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NEXT CHAMBER MEETING

**WEDNESDAY
SEPTEMBER 16**

**8:30 am - 9:30 am
Emergency
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In the Joseph Pepe III
Memorial Training Room
200 Mountain Ave.**

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Mike Scalera, Chairman of the BID (on right) introduces the Band and starts the show.

BID MUSICFEST

After a postponement for rain on July 9, the first of four concerts sponsored by the Springfield Business Improvement District (BID) got off to a great start on a cool and comfortable July evening. Temperatures were in the 70's with low humidity. QED started the four show event at Patriot Park (across the street from Town Hall at the clock) with cool summer Jazz. The following week, July 16, The Vaughns, a well know Springfield based group, rocked a crowd of about 100 at Patriot Park for 90 minutes, again to perfect weather. The band was founded in January of 2014 and plays Indie Pop and Rock n' Roll music. They are based in Springfield and have played in numerous area venues including the famous Stone Pony in Asbury Park, where they will again appear on August 30.

The third show went off on August 6 with Jerry Topinka and the final show is scheduled for Thursday, August 20 in Echo Plaza Shopping Center, with a rain date of a week later. The final performer on the 20th will be Vanessa Perea. The Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce is hosting the Annual Free Summer Concert on Monday, August 17 at the Jonathan Dayton High School Auditorium. Doors open at 6:30 pm and the show starts at 7 pm.

See our flyer on page 9 and more pictures on page 4

UNION COUNTY HOSTS NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AT MEISEL FIELD

Hundreds of residents crowded Meisel Avenue Park on a beautiful summer evening on Tuesday night, August 4, to participate in National Night out. Public Safety Departments from all over the County came out to display their personnel and equipment and to enhance neighborhood relationships, heighten crime prevention awareness, and strengthen the relationship between the community and public safety organizations, including Police, Fire, OEM, and EMS. There were inflatable rides for the children, games, food, and displays of public safety equipment. The public had an opportunity to meet many of Springfield's First Responders, sit in their vehicles (and work the lights and sirens--VERY popular with the kids!) and view an array of emergency vehicles and equipment. At the conclusion of the celebration, a viewing of "Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day" was presented as a part of Union County's Family Fun and Flix summer entertainment series on a giant outdoor screen.



More pictures on page 4

OCTOBER 8 TRIP THROUGH SPRINGFIELD'S PAST

Springfield Hadassah will host an exciting event devoted to Springfield's history on October 8. Deputy Mayor Margaret Bandrowski will lead the group through Springfield's historical past beginning with the Revolutionary War.

An expert in Springfield's history, Ms. Bandrowski will begin with a tour (weather permitting) of the Daughters of the American Revolution cemetery on Mountain Ave., site of the oldest know burial ground in Springfield. It began as a burial ground for the Stites family and expanded to include others. The tombstone art carved in many of the standing stones will be explained.

The tour will move on to the Cannon Ball house. Built in approximately 1760, it has changed little. It survived burning by the British after their defeat in the historical Battle of June 23, 1780. Many fascinating articles used in every day life are on exhibit. Ms. Bandrowski will also speak of the role played by the eighteenth-century First Presbyterian Church--in both the Revolution and the development of the Township.

The event will include lunch at a location to be determined. The public is invited. However, since both Springfield Hadassah and the Springfield Historical Society are non profit organizations, a donation in exchange for admission to the event, which includes lunch, will be appreciated.

For further information and to make reservations, contact Lorraine S. Seidel, Hadassah Event Chair, at lorrainesseidel@gmail.com or 973.376.5067.



(l to r) Margaret Bandrowski, President of the Springfield Historical Society and Springfield Deputy Mayor, and Lorraine Seidel, Hadassah Event Chairperson



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Message from the Mayor

Hello Springfield Friends and Neighbors,

I trust that everyone’s summer is going well. This is the time of year where, although the township committee has fewer meetings, the activities around Springfield really heat up. Last week I joined the Springfield Seniors at their monthly birthday bash lunch meeting. The room was filled to capacity and I was lucky to get the last spot in the parking lot. A group of campers stopped in to sing happy birthday to the seniors. The new, fully-renovated Chisthom Community Center was teaming with activity, from kids playing in the gym and meeting rooms to the field outside. It was so wonderful to see the success of our summer recreation program and I thank Director Adam Lieb and his staff for doing such a great job.

