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#### **NEXT CHAMBER** MEETING

**WEDNESDAY JANUARY 26, 2022** 

8:30 am - 9:30 am **VIA ZOOM** 

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#### **MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR OATH OF OFFICE**



Assemblyman John 'Jack" McKeon (left) administers the Oath of Office to Township Member Elect Alexander Keiser while Alex's Mother Susan Keiser holds the Bible.

Photo by Maryellen Brennan

In an exclusive interview with the Patriot Times, Mavor Keiser commented: "It's certainly humbling and an honor to be re-elected to serve Springfield. We've got a great team up on this dais and I look forward to working with everyone to move Springfield forward. Thank you to the people of Springfield for having your trust in us."

Springfield Township Clerk Linda Donnelly administers the Oath of Office to Township Committee Member Elect Chris Weber while Weber's wife Vanggie holds the bible & son Chris looks on.



Photo by Chris Capodice

# SPRINGFIELD WELCOMES THE ATLANTIC FEDERAL



(l to r) The Atlantic Federal Credit Union Chief Operations Officer J. Jason Reed, Springfield First Aid Squad EMS Chief Apu Mullick, The Atlantic Federal Credit Union Chief Financial Officer Sandy Hilenski, Cushman & Wakefield Managing Director Sean P. Brady, The Atlantic Federal Credit Union Chief Executive Officer Anthony A. Mero, Springfield Township Mayor Chris Weber, Springfield Township Deputy Mayor Alex Keiser, Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce Co-Chairman Scott Seidel, The Atlantic Federal Credit Union Chief Experience Officer Adam R. Cadmus.

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#### MAYOR FOR THE DAY



Mayor Julia Egan touring the Police Department (I to r) Mayor Chris Weber, Sergeant Kevin Gilchrist, Mayor Julia Egan, Captain Jon Rachel (story and additional photos page 11)

#### SANTA MAKES THE ROUNDS IN SPRINGFIELD



(l to r) Deputy Mayor Alex Keiser, Mayor Chris Weber, Grinch-CJ Weber, Santa (Committeeman Richard Huber), Elf-Deanna DuBois, Township Committeewoman Erica DuBois, Township Committeeman Christopher Capodice, Firefighter Pat Federico and Firefighter Joe Cowper

On Saturday December 11th Santa Claus visited Springfield between 9 am to 4 pm. The tour was arranged by the Township Committee and has become an annual event. Santa's sled was in the shop waiting for a deer management "chip" so the Springfield Fire Department jumped in to help. Joined by the "Grinch", SFD made sure Santa visited every street in Springfield. (more photos on page 8)

#### CHURCH MALL PROJECT PLANS-REDEVELOPMENT ROLLS ON IN SPRINGFIELD





Uniformity, ample space and plenty of parking are included with Blacks Lane and the Church Mall Redevelopment Plan.

For the past year and a half, plans have been underway to not only add attractive living space but to keep from overcrowding while meeting Springfield's COAH obligation. In 2006, Springfield designated this area for redevelopment. Over the years more properties were added, resulting in 4.9 acres.



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## Message from the Mayor

Dear Neighbors,

It is an honor to be elected the 140th Mayor of Springfield. As a lifelong Springfield resident, it is a dream come true to serve our community. I look forward to building on the progress made over the past three years, and just as with a New Year, comes a new Mayor. With a new Mayor, comes fresh ideas.

DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION will be my number one priority! We must foster modern and smart development to breathe new life into our downtown commercial district to promote local economic growth and give us a downtown that we can all be proud of.

Equally as important will be combating the ravages of CLIMATE CHANGE on the local level. We must implement sustainable, resilient and forward-thinking policy to make Springfield greener, cleaner and healthier. We must ensure we are better prepared to confront this existential threat to our way of life.

Lastly, to increase my ACCESSIBILITY I plan to hold monthly office hours at Townhall, on the third Thursday of each month, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. If you have any ideas on how to improve Springfield or just wish to say hello, please stop by. I look forward to seeing you there.

Please know my virtual office door is always open! You can always email me questions, comments or concerns, at alexander.keiser@springfield-nj.us and I encourage you to follow my daily musings by liking my Mayor Alex Keiser Facebook page @Keiser4Springfield.

Best wishes for a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year!

## Mayor Alexander R. Keiser



Union County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi presented Certificates of Election to Township Committee Members Elect Alexander Keiser and Chris Weber

#### From the Springfield Police Department

As a respectful reminder to our residents and business owners, the below ordinance is in place and will be enforced resulting in a mandatory court appearance and fines to be determined.

T.O. 19-8.5 Placement of snow in street

Subsequent to any street, roadway or highway being plowed to remove snow or other accumulated precipitation, no property owner, tenant, employee, agent, or other person shall plow, blow, shovel or in any other manner place snow upon the public street, road or highway so as to block the parking or passage of vehicles, or create ice or other hazard. It shall be strictly prohibited to plow the snow from a driveway across the width of the street to be piled on the opposing side of the street.

Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce & BID Co-Chairs Scott Seidel & Mike Scalera stopped by Autoland for a "socially distanced" Holiday Party.

