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## Message from the Mayor

During our February 28 township meeting, Harry Delgado, Program Manager for the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police, presented Chief John Cook with a framed certificate, acknowledging the reaccreditation of the Springfield Police Department. Mr. Delgado noted that there were only 200 agencies that have been accredited and far less have been reaccredited. On behalf of the Township of Springfield, I would like to congratulate Chief Cook and all the members of the Springfield Police force for all their great work keeping us all safe! Also congratulations to Robbie Boettcher for completing his 40th year working for the DPW and Sam Mardini for completing his 25th year working in our Engineering Department. The Springfield Library has continued to do a wonderful job servicing the needs of our resident. Some upcoming events at the library are on Thursday March 8 at 4:00 pm the will host the Jonathan Dayton High School Art Fair and on Sunday March 11 at 2:00 pm the will be holding a

Dr. Seuss Read Across America event.

Township Committeewomen Maria Vassallo read a proclamation designating March as American Red Cross month here in the Township, Karen Cella, a volunteer member with the Red Cross accepted the proclamation. Our Morris Avenue redevelopment project is currently waiting for permits from the State of New Jersey to begin demolition and construction. The Business Improvement District is continuing with their Beautification Project, working their way up Mountain Avenue to Route 22. Once again if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at mayor@springfield-nj.us.

*Richard Huber, Mayor 2018*



*Deputy Mayor Erica DuBois and Business Administrator Ziad Shehady with JCP&L crews assembling outside the Waverly Substation on Friday afternoon to continue restoration work.*



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Monday, April 9 Workshop

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

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

### BOARD OF HEALTH

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### RENT LEVELING BOARD

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

### RECREATION COUNCIL

Contact Recreation Department For Next Meeting Date and Time

### ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

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

### LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

2nd Thursday, 7:00 pm at the Library

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### GIRL SCOUT TROOP #40610 MET WITH THE WALTON SCHOOL PRINCIPAL ON FEBRUARY 8 FOR A BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR OF THE OFFICE AND INTERVIEW WITH THE PRINCIPAL DR. COPPOLA



(l to r) Kailyn Rentiers, Dr. Coppola, Taylor Tripet, Julia Brendell, Chelsea Ioshpa, Abigail Munshine, Maggie Hildebrand, Avital Kandel. Front: Emma Brendell, Noa Kandel.

### TEMPLE SHA'AREY SHALOM, SPRINGFIELD, OFFERS A CELEBRATION OF JEWISH BOOKS

On Sunday, March 25, from 11am-2pm, Temple Sha'arey Shalom, in Springfield will offer a celebration of Jewish books. Admission is free. The event will include a sale of a wide selection of Jewish books for all ages, including many Haggadahs that are 'easy to read.' Gerald Fierst, a professional storyteller and author who has worked in film, television and theater, will be doing two storytelling sessions, one for 4-8 year olds and one for everyone 9 years old and above! There will also be a story reading for 1-3 year olds.

Richard Squires, a local author and freelance writer, whose fiction has appeared in The MacGuffin, the Jewish Literary Journal, Upender: Art of Consequence, and Gemini Magazine, will be reading one of his stories followed by a brief discussion. The event will include a demonstration of how to make Sephardic Charosis in anticipation of Passover. Lunch will be available for purchase. For more information, please call the temple at (973) 379-5387.

### SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY TO OFFER MUSIC OF IRELAND AND SCOTLAND ON MARCH 18

The Springfield Free Public Library will present a program of Irish and Scottish music at 2:00 PM on Sunday, March 18, in the library's Palmer Museum. The performance will feature the duo Slateford Creek, otherwise known as Jeff and Jan Ausfahl. In addition to vocals, Slateford Creek will perform on a variety of instruments, including banjo, guitar, concertina, pennywhistle, and a selection of rattles and shakers. The performance will also feature stories and a sampling of Irish and Scottish humor. More information about Slateford Creek can be found at www.slatefordcreek.com. This program is free and open to all members of the general public. More information can be found at www.springfieldpubliclibrary.com.

### SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY TO HOST NEW JERSEY AUTHOR KATRINA MUSTO ON MARCH 22

New Jersey author Katrina Musto will make an appearance at the Springfield Free Public Library at 7:00 PM on Thursday, March 22, to discuss her self-published memoir, "And Then the Phone Rang: What I've Learned About Life, Love and Lasagna." Ms. Musto will discuss the process of writing and self-publishing while also delving into how she managed to get beyond the unfortunate set of circumstances she describes in her writing. Musto hopes that reading her memoir will serve to "help readers understand they are not alone, and learn how to escape the hell I lived for so long." Katrina Musto, a graduate of Farleigh Dickinson University, began her writing career at age seventeen for The Daily Record of Morris County. She subsequently worked in magazine publishing for many years and now works full-time in healthcare as a grant writer. More information about the author can be found at www.katrina-musto.com. More information can be found at www.springfieldpubliclibrary.com.

### SPRING INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL CONTINUES AT THE SPRINGFIELD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Spring International Film Festival continues at the Springfield Free Public Library on Thursday, April 19. The library will screen Frantz (2016) at 1:00 and 7:00 pm. In the aftermath of WWI, a young German who grieves the death of her fiancé in France meets a mysterious Frenchman who visits the fiancé's grave to lay flowers. 2017 Cesar Awards winner. In French and German with English subtitles. Directed by Francois Ozon. Starring Pierre Niney, Paula Beer and Ernst Stotzner. 113 minutes. Rated PG-13. The third and final film in this series is After the Storm (2016, not rated, 118 minutes) screened on Thursday, May 17 at 1:00 and 6:45 pm.

Funding for the film program has been made possible by the NJ State Council on the Arts, Department of State, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts, through a grant administered by the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs. Additional funding is also provided by the Friends of the Springfield Free Public Library. Admission is free.

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## “OH, THESE KIDS TODAY!”

It is not every day you see children walking with canes, sporting silver hair with drawn wrinkles on their faces and hair curlers in their hair, however that is just one of the ways Saint James the Apostle School (Springfield) students in grades 1 through 3 decided to spend and celebrate the 100th day of school on Friday, February 9.

The students dressed as centenarians and took part in several “age” related fun activities. First, our morphed students started their day with several writing activities. Students were asked, “What they would be doing when they were 100 years old?” and “Before I turn 100, I want...” Students were challenged to write as many words as they could, using the letters from the words “one hundred.” The teachers offered students a glimpse of their future selves using an app to “age” the students to actually look 100 years old. Next, the students took part in some relaxing games of checkers, Go Fish, and assembling 100-piece puzzles. There was even time for the students to express their artistic selves and draw a still life of cake, cupcakes and teacups.

With all that excitement, it was time the centenarians took a much-deserved break. They delighted themselves with grape juice and “social tea” cookies while chatting with some good old-time friends. The day of activities concluded with two rounds of BINGO. The halls echoed with “N-36”, B-11”, “I-84,” etc. and cheers of “BINGO.” The day came to an end with a very slow moving dismissal line, students using canes and walkers to make their way home.

Teachers were in high spirits that for once they were not the oldest in the building! The students had a great deal of fun and also grew a deeper appreciation and respect for our older and wiser generations. May God bless centenarians everywhere for the example they set on how age is just a number and how to live life to the fullest.

