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Message from the Mayor

Hello Springfield friends and neighbors!

I hope everyone is having a lovely start to the fall season. I have to say was there any better way to kickoff fall then with our Salute to Veterans 5K and our annual Fall Festival and Car Show. It was great to see so many residents partaking in these wonderful events. I think that we really need to thank all the volunteers that made these events possible. Many of the events that take place in town, are due largely to the countless volunteers who work diligently to make sure all the “T’s” are crossed and the “I’s” are dotted to make sure the events are memorable for all. On behalf of all the township residents, I want to thank everyone who helped organize the Salute to Veterans 5K and Fall Fest and Car Show.

The township will be distributing Flue Shots. The Shots will be available on Wednesday October 17 from 12:30 till 2:00 and on Tuesday October 30 from 6:00 to 7:30. The shots will be available at the Chisholm Community Center on both dates. Our Halloween Spooktacular will be held on Sunday October 28th at the Chisholm Community Center. Doors open at 12:30 for costume pre-registration. As many of us know, election season is quickly approaching. Tuesday October 30 is the last day to apply by mail for mail in ballots for the general elections. A candidates night will be held on Monday October 22nd at 7:00 pm in the Courtroom. The month of October is designated as Breast Cancer Awareness month. Finally, our final Farmer’s Market will be held on Monday October 29th. Once again if you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at mayor@springfield-nj.us.

Richard Huber, Mayor 2018

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

CANDIDATES NIGHT!

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

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

INFLUENZA IMMUNIZATIONS for MADISON CHATHAM TWP, SPRINGFIELD AND CRANFORD RESIDENTS

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

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

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TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
Tuesday, October 23 - Regular Meeting 7 p.m.
Monday, November 5 - Regular Meeting 7 p.m.

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
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ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
3rd Monday, 7:00 pm at the Chisholm Community Center

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UNION COUNTY GUN BUY-BACK

On Saturday, October 27, 2018 the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Union County Prosecutor's Office, Union County Sheriff's Office and the Union County Police Department, Elizabeth Police Department and the Plainfield Police Division will co-sponsor a **Gun Buy-Back Program**. This program will be conducted from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. The locations include the Macedonia Baptist Church located in Elizabeth and Visions of God Family Worship Church located in Plainfield. Residents may anonymously turn in a maximum of three firearms and receive cash payment of up to \$250 per weapon.



RECYCLING TIPS



The outer cases of VHS, Betamax and audio cassette tapes are plastic, and at least theoretically recyclable. But you can't just toss the whole thing into a recycling bin. The inner tape is made of a phthalate-laden form of the plastic polyethylene, often sold under the trade name Mylar, which is not recyclable. Green Disk is a company that will responsibly and securely dispose of all your computer-related waste, including spent supplies and obsolete accessories. Visit greendisk.com or call 425.392.8700 for more information and shipping instructions.

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OPENS MEETING WITH BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION

by Jesse Broome

Committee member Maria Vassallo opened the Tuesday October 9 Township Committee Meeting with proclaiming October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month and October 19, 2018, as National Mammography Day. For Vassallo, the subject is personal, having lost her mother to complications of breast cancer, after the disease had metastasized to other organs. Vassallo reiterated how crucial it is for women to get an annual mammogram and Mayor Huber even noted how breast cancer could also affect men.

Deputy Mayor Erica DuBois also read a Proclamation for Mental Awareness Week, which began on October 7. One in five adults experience a mental health issue, and suicide is the tenth leading cause of death in the United States (and second among young adults).

Other announcements during the October 9th meeting included:

- Voter Registration: The last day to register to vote for the upcoming election is Tuesday, October 16. The Township Clerk's Office will be open until 8:00 PM that day.
- Flu Shots: The Chisholm Community Center will be offering free flu shots for residents on Wednesday, October 17, from 12:30 to 2:00 PM and on Tuesday, October 30, from 6:00 to 7:30 PM.
- Candidates' Forum: Hear from the candidates for the Springfield Township Committee on Monday, October 22 at 7:00 PM. The forum will be held in the Courtroom.
- Halloween Spooktacular: The Chisholm Community Center will be hosting a Halloween event for parents and kids on Sunday, October 28. Doors open at 12:30 PM for the costume contest registration.

The Township Committee also updated the public on the search for a new Township Administrator. Over 40 applicants submitted their resumes and the field of candidates has been narrowed down to 12 people, who will be interviewed in the coming weeks. Committee members Chris Capodice and Diana Stampoulos are leading the process and look forward to announcing the new Township Administrator within the next month.

ST. JAMES NATURE AND HIKING CLUB TO TOUR HISTORIC CEMETERIES

A walk through some of the most historical cemeteries in Springfield—just in time for Halloween—will take place on Saturday, October 27 at 2 pm as the St. James Nature and Hiking Club continues its action-packed season. This will be a slow and easy walk and an opportunity to meet other St. James parishioners and fellow Springfielders. The group will gather in the St. James parking lot on South Springfield Avenue and proceed to its first cemetery—on Mountain Avenue—the rest is a Halloween Mystery—to be revealed only to hike participants the day of the walk. Those who wish to participate can call Bob or Joan Faszczewski up to 11 pm on Friday, October 26 at 973-218-0046 or email them at writersgate48@verizon.net.

FLEA MARKET VENDORS SOUGHT

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

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

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SENIOR CITIZENS VISIT JERSEY SHORE OUTLETS



Springfield senior citizens spent a sunny day shopping down the shore at the Jersey Shore Premium Outlets in Tinton Falls on Wednesday, October 3. The popular destination includes 120 stores, outdoor seating, and a food court. Trip was chaperoned by Amefika Gray, Recreation Program Coordinator, and Tony Losito, Senior Citizen Bus Driver.

Is your family walking around
like the living dead?



