@verizon.net) for more information.

## SPRINGFIELD SENIOR CITIZENS RECEIVE FREE COVID-19 TESTS



(l-r): Dora Vaynberg; Sandra Tasch, Springfield Senior Citizens Club Co-President; Ilene Wilkenfeld, Recreation Program Coordinator; and Eileen Jackson.

Thanks to a donation by the County of Union, the Springfield Office of Emergency Management (OEM) was able to distribute free COVID-19 tests to residents to help combat the spread of the virus. On Monday, March 21, senior citizens who gathered at the Chisholm Community Center received free boxes of test kits.

# Are You Ready?

New Jersey's "Bag Ban" starts May 4.

# Plan Ahead For The Big Change

Bring reusable bags to the store when shopping.

**Start now and be prepared!**

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## RECYCLE TIP OF THE MONTH FROM FAITH BRANCATO

What to do with those old video tapes, CDs, cassettes, 8-Tracks etc? Well besides playing them on your 8-Track Player! You do have to pay for a can which is priced by weight but people can share a can which would reduce the cost.

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## Police Chief's Column

*for readers of the Patriot Times*

*Chief John P. Cook*

The police department often receives questions about what should be done with unwanted firearms/ammunition. Whether inherited from a deceased family member or friend, discovered in a newly purchased property, or just no longer wanted, unwanted firearms and ammunition can't simply be thrown away like other household items. The only safe and legal way to dispose of them is through a complete documented destruction of the weapons. This is not something the general public is able to do on their own.

If you discover a firearm while moving into a new property, it is best to contact the police department right away if you are unfamiliar with handling firearms. You should not attempt to check if the weapon is loaded, or try to unload it. Definitely DO NOT attempt to pull the trigger to check if the firearm is loaded. Also DO NOT bring the firearm to the police department if you are unsure if it is loaded – only unloaded weapons can be legally transported in NJ. After calling the police department, a police officer will respond to your home and will assist you with making sure the weapon is put into a safe state. If the firearm is legal and compliant for the state of NJ, you may opt to sell it or keep it by first turning it over to a NJ licensed firearms dealer. If you choose to keep it, you must then obtain the proper permits. Otherwise, you can turn it into the police department for voluntary destruction.

If a firearm is inherited, NJ law allows the heir to legally keep the firearm without having a firearm purchaser identification card and/or a handgun purchase permit. However, the firearm must be legal to possess in NJ and the person receiving the firearm must qualify to acquire and possess the firearm. If they are not qualified, the weapon must be turned into the police department within 180 days.

All unwanted firearms and ammunition must be disposed of properly. The easiest way to safely and legally dispose of them is by turning them over to the police department. The police department will properly document the relinquishment of the weapons and will submit them for destruction. Many communities host gun turn-in events to ensure unwanted firearms and ammunition don't end up in the wrong hands. On Saturday, April 23rd, Springfield Police Department is partnering with Union County in hosting a local firearm turn-in event. All Union County residents are invited to turn in unwanted firearms and ammunition between the hours of 8 AM and 4 PM at the Calvary Assembly Church, 242 Shunpike Rd., in Springfield.

In addition, unwanted prescription drugs are also being collected at this event. Secure disposal of prescription medicines is very important to ensure that controlled substances are destroyed properly. While the police department is a participant of Project Medicine Drop and has a secure prescription drop box available 24/7 for the community, this upcoming event will make it even easier for our community members to dispose of their unused and unwanted prescriptions.

For more information about this upcoming gun, ammunition, and medicine turn-in event on April 23rd, please call (908) 654-9816 or visit [ucnj.org/amnesty](http://ucnj.org/amnesty).



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Fire Chief's Column

*Chief Carlo Palumbo*

## AUTISM AWARENESS

April 2 is World Autism Awareness Day, and April is National Autism Awareness Month! Springfield Firefighters are supporting Autism Awareness Month, a global initiative held every April to raise awareness, knowledge and understanding of the issues affecting those with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

The Springfield Firefighters have modified their On-Duty T-shirts with the Autism Speaks logo. The National Autism Society designed the puzzle piece logo because it looked nothing like other organizational symbols. They describe the puzzle piece as appropriate because the children suffer from a "puzzling condition" that isolates them from society.

Through this initiative, the Firefighters are hoping the public will ask them about their shirts and learn more about Autism. As first responders, the Springfield Fire Department completed the Autism Awareness and Interaction Training Program offered by Prevent-Educate.org. This training improved their understanding and sensitivity towards those with Autism Spectrum Disorder and how to better interact during emergency situations.

To learn more about autism, please visit <http://www.autismspeaks.org/>.

