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THURSDAY
MARCH 26, 2015

8:30 am - 9:30 am
Emergency

Management Office
Top Floor of the Fire House
In the Joseph Pepe III
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SPRINGFIELD POLICE PROMOTE TWO OFFICERS

On February 24, 2015, the Springfield Police Department promoted Sergeant William Cieri to lieutenant and Investigator Kimberly Raguse to sergeant. Chief Cook commented on the exceptional abilities and talents of each officer and noted that while gender does not matter, Sergeant Raguse is the first female sergeant in the Department's history. Committeeman Richard Huber also commended Sergeant Walter Brooks on his 25 years of service to Springfield, as he retired at the beginning of the month.



Chief Cook, son Matthew Cieri, wife Kim Cieri, Lieutenant Cieri, daughter Megan Cieri and Mayor David Barnett



Chief Cook, Mayor David Barnett, Sergeant Raguse and Colleen Strobel.

CALDWELL STUDENTS FOSTER HOPE

James Caldwell Elementary School held its 3rd Annual Bookfair to benefit charity. Springfield HOPE (Helping Other People Endure) is the beneficiary of this year's fund drive. Partnering with Barnes & Noble, the school arranged to have a percentage of purchases during the designated in-store and on-line dates donated to Springfield HOPE.

The in-store bookfair ran Monday, February 23 through Wednesday, February 25, 2015 with a fun event each night. The kick-off event was the Jersey Follettes, a talented singing trio that includes former Springfield resident Laura Fraenkel. That event was followed by a fun activity led by local author Laura Overdeck of Bedtime Math and finally, the James Caldwell Elementary School Fifth Grade Choir with Choir Director Loren Fortna. All events were held at the Barnes & Noble Bookstore, 240 Route 22 West in Springfield.

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PLANNING BOARD APPROVES DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

The Planning Board conducted a public hearing on the Redevelopment Plan for Block 706, Lots 10-17 at their meeting of March 4, 2015. The plan was presented to the Board by Keenan Hughes, AICP, PP of Phillips, Preiss, Grygiel, LLC. The Board heard comments from their members, the Board's professionals and the public and reviewed copies of the plan. At the conclusion of the presentation the Board recommended adoption of the plan and also made few recommendations to the Township Committee. Although redevelopment of the downtown area has been in the works on and off for 30 years or more, this is the closest the Township has ever come to a developer getting a shovel in the ground. One other redevelopment project is getting closer to be scheduled for a hearing in the next few months as well.

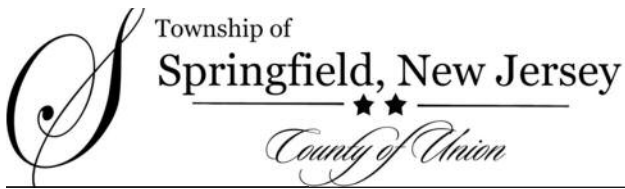
AMY ROSELLE VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR



Mayor David Barnett, Amy Roselle, and Dr. Gary Hecht

On February 24, 2015, Amy Roselle, Dr. Gary Hecht's office manager, was presented with a plaque noting her outstanding volunteerism and service to the residents of Springfield in building a better community. Dr. Hecht noted that Amy Klingaman-Roselle grew up in Canton, Ohio and was a graduate of Glen Oak High School. She attended college in Ohio and was trained as a radiological technician. She worked in local hospitals and facilities, rarely having less than two jobs at a time and paying her way through school. Her work ethic is unparalleled. She met her husband, Danny Roselle and moved to New Jersey in 2007. She worked in an orthodontic office in New York City until 2009. She started working at Hecht Chiropractic as our office manager and has been there ever since.

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Message from the Mayor

Greetings Springfield friends and neighbors! As winter is finally turning to spring, I'm excited to share not only the progress that the township has made in the last few weeks, but also the great things that we can all look forward to in the next few months.

Downtown Redevelopment Continues to Take Shape

When I came to office, I made the redevelopment of our downtown area one of my highest priorities. I'm happy to report that we are getting closer and closer to having a revitalized downtown. Following the release of the Morris Avenue Vision plan in January, we saw the largest progress towards this goal in decades last month. Below is a description of what was involved in making this vision plan a reality.

First, the Township Committee voted to accept a redevelopment plan for the 80,000 square foot property along Morris Avenue between Center and Caldwell streets. Working with the property owner, our township professionals and the BID, we came up with a plan to turn this property into a mixed-use building with retail on the ground floor and apartments on the upper floors. The plan calls for completely rebuilding the property, increasing the depth of the sidewalk and creating a façade that is in line with new design standards for our downtown.

The next step was for the plan to be sent to the Planning Board. The Planning Board determined that the project fits the township's Master Plan, has adequate parking and offered several other helpful recommendations. The last step for the plan is for it to come up for an Ordinance, ratifying it next month. Members of the public are welcome at our Township Committee Meetings, as well as your comments on this topic.

Grand Opening of Chisholm Youth Wing

Renovation of the Chisholm Community Center is almost complete. The entire building will be officially open on March 21, 2015 at 11 am. This great facility has undergone a complete renovation and will be home to all township recreation activities. The senior wing was completed in 2013 and is getting much use. The youth wing features a completely refurbished gym with viewing area, upgraded kitchen, brand new bathrooms and redone activity rooms. I hope you will join me at the opening ceremony at 11 am on March 21st.

Lastly, as the snow melts and the weather warms, on behalf of the entire town, I would once again like to thank the DPW workers, OEM staff, Police and Fire departments for all they did on removing the snow and keeping the residents of Springfield safe. As always, please feel free to email me at david.barnett@springfield-nj.us if you have any questions or concerns.

Your Mayor

David Barnett

SPRINGFIELD HADASSAH MEETING MARCH 26, 1:00 PM SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

The topic of the March 26th meeting is, "Protect, Detect, Report—Stop Health Care Fraud."

The speaker is Charles Clarkson, Project Director of the Senior Medicare Patrol of New Jersey. The aforementioned organization is a federally funded program of the United States Administration for Community Living and is part of the Senior Medicare Patrol Project.

Mr. Clarkson will deal with how to protect our health care programs and how to detect and report ways to stop health care fraud.

The public is invited to attend and coffee, tea and desserts will be served. It is suggested that individuals who are interested in attending and are not Hadassah members should call Springfield Hadassah President Rona Zandell at 973.379.9498.

Springfield Community Blood Drive

Thurs. April 16th
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TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Regular Meetings, Tuesday, March 24, 7:30 pm, Town Hall

Workshop Meeting Monday, April 13, 7:30 pm Fire Dept.

Regular Meetings, Tuesdays, April 14 and 28, 7:30 pm, Town Hall

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 COMMITTEE

Contact the Recreation Department for future meeting schedule.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

3rd Monday, 7:30 pm at the Annex

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES


3rd Thursday, 7:30 pm at the Library

Springfield

Business Improvement District

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The Springfield BID at Work!

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Business Directory BIG Hit!!

Great response to the 2015 Business Directory! Working on the 2016 Directory. Please let us know if there are businesses we missed, or businesses listed that are not in Springfield.

The directory is a work in progress, but remember, you can go to our APP or our WEBSITE for up to date listings of our businesses.

Mountain Avenue Streetscape

We are finalizing the design and street furniture selections. We will be presenting the final plans to various businesses and committees in town. We are still hoping to have a shovel in the ground for early summer.

REDEVELOPMENT is moving along.

The Township Committee has approved a redevelopment plan for Morris Avenue. The Planning Board will be reviewing the plan in March.

Download NOW!!

Springfield App is HERE! Don't miss out on the Loyalty Rewards Program! Look for Stickers in the windows of participating businesses!

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

MCLYNN'S

250 Morris Avenue - 973-258-1600

McLynn's is a Springfield "eating and drinking institution" serving Irish-American style food in a comfortable and casual neighborhood pub setting. Their beer list is top-flight and burgers are among the best you will find in NJ. McLynn's features live music most Friday and Saturday evenings, happy hour (5-7pm) weekdays and many other events during the year. It's the perfect place to celebrate St. Patrick's Day...or any day of the week for that matter!