This month we had a joint meeting between the township committee and the Board of Education. It was extremely productive, and new and exciting ideas were discussed, including the potential creation of a new turf field behind Jonathan Dayton High school. Later that evening the township committee also saw a presentation from the New Jersey Department of Transportation, at which we reviewed plans to replace the Morris Avenue Bridge. I’m happy to report that plans are in the works for this essential project, which may take 2-3 years to complete. Additionally, we saw a presentation by our selected architect in which several new designs were presented for upgrades to the Springfield Pool facility. The township committee was pleased with the designs and chose one particular plan to move forward with. I’m very excited to report that this plan provides for a brand new, year-round, air conditioned and heated, multi-use building, with an aesthetically pleasing entrance way, new lockers, new bathrooms and an indoor meeting space. Overall, I am happy to see that our township is continuing to discuss ways to renovate and revitalize our community. We continue to engage in the challenging endeavor of finding ways to improve and upgrade our township, while keeping in mind our extremely tight budget.

On behalf of the Springfield Township Committee, I hope you enjoy these last few weeks of summer. Also, I urge you to attend town hall meetings and bring your input to help us make the best decisions for our community. The Township Committee meets in regular session at 7:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month in the Municipal Building. The Committee’s regular Tuesday meetings are televised (you can find the link at the municipal website <http://springfield-nj.us/>) Have ideas? I’m always interested in hearing from you. Email me at david.barnett@springfield-nj.us so I can share your ideas with the Township Committee.

Your Mayor
David Barnett

TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

August: Workshop, Monday, August 10, 7:30 at FD
Regular Meeting, Tuesday, August 11, 7:30 at Town Hall
September: (No Workshop – Labor Day!)
Regular Meeting, Tuesday, September 8, 7:30 at Town Hall
Regular Meeting, Tuesday, September 22, 7:30 at 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 COUNCIL

Contact the Recreation Council 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

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MADISON HEALTH DEPARTMENT 2015 SPRINGFIELD FLU CLINICS

THURS. OCT 15	10:00-11:00am	SPRINGFIELD SENIOR HOUSING
THURS. OCT 15	12:30 - 2:00pm	CHISHOLM COMMUNITY CENTER
MON. OCT 19	6:00 - 7:30pm	CHISHOLM COMMUNITY CENTER
Must be 18 yr +. No fee with Medicare Part B; \$10 for others		

Availability are dependent on flu vaccine delivery as expected. Arrangements for vaccination of those younger than 18 years of age should be made prior to the clinic date in order for appropriate vaccine to be available. Questions or additional information may be directed to Marlene Dolan, Nursing Supervisor, at 973-593-3079 x9 or dolanm@rosenet.org

2015 vaccine to be administered is quadrivalent injectable - not high dose vaccine.

Springfield

Business Improvement District

WHAT'S HAPPENING

MUSIC FEST

Live Outdoor Music
6:30-8:30pm
Thursday, August 20
at Echo Plaza

(Rain date the following Thursday, Aug 27)



Featuring the music of
Vanessa Perea

ENJOY THESE DEALS ON 8/20 (or respective rain date):

MOROCCAN KEBAB & FALAFEL

242 Morris Ave. / 973-379-1000
Buy Any Platter, Get 2nd 50% Off.
Buy Any 2 Sandwiches,
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PRIMA PIZZA

719 Mountain Ave. / 973-379-9660
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BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

MOROCCAN KEBAB & FALAFEL

242 Morris Ave – 973-379-1000

Delicious...is the best word to describe the many kebab sandwiches and platters this new restaurant offers. From creamy hummus and perfectly fried falafel to tender and perfectly spiced chicken, beef and lamb kebabs...there's something for everyone! Their salads are also quite tasty! Try it once...and we're pretty confident you'll go back again soon.