## POOL AND CAMP REGISTRATION OPEN



The Springfield Community Pool -- featuring a brand new pool building with new locker rooms, meeting space, and a fitness room -- opens in TWO months. Online registration for pool membership, day camp, swim team, and swim lessons, as well as Chisholm Playground Camp, is available at <https://register.communitypass.net/springfield> with a Visa, Mastercard, or Discover. You may also register in-person at the Springfield Recreation Department at the Chisholm Community Center (100 South Springfield Avenue) on weekdays from 8:00 am-6:00 pm. For more information, contact the Springfield Recreation Department at (973) 912-2227 or [recreation@springfield-nj.us](mailto:recreation@springfield-nj.us).

## SAINT JAMES STUDENTS ADDRESS GLOBAL CHALLENGES WITH LOCAL SOLUTIONS

### From Afghanistan to Zimbabwe, Saint James Students Address Global Challenges with Local Solutions

Saint James the Apostle School in Springfield recently held its 2nd annual juried STEM Fair for students in Grades 6, 7 and 8. The theme of this year’s fair was creating engineering solutions to global sustainable development challenges. The theme was based on goals advanced by the United Nations that include renewable energy, peace and justice, responsible consumption, clean water and sanitation.

St. James students worked in teams to study a problem that threatens sustainability and create a process and a solution. Under the guidance and leadership of the middle school science teacher, Mrs. Melissa Robbins, the students have been working on their projects and keeping an engineering notebook since the beginning of the school year. While developing their projects, the teams had to keep in mind the three pillars of sustainability: society, economy and the environment. From Afghanistan to Zimbabwe, Saint James students developed innovative ways to find alternative energy solutions, waterproof homes, collect, clean and filter water, fight germs, prevent skin disease and more.

"As stewards of the world God created, our students have developed a deeper appreciation for the gifts God has given them and they have learned how to use their gifts and work collaboratively, using STEM, to find solutions to make the world a better place for all," said Mrs. Caroline Ponterio, principal of Saint James School.

*Green Clean -  
Karla Perez-  
Palacios,  
Jack Chacon,  
Maren Roy,  
Kelsey France*



*Bug repellent -  
Daviegh Wolf,  
Grace Roethlin,  
Natalyah Cadiche*

*N.A.R.B. - Naomi Murphy, Andrea Falar,  
Raina Mendoza, Brielle Pierre Philippe*



Students presented a tri-fold brochure and prototype to an audience of seven (7) judges. The three finalists are:

Team Malaria Prevention Company - bug repellent for Zambia –Natalyah Cadiche, Grace Roethlin and Daveigh Wolf

Team N.A.R.B. - hand sanitizer for Philippines – Andrea Falar, Raina Mendoza, Naomi Murphy and Brielle Pierre Philippe

Team Green Clean - homemade soap for Zambia – Jack Chacon, Kelsey France, Karla Perez-Palacios and Maren Roy.

The finalist projects will advance to the Archdiocese of Newark’s STEM Expo which will take place on April 12 at the Youth Retreat Center in Kearny. In addition to the STEM Fair, the younger students worked with the Art teacher, Mrs. Traci Burns, to create art for the Fair and Expo, on projects that addressed issues of peace and social justice.

This year, Saint James the Apostle School is celebrating its 65th anniversary. The school serves the parishioners of Saint James the Apostle Church in Springfield and surrounding communities. Saint James the Apostle School offers students from PreK-3 through grade eight a Roman Catholic faith-based education which acknowledges each child's individual ability to achieve their fullest potential academically, socially, and spiritually.

SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT  
RECEIVES ACCREDITATION

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Below are Mr. Delgado’s remarks to the Township Committee:  
Springfield PD Final on Site inspection was on July 23, 2017  
Accreditation status represents a significant professional achievement. (Re-accreditation)

- Of approximately 545 police agencies in NJ, 185 are Accredited 34% - re-accredited; 8% 2nd reaccreditation; 0.019% 3rd accreditation.
- Accreditation is Process! The foundation of Accreditation lies in the adoption of standards containing a clear statement of professional objectives.
- Accreditation is a progressive and time-proven way of helping law enforcement agencies calculate and improve their overall performances.
- It is the certification by an independent reviewing authority, the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police that the accredited agency was carefully measured against an established set of state and national standards and has met or exceeded accepted practices in the field of law enforcement.
- Research shows that accredited agencies have 11% fewer police professional liability claims, 18% fewer worker compensation claims and 31% fewer auto liability claims. Moreover, municipalities that participate in a MEL affiliated Joint Insurance Fund (JIF); stand to receive substantial insurance premium discounts when their police department attains accreditation.

In addition to these fiscal advantages, there are other important benefits of accreditation;

- Accredited agencies are better able to defend against lawsuits and citizens’ complaints.
- Accreditation provides objective evidence of an agency’s commitment to excellence in leadership, resource management, and service delivery.
- Government officials can be more confident in the agency’s ability to operate efficiently and meet community needs.
- Accreditation embodies the precepts of community oriented policing. It creates a forum in which police and citizens work together to prevent and control challenges confronting law enforcement and provides clear direction about community expectations.
- Accreditation standards give the Chief a proven management system of written directives, sound training, clearly defined lines of authority, and routine reports that support decision making and resource allocation.
- Officers in accredited agencies are able to take pride that they have been objectively recognized for their professionalism and adherence to the highest standards.

The Department was found to have Exemplary Performance

Three years ago the Springfield Police Department stated that the agency was confident that a key component to the delivery of professional police services was attaining accreditation status. The agency made it clear that participation in the accreditation process would, through the implementation of sound management practices, provide them with the framework to continually monitor, evaluate and improve existing practices and conditions within the police department.

Three years later this agency reiterated that commitment by achieving reaccreditation. No doubt that as they forge ahead they will continue to strive toward their long term goals of decreasing crime, improving motoring safety, and engaging in effective policing strategies designed to enhance the quality of life for all who live, work and visit their community.

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

No issues were found. Remarkable!

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

Therefore, The New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police and the New Jersey Law Enforcement Commission, congratulates Chief John Cook, Accreditation Manager Lieutenant Jonathan Rachel, the members of the Springfield Police Department, the Mayor and Council and those citizens they so proudly serve, for achieving State Re-Accreditation, joining a very exclusive group of law enforcement agencies that have made this important commitment to excellence in policing. Congratulations!

FREE TEEN DROP-IN

**Who:** Springfield residents in 6th-12th grades  
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**How:** Handbook, registration form, photo ID  
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SKYZONE

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Skyzone features party groups, as well as offering many athletic programs for all ages (from toddlers to adults) such as Freestyle Jump (massive wall-to-wall trampolines for endless aerial action), with 6', 8', & 10' high hoops to dunk, Sky Joust where up to four guests at a time can battle it out for "King of the Joust" (jump higher and dunk harder from a trampoline floor shooting or dunking your basketball into a hoop). They also have Ultimate Dodgeball (on a trampoline court), Foam Zone (fly without feat into the Foam Zone with soft landings), Skyjoust (challenge your friends in a gladiator jousting battle), Skyladder (a frustratingly fidgety ladder suspended over a soft landing), and, Warrior Course (challenge friends to a test of speed, strength, and agility on this course).

Three Dodgeball courts are available where up to 20 guests of the same age range and size can play and Three Warped Walls 8', 10', & 12' the type seen on American Ninja Warrior.

Coming Soon" attractions include: "Free Climb" - a harness free climbing experience, and "Warrior Course" - a Ninja Warrior type course designed to challenge and time yourself.

For more information, call Rich Niemczyk, General Manager, at 973-671-5100, or visit skyzone.com.