(l to r) Autoland President Mark Montenero, Chamber Secretary Scott Seidel, Executive Assistant to Mark Montenero Tracy Geyer, and Mike Scalera<sup>o</sup>



#### **TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES**

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

#### TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Regular Meetings Tuesday, January 25 and February 8 Workshop Wednesday February 16

#### 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

**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

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#### LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

3rd Thursday, 7:00 pm at the Library



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The Springfield Hillside Elks Lodge #2004 and the Elks National Foundation presented the Springfield First Aid Squad with a donation in gratitude for their continued service to our community.



(l to r) David Penna, Geri Kazimar, Lois Pagano, of the Elks and Chief Apu of the Springfield First Aid Squad.

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# THE ATLANTIC FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

(continued from front page)



(l to r) The Atlantic Federal Credit Union Chief Executive Officer Anthony A. Mero, Springfield First Aid Squad EMS Chief Apu Mullick.

On December 22nd the Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce and Township Officials cut the ribbon for the Atlantic Federal Credit Union's Grand Opening celebration in Springfield at their newly renovated building at 2-8 Edison Place. The Atlantic exclusively serves Union and Essex counties with personal and business banking services backed by personalized service and the latest online and mobile banking solutions. As a not-for-profit financial cooperative, the Atlantic Federal Credit Union is dedicated to the financial success of its Members through great rates and lower fees. The Atlantic Federal Credit Union is federally insured by the National Credit Union Administration.

The Atlantic also commemorated the event by making a \$500 donation to the Springfield First Aid Squad as well. For more information on the Atlantic Federal Credit Union, please visit their website at AtlFedCU.com or visit one of their branches in Union Township or West Orange.

# 2022 DOG AND CAT LICENSE RENEWALS:

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#### **VETERANS CORNER**.....By Gerry Gebauer

Happy New Year to my fellow veterans and friends. With this article I want to go back in time. This nostalgia came on because not too long ago I happened to be in the neighborhood where I spent two months of my life in 1970. Cannot say it was the best time. The best I can say is, I survived. I am talking about Fort Dix where I took Basic Training. My wife and I happened to be in the neighborhood, so I decided a visit was opportune. There is no more Fort Dix there is now Joint Base MDL-McGuire Air Force Base, Fort Dix and Lakehurst Naval Air Station. Back in 1970 I was bussed in from Newark via the Turnpike. This time we came in the back way driving through training areas and found the main entrance to McGuire. Once in we had a hard time finding the Fort Dix area and never did find the basic training area and barracks. We did manage to find the PX which I think serves all three bases. It was very big, and I found out that as a veteran I can shop in the PX. The next object was to find the enlisted men's club but had no luck with that. From what I have heard from fellow veterans I should feel lucky I had basic at Dix. It was close to home and my now wife could visit on weekends. If you are in that area, I recommend a drive through. I intend to go back and explore some more.



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# GIRL SCOUTS FIGHT HUNGER DURING THE HOLIDAYS





Top Picture (l to r) Rosie Tilleli, Christy Barone, Lisa Capodice, Madison Capodice, Samantha Casey, Katie Pascuite, Ella Bertolotti

Left Picture (l to r)
Emma Barone, Elaina Evers,
Melissa Evers, Brody Gage,
Hannah Barone,
Julia Gage, Robert Barone,
Madison Capodice, Lisa
Capodice, Christy Barone

Girl Scout troops 40009 and 40471 were doing their part to fight hunger this holiday season. They wish to everyone in town who donated to their food drive. They delivered over 80 bags of groceries to a local food pantry in Elizabeth on December 19th and on December 30th the girls volunteered at the Community Food Bank in Hillside.



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# Police Chief's Column

for readers of the Patriot Times

Chief John P. Cook

I would first like to wish all of the readers of the Springfield Patriot Times a happy, healthy, and safe New Year.

The police department continues to deal with reports of incidents involving fraudulent activity targeting the public. While these scams may unfold in different ways, the end result is always the same – the perpetrators defraud the victims of their money. Luckily, many financial institutions will rectify fraudulent transactions, but full resolution of these situations can turn in to major hassles for victims. Thieves may attempt to use their victim's breached personal information to open unauthorized accounts or make fraudulent purchases for a long time after the initial fraud is detected.

One type of fraud that continues to occur frequently involves criminals utilizing their victims' stolen identities to open cellular phone accounts, then fraudulently purchasing high-end cellular phones and tablets through the accounts. These accounts are often created on the internet, and the phones and tablets are shipped to the victims' actual addresses. The criminals will closely watch the tracking information for the packages, and attempt to intercept the deliveries before the victims are able to retrieve the packages. In some cases, the criminals will fabricate false ID cards, displaying their photo along with the victim's personal information, and ask the delivery drivers to hand the packages over directly to them. Often times, if the criminals are successful in intercepting the packages, the victim will have no idea this type of fraud took place until they receive notification from a collections service or run a credit check. Luckily, most of the large mail and parcel services are now aware of these types of scams, and their employees are on the lookout for vehicles following them through their routes. However, some companies utilize smaller delivery operations, or subcontract their deliveries to smaller companies during times of high volume. Residents and business owners should be aware of any

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suspicious vehicles which are parked and occupied for extended periods during times when their mail or other packages are normally delivered, and contact the police department. It is a good idea to periodically run your credit report to verify your open accounts and check for any unauthorized activity. Many banks and credit card companies offer this to their clients free of charge, but if yours doesn't, don't worry -- everyone is entitled to one free copy of their credit report every 12 months from each of the three nationwide credit reporting companies (https://www.ftc.gov/faq/consumer-protection/getmy-free-credit-report).