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PICANTE THE TASTE OF MEXICO

263 Morris Avenue - 973-467-0004

The restaurant scene in Springfield got much "hotter" when Picante opened in 2007. Family-owned & operated and serving Authentic Mexican food, customers throughout the county visit this casual BYOB for delicious and freshly prepared Enchiladas, Chiles Rellenos, Al Pastor Tacos, Ceviche, Camarones a la Diabla, Chorizo Nachos and much more. Their Guacamole absolutely rocks! They also offer catering services for offices, celebrations and private events.



DANCER'S POINTE

20 Millburn Avenue - 908-241-9595

In addition to being SO MUCH FUN...Dancer's Pointe is a comprehensive performing arts studio offering classes in voice, ballet, lyrical, pointe, hip hop, tap, salsa, breakdance, jazz, musical theater, and zumba for both BOYS & GIRLS. Children can begin classes from ages 2 through ADULT. Many Dancer's Pointe students have won numerous awards over the years in dance competitions in NY, NJ & PA...and have performed at EPCOT Center in Disney World, Six Flags & Hershey Park! Whether you or your child is in it for a terrific extra activity or a more serious entertainment plan, Dancer's Pointe is a wonderful choice.



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Springfield Town Hall Bulletin Board

Springfield Township Committee Approves

Downtown Redevelopment

The revitalization of Downtown Springfield has been a longstanding objective within the Township. The establishment of a Business Improvement District (BID) in 2011 was an important step in the Township's efforts to build a destination-oriented retail environment along Morris Avenue. A market analysis commissioned by the BID in 2012 revealed that a significant portion of consumer spending of the residents of Springfield was occurring outside of the community. In addition, downtown Springfield captured very little spending from consumers in surrounding communities. The study presented a major opportunity to increase consumer spending in the downtown by increasing the residential population, developing new modern retail spaces, and instituting a retail recruitment program.

The Morris Avenue Vision Plan, released in January, was created in conjunction with the Township's on-going redevelopment planning process, and recommends creating a vibrant downtown area that is attractive to residents, businesses, and commuters alike.

Springfield's downtown has the essential components for creating a great place with unique character: mixed uses, community facilities, an interconnected street and sidewalk network, and access to transportation.

Recently, the Mayor and Township Committee approved the Redevelopment Plan for the property along Morris Avenue between Caldwell and Center Streets. The plan provides downtown living opportunities for residents interested in a walkable downtown lifestyle, creates modern retail space, and promotes a pedestrian-oriented streetscape along Morris Avenue. The existing structures will be demolished in order to create a mixed retail and residential building on the approximately 80,000 square foot piece of land. "This redevelopment plan, which follows the Morris Avenue Vision Plan, is integral to advancing the community's vision for downtown," said Mayor Barnett. "From a planning viewpoint, the key to establishing downtown Springfield as a destination for shopping, dining and entertainment is to implement physical improvements that help create a traditional, walkable mixed-use environment along the Morris Avenue corridor."

The intent of the Redevelopment Plan is to enhance the economic base of downtown Springfield by providing retail commercial activity at the street level along Morris Avenue, with multi-family residential units on the upper floors. By incorporating smart growth planning principles and offering quality building design and a strong visual presence, the project also aims to attract additional private investment and redevelopment activity within downtown Springfield.

The goals of the approved Redevelopment Plan are to:

- support business activity within downtown Springfield and provide additional job opportunities
- encourage the development of attractive housing options for singles, young couples, empty

nesters and others interested in participating in the revitalization of downtown Springfield

- promote land uses that support and enhance the retail environment in downtown Springfield
- create modern retail spaces suited for destination-oriented restaurants and stores

The approved plan will be sent to the Planning Board on Wednesday, March 4, 2015 so they can review the plan details, and the Planning Board will send their recommendations to the Township Committee.

Applications Available For Camp And Pool Jobs

The Springfield Recreation Department is accepting applications for summer 2015 jobs at the Community Pool, Pool Camp, and Chisholm Playground Camp. Positions include: counselor, substitute counselor, lifeguard, pool activities leader, pool front desk, and pool maintenance. Applications are available at the Chisholm Community Center and online at www.springfield-nj.us/recreation.

Springfield Hires Part-Time Communications Specialist

As part of the ongoing efforts to keep residents and visitors informed about what's happening in town, the Township has hired Cindy Reis as part-time Communications Specialist. "There are so many great things happening in town. We want to make sure that people know about everything from community activities to recycling to downtown development," said Mayor David Barnett. "Our staff members do a great job keeping the town running effectively and efficiently. We want to make sure our residents know about the outstanding work they are doing."

With nearly thirty years of marketing, public relations, and advertising experience in both the public and private sectors, Cindy has spent the last ten years working with local municipalities and business associations. She will be available to township staff, local businesses, community groups, and the media to help provide news articles and information for our residents and visitors.

If you have information that you would like to share with the public, please send an email to news@springfield-nj.us.

Township Of Springfield Supports Use Of Wind And Solar Power

In 2010, the Township passed ordinance 2010-31 entitled "Wind and Solar Energy". The purpose of this Ordinance is to promote the safe, effective and efficient use of small wind energy systems and solar energy systems to reduce the onsite consumption of utility-supplied electricity. The Township of Springfield believes that wind and solar energy are abundant, renewable, and nonpolluting energy resources. Converting wind and solar energy to electricity will reduce our dependence on non-renewable energy resources, which will also decrease

air and water pollution that results from the use of conventional energy sources. Distributed small wind and solar energy systems will also enhance the reliability and power quality of the power grid, reduce peak power demands, and help diversify the State's energy supply portfolio. Small wind and solar energy systems make the electricity supply market more competitive by promoting customer choice.

Up until this ordinance was adopted, the Township's existing local zoning regulations did not address wind or solar power, which while not intended to discourage the installation of small wind turbines or solar panels, the lack of specific regulations to address these systems tended to increase the time and costs required to obtain necessary local land-use permits. As such, the Springfield Township Committee found it necessary to standardize and streamline the requirements for small wind and solar energy systems so that this clean, renewable energy resource can be utilized in a cost-effective and timely manner within our municipality. A copy of the Wind and Solar Ordinance can be found on the Township's website at www.springfield-nj.us or you may request a copy from the Township clerk.

Tax Collection Assistant – Springfield

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Springfield Community Pool Manager Wanted

Duties include: managing, scheduling, and coordinating payroll for assistant manager, lifeguards, and maintenance staff; regulating water chemistry and filter operations; supervising the front gate; overseeing grounds work; acting as liaison with Recreation Department summer camps, concession operator, swim team, and contracted pool users such as private camps and swim clubs; assisting with regular activities and special events; interacting with patrons and providing customer service; and other duties as assigned. Certified Pool Operator (CPO) license and previous experience required. If interested, please send a cover letter and resume to:

Adam Lieb, Director of Recreation
Chisholm Community Center
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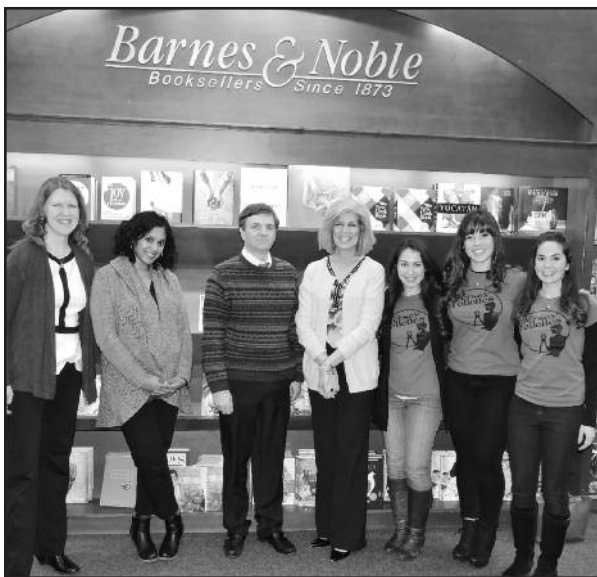


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(l to r) Linda Pissott Reig Co-Chair of the James Caldwell Elementary School Bookfair, Paula Saha PTA President, Scott Seidel, Carol Lesniewski Co-Chair, Jersey Follettes, Laura Fraenkel, Tristian Luysterburg & Noelle Tate

CALDWELL STUDENTS FOSTER HOPE

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School Principal David Rennie and Guidance Counselor Marnie Cunningham created a writing and art project centered on the theme of helping others. Students wrote essays and created colorful posters that had key buildings from the Springfield community. Each building was surrounded by colorful flowers, and each student selected a flower and wrote ideas on each of the flower's petals about ways people can help others who are less fortunate in their communities. These posters were then placed on display at Barnes & Noble. On Monday, PTA President Paula Saha welcomed everyone and introduced Scott Seidel, a Springfield HOPE trustee, who explained the background and role of Springfield HOPE.

