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THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 2017

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94 PROOF PERFORMS IN



The musical group "94 Proof" (www.94proof.com) performed at the Springfield Business Improvement District's second Summer Sound Bites concert in front of Town Hall on July 20. About 30 to 35 people stopped by on this warm summer evening to enjoy the music. This concert, was postponed a week due to the weather. Even so, at 8 pm, Mel Kevoe, the Bid's Coordinator for this program, had them end a little early as lightning was seen nearby and the skies were darkening. In an exclusive interview with the Patriot Times, Mel noted "We always err on the side of safety." Please come out and join us on August 24th for Vanessa Peres." (See Flyer on Page 3)

NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE OPTER LANDS AT MEISEL FIELD



The Springfield Jr Police Academy was established in summer of 2014. It is a week long program for recruits between the ages of 11 & 14. This week of education promotes Leadership, discipline, integrity, and pride. The academy staff, Officer Ryan Westover, Officer Frank Cunha, Corporal Danielle Kahora and Officer / Drill Instructor John Laurencelle has developed a jammed packed week showing the many aspects of law enforcement. These classes include Drill and ceremony, physical fitness assessments, presentations on Police Patrol Functions, Investigations by the Springfield Police Detective Bureau, and the Police interaction with the Springfield Fire Department and First Aid Squad. The program also gains assistance from the Union County K-9, SWAT Team, Bomb Squad and the New Jersey State Police North Star helicopter. Halfway thru the week, the

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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT DRAWS BIG CROWD AT MEISEL FIELD



(l to r) Union County Police Chief Chris Debbie; Union County Police Captain Black; Union County Freeholder Alex Mirabella; Union County Freeholder Chairman Bruce Bergen; Union County Freeholder Vernell Wright; Sheriff Joe Cryan; Springfield Police Chief John Cook, Union County; Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski.



Hundreds of people turned out to participate in National Night Out on Tuesday evening, August 1, at Meisel Field. National Night Out is a community-police awareness-raising event held nationwide, typically on the first Tuesday of August. Sponsored by Union County, who provided free hot dogs and water as well as games and rides for children, the event drew a big crowd. Local Police and fire departments participated, including our own Fire and police departments, Emergency Management/Auxiliary Police and the Volunteer First Aid Squad, all displaying various equipment and apparatus that they use. Neighboring towns in the county participated as well. Mountainside, Rahway, County Corrections



(l to r) Brendan Kearns, Annie and Grace Jorda, Tommy Kearns, Linda M. Donnelly, Officer Brian Trotman holding his son Brian. continued on page 8



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Message from the Mayor

Hello Springfield Friends and Neighbors,

I trust that everyone's summer is going well. This is the time of year where the township committee has fewer meetings. This month we will have only one on Tuesday, August 15th at 7:00pm. Our Summer Concerts Series continues on Thursday August 10th and 24th from 6:30-8:30. And please visit The Farmers Market which runs every Monday from 11:00-6:00 at the Springfield Public

I'm happy to report that plans are in the works for essential upgrades to the Springfield Pool facility. The township committee was pleased with the designs that provides for a brand new, year-round, multi-use building, with an aesthetically pleasing entrance way, new lockers, new bathrooms and an indoor

Overall, I am happy to see that our township is persistent in discussing ways to renovate and revitalize our community. We will continue to engage in the challenging endeavor of finding ways to improve and upgrade our township, while keeping in mind our extremely tight budget.

On behalf of the Springfield Township Committee, I hope you enjoy these last few weeks of summer. I'm always interested in hearing from you. Email me at Diane.Stampoulos@springfield-nj.us so I can share your ideas with the Township Committee.

would like to take this opportunity to express our endless support to an outstanding athlete and resident, Anthony Cioffi! A graduate of Jonathan Dayton where he excelled in football, track and field. Springfield-native Anthony Cioffi's connection to his family, his state and his community, kept him close to home for college. He spent four years as a lender in the Rutgers Scarlet Knights secondary during his standout collegiate career. Following his career at Rutgers, Anthony earned a contract with the National Football League's Oakland Raiders, for whom he is now competing at Training Camp in Napa, California alongside some of the most physically-gifted athletes in the world.

Anthony, Best of Luck! We are all rooting for you!





THE **SPRINGFIELD HISTORIC CANNON BALL** HOUSE **JOINS THE** AMAZON SMILE **PROGRAM**

To insure a consistent source of funding for The Historic Cannon Ball House, The Springfield Historical Society has joined the Amazon Smile Program.

The Amazon Smile Program allows shoppers to make donations to not-for-profit organizations at no additional cost to the shopper. When a purchase is made 0.5% of that

purchase goes to the chosen organization.

In 1955, The Springfield Historical Society purchased The Historic Cannon Ball House, 126 Morris Avenue, Springfield. The Cannon Ball House built (circa 1760), is only one of three surviving houses of the Battle of Springfield, June 23, 1780, opened to the public. The House is a museum for the display of a collection of colonial artifacts, including two notable artifacts, the errant cannon ball lodged in a wall from the Battle of Springfield, and an original letter signed by George Washington. The House is also a resource library for historians and persons seeking genealogical information. Several times a year, docents in period dress give public tours. Individuals and groups can also arrange private tours. The House has an all-volunteer staff.

Although The Historic Cannon Ball House is listed on the Federal, and State of New Jersey Registry of Historic Sites, the House does not receive any direct local, county state or federal funds. Funding is through membership in The Springfield Historical Society, donations, grants, and merchandise sales, and private tours. For this reason, The Springfield Historical Society Board of Directors chose to join the Amazon Smile program. The Society is involved in a major restoration project and needs a source of ongoing revenue for this project and ongoing

To become a part of The Amazon Smile Program, go to Smile.Amazon.com and designate The Springfield Historical Society, Springfield NJ as your Smile Account. All donations will be applied to The Historic Cannon Ball House. The holidays are coming. Have your Amazon gifts go further.

TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Township Committee meetings at 7:00 pm in Town Hall Tuesdays August 15, September 12 and 26.

