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Message from the Mayor

Happy June Springfield,
Sports Sports Sports!
Two months ago, my Mayors Letter said for everyone to watch out for the Jonathan Dayton Varsity Softball Team. I'm now writing to congratulate our new Union County Softball Champions! This is the first time in Dayton history that we have taken home the Championship.

It doesn't stop there either. Our Jonathan Dayton Varsity Baseball Team has just won the State section 2 Group 1 Championship.

Congratulations to both teams for making Springfield proud and letting the state know that Dayton athletics is in the spotlight.

This is why the Township Committee for the last six years, along with assistance from the Board of Education, has been rebuilding and or repairing our sports fields, fixing or replacing scoreboards, protecting spectator seating and making the sports environment a pleasing and inviting one for families living here and for families looking for a new community to make their home. Our sports programs are growing with participation daily and our TC is committed to making our facilities some of the best in NJ.

These Champion Teams are a result of dedicated parents who were the coaches, assistants and volunteers of the youth sports teams that helped shape them for the high school coaches that would take them to the next level. We at the Township will make sure they have the proper tools they need to continue to win.

All the best,
Mayor Christopher Weber

DRUG AWARENESS EVENT

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Coordinated by, Drug Awareness Chair Steve Matthews and Member Barbara Ziobro for youth grades 6th-12th. Prevention Links Speaker Justine Plummer spoke about Substance Abuse Prevention-the Dangers of Vaping, Effects of Marijuana and Alcohol on the Brain and the Body as well as the Dangers of other Substances.

Terence R. shared his recovery journey and gave us a heartfelt story of his struggles with alcohol addiction and life-threatening consequences. He spoke about how his interest in sports and college was negatively impacted by his addiction. We had several athletes in attendance at the event and this was very eye opening for them.

Both talks were informative and impactful to the youth. Youth were fully engaged and asked many questions wanting to know more about the dangers of drugs and how they affect physical and mental health. They also asked questions about the effects a person's substance abuse has on their family and friends.

Youth enjoyed music, pizza, and ice cream. Many youth won some prizes and one lucky high schooler walked away with Apple Air Pods.

If you or someone you know is struggling with addiction, help is available. Encourage them to speak to a parent or other trusted adult and ask for help.

Resources for Youth and Families:
PerformCare- 1-877-652-7624
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MEMORIAL DAY

by Geri Ann Kazimar, Parade Coordinator
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We were so happy to have so many come out to support our Veterans, especially with the weather forecast as it was. But happily, no rain. The Jonathan Dayton High School band sounded great as usual. One of the highlights was when the children were invited up to serenade the Veterans in singing, You're a Grand Ole Flag. It was a wonderful, patriotic and emotional day of

remembering our Fallen men and women in the military. The event was capped off by the Springfield Hillside Elks Lodge as they handed out 500 hot dogs and drinks to all the marchers and spectators.

Thank you Linda Donnelly and to all, who made this ceremony and parade a special one for the Veterans and their families.

HIGH SCHOOL 2024 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS PROGRAM JUNE 6TH SPRINGFIELD PATRIOT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AWARDS



Tracy Geyer, Chamber Secretary (left) Kieran Conway, Brandon Kestin, In the Memory of Mallory Grossman, Simran Bhujle (NOT IN PICTURE), and Mike Scalera, Chamber Co-Chair

SPRINGFIELD ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS



Malcom Jackson, Celine Gerenshteyn (NOT IN PICTURE), Faith Hirsch and Springfield Rotarian Mike Scalera

The full program can be found at:
<https://www.springfieldpatriot.com/news/2024/06/11/dayton-senior-awards-ceremony-program-2024>

TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES

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

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Regular Meeting Tuesdays, June 25 and July 17 at 7:00 pm

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* Mondays, 7:00 pm at the Town Hall
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BOARD OF HEALTH

2nd Wednesday, 6:30 pm at the Firehouse

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

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Contact Recreation Department For Next Meeting Date and Time

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PRIDE MONTH

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The Township of Springfield kicked off Pride Month with a celebratory event outside the Chisholm Community Center on a warm and sunny Friday afternoon, May 31, 2024. The 6th annual program included a rainbow flag raising; DJ music by Summit Soundz; informational tables and treats by Halo Roasters, Elvira Chaush New York Life Insurance, Fidelis Care, Pride Center of New Jersey, Edge NJ, Jonathan Dayton High School G.S.A., and Springfield Unity Project; Edge NJ Star Spangled Banner sung by Eila Francis; student speakers Isabella Elan and Lana Vincente; performance by Jonathan Dayton High School All Stars; greetings and proclamation by Mayor Chris Weber; remarks by Union County Commissioner Rebecca Williams, Director of Recreation Adam Lieb, Assistant Director of Recreation Brendan O'Reilly, and Recreation Program Coordinator Erica DuBois; children's crafts; rainbow ice pops; and Pride bracelets, stickers, flags, and lei give-aways.