Another scam that has sustained popularity involves individuals posing as social security agents who contact potential victims via telephone and falsely report that their social security numbers have been compromised. People that fall victim to these scams not only breach their personal information by providing it directly to these scammers over the phone, they are also defrauded out of thousands of dollars as the scammers direct them to purchase gift cards, bitcoin, or other electronic currency for payment of "fees" to resolve their accounts. Scammers will threaten their victims that US Marshalls or other law enforcement officials will show up at their residence and arrest them if the payments are not made within a certain time frame. According to the Social Security Administration, you will always receive prior notification by mail or telephone before a personal visit is made by one of their agents. You can call them at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778) to verify the identity of the Social Security employee who has contacted you.

Very few instances exist in which you may have to provide confidential personal information over the phone, text message, or email. You should take every precaution to safeguard your social security number, bank account numbers, credit/debit card numbers, and other personal identifying information. If something doesn't seem quite right, you should initiate contact with the company or agency directly by looking up the telephone numbers yourself, to verify the situation.

If you feel you may have fallen victim to one of these scams, contact the Police Department for assistance and for more information.

# SPRINGFIELD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY 66 Mountain Avenue 973-376-4930

# Please check our website for updates www.sfplnj.org

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

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

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

Please contact Dale Spindel, Library Director, at dspindel@sfplnj.org if you have any questions.

#### SPRINGFIELD FREE PUBLIC **LIBRARY - ADULT DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS - FEBRUARY, 2022**

SFPL's Adult Services Department will offer the following virtual programs in the month of February. Contact Reference Librarian Ian Allcock (iallcock@sfplnj.org) if you have any questions about attending.

#### **Really Good Book Discussion** Thursday, February 10th at 7:00 PM

The (Really Good!) Book Discussion Group will reconvene via Zoom to discuss Invisible Cities by Italo Calvino. Copies of said title can be found in Hoopla, eLibraryNJ, and many public libraries.

In this Canterbury Tales-like novel, explorer Marco Polo describes the fantastic cities he's seen to emperor Kublai Khan with a series of prose poems. These can be read as parables, meditations, or deconstructions of human experience and storytelling

Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81460 19 6521?pwd=YlRZSnZyTkEwYzMySUlzWG05VW 56QT09

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#### Virtual Chair Yoga Friday, February 11th & 25th at 12:30 PM

These 45 minute classes will be taught by our popular yoga instructor, Tamara Tsoutsouris. Participation is free and all are welcome. Chair yoga sessions are mode possible by an extremely generous donation from the Friends of the Springfield Free Public Library.

Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8702061 4558?pwd=SjV2M214ZkpVMFJJeE4zY2ZCN VRaZz09

+1 646 558 8656 US (New York) Meeting ID: 870 2061 4558 Passcode: 182507

#### February Virtual Teen Programs at the **Springfield Free Public Library**

Check out the following virtual activities for teens the Springfield Free Public Library is offering throughout the month of February. All programs require registration with Teen Librarian Ms. Alice at achunn@sfplnj.org. A Zoom link will be shared upon confirmation of registration.



#### FIRE DEPARTMENT: IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID/OMICRON **OUTBREAK 2022**

In response to the COVID / Omicron outbreak and subsequent social distancing policies, the Springfield Fire Department would like to communicate to the public the adjustments in which we will be operating.

Emergency response will not change. Our station is fully staffed and able to respond to any emergencies that the community might face. Our first responders will be instituting enhanced personal protective equipment and procedures

- · Maintaining six feet of distance for initial assessment, when possible.
- Donning enhanced PPE on calls of suspected respiratory infection or flu- like symptoms.
- Placing mask on patient, when possible.
- An Isolation and Quarantine Contingency Plan has been established for the safety of Fire Department personnel.

Springfield Fire Headquarters is closed to the public.

- Notices are posted on the front door of Headquarters, directing visitors to call the station to conduct business
- All personnel, in the Headquarters and office positions, are practicing social distancing.
- Employees are encouraged to maintain the recommended 6-foot distance from one another.
- Conference calls or Zoom sessions are being used in place of in-person meetings.

Springfield Fire Department Headquarters remains operational during normal business hours. In light of the social distancing measures currently in place, please use the following methods to contact headquarters staff:

• SFD Headquarters line: (973) 912-2265

#### Community Jigsaw Puzzles (Gr. 6-8) Wednesday, February 2nd & 16th at 4:00 PM

Those in grades 6-8 are invited to help Ms. Alice complete online jigsaw puzzles. Puzzles are accessible via Ravensburger, and we'll voice chat via Zoom.

#### **Guess the Fake Artist (Gr. 6-8)** Wednesday, February 9th & 23rd at 4:00 PM

There's an impostor among us! Can you guess who the fake artist is? Join Ms. Alice for a round-robin drawing game. We'll voice chat via Zoom. Program requires a minimum of 3 participants.