Springfield Fire Department is increasing autism acceptance in our communities! SFD is promoting peer acceptance, sibling support, safety, and more. Join us!

This year, our goals are to:

- Educate youth about their autistic peers.
- Empower the autism community with informational resources.
- Support adults in the autism community through OAR's Hire Autism Initiative.
- Raise money for new research and resources.

None of this is possible without people like you leading the way. Here are some suggestions on how you can get involved before, during, and after Autism Awareness/Acceptance Month!

## ART EXHIBIT

(continued from front page)

Josh Zylbershlag, a local artist, will be featured this month at Halo Roasters Artist Space. The exhibition will run from April 2- May 6, 2022. Josh Zylbershlag: JZ Stills Photography, the first survey of Josh's work, opened at Halo Roasters Artist Space on April 2, 2022 and will continue through May 6, 2022. Josh is a Springfield resident whose photographs focus on natural landscapes, urban sights, and wildlife. Josh's work tells stories through images. Whether it's a bird flying off to ballet or an unlikely juxtaposition of city and golf course, Josh's photographs spark the imagination. Halo Roasters Artist Space will premiere with Zylbershlag's works. The Artist Space is a place for artists to gain public exposure and allow neighborhood artists and enthusiasts to share ideas and interests. The purpose is to provide a common ground for artists to connect with community. Halo Roasters is located at 228 Mountain Ave., Springfield, NJ 07081. [www.haloroasters.com](http://www.haloroasters.com)



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## SPRINGFIELD QUARRY WALK SET TO RETURN SUNDAY, APRIL 24

The Springfield Environmental Commission has announced that after a two and a half year hiatus (because of COVID), the much-loved and popular Houdaille Quarry Walk will return on Sunday, April 24. Alyson Weber Miller, chair of the SEC, noted that "There is no public access to the Quarry, with the exception of this event. Participants will get to visit a completely natural, unspoiled area that is home to turkeys, raccoons, deer, foxes, coyotes and birds. At the bottom on the Quarry there is a pond and a tunnel under Route 78."

The Houdaille Quarry was originally a vast lava flow from an ancient volcano. In more recent times, it was a site used for mining gravel and rocks used for road building. The Union County leaf composting facility is now located on part of the site and it is also the home of the Union County Model Airplane Club which builds and flies model airplanes.

The annual Quarry Walk is a guided 90-minute tour of the area. Appropriate clothing, including long sleeves, long pants and sturdy walking shoes, is necessary. This is a vigorous walk that is not for young children or anyone who is physically challenged. No strollers or dogs are permitted. The walk leaves promptly at Noon (late comers will not be accommodated) so plan to arrive at the Quarry early - it is located on Mountview Road off Shunpike in Springfield. Gates will open at 11:45 AM for onsite parking and registration. In case of inclement weather, the rain date will be May 1.

For more information, visit the Springfield Environmental Commission's and the Green Team's Facebook pages or the Town of Springfield Website: [www.springfield-nj.us](http://www.springfield-nj.us)

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.

(see flyer on page 8)



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## MARCHERS NEEDED!

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**Show Your Patriotism!**

**Create & Decorate a Float!**

**Parents and Children!**

**Decorate & Ride Your Bike in the  
Springfield Memorial Day Parade!**

- Jonathan Dayton Marching Band will be marching!
- Springfield Hillside Elks Lodge will hand out hot dogs and drinks at the end of the parade!
- Monday May 30th 10:00 am sharp

*All ages are invited to decorate their bikes, wagons, baby carriages and cars with a patriotic theme and join the parade! Marchers can walk behind their school, teams or business banner! Parents must accompany their children.*

*All riders must wear a helmet. There is no form to fill out or fee to pay.*

*Just come ride your bike on Memorial Day!*

**Any questions, please text Geri Ann Kazimar with  
your name and question to 908-370-2318.**



*We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children.*

-Native American Proverb

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### APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS AND FLOODING!

Spring is here and so is the potential for flood season! Floods are probably one of the most common natural disasters we may face here in Springfield. Floods can occur when water overflows onto land due to large amounts of rain in a very short period of time or snow, coastal storms, or water system failures. Overflowing water can cause outages, disrupt transportation, damage buildings, and create landslides with little to no warning. Because of this, it is essential to be aware of how to remain safe during flood season.

FEMA has many ways people can start preparing themselves and their homes for when spring arrives. First, know your risks. FEMA's Flood Map Service Center is a continually updated public source for flood hazard information produced in support of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) (<https://www.fema.gov/flood-insurance>) that can provide you with a better understanding of your flood risk. The Emergency Alert System (EAS) (<https://www.fema.gov/emergency-managers/practitioners/integrated-public-alert-warning-system/public/emergency-alert-system>) and National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio (<https://vlab.noaa.gov/web/dis/noaa-weather-radio>) also provides flood alerts. And don't forget to sign up for Union County First Alert (<https://member.everbridge.net/index/892807736726316#/signup>).