(more photos on page 9)

SEND OFF FOR LUKE LYONS AT SPRINGFIELD ELKS LODGE



The Springfield Hillside Elks Lodge was proud and honored to receive the funeral repast for Luke Kent Lyons at the Elks Lodge on Saturday. It was an incredible turnout for someone who died way too young. Luke touched so many lives in the short time he lived. The testimonies and tributes from the marines, the police and his family were heartwarming.

The procession was led to the lodge by the huge American Flag flown by CL Towing. The family wants to thank all who attended and made this day a special one to give Luke a wonderful send off and for all the support in their time of need.

WEIGHT LOSS & WELLNESS CENTER

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On May 10th, the Weight Loss and Wellness center opened in Springfield at 649 Morris Ave. The Weight Loss and Wellness Center is here to help you lose weight. According to the owner, Dr. Sanie Majid "As a leading weight loss center in Springfield, New Jersey, you will have a team of experts to find the right weight loss program that works for you and your unique needs. Dr. Majid and her team of experts will help you decide on the right path for you, with both surgical solutions and non-surgical options, such as nutritional counselling and weight loss support groups to help you meet your goals."



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Church and Cannon Chapter National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution

invites the community to its annual commemoration observing
the **244th Anniversary of the Battle of Springfield**
Saturday, June 22, 2024 - 3:00 PM

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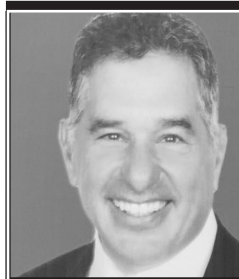
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2024 National PTSD Awareness Day is June 27th. Posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD) is a mental health problem. Anyone can develop PTSD at any age. Some factors, (many of which are not under a person's control), can increase the chance that someone will have PTSD. For example, having a very intense or long-lasting traumatic event or being injured during the event can make it more likely that a person will develop PTSD. It is also more common after certain types of trauma, like combat and sexual assault. What happens after the traumatic event is also important. Stress will increase the odds of developing PTSD, while social support can make it less likely.

PTSD symptoms usually start soon after the traumatic event, but they may not appear until months or even years later. In addition, they may also come and go over many years. If these symptoms last longer than four weeks, cause you great distress, or interfere with your work and/or home life, you might have PTSD. The major types of symptoms include 1) reliving the event (memories can come back at any time) which can feel very real and scary, 2) avoiding things that remind you of the event (this includes people and situations, or even talking or thinking about the event), 3) having more negative thoughts and feelings than before the event (the way you think about yourself and others - you may feel numb, that no one can be trusted or you may feel guilt or shame that you couldn't prevent the event), 4) feeling on edge or keyed up (hyperarousal) which makes sleeping and concentrating difficult or you're easily startled by sudden loud noises/surprises. You may find yourself acting in unhealthy ways like self-medicating with drugs or alcohol or driving aggressively.

PTSD can occur at any age. Children may have symptoms like those above or display others. Children younger than 6 may get upset if their parents are not close by, have trouble sleeping, or act out the trauma in their play. Children ages 7 to 11 may also act out trauma through play, stories or drawings. Some may have nightmares or become more aggressive or irritable. Children ages 12 to 18 may have symptoms more like adults: anxiety, withdrawal, depression or reckless behavior like substance abuse or running away.

After a traumatic event, it's normal to think, act and feel differently than usual. If you don't start to feel better after a few weeks, talk to your doctor or mental health care provider. Disruption of your daily life with upsetting thoughts and feelings doesn't have to be handled alone.

In the next issue of The Patriot Times we will review tips for veterans coping with large-scale traumatic events. If you or a loved one is in crisis call 911 if you need immediate police, fire or emergency medical assistance. Call 988 to speak to a trained crisis counselor who can help with mental health related distress.

American Legion Post 228 meets the first Wednesday of the month (except for July and August) 7pm at the Springfield-Hillside Elks Lodge located at 80 Springfield Ave. Encourage the veteran that you love to drop in and see us or send us an email at spfldpost228@gmail.com We are veterans serving veterans....and our community.

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JDHS SENIOR BANNERS RETURN!