Seidel addressed the group of 30 to 40 attendees and discussed how HOPE helps town residents in need during the holidays and all year long. He noted that the non-profit organization relies on donations throughout the year to continue their work. The two

other trustees for HOPE are Dr. Gary Hecht and Chief of Police John Cook. Anyone wishing to make a donation directly to Springfield HOPE may send a check to Springfield H.O.P.E., c/o Springfield OEM, 200 Mountain Ave. Springfield, NJ 07081.

For more information about the organization, go to www.springfieldhope.com.

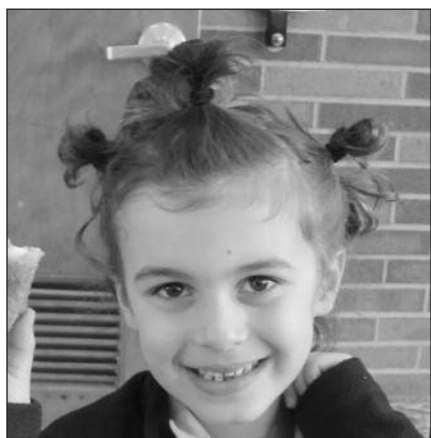


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Scott Seidel, HOPE Trustee, discusses Springfield HOPE with the group.

KINDNESS WEEK WALTON SCHOOL

Kindness Week took place during the first week of February at Walton School. Students styled their crazy hair on Crazy for Kindness Day. They wore their favorite pajamas on Dream of Kindness Day. Various activities were completed in school to emphasize and encourage kindness and respect.



WINTER 2015 DAN AND 1ST GUP EVALUATIONS

Daniel DiQuinzio, Correspondent

The Korean Martial Art Soo Bahk Do Moo Duk Kwan possesses four levels of color belts. Between each belt, they must test for blue stripes. In this art, the color belts are known as Gup Members. The highest rank a Gup member can reach is that of first Gup. This rank is indicated by two bright blue stripes on the left side of the belt. As first Gups, they are also required to attend quarterly evaluations to assess their knowledge of their testing requirements. It is also to determine if they are ready to test for their Cho Dan, midnight blue belt. The Dan members are also required to attend evaluations.

On January 31, 2015, Hwang Karate of Millburn hosted its winter 1st Gup Evaluations. The Winter Dan Evaluations occurred on the same date. This event began at 1 p.m. following the end of the Saturday morning adult class. It lasted until 4 p.m.

For this event, Master Paul Del Sordo, the head instructor at Hwang Karate, served as one of the

examiners. Master Paul Eng Wang, an instructor at Hwang Karate, also served as an examiner along with Master Denise Mullen. Master Mullen serves as a regional examiner for the United States Soo Bahk Do Moo Duk Kwan Federation. This organization oversees the Moo Duk Kwan schools in the United States. Also in attendance was Master Erik Orella, who is an instructor at Hwang Karate. During the first half of the evaluation he called for basics and kicking.

After the kicking drill finished, the candidates were broken up into three groups. Master Del Sordo took the first Gups next door to review their required forms. The Dan members were split up to work on their forms. Master Eng Wang worked with the E Dan and Sam Dan members on their forms. Master Orella and Master Mullen both worked with the Cho Dans. During the second half of the evaluations, Master Mullen worked with a group of Dan members on sleeve grips. Master Eng Wang worked with the Cho Dans on one step sparring. Afterwards, with the assistance of Master Orella, he worked with them on knife defense.



(l to r) Margaret Bandrowski, Mayor David Barnett, Matt Glass (Library Board Member) and Dale Spindel (Library Director) at the Library Volunteer Dinner standing next to a rendering of the soon to be built donation board.



Committeemen Ziad Andrew Shehady and Jerry Fernandez hosted newly-elected Union County Sheriff Joe Cryan as a special guest speaker at their monthly "Town Hall Forum" on February 12. This informal meeting at Town Hall is held monthly to talk about any issues, concerns or questions that are important to residents. The next forum will be held on Thursday, March 19 at 6:30 pm. To RSVP or for more information, email ziad@shehady.us or call 973-797-9423.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE RECAP

The Workshop meeting of Monday, February 9 heard many items discussed. Among them were updates on the Mayors Council on the Rahway River which recently received confirmation from Senator Menendez of the \$500,000 allocations included in both the 2015 and 2016 Federal budget which enables the Army Corps of Engineers to proceed with planning for flood control issues in our area. An agreement with Bergen County Tech for IT services and an agreement with Wizards of the Mind regarding use of the Municipal Pool were also discussed, along with a lengthy discussion of a Bond proposal for the pool. Also discussed was proposed contract for janitorial services for the Chisholm building, which will be seeing increased activity with the upcoming opening of the new Teen Center and the much used Senior Center. A number of resolutions were also reviewed as part of the continuing efforts of the Township and the Green Team to become a certified Sustainable New Jersey community.

The Regular Session of the Township Committee meeting on Tuesday, February 10 included extended discussion of several of the topics listed above. Our Redevelopment attorney, Joseph Baumann, provided a report on the proposed Plan of the Township for Redevelopment of the portion of Morris Avenue located between Caldwell Place and Center Street. Several minor modifications have been made and the plan will be referred to the Planning Board for approval probably at the March meeting. That meeting is open to the public and the plans are available at the Engineering Office, so please plan to attend to hear the proposal and ask questions or make comments. If the plan is approved by the Planning Board, it will be referred back to the Township for final approval.

Ordinances in support of extending smoke-free areas to municipal parks and for a bond ordinance in the amount of \$242,000 had a first reading; they will be up for a final vote on March 10, so once again, please come to the meeting to be heard.

The Workshop meeting in March will be held at 7:30 in the Firehouse on March 10; the next regular meeting of the Township Committee will be on March 11 in Town Hall and March 24, 7:30 in Town Hall.

At the Regular Session of the Township Committee on Tuesday, February 24, the Township Committee had the pleasure of presenting Amy Roselle with a Volunteer Service appreciation award. Amy works in the office of Dr. Gary Hecht, the head of Springfield HOPE, and is a major reason for the success of the organization. Dr. Hecht spoke about her contributions and a plaque was presented by Mayor Barnett. The Township Committee wants to recognize the contributions of otherwise unsung heroes who work toward the betterment of the community, so if you have any nominations, please let us know. There were two well-deserved promotions in the police department, so congratulations go to Kimberly Raguse, now the first female Sergeant in the department, and to Lieutenant William Cieri. The retirement of Sergeant Walter Brooks was also recognized.

In addition to routine business conducted, two ordinances were approved providing for background checks on everyone working in recreation programs and expanding weight restrictions for several streets in the townships. A first reading of an ordinance adjusting some fees for the Springfield Community Pool Camp and Playground programs was held; the second reading and public discussion is scheduled for March 24. There were a number of resolutions approved as well.

Next Workshop Meeting of the Township Committee will be held on Monday, March 9 at the Firehouse at 7:30 followed the next night, March 10, by the Regular meeting on Tuesday at 7:30 at Town Hall.



DANIELLE MCLEER AWARDED THE 2015 GEORGE T. CRON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Danielle McLeer, program coordinator with the Springfield Recreation Department, was awarded the 2015 George T. Cron Memorial Scholarship for Professional Development from the New Jersey Recreation and Park Association (NJRPA). The scholarship was presented to Danielle at the NJRPA annual conference and exhibition at Bally's Hotel and Casino in Atlantic City on Monday, March 9.