PLANNING BOARD

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

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

3rd Tuesday, 6:30 pm at the Municipal Building **BOARD OF HEALTH** 2nd Wednesday, 6:30 pm at the Firehouse

RENT LEVELING BOARD

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

RECREATION COUNCIL

Contact Recreation Department For Next Meeting Date and Time

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

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

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

2nd Thursday, 7:00 pm at the Library

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Business Improvement District

WHAT'S HAPPENING



Thursday Night Sounds Outdoor Concerts - Town Hall Lawn from 6:30pm-8:30pm **August 10 FG7**

August 24 Vanessa Peres

(rain dates the following Thursdays) Bring your own blankets or chairs. No alcoholic beverages are permitted.

Thursday Night Bites Enjoy Special Dining Deals

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Police Chief's Column Chief John P. Cook

Readers of the Springfield Patriot Times should be wary of various fraud scams that are committed via the internet, by mail, by phone or fax machine. Collectively these scams, known as Advanced Fee Fraud Schemes, may vary but the intent remains the same. They aim to get the intended victim to wire money to the suspects for supposed fees for winning a foreign lottery or supposed overpayment of monies made to someone who is selling an item, advertising their professional services or job hunting on line. Each month there are town residents who contact the police department to report receiving one of these fraud solicitations and unfortunately some residents will fall for these scams and lose money.

FOREIGN LOTTERY SCAM

The intended victim will receive a letter or an e-mail indicating they have won either a foreign country lottery or some type of sweepstakes. The victim will be told that in order to collect their winnings they must pay certain fees in advance to receiving their prize. A false claim of fees being required for customs tariffs, excise taxes etc. will be used with a monetary amount usually around one or two thousand dollars that must be wired usually to an out of state or foreign country location. As it is illegal in the United States for any person to enter a foreign lottery, many of these scams operate out of Canada. For any lottery or sweepstakes to be legitimate, such as Publisher's Clearing House, there cannot be any request for any type of fees to be paid in advance in order to collect your

ADVANCED FEE LETTER SCAM

This scam targets both businesses and residents and used to be done by U.S. Mail or via fax machine. In keeping with modern technology, it is now done over the internet. The intended victim will receive various "official looking" types of correspondence where the supposed sender will claim to be a governmental official from a foreign country, usually one located in Africa. The sender will require the assistance of the intended victim in being able to transfer millions of dollars out of the foreign country. A suspect will both attempt to obtain bank account information from the victim and, if successful, will then start to request that monies are wired to cover certain fees to arrange for the transfer of the millions of dollars. Much like the false lottery winning scenario, the victim is lulled into wiring the monies as they fixate on the percentage of the millions they are promised.

INFLATED FEE-COUNTERFEIT CHECK SCAM

In this scam the victim will be targeted based upon some type of property they are trying to sell via the internet, such as Craig's List, or some type of services that they advertise or business they operate where they can be contacted on-line. These scams target persons who are selling anything which can range from a car to a couch and target persons who advertise their services on line for everything from music lessons to nanny services. The scam also is directed at businesses as well. All cons involve an individual wanting to purchase the item listed for sale or hire the person whose services are advertised and the supposed client is out of state or out of the country but is in the process of moving into Springfield. Once services are contracted or a purchase price is agreed on, the suspect will render payment via use of a purported certified bank check. The check will always be made payable to more than the agreed upon payment and the suspect will then contact the intended victim claiming the "over payment" was a mistake or that shipping fees were included etc. The victim is told to deposit the check and wire the difference immediately as the suspect knows that it may take upwards of a week for the bank to be informed that the deposited check was counterfeit.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY SCAMS

In this scenario the intended victim will advertise on line offering their services in areas that can range from baby sitting or house cleaning to student tutoring or music lessons. A suspect will contact the victim claiming to be in the process of moving into Springfield as they use addresses in other states or foreign countries. They agree to hire the victim and through a series of e-mails will send monies to a victim to "pay up front" for the services but the check forwarded to the victim will be in excess of the agreed upon fees. Suspects will later cancel the agreement based upon some bogus excuse of not moving or being involved in a medical emergency and the intended victim is asked to wire the monies back to the suspects with the agreement that the victim can keep a portion, usually over several hundred dollars, as a cancellation type of fee. Of course the check is counterfeit. The suspects rely on the victim wiring the monies before the true status of a check is discovered. The lure of keeping hundreds of dollars is to keep the victim preoccupied from questioning the legitimacy

Other frequent employment opportunity scams offer an individual to work as a "secret shopper" or to aid supposed foreign businesses in depositing checks the business receives from persons or companies in the United States. These scenarios also involve the victim being promised large percentages of the bogus checks and/or money orders they receive with the victim always required to wire a portion of the check or money order, via either Western Union or Money Gram, to out of state or foreign country locations.

INHERITANCE SCAMS

Intended victim is contacted by e-mail by an individual claiming to be a lawyer in some foreign country who announces that the victim has been identified as the only next of kin for someone who recently died, leaving behind millions of dollars in their estate. These suspects will usually use a natural disaster such as a flood or avalanche or the crash of a commercial airplane and will send links to news articles explaining the disaster. If the victim "falls for" this ploy they will be sent sundry documents that have very official but bogus raised seals and letterheads. The victim is asked to complete the forms in order to receive the inheritance. If this is done, the victim will start being required to wire ever increasing amounts of monies for various purported legal fees. The victim is lulled into continuing to do this to gain the supposed inheritance or will continue to do this as they've paid substantial amounts and cannot walk away from their monetary investment.

The best prevention in the aforementioned, and many similar, scams that are increasing during bad economic times is to just remember the old adage..."If something seems too good to be true, it probably is". If told you've won a sweepstakes or foreign lottery but must pay fees to collect your winnings... THIS IS A SCAM. If you are either selling an item on line or are hired for your on line advertised services and are paid more than the agreed upon price with the request to wire the difference of the over payment...THIS IS A SCAM. If you receive any of these scam solicitations, ask your bank to examine the check before deposit or contact the Springfield Police (973) 376-0400 for our assistance.





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First and foremost, consider your family's health and safety.