TD PIZZA

222 Mountain Ave – 908-800-7080

Springfield's thriving pizza scene wouldn't be complete without a stop at TD. Super large slices and a thin crust are just the beginning! They offer a complete menu of classic Italian dishes like shrimp francese, chicken marsala, eggplant & chicken parm to name a few. Their hot and cold subs totally rock...and their pastas are prepared and presented perfectly. TD also delivers 7 days a week!

CAPELLI E MANI DESIGN

224 Mountain Ave – 973-376-9827

This "Springfield beauty institution" is celebrating their 10th anniversary this summer! Come in, relax and get pampered in their full service salon offering hair styles, hair color, keratin, perms, manicures and pedicures for men and women. Their hair stylists and beauty professionals will make sure that you leave happy... with the look that impresses everyone.



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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT



Springfield Town Hall Bulletin Board



REGISTER NOW FOR THE FOURTH ANNUAL TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE! SEPTEMBER 12-13

Back by popular demand, there will be a town-wide Community Garage Sale on Saturday, September 12 - Sunday, September 13. Sale hours will be 9 am to 6 pm, except on September 13 when it will end at 3 pm. The garage sale dates are prior to bulk garbage pickups September 16 and 17 (depending on where you live), so what you don't sell, you can discard if you wish.

There is no registration or permit fee but we would like to post garage sale locations on the Township website (www.springfield-nj.us) and Facebook page (www.facebook.com/springfieldtownshipnj). Please email your address to communitygaragesale@springfield-nj.us or call Town Hall at 973-912-2285 so that we can post it.

This is a great opportunity to not only clean out your unwanted or unused items, but also to have a coordinated community event that welcomes people to explore our town and appreciate the Pride of Springfield!

If you have any questions about this event, please call us at 973-912-2285.



YOUTH-HEIGHT BASKETBALL POLES INSTALLED AT HENSHAW PARK

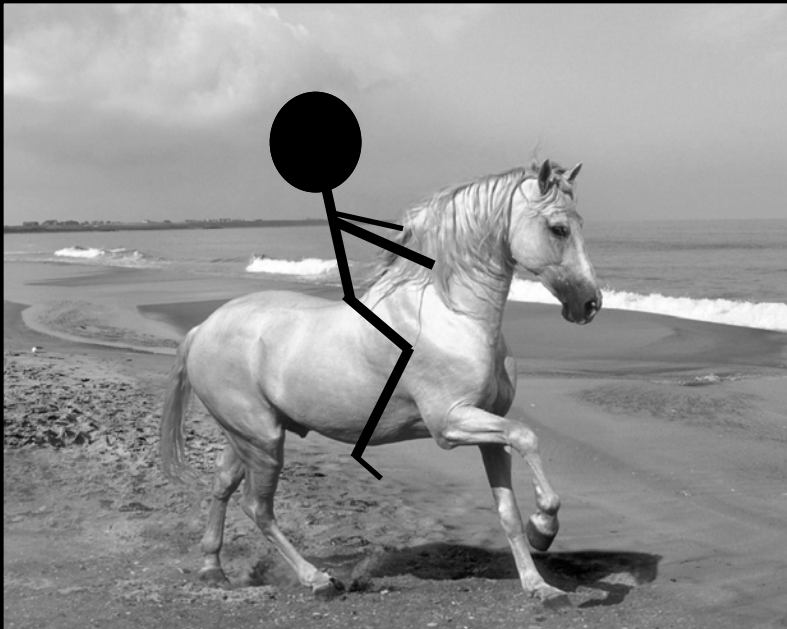
In response to the growing popularity of youth basketball programs offered by the Springfield Recreation Department and the Springfield Basketball Association, a plan was put into place to reconfigure the Henshaw Park basketball court to accommodate young players. Two 6-foot poles were recently installed on the playground side of the basketball court – reused after having been removed from other township parks. The new poles provide neighborhood children with height-appropriate skills development and game opportunities. This half of the basketball court will be repainted to reflect the new configuration. The existing 10-foot pole remains nearest to the tennis court for older players.



