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MEISEL AVENUE PARK ARTIFICIAL TURF FIELD OPENS WITH RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY



On Monday afternoon, October 22, county and municipal officials gathered at Meisel Avenue Park in Springfield to officially dedicate and open the brand new artificial turf field. The ribbon cutting ceremony included remarks by Freeholder Chairman Sergio Granados, Freeholder Bruce Bergen, and Mayor Richard Huber, as well as a running entrance through a break-away banner by players on the Jonathan Dayton High School junior varsity soccer team. The county-funded project included a full-size artificial turf athletic field; striping for football, soccer, and lacrosse; drainage enhancements; covered player benches; and track and field equipment. Pictured (l-r): Ronald Zuber, County Director of Parks and Recreation; Freeholder Vice Chairwoman Bette Jane Kowalski; Freeholder Rebecca Williams; Granados; Huber; Bergen; Freeholder Alexander Mirabella; former Township Committeewoman Margaret Bandrowski; Michael Butrico, Springfield Assistant Director of Recreation; Adam Lieb, Springfield Director of Recreation; Linda Donnelly, Township Clerk; and John Cook, Acting Township Administrator and Chief of Police. Photo by Jim Lowney.

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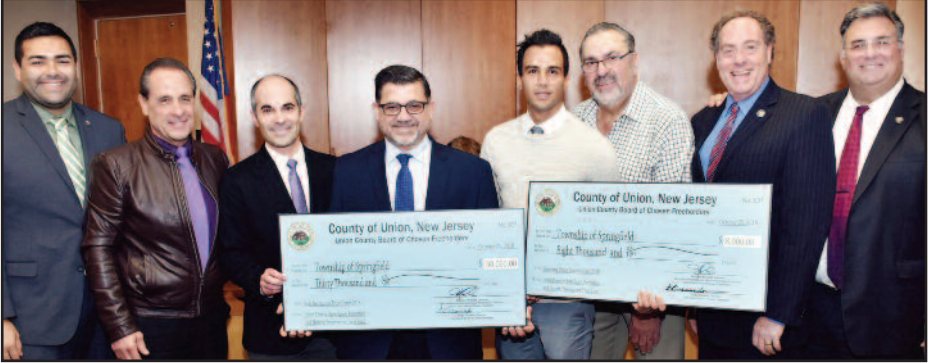
WEBER AND KEISER WIN LOCAL ELECTION

Our unofficial totals are Weber-3478
Keiser-3324, Fernandez-2513
and Vassallo-2448



In an exclusive interview with the Patriot Times, Alex Keiser and Chris Weber stated "We want to thank the voters of Springfield for electing us to be your next two representatives on the Springfield Township Committee. We pledge to represent all residents. We will strive to increase communication, promote transparency and build consensus. We thank Maria and Jerry for their service to Springfield and for running a spirited campaign." Candidates Jerry Fernandez and Maria Vassallo thanked Weber & Keiser for running a good campaign and wishes them luck in their new positions on the Township Committee. Jerry added, "If there is any way we can help, please let us know."

SPRINGFIELD RECEIVES COUNTY GRANTS OF \$30,000 FOR SPECIAL NEEDS PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AND \$8,000 FOR TREES



On Thursday, October 25th, Mayor Richard Huber, Director of Recreation Adam Lieb, Assistant Director of Recreation Michael Butrico, Director of Engineering Sam Mardini, and Supervisor of Public Works Robert Boettcher were presented with a \$30,000 grant from the Union County Kids Recreation Trust Fund and a \$8,000 grant from Greening Union County. Springfield's ceremonial checks were awarded at the meeting of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders by Freeholder Chairman Sergio Granados, Freeholder Bruce Bergen, and Freeholder Alexander Mirabella. The Township is matching the Kids Recreation Trust Fund grant to finance new special needs playground equipment at Chisholm Park. The second playground expansion project in two years -- to be installed in spring 2019 -- will add a shade structure, ramp, wheel thru arcade, cruiser, and spinner. Matching grants from the Kids Recreation Trust Fund are distributed to municipalities across Union County that are looking to upgrade or build recreational facilities for children and families. The Greening Union County program helps local governments offset the cost of planting trees through matching grants. Photo by Jim Lowney.



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Message from the Mayor

Hello Springfield friends and neighbors!

It is amazing how fast this year has gone by! Leaves are beginning to fall and our public works department has started to pick up the leaves curbside. Residents, please place your leaves loose or in biodegradable bags. The schedule for leaf collection can be found on the Township's website. Also, Fire Chief Carlo Palumbo reminds residents that we just changed our clocks, make sure we change the batteries in our smoke detectors. Recently the Township Committee approved new development for the area of Morris Avenue and Church Mall. The development will consist of 24 residential units on the upper floors and retail space on the first floor.

The Interfaith Thanksgiving service will be held on Monday November 19 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church. The service will begin at 7 pm and the First Aid Squad is asking those that attend please donate nonperishable food items. With Thanksgiving falling on Thursday November 22, our garbage schedule will be altered. For residents that normally have garbage picked up on Thursdays, your garbage will be picked up Friday that week. Residents that normally have Friday pick up, your garbage will be picked up on Saturday that week. Small business Saturday is November 24. Please support our local businesses and shop and eat locally. Finally, our annual holiday celebration will be held on Wednesday December 5 from 5 pm to 8 pm in front of Town Hall. Once again if you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at mayor@springfield-nj.us.

Richard Huber, Mayor 2018

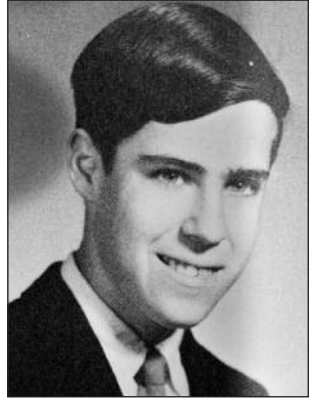


Dr. Jerry Rabinowitz

TEMPLE BETH AHM HOLDS VIGIL FOR THOSE WHOSE LIVES WERE TAKEN IN PITTSBURGH

A vigil was held Sunday, October 28th at Temple Beth Ahm in Springfield in remembrance of those whose lives were senselessly taken Saturday at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh. Extra seats were needed in order to accommodate the large crowd that had come out to be a part of this community gathering. Rabbis from all of Springfield's temples were present and each spoke of this tragedy and how it affects all people of all religions.