(additional photo on page 10, story on page 12)

NEW SPRINGFIELD AUXILIARY POLICE OFFICERS

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TOP PICTURE:
Auxiliary Graduates
(l to r) David Vado, Sean Prawdzik, Jermaine Murrell and Aleksandr Smirnov

PICTURE ON RIGHT:
Instructors Omar Shanawani and Alexa Montgana
receive Instructors Awards



(story on page 15)

SPRINGFIELD LIONS CLUB IN ACTION



Above photo includes the scholars as well as Dayton Principal Lion Dr. Norman Francis (left), Superintendent Dr. Rachel Goldberg, Guest Speaker Lion Gary Quinn and President Lion Michael Disko (right).

The Springfield Lions Club recently held various fund raising and community service events. On April 27, 2024, The Lions Club volunteered their time at the Lions Club International Eye Glass Recycling Facility in West Trenton. Attending were Lions Kevin Braine, Barbara Churchill, Michael Disko and Robert Hagenbush. The facility collects, sorts, cleans, categorizes and measures donated eyeglasses for repurposing throughout the World. On May 3, 2024, Lion Eric Kerstein hosted a golf outing at Farmstead Golf Club in Lafayette, New Jersey. Twenty-one Lions and guests participated. Proceeds will be used to support the Club's philanthropic and eyesight charities. On May 8, 2024, the Lions Club hosted Jonathan Dayton scholars and provided them with dinner, certificates of achievement and monetary awards. Twenty Dayton scholars were honored. The Lions meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at Marco Polo Restaurant in Summit. Remember, where there's a need, there's a Lion.

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Police Chief's Column ... for readers of the Patriot Times Chief John Cook

With summer almost upon us, I expect many readers of the Springfield Patriot Times have plans to travel or take a vacation during the next couple of months. While this may be a time to kick back, relax, and forget about the everyday bustle, it's still important to take steps to protect your homes, your valuables, and yourselves while you're away. Thieves never take a vacation from picking out their next target.

Your home:

- Close and lock all doors and windows when you leave, and activate your alarm system if you have one.
- Consider mounting motion activated lights or security cameras on the exterior of your home. Door bells with built-in cameras are easy to install and will show you anyone who comes to your door while you're away through your smart-phone.
- Keep blinds and shades in their normal positions.
- Grass should be cut and bushes trimmed to avoid the appearance that no one has been home for a while (or make arrangements for this to be done while you are away).
- Contact the post office and put a hold on your mail, and stop newspaper deliveries.
- Use light timers, and consider having a radio on a timer as well.
- Ask a trusted neighbor to park a car in your driveway and keep an eye on your house.
- Call the police department and have your house added to the vacation list.

Your valuables:

- Pack light and only take the essentials. Large, heavy bags will slow you down and make you a target for theft.
- Only take what is necessary in your wallet/purse; clean out extra credit cards or personal items while you travel.
- Plan on using credit cards or traveler's checks for most of your purchases, and only carry a minimal amount of cash.
- Don't travel with a lot of expensive jewelry, only take the pieces you are regularly accustomed to wearing.
- When driving, always remember to lock your car and keep your valuables out of sight (keep valuables with you if possible). Place maps, brochures, and other travel documents in the glove compartment to avoid advertising you are a tourist.
- Don't leave cash, checks, credit cards or car keys in your hotel room. Take them with you or secure them in your room safe, if available.

Yourselves:

- Plan your travels carefully and double check maps and GPS to avoid getting lost in unfamiliar areas.
- Keep your medicines with you; do not pack them in your luggage.
- If traveling to a foreign country, familiarize yourself with emergency numbers and know how to contact local authorities. Be sure to contact your cellular phone provider to set up the proper service if you plan take your phone with you. Purchasing a pre-paid cellular phone at your destination can also be an option.
- Walk in well-lit, active areas, and avoid taking shortcuts.
- Stick together with your family members, and look out for one-another. Agree on a meeting place if you decide to split up. Make sure everyone has the address of your accommodations should you unexpectedly get separated from one another.
- Always be cognizant that tourists are prime targets for petty thieves. Be aware of your surroundings at all times and stay attentive in public places. Avoid consuming excessive amounts of alcohol as your ability to remain alert can be impaired.

I hope this information will help everyone stay a little safer and better enjoy whatever plans they have for this summer. Being properly prepared will reduce the chance of having your vacation ruined by falling victim to criminal activity.

MEMORIAL DAY

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PRIDE MONTH

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TEMPLE SHA'AREY SHALOM HELD A MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION CONCERT FEATURING "THE GREAT AMERICAN SONGBOOK"



On Sunday May 5th Temple Sha'arey Shalom of Springfield held a membership appreciation concert. The program featured pianist/vocalist/composer Gary Negbaur in a keyboard based lecture/performance on the roots of the great American Songbook.