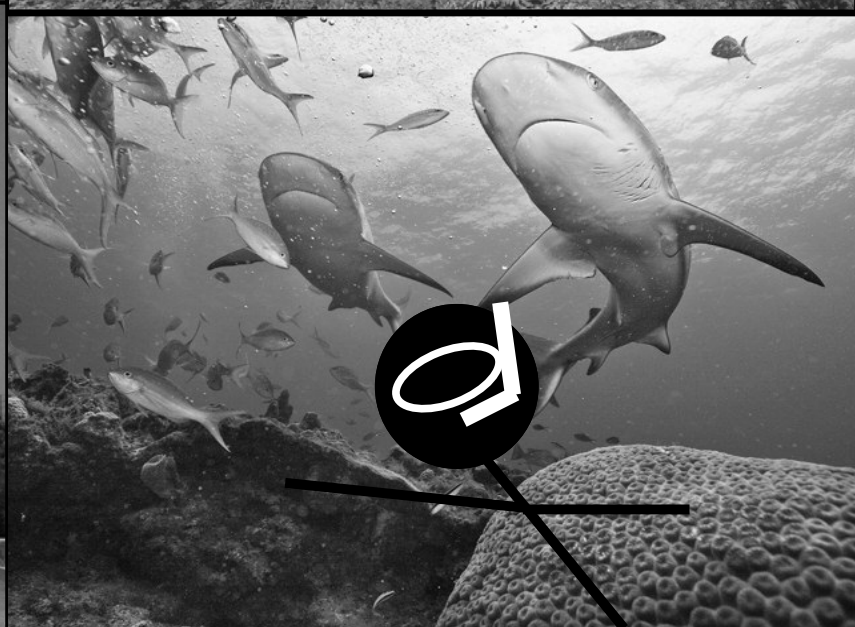
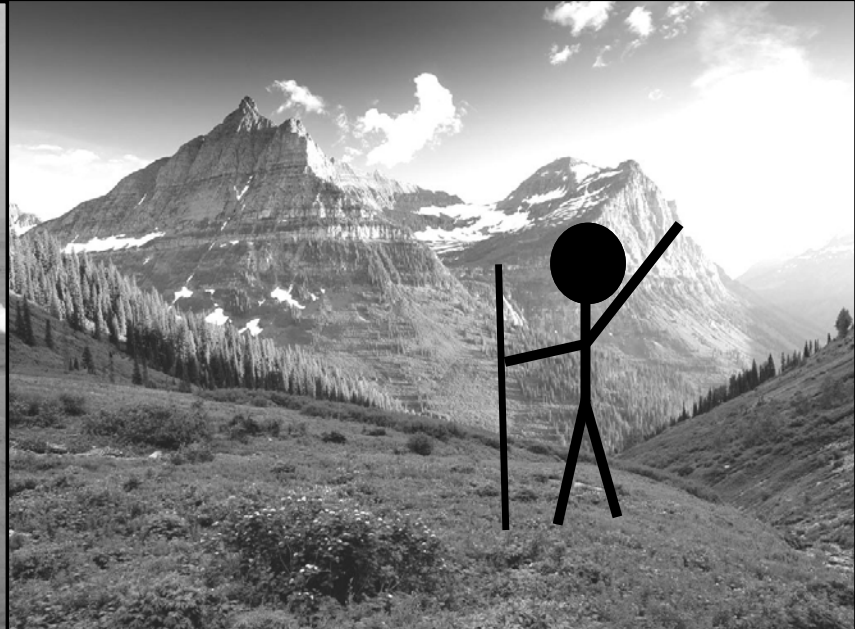
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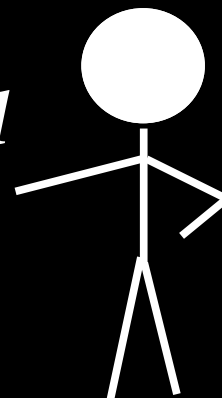
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No Matter the Adventure

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PJ COOK WINS GOLD AT 2015 DOD WARRIOR GAMES
FOR WOUNDED, ILL & INJURED

Major Peter J. Cook, USMCR Retired, a native son of Springfield, NJ, graduate of Dayton High School, and local high school sports photographer, returned home a winner from the 2015 Department of Defense Warrior Games for Wounded, Ill & Injured Servicemen and Servicewomen held from June 19 – 28. Major Cook earned a spot on the Marine Corps Team as one of 40 athletes competing against teams from the Army, Navy/Coast Guard, Air Force, Special Operations Command (SOCOM) and Team Great Britain.