#### Scribble & Snack (Gr. 8-12) Open to grades 8-12, this program will be held every Friday in February at 4:00 PM.

We'll complete short and fun writing prompts via Google Docs while voice chatting via Zoom. Feel free to snack during the program! Participants must have a Google account to participate. Please include your name, grade, and Google account when regis-

#### LIBRARY REMEDIATION PROGRESS REPORT



The work has begun! Once all the bookshelves and other pieces of furniture got moved out of the children's room, teen room, AV room and circulation desk areas, on January 5 contractors began the arduous task of removing and replacing damaged sheetrock, to be followed by the installation of new carpeting throughout these same areas. Once this work has been finished, we will assess the possibility of safely bringing the public back inside the completed sections of the library while work continues in the adult services portion of the building

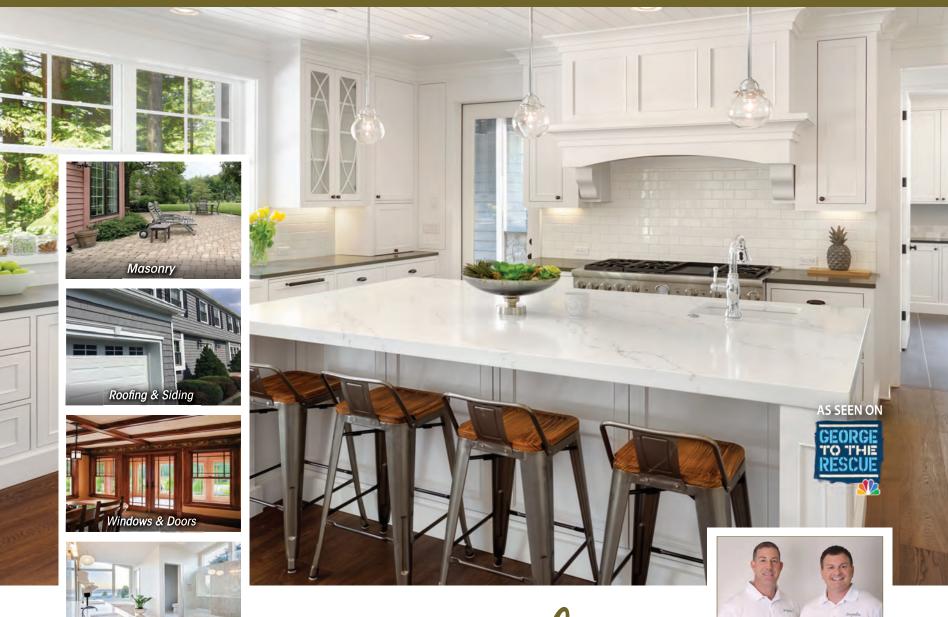
I cannot be inside the building while this initial round of work is taking place, but i can't wait to share more pictures with you once I am allowed back in.

In the meantime, check out the picture I've

included of the mostly empty children's room. Update as of January 14th - Flood damaged sheetrock was removed throughout the children's room as well as from most of the staff work areas and offices. Testing was done to confirm that the walls are now mold free, and new sheetrock is being installed in these areas. Next up will be repainting the walls and the installation of new carpeting in the children's room, teen room, circulation desk area, and AV room



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Improvements planned for existing project on Blacks Lane.

#### **SANTA VISITS SPRINGFIELD**



Santa hits the road.



Springfield Fire Department's Tour 4, Pat Federico, Captain Victor Kostin, Joseph Cowper, Stephanie Bagniewski not pictured Marc Russo Tim Hydock



Grinch-CJ Weber, Santa (Committeeman Richard Huber), Elf-Deanna DuBois



#### **CHURCH MALL PROJECT FIELD**

#### **Project Summary...**

**Lot A** - 100 Unit Inclusionary Development (85 market rate units & 15 Affordable Housing units)

25 one bedroom and 60 two-bedroom market rate units

15 Affordable Housing Units

Architectural building elevations represent a typical design and use of building materials for all elevations.

Subterranean wrapped parking garage with the same building materials as the main portion of the building

7,000 Sq. Ft. Outdoor Amenity Deck

**Lot B** - Spring Mill Manor Development (existing 40-unit age-restricted building).

**Exterior Façade Improvements** 

Reconstruction of surface parking and driveway circulation

Campus setting with shared amenities (pool / patio / playground / walking paths) and shared parking

Lot C – 19 space surface parking lot

#### Lot D – Cemetery

Planning Board Minor Subdivision Application & Future Maintenance Agreement

Construction methods and supervision to ensure the integrity of the cemetery.

# 2022 Outlook: Unstoppable

Our professional, real estate team is ready for a year of: health, well being, new beginnings, exciting moves, happy families, booming businesses, thriving communities and many joyous times ahead.

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#### **CHURCH MALL PROJECT**

The original plan contained 150 units and 5 floors but since has been reduced to 100 units and 4 floors. Those units include, 15 affordable housing units and 85 open market units. Of those 85; 25 are one bedroom (minimum average size of 900 square feet) and 60 are two bedrooms (minimum average size of 1000 square feet).

The property is within walking distance to the town center. The plan includes many outdoor amenities; a new patio, a pool, playground, and underground parking, to create a campus-like feeling. As the plan shows; Spring Mill Manor is included with exterior facade improvements to match the new building, There will be sufficient parking for residents and guests.

Important to also note that this falls under resilience planning which is redeveloping older, under-utilized properties where there's a lot of impervious coverage. A substantial amount of vegetation is not taken down, the redevelopment stays for the most part within the existing building

Please also see the video presentation on the redevelopment plan from the Township Committee Meeting that was held on Nov.23rd which is posted on our website, www.springfieldpatriot.com.