Create a flood evacuation plan for your household, taking into consideration the specific needs of your loved ones, such as medical needs, dietary needs, and languages spoken. The following are some questions to discuss with your family to start your emergency plan:

1. How will I receive emergency alerts and warnings?
2. What is my shelter plan?
3. What is my evacuation route?
4. What is my family/household communication plan?
5. Do I need to update my emergency preparedness kit?
6. Check with the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and update your emergency plans due to Coronavirus.
7. Get masks (for everyone over 2 years old), disinfectants, and check my sheltering plan.

In case of an emergency, keep important documents in a waterproof container and create password-protected digital copies. Move valuables to higher levels. Clean drains and gutters, install check valves, and consider a sump pump with a battery to mitigate your risks.

If you do find yourself in an area that is flooding, **do not walk, swim, or drive through flood waters**. Instead, try to avoid the waters by turning around. Avoid bridges over fast-moving water, stay in your car if it is trapped in rapidly moving water, and if you are trapped in a building, try to get to the highest level and signal for help.

After a flood, pay attention to authorities for information and instructions, returning home only when they say it is safe to do so. Wear protective clothes and appropriate face coverings if cleaning mold and other debris, and be aware of animals or risks of electrocution that may be present in your home. Use generator or other gasoline-powered machinery outdoors and away from windows.

Questions on Emergency Preparedness—contact Springfield Emergency Management at <https://springfield-nj.us/contact/> and select Emergency Management.



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## Quarry Walk

**Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Arrival Time 11:45 AM**  
**Walk starts @ 12:00 PM**

**Houdaille Quarry**  
Entrance by Mountview Road





**Rain Date**  
**May 1<sup>st</sup>**

## Springfield Food Truck Festival

presented by  
**Rotary Club of Springfield**

**Sunday, May 1, 2022**  
**11AM - 6PM**

- ◆ Food Trucks by Main Street Fairs
- ◆ Beer & Wine Garden
- ◆ 50/50 Raffle
- ◆ Basket Auction
- ◆ Live Entertainment

**\$5.00 Per Person Admission** (children under 5 free)  
Proceeds benefit Rotary Club of Springfield, Springfield Recreation Department and JDHS Senior Scholarships.

Event to be held at the Springfield Community Pool Parking Lot, 44 Morrison Avenue. On-site parking is available on first-come-first-serve basis. CDC requirements apply. Proper ID required for entry to Beer & Wine Garden.

**15+ Food Trucks Expected**



**For More Information:**  
Hope Rosenberg, 973-202-2855  
Rachel Gary, 201-615-9629  
[Springfieldfoodtruckfestival@gmail.com](mailto:Springfieldfoodtruckfestival@gmail.com)

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## EGG HUNT & KITE FEST

**Saturday, April 16, 2022**  
**Chisholm Park**  
**2:00-4:00 pm**




**EGG HUNTS FOR UNDER 6 & OVER 6 BEGIN @ 2:15 PM. BRING BASKETS.**

**BRING KITES TO FLY! WIN PRIZES!**

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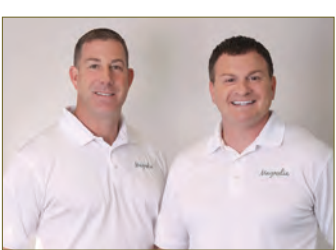
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### LIBRARY CARD EXPIRATION DATES HAVE BEEN EXTENDED THROUGH APRIL 30

If you are concerned about your library card expiring while the library remains closed, please note that all library cards that were set to expire during the next several months have had their expiration dates extended through April 30, 2022.

Except for materials that were checked out prior to the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, the due dates on all library materials have also been extended through April 30, 2022.

Please contact Dale Spindel, Library Director, at [dspindel@sfplnj.org](mailto:dspindel@sfplnj.org) if you have any questions.

## SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY FRIENDS JEWELRY SALE RETURNS

The Friends of the Springfield Free Public Library will hold a Mini Jewelry Sale in the Donald B. Palmer Museum at the Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield on May 5, 6 and 7. There will be a selection of earrings, bracelets, and necklaces for sale as well as some coffee table books, DVD sets, Jigsaw Puzzles, Note Cards, and Decorative items. For the jewelry, the sale will be buy one and get one free of equal or lesser value. The Sale Hours will be Thursday, May 5 2-6pm, Friday May 6 10am-4pm, and Saturday 10am-1pm.