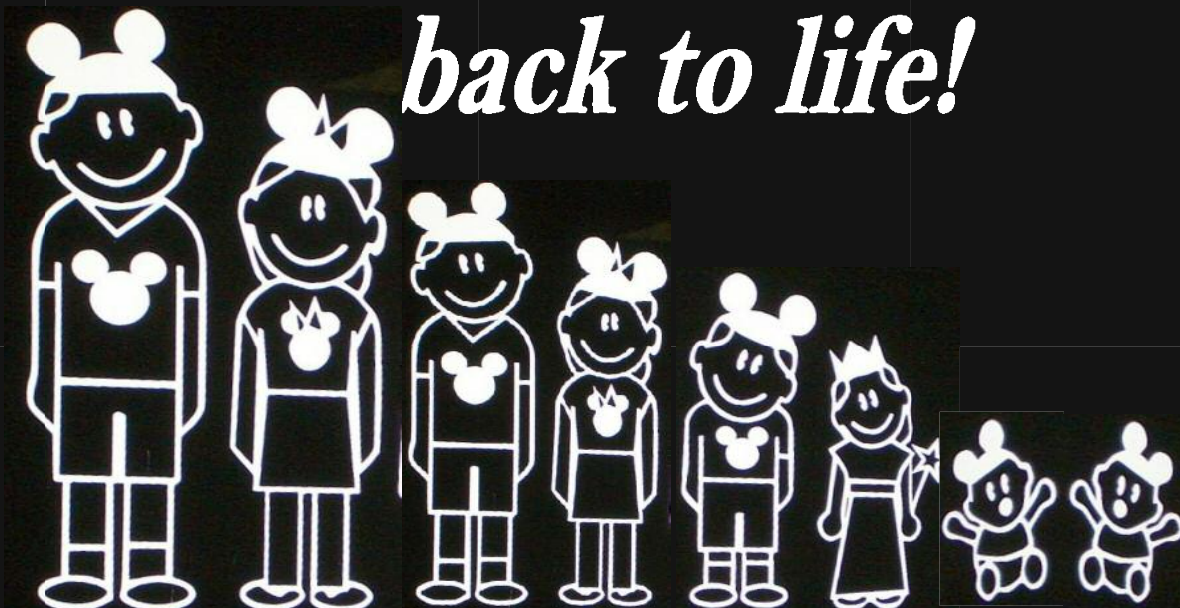
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UNION COUNTY ACROSS THE CENTURIES (FORMERLY FOUR CENTURIES) IS BACK FOR OCTOBER 2018

Once again this year, Springfield is pleased to participate in Union County Across the Centuries (formerly Four Centuries) which is an incredible journey across the sites and with the people and events in Union County which will surprise and enthrall you. On Saturday, Oct.20, and Sunday, Oct 21, all of the historic sites in the county will be open with guidebooks and other materials available at each site for you to plan your journey for the weekend and years to come. For those of you who collect National Park stamps in your passports, both the books and the stamps will be available at each location along with trading cards highlighting the peoples, places, events and inventions that are part of our story.

Here at the Historic Cannon Ball House (126 Morris Avenue, Springfield) we will be open on Saturday from 10 am to 5 pm and Sunday from noon to 4 pm. Before taking a tour of the c.1760 house, children will be able to enjoy games played by children in the 18th century. Tours will feature the history of the house and of the Battle of Springfield (June 23, 1780), the last major battle in the northern colonies of the War for Independence at which the British were defeated. It was during their retreat that village of Springfield was burned but this house was spared. Inside the house we will feature items related to Springfield Celebrations Over the Years, leading up to major celebrations of the 225th Anniversary of the Township itself in 2019.

Please join us! For further information, please call 973 376 4784.

PAIN AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION

Deputy Mayor Erica DuBois read the Township's Proclamation for Pain Awareness Month and then presented a sealed copy to Ashley Campos who suffers from a chronic pain disorder known as Amplified Musculoskeletal Pain Syndrome. Ashley then spoke for a few minutes telling the Committee and audience about her situation. The following are her remarks:

My name is Ashley Campos, and I suffer from a chronic pain disorder known as Amplified Musculoskeletal Pain Syndrome or AMPS.



AMPS "is a medical condition in which an individual develops an abnormal pain reflex. This overactive reflex causes constriction of blood vessels which deprives oxygen to muscles, bones and skin causing lactic acid build-up. As a result, a mild pain signal is then amplified into a very painful one.

Hundreds of people not only suffer from the pain this condition comes with, but from being bullied by their peers since they do not believe that their chronic pain condition is real.

The reason for this is because many come with no visual, exterior evidence for people to see, such as bruises, or cuts, or broken bones; instead people claim that we are "liars" or "crazy" because there is no such thing as the condition we have.

Today I stand in front of you to not only tell you that chronic pain conditions are real but share my experience as someone who suffered from such an awful condition.

The past two years of my life were years I will never forget. They included hundreds of doctor's appointments and therapy trips, x-rays and mri's, blood tests and more; but what there were the most of, was the dreadful crying nights.

For two years, I laid on my couch at night sobbing in excruciating pain, screaming because i could not handle the feeling of my shirt touching my lower back.

Every day, it was the same fight that I had to put up, waking up in the morning struggling to get out of bed and get ready to go to school; followed by putting on an act at school, so all of my friends would not know how I was really feeling; then pushing through to finish my homework, and eventually breaking down when I realized my pain was too much for me to take anymore.

And so, I would lay on my couch with my parents sitting next to me watching me scream in pain, not knowing how to help. And my sister, terrified, not completely understanding what was going on with me at the time.

Today, I would like to share a specific experience that will stick with me forever, to help all of you have a better understanding of my experiences.

In August of 2017, I had begun to reach the worst of my pain, and it will forever be the scariest part of my pain.

One night, after dinner, I began to feel weak and knew one of my flare ups of pain was on its way, however, something about this one was different.

I was having the normal muscle spasms in my back, but now, my legs were beginning to feel weak. Before I knew it, a wall of pain was being put up within my body and taking over all of my bodily functions.

I remember screaming for my mom because my feet felt like there were a trillion needles in them, and my legs felt like there were rocks weighing them down. I remember my mom calling for my dad to come urgently because I was no longer able to hold myself up.

Screaming and crying, my pain only grew worse, and spread further throughout my body. Now, it was taking over my arms and hands. My arms became numb, and I could no longer close my hands, it was like they were stuck in cement.

Terrified my mom and dad did not know what to do, the little girl they once knew running up and down the basketball court and hitting softballs, could now not even stand on her own.

This traumatizing event of mine, will stay with me forever, and will be one of the many reasons i love and appreciate my family and those closest to me. If it was not for them, I would not have been able to make it through the many times I would reach such intense levels of pain.

In addition to that, I am proud to say that after intense physical therapy sessions almost every day of the week, my therapists and I have worked to improve my pain and get me back to the way I used to be. For a year now, I have been going to Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside for intense physical therapy to treat this condition of mine, and with the help of my incredible therapists, who have become more like friends to me, I am happy to say, I am able to do activities I thought I was never going to be able to do again.