SEXUAL ASSAULT OF PATIENT

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Edward Raskin, 55, of Chatham Township, Morris County, is charged with second-degree sexual assault and fourth-degree criminal sexual contact.

An investigation by the Prosecutor’s Office’s Special Victims Unit and Springfield Police Department determined that the adult victim was sexually assaulted during a scheduled appointment at Spirit Acupuncture on December 30, 2017, according to Unit Supervisor and Assistant Prosecutor Caroline Lawlor, who is prosecuting the case.

Raskin turned himself in to police at Springfield Police Department headquarters before being taken to Union County Jail pending a first appearance.

Raskin is also known to have an office in New York City. Anyone with information about his activities is being urged to contact Springfield Detective Sgt. James Mirabile at 973-912-2242.

Convictions on second-degree criminal charges are commonly punishable by 5 to 10 years in state prison.

These criminal charges are mere accusations. Each defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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## SPRINGFIELD SENIOR CITIZENS CELEBRATED BLACK HISTORY MONTH



The Springfield Recreation Department and the Springfield Senior Citizens Club hosted over 100 guests for a celebration of Black History Month at the Chisholm Community Center on Thursday, February 15th. The event was organized by Amefika Gray, Recreation Program Coordinator, and a dedicated committee of volunteers. It featured a welcome by Judy Copeland; pledge of allegiance by Adam Lieb, Director of Recreation; introduction by Margaret Bandrowski, President of the Springfield Senior Citizens Club; musical selections by the Vauxhall Senior Chorus; "The Story of Silvia Du Bois" by Lisa Fleming; remarks by Sherri Franklin; guest speaker Gwen Franklin; presentation to Lawrence Burns; and a lunch of baked and fried chicken, string beans, collard greens, macaroni and cheese, potato salad, corn bread, and peach cobbler catered by Two Fish Five Loaves in Union.

## SPRINGFIELD PATRIOT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FEBRUARY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

### ROTARY CLUB

Taste of the Town- April 23rd at the Hilton Garden Inn

### STREET SCAPES

Waiting on bond to go through for plans to start landscaping around the businesses which should begin in early Fall.

### JULY 4TH FIREWORKS

\$5.00 donation fee per person. Parents should arrive early with kids to take advantage of all the rides.

### SUMMER CONCERT

No exact date yet however should be sometime in August. Free to the public.

### SPRING FEST

March 24th at Chisholm Senior Center.



(l to r) Guest Speaker, Todd A. Smith, Chamber Secretary & Meeting Sponsor Tracy Geyer of Autoland, Chamber Co-Chairman Mike Scalera and Chamber VP Elliot Merkin

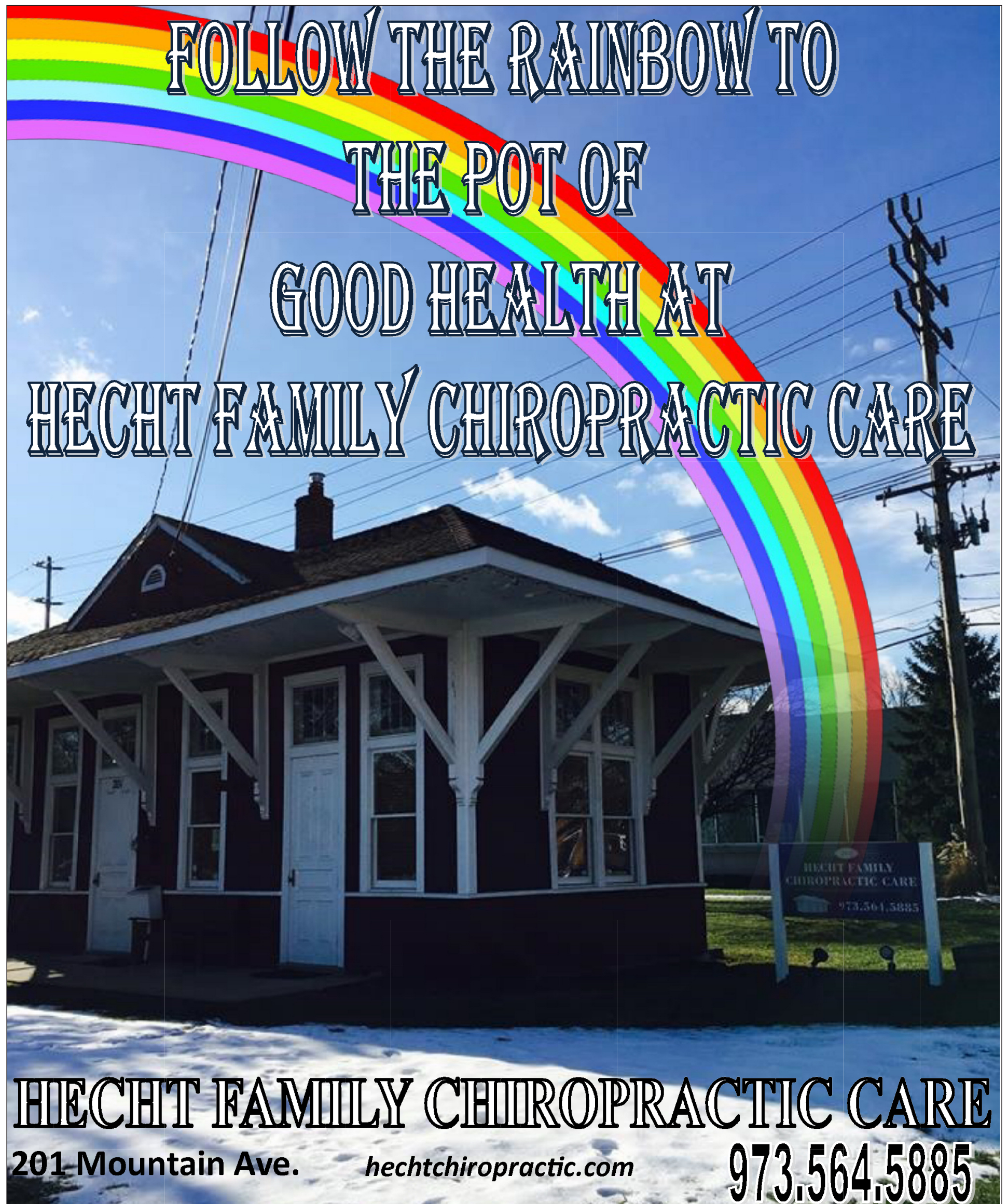
**Guest Speaker Todd A. Smith,  
a business coach and author spoke and  
raffled out three of his books.**

*Springfield Hadassah's Annual Holocaust commemoration meeting will take place on Thursday, April 12, 12:30 pm, at the Springfield Public Library. Light refreshments will be provided and the program will begin at 1:00 pm. The date of this meeting coincides with the official Holocaust Remembrance day--Yom Hashoah*

*Fay Malkin, of West Orange, a 1st generation Holocaust survivor, will share her story. Her cousin, Miriam Schiffman, a 2nd generation survivor will also share her thoughts.*

*At the time of the Holocaust, Fay was 2 years old and was hidden by two Gentile women. She lived in Lvov in the Ukraine. After the war, her town had 30 Jewish survivors and the women who hid her saved 15 Jews. Before the war, 6,000 Jews lived in her town, Lvov. A movie of her plight, #4 Street of our Lady, was made by Amazon and is still available today. Fay attended Weequahic High School.*

*The public is invited to attend. However, non Hadassah members are urged to call Springfield Hadassah President Alice Weinstein at 973.379.3275.*



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# SPRINGFIELD RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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## SPRINGFEST 2018

Springfield Recreation Department

**FREE** Saturday, March 24th @ 1-3pm **PRIZES**  
Chisholm Park  
(Rain location: Chisholm Community Center)  
100 South Springfield Avenue  
(Additional parking across the street at FMG)

Please Bring Your Own Basket!