The scholarship is awarded annually in an amount up to \$1,000 in memory of the late George T. Cron, retired director of the Union County Parks Department. The scholarship is awarded to professionals working in the field of parks and recreation in Somerset or Union counties, and was established by a generous donation from his wife, Mrs. Margaret H. Bascom Cron. Applicants are required to submit an application and an essay explaining how this opportunity relates to their current position or future goals in the field of parks and recreation.

Danielle, a Springfield resident who has been serving in her current position since November 2014, previously served as the part-time youth/adult coordinator at the Recreation Department for over two years. Danielle is responsible for coordinating youth, adult, and senior citizen programs and sports. Danielle is pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree in recreation administration with a concentration in community recreation at Kean University in Union.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATED

The Springfield Recreation Department hosted close to 100 guests for a celebration of Black History Month at the Chisholm Community Center on Thursday, February 19. The program included remarks by Recreation Director Adam Lieb, Viola Bowman, Gloria Lee, and Kathy McMillan; presentation to Laura Franklin; musical selections by the Vauxhall Senior Chorus; sermon by Evangelist Crystal Moon-Boulware of the Antioch Baptist Church in Springfield; and a lunch of fried chicken, rice pilaf, string beans, and corn bread catered by Two Fish Five Loaves in Union.



Gloria Lee presents Laura Franklin with a bouquet in honor of her role in founding the Black History Month celebrations in Springfield.

Kathy McMillan introduces the guest speaker.



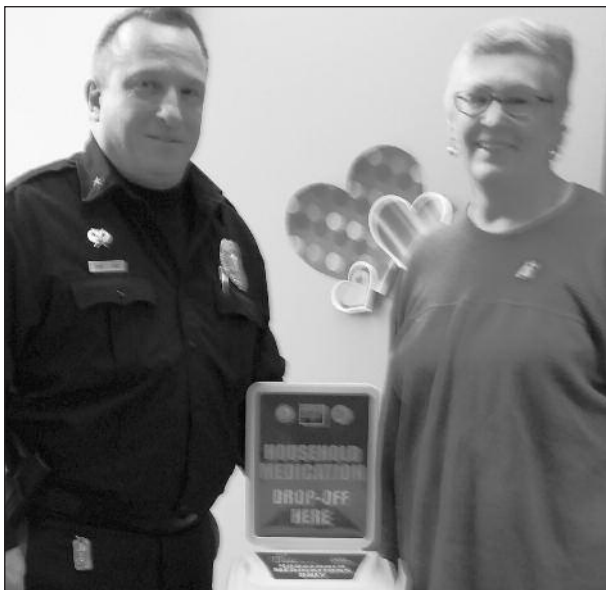
Guest speaker Evangelist Crystal Moon-Boulware of the Antioch Baptist Church in Springfield addresses the audience.



Members of the Vauxhall Senior Chorus perform musical selections.

Students at Walton School celebrated the 100th Day of School on February 17. The kindergarten students proudly showed off their projects. They had a great time completing the projects at home with their families.





15 POUNDS OF OUTDATED PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS DISPOSED OF

On Thursday, February 12, Chief John Cook visited the Senior Meeting at Chisholm Community Center with the portable Prescription Drug Drop-Off box. The seniors were able to dispose of approximately 15 lbs. of outdated prescription medications through this program, which guarantees confidentiality and safe disposal of the drugs. This prevents the drugs from being accessible in the home to theft or misuse, and allows them to be disposed of in a way that prevents them from getting into any water sources (they should never be flushed!) or land fills.

Chief Cook has been working for many months to bring this program to Springfield, and Deputy Mayor Margaret Bandrowski has worked with the Chief to incorporate the Drop-Off program into a Sustainable New Jersey action. Once certified as a Sustainable New Jersey Community, the township will have extended grant opportunities as well as the recognition that comes from completing the rigorous qualification process.

SAVE A LIFE!

On Sunday, March 1, 2015 our first joint Gift of Life Bone Marrow Foundation event (sponsored jointly by Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael's ["TBAY"] Men's Club and Temple Sharey Shalom ["TSS"]) was held at TBAY at 11:00 am. The purpose was to enroll people who are eligible (ages 18 – 45) and who are in good health to undertake a simple cheek swab that will be sent to a national registry with their DNA to see if they are a match for a patient in need. This swab need be done only once in a lifetime.

The drive benefits patients suffering from leukemia, lymphoma, and other types of blood cancer and allows them to find life-saving donors for stem cell and marrow transplants.

This event was very successful and will now be held annually at TBAY.

To find out more about becoming a donor in the future contact Gene Gorrin at 908-686-7686. Additionally, you may obtain more information by going to www.giftoflife.org or by calling 800-9 MARROW.



(l to r) Gene Gorrin (standing) – event Chairman and TBAY Men's Club Trustee, Elliot Y Merkin (sitting) – TBAY Trustee and Men's Club VP of Membership, Paul Peyser (standing) – TBAY Trustee, David Schiffman (sitting) – TSS Trustee, and David Frank (sitting) – TSS Trustee. Not shown in the picture is Mel Ostrow – Event Co-Chairman and TSS Trustee.

AMY ROSELLE

(continued from front cover)

Her role as office manager has morphed greatly since being hired. Dr. Hecht was added as a trustee of Springfield HOPE in 2009 and the roller coaster ride began. Amy took the reins as the administrative support for HOPE at that time. When a donation came in, she immediately sent out a well drafted thank you note. When the Firehouse was looking to get help with their annual TOY DRIVE, Amy was there behind the scenes, coming up with a way to distribute the toys to local children and making it a wonderful experience for the parents.

When we need to coordinate a Thanksgiving turkey dinner donation to needy families in town, she is there. Contacting the families, confirming their needs, and arranging the deliveries. This project has been carried out by Springfield Rotary and HOPE for many years now, and it could not happen without Amy.

When there are publicity photos to be taken, she is usually behind the camera. Not looking for accolades or recognition. Her biggest joys were the happy faces of the children with a new toy and the occasional thank you notes received from the recipients of aid from our charity.

Although she is a resident of Summit, the township of Springfield is such a better place thanks to the quiet contributions of Amy Roselle. It is often said that behind every great man, there is a more wonderful, dynamic, and incredible woman. Behind the trustees of SPRINGFIELD HOPE is Amy. For all this, the Township committee of Springfield, New Jersey has recognized **AMY ROSELLE** as **VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR** for 2015.



Township Committeeman Ziad Andrew Shehady reads to the children on Dr. Seuss's birthday as part of Read Across America

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ADULT IMMUNIZATIONS: 19 YEARS AND OLDER

Many people think that vaccinations are only for children - but that notion is false. The recent measles outbreak associated with travel to Disneyland and mumps outbreak associated with the National Hockey League should be clear evidence of this. Each year about 42,000 adults die from diseases that can be prevented with a vaccine. These diseases include, but are not limited to, influenza, pneumonia, pertussis, hepatitis, shingles, and measles.

Some people in our society are not able to fight off infections from the organisms that cause these diseases because their immune systems are too young or have been weakened by illness, treatment, or old age. These people depend on others in society to help stop the spread of these diseases by getting immunized. If everyone who is eligible got immunized, these diseases would disappear! So far the only disease that we have completely wiped out is smallpox. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) recommended schedule of immunizations that is specifically for adults can be found at <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/adult.html>.

The Madison Health Department strongly encourages residents to speak to their doctor and do their part to help prevent sickness, disability and death for themselves and others by confirming and updating their personal vaccination and immunity status.

Stay protected. Get vaccinated!



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SPRINGFIELD CHISHOLM COMMUNITY CENTER SPREADS ITS WINGS

Thanks to the continued support and funding by the Springfield Township Committee, the newly renovated Raymond Chisholm Community Center Youth Wing will have a grand opening on Saturday, March 21st, at 11:00 am.