There is also an on-going display and sale of better jewelry in the library's display cases near the Circulation Desk that are sold by appointment. If you would like to buy any of the display case jewelry, you may email your contact information to the Friends at [Friends@sfplnj.org](mailto:Friends@sfplnj.org), ask if an Officer of the Friends is currently in the Library or leave your name and contact information with staff at the Circulation Desk. A member of the Friends will contact you to complete the sale.

The Springfield Library Friends is a 501c3 registered non-profit organization. All donations are tax deductible.

All funds raised from the sales will go to support programs and materials at the library for children, teens, and adults.

## REALLY GOOD BOOK DISCUSSION: STONER THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2022, 7:00PM

Springfield Free Public Library's (Really Good!) Book Discussion Group will meet on Thursday, May 12th at 7 p.m. to discuss John E. Williams' critically acclaimed novel, Stoner.

The eponymous character is a farm boy coming-of-age before WWI. While attending Missouri State University, he falls in love with literature, eventually joining its faculty. Yet misfortune haunts his adult life: a failed marriage, professional rivals, and new love ending in scandal. Driven inward, Stoner perseveres with a newfound stoicism, finding meaning in hardship itself.

Discussions take place at 7 p.m. in the Donald B. Palmer Museum. New members are welcome! To reserve your copy of the book call 973-376-4930 x228 or send an email: [questions@sfplnj.org](mailto:questions@sfplnj.org).

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## RABBI ADRIENNE RUBIN APPOINTED AS NEW RABBI

(continued from front page)

Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael, a Conservative Egalitarian synagogue in Springfield, NJ, is pleased to announce the appointment of Rabbi Adrienne Rubin as its new Rabbi. Rabbi Rubin has served as the Temple's Interim Rabbi since July 2020. She succeeds Rabbi Mark Mallach, who retired in June 2020 after serving as TBAY's Rabbi for 21 years, and who is now the Temple's Rabbi Emeritus. TBAY is planning an Installation and Celebration Weekend for May 13-15, 2022.

Rabbi Rubin was hired after meeting with the Rabbinical Search Committee headed by David Brooks. In preparation for this search, TBAY conducted extensive congregational surveys and focus groups to determine what qualities their next Rabbi would need. After their first meeting, it was clear Rabbi Rubin would be a good fit for the congregation and, as time went on, their initial instincts proved accurate. TBAY President Brian Margulies says, "It is easy to see why Rabbi Rubin is such a great fit to serve as our 'mara d'atra' or spiritual leader of Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael. Her love of Talmud and Torah, her ability to reach out to all members of our sacred Jewish community, and her ability to connect with the greater Springfield community have allowed her to feel at home in a short period of time."

Rabbi Rubin first met the TBAY community on Purim in March 2020, the very week that the pandemic lockdowns began. "Starting in the middle of a pandemic has been both a challenge and an opportunity," she said. "I have not had the luxury of large and frequent in-person opportunities to connect personally with the members of the congregation. We have had to be creative together right from the start—in finding ways to get to know each other, in transforming High Holy Days, B'nei Mitzvah, Shabbat and daily minyan services, and in engaging the community in events and activities. And even if they look different from what we are used to, each interaction we have is an opportunity to deepen our connections: to each other, to being Jewish, and to our shared values as a community."

TBAY has already benefitted from Rabbi Rubin's innovation in services, community outreach and religious education. "Over the past two years, Rabbi Rubin has been a breath of fresh air while serving in her role as our Interim Rabbi. Her energy, enthusiasm, intelligence, and warm and welcoming personality have been a great asset to our community. Her leadership during these difficult COVID times has allowed us to not only survive but thrive by engaging our growing membership in dynamic in-person and on-line programming," noted Margulies.

Rabbi Rubin is passionate about the congregation she serves, saying "I feel so blessed to have found Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael. TBAY is so much more than just a synagogue. It is a place of joy, of learning, of connection. I am truly honored for the opportunity to serve this warm, welcoming and diverse community of people who care about one another and know what is going on in each other's lives. People step forward to help, even if they find out via an 8:00 a.m. text that someone needs a 10th person to form a minyan. When I walked in the door here, I felt like I had come home."

Rabbi Rubin's path to TBAY and the rabbinate is an unusual one, although she

has been serving the Jewish community for over 30 years. Raised in Lexington, MA, she attended Princeton University, graduating in 1988 with a degree in Music Theory and Composition. After college, she worked as an actuary in Boston while studying voice and training to become an opera singer. Her plans shifted as she became increasingly drawn to cantorial work. A member of Temple Emunah in Lexington, she sang at multiple synagogues in the Boston area and then as the High Holy Days Cantor at the University of Rhode Island. Shortly after she moved to Princeton in 1994 to take a job in the University's Alumni Council, she began as the Cantorial Soloist at Temple Micah, an unaffiliated, egalitarian synagogue in Lawrenceville, NJ.