I stand here tonight, with intentions to help spread the awareness of horrible conditions like this. With the help of all of you, we can work to raise awareness so that way people feel less alone when suffering from this and feel as though there are people who have the slightest of an understanding towards what they are going through.



Springfield is having a Birthday!!! 225 Years Old! 1794-2019 ESTABLISHED APRIL 14, 1794



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

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TEMPLE SHA'AREY SHALOM, SPRINGFIELD SPEAKER SERIES

Temple Sha'arey Shalom, 78 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, will offer a series of three stimulating and informative speakers in October and November.

- First, on Friday, October 19, Dr. Karen Gaffney, Professor of English at Raritan Valley Community College and author of "Dismantling the Racism Machine", will trace the history of race relations in America starting in Colonial times and provide specific action steps for combating racism.
- On Friday, October 26, Khadijah White, Professor at Rutgers and television journalist, will speak on race, gender and politics in the media. Professor White's articles and commentary have appeared in publications including The Atlantic and the New York Times.
- On Friday, November 2, Rabbi Joshua Goldstein, Rabbi Emeritus of Temple Sha'arey Shalom, will present his annual lecture. His topic this year is "A Tale of Five Shuls". This presentation will revisit his 2010 subject, "The Future of Sha'arey Shalom".

All three topics will be presented as part of Friday evening services at 8:00 pm. Everyone is welcome and no tickets are required. For more information, please call the Temple office at (973) 379-5387.



Fire Chief's Column

Chief Carlo Palumbo

Fire Prevention Week

October 7-13, 2018

"Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware – Fire can happen anywhere."

June 11, 2018 – The latest statistics from the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) show that if you have a reported fire in your home, you are more likely to die today than you were a few decades ago. This startling statistic is behind this year's Fire Prevention Week theme: "Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware - fire can happen anywhere.™" Fire Prevention Week was October 7-13, 2018.

Through three simple calls-to-action, this year's theme identifies basic but essential ways people can reduce their risk to fire and be prepared in the event of one:

- **Look** for places fire can start
- **Listen** for the sound of the smoke alarm
- **Learn** two ways out of each room

Everyone takes safety for granted and are not aware of the risk of fire. Paying attention to your surroundings, looking for available exits in the event of a fire or other emergency, and taking the smoke alarm seriously if it sounds can make a potentially life-saving difference in a fire or other emergency situation."

This year's Fire Prevention Week messages apply to virtually all locations. However, NFPA continues to focus on home fire safety, as the majority of U.S. fire deaths (four out of five) occur at home each year. In fact, the fire death rate (per 1000 home fires reported to the fire department) was 10 percent higher in 2016 than in 1980.

The Fire Service has made significant progress in preventing home fires from happening; these statistics show that there's still much more work to do when it comes to teaching people how to protect themselves in the event of one, and why advance planning is so critically important.

"Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware – fire can happen anywhere." works to remind the public that fires can and do still happen – at home, as well as other locations - and that there are basic but vitally important steps people can take to remain safe.

As the official sponsor of Fire Prevention Week for more than 90 years, NFPA works with local fire departments throughout North America to promote the campaign in their communities and reaches out to the public directly to encourage everyone to take action to be safe.

For a wealth of information and resources about this year's "Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware – fire can happen anywhere." campaign, visit www.firepreventionweek.org.

Springfield Fire Department will get a jump on the message during the month of October, with presentations among classrooms throughout the Township of Springfield. Springfield Firefighters look forward to conducting pumper visits/assemblies for Pre K classes through 3rd grade reinforcing the message of Look, Listen, and Learn.



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FESTIVAL AND CAR SHOW

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The Jersey Central N - Trak Model Railroad Group returned this year with a 20 x 40-foot tent that housed their modular presentation in partnership with the Model Railroad Club of Union. The display was packed with spectators all day long. On the library lawn we had the NASCAR Rock N' Rolls Racing that kept the kids and big kids alike amused all day! There were pony rides and a horse and buggy that gave people a ride around the area, and if you didn't want a horse ride, you could take the trackless train!" Gennifer added, "We had "Etsy" crafters as well as local residents selling goods. There was a book illustrator doing caricatures of people, commercial vendors, political parties, dance studio and martial arts demonstrations (separately!) and the "B Street Band" sponsored by Regal Bank performed while a crowd sat in chairs in Patriot's Park. Springfield's Lot 1 was packed with Festival and Carnival Rides-- "Even bumper cars" note Chamber Co-Chair Mike Scalera.

The day started with over 200 runners in the Annual 5K run that benefited veterans. Food trucks lined Mountain Avenue with long lines for their meals!

Bobby then chimed in, "Let's not forgot our Car

Show, sponsored by Autoland and run by G-Wiz productions which drew in nearly 100 classic cars. Awards were given out for Chambers Choice, Mayor's Choice and many more categories." Chamber Co-Chairman Scott Seidel noted that Tom Malinowski a 2018 Democratic candidate seeking election to the U.S. House of Representatives stopped by to check out the Festival and walked the Festival speaking to residents. Members of the Springfield Township Committee were on hand working the booths for their respective party candidates for Township Committee.

Before the Festival even started, while the vendors were setting up, the County of Union and Veterans Association conducted a 5K run through the Festival and over to Meisel Ave and back over to Mountain Ave. There was also a "Fun Run" as well as the 5K. The New Jersey Veterans Network was honored to host its 2nd annual 5k run and Award ceremony. This year we had over 250 runners and raised money for our PTSD mobile outreach program. Also, we were able to honor 21 veterans from each union municipality a ceremony shadowbox.

After the 5K, trophies were awarded by race organizers Steve Marcus and Mike Boll. At the conclusion of the race awards, beautiful commemorative display boxes acknowledging one veteran from

each town in the county were given to veterans who were in attendance. Abraham stated in conclusion: "This was our largest Festival undertaking to date, putting a 5K run, Veteran Awards, Car show, craft and commercial vendors, food and rides and games for kids, model railroad exhibit and much more in one package on the same day! This would not have been possible without the help and cooperation of the Township of Springfield, Township

Committee, Springfield Emergency Management, Springfield Police Department, Auxiliary Police, Fire Department and First Aid squad, Springfield Department of Public Works, The County of Union and Union County Freeholders, Sergeant Mike Boll of the Union Police Department and Union

County Police & Union County Sheriff, Hillside and Union Auxiliary Police Officers, Wolf Premier Properties and Lucas Wolf, Autoland, Regal Bank. Stew Leonard's Wines and Liquors and of course the organization that coordinates the whole thing, The Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce. Gennifer and I are truly grateful to everyone in Town who helped make "Festival Day" a huge success." They noted that next year, "Festival Day" will be annouced in the Patriot at a later date--stay tuned!