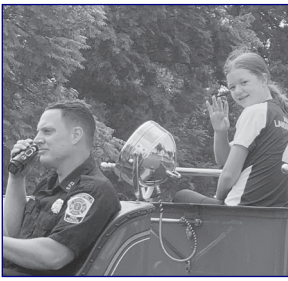
TSS President Bill Moesch said that "TSS held this concert/educational event as one of our special featured programs for our members. Our congregants are interested in all types of musical genres and styles. This program we thought would have wide appeal."

His narrations and musical renditions keep the audience engaged". TSS member, Laura Weening agreed. "I think everyone seemed to connect to both the songs and the singer".

Gary finished with his own soulful rendition of "God Bless America", a song written by Irving Berlin and made famous by Kate Smith. A concert on the "Great American Songbook" could not end in a more appropriate way.

For more information about pianist/vocalist/composer Gary Negbaur, go to www.GaryNegbaur.com Temple Sha'arey Shalom is a reform Temple in Springfield, NJ 07081 (973)379-5387.

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Fire Chief's Column *Captain Michael Mastroeni*

FIREWORK SAFETY

Fireworks are often used to mark special events and holidays. The only safe way to view fireworks is to attend a professional show. With many professional firework shows being canceled this year; it is important to know that fireworks are not safe in the hands of consumers. Fireworks cause thousands of injuries each year.

A few ideas to get into the patriotic spirit, without fireworks:

1. Use glow sticks, they glow in the dark and are a safe alternative to a sparkler. Fun for all ages.
2. Loud and proud. Noise makers are sure to make a statement. They can be found at local party supply stores or make your own.
3. Outdoor movie night. Set up a screen and projector. Don't forget the bug spray!
4. Red, white and blue silly string...fun for all ages.
5. Make a patriotic craft with the family.
6. Throw a birthday party for the USA, and don't forget the cake

FACTS

- More than 19,500 reported fires are started by fireworks annually.
- Burns account for 44% of the 9,100 injuries treated in emergency rooms seen in the month around July 4.
- Half of the fireworks injuries seen at emergency rooms were Extremities: hand, finger, or leg. one-third were to the eye or other parts of the head.
- Children ages 10-14 had the highest rate of fireworks injury, with more than one-third (36%) of the victims of fireworks injuries under age 15.
- Sparklers account for roughly one-quarter of emergency room fireworks injuries.

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE CHURCH MARKS SOLEMNITY WITH PROCESSION IN SPRINGFIELD STREETS AND CULTURAL CELEBRATION



Sunday, June 2, 2024, Saint James the Apostle Church celebrated the Solemnity of the Most Precious Body and Blood of Christ, with an outdoor Eucharistic procession immediately after the Noon Mass through the streets of Springfield near the Church. Also known as Corpus Christi, this solemnity celebrates the Catholic teaching that Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist.

For the solemn procession, the Eucharist is placed in a special container known as a Monstrance and is carried by the priest while walking under a ceremonial canopy. The congregation walks behind offering prayers and songs of praise.

Along the way, the procession paused at shrines set up by parishioners to honor the Blessed Mother and Saints as portrayed in Italian, Polish, Filipino, Spanish, and Portuguese traditions. Prayers at these stations were led by families of the parish. Before carrying the Monstrance in the Eucharistic procession, Fr. David Santos, Pastor, remarked that this was "a splendid opportunity to celebrate our Faith and rediscover the truth of the Eucharist. He invited the members of the parish to "come worship the Lord and give witness to Jesus' marvelous presence in the Eucharist."

Immediately following the procession, parishioners enjoyed an al fresco reception featuring an array of savory and sweet foods from the different cultures highlighted at the stations along the route. Enjoyed by all, it was a celebration of faith, fellowship, and pride in being a part of the fabric of Springfield. St. James wishes to thank the Springfield Police Department for their assistance.

Jorge Rivera, a student at Seton Hall University Class of 2025 and a longtime Springfield resident, created a short documentary on Springfield crossing guard Michele De Cagna.

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POLICE UNITY BIKE TOUR

(continued from front page)

Springfield Police Officer Rob Quinlan participated in the Police Unity Tour Ride in May. The primary purpose of the Police Unity Tour is to raise awareness of Law Enforcement Officers killed in the line of duty. The secondary purpose is to raise funds for the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial and Museum. A total of 8 chapters participated, which included over 2100 riders. Officer Quinlan rode with Chapter 1 which started in Fairfield, NJ. Quinlan commented to the Patriot Times : "This was my 3rd consecutive Unity Tour. Although it was cold and rained all day on day 2, it was absolutely worth it. The heroes we ride for will never feel rain, sun or wind again, so it was a small price

to pay to bring awareness to the cause. I also had the honor of escorting and speaking personally with surviving family members to the candlelight vigil. As they arrived by bus, they were overrun with so much emotion & sadness. Each family member I escorted, I first asked their names, where they were from, and what agency their loved one worked for. I then asked each of them to tell me a funny story and their favorite about their family member, which instantly made them open up and smile. Seeing them smile & laugh through their pain while remembering their family member, even just a little bit during that walk, made it all worth it."