There were people from varying religions and denominations present who all gathered as one community to honor, not only those lives that were lost, but also in support of the families left behind to sort out the havoc wreaked by this cowardly act. One of the victims, Dr. Jerry Rabinowitz, who was killed returning to give aid to the wounded, was a graduate of Jonathan Dayton Regional High School Class of 1969.



Class of 1969 Yearbook Photo

SPRINGFIELD HADASSAH MEETING

Springfield Hadassah will meet on November 20, 12:30 pm at the Springfield Public Library on Mountain Ave. In observance of Jewish Book Month, Library Director Dale Spindel will review *The Golem* and the *Jinni*, written by Helene Wecker. The *Golem* is a female character and the *Jinni* is male. The book deals with elements of Jewish and Arab mythology. Light refreshments will be served at 12:30 pm and the program will begin at 1:00 pm. The public is invited to attend this informative program.

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TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Monday, November 26 - Workshop 7 pm

Tuesday, November 27 - Regular Meeting 7 pm

Monday, December 17 - Workshop 7 pm

Tuesday, December 18 - Regular Meeting 7 pm

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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The Saint James Church's Wellness Ministry Team invites all to attend The Broken Brain Docu-series. Beginning on October 31, 2018, and running for 6 additional Wednesday's, this powerful and groundbreaking series addresses the following topics:

November 14: ADHD and Autism
November 21: No session: Thanksgiving Eve
November 28: Depression & Anxiety
December 5: Traumatic Brain Injury: Accidents, sports and more
December 12: Practice Steps to An Ultra Mind

The Broken Brain Docu-series addresses the root causes of a terrifying and growing epidemic that ranges from Alzheimer's, dementia, brain injuries, ADHD, Parkinson's Disease, to many more brain ailments.

The series will be held in the Saint James School Gym, 41 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ. 07081. For more information, contact Nancy at 973-376-6235.

THANK YOU SPRINGFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Temple Sha'arey Shalom, Springfield, would like to thank the Springfield Fire Department for hosting the pre-school's children on October 29. The firemen showed the children the fire trucks and taught them about fire safety. Fireman Sal Cocuzza, wore full fire safety gear, including his oxygen mask, to show the children what a fireman may look like and to encourage them not to be afraid of the firemen. It was a great visit and the children loved playing on the fire truck! children pictured from left to right: Brady Mongon, Giovanni Cocuzza, Jordyn Zucker, Cami Goldfarb, Mia Hand, Antonia Sosa Emmanuel Harper, Rayyan Shanawani and Rupin Nair.

TEMPLE SHA'AREY SHALOM, SPRINGFIELD STRING QUARTET CONCERT



La Bellezza Armonia string quartet: Sergei Panov, violin; Arvin Gopal, viola; Sofya Kitenberg, violin and Susan Meuse, cello.

On Sunday, October 14 Temple Sha'arey Shalom, 78 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, presented a concert by the La Bellezza Armonia string quartet. The program included Eine Kleine Nachtmusik by W.A. Mozart, Winter from The Four Seasons by Antonio Vivaldi, Sicilienne from Pelleas et Melisande by Faure and Libertango by Piazzola. The group also offered a Beatles tune as an encore! All of the performers are local music educators with wide-ranging performance experience.

NO SHAVE NOVEMBER

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You may notice some members of the Springfield Police Department looking a bit different this November. That's because many of our officers will be putting down their razors to raise funding for cancer research, treatment and prevention through the "No-Shave November" campaign. By growing our beards, we hope to grow awareness about what you can do prevent cancer and help those who are fighting. All funds raised will be donated among these three deserving charities: Prevent Cancer Foundation, Fight Colorectal Cancer and the St. Jude's Children's Hospital. If you would like to make a donation to our team please go to the link <https://no-shave.org/team/SpringfieldPBAlocal76>.

SENIOR CITIZENS ATTEND BALANCE SCREENING

The staff of AmeriCare Physical Therapy led a Fall Prevention and Balance Screening workshop for Springfield senior citizens at the Chisholm Community Center on Wednesday, October 17.

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SPRINGFIELD COMMUNITY MEETS TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE CANDIDATES AHEAD OF NOVEMBER 6 ELECTION

by Jesse Broome



Springfield Town Hall was bustling on the evening of Monday, October 22, as members of the community came out to learn more about the candidates for the Springfield Township Committee. In what has become an annual event, the Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce hosted the Candidates Forum, allowing Maria Vassallo and Jerry Fernandez on the Republican side and Alex Keiser and Chris Weber on the Democratic side to answer questions critical to the residents of Springfield.

PLANNING BOARD APPROVES UNANIMOUSLY THE SPDSAIL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT



This is the development project at the intersection of Morris Avenue and Church Mall which is being developed by Charlie Larkin. The Township approved the Redevelopment Agreement for this project on Tuesday, September 19, 2018. The application for the development was heard by the Planning Board on October 3, 2018 at which time some issues were raised that needed to be addressed. As such, the application was continued to the November Planning Board meeting and was unanimously approved. Congratulations to the developer and to Springfield. Downtown is on it's way to prosper.

THE VALERIE FUND 27TH ANNUAL THANKSGIVING BALL GALA TO BE HELD AT THE GROVE ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2018



William Sumas

Longtime supporters Joe Sheridan and William Sumas of Wakefern Food Corp./ShopRite and Tara Favors, a Managing HR Director at Morgan Stanley to be honored.

Maplewood, N.J. November 7, 2018 –Thousands of Valerie Fund patients battling cancer and blood disorders have benefitted from the decades long relationship with Wakefern Food Corp., the largest retailer-owned cooperative in the United States. President and Chief Operating Officer Joe Sheridan leads Wakefern Food Corp.'s community outreach and philanthropic efforts and their ShopRite Partners in Caring initiative supports hundreds of charities. Wakefern Food Corp. is also New Jersey's largest employer. Please see the Full article on our website for details. www.springfieldpatriot.com/news/2018/11/08/valerie-fund-27th-annual-thanksgiving-ball-gala-be-held-grove-friday-november-16.