B Street Band



Bumper Car Fun



Springfield FMBA



Trucks and Boats



Tom Malinowski, NJ Congressional candidate (left) and Union County Freeholder Bruce Bergen (center) talk to residents at the Festival.



Jennifer Delgado received a car from the Veterans Organization. This was the seventh car they donated this year. Jennifer, a 10 year veteran, was in need of a car and could not afford one. On hand with Jennifer and her children for the presentation were, Freeholder Alexandra Mirabella (3rd from left), Union County Freeholder Chairman Sergio Granados (4th from left), Michael Boll, Veterans Coordinator (2nd from right) and Union County Freeholder Bruce Bergen (right). The car was donated by Geico and was restored by Sons' Auto in Cranford NJ



Our Hometown Heroes



Hometown Hero Car Trophy Awarded to John Sommer (right)



Springfield PBA



Springfield OEM Volunteers

Township of
Springfield, New Jersey
County of Union

**HOMETOWN HEROES
PUB NIGHT**

*A fundraiser project to honor and recognize local veterans and
benefit the New Jersey Veterans Network, a 501(c)3 dedicated to helping veterans in need.*

Springfield Elks Lodge
80 Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081

Friday, October 19, 2018
7 p.m. – 10 p.m.

Buffet Dinner & \$3 Drink Specials
Adults - \$30 / Children \$5

5K RUN, FESTIVAL AND CAR SHOW PHOTOS



Don Lusardi (right) with Car Show Organizer George Withers of G-Wiz (center) and Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce Co-Chair Scott Seidel (right)



Monte Ehrenkranz of Regal Bank - Music Sponsor



Lucas Wolf (center) and his team - Festival Sponsor



Union County Veterans Receive Awards



Best 3 wheel motorcycle.



Patriot Assistant Editor John Cottage and family enjoy the festival.

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Fall/Winter Sports Programs

Springfield Recreation Dept
All programs take place at Chisholm Park

SCHOOLS OUT CAMPS

Class Name	Day	Date	Time	Age	Price
Multi Sports Camps	Tue	11/6/2018 to 11/6/2018	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM	5 - 11	\$54
Multi Sports Camps	Thu-Fri	11/8/2018 to 11/9/2018	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM	5 - 11	\$89
Soccer Camp	Wed-Fri	12/26/2018 to 12/28/2018	9:00 AM to 4:00 PM	5 - 11	\$115
Soccer Camp	Thurs-Fri	12/27/2018 to 12/28/2018	9:00 AM to 4:00 PM	5 - 11	\$100

WEEKLY SQUIRTS CLASSES

Class Name	Day	Date	Time	Age	Price
Senior Soccer Squirts	Sat	1/12/2019 to 3/2/2019	9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	5 - 6	\$154
Soccer Squirts	Sat	1/12/2019 to 3/2/2019	10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	3 - 5	\$154
Parent & Me Soccer Squirts	Sat	1/12/2019 to 3/2/2019	11:00 AM to 12:00 PM	2 - 3	\$154

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

SQUIRTS MULTI SPORTS: Try a new sport in each session of the program including lacrosse, soccer, basketball, t-ball, track & field, hockey, and flag football!

PARENT & ME MULTI SPORTS: Try out a variety of sports with a helping hand from Mom or Dad! Sports covered include soccer, lacrosse, t-ball, & more.

Community Parent & Group Discount Program
Want to go to class for free? Well this is the way! Visit our website for full details.

USsportsInstitute.com
(866) 345-BALL

RUNNING CLUB Fall 2018 • Grades K-8th

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

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

Session 2:

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

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

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

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

PRIVATE PARTY ROOMS AVAILABLE

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

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

Call Recreation Department (973) 912-2227

SPRINGFIELD RECREATION YOUTH BASKETBALL

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

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

You are registering your child for LEAGUE PLAY, which consists of in-person player evaluations, weekly practices, one game per weekend, and playoffs.

PRACTICES: Weekly practices will start in early November (depending on teams and coaches).

Registration Deadline: Friday, October 19, 2018

Fees

- League Play: \$110 payable to Township of Springfield
Includes: jersey, game officials, time clock operators/scorekeepers, coaching instruction, equipment
- Pink Zone: \$30 payable to Springfield Basketball Association
Includes: commemorative t-shirt, coach-led skills clinic

CLINIC PLAY 2019 Pre-K – 2nd Grades

Youth Basketball is comprised of programs for Springfield children from Pre K-8th grades, and consists of clinic play for younger children (Pre-K-2nd grades), recreation teams (3rd-8th grades), and travel teams (4th-8th grades).

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

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

A maximum of 30 players are allowed in each Clinic Play group. Clinic Play groups are:

Pre-K @ 10:00-10:45 am K @ 10:50-11:35 am Girls 1st-2nd Grade @ 11:40 am-12:40 pm
Boys 1st Grade @ 12:45-1:45 pm Boys 2nd Grade @ 1:50-2:50 pm

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

Fees:

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

Three ways to register.

- Online with Visa, Mastercard, or Discover (\$0 processing fee): <https://register.communitypass.net/springfield>
- In person with credit card, cash, check, or money order: Springfield Recreation Department, Chisholm Community Center, 100 South Springfield Avenue. Weekdays @ 8:00 am-6:00 pm.
- By mail with check or money order: Springfield Recreation Department, Chisholm Community Center, 100 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081

CHISHOLM PARKING LOT EXPANDS



Construction is nearing completion on the expansion of the Chisholm Community Center parking lot. The project includes: creation of a new parking lot in front of the building along South Springfield Avenue (pictured) with twelve angled spaces, new striping, new curbing, and new landscaping; and reconstruction of the parking lot in the rear of the building with milling, paving, and some new curbing, new striping, and a net gain of three spaces. The project -- coordinated by the Engineering, Public Works, and Recreation departments -- came in response to the growing usage of the Chisholm Community Center after the renovations to the senior citizen wing in 2013 and youth wing in 2015, and the addition of permanent softball field lighting at Chisholm Park in 2017.

INTERESTED IN SCRAPBOOKING?

The Recreation Department hosts a scrapbooking meet-up at Chisholm Community Center on one Saturday per month. If you are interested in learning more about the art and hobby of 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.