Here is a link to find out more about this event:

https://www.youtube.com/live/_AJEOg_3npQ?si=z889Zn7x6oqVu15C

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Jr. Dawgs Cheerleading

FALL 2024 • GRADES 3-8

- Open to rising 3rd-8th grade residents of or students in Springfield and Millburn schools.
- 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.
- Grades may be combined into one cheerleading squad. Enrollment is limited to 30 cheerleaders.
- Additional cheerleading opportunities, such as tournaments or exhibitions, may be added.



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Chisholm Community Center

HALF-DAY WEEKS**

July 15th - 19th	1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. \$195 per week
July 22nd - 26th	1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. \$195 per week
July 29th- August 2nd	1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. \$195 per week

FULL DAY WEEKS

August 19th- 23rd	9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. \$275 per week
August 26th -30th	9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. \$275 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 and a detailed description of each class, please visit:

www.KiddiesKaleidoscope.com

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SPRINGFIELD RECREATION SUMMER 2024 SOCCER CAMP

CAMP HELD AT CHISHOLM PARK

AUGUST 26-30

9AM - 12PM



SOCCER CAMP

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. In case of inclement weather this camp will move inside to the Chisholm Gym.

REGISTRATION FEE
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PROGRAM INCLUDES:

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All Abilities: 5 to 12 year olds

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REGISTRATION

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FALL 2024 - GRADES 3-8



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ACTIVITIES FOR THE 55+ COMMUNITY JUNE/JULY 2024

CALL (973) 912-2227 FOR MORE INFORMATION

PLEASE NOTE: Calendar is subject to change. Visit the Chisholm Community Center bulletin board or download the calendar at www.springfield-nj.us/recreation

Wednesday, June 19 - Exercise class @ 11:00 am
Thursday, June 20 - Pickleball @ 9:00 am-12:00 pm, Union Township Health Department blood pressure screening @ 11:30 am-12:30 pm, Senior Citizens Club meeting and lunch @ 12:00 pm (RSVP by Friday, June 14)
Friday, June 21 - Pickleball @ 9:00 am-12:00 pm, Puzzles @ 10:00 am, Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Poker @ 12:00 pm, Dominos @ 1:00 pm
Monday, June 24 - Bingo @ 11:45 am, Pickleball @ 1:00-4:00 pm
Tuesday, June 25 - Exercise class @ 11:00 am, Bus trip to Sunrise Diner @ 11:00 am (RSVP), Mahjong @ 12:00 pm
Wednesday, June 26 - Bingo @ 11:45 am, Pickleball @ 1:00-4:00 pm
Thursday, June 27 - Exercise class @ 11:00 am
Friday, June 28 - Puzzles @ 10:00 am, Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Poker @ 12:00 pm, Dominos @ 1:00 pm, Pickleball @ 1:00-4:00 pm
Monday, July 1 - Pickleball @ 2:00-4:00 pm
Tuesday, July 2 - Exercise class @ 11:00 am, Mahjong @ 12:00 pm
Wednesday, July 3 - Exercise class @ 11:00 am, Bingo @ 11:45 am (call to confirm), Blood drive @ 2:00-6:30 pm
Thursday, July 4 - Chisholm closed (Independence Day)
Friday, July 5 - Puzzles @ 10:00 am, Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Poker @ 12:00 pm, Dominos @ 1:00 pm, Pickleball @ 1:00-3:00 pm
Monday, July 8 - Chair balloon volleyball @ 1:00-2:00 pm, Pickleball @ 4:30-6:30 pm
Tuesday, July 9 - Exercise class @ 11:00 am, Mahjong @ 12:00 pm
Wednesday, July 10 - Bingo @ 11:45 am (call to confirm), Pickleball @ 2:00-4:00 pm
Thursday, July 11 - Exercise class @ 11:00 am
Friday, July 12 - Puzzles @ 10:00 am, Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Poker @ 12:00 pm, Dominos @ 1:00 pm, Pickleball @ 1:00-3:00 pm

WEEKDAYS
Computer Lab and Fitness Room - 9:00 am - 8:00 pm



SPRINGFIELD SUMMER SCHEDULE - 2024

All programs take place at Irwin Park, Springfield.
Summer programs start the week of July 8
Weekly classes take place once a week for 6 weeks
More details, full schedule and pricing online

TENNIS SQUIRTS:

Thursday's at 4pm. Ages 3 to 5 yrs.