To date, Wakefern Food Corp./ShopRite has donated more than one million dollars to further The Valerie Fund mission of improving the quality of life for more than 50,000 children and their families following a devastating diagnosis of pediatric cancer, sickle cell and other blood disorders. The Gala's other honoree Tara Favors says, "I believe in The Valerie Fund's mission and amazing work. Her relationship with the organization began in 2005 when she received the news that her son would be born with Hemoglobin SC, a disease similar yet distinct from sickle cell anemia. Thankfully her son Davis, now 13, continues to be a healthy child despite his blood disorder and Tara has done much over the years to educate others about the impact of Sickle Cell in the Black community. She is a member of The Valerie Fund Board and the Scholarship Committee which she finds incredibly inspiring. She says, "We have watched these kids not only survive but thrive---some go on to medical schools, graduate schools and an assortment of careers."

SPRINGFIELD INTERFAITH COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE MONDAY NOVEMBER 19 AT 7 PM

The Springfield Interfaith Clergy Association will be holding the town wide Thanksgiving Service at Holy Cross Lutheran Church 639 Mountain Ave. on Monday November 19 at 7 pm. All are invited to give thanks for the blessing of living in such a wonderful town. The service will include the combined congregational choirs of Springfield and the Springfield Children's Community Choir. Contributions of packaged goods for the Holy Cross Food Bank, Coats for the Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless and monetary donations for the Springfield First Aid Squad will be collected.

SPRINGFIELD ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION AND GREEN TEAM JOINS WITH OTHER UNION COUNTY GROUPS TO FORM REGIONAL HUB

Last month, the Springfield Environmental Commission and Green Team met with 17 representatives from other Union County towns' Environmental and Green Teams to explore the formation of a Regional Environmental Hub under the auspices of Sustainable Jersey. Springfield, Summit, Berkeley Heights, Rahway and Westfield were represented as was the Rahway River Watershed Association.

Lauren Skowronski, program director for community engagement for Sustainable Jersey, provided background on the formation of a regional hub and shared information about what the nine Regional Hubs are already undertaking. Lauren shared, that in her experience, "When Green Teams and Environmental Commissions join together, their collaborative efforts can have a broad impact on creating positive environmental change." She noted that recently the Mercer County Hub had a very successful Green Fair hosted by nine towns with more than 1,000 attendees. Other Hubs are looking at multi-community recycling campaigns, small business energy efficiency cooperation and mentoring.

Another presenter, Mike Furci, Springfield's Commissioner for the Rahway Valley Sewage Authority, discussed composting and digestible recycling and how towns can cooperate on these initiatives to save money.

Marian Glenn, who represented both Summit and the Rahway River Watershed Association, covered another key issue for many Union County municipalities: storm water regulations and practices. Discussion centered on such effective tools as rain gardens and porous asphalt.

Other representatives talked about green roofs, what can be done about plastic bag recycling and trans town bicycle routes. The meeting concluded with a unanimous vote to move ahead in forming a Regional Union County Hub.

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



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



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Police Chief's Column

Chief John P. Cook

HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS

With the holidays nearing, readers of the Springfield Patriot Times, both residents and business owners alike, are preparing for the season. For most, this includes some type of holiday shopping. Unfortunately, thieves will also be out "shopping" during the months of November and December by looking to see what they can steal from you.

Many people still prefer to use cash when paying for their holiday gifts. Shoppers should be careful when they are receiving money from banks or ATM machines. Cash withdrawals should immediately be put out of sight before exiting the bank branch or ATM machine location. While paying, avoid displaying large amounts of cash, and put your wallet away quickly.

If you decide to pay with a credit or debit card, always retrieve the card back from the cashier after making a purchase. During the rush of holiday shopping it may be inadvertently left behind at the register or deliberately retained by a dishonest employee, especially when businesses hire many temporary holiday workers. If you later discover that your credit or debit card was not returned, do not waste time attempting to contact the store to see if your card was located. Instead, immediately contact the issuing bank for your card and report it lost to prevent any unauthorized use.

Anyone carrying handbags or purses should hold onto them while in stores, such as supermarkets, and not leave them unattended in shopping carts. Coupons should be kept in separate envelopes or billfolds which can be left accessible in the upper part of a cart, while wallets containing currency, credit cards or checks should be safely kept on your person. Thieves will look out for unattended carts with handbags or wallets and will quickly snatch them when shoppers are busy looking at or removing items from a shelf.

Handbags should NEVER be worn with the strap across the chest. Some thieves will drive up to a person who is walking in a parking lot and pretend to ask for directions. This draws the person closer, allowing the thief to grab onto the handbag strap and then rapidly speed away. If the person's bag is worn with the strap across the chest, he or she will most likely be dragged by the speeding car before the handbag strap eventually gives way and breaks. By holding a purse with your hands, or by strapping it straight over one shoulder, the purse may be gone but you are less likely to be hurt.

As handbag thefts, purse snatches, and pickpockets increase during the holiday shopping time, you should not carry with you anything that cannot be replaced. Identification cards and other documents such as checks or credit cards can be replaced, but other documents such as your Social Security card should be left at home since thieves who obtain this can easily use your identity information to commit various types of identity theft related frauds.

Readers of my column in the Springfield Patriot Times should remember that smartphone thefts remain on the rise throughout the country and many thieves will merely walk up and grab a phone from someone who is texting, streaming or surfing the web. Using a smartphone tends to make some people unaware of their surroundings, which could make them a more attractive target for phone thieves. Be careful when using your phone while walking through malls, parking lots and other busy public places, and if possible, wait until entering your vehicle to make a call or text.

Shoppers should park their cars in main well lit sections of a parking lot and should make sure to close all windows and lock all car doors when exiting. Any

shopping bags should be placed in the trunk or in the rear of an SUV or van where they are not readily visible. Thieves will walk through parking lots looking for vehicles with visible shopping bags to break into and steal. Also, do not leave gifts inside of your car overnight, even in your driveway. Instead, bring them inside your home to store.