Major PJ Cook at the finish of the 50m Breaststroke event in record time.

In his disability category of upper extremity amputee, he earned a gold medal in the 50 meter Breaststroke, setting a new Marine Regiment record at 49.43 seconds. He also earned bronze medals in the 50 meter Freestyle and the 200 meter Freestyle Team Relay as well as placing fourth in the 100 meter Freestyle.

At 55, a non-combat injured amputee, Major Cook felt fortunate to compete so well against so many fellow servicemen/women athletes who were significantly younger. He noted that there was a broad range of disabilities amongst the competitors. All showed tremendous heart and determination in their events, sometimes at great physical and mental cost. They may have been exhausted or totally spent at the end, but he saw no one give up or quit, showing the grit and determination that made each and every one a member of America's and Britain's Finest no matter their service.

The 2015 Warrior Games were held at Marine Corps Base Quantico, VA. This is the first year that the Department of Defense hosted the annual event

which was previously run by the U.S. Olympic Committee and held at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, CO. The competition is for wounded, ill, and injured service members and veterans. More than 200 service members and veterans participated representing the Army, Marine Corps, Navy/Coast Guard, Air Force, Special Operations Command (SOCOM) and Great Britain. The teams competed in seven sports: archery, cycling, shooting, sitting-volleyball, swimming, track & field and wheelchair basketball. The games are designed to introduce injured service members and veterans to Paralympic sport competition and encourage them to stay physically active when they return to their local communities following the event.

"Peter is a force to reckon with in the pool and on the firing line as he hones his skills and shatters the barriers of his perceived limits, emerging triumphant," said Nathan Lynch, Semper Fi Fund Sports Coordinator.

Major Cook started his swimming career at the Springfield Pool as a member of the summer swim team at the age of seven and held titles in breaststroke for many years. He was encouraged to return to the pool this past year by his youngest son, York Cook, and continues to train at the Summit YMCA.

(In full disclosure, the author is the proud wife of Major Cook.)



Major PJ Cook receives the gold medal for winning the 50m Breaststroke event.

WARNING TO MSM
COMMUNITIES AT LARGE
GET VACCINATED FOR
MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE

Newark, NJ – Recent reports of a growing outbreak of meningococcal meningitis in MSM (men who have sex with men) communities in Chicago, New York and Los Angeles have health officials around the country warning men who have sex with men to talk to their healthcare providers about getting vaccinated as soon as possible. Meningococcal meningitis is a very serious disease that can be fatal if not treated quickly.

HIV weakens the immune system; therefore, HIV infected men who have sex with men are at greatest risk of developing serious complications from meningococcal meningitis. This disease is caused by a bacterium (Nneisseria meningitides) spread by close personal contact with an infected person's saliva (spit) or nasal secretions - kissing, living in the same household/roommates, intimate sexual acts, sharing utensils/cups/smoking objects, coughing, etc. It is not spread through casual contact or simply breathing the air where an infected person has been.

Symptoms such as high fever, stiff neck, severe and persistent headache, nausea, vomiting, confusion, drowsiness, and joint pain often develop suddenly, within days of being exposed.

MSM should heed the warning of health officials and get vaccinated as soon as they can. Getting vaccinated will help prevent possible outbreaks in other parts of the country. If you or someone you know is experiencing the symptoms above, seek medical attention immediately. The quicker you receive medical attention, the better off you will be.

If you have any questions regarding meningococcal meningitis, contact us (The New Jersey AIDS/HIV/STD Hotline) either by calling 800-624-2377, text/email at 8006242377@njpies.org, or chat via our site at www.njhivstdline.org; TTD/TTY Line (for the hearing impaired) 973-926-8008. We are always here to help 24 hours a day/ seven days a week/every day of the year! Calls are free and confidential.