In the years that followed, while raising her family, Rabbi Rubin worked at several nonprofit and community organizations. However, her synagogue work became increasingly important to her and she expanded her role beyond leading services. She prepared students for B'nei Mitzvah, taught children in the religious school, led adult and teen Torah and text study, and tended to the pastoral care and life cycle needs of the congregation and the greater unaffiliated Jewish community. After several periods of serving as Temple Micah's sole clergy, with the encouragement of her congregants, she realized that the rabbinate was where she belonged. She began private studies toward ordination and received S'micha in 2019 from the pluralistic Rabbinical Seminary International, founded in 1955 by the Hungarian Chasidic Rabbi and Kabbalist Dr. Joseph H. Gelberman.

Rabbi Rubin currently serves as the Rabbi to the Board of Trustees of the Northern NJ Chapter of the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs and is a member of the Steering Committee of the Greater MetroWest Rabbis' Roundtable, organized through the Jewish Federation of Greater MetroWest NJ. She is also active with the Union County Va'ad haRabbanim.

Rabbi Rubin has been selected for cohorts for the Center for Rabbinic Innovation and the Keshet Leadership Project. She is a member of the International Federation of Rabbis, Rabbinical Fellowship of America, the Women Cantors' Network, 18Doors (formerly Interfaith Family Network), Equally Wed and the Rainbow Wedding Network. Her writing has been published in Who by Plague: High Holy Days Sermons from COVID19 Times, edited by Rabbi Oren Steinitz, and both volumes of When We Turned Within: Reflections on COVID-19, edited by Rabbi Menachem Creditor and Sarah Tuttle-Singer. Rabbi Rubin maintains a blog on the TBAY website, [www.tbaynj.org](http://www.tbaynj.org), and on her Facebook page.

Rabbi Rubin lives in Princeton, NJ, with her husband Doug. They have one son, Elian, who is a Classical Civilizations Major (and Quidditch player) at Oberlin College of Arts and Sciences. Rabbi Rubin cares deeply about the greater community and has volunteered and/or worked with numerous nonprofit organizations, including the Central NJ Nonprofit Council, the Princeton-Mercer Regional Chamber Nonprofit Business Partnership, Send Hunger Packing Princeton, SAVE, A Friend to Homeless Animals, the Princeton Public Schools, the Princeton Education Foundation, VolunteerConnect, Women in Development, Princeton University, and her local Pack, Troop and Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael is affiliated with The United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism. You can learn more at [www.tbaynj.org](http://www.tbaynj.org).



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## SPRINGFIELD RECREATION - Spring 2022

# SPRING BREAK CAMP

CAMP HELD AT CHISHOLM PARK



**APRIL 11-15 • 9AM - 12PM**  
**MULTI SPORTS CAMP**  
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.

**REGISTRATION FEE**  
**\$179**

**CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:**  
• Professional Coaches  
• Low group ratios  
• Age appropriate equipment  
• Skills & drills plus fun games

**AGES 5-11, ALL ABILITY LEVELS**  
Visit [USsportsInstitute.com](https://USsportsInstitute.com) for full camp and class descriptions

**LIMITED SPACE**

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

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**(866) 345 BALL**





## STEM Programs - Spring 2022

### LEGO® Robotics and Coding - Adventures



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**Thursdays**  
**4:00 pm - 5:00 pm**  
  
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**\$160/student**  
**Limited space, 8 students max**  
**Location**  
**Chisholm Community Center 100 South Springfield Ave. Springfield**  
**Register online at:**  
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## SPRINGFIELD RECREATION - Spring 2022

# MULTI SPORTS CLASSES

HELD OUTDOORS AT DENHAM PARK



**APRIL 24 - JUNE 19 • SUNDAY'S - 8 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.**

**REGISTRATION FEE**  
**\$170**

**CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:**  
• Professional Coaches  
• Low group ratios  
• Age appropriate equipment  
• Skills & drills plus fun games

**AGES 2 - 6 ALL ABILITY LEVELS**  
Visit [USsportsInstitute.com](https://USsportsInstitute.com) for full camp and class descriptions

**Multi Sports Squirts, Age 3-4: 8:30am**  
**Parent & Me Multi Sports, Age 2-3: 9:30am**  
**Multi Sports Squirts, Age 4-5: 10:30am**  
**Senior Multi Sports Squirts, Age 5-6: 11:30am**

**LIMITED SPACE**

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

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**(866) 345 BALL**



## 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.



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## SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES APRIL / MAY 2022