Businesses should increase the amount of times cash is removed from register drawers and make additional bank drops if necessary, to prevent large amounts of money from being left in register drawers during business hours or overnight. Bank drops should be done by multiple employees going together and the times/days should be staggered to prevent thieves from learning business routines.

Many residents will likely order some gifts online in the months leading up to the holidays. Thieves will drive around residential areas looking for unattended packages left by the front doors of homes. Residents should check the tracking and delivery information for their orders, and request a delivery date/time when they will home, if possible. If no one will be home for the delivery, they should ask a trusted neighbor to retrieve and secure their packages until they return, or request the carrier to leave any parcels at either a side or rear door of their home. Residents should be alert for slow moving vehicles driving through their neighborhood, and immediately call the police if they observe the vehicle occupants remove packages from a home.

Residents who go away for the holidays should remember to cancel their mail delivery and any newspaper delivery and should do everything possible to make their house look occupied. Interior lights on timers and external lights that are motion activated can greatly reduce the appearance that no one is home. In addition, residents can ask a neighbor or family member to park a car in their driveway and keep an eye on their home while they are away.

Scammers know that everyone wishes they had more disposable income to use during the holiday shopping season. Con artists will increase their letters, e-mails or telephone calls that fraudulently claim some type of lottery or monetary prize was won or is owed to you. You can easily recognize one of these scams, and know it is a fraud, if you are directed to pay some kind of a "fee" in order to collect the money.

During the holiday season the Springfield Police will have officers in marked and unmarked vehicles patrolling both residential areas and shopping areas in town, doing their best to deter thieves and their holiday schemes. I urge residents to immediately report any suspicious activity to the police department, and keep all of these safety tips in mind. Together, we can keep Springfield safe for the holidays.

I hope all of you and your families have a happy, safe, and enjoyable holiday season.

ELECTION DAY AT TEMPLE SHA'AREY SHALOM, SPRINGFIELD, PRESCHOOL

On November 5, in honor of Election Day, the Twos in the Preschool of Temple Sha'arey Shalom, Springfield, voted for their favorite stuffed toy. The candidates were Cookie Monster, Elmo, and White Puppy.

And the winner:
Cookie Monster
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There is a free rabies clinic on December 1st at the Chisholm Center 9 am - 11 am. The registrar will be on hand to license cats and dogs for 2019.



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Springfield Recreation Department's Halloween Spooktacular was held on Sunday, October 28, at the Chisholm Community Center. The event featured a costume contest, guessing jar contest, Springfield Municipal Alliance Red Ribbon Week give-aways, photo booth, juggler, balloon artist on stilts, Halloween craft, temporary tattoos, Halloween games, and John the Ventriloquist headline performance. The costume contest was sponsored by the Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce and Cardinal Land Properties Inc. Winners are photo-graphed with Adam Lieb, Director of Recreation, and Michael Butrico, Assistant Director of Recreation.



K-1st: Mara Chrystal, Logan Velasco, Owen Bell



4th-5th: Elana Ryykeri, Geneva Ellis, Lucas Ellis



Infant-Pre K: Noah Garcia, Gregory Worth, Dhyaan



2nd-3rd: Brendan Bell, Khyree Knox, Zoe Klein



6th-8th: Courtney Hull



Decoarting Tradition At 5 Garden Oval

"I started this annual project over (20) years ago and have added to it annually. I've searched estate sales, garage sales, retail, free-cycle, etc, to assemble this "wonderland" originally for my children, and these days for all of the children in the neighborhood. Most of them refer to it as "the Spooky House". The construction of it (every weekend in September & October) is almost as anticipated as the night itself. On Halloween night, over (250) kids usually show up. As long I can climb ladders, will keep up this tradition!"

Owner, Rich Citrin



"DANNY OF NSP" IN CONCERT IN SAYREVILLE

SEE PATRIOT PROFILE ON PAGE 15



Join THE SPRINGFIELD ROTARY for 

This Important Program Needs Volunteers and Donations!

December 13, 2018 / 6pm-9pm
At the Chisholm Community Center
100 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ



Join members of the Springfield community as we put together and package 30,000 dry food items to be distributed internationally. Rise Against Hunger is a wonderful organization with a mission for ending hunger in our lifetime by providing food and life-changing aid to the world's most vulnerable.

To get involved as a volunteer on December 13, please email: mike@mikescalera.com

Please visit our facebook event page at:
www.facebook.com/events/471997326631863/?ti=icl

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Bailey's Irish Cream	\$21.09



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Bud Light 30pk cans	\$21.99
Founders All Day IPA 15pk cans	\$15.99
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Winter Sports Programs

Springfield Recreation Dept
All programs take place at Chisholm Community Center

SCHOOLS OUT CAMPS

Class Name	Day	Date	Time	Age	Price
Soccer Camp	Wed-Fri	12/26/2018 to 12/28/2018	9:00 AM to 4:00 PM	5 - 11	\$115
Soccer Camp	Thurs-Fri	12/27/2018 to 12/28/2018	9:00 AM to 4:00 PM	5 - 11	\$100

WEEKLY SQUIRTS CLASSES

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

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

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

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

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

USsportsInstitute.com
(866) 345-BALL

SPRINGFIELD RECREATION PRE K-2ND GRADE BASKETBALL



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

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

A maximum of 30 players are allowed in each Clinic Play group. Clinic Play groups are:
Pre-K @ 10:00-10:45 am K @ 10:50-11:35 am Girls 1st-2nd Grade @ 11:40 am-12:40 pm
Boys 1st Grade @ 12:45-1:45 pm Boys 2nd Grade @ 1:50-2:50 pm

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

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

Registration deadline extended. Limited spots still available.

Joe Fischer's Secrets Of Magic

Learn How To Become A Magician

WHEN: Thursday's 1/10-1/31
Time: 5pm-6pm
WHERE: 100 South Springfield Avenue
(Chisholm Community Center)
FEE: \$80 PER CHILD
AGES: (5-10)

Please make check out to Joseph Fischer and mail payment to:
12 Garden Place, Nutley, NJ 07110
For any questions contact
fischerjmr@aol.com or call 973-661-9368



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- Dinosaur Fossils • Volcano Eruptions • Slime • Life Cycles

Chisholm Community Center
100 S. Springfield Ave, Springfield, NJ
Grades Pre-K 3 & 4

Mondays: November 12th, 19th, 26th and December 3rd 2018 - 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Cost: \$110

Please Register at: www.KiddiesKaleidoscope.com

INTERESTED IN SCRAPBOOKING?