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

Monday, October 22 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm
 Tuesday, October 23 - Cards @ 11:30 am
 Thursday, October 25 - Club birthday bash luncheon @ 12:00 pm (RSVP)
 Friday, October 26 - Shape UP @ 11:00 am, Cards @ 1:00 pm
 Monday, October 29 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm
 Tuesday, October 30 - Bus trip to South Mountain Reservation @ 10:30 am (RSVP), Cards @ 11:30 am, Flu Clinic @ 6:00 pm
 Thursday, November 1 - Bus trip to Livingston Mall @ 10:30 am (RSVP)
 Friday, November 2 - Walk Talk Tone @ 11:00 am, Cards @ 1:00 pm
 Monday, November 5 - Computer Training with Mike @ 11:00 am, Bingo @ 12:30 pm
 Wednesday, November 7 - Bus trip to Delicious Orchards @ 10:00 am (RSVP), Cards @ 11:30 am
 Thursday, November 8 - Club monthly meeting @ 11:00 am
 Friday, November 9 - Stretch & Meditation @ 11:00 am, Cards @ 1:00 pm
 Tuesday, November 13 - Cards @ 11:30 am, Bingo @ 12:30 pm
 Wednesday, November 14 - Define & Sculpt @ 11:00 am
 Thursday, November 15 - Bus trip to Sands Casino @ 10:00 am (RSVP)
 Friday, November 16 - Shape UP @ 11:00 am, Cards @ 1:00 pm

POOL PROJECTS CONTINUE IN OFF-SEASON



Although the Springfield Community Pool's swimming areas closed on Labor Day, private parties have been held in the new year-round multi-purpose room and various projects have been underway to prepare for the 2019 season. Projects include: installation of two new shade canopies (pictured), mounting of a permanent decorative clock, exterior water line upgrades to the new building, reseeding of several grass areas, purchase of two new picnic tables for the covered snack bar pavilion, installation of window shades in several rooms and offices, mounting of two permanent benches in the front covered portico, and filter building pipe repairs. Additional projects will take place during the winter and spring in anticipation of opening the pool on Memorial Day Weekend in May.

CHISHOLM PLAYGROUND EXPANSION OPENS

Thanks to a \$25,470 Union County Level the Playing Field grant award, the Township unveiled an expansion to the Chisholm Park playground in September. The new play elements are ADA accessible and are designed to especially benefit residents with special sensory and physical needs. The expansion is fully integrated into the existing playground and includes a shaded canopy, musical play structure, rain wheel, crazy maze panel, market play window, cog wheel, paddle ball panel, climbing hole, sprocket panel, entry ramp, and certified woodcarpet. According to Adam Lieb, Director of Recreation, "Chisholm Park was chosen for this important project because it is large, heavily-utilized, and centrally-located. We believe that in order to have a truly inclusive play space, the new play elements should be located where many children can play together, in an effort to diminish the stigma often attributed to individuals with special needs. The completion of this expansion project -- which we hope will continue into 2019 with additional inclusive play elements for special needs residents -- will have a significant impact on our community."



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

Springfield Recreation Department Halloween Spooktacular

Sunday, October 28, 2018

Chisholm Community Center – 100 South Springfield Ave.

EVENTS OF THE DAY

12:30 pm: Doors open for costume contest pre-registration

1:00-1:30 pm: Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce

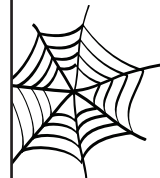
Costume Contest Prizes awarded at 1:30 pm

2:30-3:00 pm: John the VENTRILOQUIST SHOW

1:00-2:30 pm: We will be having a PHOTO BOOTH as well as a

BALLOON ARTIST and JUGGLER.

We will also have a craft table with fun Halloween-themed crafts, ghoulish bowling, temporary tattoos, guessing jar, give-aways, and other ghoulish activities!



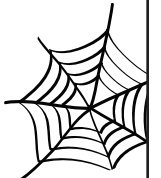
EVENTS & PRIZES CO-SPONSORED BY:

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ADULT SPORTS LEAGUES MEN'S OPEN PLAY 35+ BASKETBALL

This is a non-competitive program for players ages 35 and older.

Basketball will be held on most Wednesdays at Jonathan Dayton High School from 7:00-9:00 pm and on most Sundays at Florence Gaudineer Middle School from 8:00-10:00 am.

PROGRAM RUNS SEPTEMBER 2018 - AUGUST 2019

Open to Springfield residents and non-residents who were previously enrolled.

WOMEN'S OPEN PLAY 21+ VOLLEYBALL

This is a non-competitive program open only to players ages 21 and older who are Springfield residents.

Volleyball will be held on Tuesdays from September 2018 to August 2019

from 8:00-10:00 pm, at the Chisholm Community Center Lee Adler Memorial Gymnasium.

You will be notified in advance of gym closures due to holidays, inclement weather, or scheduling conflicts.

FEE: \$25 REGISTRATION FORM, COPY OF DRIVER'S LICENSE, AND FEE ARE DUE PRIOR TO YOUR FIRST DAY FOR ALL ABOVE PROGRAMS

Register in person or by mail to:

Springfield Recreation Department Chisholm Community Center

100 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield (973) 912-2227 (973) 912-8584 fax

www.springfield-nj.us/recreation • Email recreation@springfield-nj.us

FREE TEEN DROP-IN

Who: Springfield residents in 6th-12th grades

What: Basketball, volleyball, lounge games, TV, quiet study supervised by Recreation Dept. staff

Where: Chisholm Community Center, 100 South Springfield Ave

When: Monday-Friday (closed municipal holidays) 2:30-8:00 pm

How: Handbook, registration form, photo ID

Contact: (973) 912-2227, recreation@springfield-nj.us

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Township of Springfield
Recreation Department

Holiday Celebration

2018

Wednesday, December 5th @ 5:00-8:00 pm
(rain/snow date Thursday, December 6th)

Town Hall Lawn, North and South Trivett Avenues



Springfield Recreation Department Bus Trip

Sands Casino

Casino, Restaurants, Outlet Shopping

Thursday, November 15, 2018

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

\$30 per person

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

Make checks payable to: Springfield Recreation Department
Chisholm Community Center, 100 South Springfield Avenue

Includes: Round-trip coach bus transportation, driver gratuity, chaperone, morning snack,
\$20 slot free play (photo ID required), \$5 food coupon. **Questions: (973) 912-2227**



SENIORS ROCK OUT AT PNC BANK ARTS CENTER



On Thursday, September 20th, Springfield senior citizens traveled by bus to the PNC Bank Arts Center in Holmdel for a concert by Vinnie Medugno and the Jersey Sound band. The spirited concert was one of three presented free this fall exclusively for senior citizen residents of the state. The trip was chaperoned by Amefika Gray, recreation program coordinator, and Tony Losito, senior citizen bus driver.