FOUNDATION TENNIS:

Ages 5 to 8 yrs. Thursday's at 4:50pm, 5:45pm, 6:40pm.
Ages 8-11 yrs. Sunday's at 8:55am.
Ages 11-14.5yrs. Sunday's at 9:50pm.
Adult Tennis. Sunday's at 8am.

DEVELOPMENT TENNIS:

Ages 8-11 yrs. Sunday's at 10:45am.

TENNIS CAMP - August 26-30:

Ages 5-8 yrs. 9am to 10:30am.
Ages 8-14.5 yrs. 10:45am to 12:15pm.
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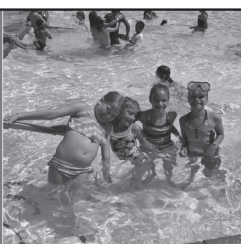
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Theme weeks
Indoor & outdoor activities

Questions? Contact Erica DuBois, Camp Director,
at erica.dubois@springfield-nj.us or (973) 912-2227



SPRINGFIELD SUMMER SCHEDULE - 2024

All programs take place at Denham Park, Springfield
Summer programs start from July 12
Weekly classes take place once a week for 6 weeks
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Classes available Saturday mornings at 10am & 10:45am

SOCCER SQUIRTS

Open to children aged 3 to 7 years
Classes available Sunday mornings at 8:30am, 9:20am, 10:10am & 11am

T-BALL SQUIRTS

Open to children aged 3 to 6.5 years
Classes available Friday evenings at 4pm, 4:50pm, 5:40pm, & 6:30pm

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BANNERS RETURN!

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Drive Mountain Ave. past Jonathan Dayton High School this month and you can't miss a welcome sight: the Class of 2024 being celebrated with color photo banners on the gates of JDHS featuring students' names and graduation photos. The banners, which had been originally purchased by JDHS during the pandemic, were not in the budget for last year's graduating class.

The JDHS PTSO was able to bring them back this year thanks to co-sponsors Springfield Rotary Club and the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, as well as a discounted rate by design and graphics firm Grandstand Design, owned by Springfield parent Marc Miller. The banners are available for students to keep after graduation; they can be picked up in the JDHS gym during the week of June 24 between 10am-3pm. "We're so excited to be able to honor the graduates this way," says PTSO co-president Heather Krieger. "It was a true group effort. As soon as the Rotary Club and Chamber of Commerce learned what we were trying to do, they jumped at the chance to help. Marc Miller designed and produced the banners in record time. And another major player in this project is Frank Licatase of JDHS' maintenance staff, who singlehandedly put up all 150+ banners." Congratulations to all of the graduates!

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SPRING/SUMMER 2024
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MIGNONE JOINS DAYTON'S 100 HIT CLUB



SEASONS	NAME	# OF HITS
2001-04	SARA STEINMAN	108
2013-16	BRIANNA KOREF	111
2014-17	MARINNA KWINTA	115
2015-18	AMANDA LAU	100
2016-19	MAGGIE PHILLIPS	114

On May 6, Jonathan Dayton High School senior Natalie Mignone smacked her 100th hit of her high school softball career. Mignone has tallied a .342 average with 85 RBI and a .446 slugging percentage during her varsity career. She has also pitched 214 innings for the Bulldogs. Mignone has officially committed to Drew University to continue her academic and softball career in the Fall.



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SPRINGFIELD RECREATION - Summer 2024 MULTI SPORTS CAMP

CAMP HELD AT CHISHOLM PARK

AUGUST 19 - 23

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 will run rain or shine with use of the Chisholm gym in case of inclement weather.



REGISTRATION FEE
\$205

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:

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

AGES 5-12, ALL ABILITY LEVELS

Visit USsportsInstitute.com for full camp and class descriptions

LIMITED SPACE

REGISTRATION

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2024 SUMMER STEM CAMPS



LEGO® Robotics and Coding - Summer Fun

Incoming grades: 2 - 4

June 24 - 28, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm (12:30 start for Playground camp participants)

This fun and interactive camp will introduce children to coding, robotics, and engineering using the LEGO® Education Robotics Construction Sets. Throughout the week, campers will participate in hands-on STEM activities and team-building challenges to learn concepts such as sequencing, debugging and troubleshooting. They will work in pairs on building models using sensors and motors that will allow them to code their prototypes to simulate amusement park rides. Young engineers will learn and gain confidence as they build and test their designs, reinforcing these concepts.