# SPRINGFIELD RECREATION HOSTS INDOOR FLOOR HOCKEY THIS WINTER



Returning to the Chisholm Community Center this winter after a two-year absence is the Springfield Recreation Department's popular indoor floor hockey program for Springfield and Millburn high school students. Coached by Robin Cornelison, an educator and Springfield resident, the weekly program offers skill-building, clinics, and games. For information on future sessions, contact the Springfield Recreation Department at recreation@springfeld -nj.us or (973) 912-2227.



# Protect Yourself from the Flu this Season!

Now is the time to protect you and your family from Flu for Flu season.

Flu vaccination prevents millions of illnesses and flu-related doctor's visits each year.

CALL THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING DIVISION AT 973-680-4058



#### **COORDINATOR'S CORNER**

Scott Seidel,

Emergency Management Coordinator oemcoordinator@springfield-nj.us

#### IT NEVER HURTS TO BE READY!

2021 certainly has been a challenging year from a preparedness perspective. This past year has brought out the third most active and intense hurricane season on record and the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has altered how we conduct our daily routines. The events which have unfolded in the year of 2021 have certainly reminded us all about the importance of preparedness. The addition of preparedness into our day-to-day lives is crucial as the impact of a hurricane, pandemic, etc. may be less harmful to those who resolve to be ready. After all, failing to prepare is preparing to fail.

Preparing goes beyond simply having extra food and water. In the modern world, an emergency savings fund and the storing of important documents are just a few readiness techniques to ensure you and your loved ones are prepared for 2022. Revising your emergency plan to ensure all personal information is updated and keeping 2 weeks' worth of food, water, and medications will make you better prepared for the upcoming year. Being a more preparation-minded individual will set you and your loved ones up for future success and ensure that you are in good standing to get through whatever may come your way in 2022.

#### Below is a list of additional preparedness steps:

- Include cash in your emergency supply kit. During an extended power outage, ATMs and credit card machines may not work.
- Check-in with neighbors to see how you can help each other out before and after a storm
- Pick an out-of-town person for everyone to contact during an emergency.
- Preparing your family for an emergency is as simple as having a conversation over dinner. Make a plan tonight.
- As part of your family's emergency supply kit, include games and toys to keep children entertained.
- Get prepared by having an emergency supply kit already stored.
- Snap pictures of your property and make an inventory for insurance purposes.
- 30: The number of days it takes for flood insurance to begin. The time to buy is when it's dry.
- If you rely on public transportation, contact your local emergency management agency about evacuation procedures before a hurricane.
- Make a list of the things you would need or want to take with you if you had to leave your home quickly.
- Prepare your car for winter: keep your gas tank near full to help avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines.
- Make a plan to check on neighbors if extreme cold or winter weather knocks out your power.
- Learn how to shut off the utilities where you live, including water, electricity, and gas.
- Take a first aid and CPR class
- Plan how you will leave and where you will go if you are advised to evacuate. Don't forget to include pets in your plans! www.ready.gov/evacuation #Resolve-ToBeReady
  - Assemble supplies for a "go-bag" you can carry if you need to evacuate
  - Make a portable emergency kit for your car
- Save. Save. Your emergency savings can help you get lifesaving items like food, shelter, and water in an emergency.
- 48% of people have an emergency fund, which gives them the savings to overcome simple emergencies.

Being prepared not only reduces losses that may be associated with a disaster, but it also reduces fear and anxiety at an individual level. The entire perception of an event may be altered for those who take precautions and are well prepared. Preparation is a crucial part of our everyday life. Make preparedness a part of your routine in 2022 and resolve to be ready.

(Courtesy of FEMA)



## SHOP AND DINE LOCALLY!

It is more important now than ever to support our local businesses!

#### **MAYOR FOR THE DAY**

(continued from front page)



Mayor Julia Egan with Captain Michael Mastroeni and Mayor Weber at the Fire Department



Mayor Julia Egan touring the Recreation Department with Assistant Director Brendan O'Reilly and Director Adam Lieb



Mayor Julia Egan touring the Fire Department with Fire Chief Carlo Palumbo



On December 15, the Township had a "Mayor for the Day". This was the result of the Springfield Lacrosse Team's fundraiser with "Mayor for the Day" being one of the items you could bid on and win.

The winner was Julia Egan. Mayor Chris Weber gave Julia a full tour of the Town and all the Departments. We also presented Julia with a plaque for the day. Mayor Weber said "It was a lot of fun and they raised good money for Lacrosse from all the prizes that were bid on"

- PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT-

# ALCOHOL AWARENESS ALCOHOL AFFECTS THE BODY

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

#### **BRAIN**

Alcohol interferes with the brain's communication pathways. Change mood and behavior, and make it harder to think clearly and move with coordination.

#### **HEART**

CARDIOMYOPATHY: stretching and drooping of heart muscle ARRHYTHMIA: irregular heart beat STROKE - HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE

#### **LIVER**

INFLAMMATION: STEATOSIS OR FATTY LIVER ALCOHOLIC HEPATITIS-FIBROSIS-CIRRHOSIS

#### **CANCER**

The more alcohol a person drinksparticularly the more alcohol a person drinks regularly over time the higher his or her risk of developing an alcohol associated cancer.

Which are the following:

HEAD AND NECK CANCER
ESOPHAGEAL CANCER
LIVER CANCER - BREAST CANCER

# COLORECTAL CANCER PANCREAS

Produce toxic substances that can eventually lead to pancreatitis, dangerous inflammation and swelling of the blood vessels and prevent proper digestion

#### **IMMUNE SYSTEM**

Drinking too much can weaken your immune system, making your body a much easier target for disease.