The beautiful new wing features a Teen Lounge with wall-mounted TVs for gaming and television watching; pod style seating areas where teens can gather in small clusters to chat, use their laptops, and study; air hockey, foosball, and billiards tables; two meeting rooms that can be used by township committees, clubs, organizations, non-profit groups, and scouting groups; a Fitness Studio with mirrored walls for various exercise classes; a party room attached to the gym where town clubs, sports clubs, and families can hold parties; and one brand-new and two gut-renovated bathrooms.

In addition, all rooms and hallways feature new tile and paint; new cabinets; new closets with shelves; new window treatments, furniture, and bulletin boards; electrical upgrades; new wall safety pads along the perimeter of the gym; a relined and refinished gym floor with new base molding; new adjustable basketball backboards; new water fountains; new emergency and exit lights; and a new door security access system. Most exterior light fixtures were replaced with long-life LED bulbs, which offer better security and reduce operating costs. The Recreation Department offices were also reconfigured to increase efficiencies, and received new carpet; the HVAC system was upgraded, and the old radiators were repurposed as recessed and lighted wall presentation cases.

The renovations were made possible by two generous grants from the Union County Kids Recreation Trust Fund, with additional funding from the Springfield Township Capital Improvement Budget. Cornerstone Architectural Group, who also designed the senior wing that was dedicated in 2013, managed the project design. Pharos Enterprises served as the general contractor for the project. The Township Engineering Department provided engineering support services, as well as day-to-day oversight from Adam Lieb, Recreation Director. Monthly meetings with the entire project team assured that the renovations were completed on time and within budget.

"We are thrilled with the new Youth Wing," said Lieb. "We are planning to host hundreds of kids per week, in addition to parents, coaches, instructors, and community members. These renovations will help us achieve our goal of becoming the center of community activities within the township. The new wing provides a fun, safe place where kids can gather after school, as well as for Teen Nights, Lounge Nights, and new sports and fitness programs. Everyone who participated in the planning and oversight of the renovation project should be proud of their hard work and feel rewarded now that it's come to fruition. This project highlights the commitment that the township has made to provide social and fitness opportunities for our young residents. We invite everyone to visit our beautiful new facilities!"

PINK ZONE FUNDRAISER



On Sunday, February 8, the Springfield Recreation Department and the Springfield Basketball Association co-sponsored the Pink Zone fundraiser at Jonathan Dayton High School. The annual youth basketball clinic was led by coaches and players from Jonathan Dayton High School and Moravian College, and raised funds to support breast cancer research and awareness for the Kay Yow WBCA Cancer Fund. Children participated in

dribbling and shooting drills, as well as learned competitive game skills. The event received financial support from Autoland, the Gruskin Group, B&E Productions, Cioffi's, Elite Fitness, Mera Painting, Merrill Thor CFP, TC Plumbing & Heating, TD Pizza, Mitchell J. Bayroff DDS PA, Springfield PBA Local #76, Springfield Hillside Elks Lodge #2004, and the Sports Academy.

RAYMOND CHISHOLM COMMUNITY CENTER YOUTH WING GRAND OPENING

Please join us as we officially dedicate the Youth Wing at the Raymond Chisholm Community Center on Saturday, March 21, 2015 @ 11:00 am

WHERE

Raymond Chisholm Community Center
Lee Adler Memorial Gymnasium
100 South Springfield Avenue

WHO

Invited guests include: Mayor, Township Committee, Municipal Employees, Union County Freeholders and Officials, Architect, Contractor, and Youth Groups

WHAT

The newly-renovated wing includes: teen lounge with TVs, furniture, air hockey, foosball, and billiards; two community meeting rooms; fitness studio with mirrored walls; party room; bathrooms; refinished gym floor, base molding, wall padding, and adjustable basketball backboards; colorful floor tiles and wall paint; closets, shelving units, window treatments, water fountains, presentation cases, and bulletin boards; emergency and exit lights, and exterior LED lighting; door security access system; and Recreation Department office reconfiguration and carpet.

HOW

The project was financed by the Township of Springfield Capital Improvement Budget and two generous grants from the Union County Kids Recreation Trust Fund.

Contact the Recreation Department at (973) 912- 2227 or visit www.springfield-nj.us/recreation

SUNDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

Sundays from May 17th – August 30th 6:30–8:00 pm • Check-in starts at 6:15 pm

Come join the Springfield Jr. Dawgs every Sunday night for some football. This is a great time to come and play and learn the sport of football. If you are a first-time player or already a Jr. Dawg, it will give you an awesome training experience!

Program open to: Springfield residents entering grades 3 to 8 in Fall 2015

\$50.00 for 16 weeks (includes water and t-shirt)

Jonathan Dayton High School Turf Field, 139 Mountain Avenue

Make checks payable to: Springfield Jr. Dawgs Football Organization

Mail checks to: PO Box 16, Springfield, NJ 07081

Registration is required by Sunday, May 10th. Please visit:

<https://www.leaguelineup.com/formpreview.asp?sid=551422351&url=footballspfd&FormID=62694>

Questions? Email springfieldjrdawgsfootball@gmail.com

SPRINGFIELD JUNIOR BASEBALL LEAGUE

SPRING 2015 REGISTRATION — PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE AT
www.leaguelineup.com/sjbl

- PRE-SEASON CLINICS will be held for Minor and Major Leagues only (dates TBA). All players must attend one of these sessions for training and skill assessment.
- The Board of Directors will have the flexibility to move players through the league to address player welfare and competitive balance
- Registration received after February 15, 2015 will be subject to waiting list for team assignment

A LEAGUE & ROOKIE LEAGUE \$100 • MINOR/MAJOR/PONY LEAGUES \$120

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MANAGERS OR COACHES

EXCITING NEWS FOR THIS SEASON!

SJBL Majors and Minors teams will now participate in interleague play vs. rec teams from our neighboring towns Kenilworth and Garwood.

These games will only be scheduled on weekends (Friday nights or Saturdays).

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR YOUR CHILD'S TEAM, E-MAIL ADAM GREISS AT ADAM.GREISS2@ME.COM

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

Girls Softball 2015 Grades 1-9

Open to Springfield Residents Only

Registration can be completed online at <https://register.communitypass.net/springfield>

After January 26, 2015, a \$25 late fee payable to Girls Softball Parents Association will be assessed.

Instructional League for Grades 1&2 Lower League Grades 3,4,&5* Upper League Grades 6-9**

*Possible Joint League with Mountainside Softball Association **9th Graders not playing High School softball

Registration Fees: \$55 payable to Township of Springfield
\$40 payable to Girls Softball Parents Association

Are your children interested in running and improving their speed and agility? Come join the Springfield Running Program!

K - 2nd Grade

We will meet on Mondays from 4:15-4:45 pm at Chisholm Park. The 6 classes begin on Monday, March 2nd, and end on Monday, April 13th (No class on March 30th) In the event of rain, every effort will be made to reschedule classes. No refunds will be provided.

This co-ed running program is open to Springfield residents in grades K-2nd. Children will learn to run faster over short distances. It is ideal for young children who would like to learn about speed and physical fitness. A minimum 6 children are required for the program.

Ages 8 - 14

We will meet on Wednesday's from 3:30-4:30 pm at the Meisel Avenue Park Track. The 6 classes begin on Wednesday, March 4th and end Wednesday, April 15th (No class on April 1st) In the event of rain, every effort will be made to reschedule classes. No refunds will be provided.

This co-ed running program is open to Springfield residents ages 8-14. Children will learn to run faster over short distances. It is ideal for young athletes and children who would like to improve their speed and physical fitness. Agility drills and injury prevention techniques will also be covered. It is an excellent complement to previous Springfield Running Program classes that featured endurance running. A minimum 6 children are required for the program.

Cost is \$55. T-shirt and water bottle will be provided. Please make checks payable to Township of Springfield.

Register in-person at the Springfield Recreation Department or register online at <https://register.communitypass.net/springfield>

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

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 7:30-11:00 am. You will be notified in advance of gym closures due to school events or holidays.

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/departments/recreation

BOYS LACROSSE-SPRING 2015

Does your child want to try a fun, high-energy sport? Come and have them join the Springfield Lacrosse team! Put a check in the box that you are registering for and get ready to have fun! Practices will start March 1st. Practice fields TBD. Practice times are tentative, subject to change.