FREE SENIOR CITIZEN BUS SERVICE

Please call (973) 912-2227 between 8:00-9:00 am on the morning of your transportation need.
Bus service is unavailable on municipal holidays and days of certain bus trips.

The bus service runs from 9:00 am-4:00 pm. The bus is equipped with a passenger lift for wheelchairs. Other riders should be able to board and depart the bus independently.



Police Chief's Column

Chief John P. Cook

HALLOWEEN SAFETY

Since Halloween is right around the corner, I thought it would be best to utilize this month's column to remind readers of the Springfield Patriot Times about the importance of staying safe while enjoying Halloween festivities. I encourage all community members to follow the safety tips below to help make sure everyone has a safe and pleasant time on Halloween.

Parents should always accompany young children while they are trick-or-treating. Older children may be able to go by themselves, but they should always stay in a group with friends, use a pre-planned route, and have an agreed time to 'check in' with their family. Also, having a flashlight, glow stick, cell phone, and possibly even a first aid kit is a good idea while trick-or-treating. Costumes should be bright and contain reflective strips, and should be made of flame-retardant material. Long trailing fabric could pose a tripping hazard or even a fire hazard, as some people use candles in jack-o-lanterns. Make sure that any costumes with masks do not limit a child's ability to see ahead of them and all around them. Also, toy guns may look real in the dark, so costumes should not contain toy weapons of any kind.

While trick-or-treating, children should never be allowed to enter a person's home, unless it is a very close friend or relative. Parents should inspect all candy their children receive, and discard any unwrapped items or treats that look questionable. Children should not be allowed to eat any treat that hasn't been checked first. Any candy that appears to have been tampered with should be reported to the police department immediately.

Trick-or-treaters should respect their neighborhoods. Although it may seem like fun, 'mischief' such as smashing pumpkins, 'egging', and spray painting are all illegal activities that damage a person's property and could subject you to summonses, fines, and other serious penalties. Parents should remind their children to be thoughtful of others when taking candy left at a front door and to not deliberately damage or take any items such as decorations from homes along their trick or treating route.

Drivers should be extra careful and cautious when heading out on Halloween, and expect to contend with large groups of children racing from house to house for treats. Drivers must remember that children will be excited and may be less cautious while walking. They should anticipate children crossing the streets randomly, and possibly darting out from between parked vehicles. Before dusk and all evening, drivers should proceed slowly and with lights on in order to see children in costumes. Drivers should not use their cellular phones, unless equipped with a hands-free connection.

For those of you who won't be venturing out for trick-or-treating, and if you anticipate children coming to your home, please do not use external decorations that are illuminated with candles, especially at your front door or along paths on which children would walk. Glow sticks or battery operated candles are much safer alternatives. Also, keep in mind that household pets may become irritated from the added excitement of children coming and going, so care should be taken to keep pets in a safe and secure area while you answer the door. (Also remember to secure the candy treats in your home so your pets cannot get at them as many types of Halloween treats can be poisonous if eaten by cats and dogs).

For added safety, there will be an increased police presence throughout the town, especially in residential areas. Police officers will be patrolling in both marked and unmarked police vehicles, but all officers will wear full police uniforms for safety reasons. If you see anything suspicious or out of the ordinary, don't hesitate to call the police department or flag down a passing police officer to report it.

By simply understanding and following these suggested safety tips you can help in making Halloween both a fun and safe experience for our children.

Please stop by the Springfield Police Department or catch one of our Officers on the streets for a glow stick, necklace or bracelet while you're out trick-or-treating.

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Springfield Free Public Library

66 Mountain Avenue, Springfield
973-376-4930

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

----- REGULAR LIBRARY HOURS -----

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday

10:00 am – 9:00 pm

Tuesday, Friday, Saturday

10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Sunday 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

The Library will be closed on Monday,
November 12 in observance of Veterans Day.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Pre-School Power!:

Monday October 22 and 29 at 4:15 pm

Mother Goose Group: Selected dates at 10:30 am.
Tuesday October 16, Wednesday October 24, Thurs-
day October 18, Friday October 26.

Little Monsters Halloween Bop!: Mother Goose
Group all dressed up for Halloween.
Wednesday, October 31 at 10:30 am.

Family Craft: Wednesday, October 17.
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Crafty Friday: Friday 26.
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Bingo: October 30.
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Monster Mash: Halloween party for children 5-9.
Saturday, October 27 at 11 am.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Now through November 8
Art Show: drawings by Yelena Piatigorsky.

November 11 - December 27
Art Show: Maria Burns - mixed media.

Friday, October 19, November 2, 16 and 30
Chair Yoga 12:30 pm.

Wednesday, October 17, 7:00 pm
“The Science Behind Weather Forecasting”
presented by Fios1 News meteorologist Joe Cioffi.

Thursday, November 1st, 7:00 pm
DAR & SAR present historical research tools.

Sunday, November 4, 2:00 pm
“Songs of the American West” performed by Marc
Berger.

DISCUSSIONS and WRITING

Thursdays, October 18, 10:00 am
Great Books: “Lysistrata” by Aristophanes.

Thursdays, October 25 & November 8
Memoir Writing Group 10:00 am.

Thursday, November 4th, 7:00 pm
Really Good Book discussion: “An Extraordinary
Life: Josephine E. Jones” by Wendy Jones.

Thursdays, November 15, 10:00 am
Great Books: “Poetry” by Phyllis Wheatley.

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

FILMS

Thursday, October 18, 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
International Film: “13 Minutes” (2015).
In German with English subtitles.

Monday, October 22, 1:00 pm Lunchtime
Film: “Victoria & Abdul” (2017).
Starring Judy Dench.

Monday, November 5, 1:00 pm Lunchtime Film:
“Logan Lucky” (2017). Starring Channing Tatum &
Adam Driver.

Thursday, November 15, 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
International Film: “Truman” (2015). In Spanish
with English subtitles.

HOBBIES AND INFORMATION

Every Monday at 7:00 pm

Scrabble - Bring a friend or meet new opponents!

Every Monday, 6:15 pm to 8:00 pm Canasta Club.