Egg Hunt, DJ Music  
Sesame Street  
Bounce House  
Face Painting  
Crafts and Sports Clinic

Bring Your Friends & Family!

SRD Springfield Recreation Department

US SPORTS institute

Springfield Business Improvement District

973-912-2227 recreation@springfield-nj.us  
www.springfield-nj.us/recreation

## JOIN OUR COMMUNITY!

### Adult CoEd Social Sports

**KICKBALL**  
Tuesday nights @ Pool Softball Field  
Registration begins February 19th  
League begins April 17th

**VOLLEYBALL**  
Wednesday nights @ Chisholm Community Center  
Registration open now and ends March 1st  
League begins March 21st

**DODGEBALL**  
Thursday nights @ Chisholm Community Center  
Registration open now and ends March 1st  
League begins March 21st

To Register & Learn More, visit [www.ZogSportsNJ.com](http://www.ZogSportsNJ.com)  
Please email Joe@ZogSportsNJ.com for more details & to register!

**ZogSports**

## Co-ed Lacrosse Clinics

Spring 2018 Pre-K, K, & 1st Grade

Interested in trying a new sport? Join Springfield Lacrosse Club's spring clinics!  
Clinics meet on six Sundays at Chisholm Park, from April 8th-May 20th  
@ 10:00-11:00 am. No clinic on May 13th. In the event of rain, every effort will be made to reschedule.  
No refunds will be provided.

Fee: \$65 Payable to Township of Springfield. Register by mail or in-person with cash, check, or money order.  
Or register online with a Visa, Mastercard, or Discover at <https://register.communitypass.net/springfield>  
(\$0 processing fee for credit cards) Fee includes: coaching, t-shirt, loaned equipment, balls

Chisholm Community Center • 100 South Springfield Avenue  
Monday-Friday, 8:00 am-6:00 pm (973) 912-2227  
[www.springfield-nj.us/recreation](http://www.springfield-nj.us/recreation) • [recreation@springfield-nj.us](mailto:recreation@springfield-nj.us)

## RUNNING CLUB Spring 2018 Grades K-2<sup>nd</sup> & Grades 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>

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 Springfield 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 club is open to Springfield residents and children in Springfield schools. A minimum of six children are required for the club. In the event of rain or snow, every effort will be made to reschedule classes. No refunds will be provided.

**Session 1:** Mondays from March 19-26, at Chisholm Community Center  
Mondays from April 9-30 (no class on April 2nd), at Meisel Avenue Park  
Grades K-2nd @ 4:30-5:00 pm • Grades 3rd-8th @ 5:00-6:00 pm

**Session 2:** Mondays from May 7-June 18 (no class on May 28th), at Meisel Avenue Park  
Grades K-2nd @ 4:30-5:00 pm • Grades 3rd-8th @ 5:00-6:00 pm

Cost: \$65 per session (payable to Township of Springfield)  
Includes: Professional coaching instruction, shirt  
Register by mail or in person at the Springfield Recreation Department.  
Or register online with a credit card at  
<https://register.communitypass.net/springfield> (\$0 processing fee for credit cards)

(973) 912-2227 Monday-Friday @ 8:00 am-6:00 pm  
Contact Amefika Gray, Recreation Program Coordinator, amefika.gray@springfield-nj.us.

## CROSS COUNTRY TEAM Spring 2018/Grades 3-9

Coach Mike Czech is back this Spring! New and returning team members are encouraged to join for professional training, endurance running, and 5K competitions!

The cross country team is a co-ed travel sport for Springfield residents and children in Springfield schools in grades 3-9.

The team meets on  
WEDNESDAYS 4:45 - 5:45 and  
FRIDAYS 4:30 -- 5:30 pm at the  
Briant Park Jogging Path.

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

**Pre Season**  
Wednesday, February 28 - Tuesday, April 10  
Train on your own with a program provided by the coach.

**Race Season**  
Wednesday, April 11 - Friday, June 8  
(End date may be extended once all races are finalized.)  
Team practices and official races.

**Two Fees**  
\$65 (Payable to Township of Springfield.  
See below for options.)  
\$225 (Payable to Coach Michael Czech.)

**Includes**  
Uniform to keep, pre-season training program,  
professional coaching instruction, race entry fees,  
and end-of-season pizza party.  
No refunds will be provided.

**Chisholm Community Center 100 South Springfield Avenue**  
Contact Amefika Gray, Recreation Program Coordinator, at amefika.gray@springfield-nj.us.

### INTERESTED IN SCRAPBOOKING?

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

## U.S. SPORTS INSTITUTE

### SPRING SEASON 2018

**TOTAL SPORTS SQUIRTS (age 3 to 5):** Participants have the opportunity to experience Lacrosse, Soccer, Basketball, T-Ball, Floor Hockey & Flag Football. All sports are taught in a safe, structured and fun learning environment.

**SPRING CLASSES** April 15 - June 10  
Sundays, 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm (NO class 5/27)  
Chisholm Park

**TOTAL SPORTS - PARENT & ME SQUIRTS (age 2 to 3):** With a parent participating by their side, this program will stimulate a child's imagination, develop motor skills and encourage social interaction.

**SPRING CLASSES** April 15 - June 10  
Sundays, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm (NO class 5/27)  
Chisholm Park

**SPRING BREAK April 2- April 6**  
**MULTI SPORTS - CAMP (age 5 to 11):** Players will have the opportunity to experience up to 4 different sports each day. Sports included: Baseball, Basketball, Cricket, Flag Football, Hockey, Handball, Lacrosse, Soccer, Rugby and more!

**Chisholm Park**  
**TIME OPTIONS:**  
Early Drop off Available 8:00 am-9:00 am  
9:00 am-3:00 pm (Full Day)  
9:00 am-12:30 pm (Morning)

**For more information, visit**  
**USsportsInstitute.com or**  
**call 732 563 2520**

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2018

## 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 2017 - AUGUST 2018

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

### MEN'S OPEN PLAY 55+ BASKETBALL

This is a non-competitive program open only to Springfield residents ages 55 and older.

Basketball will be held on Mondays from 6:30-8:30 pm at the Edward V. Walton School.

You will be notified in advance of gym closures due to school events or holidays.

All players must complete the form below and return it with a copy of your driver's license and registration fee payable to Township of Springfield. Program runs from October 2017-August 2018.

### 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 October 3, 2017 to August 28, 2018

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](http://www.springfield-nj.us/recreation) • Email [recreation@springfield-nj.us](mailto:recreation@springfield-nj.us)

## Senior Citizen Bus Trip Harrah's Atlantic City Located in the Marina District

On-site Gambling, Restaurants, and Shops

THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2018

Bus will depart from Chisholm Community Center at 9:00 am

Bus will depart from Harrah's at approximately 5:00 pm

**\$30**  
per  
person

Payment is due by Monday April 16, 2018

Seats are first-come, first-serve. No refunds.