Robotics and Coding with mBot Robot Camp

Incoming grades: 4 - 6

June 24 - 28, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm (12:30 start for Playground camp participants)

This camp offers a well-rounded and engaging experience for children interested in exploring the exciting world of robots and coding. Young engineers will discover the basics of coding and robotics as they learn how to program the mBot robot to complete a variety of tasks, building and expanding their coding skills along the way. This fun and interactive program will have them track and probably chase their mBots through mazes and other activities.

\$290 per camper
8 camper max



Registration: <http://builtbyme.com/springfieldnj>

Questions: builtbyme.com or 866.752.8458

Location: Springfield Recreation - Chisholm Community Center 100 South Springfield Ave.
Springfield

LITTLE WONDERS WORKSHOP PRESENTS

SUMMER SCIENCE SATURDAYS

Chisholm Community Center

Saturdays:

6/8/24

10am - ages 2 to 5

6/22/24

(w/caregiver)

7/20/24

11am - ages 6-10 (drop off)

8/3/24

45 minute programs

\$30 per class/ \$100 for all 4

Register here:



Contact
KatieSitnik@gmail.com
for more info



DAVID COSTA RECEIVES RUNNING CLUB HONOR



(l-r) Linda Costa, David Costa, Coach Mike Czech.

The Running Club, sponsored by the Springfield Recreation Department, has presented 6th grader David Costa with the "Runner of the Season" award. At the discretion of Coach Mike Czech, the award is given to an outstanding athlete who embodies the spirit of excellence in athletic effort and the highest standards of conduct.



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YOUTH SERVICES

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19TH AT 7PM

Calming Craft - Juneteenth Bracelets
 Tween thru Adult

Create African inspired wearable art bracelets with artist Mansa Mussa on Juneteenth. Must be a Springfield resident to register. Failure to notify the library of your child's absence will result in a temporary suspension of future program registration. Contact: Ms. Christine at cbrandenburg@sfplnj.org or 973-376-4930 x233

Non-resident registrations will be removed and are only allowed on a waitlist if the program fills with residents. Registration required on Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/calming-crafts-african-inspired-bracelets-wearable-art-tickets-904333464737>

MONDAY, JUNE 24TH AT 10:30

Celebrating the Magic of Movement
 Ages 2-6

A fun and rewarding way to gain flexibility, self discipline, balance, coordination and social awareness. Experience with your children (age 6 & under) the expertise of master teacher Rachel Afi Sekyi from the Dance Theatre of Harlem, NYC and Springfield resident of 20+ years. Participants are encouraged to wear work-out clothing, remove outdoor shoes and wear non-slip socks or dance slippers. No registration required.

TUESDAY, JUNE 25TH AT 3:30PM

Crafts with Chloe

Grades 3 and up (under 10 with an adult)

Make a paracord bracelet. Must be a Springfield resident to register. Failure to notify the library of your child's absence will result in a temporary suspension of future program registration. Contact: Ms. Christine at cbrandenburg@sfplnj.org or 973-376-4930 x233 Registration is required on Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/crafts-with-chloe-tickets-899166189277>

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26TH AT 7PM

Summer Reading Kick-Off - Ron Albanese
 All Ages

Musical performance by Polka Dot - Ron Albanese on the Town Hall lawn for all ages. No registration required.

SIGN UP FOR LIBRARY CHEF FOR LIVE ONLINE CLASSES EACH MONTH!

The Springfield Free Public Library is delighted to be among the first libraries in New Jersey to offer its patrons participation in Library Chef. This innovative online resource offers three live streaming programs each month in addition to an archive of cooking and food related videos that can be accessed by library patrons at any time. If you miss any of the live events, you can always watch them later on replay!

To get started with Library Chef, go to <https://app.librarychef.com/> and enter the code 07081, after which you will see prompts to register for your individual account.

The last live streaming session to be offered in June is June 26, 6 pm Plant-Based Delights, Recipes & Smoothie Demo: discussion of recipes and ways to eat more plant-based food, including a demo of how to make a plant based smoothie.

For more information, please contact Assistant Library Director Bonnie Lafazan, blafazan@sfplnj.org

LUNCHTIME FILM SERIES JUNE 25, 2024

Springfield Free Public Library will show Dream Horse (2020) as part of its lunchtime film series on Tuesday, June 25th. Additional films will be shown on Tuesday, July 9th and Tuesday, July 23rd.

JULY 9, 2024

Springfield Free Public Library will show Waitress: The Musical (2023) as part of its lunchtime film series on Tuesday, July 9th. Additional films will be shown on Tuesday, July 23rd and Tuesday, August 6th.