Entering a wet basement could be hazardous! Before you enter your basement. consider the following:

- Electrical Shock When your basement is wet, there is a legitimate risk of electrical shock. If you are positive that you can safely do so, turn off your home's power at the main breaker switches.
- Gas leaks Protect yourself against gas leaks. If you smell gas, leave the house right away and then contact Utilities Kingston immediately by calling 613-546-1181.
- Pollutants Sewage can contain bacteria and transmit disease and the floodwater in your basement may have originated from the sanitary sewer and contain raw sewage. Wear protective items including gloves, safety glasses, a face mask and be sure to wash thoroughly after any contact with sewage or items touched by sewage.
- Chemicals Cleaning may expose you to a wide range of contaminants, including those from the cleaning agents being used, as well as those that may have entered from flood waters. When you get to the cleaning stage, be sure to ventilate well and limit your exposure to contact and exposure as best you can.
- Structural damage While this is not that common, a flood with certain conditions may weaken walls or even ceiling structures. If there is any concern that structural integrity has been compromised or you simply don't know, leave the area and call 911.

Depending of the nature of the flooding, also consider...

- If the flooding is due to a burst water supply pipe in your home, and if you are safely able to do so, shut off the main incoming water valve as this could help minimize the damage. You will probably know this is the case because the water will be clean, and likely coming down through the house from an upper level. In the future, make note of where this shut-off is and keep access clear.
- If the flooding is due to a sewage backup (or you are not sure), do not flush the toilet, run a washing machine, dishwasher or any other feature with a drain since this is likely to increase the flooding. Report your backup to the municipality.

In the event there is major flooding in the area, keep in mind you may not be the only resident experiencing the emergency. The Springfield Fire Department is capable of assisting and pumping basements that DO NOT have

Documentation of flood locations helps municipal staff determine if any work is required on the municipal infrastructure.

TEMPLE SHA'AREY SHALOM, SPRINGFIELD OFFERS EXCITING NEW PROGRAMS

Temple Sha'arey Shalom in Springfield has exciting plans for the new year. The temple preschool has a new director, Mindy Rossman. Mindy has many years of experience as a preschool director at the JCC in West Orange and at Temple Ner Tamid in Bloomfield. She brings new excitement and creativity to the preschool. There are also two new teachers with many years of experience and demonstrated talent, Mary Ellen DeJohn and Kristi Rubin. Enrollment in the preschool is larger than it has been for several years.

HELICOPTER LANDS AT MEISEL FIELD

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recruits take a bus trip to the John H Stamler Police Academy to witness a day in the life of a Police recruit. At the academy, they honor Union County Police Officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty. The recruits are required to

write a small note card explaining each officer on the memorial.

Officer Ryan Westover said of the academy, "Each year the program has become bigger and always ends a huge success. The future of our community is the children and promoting a strong bond between the community and the Springfield Police Department is one of our main missions.

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SPRINGFIELD LAXERS FALL SHORT IN STATE SEMI FINALS **FINISH AMAZING SEASON AT 19-4**

With the start of its first JV High School team, a Girls Youth Team, and continued growth at the youth levels, there is no doubt that Lacrosse in Springfield is "Here to Stay". The only question that remains is how long will it take for Jonathan Dayton to actually be competitive on the high school level?

WELL IF THIS YEAR'S 8TH GRADE BOYS TEAM IS **ANY INDICATION - IT MIGHT NOT BE TOO LONG!**

Successful high school programs usually have one thing in common – successful youth programs or that "feeder-system program." With most of these boys beginning in 5th grade, the oldest group of boys in the Springfield Lacrosse Club at its inception, these boys quickly took to the sport. A young and inexperienced team, they managed to score only 2 wins during their first two seasons. Coach Brady Hendrickson, a knowledgeable lacrosse fan with no child on the team, stayed patient and stayed the course as he continued to stress the fundamentals and motivated his players into participating in clinics, lessons, and playing summer Club ball. His coaching was beginning to show the fruits of his labor as the boys, then in 7th grade, posted a 9-9 record. Playing mostly a "B team schedule," Springfield showed that they could compete and beat teams that were larger and more experienced. Wins over towns like Millburn, Cedar Grove, Monroe, West Orange, and Franklin were promising. However, playing against A to AA teams like New Providence, Summit, Scotch Plains, and even Nutley would still prove to be more difficult..... ..but that would soon change.

Expectations and excitement coming into this season were at a high. With several players coming off successful summer Club seasons and the addition of All-American (High School/College) Andrew DeCicco assisting Coach Brady, Springfield would be entered for the first time into the North Jersey Junior Lacrosse League (NJJYL). DeCicco was inducted into the NJ Lacrosse Hall of Fame in 2003. He played for Rutgers University and then was a first-round draft pick of the Philadelphia Wings. Coach DeCicco served as assistant coach at Drew University, Rutgers University, Sacred Heart College, and Lafayette University. A four time New Jersey Coach of Year, he led Seton Hall Prep to its only State Championship, while also coaching Morristown Beard and St. Joseph Regional High School to successful seasons.

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PATRIOT PROFILES

Organizations and People that make a Difference in Springfield

By John Cottage Sr.

DID YOU KNOW SPRINGFIELD HAD ITS OWN COKE BOTTLE?

Well it does and it's quite a collectable!



The spirit of the Springfield Coke bottle was put into motion long before the bottle was actually produced. In the fall of 1993, a small group of Springfield volunteers met and put together plans for a special weekend to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the founding of the Township of Springfield in 1794. Township Treasurer Marie Sedlak and her husband Jim took on the responsibility to design and have shirts made for the event that would be sold to raise funds to help pay for the weekend activities. Jim, an avid Coke collector, had a vision for a special Coke bottle to celebrate the day. The committee approved Jim's idea and that set in motion a series of events. Jim contacted many local Coke bottling plants to see if he could get them to produce the bottle. None were interested. Normally, special bottles are produced in the thousands of cases and the Committee didn't want to invest in so many bottles. Finally, Jim spoke to a small Coke bottling plant in New London, Connecticut. With the approval of the New York plant, New London agreed to produce a run of 100 cases for Springfield. This was 2400 bottles

of soda, and the committee wasn't sure if they could sell all of it, but the coke supporters won out and they agreed to buy 100 cases. Coca Cola Enterprises in Atlanta, Georgia was then contacted. They designed and printed the bottles which were then filled at the New London plant. The committee was notified that the bottles were ready for pickup. Jim, along with committee members Scott Seidel and John Cottage drove the Emergency Management Command Post to New London, Connecticut to get the

bottles. After helping the plant employees load the cases of bottles into the truck, it was noticed that a few cases were off to the side and not loaded. When pointed out to the Coke employees, they were told by the plant workers "No – they are for us"! Apparently Coke always kept a few "extras" of a special run for themselves. It was quite a ride back to New Jersey on 195 and over the Tappan Zee Bridge. The Command Post was just a big box truck with no real means to secure the 100 cases. They had to have one person sit in the back and try and keep the cases from falling over--not a drop was spilled!