#### \$2,000 DONATION TO NJ COMMUNITY FOOD BANK



(l to r) Lois Pagano ENF Chairwoman Springfield Hillside Elks Lodge Food Bank rep Jen Miller



On Saturday, January 8th, Springfield/Hillside 2004 presented the NJ Community Food Bank with a \$2,000 donation from the ENF Spotlight Grant. This donation will help provide the volunteers with equipment and protection needed as they deliver food and goods to those in need throughout the community.

# WE NEED YOU... Sign Up Now! CLASSES START MARCH 2022

# SPRINGFIELD AUXILIARY POLICE SERVE THE COMMUNITY



For more information and an application visit Springfield Emergency Management under Departments tab at

www. Springfield-nj.us or call 973-467-3388

SRD さ Springfield Recreation Department

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# SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2022

CALL (973) 912-2227 FOR MORE INFORMATION

Tuesday, January 18 - Exercise class with Liz @ 11:00 am, Mahjong @ 12:00 pm

Wednesday, January 19 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm (treats sponsored by Arbor Terrace Mountainside)

Thursday, January 20 - Bus trip to Target, Big Lots, and Dick's Sporting Goods @ 10:00 am (RSVP)

Friday, January 21 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am, Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Poker @ 12:00 pm, Dominos @ 1:00 pm

Monday, January 24 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am, Bingo @ 12:30 pm Tuesday, January 25 - Computer training with Linda @ 10:00 am,

Exercise class with Liz @ 11:00 am, Mahjong @ 12:00 pm Wednesday, January 26 - Movie and snacks @ 11:30 am (RSVP)

Thursday, January 27 - Club meeting @ 12:00 pm (RSVP by Friday, January 21)

Friday, January 28 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am, Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Poker @ 12:00 pm, Dominos @ 1:00 pm

Monday, January 31 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am, Bingo @ 12:30 pm Tuesday, February 1 - Exercise class with Liz @ 11:00 am, Mahjong @ 12:00 pm

Wednesday, February 2 - Bingo @ 12:00 pm

Thursday, February 3 - Board games and dessert @ 12:30-2:30 pm (RSVP)

Friday, February 4 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am, Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Poker @ 12:00 pm, Dominos @ 1:00 pm

Monday, February 7 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am, Bingo @ 12:00 pm Tuesday, February 8 - Computer training with Linda @ 10:00 am, Exercise class with Liz @ 11:00 am, Mahjong @ 12:00 pm

Wednesday, February 9 - Bingo @ 12:00 pm

Thursday, February 10 - Bus trip to Morris Museum @ 10:30 am (RSVP)

Friday, February 11 - Pickleball @ 10:00 am, Rummikub @ 11:00 am, Poker @ 12:00 pm, Dominos @ 1:00 pm

# 2021-2022 MEN'S 35+ BASKETBALL

WHO: Men age 35+ who reside in Springfield (and non-residents who previously enrolled)

WHAT: Non-competitive pick-up games

WHERE/WHEN: Jonathan Dayton High School (east gym), Wednesdays @ 7:00-9:00 pm

Florence Gaudineer Middle School (girl's gym), Sundays @ 8:00-10:00 am

COST: \$25 (resident new player), \$12.50

(2019-2020 resident player), \$37.50 (2019-2020 non-resident player)

**REGISTER:** Online only at https://register.communitypass.net/springfield Visa, Mastercard, and Discover accepted (\$0 processing fee).

**INCLUDED:** Apparel Item, balls

**NOT INCLUDED:** Personal protective equipment (e.g. masks)

**COVID-19:** Masks must be worn inside school buildings when not actively playing basketball.

**REFUNDS:** No refunds after registration is completed.

QUESTIONS: (973) 912-2227 or recreation@springfield-nj.us



# Winter Fashion 2022

SPRINGFIELD RECREATION
JOIN US AND CREATE A CLASSIC DOLMAN
TOP IN THE EARLY CLASS OR A RAGLAN
SWEAT TOP IN THE LATER CLASS!

## **JAN 12-MAR 2ND (WEDNESDAYS)**

BEGINNER AGES 7-9 4:00 - 5:00PM

**FEE: \$220** 



OUR STUDENT DESIGNERS WILL EXPLORE AND RECREATE A CLASSIC SILHOUETTE!

SIGN UP AT FASHIONFIRSTWORKSHOPS.COM
RENEE@FASHIONFIRSTWORKSHOPS.COM OR 908-578-8561

#### SPRINGFIELD NJ BASEBALL LEAGUE

SPRINGFIELD, NJ 07081 SPRING 2022 REGISTRATION\*

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PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE at www.springfieldnjbaseballleague.com

SPRINGFIELD BASEBALL will continue to play with neighboring

towns at the Minor and Major Levels. Minor and Major League games typically take place during the week, allowing for Spring Travel to be played on the weekend. MORE DETAILS WILL BE PROVIDED ON OUR WEBSITE AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE.

DIVISIONS:	GRADES:
A & AA LEAGUES (Clinics)	Pre-K (age 4 as of 5/1/2022) & Kindergarten
AAA LEAGUES	1st & 2nd Grade
MINOR LEAGUE	3rd & 4th Grade
MAJOR LEAGUE	5th & 6th Grade
PONY LEAGUE	7th & 8th Grade

#### **PLEASE NOTE**

- $\bullet$  Springfield NJ Baseball League Board of Directors will have the flexibility to move players to appropriate divisions to address player welfare and competitive balance.
- In order to participate in Spring and Summer Travel Baseball, players must also register to play Recreation Baseball.