Make checks payable to: Springfield Recreation Department

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

Includes: Round-trip coach bus transportation, driver gratuity, chaperone, breakfast treat, and \$20 slot play (photo ID required)

Questions: Springfield Recreation Department, (973) 912-2227

Please note, transportation to your residency is not available when the bus returns to Chisholm.

## SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES MARCH/APRIL 2018 CALL (973) 912-2227 FOR MORE INFORMATION

Monday, March 19 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm

Tuesday, March 20 - Cards @ 11:30 am

Wednesday, March 21 - Bus trip to Blue Star @ 10:30 am (RSVP)

Thursday, March 22 - Shop-Rite dietician, "How to Read Food Labels" @ 11:00 am

Friday, March 23 - Forever Fit @ 11:00 am, Cards @ 1:00 pm

Monday, March 26 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm

Tuesday, March 27 - Cards @ 11:30 am

Wednesday, March 28 - Define & Sculpt @ 11:00 am

Thursday, March 29 - Club birthday luncheon @ 12:00 pm (RSVP)

Monday, April 2 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm

Tuesday, April 3 - Cards @ 11:30 am

Wednesday, April 4 - Bus trip to Turtle Back Zoo @ 9:45 am (RSVP)

Friday, April 6 - Shape UP @ 11:00 am, Cards @ 1:00 pm

Monday, April 9 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm

Tuesday, April 10 - Cards @ 11:30 am

Wednesday, April 11 - Zoom Ba @ 11:00 am

## SWIM TEAM 2018

OPEN TO BOYS & GIRLS  
5 TO 17 YEARS OLD

Register by mail or in-person:  
Springfield Recreation Department  
Chisholm Community Center  
100 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081  
(973) 912-2227 [recreation@springfield-nj.us](mailto:recreation@springfield-nj.us)  
[www.springfield-nj.us/recreation](http://www.springfield-nj.us/recreation)

Parent Meeting Wednesday, May 23rd @ 7:00 pm  
Chisholm Community Center

**Two Fees:**  
\$80 payable to:  
Township of Springfield  
\$20 payable to:  
Swim Team Parent  
Association  
(separate check only)

The Springfield Swim Team is open to girls and boys from 5-17 years old. The Swim Team will be divided into two groups: The Developmental Team will be made up of children 8 years old and younger who need more instruction and guidance. Developmental Team participants initially must be able to demonstrate the ability to submerge themselves underwater, swim freestyle for at least 15 yards, be able to swim on their back, and be willing and able to swim in the 5 foot and 12 foot sections of the main pool. Children who do not meet these expectations – or who the coaches feel are unable to do so without support – will be placed in group Swim Lessons (see previous page) that are not affiliated with the Swim Team. The Swim Team Parent Association check will be returned to you in that circumstance. Coaches will assess these registrants during the first week of practice and will determine if a child is assigned to the Developmental Team or placed in Swim Lessons. All Regular Team registrants who are 9-17 years old do not need to try out. But in order to become a member of the Swim Team, participants must be able to swim a lap of the main pool without stopping and be comfortable swimming in deep water.

Practices will begin after school starting Tuesday, June 5th, and in the mornings beginning Monday, June 25th.

Swim meets (mostly evenings) run from Monday, June 25th, to Friday, July 27th.

Springfield residents are eligible to participate on the Springfield Swim Team without being a pool member. Non-residents who wish to participate must be a pool member.

## Jr. Dawgs Cheerleading Fall 2018 Grades 3-8

- Cheerleading is open to children in Springfield schools entering grades 3-8 in Fall 2018.
- 1-2 practices per week starting in August. Schedule to be determined.
- Sunday games in September, October, and November.
- Participants will cheer at home and away games for the Jr. Dawgs football teams.
- Multiple grades may be combined into a squad if necessary based on enrollment.
- Additional cheerleading opportunities, such as tournaments or exhibitions, may be added.
- Fees include: Loaned uniform (uniform sizing will take place in June), loaned pom-poms, t-shirt and two hair bows to keep, end-of-season party, award.
- Fees do not include: Leggings, bodysuit, bloomers, sweatshirt or jacket, plain white sneakers. These apparel items are mandatory and must be purchased separately.

### FEES:

\$70.00 payable to Township of Springfield  
\$40.00 payable to Springfield Cheerleading  
No refunds after program begins.

### DEADLINE:

Friday, May 11, 2018

No registrations will be accepted after this date.  
No exceptions.

### REGISTER ONLINE:

<https://register.communitypass.net/springfield>

### REGISTER IN-PERSON OR BY MAIL:

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

### QUESTIONS?

Call the Springfield Recreation Department at  
(973) 912-2227

Email Danielle McLeer, recreation program coordinator,  
at [danielle.mcleer@springfield-nj.us](mailto:danielle.mcleer@springfield-nj.us)

## GIRLS LEADERSHIP GIRLSLEADERSHIP.ORG

**K/1 GIRL & GROWN-UP SERIES:**  
TOOLS FOR SUNNY &  
CLOUDY DAYS WITH FRIENDS  
SPRINGFIELD | APRIL 2018

Participate in a fun, engaging workshop, where you and your girl will build a common language, practice healthy approaches to conflict, and learn authentic communications skills.

Girls Leadership's Girl & Grown-up Workshop Sunny & Cloudy Days With Friends provides an opportunity for girls and their significant role models to build a foundation of common language around advocating for themselves and understanding true friendship behaviors. Each workshop is 60 minutes.

### PROGRAM CURRICULUM

**Week 1 – Friendship Toolbox** **Week 2 – Sharing Feelings & Body Language**  
**Week 3 – Mistakes, We All Make 'Em** **Week 4 – Courageous Relationships**

Girls in kindergarten and first grade, each with one adult

**Saturdays: April 14, 21, 28 & May 05, 2018 | 1:00-2:00pm**

Chisholm Community Center | 100 South Springfield Avenue - Springfield, NJ

**\$195 per adult/girl pair • Scholarships are available.**

Visit [girlsleadership.org/scholarships](http://girlsleadership.org/scholarships) for details.

[Rhttps://girlsleadership.org/programs/springfieldk1/](https://girlsleadership.org/programs/springfieldk1/)

Contact Patty Dow at 866.744.9102 x 703 or [Patty@girlsleadership.org](mailto:Patty@girlsleadership.org)

The Springfield Recreation Department is excited to partner with TGA of Union County to offer golf and tennis clinics this and spring (ages 5-11). More information and online registration are available at: <http://play.tga.com/unioncounty>.



## Police Chief's Column

*Chief John P. Cook*

### PHONY IRS SCAMS CONTINUE TO TARGET RESIDENTS

Despite the many warnings law enforcement agencies, news outlets, and other consumer groups issue, IRS scams continue to occur, and people continue to be victimized by these fraudsters. The following information will help you to identify such scams and will hopefully prevent you from falling victim to one of these schemes.

#### IRS Telephone Scam

Fraudsters, claiming to be agents with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) or U.S. Treasury Department, will make random phone calls to people and "inform" them that they owe taxes or some other type of fine. Victims will be threatened with arrest, deportation, or other legal actions unless they immediately pay a specified amount of money. On some occasions, the caller may even say that officers from the Springfield Police Department are on the way to arrest the victim.

If a victim agrees to make the immediate payment for the back taxes and/or fines, the caller will require the payment to be made with pre-paid type of debit card (such as Green Dot Visa, I-Tunes Card, etc.) or by wiring the money directly (Western Union, Money Gram, etc.) With the pre-paid cards, fraudsters can retrieve the funds by merely having the victim read off certain numbers from the rear of the card. Sometimes fraudsters will even direct victims to the nearest business where the cards or money-wire facilities are available.