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

Monday, April 11 - Bingo @ 11:45 am, Pickleball @ 12:30-2:30 pm  
Tuesday, April 12 - Exercise class with Liz @ 11:00 am, Mahjong @ 12:00 pm  
Wednesday, April 13 - Bingo @ 11:45 am (treats sponsored by Arbor Terrace Mountainside), Pickleball @ 12:30-2:30 pm  
Thursday, April 14 - Bus trip to Cracker Barrel in Clinton, NJ @ 11:00 am (RSVP)  
Monday, April 18 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Bingo @ 11:45 am  
Tuesday, April 19 - Computer training with Linda @ 10:00 am, Exercise class with Liz @ 11:00 am, Mahjong @ 12:00 pm  
Wednesday, April 20 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Bingo @ 11:45 am  
Thursday, April 21 - Bus trip to Wind Creek Casino in Bethlehem, PA @ 10:00 am (sold out)  
Friday, April 22 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Poker @ 12:00 pm, Dominoes @ 1:00 pm  
Monday, April 25 - Pickleball Beginner's Lesson @ 10:00-11:00 am, Bingo @ 11:45 am  
Tuesday, April 26 - Exercise class with Liz @ 11:00 am, Mahjong @ 12:00 pm  
Wednesday, April 27 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm  
Thursday, April 28 - Senior Citizens Club meeting and luncheon with presentation on "Identity Theft and Fraud Protection" @ 12:00 pm (RSVP by 4/22)  
Friday, April 29 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Poker @ 12:00 pm, Dominoes @ 1:00 pm  
Monday, May 2 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Bingo @ 11:45 am  
Tuesday, May 3 - Exercise class with Liz @ 11:00 am, Mahjong @ 12:00 pm  
Wednesday, May 4 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Bingo @ 11:45 am  
Thursday, May 5 - Exercise class with Betsy @ 11:00 am, Cooperman Barnabas Medical Center presentation on "Balance and Falls" @ 12:00-1:00 pm (RSVP)  
Friday, May 6 - Pickleball @ 9:00-11:00 am, Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Poker @ 12:00 pm, Dominoes @ 1:00 pm  
Monday, May 9 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Bingo @ 11:45 am  
Tuesday, May 10 - Mahjong @ 12:00 pm, Bus trip to Jersey Shore Premium Outlets in Tinton Falls, NJ (RSVP)  
Wednesday, May 11 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Bingo @ 11:45 am  
Thursday, May 12 - Exercise class with Betsy @ 11:00 am  
Friday, May 13 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Poker @ 12:00 pm, Dominoes @ 1:00 pm

## SPRINGFIELD SENIOR CITIZENS PATRONIZE LOCAL PIZZERIA ON BUS TRIP



Springfield senior citizens enjoyed delicious food and the company of good friends at Saporito's Pizza on Route 22 on Wednesday, March 30. The trip was chaperoned by Ilene Wilkenfeld and Joani Lico, Recreation Program Coordinators; and Donald Wilkenfeld, Recreation Bus Driver.

## Fashion First Workshops

# SPRING FASHION WORKSHOPS



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## RECREATION RUNNING CLUB OPENS SPRING SEASON



The Running Club, sponsored by the Springfield Recreation Department and coached by Mike Czech, took off this month at Meisel Avenue Park. The co-ed program, offered to children in Kindergarten through 9th grades, meets twice weekly and focuses on proper stretching techniques, cardiovascular health, and endurance exercises. For more information, contact the Springfield Recreation Department at [recreation@springfield-nj.us](mailto:recreation@springfield-nj.us) or (973) 912-2227. For more information, contact Joani Lico, Recreation Program Coordinator, at [joani.lico@springfield-nj.us](mailto:joani.lico@springfield-nj.us) or (973) 912-2227.

## 2022 MEN'S 35+ BASKETBALL

**JONATHAN DAYTON HIGH SCHOOL**

Wednesdays 7 - 9 pm

**FLORENCE GAUDINEER MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Sundays 8 - 10 am

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## GAMBLING AWARENESS TALK AT CHISHOLM

In recognition of Problem Gambling Awareness Month, Joseph Kane, Prevention Specialist from Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey, Inc., spoke with senior citizens at the Chisholm Community Center on Thursday, March 10.