The bottles were a very popular item the weekend of the event. About 80 cases were sold and the

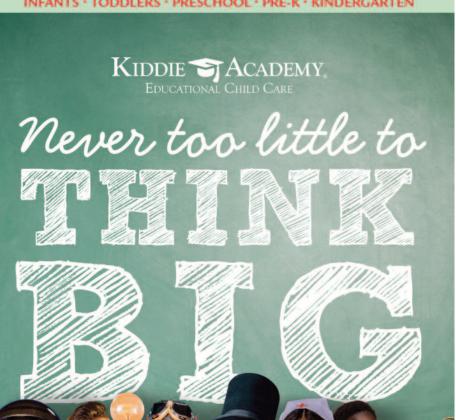


Jim Sedlak

monies collected helped fund the event. After the event it was learned that because only 100 cases were made, the Springfield Coke bottle was considered "rare" and highly collectable. Shortly thereafter, it appeared in a Coca Cola Collectables catalog for \$15. And that was over 20 years ago.

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12TH ANNIVERSARY OF "SWIM FOR FOOD"



The summer of 2017 marks the 12th anniversary of "Swim for Food" – an organization that collects canned goods and donates them to food pantries across New Jersey. The Springfield Swim Team, led by head coach Karen Bocian, has participated every year. In an effort to increase donations, the Springfield Community Pool's activities director, Dawn Wilkenfeld, hosted "Pie for a Cause" on Sunday, July 16. During the event, pool patrons were given the opportunity to pie staff members in exchange for a can of non-perishable food or a monetary donation. Some surprise guests who were "pied" included Matt Applebaum, snack bar operator and owner of Apple's Deli & Catering; Richard Huber, Township Committeeman; Jennifer Law, Planning Board/Board of Adjustment Secretary; and our dedicated lifeguards and pool staff. The event raised a total of \$50, which was used to purchase canned goods to be donated to the food pantries. The food collection helps to ensure that children who are not at school during the summer months are eating nutritious meals. Dawn and Karen would like to extend their gratitude and appreciation to those who donated money, cans, and time to this important cause.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

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Department, Prosecutors office, Sheriff's Department, County Emergency Management and the County Bomb Squad, Rescue Teams, SWAT, County Health department, National Guard and the County Freeholders were on site. Many displays were set up and parents and children alike were able to interact and meet with local law enforcement personnel and check out their vehicles and equipment up close. Many departments had giveaways and helpful information to hand out. A remote control recycling can scooted around the field and McGruff the Crime Dog made the rounds. At the conclusion of the meet and greet, a movie, "The Secret Life of Pets," was shown on a portable movie screen.





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SPRINGFIELD LAXERS FALL SHORT

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Continuing where they left off last season, the boys from Springfield jumped out to a 15-1 record with 7 surprising wins against A teams like Nutley, Ridge, New Providence, Warren Hills, Somerset, Chatham and Summit. Brady's bunch showed much improvement not only in the win column against better competition, but also increased in Goals Scored - 5.1 per game (3.7 previous season) and Goals Against - 2.3 goals per game (3.3 previous season). This surprising season would earn Springfield the #1 Seed in the State Tourney. Unfortunately, the Jr. Dawgs, coming off a four-day layoff (Yes I'm making up an excuse!), would be upset by a tough Cedar Grove team that they had beaten earlier in the season. Down at the start of 4th quarter, 4-1, a strong rally would prove to be too little too late as the Dawgs State title run would end at the hands of Cedar Grove 5-4.

But on a good note – the Dawgs would finish their Youth Lax careers at the Romp In The Swamp Tourney where they would go 4-1, beating Cedar Grove easily twice, Sparta, Parsippany and losing a surprisingly close game to an AA Cranford team 5-4. Although there was no Championship for these boys, the season was truly a huge success. Not only for the boys – but for the town of Springfield and ultimately for Jonathan Dayton High School!!!! Congrats Team Springfield 2021.



Celebrating at The Romp In The Swamp!!!!!



Team 2021 (l to r) TOP Coach Brady, Anthony Apicella, Brandon Doran, Zach Abramovitz, Sam Roth, David Ares III, Daniel Munoz, Mike Kanarek, Gavin Dzikowski, Cole Kebea, David Greenman, Evan Kay, Anthony Corigliano, Coach DeCicco: ON KNEE Nick Stampoulos, Joe Grzybowski, Elijah White, Ethan Coelho, Ryan Sickinger. (Not Pictured) Alex Gary, Gary Migone, Matt Gomes, Jordan Berkowitz, Jordy Frei



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Co-ed Lacrosse Clinics

Fall 2017 • Pre-K, K, & 1st Grade

Interested in trying a new sport? Join Springfield Lacrosse Club's fall clinics!

The instructional clinics are open to Springfield students in Pre-K through 1st grades. No equipment required. Six Sunday sessions from September 17th to October 22nd @ 10:30-11:30 am, at Chisholm Park. In the event of rain, every effort will be made to reschedule. No refunds will be provided.

Fee: \$60 Payable to Township of Springfield. Register by mail or in-person with cash, check, or money order. Or register online with a credit card at https://register.communitypass.net/springfield. (\$0 credit card processing fee!)

Payments must be made prior to the first clinic. Includes: coaching, loaned stick (if needed), balls, shirt

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

Danielle McLeer, Recreation Program Coordinator, at danielle.mcleer@springfield-nj.us

HEALTHY HANDS COOKING

Healthy School Lunches



Class Description:

Kids will learn how to create colorfull, fun, and nutritious school iunches that can be replicated at home based on MyPlate nutrition standards. We're empowering kids with healthy options and limitless choices! Packing Lunch is Fun!

August 20th, September 17th, September 24th • 9:30 - 11:30am Chisholm Community Center, 100 S. Springfield Ave. Grades K-5 • \$50 per class day



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www.LillySprouts.com

Fall 2017 CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Grades 3-9

Coach Mike Czech is back this Fall! 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 and FRIDAYS from 4:30-5:30 pm at the Meisel Avenue Park track.