- Referrals for testing sites and other related services
- HIV/AIDS, STD and Hepatitis Prevention
- Counseling and Treatment Locations
- Treatment Information

Play Golf at
Baltusrol !!!



The Springfield Mayor's Day Golf Committee has a limited number of foursomes available for this year's tournament to be held on **Monday, August 24, 2015** at Baltusrol Golf Club in Springfield. These are available on a first come first serve basis by calling the Committee at 973-376-0421. This year we are offering play on both upper and lower courses, please check our website for detailed information on the outing at www.springfieldmayorsday.com. Each year the Springfield Mayor's Day Golf Committee donates a substantial sum to the Jonathan Dayton High School Scholarship Fund.

Springfield Mayor's Day Golf Committee, Inc.
PO Box 242, Springfield, New Jersey 07081

AUXILIARY POLICE AND OEM VOLUNTEERS STAFF
THE COOLING CENTER AT CHISHOLM CENTER



On an unusually hot Wednesday evening, the Township kept the Chisholm Community Center open until 8:30 pm. The Office of Emergency Management staffed the building for the additional four hours past its normal closing time.



Police Chief's Column

Chief John P. Cook

THE POLICE AND THE COMMUNITY NEED TO WORK TOGETHER TO COMBAT CRIME

In my Patriot Times column this month I would like to highlight the need for the police and the community to work together to prevent crime in Springfield. In the months of June and July, officers of the Springfield Police Department, working in conjunction with the Union County Prosecutor's Office, were able to arrest four separate individuals who were trafficking in various types of narcotics within the Township of Springfield. In each of these successful police operations a local resident of our community was arrested and charged with multiple crimes including both the possession and distribution of controlled dangerous substances and in two cases the subjects were actually using their residences to also manufacture the narcotics they were distributing.

In all of the arrests that I will briefly highlight, a police investigation was initiated by the Springfield Police Department together with the Union County Prosecutor's Office due to suspicious activity that residents of our community observed which they then reported to the police. By its very nature, drug dealing is a very secretive and covert business where the drug dealer will go to great lengths to not call attention to themselves with the police but frequently find it difficult to not arouse the suspicions of members of the public. By calling the police to report suspicious activity, members of the community alert the police to a criminal activity in residential neighborhoods that might have continued undetected.

Springfield, like every other community, large or small, is touched by the drug epidemic affecting our country, but you will see from these recent arrests how the observations by members of the public can enable your police department to identify ongoing criminal activity such as persons who are engaged in either dealing or manufacturing illegal narcotics and that these observations made by members of the public can lead directly to the arrest of criminals who may be operating right in their own neighborhoods.

Based upon information that had been received from the public, officers and detectives from the Springfield Police Department conducted a search at an apartment located in the Summit Hill apartment complex on Stone Hill Road on 06/09/2015. The tenant Jonathan Fruchter was arrested and charged with both the possession and the distribution of large amounts of Marijuana, Tetrahydrocannabinol (liquid THC) and Psilocybin, which are hallucinogenic mushrooms. It was discovered that he was selling both the controlled dangerous substances as well as a vast array of drug paraphernalia via the internet.

On 06/11/2015, the Springfield Police Department along with members of the Union County Prosecutor's Office investigated the report of suspicious activity at an apartment in the General Green Village complex off of Wabeno Avenue. Information received from the public reported suspicious activity involving an apartment in the complex. Pursuant to a surveillance set up of this apartment, officers were able to observe Marijuana being sold to a 16 year old juvenile resident of town. The tenant, Jeremy Lowengard, was arrested and charged with possession of Marijuana as well as both the distribution of Marijuana and the distribution of Marijuana within 1000 feet of a school zone.

On 06/18/2015, the prosecutor's office received information concerning a resident of the Park Place condominiums on South Springfield Avenue and this information was then shared with the Springfield Police Department. Kurt Romondt was arrested by police after a police operation, for manufacturing and distributing Gamma-Hydroxybutyrate (GHB) which is commonly referred to as a "club drug" or a "date rape drug." He was charged with both the possession and distribution of GHB and was further charged with operating a drug facility as he was using his residence to manufacture this narcotic.