## EGG HUNT & KITE FEST AT CHISHOLM PARK ON SATURDAY, APRIL 16

Springfield Recreation Department's Egg Hunt & Kite Fest is back! The popular event for Springfield children will be held on Saturday, April 16, 2022, from 2:00-4:00 pm, at Chisholm Park. The free event is open to Springfield residents and their guests. Visit <https://register.communitypass.net/springfield> to sign up for event alerts. The event includes:

- Two separate egg hunts, for under 6 and over 6, begin promptly at 2:15 pm. Bring your own baskets. Prizes for egg hunt winners.
- Kite flying! Bring your own kites. Prizes for the most creative and high flying kites.
- Photos with the Easter Bunny! Bring your own phones/cameras.
- Roaming photo ring! We will text photos to your phones for social media.
- DJ music and dancing all afternoon!
- Inflatable corn maze!
- Make your own free sand art necklace (while supplies last)!
- TD Pizza flavor ices for sale!

Event sponsors include Mike Scalera State Farm and TD Pizza.

More sponsors to be announced! Remember to visit <https://register.communitypass.net/springfield> to sign up for event alerts. Questions? Contact the Springfield Recreation Department at [recreation@springfield-nj.us](mailto:recreation@springfield-nj.us) or (973) 912-2227.

## Jr. Dawgs Cheerleading FALL 2022 • GRADES 3-8

- Cheerleading is open to children in Springfield and Millburn schools entering grades 3-8 in Fall 2022.
- 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 one Jr. Dawgs football team.
- All grades will be combined into one cheerleading squad. Enrollment is limited to 25 cheerleaders.
- Additional cheerleading opportunities, such as tournaments or exhibitions, may be added.



**REGISTRATION COMING SOON TO**  
**[REGISTER.COMMUNITYPASS.NET/SPRINGFIELD](https://register.communitypass.net/springfield)**

## SENIOR CITIZENS VISIT HUNTERDON HILLS PLAYHOUSE



Springfield senior citizens traveled to the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse in Hampton, NJ, for lunch and a performance of "Sherlock Returns" on Thursday, March 24. To join future bus trips, contact Ilene Wilkenfeld, (standing in center in above picture) Recreation Program Coordinator, at [ilene.wilkenfeld@springfield-nj.us](mailto:ilene.wilkenfeld@springfield-nj.us) or (973) 912-2227.

## SPRINGFIELD RECREATION STREET HOCKEY MEN 18+ SPRING 2022

Join us for outdoor pick-up games!

**MONDAYS @ 7:00-9:00 PM**  
**HOCKEY COURT AT POOL COMPLEX**  
**\$20 PER PLAYER**

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



## TRYCAN KIDS HELPING KIDS

The Springfield Recreation Department is a member of TryCAN, a multi-community collaboration that provides a variety of recreational programs for youth with special needs. For more information on program offerings or to register, please visit <http://summitcommunityprograms.com/156>

## ARBOR TERRACE SPONSORS DONUTS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AT CHISHOLM

(continued from front page)

Arbor Terrace Mountainside sponsored donuts for senior citizens who gathered at the Chisholm Community Center on March 16. Arbor Terrace is a private community in Mountainside on the Springfield border that offers assisted living, dementia/memory care, and a neighborhood devoted to socialization among residents with Alzheimer's disease and dementia. Joan Aranzullo, Senior Care Counselor at Arbor Terrace, continued her monthly tradition of visiting Chisholm to greet the crowd and talk about the living options that her community has to offer. Arbor Terrace can be reached at (908) 505-6115 with any questions. Interested senior citizens may also view the website at <http://www.arbormountainside.com>.



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## SPRINGFIELD RECREATION - Spring 2022

# SOCCER SQUIRTS

CLASSES HELD OUTDOORS AT DENHAM PARK

**8 WEEK SESSION**

**SATURDAY'S**

Registration Fee  
**\$170**

**SATURDAYS • Apr 23 - Jun 18 (8 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 will follow NJ DOH, CDC and local Covid 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!

**USsportsInstitute.com**  
**(866) 345 BALL**

## RELAX & UNWIND THIS SUMMER

AT THE SPRINGFIELD COMMUNITY POOL

[www.thesay.org/SCP](http://www.thesay.org/SCP)

Open Swim • Aquatic Exercise Classes • Swim Team • Lap Swim • Social Events • Recreational Fitness • Summer Camp • Swim Lessons • More!

## Springfield Community Pool SUMMER CAMP

**LIFE IS COOL IN THE POOL**

[www.thesay.org/SCP](http://www.thesay.org/SCP)

## SPRINGFIELD TENNIS

in association with: SPRINGFIELD RECREATION DEPARTMENT

ALL CLASSES HELD AT IRWIN PARK TENNIS COURTS

WEEKLY CLASSES • APRIL - JUNE 2022

**SPRING CLASSES THUASDAYS, 4/21 • 6/9**

Tennis Squirts: 4:00-4:50pm (Ages 3-5)  
 Foundation Tennis: 5:00-5:50pm (Ages 5-8)  
 Foundation Tennis: 6:00-6:50pm (Ages 8-11)  
 Development Tennis: 7:00-7:50pm (Ages 11-14)