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

PRIVATE PARTY ROOMS AVAILABLE

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



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

Call Recreation Department (973) 912-2227

HOUDAILLE QUARRY WALK

CONTINUED FROM FRONT COVER

On November 18, from 1 to 3 pm, the Springfield Environmental Commission will sponsor the annual 2018 Houdaille Quarry Walk, a ninety minute guided tour of the quarry located in Springfield, N.J.

"This is a once a year event," says Alyson Miller, Chair of the event. "There is no public access to the quarry except on this day. We get to visit a completely natural, unspoiled area that is home to turkeys, raccoons, deer, foxes, coyotes, and birds. At the bottom on the Quarry there is a pond and a tunnel under Route 78."

The deposit at Houdaille Quarry was created by a lava flow from an ancient volcano. The material was mined and used for road building and is now a natural area with a Union County leaf composting facility located on part of the site. It is a vigorous walk not intended for young children or anyone who is physically challenged. It will leave at promptly at 1 pm, no late comers allowed. The event will be canceled in case of inclement weather.

RECYCLING TIPS



China has gotten tougher on what it will accept, raising its purity standards for recyclables to cut down on the pollutants that are the by-products of recycling soiled materials. One thing you should not put in your recycling bin is pizza boxes unless they are clean. Also not accepted are plastic bags. After you put away your produce from the supermarket, don't throw away that plastic bag --- clean it, put in your cloth shopping bag and re-use it the next time you buy produce.

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

Monday, November 19 - Computer Training with Mike @ 11:00 am, Bingo @ 12:30 pm
 Tuesday, November 20 - Bus trip to Turning Point Restaurant @ 9:30 am (RSVP), Cards @ 11:30 am
 Monday, November 26 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm
 Tuesday, November 27 - Cards @ 11:30 am
 Wednesday, November 28 - Zoom-Ba @ 11:00 am
 Thursday, November 29 - Club birthday bash luncheon @ 12:00 pm (RSVP)
 Friday, November 30 - Forever Fit @ 10:00 am, Cards @ 1:00 pm
 Monday, December 3 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm
 Tuesday, December 4 - Stretch & Meditation @ 10:00 am, Cards @ 11:30 am
 Thursday, December 6 - Club birthday bash luncheon @ 12:00 pm (RSVP)
 Friday, December 7 - Cards @ 1:00 pm
 Monday, December 10 - Forever Fit @ 10:00 am, Bingo @ 12:30 pm
 Tuesday, December 11 - Club holiday party @ 12:00 pm (RSVP)
 Thursday, December 13 - Bus trip to Rockaway Townsquare @ 10:00 am (RSVP)
 Friday, December 14 - Shape UP @ 11:00 am, Cards @ 1:00 pm
 Monday, December 17 - Bingo @ 12:30 pm
 Tuesday, December 18 - Cards @ 11:30 am
 Wednesday, December 19 - Bus trip to Delicious Orchards @ 10:00 am (RSVP)
 Friday, December 21 - Cards @ 1:00 pm

WINTER CONDITIONING

Winter 2018-2019 • Grades 2-8

Athletes need to spend time conditioning. Winter is the perfect time to start!

Physical fitness training is an important life lesson for children and athletes. Winter Conditioning – coached by Mike Czech – demonstrates how to safely gain strength for sports, prevent injury, stretch properly, and have fun! Athletes who desire more speed and want to gain an advantage will benefit! This co-ed program is open to Springfield residents and children who attend a Springfield school in grades 2-8. Minimum enrollment is required. No refunds are provided after the first date of each session.

Location:
Chisholm Community Center,
2nd Floor Fitness Studio

Day: Friday

Time: 4:30-5:30 pm

Session 1: November 16th-
January 11th (no class on
November 23rd; December
21st, 28th)

Session 2:
January 25th-March 8th
(no class on February 15th)

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

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

Chisholm Community Center
100 South Springfield Avenue
Monday-Friday @ 8:00 am-6:00 pm

Questions? Contact Daniel Hesse, Recreation Program Coordinator, at
(973) 912-2227 or daniel.hesse@springfield-nj.us

Township of Springfield Recreation Department

Holiday Celebration 2018

Wednesday, December 5th @ 5:00-8:00 pm

(Rain/Snow Date Thursday, December 6th)

Town Hall Lawn, North and South Trivett Avenues

Free Festivities Include:

Tree Lighting
 Pictures with Santa Claus
 Winter Wonderland Band
 Petting Zoo
 Meet Queen Elsa
 Stilt Walking Toy Soldier
 Live Ice Carving
 Candy Land Obstacle Course
 Carriage Rides
 Hot Pretzels and Hot Drinks



The Recreation Department would like to thank the following for their participation:
 Township Committee, Administrator, Clerk, Public Works Dept., Police Dept., Fire Dept.,
 First Aid Squad, Business Improvement District, FMBA Local #57, Municipal Alliance,
 Office of Emergency Management, Auxiliary Police, Rotary Club.
 Springfield H.O.P.E. will be collecting new unwrapped toys and Barnes & Noble gift cards.
 Holy Cross Lutheran Church will be collecting non-perishable food and gently used coats.

Questions? (973) 912-2227 or recreation@springfield-nj.us

Visit us on the web at www.springfield-nj.us/recreation

Inclement weather? Please call after noon on Wednesday, December 5th.



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>.

2018 - 2019

ADULT SPORTS LEAGUES

MEN'S OPEN PLAY 35+ BASKETBALL

This is a non-competitive program for players ages 35 and older.
 Basketball will be held on most Wednesdays at Jonathan Dayton High School from 7:00-9:00 pm
 and on most Sundays at Florence Gaudineer Middle School from 8:00-10:00 am.