Fraudsters are beginning to use computerized robo-calls to increase the amount of people targeted. Automated phone recordings purporting to be messages from the IRS, indicating there are problems with your taxes or recently filed tax returns are becoming more common. The messages contain call-back numbers which will then directly connect the victim with the actual fraudsters. If you listen closely to these calls, you may notice the person speaking has a foreign accent, uses incorrect words or phrases, or has incorrect sentence structure, as many of these scammers operate from overseas.

#### IRS Email Scam

Fraudsters will send very authentic looking e-mails purporting to be from the IRS, "notifying" you of a problem with your taxes. These emails may even contain the actual logos for the U.S. Treasury Department or IRS within the e-mail. Victims will be prompted to click on a link to get the "full information" about the problem.

These bogus links will take the victim to websites which contain fraudulent payment prompts and blank fields to input credit card, bank, and other protected personal information. Fraudsters will use these fake websites to steal your identity information and possibly infect your computer with viruses or other types of ransom-ware programs.

#### IRS False Tax Return Scam

Another scam that occurs this time of year involves fraudsters utilizing your identity information to file fraudulent tax returns. The fraudulent returns will contain your true personal information but will utilize a different address for the refund payment.

Once the IRS processes multiple return documents with the same Social Security Number used, they will contact you via US Mail, or sometimes by phone.

However, real agents from the IRS will understand if you question the legitimacy of the call, and will instead direct you to initiate contact yourself by visiting their real website at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov). They will not ask for any personal information or account numbers over the phone.

#### IMPORTANT TIPS TO REMEMBER

- The IRS will not contact you by telephone to request an immediate payment for back taxes, unfiled returns, or any other penalties. The IRS uses the US Mail as the primary method of contact.
- Do not click on links in e-mails purporting to be from the IRS in which you are asked to make some type of immediate payment. Write down the information from the e-mail and initiate contact with the IRS yourself by visiting [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov), or by finding the telephone number for your nearest IRS field office.
- The IRS, like any other agency that has the power to seek the issuance of a warrant for your arrest, will never call you in advance to inform you of a warrant AND agree to dismiss a warrant in lieu of some type of monetary payment. If an actual warrant is issued for your arrest, you may be able to post bail but you will first be arrested. Any telephone caller who suggests you can make a payment as a way to avoid being arrested is a fraud.

If you receive one of these communications and are unsure if it is legitimate, please call the Springfield Police Department before you give out any personal information, agree to transfer money, or make any payment. We can help you determine if the correspondence is real or a fraud and prevent you from becoming another victim.

## TEMPLE SHA'AREY SHALOM OF SPRINGFIELD HONORS CANTOR AMY DANIELS AS SHE RETIRES



Temple Sha'arey Shalom, 78 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, will offer two events to honor their Cantor, Amy Daniels, as she plans to retire after thirty years of service to the temple. Pam Bain, temple president says, "Cantor Daniels has been here for all of us, our families, our students, and our entire community. She is wonderful and we will miss her."

As Cantor, Amy Daniels leads the temple's active Adult and Junior choirs, prepares students for Bar and Bat Mitzvah, teaches adult education and leads all musical aspects of the synagogue's worship. And in addition to serving as Cantor, she is the Director of Education for the temple's Religious School.

Cantor Daniels says, "As the Cantor and the Director of Education, I am in a unique position to integrate music and a natural and meaningful worship and prayer experience into the lives of our students and their families. I continue to explore ways that our rich Jewish musical and cultural heritage can create community and enhance our experience of spirituality. And while I could have served a larger congregation, I like the authenticity of Jewish experience in a smaller synagogue."

Cantor Daniels grew up in Cleveland, Ohio, where she credits her family's pastime of singing Hebrew songs around the dinner table with fostering her love of Jewish music. Cantor Daniels received Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Arts degrees from Case Western Reserve University and the Cleveland Institute of Music. In 1985 she was ordained as Cantor and received a Bachelor of Sacred Music from the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion School of Sacred Music. In April, 2010, Cantor Daniels was awarded an honorary Doctorate from the Hebrew Union College in recognition of twenty-five years of service to the Jewish people.

Cantor Daniels and her husband, Scott Daniels, who is a ceramic artist, have two sons: Jacob, who is studying for his PhD in Jewish History at Stamford, and Gabriel, who is a jazz pianist in the Los Angeles area. She and Scott have been missing their sons so the couple will move to Walnut Grove, California when Cantor Daniels retires in June. She is looking forward to officiating at life cycle events, teaching and exploring the intersection of mindfulness and Judaism with programs like Yoga Shalom in "retirement"!

### CHILDREN'S AND YOUNG ADULT BOOK SALE SPONSORED BY SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY FRIENDS APRIL 26 – 28, 2018

The Friends of the Springfield Free Public will hold their Children's and Young Adult Book Sale Thursday - Saturday, April 26 – 28, 2018, 10am-4pm in the Meeting Room at the Springfield Free Public Library. The Sale will also include a selection of Costume Jewelry.

Donations for the sale will be accepted at the Library starting Sunday, April 1. All donations should be clean, well kept, Children's and YA books (Hard and Paperback), Educational Games/Toys, Adult Paperbacks, and DVD's, CD's, and Puzzles for all ages. No Hardcover Adult books please.

Donations may be brought to the library's Circulation Desk. Books in poor condition, text books, and encyclopedias are not saleable and will not be accepted. Donations of jewelry, recent popular magazines (last 3 months), and paperback books are accepted at the Circulation Desk all year long.

Please note that the Friends Full Vintage Jewelry Sale will be held in late September 2018. All proceeds benefit the Springfield Free Public Library.



### LOCAL STUDENT NAMED NATIONAL MERIT FINALIST

*Oratory Prep is proud to announce that Senior Isaac Russell has been named a Finalist in the 2018 National Merit Scholarship Competition. It started with a test in the fall of 2016.*

More Info On The Patriot Website

# Springfield Free Public Library

66 Mountain Avenue, Springfield  
973-376-4930

Check Library website for  
MGG schedule: [www.sfplnj.org](http://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 closing at 2:00 pm on  
Friday, March 30, Good Friday.

Our programs are free and open to the public.

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Fit4Kids and MuscleManMike present Big Feet:  
Dino Dancing Friday March 30 @ 11am. All ages.  
Drop in.

Storytime Yoga 11:00 am Friday March 23.  
Ideal for ages 3-up. Please register.

Mommy & Me. Crafts for our youngest patrons (ages  
2-4) 10:30 am Wednesdays March 14, 21, 28.  
Please register.

ZumbaKids 4pm Thursdays March 22 & 29. All  
ages, drop-in!

Saturdays are LEGO DAYS! LITTLE LEGOS are  
out all day! Drop by, join your friends and impress us  
with a magnificent creation-we'll put it on display!  
Build with Ethan the LEGOmaniac @ 1:00-3:00pm.

Crafty Mondays @ 4:00pm. Ages 4 to 8. Must register.  
No crafters under age 4. Monday March 19 & 26.

Crafty Fridays @ 4:00pm. Ages 4 to 8. March 23.

Leprechaun Scavenger Hunt Friday March 16 @  
3:30 to 4:30. All ages. Drop in.

Campfire Stories is now at 5:30pm! Thursdays Join  
Ms. Kathy around our cozy campfire for great stories  
and a snack. All ages.