- ☐ 2nd/3rd grade practices will be Wednesday 6:00-7:30 pm and Saturday 9:00-10:30 am
- ☐ 4th grade practices will be Wednesday 6:00-7:30 pm and Saturday 9:00-10:30 am
- ☐ 5th grade practices will be Tuesday 6:00-7:30 pm and Friday 6:00-7:30 pm
- ☐ 6th grade practices will be Tuesday 6:00-7:30 pm and Friday 6:00-7:30 pm
- ☐ 7th/8th grade practices will be Monday 6:00-7:30 pm and Friday 7:30-9:00 pm

- Fee: \$55 (check made payable to Township of Springfield)
- Fee: \$135 (check made payable to Springfield Lacrosse Association)
- This fee includes membership to US Lacrosse – insurance for players and coaches and six free copies of Lacrosse Magazine
- NEW THIS YEAR...The Springfield Lacrosse Association will be offering shooting shirts for an additional \$35 if you would like to purchase for your player.

Register at Chisholm Community Center, 100 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081 or online at <http://register.communitypass.net/springfield>
Please email Danielle McLeer at danielle.mcLeer@springfield-nj.us

ADULT RUNNING SPRING 2015

Interested in running, but don't know how to start? Join the Springfield Adult Running Program!

We will meet on Wednesdays from 6:15-7:15 pm at the Meisel Avenue Park Track. The 6 classes begin on March 4th, and end on April 15th (no class on April 1st) In the event of rain, every effort will be made to reschedule classes. No refunds will be provided.

Cost is \$55. T-shirt and water bottle will be provided. The program is open to Springfield residents 18 years of age and older.

Please make checks payable to Township of Springfield. Minimum 6 adults are needed to run this program. Payment must be submitted PRIOR to the first class.

Register in-person at the Springfield Recreation Department or register online at <https://register.communitypass.net/springfield>

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

Join the Springfield Cross Country Team!

A travel sport for Springfield boys and girls ages 8-14

Meets every Wednesday and Friday 4:30-5:30 pm at the Meisel Avenue Park Track. Pre-season runs Wednesday, February 4th to Friday, February 27th
Season runs Wednesday, March 4th to Friday, May 15th

Fees: \$55 (payable to Township of Springfield) \$225 (payable to Coach Michael Czech)
Uniform and water bottle are included. No refunds will be provided.

Register in-person at the Springfield Recreation Department or register online at <https://register.communitypass.net/springfield>

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

INTRODUCTION TO DANCE

This class will introduce the basics of ballet and will also incorporate creative movement for both boys and girls!

Instructor Diana Perez has been a dance teacher, choreographer, and performer for over 20 years.

Register in-person at the Springfield Recreation Department or online at <https://register.communitypass.net/springfield> Contact Danielle McLeer, Recreation Program Coordinator, at danielle.mcLeer@springfield-nj.us.

Program meets on Tuesdays from 1:30-2:15 pm at the Chisholm Community Center. Six classes begin on Tuesday, April 7th thru Tuesday, May 12th. Introduction to Dance is open to Springfield children ages 3-5. Minimum four children are needed to run this program. Cost is \$55. No refunds will be provided. Make checks payable to Township of Springfield. Payment must be submitted PRIOR to the first class.



The Springfield Recreation Department is excited to partner with TGA of Union County to offer youth tennis and golf lessons and clinics this spring and summer (ages 4-12). More information and online registration is available at: <http://playtga.com/unioncounty>.

INTERESTED IN LEARNING A NEW SPORT? TRY GIRL'S LACROSSE!

Open to Springfield girls in 2nd-4th grades. Lacrosse in Springfield is growing and we hope to scrimmage a few local teams! Come out and try lacrosse and learn the basic skills. Required equipment are goggles and a mouth guard. Use your own stick, or you can borrow one from the Recreation Department.

Meets every Saturday April 4th-May 9th, from 9:00-10:00 am, at Chisholm Park.

Cost is \$55. T-shirt is provided. Please make checks payable to Township of Springfield.

Register by mail or in-person at the Springfield Recreation Department or register online at <https://register.communitypass.net/springfield>

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

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<http://www.ussportsinstitute.com/squirts-home/sports-squirts.html>

Day(s): Saturday or Tuesday
Dates: April 11 to June 6 or April 14 to June 2
Location: Chisholm Park
Time(s): 3:00pm-4:00pm or 4:00pm-5:00pm (Saturday)
10:30am-11:30am or 1:00pm-2:00pm (Tuesday)

PARENT AND ME: TOTAL SPORTS SQUIRTS WEEKLY CLASSES (age 2 to 3)

Ideal for any child just starting out in the world of sport, this Program introduces children to a new sport in session. With a helping hand from Mom or Dad children will have the opportunity to try Soccer, Lacrosse, Basketball, T-Ball, Floor Hockey, Flag Football and more!

<http://ussportsinstitute.com/parent-a-me-home/parent-a-me-sports.html>

Day(s): Tuesday
Dates: April 14 to June 2
Location: Chisholm Park
Time(s): 9:30am-10:20am

SPRING BREAK TOTAL PLAY MULTI SPORTS CAMP (age 5-8 or 8-11)

Experience over 16 different sports from around the world including, soccer, basketball, lacrosse, volleyball, cricket, floor hockey and more at this camp. All activities will take place in an atmosphere which promotes good sportsmanship, teamwork and most of all, fun. This is the only sports camp truly dedicated to children of all abilities.

<http://ussportsinstitute.com/sports-camps/multi-sports/total-play-multi-sports.html>

Day(s): Monday- Thursday
Dates: March 30 to April 2
Location: Chisholm Park
Time(s): 9:00am-4:00pm, 9:00am-12:30pm or 1:00pm-4:00pm

CARDIO TENNIS (Adult)

Cardio Tennis is one of the most recent fitness initiatives to hit the US. All activities within the class are designed to raise your heart rate into the aerobic training zone, providing a whole body work out and burning optimal calories, all while improving your basic tennis skills. No tennis playing experience is necessary to join this class.

<http://ussportsinstitute.com/tennis-home/cardio-tennis.html>

Day(s): Saturday or Monday
Dates: April 11 to June 6 or April 13 to June 8
Location: Irwin Park Tennis Courts
Time(s): 4:45pm-5:45pm (Sat), 9:30am-10:30am (Mon)

ADULT INSTRUCTIONAL TENNIS (Adult)

USSTI's adult tennis classes follow developmental curriculums and guidelines laid out by the USTA. Regardless of previous experience, participants will learn the basic fundamentals in stroke production, court movement and footwork, in a low pressured, yet energetic environment. Most importantly, it's all about having fun and taking the time to enjoy a social, healthy, lifelong sport.

<http://ussportsinstitute.com/tennis-home/adult-tennis.html>

Day(s): Saturday or Monday
Dates: April 11 to June 6 or April 13 to June 8
Location: Irwin Park Tennis Courts
Time(s): 3:30pm-4:30pm (Sat), 10:30am-11:30am (Mon)

This class is for beginner to intermediate level players. All players must provide their own racquet.



SENIOR CITIZEN BUS SERVICE

The Springfield Recreation Department offers FREE weekday morning bus transportation for senior citizen residents to locations within the township – such as the grocery store, doctors, gym, meetings, library, post office, and more! The bus service runs from 9:00 am-1:00 pm. The bus is equipped with a passenger lift for wheelchairs. Other riders should be able to board and depart the bus independently.

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 Senior Citizens of Springfield bus trips.

Sign up for Senior Citizens of Springfield bus trips on the bulletin board at the Chisholm Community Center. These trips are for members only. Join the club!

SPRINGFIELD RECREATION MEN'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE SEEKING PLAYERS

The Springfield Recreation Department sponsors a men's softball league in the spring and summer. It is a modified fast-pitch league. For more information, or to join or form a team, please call (973) 912-2227 or email recreation@springfield-nj.us.

Lacrosse Clinic Spring 2015 Grades 1-2

Interested in trying a new sport? Join Springfield Lacrosse Club's spring clinic!

Six Sunday sessions begin on April 5th and end on May 10th, from 12:15-1:15 pm. Springfield location will be announced soon. In the event of rain, every effort will be made to reschedule. No refunds will be provided.