Every Tuesday Afternoon Mahjong Club.
1:30 pm to 4:00 pm.

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

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

Every Thursday at 7:00 pm Chess Club.

Every first Saturday of the month, 11:30 am
Needle Crafts and Fiber Arts.

INSTRUCTION

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

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

“THE ART OF CROSSWORD PUZZLE CONSTRUCTION” TO BE PRESENTED AT SPRINGFIELD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY OCTOBER 29

Crossword puzzle constructor Ruth Margolin will present
“The Art of Crossword Puzzle Construction” in the Donald
B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library
at 7:00 PM on Monday, October 29. The program will
cover the entire process of making of a puzzle, focusing on
each of the elements of a puzzle’s structure from concept
to completion.

Although a relative newcomer to the field of crossword
puzzle construction, Mrs. Margolin has already had eight
puzzles published in The New York Times, including three
Sunday puzzles. In addition, she has had one puzzle
published in The Wall Street Journal and – on a lighter note
– she has constructed a puzzle for a commercially available
crossword mug and for a college alumni publication. She
was also invited to participate in a national group of women
constructors creating a puzzle packet to raise funds for
women’s causes. Mrs. Margolin is a former educational
administrator who now spends her time involved in
intensive volunteer work in the community and she writes
puzzles as a hobby. With a love of words and an empty
nest, she enjoys the creativity of making puzzles, and she
gets a kick out of the conversations that result from her
unusual response to the inevitable small talk question: “So,
what do you do?”

This program is free and open to all members of the
general public. More information about the library can be
found at www.springfieldpubliclibrary.com.

WESTFIELD WEAVERS DEMONSTRATE THEIR SKILLS ALL DAY ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3, AT THE SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY

The Springfield Free Public Library is pleased to welcome
back the members of the Westfield Weavers Guild for a day
of fiber craft demonstrations from 10:00 AM to 3:30 PM
on Saturday, November 3. The Guild was formed in 1947
for the purpose of establishing a cooperative learning
environment with a free exchange of weaving information
and where there could be a mutual encouragement of
efforts by the members to both improve their skills and to
expand their knowledge of weaving and the fiber arts. The
demonstrations will take place throughout the day in the
Donald B. Palmer Museum. More information about the
Westfield Weavers Guild can be found at <http://westfield-weavers.org/>. Items made by guild members will also be
available for sale on the day of the demonstrations.

More information about the library can be found at
www.springfieldpubliclibrary.com.

MARC BERGER TO PERFORM MUSIC INSPIRED BY THE AMERICAN WEST AT SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Springfield Free Public Library is pleased to welcome
back singer/songwriter Marc Berger in a performance of
music inspired by the American West to be held at 2:00 PM
on Sunday, November 4. “Ride,” a collection of ten songs
inspired by Berger’s travels to obscure Western locales and
which connect the myths of the American West to contem-
porary culture will be featured at this performance.

Berger’s extensive experience as a performer includes
performances at such New York City clubs as The Knitting
Factory, CBGB and Wetlands as well as at Austin’s South
by Southwest Music Festival and the Kerryville Folk
Festival. He has opened for Bob Dylan and other national
acts and his song “The Last One” was regularly performed
in concert by Richie Havens.

This performance is free and open to all members of the
general public. More information about the library can be
found at www.springfieldpubliclibrary.com or by visiting
the library on Facebook. More information about Marc
Berger can be found at <http://marcbergermusic.com>.

SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY, DAR & SAR TO PRESENT HISTORICAL RESEARCH WORKSHOP ON NOV 1

Members of the public are invited to attend a workshop on
historical research tools and methods at 7:00 PM on
Thursday, November 1, sponsored jointly by the Spring-
field Free Public Library, the Daughters of the American
Revolution - Church and Cannon Chapter, and Crane’s
Ford Chapter and the Sons of the American Revolution,
West Fields Chapter. Guest speaker Paul Savage will focus
on using historical thinking skills in research; using
advanced Google search tools to narrow historical investi-
gations; using the State of New Jersey archives; and
exploring the assets of the David Library of the American
Revolution. All four tools can help researchers mine
information related to the Morris County Militia.

Paul Savage is a teacher of Advanced Placement United
States History and Advanced Placement Capstone Seminar
at the Academy for Information Technology in Scotch
Plains. He has been at the school since 2006. Before teach-
ing, Savage was as a journalist for the Princeton Packet and
the Trenton Times. He is a resident of Carversville, Pa.
Savage said his interest in the Morris County Militia began
when his late cousin Bill Savage completed their family
history. Two of their ancestors, Samuel Freeman and Caleb
Tuttle, were in the militia. His cousin traced their family
history to the English settlement of Elizabethtown in
1666. Savage grew up in Kearny, N.J., attended Rutgers
University and has a master’s degree in education from
Seton Hall University.

This program is free and open to all members of the
general public. More information about the library can be
found at www.springfieldpubliclibrary.com.

SEPTEMBER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING



Scalera speaks about redevelopment



Seidel, Michael Graziano (sponsor) and Scalera

The Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce met on Thursday morning September 27 at Sofia's Restaurant in Springfield. The meeting was sponsored by Michael Graziano of Prime Time Mortgage Company. This was the first Chamber meeting after the summer break and there was much to report. The meeting was attended by about 25 members. Chamber and Business Improvement District Co-Chairs Mike Scalera and Scott Seidel commented on redevelopment and that the owners of the "Lyons" building should be applying for, and receiving their demolition permit in October. The building will be demolished from the rear moving forward towards the street. Scalera commented on the "Century 21" building project at Morris Avenue Mountain and noted there will be a Planning Board hearing on the project next week. It was also noted that the Wawa project is moving forwards and Chipotle opened today on Morris Avenue. Acting Business Administrator and Police Chief John Cook echoed their sentiments and commented to Seidel that "I am very pleased with the progress with Redevelopment we have been making in recent months". July 4th, the Free Summer Concert and the upcoming Street Festival and Car show were discussed as well. Michael Graziano, the sponsor of today's meeting made a presentation on his company Prime Time Mortgage and commented on a 3% down mortgage that his company is offering. Seidel and Scalera recognized Bobby and Gennifer Abraham for their work on the Street Festival and Card show and invited everyone to attend this Sunday.

SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY TO PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL INDIE AUTHOR DAY OCTOBER 13

The Springfield Free Public Library will participate in the third international Indie Author Day from 1:00 to 4:00 PM on Saturday, October 13. The purpose of this event is to celebrate the accomplishments of independently published authors while providing a venue for networking, readings, and discussion. The library is pleased to provide a platform to the following authors (in alphabetical order):

J. R. Bale is the author of *Phoenix in the Middle of the Night*, a work of political fiction, as well as a science fiction novel, *Cognition Chronicles: The Redstone Legacy*. When not writing books, he is a marketing consultant and college professor. In addition, Mr. Bale provides marketing consulting services for fellow authors and is a founding member of Page Bound Success.

Denise Devone is the author of *The Night of the Mon Key Moon: An Instrumental*, a collection of reproductions of paintings she has done. Her paintings have been exhibited in Japan, Hawaii and California as well as in her home state of New Jersey and her work can be found in museums, private and corporate collections. Ms. Devone is the recipient of an NJSCA fellowship and is an adjunct professor of visual arts at the County College of Morris and a teacher of both art and music at Good Shepherd Academy in Nutley.

Vivian Fransen is a writer, editor and proofreader who has published dozens of feature stories for New Jersey newspapers and magazines. Her book, *The Straight Spouse: A Memoir*, is a love story about a young woman who is married to a man who turns out to be gay and how she deals with the truth in unexpected ways. She has a passion for well-crafted memoirs and invites readers looking for more information to visit www.straightspouse-memoir.com

Shirley George Frazier is a gift basket expert whose book, *Getting Into Gift Baskets*, shares the author's secret for combining creativity with a fun business. Ms. Frazier has more than 28 years of experience in this field and has appeared on the Food Network, CNBC, and the Discovery Channel.

Francine Garson's debut novel, *Things*, is the story of a young professional woman who rents a secret apartment in order to accommodate her obsession with collecting and hoarding the relics of her childhood. After getting caught in a web of omissions and lies by a boyfriend with his own secret, she learns that Hurricane Sandy is headed directly for both of her apartments at the Jersey Shore. The author's work has appeared in a number of print and on-line publications.

Wendy Jones, a Springfield resident for 30 years, but originally from Harlem in New York City, will read from her book, *An Extraordinary Life: Josephine E. Jones*. The book is a biography of her mother, a South Carolina sharecropper's daughter born in 1920, who, in the 1960s, becomes the first black woman in a management position at a Fortune 500 company. Ms. Jones will also discuss the process of becoming a self-published author.

SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY TO HOST METEOROLOGIST JOE CIOFFI ON OCTOBER 17

The Springfield Free Public Library will offer a program by Fios1 News New Jersey meteorologist Joe Cioffi at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, October 17, to take place in the library's Palmer Museum. Having been a weather forecaster for New Jersey and the tristate area for more than thirty years, Cioffi will discuss the science behind weather forecasting, including snow forecasting which Cioffi considers to be his specialty. Cioffi can be seen on Fios1 News New Jersey each weekday evening and also occasionally on WPIX-TV in New York City. He also offers daily forecasts on his website, www.meteorologistjocioffi.com and presents livestream weather videos daily on both Facebook and YouTube. Previously, Cioffi spent fifteen years as the weather forecaster for New Jersey 101.5 radio.

This program is free and open to all members of the general public. More information about the library and its activities can be found at www.springfieldpubliclibrary.com.

SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION GROUP RESUMES SEPTEMBER 20

Upcoming meetings of the Great Books Discussion Group of the Springfield Free Public Library are scheduled for the following Thursday mornings:

- October 18 – *Lysistrata*, by Aristophanes
- November 15 – *Poetry*, by Phyllis Wheatley
- December 20 – *Walden* (Chapter 1), by Henry David Thoreau

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

SPRINGFIELD ROTARY AND SPRINGFIELD HOPE TO DISTRIBUTE TURKEYS

In late November, The Rotary Club of Springfield New Jersey in conjunction with Springfield HOPE will be distributing 20 Turkeys, donated by Stew Leonards, in addition to all the fixings for a complete thanksgiving meal and staples for the home. Recipients are chosen by Springfield HOPE and most of the groceries are purchased through donations by Rotary members, and the general Rotary funds. If you would like to contribute funds toward the project, you can send checks payable to "the rotary club of Springfield" and mail them to PO Box 1333, Springfield NJ 07081. If you have any questions about the project: Call 973.564.5885

FOUR SPRINGFIELD LETTER CARRIERS ARE MILLION MILERS

How do you drive a million miles in Springfield? Read on! Surrounded by co-workers, four Springfield NJ letter carriers were recognized today for more than three decades of accident free driving at a special ceremony in the Main Post Office on Mountain Avenue. The highlight of the early morning event was the presentation of the National Safety Council's prestigious Million Mile Award. The award is presented to professional drivers for operating a motor vehicle on the job for more than one million miles without a preventable accident. Reaching this unique milestone requires 30+ years of service and an unwavering attention to safety.

The four Springfield Million Milers include: James Birch (35 yrs.), Jose Cabrales (33 yrs.), Rich Castore (31 yrs.), and Shelia Pierce (31 yrs.).

Among those senior postal, municipal, and carrier union officials recognizing the four safety conscious carriers were Springfield Postmaster Julianne LoPiccolo, Springfield Police Chief and Acting Business Administrator John Cook, USPS Northern New Jersey District Manger Eric Henry, USPS Northern New Jersey District Post Office Operations Manager Mark Hernandez, and National Association of Letter Carriers Branch #38 Executive Vice President Dan Szuchs, and National Association of Letter Carriers Branch #38 Area Representative Armando Pedreira.

To put this achievement into perspective, you would have to travel around the earth 40.1 times to cover one million miles. The presentation of the National Safety Council's Million Mile Award reflects the Postal Service's commitment to safety and pride in its employees who provide excellent service, while safeguarding themselves and the neighborhoods they serve.

USPS Northern New Jersey District Manger Eric Henry opened the presentation by commenting on the incredible accomplishment this represents, that these individuals do not take short cuts and follow safety regulations all the time. USPS Vice President Dan Szuchs echoed those sentiments and stressed how important it is to adhere to the safety rules. Chief Cook noted that the USPS workers are extra eyes and ears for the Police department and that a few years back they called in a suspicious vehicle in a neighborhood and it helped the Police solve a home invasion. Each recipient then had an opportunity to speak. Rich Castore thanked the Post Office for providing valuable safety classes and training, James Birch said that he always takes his time and only proceeds if he is 100% sure when making turns, Jose said he follows the rules which help him be safe and Sheila says "God is in my life and I watch out for children".



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