**SUNDAYS, 4/24 • 6/19**

Squirts Tennis: 9:00-9:50am (Ages 3-5)  
 Foundation Tennis: 10:00-10:50am (Ages 5-8)  
 Foundation Tennis: 11:00-11:50pm (Ages 8-11)  
 Foundation Tennis: 12:00-12:50pm (Ages 11-14)

**REGISTRATION FEE**  
**\$170**

**AGES 3-14**  
All Abilities Levels

**PROGRAM INCLUDES:**

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

**LIMITED SPACE**

**REGISTRATION**  
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IN COOPERATION WITH  
JR. DAWGS & JR. MILLERS

## YOUTH FOOTBALL FALL 2022

Must register and pay at BOTH websites:  
<https://register.communitypass.net/springfield>  
 and  
<https://springfield-jr-dawgs.sportngin.com/register/form/882606485>

## INTERESTED IN SCRAPBOOKING AT CHISHOLM?

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



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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-5

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)

## Social Code For Kids

### Children's Parties & More!

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

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

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

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**

## PATRIOT PROFILES

Organizations and People that make a Difference in Springfield

*By John Cottage Sr.*

### GET TO KNOW LOCAL SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

*There is nothing more rewarding than getting involved with a service organization and Springfield has several outstanding ones. Here are a few.*

#### THE ROTARY CLUB

Rotary International, founded in 1905 by Paul Harris, is a global network of 1.4 million neighbors. It is a humanitarian service organization which brings together business and professional leaders in order to provide community service, promote integrity, and advance goodwill, peace, and understanding in the world. It is a non-political and non-religious organization. For many years, their mission has been to eradicate Polio worldwide.

The Springfield Rotary Club was founded by a group of local businessmen in 1947 and has been active ever since. Meeting biweekly for lunch at TD Pizza on Mountain Ave, the club is part of the local Rotary District. They partner with Springfield Hope to deliver food baskets to the needy in town each year. In addition, they provide scholarships to High School Seniors.

For many years, Springfield Rotary ran the "Taste of the Towns" an extremely popular fundraiser which brought together a large number of local eateries where attendees could try a wide variety of delicious foods. Since COVID, Rotary has flexed to a food truck style event. This year, that event will take place Sunday May 1st from 11AM to 6 PM at the parking lot of the Town Pool. For more information, please contact Hope Rosenberg at (973) 202-2855.

#### THE LIONS CLUB

The world's largest service organization, Lions Club International, exists to serve others. Their core mission is to be "Knights of the Blind" by assisting those who are blind or visually impaired. The Springfield Club supports the Lions Eye Bank of New Jersey, New Jersey Camp for Blind Children, Blind Athletes Association, Lions Eye Research Foundation and other related sight project. They provide eye examinations and eye glasses to those who cannot afford them and collect used eyeglasses to restore vision to people around the world. Locally the club provides \$8000 in scholarships annually to Dayton High school seniors. They also support the Springfield First Aid Squad, the Springfield Boy Scout Troop and others.

The Club meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays at 7:00PM at the Marco Polo Restaurant in Summit. Anyone interested may contact Club President Michael Golden at (973)376-2732 or Membership Chairman Walter Peterson at (908)337-5176.

#### SPRINGFIELD ELKS

The Springfield Elks Lodge was founded in 1856. In 2004, they merged with the Hillside Elks so today it's the Springfield Hillside Elks Lodge #2004. Located in their own facility at 80 Springfield Ave, they are a fraternal organization whose members are committed to helping Veterans, Special Children and the Community.

The local lodge runs many programs for veterans including visits to the Lyons Hospital where they run picnics, parties and provide gift bags.

The Elks State Project is Camp Moore. Tucked away in the hills of the Ramapo Mountains, Elks Camp Moore offers a fun filled vacation away from home for children with special needs. A week at Elks Camp Moore is a remarkable experience not soon to be forgotten. The primary goal of the camp is to further develop the recreational and social skills of each child. In a relaxed and accepting atmosphere where each camper experiences new adventures, lasting friendships, and opportunities that promote independence and greater self-confidence. Many children from Springfield have taken part in the camp and still participate in the adult program.

The Elks Scholarship Program is second to the Federal Government in scholarship disbursement. Each year the Elks National Foundation provides more than \$3.65 million in college scholarships to graduating seniors.

The Elks have been a proud sponsor of the Memorial Day Parade for the last 8 years or so. The Lodge supplies and hands out hot dogs and water at the end of the parade route in front of Jonathan Dayton High School. Anyone interested may contact Exalted Ruler Geri Ann Kazimar at the Lodge at (973) 379-9766.



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