Cost is \$55. Please make checks payable to **Township of Springfield**. Payment must be submitted prior to the first class. T-shirt will be provided. Use your own stick, or you can borrow one from the Recreation Department.

Register in-person at the Springfield Recreation Department Or register online at <https://register.communitypass.net/springfield>

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

Lacrosse Clinic Spring 2015 Grades Pre-K & K

Interested in trying a new sport? Join Springfield Lacrosse Club's spring clinic!

Six Sunday sessions begin on April 5th and end on May 10th, from 11:15 am-12:00 pm. Springfield location will be announced soon. In the event of rain, every effort will be made to reschedule. No refunds will be provided.

Cost is \$55. Please make checks payable to **Township of Springfield**.

Payment must be submitted prior to the first class. T-shirt will be provided. Use your own stick, or you can borrow one from the Recreation Department.

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

Senior Citizens of Springfield Bus Trip to Sands Casino

Thursday, March 19, 2015

Bus will depart from Chisholm Community Center at 9:00 am.
Bus will depart from the Sands Casino at approximately 3:30 pm.

\$25.00 for members
\$35.00 for non-members and guests

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

Make checks payable to: Senior Citizens of Springfield
and return to Chisholm Community Center,
100 South Springfield Avenue. Any questions, call Danielle McLeer,
recreation program coordinator, at (973) 912-2227.

Cost includes:

**Round-trip coach bus transportation, driver gratuity, chaperone,
\$20 slot free play, \$5 meal voucher**

Senior Bus Trip to Sands Casino – March 19th (one form per person)

Name: _____ Member: Yes ☐ No ☐

Cell phone number: _____

Emergency contact name and phone number: _____

Enclosed is my check payable to Senior Citizens of Springfield in the amount of \$ _____

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WII GAMES – WEDNESDAYS MARCH 4, 11, 18, & 25 FROM 4 PM -5 PM. Ages 6 to 11. Drop in.

P'JAMA STORYTIME MONDAY MARCH 23. NEW TIME! 6:30 PM — Join Miss Debbie as she reads from her favorite books. Ideal for ages 3 to 7. Wear your jammies and bring your snuggly bear. Drop in.

LEGO CLUB MEETS alternate Tuesdays afterschool until 4:30 pm **MARCH 24.** Ages 6 and up.

ORIGAMI CLUB MEETS alternate Tuesdays afterschool until 4:30 pm **MARCH 17.**

DROP IN MATH HELP – MARCH WEDNESDAYS @ 4 PM. Need some math help? Bring your homework and we're here to help.

PENGUIN POINTERS – MARCH 29 – @ 2 PM AND 2:45 PM. First we had burt, then we had Checkers. Which penguin will visit today? Live from Jenkinson's Aquarium, a special penguin is coming back to the library. Pick up your free tickets at the youth services desk! After the show, stop by the Children's Room to make a penguin craft and check out a penguin book.

THE LORAX – Join Ms. Debbie for the story of The Lorax and a fun craft! **MARCH 30 @ 2 PM.**

FIT FOR KIDS – BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND, Muscle Man Mike is bringing his Going Green show to the library as we get ready for Earth Day! Drop-in for all ages!

WACKY MATH – WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1 @ 2 PM. We're all about that fun crazy math. Grades K – 4. Drop in.

LEGO BONANZA – THURSDAY, APRIL 2 FROM 2 PM TO 4 PM. Legos, legos, legos. Imagine and create with these fun building blocks. Ages 6+.

TEENS:

TEEN DUCT TAPE CRAFT – MONDAY, MARCH 9 @ 4 PM. Join Ms. Erin and make a smartphone or iPod case out of duct tape. 5th grade and up.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

FRIDAY, MARCH 27 CHAIR YOGA with Pamela Nixon. 1:00 pm.

FEBRUARY 18TH THRU MARCH 26 Art Exhibit – Jonathan Dayton High School.

MARCH 30 THRU APRIL 25 ART EXHIBIT – Barry Rifkin.

EVERY WEDNESDAY THRU APRIL 15 FREE AARP Tax Assistance Program – BY APPOINTMENT ONLY 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM

MONDAY, MARCH 23, 6:30 - 9:00 PM FOL ANTIQUE APPRAISAL.

SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2:00 PM GILBERT & SULLIVAN'S MUSICAL IN CONCERT.

LECTURES

FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2:00 PM “ZIEGFELD GIRL” – Lecture by Marty Schneit.

MONDAY, APRIL 6, 7:00 PM RETIREMENT PLANNING - presentation by Nicole Miller.

MONDAY, APRIL 13, 7:30 PM “UN-FOLDING COMMON CORE STATE STANDARDS” for parents.

DISCUSSIONS and WRITING

THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 10:00 AM GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION - “On Dreams” by Sigmund Freud.

THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 7:00 PM REAL GOOD BOOK DISCUSSION – “THE PARIS ARCHITECT: A NOVEL” by Charles Belfoure.

THURSDAYS, MARCH 26 AND APRIL 12, 10:15 AM MEMOIR WRITING GROUP.

FILMS

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 1:00 PM LUNCHTIME FILM – MIKE NICHOLS RETROSPECTIVE: A 1998 drama film, a roman à clef about Bill Clinton's first presidential campaign in 1992. Starring John Travolta, Billy Bob Thornton and Emma Thompson.

THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 1:00 PM & 7:00 PM INTERNATIONAL FILM – “LE CHEF”, 2012, French with English subtitles.

MONDAY, MARCH 30, 1:00 PM LUNCHTIME FILM – MIKE NICHOLS RETROSPECTIVE: Brilliant remake of the hit show “Les Cages aux Folles.” Starring Robin Williams & Nathan Lane.

MONDAY, APRIL 13, 1:00 PM LUNCHTIME FILM – MIKE NICHOLS RETROSPECTIVE: Classic movie brilliantly chronicles the tumultuous love lives of best (but very different) friends. Starring Jack Nicholson, Art Garfunkel, Candice Bergen & Ann Margaret.

HOBBIES AND INFORMATION

EVERY 2ND & 4TH MONDAY, 10:00 AM KNITS WITS KNITTING GROUP

EVERY MONDAY AT 7:00 PM SCRABBLE - Bring a friend or meet new opponents!

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INSTRUCTION

EVERY TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND 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.

FUNDRAISING SHOPPING DAY AT THE WESTFIELD LORD & TAYLOR STORE SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2015

The Friends of the Springfield Public Library are joining with the Westfield Lord & Taylor store to offer you a special sale day. Lord & Taylor is sponsoring a special shopping day on Saturday, March 28. Tickets to qualify for special sales during the event will cost \$5 each and are available now for sale at the Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., in Springfield.

Bring your ticket with you on March 28 to the Lord & Taylor store, 609 North Ave., in Westfield to be eligible for all the special sales that day. There will also be free valet parking and store-wide special events for shoppers to enjoy. Drop your ticket stub in the designated box at the store that day to enter the Springfield Library for a chance to win the Attendance Sweepstakes.

All money raised through the Friends' ticket sales stays in Springfield and helps the Friends to fund programs, materials, and services at the library.

ANTIQUES APPRAISAL NIGHT BACK AT THE SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY MARCH 23, 2015

The Friends of the Springfield Free Public Library will again hold their annual Antiques Appraisal Night. This year it will be on Monday night, March 23, 2015 at the library, 66 Mountain Ave., in Springfield from 7-9 pm. The appraisals will again be conducted by Mr. Ken Jakupko, of Ken's Antiques, Summit Antiques Center. There will be a suggested donation of \$5 for each item brought in for appraisal. This donation will be collected on the 23rd when you sign in. Participants are asked to arrive at 6:30 pm to sign in. The total number of items that can be appraised may be limited according to the time available. Pre-registration is suggested but not required. In past years, a wide range of interesting items have been brought in for Mr. Jakupko's informed comments and appraisal, based on his 35 years of experience. It is a fun and interesting evening even if you don't have any items of your own this year. There is no charge to just come, listen, and learn. All funds raised by the Friends go to support programs and materials for adults and children at the library.