PROGRAM RUNS SEPTEMBER 2018 - AUGUST 2019

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

WOMEN'S OPEN PLAY 21+ VOLLEYBALL

This is a non-competitive program open only to players ages 21 and older who are Springfield residents.
 Volleyball will be held on Tuesdays from September 2018 to August 2019

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

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

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

Register in person or by mail to:

Springfield Recreation Department Chisholm Community Center
 100 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield (973) 912-2227 (973) 912-8584 fax
www.springfield-nj.us/recreation • Email recreation@springfield-nj.us

BABY REMBRANDT'S PAINTING CLASS ON DECEMBER 5 AT THE SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY


The Springfield Free Public Library will be hosting a Baby Rembrandt's painting class on Wednesday, December 5, at 10:30 am. This program, intended for babies 10 months to two years, will introduce colors, textures and art in a fun, hands on environment.

Please be advised that the painting materials are edible to enhance the experience and will include pudding, baby food, pasta, fruits (berries, grapes, citrus fruit, apples, and bananas), yogurt and dyes (Kool-Aid, food coloring) and are not advised for children with food allergies or concerns. We advise that participants wear a smock or play clothes to the event. Registration is mandatory for 15 participants only. Priority in registration will be given to children and grandchildren of Springfield residents. If space permits, children from other communities may sign up forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the program. For questions and to register, please call Brianne Mintz at (973) 376-4930 ext. 232, or visit our website at sfplnj.org.



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Drawing Classes for kids

Celebrating 30 Years

Young Rembrandts

The Power of Drawing

SRD Springfield Recreation Department

Ages 3 - 5 • Preschool Drawing

Artists will begin the season with a lesson that teaches our students about simple figure drawing as they create a snowman using basic geometric shapes. Winter-themed lessons like our mittens and penguin drawings will excite your child's imagination. All this and more await your budding artist. Enroll your child today!

Classes: Wednesday, 3:00 - 3:45 pm • 1/2/19 - 2/6/19
Tuition: \$82 (6 Week Session)

Ages 6 - 12 • Elementary Drawing

Make this a memorable winter by signing up your elementary child in a Young Rembrandts drawing class. Your child will learn about basic design and composition as they draw the Fish Below Ice and Great Wall of China. Besides strengthening your child's drawing and coloring skills, he or she will also learn about art history and much more. Enroll your child today!

Classes: Wednesday, 4:00 - 5:00 pm • 1/2/19 - 2/6/19
Tuition: \$89 (6 Week Session)

Ages 6 - 12 • Cartooning

Our cartoon drawing lessons will stoke your child's artistic fire. Your child will learn about exaggeration and drawing facial expressions in our lessons entitled "Cold Faces" and "Dad Expressions." Imagine what your dog does home alone, giving him human-like qualities with our "Dog Alone" cartoon. All this and more. Enroll today!

Classes: Wednesday, 5:15 - 6:15 pm • 1/2/19 - 2/6/19
Tuition: \$89 (6 Week Session)

All Classes at Chisholm Community Center

Enroll Online at: www.youngrembrandts.com/middlesex-union
before December 31, 2018

Springfield Library Director Dale Spindel (center) happily receives a check for \$20,000 from Investors Bank Assistant Vice President David Cimbol and Investors Bank District Manager Barbara Gerges. The library will use this grant award from the Investors Bank Foundation to install a new movie projection and sound system in the library's Donald B. Palmer Museum and also to install new kid friendly signage in the children's room.



FALL CROSS COUNTRY TEAM CONCLUDES SEASON



Members of the Springfield Recreation Department's Fall 2018 cross-country team pose at the Salute to Veterans 5K on Sunday, September 30th. The team was led by Coach Mike Czech.

HOLY CROSS NURSERY SCHOOL DONATIONS



During the month of October, the children at Holy Cross Nursery School collected donations for the Food Ministry Project run by Holy Cross Lutheran Church. The Holy Cross Food Ministry accepts donations all year and supports families in the Springfield community.

FREE TEEN DROP-IN

Who: Springfield residents in 6th-12th grades
What: Basketball, volleyball, lounge games, TV, quiet study supervised by Recreation Dept. staff
Where: Chisholm Community Center, 100 South Springfield Ave
When: Monday-Friday (closed municipal holidays) 2:30-8:00 pm
How: Handbook, registration form, photo ID
Contact: (973) 912-2227, recreation@springfield-nj.us
www.springfield-nj.us/recreation
www.facebook.com/springfieldnjrec

FREE SENIOR CITIZEN BUS SERVICE



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.



CHEERLEADERS SUPPORT BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

Springfield Recreation Department's Jr. Dawg cheerleaders form a giant pink ribbon to support breast cancer awareness during the Jr. Dawgs youth football games on Sunday, October 21st at Jonathan Dayton High School.

Springfield Free Public Library

66 Mountain Avenue, Springfield
973-376-4930

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

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

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday

10:00 am – 9:00 pm

Tuesday, Friday, Saturday

10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Sunday 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

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

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Pre-School Power!:

Monday October 22 and 29 at 4:15 pm

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

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

Family Craft: Wednesday, October 17.
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Crafty Friday: Friday 26.
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Bingo: October 30.
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

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

SPECIAL EVENTS

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

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

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

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

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

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

DISCUSSIONS and WRITING

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

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

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

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

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

FILMS

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

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

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

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

HOBBIES AND INFORMATION

Every Monday at 7:00 pm

Scrabble - Bring a friend or meet new opponents!

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

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

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

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

Every Thursday at 7:00 pm **Chess Club.**

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

INSTRUCTION

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

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

FALL INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL CONTINUES AT THE SPRINGFIELD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Fall International Film Festival continues at the
Springfield Free Public Library on Thursday, November
15th. The library will screen Truman (2015) at 1:00 and
7:00 p.m. Winner of 29 awards with 31 nominations. Julian
receives an unexpected visit from his friend Tomas, who
lives in Canada. The two men, accompanied by Julian's
faithful dog, Truman, will share emotional and surprising
moments prompted by Julian's complicated situation. In
Spanish with English subtitles. Directed by Cesc Gay.
Starring Ricardo Darin, Javier Camara and Dolores Fonzi.
108 minutes. Not rated.