#### REGISTRATION FEES AND DEADLINES:

REGISTRATION COMPLETED AND PAYMENT RECEIVED BY:	ALL LEAGUES
JANUARY 31, 2022	\$150
AFTER FEBRUARY 28, 2022	\$175 (Requires board approval and subject to available roster positions)



The Springfield Recreation Department is a member of TryCAN, a multi-community collaboration that provides a variety of recreational programs for youth with special needs.

For more information on program offerings or to register, please visit http://summitcommunityprograms.com/156



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## Sweet Samantha 7 Weeks of "RELAX & PAINT" Winter 2022





AGES 7-14 Join Samantha for 7 weeks Painting Fun! We will be creating step by step a variety of awesome acrylic painted creations! We will be working on 4 X 6" canvas boards for each class and every child will have their own mini easel to work on. Children will learn techniques about texture, color & more! We will be listening to relaxing music while creating beautiful art imspired by the photosobledow... No prior art experience needed!

All Children will be spaced 3 Ft or more and will only be working with their own materials. Masks will be worn during class.

All supplies included. Class will take place at the Chisholm Community Center 100 South Springfield Ave, Springfield NJ 07081 \$210 per 7 Week Session — TUESDAYS 4:30-5:30 pm Class will begin the week of Jan 4 and will run consecutive Contact Samantha to register samilynn9@aol.com Please include the name/age of your child Venmo payment is best and can be sent to @s weet-samantha

#### -www.sweet-samantha.com

SAMANTHA IS A 2 X FOOD NETWORK COMPETIT OR ON "CAKE WARS" & "SWEET GENIUS!" HER CAKES HAVE BEEN IN MANY MAGAZINES, ARTICLES AND PRINT! SHE LOVES TO SHARE HER TALENTS OF BAKING AND DECORATING BY TEACHING CLASSES, SPECIAL EVENTS, PARTIES AND PRIVATE LESSIONS! In addition to being "Sweet Samantha" she is also a trained Art Therapist and Artist and is excited to RELAX AND PAINT!





## STEM Programs - Winter 2022

Robotics with mBot Robot



Grades 3 - 5

Thursdays 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Dates: - 1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 2/17, 2/24 and 3/3

If your child is excited about robots and coding this is the perfect class for them. Young engineers will discover the basics of coding and robotics as they learn how to program the mBot robot to complete a variety of tasks, building and expanding their coding skills along the way. This fun and interactive program will have them track and probably chase their mBots through mazes and other activities.

\$190/student

Limited space, 8 students max

Location

Chisholm Community Center 100 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield

Register online at: builtbyme.com/springfieldnj



We help children grow into creators.

# Kiddies Kaleidoscope

Quality Enrichment Classes

ALL NEW! 2022 WINTER SESSION

SPACE IS LIMITED — SIGN UP EARLY!

HELD AT CHISHOLM COMMUNITY CENTER

#### The Science Exploration Class — Grades K-2

QUALITY enrichment is back by popular demand for our future scientists! Brand new classes fostering curiosity, exploration and experimentation. Your child will have a blast experiencing age-appropriate scientific concepts while using real child-friendly science tools with a focus on S.T.E.A.M. Children take home their projects for most classes!! All New Projects/Experiments in:



• Chemistry • S.T.E.A.M.

• Earth Science • Biology

Fridays: March 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th 2022 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Cost: \$115

#### Kiddies Junior Robotics — Grades K-2 Ready - Set - Code!

By entering into our "Tinker Lab", young children will be exposed to robotics in a fun, hands-on way. Children will be introduced to the coding, programming and designing of real, age-appropriate robots understanding the basics of algorithms while building language and math skills as we work with sequencing, estimation and problem solving - all while having fun!

With Robotics being the wave of the future, children who understand robotics will be at an advantage — literally able to operate the world around them! Featuring:

Code and Go Mouse
 Botley
 Bit Bots
 BB8



- Cubelets Cubetto Novie
- Dash and Dot

Fridays: March 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th 2022 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

Cost: \$115

Please Register at: www.KiddiesKaleidoscope.com

# GIRL'S SOFTBALL SPRING 2022 - GRADES Pre-K - 9

To register,
visit BOTH websites
for TWO required payments:
https://register.communitypass.net/springfield
https://www.springfieldgirlssoftball.com

EMAIL RECREATION@SPRINGFIELD-NJ.US
OR CALL (973) 912-2227

www.springfield-nj.us/recreation · www.facebook.com/springfieldnjrec



8 WEEK **SESSION** 

**SATURDAY'S** 

**Registration Fee \$162** 

Soccer Squirts: Ages 3-4 9:00 am - 9:50 am Senior Soccer Squirts: Ages 5-6 11:00 am - 11:50 am All programs will follow NJ DOH guidelines in addition to all

#### local community center rules. **PROGRAM INCLUDES:**

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

**BOYS & GIRLS** 

**All Abilities:** 2 to 6 years olds

REGISTRATION

USsportsInstitute.com





#### **BASKETBALL CAMP MONDAY FEBRUARY 21**

Using age appropriate equipment and hoops, this program will develop childrens skills in dribbling, passing, and shooting. Older players will learn game related tactics and plays.