Finally, on 07/27/2015 Springfield police officers and members of the prosecutor's office executed a search warrant at a rented condominium unit at the Troy Estates located on Troy Drive. This operation resulted from information that was received from the public concerning suspicious activity and suspicious persons at this residence. Based upon the initial information and the police investigation, the tenant John Howlett was arrested for using his rented property to manufacture Methamphetamine. Howlett was charged with possession and the possession with intent to distribute Methamphetamine. Afterwards in excess of 11 ounces of the narcotic was recovered along with other quantities of prescription narcotics and suspected Heroin. He was further charged with the operation of a drug facility, a

first degree crime, after it was discovered that the condo on Troy Drive was being used as a "meth lab" to cook and manufacture the Methamphetamine. Due to the various types of volatile and flammable chemicals and gases used in the manufacture of Methamphetamine that were found inside of the condo, it was necessary for members of the NJ State Police, the DEA Clandestine Lab Unit, the Union County Hazmat Team and the Springfield Fire Department to assist in safely dismantling this drug location.

As you can see, these arrests were the product of good police work along with multiple law enforcement agencies working together to eliminate some local drug operations in various residential neighborhoods in Springfield. Law enforcement agencies must rely on the members of the public and the business community to observe and report anything that may seem suspicious, unusual or out of the ordinary. This is commonly known in police jargon by the catch phrase of.SEE IT, SAY IT.....and these recent police operations and arrests demonstrate how just a simple call to the police on activity that is believed to be suspicious can actually lead to uncovering and eradicating drug dealing and drug manufacturing crimes being covertly carried out in residential neighborhoods.

The actions of concerned and observant members of the public led to the arrest of persons involved in dealing drugs to juveniles, manufacturing "date rape" drugs or manufacturing drugs such as Methamphetamine with the latter involving chemicals that posed a hazard to not only the suspect but to the neighbors living nearby. In closing, please never feel that observations you make about something that you may feel is suspicious are not worth reporting as you do not want to "bother" the police or feel that nothing will be done. Only by working together can the community and the police stop those persons who may seek to turn our residential neighborhoods into safe havens for their illegal activities.

SPRINGFIELD CRYSTAL METH LAB DISMANTLED FOLLOWING NARCOTICS INVESTIGATION

A narcotics investigation has resulted in a Springfield man being arrested and charged with maintaining a crystal methamphetamine production facility in his apartment, acting Union County Prosecutor Grace H. Park and Springfield Police Chief John Cook jointly announced Tuesday.

John Howlett, 42, is charged with first-degree maintaining a narcotics production facility, first-degree possession of methamphetamine with the intent to distribute, two second-degree weapons offenses, and a third-degree drug offense.

A joint investigation initiated by the Springfield Police Department that grew to involve the Prosecutor's Office's Guns, Gangs, Drugs, and Violent Crimes Task Force resulted in the execution of a search warrant at Howlett's home on Troy Drive in Springfield Monday afternoon. Along with what appeared to be a makeshift methamphetamine laboratory, arriving detectives encountered a toxic odor in the apartment, prompting the evacuation of several nearby housing units and the dispatching of the Springfield Fire Department and the Union County Hazardous Material Response Team.

An evaluation of the apartment then was conducted by the New Jersey State Police Hazardous Materials Response Unit and the Drug Enforcement Administration's Clandestine Laboratory Enforcement Team, which jointly determined that it was safe for a search of the apartment to proceed. Recovered from the apartment and an adjacent garage were approximately 11 ounces of crystal methamphetamine, more than 160 oxycodone pills, approximately 220 various prescription pills, 20 folds of heroin, and numerous pieces of narcotics production equipment, including instructions on the production of methamphetamine, packaging materials, several boxes of pseudoephedrine tablets, iodine, batteries, heating sources, glassware, digital scales, Tyvek protective suits, a money counter, and a filtration system wired directly to an electrical box. Also found in the home were \$13,000 in cash, a sophisticated video surveillance and computer system, a Sig Sauer airsoft gun, and a BB gun.