Bingo! Tuesdays @ 4:00. Prizes!! All ages. Please sign  
up.

Wii Games Wednesdays @ 4:00. Ages 6 to 11. We play  
Super Smash Bros. Drop in.

Math Help Wednesdays @ 4:00. Certified teacher for  
grades 1 to 8. Drop in & bring your homework!

Page Flippers 4pm Thurs March 15. Grades 3 & 4.  
Meets 1x/month to talk about our fave books, have a  
snack, do a craft. Please register.

Mother Goose Group @ 10:30 selected days -- Babies,  
toddlers & preschoolers w/caregiver. Drop in and stay  
for a while! Tuesdays March 20; Thursdays March 22  
29; Friday Mar 16; Saturdays March , 17, 24 & 31.

## TEENS:

3D Pen Art: Thursday, March 29 at 3:00 PM. Bring  
your imagination to life! Build 3D structures and  
objects. Open to Grades 5+. Registration not required,  
but space is limited.

Teen Advisory Group Monday March 19 @ 6pm.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

Now thru March 29

Jonathan Dayton High School Students Art exhibit.

April 8 – May Daniella Yovel art show.

Every Wednesday, until April 11

FREE AARP Tax Assistance Program –

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Sunday, March 18, 2:00 pm “The Celtic Voyage”:  
Irish & Scottish music concert

Friday, April 6, 12:30 pm Chair Yoga.

## DISCUSSIONS and WRITING

Thursdays, March 22 & April 12  
Memoir Writing Group. 10:00 am

Thursday, March 22, 7:00 pm  
Katrina Musto talks about her self-published mem-  
oir: “And Then the Phone Gang: What I’ve  
Learned About Love, Life and Lasagna”

Thursday, April 5, 7:00 pm  
Really Good Book discussion: “Lillian Boxfish  
Takes a Walk: a Novel” by Kathleen Ronney.

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

## FILMS

Thursday, March 15, 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm  
International Film: “United Kingdom” (2016).

Monday, March 26th at 1:00 pm  
Lunchtime Film: “The Insider” (1999).  
Starring Al Pacino & Russell Crow.

Monday, April 9 at 1:00 pm  
Lunchtime Film: “Raising Arizona” (1987).  
Starring Nicolas Cage & Holly Hunter.

## HOBBIES AND INFORMATION

Every Monday at 7:00 pm  
Scrabble - Bring a friend or meet new opponents!

Every Monday, 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm  
Canasta Club.

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

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.

## 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

## FRIENDS OF THE SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY PURCHASE SECOND MUSEUM PASS TO GROUNDS FOR SCULPTURE

In order to reduce the wait for people wishing to bor-  
row the library’s museum pass to Grounds for Sculp-  
ture, the Friends of the Springfield Free Public  
Library has provided funding for the purchase of a  
second pass to this unique venue, effectively cutting  
the wait time in half. Each pass provides entry for  
up to four people per day as well as a 10% discount  
at the gift shop.

The Friends have also purchased 2018 library mu-  
seum passes for the Intrepid Museum Sea, Air &  
Space Museum and the Morris Museum. The Intrepid  
pass allows up to six people per day to visit the  
Intrepid Museum, the submarine Growler, and for the  
first time also includes admission to the Space Shuttle

Pavilion. The pass to the Morris Museum provides en-  
trance to the museum for two adults and up to three  
children.

The museum passes described above are available  
to be checked out by any adult Springfield resident  
who is also a cardholder at the Springfield Free Public  
Library. Because of the popularity of the museum  
passes, there is usually a waiting list for the individual  
passes and it is not possible to reserve a pass for a spe-  
cific date. Each museum pass circulates for a period  
of seven days. More information about the library’s  
museum pass program can be found at <http://www.sfplnj.org/programs-a-services/museum-passes>

The Friends of the Springfield Free Public Library  
is an organization that is devoted to fundraising and  
other activities that promote the general mission  
of the library. New members are always welcome  
and membership applications are available at the  
Springfield Free Public Library, located at 66  
Mountain Avenue.

## SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY'S PALMER MUSEUM TO HOLD CONTEST RELATING TO “THAT DID WHAT?” EXHIBIT

“That Did What” is the theme of the exhibit currently  
on display at the Donald B. Palmer Museum of the  
Springfield Free Public Library. Items featured from  
the museum’s collection include implements and  
small tools that were once common in households,  
farms and workplaces but which have fallen into  
obsolescence. The last display cabinet in the exhibit  
includes eight items that have been intentionally left  
unlabeled so that members of the public can try their  
hand at identifying what they were used for. The  
person identifying the most items correctly will win  
a \$25 gift card to Barnes & Nobles that has been  
donated by the Friends of the Springfield Free Public  
Library. In the event of a tie, a drawing will be held  
among all of the top scoring entries to determine the  
winner.

This museum exhibit is made possible in part  
by a HEART (History, Education, Arts Reaching  
Thousands) Grant from the Union County Board of  
Chosen Freeholders. The Donald B. Palmer Museum  
is located within the Springfield Free Public Library,  
66 Mountain Avenue. More information about the  
library and the Palmer Museum can be found at  
[www.springfieldpubliclibrary.com](http://www.springfieldpubliclibrary.com).



No, this was not used to cut slices into an extra large pizza.  
This wood and iron object, called a “traveler” was used to  
measure the circumference of wooden wagon wheels.

## • • • SPECIAL NOTICE • • •

Springfield Library Friends will hold their first  
membership meeting of 2018 on Friday, April 6 at  
11am in the Library’s Meeting Room. Come join  
and learn more about this year’s coming events and  
a summary of 2017 activities. The first event of 2018  
will be the Children’s and Young Adult Book Sale  
along with a Costume Jewelry mini sale April 26-  
28, 2018.

# PATRIOT PROFILES

Organizations and People that make a Difference in Springfield

*By John Cottage Sr.*

## LARRY BURNS RECEIVES PROCLAMATION



(l to r) son Michael L. Burns, family friend, Ms. Sherri Franklin and son Vincent M. Burns. Seated Larry Burns.

Mr. Larry Burns has been a distinguished member of the Springfield Community since 1960. On February 15, Mayor Richard Huber presented Mr. Burns, now 95 years young, with a Proclamation recognizing him for his extraordinary qualities and accomplishments. Those who know Mr. Burns have known about these qualities for many many years.

A World War II veteran who served in China and Burma and helped to build the infamous 1100 mile Burma Road, he received the Asiatic Pacific Service Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, the Victory Medal and the New Jersey Distinguished Service Medal and was recommended for, but has not yet received, the Soldiers Medal.

Upon moving to Springfield, Mr. Burns began his own janitorial business and became a Springfield Letter Carrier serving in that capacity for 28 years.

Mr. Burns has been an 80 plus year member of the Union Baptist Church in Orange, a diamond member of the NAACP and is currently Vice president of the Tri-City NAACP of Summit, Springfield and Vauxhall.

In addition, he has been a long time Springfield volunteer serving on many committees over the years including the Health and Welfare Committee and the Environmental Committee.

This reporter can proudly say he has been a longtime friend of Mr. Larry Burns. Many years ago, I was invited to visit Larry at his home and had the privilege of sitting with him for several hours viewing absolutely amazing scrap-books of newspaper clippings going back over 75 years covering sports, black history and events in Springfield. What a fabulous archive!