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

MIXED MEDIA ARTWORK OF MARIE BURNS TO BE ON EXHIBIT IN THE SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY'S DONALD B. PALMER MUSEUM IN NOVEMBER

The mixed media artwork of New Providence resident
Marie Burns will be on exhibit in the Donald B. Palmer
Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library during the
months of November and December. The works to be dis-
played are three dimensional amalgams of photography and
acrylic painting which the artist refers to as "Outside the
Box."

Locally, Ms. Burns' artwork has been displayed at the
world headquarters of Johnson & Johnson in New
Brunswick, the Reeves Reed Arboretum in Summit, the

Center for Visual Arts NJ, at ongoing Art League of the
Chathams exhibits, and also at various area libraries,
hospitals and arts and crafts shows. Ms. Burns is also a staff
member of the Laguna Beach, California Art-A-Fair
festival.

The Donald B. Palmer Museum and the Springfield Free
Public Library are located at 66 Mountain Avenue. More
information about the library and the Palmer Museum can
be found at www.springfieldpubliclibrary.com.

METEOROLOGIST JOE CIOFFI VISITED THE SPRINGFIELD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY



Verizon Fios 1 meteorologist Joe Cioffi visited the
Springfield Free Public Library on the evening of October
17, speaking about the challenges of accurately forecasting
the weather while also offering his speculations regarding
future weather developments. The program was attended
by an additional 100 viewers from around the area via a
Youtube broadcast.

INDIE DAY AUTHORS DAY POSE FOR A GROUP PHOTO AT THE SPRINGFIELD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY



*The participants in the Springfield Free Public Library's
recent Indie Author Day posed for a group photo: Front row
(left to right): Denise DeVone, Shirley George
Frazier, Candace Waller, Wendy Jones, Elissa Merkl.
Back row (left to right): Desiree Williams, Vivian Fransen,
Francine Gerson, J.R. Bale, Charles Vanyo, Katrina Musto*

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP READS THE DESTINY OF THE REPUBLIC: A TALE OF MEDICINE, MADNESS AND THE MURDER OF A PRESIDENT BY CANDICE MILLARD

The Springfield Free Public Library's (Really Good!) Book
Discussion Group will meet on Thursday, December 6 at 7
pm to discuss The Destiny of the Republic: A Tale of
Medicine, Madness and the Murder of a President by
Candice Millard. James A. Garfield was one of the most
extraordinary men ever elected president. Born into abject
poverty, he rose to become a scholar, Civil War hero, and
renowned and admired reformist congressman. Nominated
for president against his will, he engaged in a fierce battle
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Fire Chief's Column

Chief Carlo Palumbo

COLD WEATHER SAFETY

Carbon Monoxide Kills Every Year

WARNING: During New Jersey's 2017 – 2018 heating season, the state's poison control center received approximately 250 calls related to carbon monoxide (CO). Of these, 162 victims were evaluated in emergency departments and many required hospitalization.

Don't be the poison center's next statistic. Exposure to carbon monoxide can produce headaches, sleepiness, fatigue, confusion and irritability at low levels. At higher levels, it can result in nausea, vomiting, irregular heartbeat, impaired vision and coordination, and death. During cold and influenza season, symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning can easily be confused with symptoms of viral illnesses like the common cold and the flu.

Prevention and early detection are crucial in preventing poisoning injury and death from carbon monoxide. The sudden shift in frigid weather forces homeowners and landlords to turn on their heating systems earlier than expected; without having them properly serviced beforehand to prevent CO exposure.

"Carbon monoxide is called the "Silent Killer" because it is a gas that gives no warning – you can't see it, smell it or taste it. "Don't gamble with your family's health and well-being; CO detectors are a must." Battery-operated carbon monoxide detectors should be put on every level of the home and near every sleeping area. Always check the batteries of both detectors (fire and CO) when changing the clocks twice a year for daylight savings time.

Safety tips to help reduce your risk of carbon monoxide exposure:

1. If you do not have any carbon monoxide detectors, install them right away. If your detectors are old and/or not working properly, replace them immediately.
2. Don't remove the batteries from detectors to use somewhere else. The detector can only save lives if it works.
3. Gas appliances must have adequate ventilation. If need be, keep a window slightly cracked to allow airflow.
4. Open flues when fireplaces are in use. Have chimneys inspected periodically to prevent blockage.
5. Never use the stove to heat your home/apartment.
6. Only use generators outside. Keep them more than 20 feet from both you and your neighbor's home, doors, or windows.
7. Do not bring generators, pressure washers, grills, camp stoves, or other gas-line, propane, natural gas or charcoal-burning devices inside your home, basement, garage, carport, camper, boat cabin, or tent – or even outside near an open window or door.
8. DO NOT cook with charcoal indoors.
9. DO NOT idle a car in a closed garage. Once you pull in, immediately turn off the engine. Be extra careful with "remote start" engines which may be on without your knowledge.

If you suspect a carbon monoxide exposure, take immediate action:

1. If someone is unconscious or unresponsive, get him or her out of the house and call 9-1-1 immediately.
2. Exit the house/building immediately. Do not waste time opening windows. This will delay your escape and cause you to breathe in even more dangerous fumes.
3. Contact Springfield Fire Department/energy provider.
4. Call the NJ Poison Control Center at 1-800-222-1222 for immediate medical treatment advice. Do not waste time looking for information on the internet about carbon monoxide poisoning. Call for fast, free and accurate information.

Carbon monoxide poisoning is serious. If you have questions or concerns about carbon monoxide or suspect CO exposure, call the medical professionals at the NJ Poison Control Center. If someone is unconscious, not breathing, hard to wake up, or seizing, call 9-1-1 immediately. Poison control centers are a great resource for information and emergencies. Call, text, or chat with a health professional for free, 24/7. Save the Poison Help line, 1-800-222-1222, in your phone today to be prepared for what may happen tomorrow.

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AN AFTERNOON OF PLAY AT SAINT JAMES

Saint James the Apostle School students participated in the "Global Day of Play" on Friday, October 5th. The "Global Day of Play," which is part of the Global Cardboard Challenge, is celebrated on the first Saturday of October. This day coincides with the anniversary of the "surprise flashmob" in the YouTube sensation of "Caine's Arcade" short film. On this day, friends, family, co-workers and community members all over the world come out to play, celebrating the creativity and imagination of kids everywhere.