All sessions consist of instruction and structured scrimmages.

#### **PROGRAM INCLUDES:**

- Professional Coaches
- Low group ratios
- Age appropriate hoops
- CDC & State guidelines will be followed

## AGES 5-11, BOYS & GIRLS

LIMITED

REGISTRATION

USsportsInstitute.com (866) 345 BALL



**SPRING 2022 LACROSSE LEAGUES FOR BOYS (GRADES 1-8) AND GIRLS (GRADES 2-8) Registration Open at** www.springfieldlaxnj.com

## FREE SENIOR CITIZEN BUS SERVICE

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

Bus runs Monday - Friday from 9:00 am-3:00 pm. The bus is equipped with a passenger lift for wheelchairs. Other riders should be able to board and depart the bus independently or with their aide.

#### SENIOR CITIZENS SHOP AND DINE ON WINTER BUS TRIPS





Springfield's senior citizens traveled to several local destinations this winter for holiday shopping and lunch with friends. The bus trips included Woodbridge Center Mall on Thursday, December 9, and Outback Steakhouse in Springfield on Wednesday, December 29. Trips were chaperoned by Donald Wilkenfeld and Tony Losito, Recreation Bus Drivers, and Îlene Wilkenfeld, Recreation Program Coordinator. For information on future bus trips, contact Ilene at (973) 912-2227.

#### INTERESTED IN SCRAPBOOKING AT CHISHOLM?

The Recreation Department hosts a scrapbooking meet-up at Chisholm Community Center one Saturday per month. If you are interested in learning more about the art and hobby of scrapbooking, or want to bring your own supplies to the meetup and have company to



scrapbook with, contact the Recreation Department at (973) 912-2227 or recreation@springfield-nj.us for more information.



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#### **PICKLEBALL RETURNS TO CHISHOLM**



Pickleball for residents age 55+ is back at the Chisholm Community Center. Join fellow players on most Mondays and Fridays @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm. All levels are welcome, but beginners are especially needed! A free online registration is required annually at https://register.communitypass.net/springfield. Questions? Contact Ilene at (973) 912-2227

# YOUTH BASKETBALL CLINICS AND GAMES BEGIN IN JANUARY



Pictured with players (l-r): Joani Lico and David Steinman, clinic instructors.

Opening weekend for youth basketball games and clinics took place at multiple gymnasiums across Springfield on January 8-10. The program is administered by the Springfield Recreation Department and the Springfield Basketball Association and involves over 400 children in Pre-K through Grade 8.

Sponsors of the season include: Glendale Pizzeria & Ristorante; Springfield Orthodontics; Picante the Taste of Mexico; Prime Time Mortgage Corp.; Pacifico & Lawrence, LLC, Attorneys at Law; Andrew H.Graulich Esq.; Morning Light Acupuncture; WeCare Medical Specialty Group; and Springfield F.M.B.A. Local #57.

# SPRINGFIELD RECREATION DEPARTMENT & LACROSSE CLUB OF SPRINGFIELD

LACROSSE CLINICS PRE K-1ST SPRING '22

SUNDAYS
Starting April 17
10:00 - 11:00 am
Chisholm Park



# SUMMER 2022 INFORMATION AND APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR NEW EMPLOYEES

#### **Positions Available:**

- ♦ Chisholm Playground Camp Group Leader
- **♦** Chisholm Playground Camp Counselor
- ◆ Chisholm Playground Camp Substitute Counselor



- · All new staff members must be at least 15 years old by Saturday, June 4th.
- Chisholm Playground Camp is held on weekdays 8:30 am-12:30 pm, from Monday, June 20th- Friday, August 12th. There is no camp on Monday, July 4th.
- · Staff is paid hourly only for the hours they work.
- Camp staff members (other than substitutes) must be available to work the entire 8 week session.
- Do not schedule vacations or other extended leaves during camp.
- · Attendance is mandatory at staff orientation and family meet-and-greet.
- First Aid/CPR/AED certification and other training may be required of some/all staff members.
- · Working papers are required for all staff members under 18 years old.
- · Criminal background checks are required for staff members 18 years old or older.
- Chisholm Playground Camp takes place both indoors and outdoors, including one morning per week at the Springfield Community Pool, which involves being in the pool.
- $\cdot\,$  The information above is subject to change.

#### APPLY ONLINE AT:

#### http://springfield-nj.us/departments/recreation/employment

You may be contacted for an in-person interview in Spring 2022. The online application deadline is Friday, February 25,2022.

# SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB CELEBRATES THE HOLIDAYS





Close to 80 members of the Springfield Senior Citizens Club and invited guests gathered at the annual holiday party at the Chisholm Community Center on Thursday, December 16. The event -- returning after a cancellation in 2020 -- featured lunch from Alen's Deli & Catering, a jukebox rental donated by the Rotary Club, and greetings from Mayor Chris Weber. The club received other generous donations toward basket prizes from Williams Nursery, Regal Bank, Century 21 Norma Altman Realtors, ShopRite of Springfield, Magical Scissors, Hal Roasters, TD Pizza, Picante the Taste of Mexico, Kosher Bagels Supreme, Alen's Deli & Catering, Tom's Pizza Pasta & Subs, the Springfield Recreation Department, and the Springfield Township Committee, as well as Marion, Margaret, Don, Ilene, Hope, Jeff, and Anonymous.







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