PRE SEASON Monday, August 21st-Tuesday, September 12th Train on your own with a program provided by the coach.

RACE SEASON Wednesday, September 13th-Friday, November 10th (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, water bottle, pre-season training program, professional coaching instruction, race entry fees, and end-of-season pizza party. No refunds will be provided.

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 credit card convenience fee!)

Chisholm Community Center - 100 South Springfield Avenue - (973) 912-2227 Monday-Friday @ 8:00 am-6:00 pm

Danielle McLeer, Recreation Program Coordinator - danielle,mcleer@springfield-nj.us.

FLAG FOOTBALL Fall 2017 • Grades K-3rd

Flag Football is co-sponsored by the Springfield Recreation Department and Springfield Jr. Dawgs Football. This co-ed program is open to children in Springfield schools in grades K-3.

Children will learn football in a NON-TACKLE instructional team format! Emphasis will be on learning positions, football fundamentals, and playing as a team.

Six sessions take place on Mondays @ 6:30-7:30 pm September 18 - October 23, at Jonathan Dayton High School Athletic Complex. Schedule and field is subject to change.

Fee: \$65 (payable to Township of Springfield) (Includes: jersey to keep, loaned equipment, keepsake medal, end-of-season party. Does not include: cleats.)

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 credit card convenience fee!)

Chisholm Community Center • 100 South Springfield Avenue (973) 912-2227 • Monday-Friday @ 8:00 am-6:00 pm

Contact Danielle McLeer, Recreation Program Coordinator, at danielle.mcleer@springfield-nj.us or Springfield Jr. Dawgs Football at springfieldjrdawgsfootball@gmail.com.



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

Call Recreation for details (973) 912-2227

FLAG CHEERLEADING

Fall 2017 Grades K-2nd

Flag Cheerleading is open to children in Springfield schools in Kindergarten through 2nd grade. Practices take place on Thursdays from September 14th-October 19th @ 4:45-5:45 pm at Chisholm Park

Games take place on Mondays from September 18th-October 23rd
@ 6:30-7:30 pm at Jonathan Dayton High School.
Practice and game locations are subject to change.
Fee: \$65 payable to Township of Springfield

(Includes: shirt to keep, loaned pom-poms, loaned skirt, keepsake medal, end-of-season party)

Register by mail or in person at the **Springfield Recreation Department**.

Or register online with a credit card at https://register.communitypass.net/springfield

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Chisholm Community Center • 100 South Springfield Avenue • (973) 912-2227 Monday-Friday @ 8:00 am-6:00 pm

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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.

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Summer 2017 -

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.

SUMMER CLASSES

Dates: August 21-August 25 Details: Mon-Fri, 4:30pm-5:30pm Location: Chisholm Park

SOCCER - 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.

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

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!

SUMMER CAMPS

Dates: August 21-August 25
Details: Monday-Friday
(5 days) 9am-4pm, 9am-12:30pm
or 1pm-4pm
Location: Chisholm Park

FALL SEASON 2017 STARTS SEPT. 14

7 week programs • Prices from \$130
Location: Chisholm Park • Fall Schools Out Camp — October & November
Registration Now Open!

CO-ED RUNNING Fall 2017 Grades K-2nd & Grades 3rd-8th

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



Mondays from September 11th-October 23rd (no class on October 9th) at the Meisel Avenue Park Track

Grades K-2nd @ 4:30-5:00 pm • Grades 3rd-8th @ 5:00-6:00 pm

Mondays from October 30th-December 4th, at the Chisholm Community Center 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, water bottle, apparel item
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 credit card convenience fee!)

Chisholm Community Center • 100 South Springfield Avenue • (973) 912-2227 • Monday-Friday @ 8:00 am-6:00 pm

Questions? Contact Danielle McLeer, Recreation Program Coordinator
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The Springfield Junior Police Get A Close Up Look At State Police Helicopter

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Note: For campers at Chisholm Playground Camp, there will be supervised lunch session from 12:30 – 1:00 pm. Parents please pack lunch for the campers.

Location: Chisholm Community Center, 100 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081 **Ages**: 5-11 **Camp Schedule**: **Cost**: (\$160 per week)

(8/21 – 8/25); 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Register at: www.bricks4kidz.com/cnj (Click on green wheel with "view classes")

For additional information about our program offerings, please visit our website at www.bricks4kidz.com/cni (908) 866-1066 or (908) 616-0492

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SUMMER YOGA & COOKING CAMP

4 day session for 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ HOURS each class August 14th-17th 12:30pm-4pm \$230

Supervised Lunch included at 12:30 for students attending A.M. Playground Camp. Please bring lunch.

After cooking lesson, children will eat their cooked meal from class. To reserve a spot for your child please go to www.LillySprouts.com

Click on Upcoming Classes, find Kids Cooking Camp and register for the week. Payment available online or by check to LillySprouts. Classes will close at 15 students.

Any questions contact Lilly Bussin @
LillySprouts@gmail.com or 908-499-0270

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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.

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

PROGRAM RUNS SEPTEMBER 2017 - AUGUST 2018

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

Register in person or by mail to: Springfield Recreation Department, Chisholm Community Center 100 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081 ● (973) 912-2227 office (973) 912-8584 fax recreation@springfield-nj.us www.springfield-nj.us/recreation

INTRODUCTION TO DANCE Fall 2017

This popular returning class will introduce and continue the basics of ballet, and will incorporate creative movement. Instructor Diana Perez has been a dance teacher, choreographer, and performer for over 20 years.

Class meets at the Chisholm Community Center on six Mondays @ 1:30-2:15 pm, from October 2nd until November 13th. There is no class on October 9th.

The class is open to Springfield boys and girls ages 3-5. Minimum of four children are needed to run this program.

Fee: \$65 (payable to Township of Springfield)
Includes: Six sessions of professional dance
instruction Payment must be made prior to the first
class. No refunds will be provided.

Register online with a credit card at https: //register.communitypass.net/springfield (\$0 credit card processing fee!) Or register with cash, check, credit card, or money order by mail or in-person at the Springfield Recreation Department.