(l to r) James Jules, Adam Cordeiro, Jack Chacon, Michael Cangiano



*(l to r)
Charlee Tarlac,
Andrea Falar,
Kiyoshi McBurrows
and Raina Mendoza*

The Global Cardboard Challenge is an annual event started in 2012. The goal of the Global Cardboard Challenge is to engage 1 million kids in creative play.

On the afternoon of October 5, 2018, at Saint James, the entire student body was engaged in creative play in Hatcher Hall. Saint James students in Grades 3-8 were challenged to create something with cardboard. Students made miniature arcade games of all kinds. Eighth graders used their imaginations by creating structures representing their interests, such as hot air balloons, panda bears, even icons from games like Fortnite. Everything was created in school with finishing touches made at home.

The first part of the event involved students sharing play time within their class. Then they were able to move around and play with the creations of students in other grades. Finally, it was time for students to go back to their creations and host the youngest students in Grades PreK to Grade 2 who were invited "to play."

It was an amazing afternoon! Students' creativity was extremely impressive. They were encouraged to continue to be curious and creative... all it takes is a cardboard box and some imagination.

Saint James the Apostle School has been serving the parishioners of Saint James the Apostle

Church in Springfield and surrounding communities since 1953. Saint James the Apostle School offers students from PreK-3 through grade eight a Roman Catholic faith-based education which acknowledges each child's individual ability to achieve their fullest potential academically, socially, and spiritually.

Saint James the Apostle School is located at 41 S. Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081. Call 973-376-5194 or Email sjschool@sjspringfield.org for more information.

SPRINGFIELD ROTARY PROVIDES LUNCH TO SENIOR CITIZENS



Members of the Rotary Club of Springfield met with members of the Springfield Senior Citizens Club at its monthly birthday bash luncheon on Thursday, October 25th, at the Chisholm Community Center, and provided them with a lunch catered by Apple's Deli of deli sandwiches, coleslaw, pickles, cake, and drinks. Rotarians served lunch, mingled with the crowd, and discussed their town-wide programs and services including dictionaries for students, Rise Against Hunger food packing event, and Thanksgiving turkey distribution. Senior citizens were also treated to a chilling musical and historical presentation by Gordon Thomas Ward called "Ghosts I've Come to Know." Pictured (left-right): Donald Wilkenfeld, Senior Citizen Bus Driver; Adam Lieb, Director of Recreation; Michael Butrico, Assistant Director of Recreation; and Rotarians Dr. Gary Hecht, Hope Rosenberg, Michael Hausman, and Michael Scalera.



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PATRIOT PROFILES

Organizations and People that make a Difference in Springfield

by Scott Seidel

Readers of the Patriot Times may recall my October 2017 Patriot Profile on Danny Avidan of Ninja Sex Party (NSP) and Game Grumps fame. Last month I had the privilege of attending Danny's first "local" concert held in Sayreville, NJ as part of his 2018 "Tour De Force". The event sold out quickly online as local fans were delighted to be able to attend an NSP concert in New Jersey. As in 2017, we note some of the content of NSP's performances are rated "R" by the Patriot Times! Children are cautioned to protect their parents.

I arrived around 7:30 pm with my wife, son, daughter and daughter in law. The event was held at the Starland Ballroom in Sayreville. Basically a standing room only concert venue as there were probably only two dozen chairs scattered throughout the ballroom. As we walked in I said to my son I'd like to buy a t-shirt and he said "Good luck, the merchandise line is always hundreds of people long". He was right about that. Throughout the concert fans were lined up to buy NSP merchandise. We staked out a spot to the right of the stage and were able to lean against one of several bars spaced throughout the ballroom. Most time I've spent at a bar in my life!

A little after 8 pm, to the chants of the crowd, the first group, Planet Booty, started performing. Apparently there is a surge in 80's music and "electro-funk" bands. Planet Booty encourages the crowd to have fun and dance to their show. They have a partial retro and electric, '80s funk sound. The band promotes a fun, amusing and entertaining performance. Next up was the Canadian synthwave group Tupperware Remix Party Band or "TWRP", also the backup band for NSP. They played their songs to cheers from the crowd. Finally around 9:20 pm, to chants of "NSP, NSP" it was time for the main attraction. Danny Avidan, or as he is known by his stage name, Danny Sexbang, along with musical partner Brian Wecht, or "Ninja Brian", took to the stage for over 90 minutes.

The crowd of 2000 to 3000 people went wild for the group. Danny acknowledged the crowd and noted this was their first "hometown" show in the State of New Jersey and that many of his life experiences which are part of his songs and videos "Happened not 20 miles from this location". He went on to say he was delighted that so many family members and longtime friends were in the audience. He was very happy to have his parents, Avi and Debbie there, as well as his grandmother, Ruth, who had just turned 91 and is simply amazing. This started the crowd cheering for "Granny Sexbang"! He



SOLD OUT CROWD



Danny (left) with lifelong friends Adam Seidel and Joe Martinez

fans' favorite songs, including one of his newest "Danny Don't You Know" which was received with tremendous enthusiasm by the audience. I'm glad his grandmother was there so that my wife and I weren't the oldest people in the crowd!

What I found most intriguing that evening was the message in their music and conveyed by all the groups and especially by Danny. It was a message of inclusion. No matter your faith, beliefs, religion, sexual identity or race, everyone was the same and everyone was there to have a good time. Danny's newest original hit "Danny Don't You Know" conveys a message about bullying and being true to your beliefs and desires in life and you will be successful. It's an amazing video with over 5 million views and worth watching on YouTube although it is rated "R" for language. He played this song on the

that one, it's rated "PG". His videos and music have a "tongue in cheek" message that follows this theme. He draws on his life experiences to show that if you want to do something, you can do it and be successful. We were able to chat with Danny, his family and close friends after the show for a few minutes. We look forward to more New Jersey shows and his continuing success. He is truly a "rock star" and a hometown success story. "Rock on!"



Danny Hugs His Fans after the Show

SPRINGFIELD ROTARY AND SPRINGFIELD HOPE TO DISTRIBUTE TURKEYS

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

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