## 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.



*Party room and kitchen available at the Chisholm Community Center for your next event. Cost to Springfield residents is only \$200 for up to*

## BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP READS LILLIAN BOXFISH TAKES A WALK: A NOVEL BY KATHLEEN ROONEY

The Springfield Free Public Library's (Really Good!) Book Discussion Group will meet on Thursday, April 5 at 7 p.m. to discuss Lillian Boxfish Takes a Walk: A Novel by Kathleen Rooney. 85 year-old Lillian Boxfish was once the toast of New York. She was one of the most talented and successful ad women for R.H. Macy's in the 1930s. The character is based on real-life ad woman and author Margaret Fishback. Lillian decides to take a long walk to a party as 1984 draws to a close. As she wends her way to the party, Lillian recalls the story of her life and readers are treated to a street-level tour through six decades of New York.

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

## SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY TO OFFER "GREAT AMERICAN SHORT STORIES: A CLASS FOR LOVERS OF LITERATURE"

The Springfield Free Public Library will offer three free, non-credit classes on the American short story that will provide participating adults with the opportunity to explore 20th century works in a relaxed and casual setting where discussion is encouraged and no grades are awarded. The readings will be enhanced by in-class handouts and the screening of excerpts from documentary films. The classes will be held from 1:30 to 3:00 PM on the following afternoons: April 6, April 20 and May 4. Two weeks before each session, copies of the stories to be discussed will be available at the library at no charge to registered class participants.

This series of classes is open to all interested adults, regardless of anyone's previous level of education or experience as a reader. Because space is limited, preregistration is required and it is requested that participants participate in the entire series. Registration can be done in person at the library or by calling the reference desk at 973 376-4930, ext. 229. Participants are asked to read "The Other Two" and "Roman Fever," both by Edith Wharton, prior to the first session.

The second class session will focus on two stories by Willa Cather, "Paul's Case" and "A Wagner Matinee" and the discussion for the final class will be centered on an early story by Philip Roth, "Eli the Fanatic."

The instructor for this series, Dr. Ann Schwarz, has more than twenty years of experience and specializes in teaching adult learners. She holds a Doctor of Education from Columbia University, Teacher's College, and has taught at a variety of institutions, including New School University, New York University, Marymount Manhattan College, Cornell University, and the 92nd Street.



## COORDINATOR'S CORNER

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## FEMA REGION II

### Emergency Water Preparedness Tips

- Store at least 1 gallon of water per day for each person and each pet.
- ¾ of a gallon to drink and ¼ of a gallon for hygiene and sanitation per day.
- Store at least a THREE DAY water supply for each person/pet.
- Observe the expiration date for store-bought water.
- Replace non-store bought water every six months.
- Store a bottle of unscented liquid chlorine bleach to disinfect your water.
- KEEP IN MIND: children, nursing mothers, sick people and warmer temperatures will require additional water.

For more info go to [www.ready.gov/water](http://www.ready.gov/water)

### Pet Feeding Safety Tips

- Always wash your hands after touching pet food with warm, soapy water.
- Store pet food and bowls away from human food.
- Keep pet food away from young children.
- Use a clean, dedicated cup for your pet's food.
- Wash pet bowls and scooping utensils with warm soapy water after each use.
- Avoid feeding raw diets to minimize health risks for both pets and yourself.
- Don't let your pet lick around your mouth or face or any areas with broken skin after eating.

To learn more about pet food safety go to <https://www.cdc.gov/features/pet-food-safety/index.html>.



Fire Chief's Column

*Chief Carlo Palumbo*

## SPRING: A GREAT TIME TO REVIEW YOUR SAFETY CHECKLIST...

With spring comes a feeling of renewal. Families everywhere begin cleaning out their basements and garages. Windows are opened, flowers bloom and the days grow longer thanks in part to Daylight Saving Time, which this year begins on March 11. When you set your clocks forward, the National Safety Council reminds you also to review a safety checklist for your home.

### SMOKE ALARMS

Smoke alarms save lives – if they are powered by a fresh battery. You should test them every month to make sure they work and replace the battery at least once a year, according to the National Fire Protection Association. If the alarm makes a "chirping" sound, replace it immediately.

Smoke alarms should be located in every bedroom and in the common areas on each floor of a home. Mount them at least 10 feet from the stove to reduce false alarms, less than 12 inches from the ceiling and away from windows, doors and ducts.

Did you know smoke alarms can be interconnected wirelessly? That means, when one sounds, they all sound. A Consumer Product Safety Commission survey found this is the best way to notify everyone in a home if there is a fire. Be sure to purchase smoke alarms with the label of a reputable testing agency, like Underwriters Laboratories (UL).

Three out of every five home fire deaths resulted from fires in homes with no smoke alarms, according to NFPA.

### CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS

Carbon monoxide(CO) is an invisible, odorless gas, and it can kill you. Anything in the home that burns fuel can potentially become a source of carbon monoxide. CO alarms should be installed in a central location outside each bedroom and on every level of the home. The safety tips for CO detectors mirror those of smoke alarms: change the batteries, test them and interconnect them, if possible. Also, make sure vents for your gas appliances (fireplace, dryer, stove and furnace) are free and clear of snow or debris.

### FAMILY EMERGENCY PLAN

The National Safety Council recommends every family have an emergency plan in place in the event of a natural disaster or other catastrophic event. Spring is a great time to review that plan with family members to make sure they know what to do.

Have a home and car emergency kit. The Federal Emergency Management Agency says an emergency kit should include one gallon per day of water for each person, at least a three-day supply of food, flashlight and batteries, first aid kit, filter mask, plastic sheeting and duct tape, and medicines. Visit the FEMA website for a complete list.

*The emergency plan also should include:*

- A communications plan to outline how your family members will contact one another if they are not in the same place and where you should meet if it's safe to go outside
- A shelter-in-place plan if outside air is contaminated; FEMA recommends sealing windows, doors and air vents with plastic sheeting
- A getaway plan including various routes and destinations in different directions

### WHAT ELSE SHOULD YOU DO THIS SPRING?

NSC recommends you take unwanted or expired medicines to a prescription drop box or take-back event near you, update your first-aid kit and, most of all, get outside and have fun!



**Public Health**  
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

In order to bring awareness to various health related topics, The Health Department will provide information on monthly topics from The Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion. For more information on each monthly topic visit: <https://healthfinder.gov/NHO/>.

### National Nutrition Month

During National Nutrition Month®, celebrated each March, the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics encourages everyone to "Put Your Best Fork Forward" by making small, healthy shifts in food choices when cooking at home.

The 2015-2020 Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommend making small changes to eating patterns to include healthier ingredients while cooking at home. Choosing a variety of healthful foods across and within all food groups helps reduce the risk of preventable, lifestyle-related chronic diseases including cardiovascular disease, type 2 diabetes and obesity.

#### Suggested Foods to Eat

- Vegetables, including dark green, red and orange, beans, peas and others
- Fruits, especially whole fruits
- Whole grains
- Fat-free or low-fat dairy including milk, yogurt, cheese and fortified soy beverages
- Protein foods including seafood, lean meats, poultry, nuts, soy products, beans and peas
- Oils including canola, corn, olive, peanut, sunflower and soy

As part of National Nutrition Month, the Academy's website includes articles, recipes, videos and educational resources to spread the message of good nutrition and an overall healthy lifestyle for people of all ages, genders and backgrounds. Consumers can also follow National Nutrition Month on Facebook and Twitter (#NationalNutritionMonth).

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