Chisholm Community Center 100 South Springfield Avenue

(973) 912-2227

Monday-Friday, 8:00 am-6:00 pm

Questions? Contact Danielle McLeer, Recreation Program Coordinator, at (973) 912-2227 or danielle.mcleer@springfield-nj.us

SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES ••• AUGUST 2017 •••

CALL (973) 912-2227 FOR MORE INFORMATION

Wednesday, August 16th - Bus trip to Ocean Grove @ 10:00 am (RSVP)

<u>Friday, August 18th</u> - Cards @ 1:00 pm <u>Monday, August 21st</u> - Bingo @ 12:30 pm <u>Tuesday, August 22nd</u> - Cards @ 11:30 am

Wednesday, August 23rd - Bus trip to Yo Addiction @ 1:00 pm (RSVP)

<u>Thursday, August 24th</u> - Club birthday luncheon @ 12:00 pm (RSVP)

Friday, August 25th - Cards @ 1:00 pm Monday, August 28th - Bingo @ 12:30 pm Tuesday, August 29th - Cards @ 11:30 am Wednesday, August 31st - Bus trip to Great Falls @ 12:30 pm (RSVP)

Friday, September 1st - Cards @ 1:00 pm

Tuesday, September 5th - Cards @ 11:30 am, Bingo @ 12:30 pm

<u>Thursday, September 7th</u> - Summer BBQ @ 12:00 pm (RSVP)

Friday, September 8th - Zoom-Ba @ 11:00 am, AmeriCare Physical Therapy Balance and Fall Prevention/Screen @ 12:00 pm,Cards @ 1:00 pm

<u>Monday, September 11th</u> - Bingo @ 12:30 pm <u>Tuesday, September 12th</u> - Cards @ 11:30 am

Wednesday, September 13th - Bus trip to Turtle Back Zoo @ 9:45 am, Shape UP @ 11:00 am

Thursday, September 14th - Club monthly meeting (a) 11:00 am

Friday, September 15th - Cards @ 1:00 pm

Sweet Samantha Custom Cake Design, Private Parties & Classes

FALL 2017

OMG!!!! ----- I MADE THAT!!!

Join Sweet Samantha for an opportunity to tap into your creative self and make truly amazing and useful crafts for everyone to enjoy! Pinterest-inspired ideas, coupled with Samantha's fun flair, this class is aimed at tweens and teens (Ages 8 -16) to boost self- confidence with finding new skills! Each week, students will complete and take home an awesome project they can feel proud of!!!

Week 1 - Felt Flowers - Turn into headbands, hair ties, and pins!

Week 2 - Pasta From Scratch! Yummy snack as we make fresh Ricotta Gnocchi & Egg Noodles.

Week 4 - Body Product Fun! Mini Lotion Bars, Sugar Cubes, Bath Melts, and Hand Sanitizer!

Week 5 - Unicorn Key Chains - Using polymer clay, we will create magical unicorn key chains Week 6 - Gift Packages - Using origami for our own gift bags, boxes, bows, and embellished cards

Mondays @ 4:15-5:45 pm at the Chisholm Community Center, 100 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield

Class Dates: Sept. 18th, 25th, Oct. 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd

Price: \$195 - Includes all materials to complete the projects listed

* Please contact Samantha for any questions and to register at: samilynn9@aol.com - www.sweet-samantha.com - (973) 445-1620

DECORATING AND BAKING CLASS!

Join Sweet Samantha for an incredible learning experience (Ages 8 - 16) All about Baking and Decorating! **6 Weeks of Hands-On Projects**

Class 1 - Minion Cookies! (Sugar Cookies Plus Decorate a trio of your fav. minion faces!)

Class 2 - Breakfast Treats! Bake from scratch crumb cake, muffins and pastries!

Class 3 - Decorate A Spa Bathtub Lady Cake! - Fun and Fabulous finished 5" round creation!

Class 4 - Fall Cupcake/Cake Baking - Including Gingerbread, Pumpkin, Apple Spice, and more! Class 5 - Cake Pops! Learn the basics of how-to and some simple ways to make them

Dass 5 - Cake Pops! Learn the basics of how-to and some simple ways to make then look amazing!

Class 6 - Mini 3D Ghost Cake for Halloween - This impressive design for holiday fun!

Tuesdays @ 6:00-7:30 pm, at the Chisholm Community Center, 100 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield

Class Dates: Sept. 19th, 26th, Oct. 3rd, 10th, 17th, & 24th Price: \$195 - Includes all materials, tools, and recipes

* Please contact Samantha for any questions and to register at: samilynn9@aol.com www.sweet-samantha.com - (973) 445-1620

Samantha has been a two time FOOD NETWORK competitor on "Sweet Genius" and "Cake Wars" - Specializing in Artistic cakes, and baking, Samantha's work has been featured in many national magazines, print and blogs. She is also a Springfield mom herself and loves to teach all ages how to bake & decorate!

PRETEND, PLAY, AND CREATE!

Have your child join Sweet Samantha for an amazing morning of 1 Hour 45 Min of pretending, playing, and creating! Each week will feature a theme and will include special music & movement games, a creative art project, a theme story, as well as making a matching yummy snack! Imaginations get ready! (**All children should be self potty trained and comfortable with drop off) *AGES 3-5

Class Dates: Sept. 19th, 26th, Oct. 3rd, 10th, 17th, & 24th Price: \$195 - Includes all materials, tools, and recipes

Week 1 - Spring Picnic Week 2 - Birthday Party Week 3 - Luau

Week 4 - Beach Day Weeks 5 - Halloween Week 6 - Snow Day Week 7 - Camp Out

Thursdays @ 10:00-11:45am, at the ${\bf Chisholm\ Community\ Center},$

100 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield

Class Dates: Sept. 28th, Oct 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th, Nov. 2nd, 9th Price: \$195 - Includes all materials to complete the projects listed

FREE TEEN DROP-IN

Who: Springfield residents in 6th-12th grades

What: Basketball, volleyball, lounge games, TV, quiet study supervised

by Recreation Dept. staff

Where: Chisholm Community Center, 100 South Springfield Avenue

When: Monday-Friday (closed municipal holidays)

Time: 1:00 - 6:00 pm (summer hours)
Handbook, registration form, photo ID

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

Web: www.springfield-nj.us/recreation

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MONDAY AUGUST 28

Springfield Free Public Library

66 Mountain Avenue, Springfield • 973-376-4930

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

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 10:00 am - 9:00 pm Tuesday, Friday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Saturday (June) 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Saturday (July) 10:00 am -1:00 pm Sunday closed

The Library will be closed on Saturday, September 2 and Monday, September 4 in observance of Labor Day.