Police Chief's Column

Chief John P. Cook

In the past, persons who were the victims of bunco scams or confidence schemes were looked upon as being somewhat complicit in the fraud acts committed against them under the old adage of "you can't cheat an honest man." Today that saying is no longer true as fraud scams are now designed to target unsuspecting persons through sophisticated cons with the use of modern technology. Nowadays, the internet and the telephone make it extremely possible and sometimes very easy to "cheat an honest man". I would like recipients of the Springfield Patriot Times to be aware of some of the more prevalent scams that are committed against township residents every month. Taking a few moments to review this information may prevent you from falling victim to these scams.

Most fraud scams that specifically target residents are done via the internet or via the telephone and are designed to obtain either money from or the personal identity information of the intended victim. This will be an attempt to have monies wired to the fraudsters or to obtain credit account numbers or identity information such as a social security number.

- Any mail received or an internet e-mail or even a telephone call that indicates a resident is a winner of any type of sweepstakes or foreign lottery where some type of monetary fee is required to be paid is an outright scam. If you did not enter any sweepstakes or participated in any foreign lottery, there is no way you can be a winner. Whenever fees are required to be paid in advance in order to collect the supposed prize, this is a scam to con you out of your money. For any prize to be legitimate, there cannot be any monetary fee requested in order to collect a prize.

- If you are selling an item over the internet or you advertise some type of service that you perform, be wary of persons who contact you wanting to purchase items you've listed for sale or wanting to pay you for the services you offer where the subject pays by check which is payable to more monies than were agreed to. This scam specifically wants the intended victim to believe that the check was made out in the inflated amount by accident and will attempt to have the victim wire any monetary difference before the actual check is discovered to be counterfeit. The suspects will always be out of state or in a foreign country but will claim to be in the process of moving into Springfield. The scam targets persons selling any item from a car to a couch or offering services from babysitting to piano lessons.

- Do not give out personal information to callers who claim to be representatives of your bank or any business you may have a credit account with. The fraudster may also pose as a law enforcement official with the call pretending to be some type of investigation into fraud on your account. This is done to con you into giving out a social security number or other personal information when the caller asks you to prove your identity. Remember that anyone who calls you should already know who you are and you do not have to give out confidential information in order to prove your identity. This same scam, known as "phishing," can also involve bogus e-mails purporting to be from a financial institution or governmental agency and is intended to con you into divulging your identity information.

- Be wary of the "one ring cell phone scam" as falling for this could cost you hundreds of dollars. Scammers will randomly call blocks of numbers and will only let the phone ring once as this is enough to cause a missed call message to pop up on your cell phone. If you call back the number you will actually wind up calling adult entertainment type phone services located in foreign nations in the Caribbean. The cheaper phone numbers charge you \$19.95 for an international call fee with an additional \$9.00 charged per each minute. Some of the area codes used with this scam are: 268, 284, 473, 809 and 876. In other scams you may receive a phone message where the caller leaves a generic message that a family member has been hurt or has died and you are asked to call a number that has one of the above area codes and when you call it back you are deliberately stalled and put on hold to accrue extra minutes with some of the foreign scam numbers being known to actually cost hundreds or thousands of dollars per minute. If you do not recognize the number, do not call it and instead check it through Google to see if this number has been already reported as a fraud as it most likely will have been.

- Do not fall for someone who calls you claiming to be a police officer or a federal law enforcement agent AND who tells you there is a warrant for your arrest but that you can post the bail over the phone. The imposter will claim that instead of the officers coming to arrest you at your home or business you can "post bail" by either giving up your credit card number or by going to a store to purchase a Green Dot VISA money pack preloaded debit card. If you opt to do the latter you will purchase the card in the specified amount of the "bail" and then call the phone number you were given by the imposter to relay information from the card. If there is a reason, law enforcement may come to your house or business to arrest you but will never call ahead and then agree to accept bail money over the phone.

Also, businesses have been targeted in much the same way but where the caller claims to be from a utility company that threatens having the service shut down if a supposed unpaid utility bill is not satisfied immediately or the caller will claim to be from the Internal Revenue Service demanding you pay supposed unpaid taxes immediately or you will be arrested.

If you believe you have received a call or an e-mail for any of the aforementioned or similar scams, you can contact the police department at (973)-376-0400 and an officer will meet with you to determine if this is a scam attempt. The one call that you make to your local police may save you hundreds if not thousands of dollars due to falling for one of these fraud calls that are being made more and more each year.

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The Township of Springfield implemented this program in various municipal buildings reducing its energy consumption and saving on utility costs, and several Springfield businesses have taken advantage of this program in recent years. For more information about the NJ Direct Install Program, please visit: <http://njcleanenergy.com/di>

The contractor authorized to work in Union County is:

Tri-State Light & Energy, Inc.
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SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE SCHOOL STUDENTS HELP PREPARE "A BABY FOR GRAM"

On February 9, 2015, Saint James the Apostle School in Springfield was pleased to welcome back Union County Volunteer Advocate Linda Mainker to the 5th grade classroom. In conjunction with the State's Office of the Ombudsman for the Institutional Elderly (O.O.I.E.) Mrs. Mainker developed a program called A Baby for Gram, which is baby doll therapy for memory care residents at nursing homes. Fifth graders were able to choose a baby doll and then diaper, dress, and swaddle the doll in a blanket. Mrs. Mainker and other Volunteer Advocates then deliver the dolls to several counties throughout the year to residents in need of this therapy. Residents who are "caring" for the realistic baby doll tend to be more focused and less agitated during routine care and their attitude towards other residents and facility staff is improved. Over the last 10 years, Mrs. Mainker and the Volunteer Advocates have delivered over 300 babies to memory care residents in Union, Hudson, Essex, and Morris counties. She was thrilled to get the help from the Saint James 5th grade class and the 5th graders were equally thrilled to prepare these babies and help those in need.



Volunteer Advocate Linda Mainker, far right, shows (l to r) Natalyah Cadiche and Kennedy Kwinta the proper way to diaper a baby.



Fire Chief's Column

Chief Carlo Palumbo

Ten-year Life of Smoke Alarms

Working smoke alarms detect and alert people to fire in its early stages, providing the warning needed to escape safely. According to the nonprofit National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), *working* smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half. However, smoke alarms don't work forever.

The Springfield Fire Department is concerned that the presence of smoke alarms in Springfield residents' homes (most U.S. homes have at least one) may give them a false sense of security. Oftentimes, people don't know how old their smoke alarms are, if they're still functioning properly, or at all. That lack of awareness can have deadly consequences: nearly two-thirds of all home fire deaths result from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no *working* smoke alarms.

Smoke alarms more than 10 years old no longer offer a reliable level of safety. Springfield Fire Department urges all *Springfield Patriot Times* readers to determine how old their smoke alarms are. (The date of manufacture is located on the back of the alarm.) If they're 10 years old or older, replace them immediately! This includes smoke alarms that use 10-year batteries and/or are hard-wired.

In accordance with NFPA, Springfield Fire Department offers the following recommendations for buying and installing smoke alarms:

- Purchase combination smoke alarms or both ionization and photoelectric alarms.
- Make sure smoke alarms have the label of a recognized testing laboratory.
- Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement. (Some older homes may not have smoke alarms installed in bedrooms, but it's important that these locations include them to provide adequate warning.)

Time and time again, the Springfield Fire Department has witnessed the life-saving impact of smoke alarms. But we also know tragedy can result from smoke alarms that aren't working properly. We strongly encourage all *Springfield Patriot Times* readers to inspect their smoke alarms today, and to replace them, if necessary, as soon as possible.

If you have questions or concerns about smoke alarms and/or smoke alarm installation, please contact the Springfield Fire Department at 973-376-1740, or visit www.nfpa.org/smokealarms for more information.



(l to r) Natalyah Cadiche, Kennedy Kwinta, Goda Pocius, Sophia Ilagan, Linda Mainker, Jonathan Malave, Ethan Veloso, Braeh Simon, Yvonne Agyapong, and Daveigh Wolf are ready to send off their "Babies for Gram"

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- Michael and Carmen Ranieri
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