Admission is FREE. Each film starts at 12:00 pm. For more information, stop by the library or call (973)376-4930. Funding for these programs is made possible in part by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts, through a grant administered by the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, and by the Friends of the Springfield Free Public Library.

CHEERS OF JOY AND LINGERING SORROW: UNION COUNTY & NJ MONUMENTS TO WORLD WAR I

The Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library will host an exhibit of photographs,

"Legacy of Remembrance," curated by historian Erik Burro, during the months of June and July. The photos feature memorials to WWI found in Union County and elsewhere in New Jersey.

In conjunction with the exhibit, at 7:00 PM on Monday, June 24, Burro will present a lecture that will offer additional information regarding the variety of WWI memorials found within Union County, along with several exceptional monuments found elsewhere in New Jersey. Burro will also include in his presentation a discussion of the fact that it took more than 100 years for a national WWI memorial to be built in our nation's capital. He will focus on the memorial's design and reveal how its sculptor created all of its sculptural elements right here in New Jersey.

SPRINGFIELD AUXILIARY

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BEST ALL AROUND: PHYSICAL TRAINING went to Officer Jermaine Murrell, MOST IMPROVED: PHYSICAL TRAINING Award, Officer Sean Prawdzik, PERFECT ATTENDANCE Awards went to: Officers Jermaine Murrell, Aleksandr Smirnov and Sean Prawdzik.

Aleksandr Smirnov's appointment as the academy's Class President marks three years in a row that a Springfield Officer has earned the title. He is preceded as Class President by Alexa Montagna (2023) and Omar Shanwani (2022). Officers Alexa Montagna and Omar Shanwani were given Instructor Plaques of Recognition for their hard work and dedication to the Union County Auxiliary Police Academy as they acted as Instructors as well.

The training program curriculum meets the NJ State's requirements and includes the following partial list of subjects: 9-1-1 Dispatch, Alcoholism, Arrest, Search and Seizure, Controlling Crowds and Assemblages, Handling Disorderly Persons, Criminal Law, Defensive Tactics, Expandable Baton, Directing Traffic, Communication Using Flashlights, Whistle and Hand Signals, Ethics in Policing, Handcuffing, Motor Vehicle Traffic Stops, Patrol, Auxiliary Police Powers, Unarmed Defensive Tactics and Weapon Familiarization plus many more subjects.

In or around 1941 under the Civil Defense Act, volunteers fell under the control of the Civil Defense (CD)/Disaster Control Department. The purpose of this was to coordinate the efforts of its members in a common front to protect the lives and property of all persons within its territorial limits against enemy action or natural disaster, and to preserve our national security. At the time this was deemed necessary because of the constant threat of nuclear war with the USSR. The reason for the Civil Defense was that whole areas and population groups would become isolated from the rest of the country in a post attack period. These volunteers were then called "CD" or "civil defense".

In or around 1952 the wording "CD" or "civil defense" was then changed to "Police Reserve" or "Reserve", and this was used to describe the group of volunteers. Their role was to aid the police department in daily activities. In or around the early 1980s the designation of "Police Reserve" was then changed to "Auxiliary Police" in accordance with the Office of Emergency Management.

Auxiliary Police Officers are part of the local Office of Emergency Management; however, they are assigned to the local police agency that they are part of. They assist the police agency with uniformed patrols, provide traffic control, crowd control, and assist at major events.

Some will say an Auxiliary Police Officer is an extra set of eyes and ears for law enforcement. Being an auxiliary police officer is strictly voluntarily. Auxiliary Police do not receive any payment for the duties that they perform. Some responsibilities will vary depending on where that auxiliary officer lives.

Anyone interest in joining the Springfield Auxiliary Police may call them at 973-467-3388 or email them at oemcoordinator@springfield-nj.us

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OPEN HOUSE - JUNE 23RD: 1-3PM



The Springfield Historical Society will host an Open House on Sunday, June 23rd from 1-3pm in honor of the 244th anniversary of the Battle of Springfield. The Historic Cannon Ball House, located at 126 Morris Avenue, is one of four buildings spared during

the 1780 battle and subsequent burning of the town upon the British retreat.

New items on display include a framed commemorative portrait of General Washington and Martha Washington from generous anonymous donors, and an antique radio and family pictures from the estate of Mr. and Mrs Lawrence Burns, 60 year residents of Springfield.

Admission is free for this open house, and donations are gratefully accepted to our roof fund. Docents will be available to answer your questions.

Please renew or become a member today! [wwwSpringfieldNJHistory@gmail.com](http://www.SpringfieldNJHistory@gmail.com)

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 on Thursday,
 June 20.
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