More information about the library can be found at www.springfieldpubliclibrary.com.
Our programs are free and open to the public,

no matter what town or county you live in!

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Monday August 14 @ 7pm Enjoy Explore India presents traditional wood block printing workshop. Ages 8 to Adult. Adults will make scarves--youth/teens will make T-shirts. Must register at Youth Services desk to reserve your scarf or T-shirt (and size!).

Summer Reading @ Your Library! We give prizes for reading! Simply register your name and grade (Grades 1 and up), record number of pages/books read. Present your log to the librarian each time you visit the library and take a rummage through the Treasure Chest. Readers are eligible for a Chipotle free kids meal, as well as raffle tickets for chances to win larger prizes, including a Kindle Fire, 4-pack of movie tickets, \$15 Barnes & Noble gift cards and more.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten. Children from birth to entering Kindergarten may be registered at the Youth Services desk. Reading logs have room to record 100 books (or you may use the APP). When 100 books are read, present your child's record to receive a small prize, and a new log!

Mother Goose Group @ 10:30 selected days --Babies, toddlers and preschoolers w/ a caregiver. Drop in and stay for a while! Wed Aug 16, Fri Aug 18, Wed Aug 23, Fri Aug 25.

Crafty Mondays and Fridays @ 4:00pm. Ages 4 to 8 drop-in. No crafts last week of August.

Eight Crazy Weeks of Math Party Fun! Crazy 8s is back and better than ever! Kids in Grades 3 to 5: meets each Tuesday through August 22 @ 10am to 11am. Be prepared to build, run, jump, make music, make a mess, make mischief, and take home cool gadgets!

Campfire Stories 7pm Thursdays Gather around our cozy campfire fire for great stories. Wear your PJs if you'd like and bring your Teddy. All ages. No Campfire on August 17.

Origami Club Wednesdays @ **4:45.** All ages. Paper folding fun! No Origami last week in August.

*******TEENS:*****

Thurs, August 17 @ 1:30pm Paint A Jar: Paint and/or decorate a mason jar! Open to Grades 6 and up. Space is limited.

SPECIAL EVENTS

June 5 through August 31 Art Exhibit -Photography of Laura Castellano. September 5 thru October 6 Art Exhibit – Jackie Dickert photography.

Thursday, August 17
The Friends of Springfield Free Public Library 50th Anniversary:

- 10:00 am 12:00 pm Party games on the Fun Bus (ages 2 – 6)
- 2:00 pm 3:30 pm Harmony Celebration Choir
- 6:30 pm 8:30 pm
 Family Fun with Party Maniacs
 & TapSnap Photo Kiosk

Wednesday, August 23, 6:30 pm Indian cooking demonstration: Paneer Chilla. Attendees should be mindful of any food allergies or sensitivities before sampling the dish.

DISCUSSIONS and WRITING

Thursday, September 14, 10:00 am Memoir Writing Group.

FILMS

Thursday, August 24, 1:00 & 6:45 pm International Film: "Lion", (2016) in English, Hindi & Bengali with English subtitles.

Monday, August 28 at 1:00 pm Lunchtime Film: "Hacksaw Ridge" (2016). Staring Andrew Garfield.

Monday, September 11, 1:00 pm Lunchtime Film: "The Station Agent" (2003).

HOBBIES AND INFORMATION

Every Monday at 7:00 pm Scrabble - Bring a friend! Every Thursday at 7:00 pm Chess Club Every Wednesday, 6:45 pm - 8:45 pm Mahjong Club Every Wednesday, 6:45 pm to 8:45 pm Bridge Club.

INSTRUCTION

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

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 Monday, 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm Canasta class. Every Tuesday, 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm Mahjong class

SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY TO HOST INDIAN COOKING DEMO OF PANEER CHILLA ON AUGUST 23

Looking for something different to feed your kids for breakfast when they go back to school this fall? Charu Jhalani returns to the Springfield Free Public Library at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, August 23, to demonstrate how to prepare paneer chilla, a pancake made with green split lentils, garlic, ginger and chilies that is then stuffed with crumbled paneer cheese. Attendees will be given the opportunity to sample the dish at the conclusion of the demonstration and are asked to be mindful of any food allergies or sensitivities that they might have before consuming any of the food offered.

SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO HOLD SPECIAL BOARD MEETING ON AUGUST 23

The Board of Trustees of the Springfield Free Public Library has scheduled a meeting to take place at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, August 23.

SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY FRIENDS PLAN DAY-LONG ACTIVITES CELEBRATING THE FRIENDS 50TH ANNIVERSARY AUGUST 17TH

The Friends of the Springfield Free Public Library were established on August 17, 1967. This August, the Friends are celebrating with special, free, morning, afternoon, and evening programs at the Library, 66 Mountain Ave.

The Fun Bus will be at the library 10 am – noon bringing 'Fitness Fun on Wheels' for children 2-6. This supervised program brings fun, exercise, and learning for children in a converted school bus. The Bus will be parked in the side lot between the Library and the First Aid Squad building. The lot will be closed to public parking during this event.

For adults, the Harmony Celebration Chorus will present a concert of A Cappella music in the Palmer Museum 2-3:30 pm. This award winning chapter of Sweet Adelines International will entertain adults Thursday afternoon and there will be light refreshments following the concert.

Families are invited to a fun filled evening at the library 6:30-8:30 pm, and also in the Palmer Museum. "Party Maniacs" will bring face painting, balloon sculpting, limbo dancing, and other games for the family. Get free keepsake records of your fun evening at "TapSnap's" unique photo kiosk, and also at the library that evening.

All these programs are free including the photo kiosk! The Friends are celebrating their 50 years of service to the Library and the Springfield community and you are invited to the party. Thank you to everyone who has supported the Friends through the years by helping as an officer, serving on a committee, helping out at a fund raiser, donating or buying items at one of our sales, or contributing monetarily with your dues and donations. For more information on this celebration or any other Friends activities, email the Friends at Friendssfpl66 Mt@aol.com.

MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID TRAINING ON SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 9, 2017

Join the Township of Springfield for an important upcoming event: Mental Health First Aid Training on Saturday, September 9, 2017, from 8:00 am-4:00 pm, at the Chisholm Community Center (100 South Springfield Avenue). The program fee is \$45, and includes course materials and a light lunch. The fee is payable online at https://register.communitypass.net/springfield with Visa, Mastercard, or Discover (\$0 credit card processing fee). A minimum of 10 participants is required to run the training, and there is a limit of 20 participants.

Mental Health First Aid Training is exactly what it sounds like. It is training for everyone who may find themselves in the company of someone needing immediate intervention, whether you have some type of clinical background or not. At the end of the day, you will be able to recognize the indicators that someone around you is developing a mental health problem or experiencing a mental health crisis. Have you ever been in the company of someone "having a meltdown," or behaving in a way that causes you to be concerned about the person's ability to carry out every day functions, like work, or the normal challenges of relationships, like parenting? The first aid is given until appropriate treatment and support are received or until the crisis resolves. Like any other first aid course, a concrete action plan will be taught to participants of Mental Health First Aid Training to help someone who is developing a mental health problem or experiencing a mental health crisis. Mental Health First Aid Training is taught by Stephanie Simon, Director of the Bridgeway Crisis Intervention Services in Jersey City, and Hudson County CIT Mental Health Coordinator.

POINT PLEASANT IS DESTINATION FOR SENIORS



On Wednesday, July 19th, Crystal Point Yacht Club in Point Pleasant was the destination for Springfield senior citizens on a hot summer day. The first-time bus trip was completely sold out and included a full lunch and cabaret show. It was sponsored by the Springfield Recreation Department and was chaperoned by Donald Wilkenfeld, senior citizen bus driver (pictured, rear center).

MORRIS MUSEUM HOSTS SPRINGFIELD SENIOR CITIZEN BUS TRIP



On Wednesday, June 28th, Springfield senior citizens visited the Morris Museum in Morristown for a tour of the special exhibits, "Full Steam Ahead! Model Trains and Railroads," and "The Stars Tell the Story." The bus trip was sponsored by the Springfield Recreation Department and was chaperoned by Tony Losito, senior citizen bus driver (pictured right, rear).



Library Board members Sue Firsichbaum and Cheryl Mullman and library staff members Genia Meiler, Nina Rosenstein, Patricia Geiss, and Helen Wollny enjoying the relaxed atmosphere at the recent Springfield Free Public Library staff appreciation dinner.



Library staff members Alice Chunn, Mesfin Ayne, Ian Allcock, and Elizabeth Hathway smile big for the camera at the recent staff appreciation dinner.

Springfield Recreation Department Bus Trip

Casino, Restaurants, Outlet Shopping

Thursday, October 19, 2017

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

> Payment due by Thursday, October 12, 2017 Seats are limited, and first-come first-served. No refunds.

Make checks payable to: Springfield Recreation Department Chisholm Community Center, 100 South Springfield Avenue Includes: Round-trip coach bus transportation, driver gratuity, chaperone, morning snack, \$20 slot free play (photo ID required), \$5 food coupon. Questions: (973) 912-2227



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St. James the Apostle Church in Springfield celebrated the feast day of its namesake, St. James the Greater, on July 25, 2017 with a bi-lingual mass, procession with a banner of St. James around the parish campus, and a tailgate party.



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REGAL BANK ANNOUNCES BRANCH MANAGER CHANGE



Anna Pedreiras, assistant vice president and branch manager.

Regal Bank is making some changes to branch manager locations due to a recent opening at the Springfield branch. Anna Pedreiras, assistant vice president and branch manager, will be moving from the Millburn branch to the Springfield branch.

Mrs. Pedreiras resides near the local communities in which she works.

Mrs. Pedreiras stated, "Springfield is a wonderful community and I'm excited to serve the area and maintain the high level of service our customers value."

Prior to her six years at Regal Bank, Mrs. Pedreiras spent three years as assistant vice president and branch manager of Provident Bank. She currently resides in Elizabeth, NJ with her husband Vitor and their children Zachary, Isaac, and Emma. In her free time, she enjoys cooking and spending time with her family.

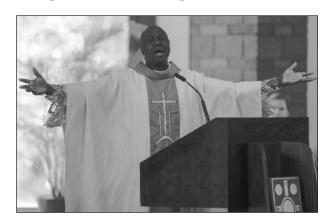
Thomas Lupo, president and CEO of Regal Bank, said, "We look forward to seeing Anna continue to flourish at her new branch location. She is very valuable to our Regal Bank team and will fit in quite well in the Springfield community.'

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ST. JAMES SAYS GOOD-BY TO FR. EVEREST BANIYET



Rev. Everest Baniyet celebrated his final mass at St. James the Apostle Church in Springfield on June 25, 2017.

The parish community of St. James the Apostle Church in Springfield said farewell to its priestin-residence, Rev. Everest Peter Baniyet and wished him Godspeed on Sunday, June 25, 2017, with a special mass followed by a barbeque on the church grounds. The mass was concelebrated by Rev. Joseph F. Barbone, St. James's pastor; Rev. Silvano Kim, parochial vicar; Rev. John D. Dennehy, weekend associate; and Rev. Jonathan Yabiliyok, also from Nigeria, currently in residence at Our Lady Queen of Peace parish in Maywood. Deacon Daniel O'Neill assisted.

Špeaking from the pulpit, "Fr. Everest" fondly recalled the warmth and friendship he experienced from the entire parish while serving at St. James, and he thanked Rev. Barbone for caring for him like a son. He also thanked members of the Nigerian community who were present at the mass for welcoming him and looking out for him while he was living in New Jersey. Rev. Yabiliyok also thanked the community of St. James for the care and concern the parish showed Fr. Everest during his stay in Springfield.

Fr. Everest, who has been living at St. James while studying for a Masters degree in Moral Theology at Seton Hall University, returned to his native diocese in the state of Kaduna in northern Nigeria on July 1. According to Fr. Everest, Christians in Kaduna are persecuted on a daily basis.

Upon returning to Nigeria, Fr. Everest will begin his new position as chaplain at the Federal Polytechnic College. The Catholic church associated with the college was destroyed in recent years by Jihadists and is in the process of being rebuilt. Currently there is a lack of electricity in the area. At the conclusion of the mass, Rev. Barbone announced that the parish was giving Fr. Everest a check for \$5000 to help install solar energy panels in the Nigerian rectory.



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