Howlett was arrested in his vehicle outside the apartment while 24-year-old Elana Garman was arrested inside; she later was turned over to the custody of the Bergen County Sheriff's Office after being found to have outstanding warrants out of Bergen County. Howlett was lodged in Union County Jail, with bail set at \$600,000 by state Superior Court Judge William Daniel.

Convictions for first-degree crimes commonly carry penalties of 10 to 20 years in state prison.

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



Fire Chief's Column
Chief Carlo Palumbo

AVOIDING MICROWAVE FIRES AND BURNS

Microwave ovens have simplified cooking and reheating foods in homes everywhere. However, according to the National Fire Protection Association, microwave use results in thousands of home fires each year. Microwave burns cause more emergency room scald burn injuries than any other cooking device. One third of these scalds involve children under five years of age.

With such widespread use of microwaves by people of all ages, it's important for consumers to know how to use them safely. The Springfield Fire Department wants to give you simple tips to help prevent microwave fires and scald burns:


- Read the manufacturer's instructions before using a microwave oven.
- Plug the microwave directly into an outlet. Using an extension cord can overload the circuit and cause a fire.
- Use only microwave-safe cookware.
- Open food heated in the microwave slowly, and hold it away from your face to prevent scalding from steam.
- Never heat a baby bottle in a microwave oven because it heats liquids unevenly. Heat baby bottles in warm water.
- Never use aluminum foil or other metal objects in the microwave.
- If you have a fire in your microwave, turn the oven off immediately and keep the door closed. Do not open the door until the fire is completely out. Have the microwave serviced before using it again. When in doubt, get out of the home and call the fire department.

Please be mindful that even foods cooked in the microwave present a risk of burns. If you are burned, this injury requires immediate attention. First, put the affected area in cool water for three to five minutes. Then, cover with a clean, dry cloth. If the burn is bigger than your fist, or if you have questions about caring for the injury, seek medical attention right away.

These safety tips can help make sure that you are using your microwave oven safely.

College for (almost) free?

If you're the parent of a high school student who plans to attend a four-year college, you **MUST** attend one of these FREE workshops



Come learn the insider secrets and strategies to send your child to schools you never thought you could afford...no matter how much money you make or how good a student you have.


Topics Include:

- How families with 6-figure incomes are getting need-based scholarships and grants...and how you can too.
- The single biggest mistake 9 out of 10 parents make when applying for financial aid that literally cost them thousands of dollars, and how YOU can avoid it.
- Understanding the complicated formula the colleges use to determine exactly what you should pay each year and planning ahead to reduce that amount.
- The 5 biggest myths that lead families to believe they won't qualify for financial aid.
- The *three* questions you must ask every school before you apply that no one else asks until it is too late.
- The shocking truth about 529 Plans and other college savings plans and how they actually can COST you ten times what they save you!

This fast-paced, informative workshop is strictly informational. Nothing is for sale so bring a pen and notepad only. Both parents are strongly encouraged to attend. Students are welcome as well.

Having this valuable information is like having a flashlight to explore a pitch black cave while every other parent stumbles through blindly.

Note: The workshop is 100% free, but seating is limited, so reserve your seats now!



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UPCOMING WORKSHOPS:

- Wed., Sept. 16th at 7:00pm—Springfield Free Public Library
- Thurs., Sept. 17th at 7:00pm—Cranford Community Center
- Sat., Sept. 19th at 10:30am—Roseland Free Public Library

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FALL 2015 ADULT RUNNING
Interested in running, but don't know how to start? Join the Springfield Adult Running Program!
The program is open to Springfield residents 18 years of age and older.

Meets Wednesdays from September 23rd-November 4th,
from 6:30-7:30 pm, at the Meisel Avenue Park Track
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.
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 by mail or in-person at the Springfield Recreation Department.
Or register online at <https://register.communitypass.net/springfield>

Chisholm Community Center
100 South Springfield Avenue (973) 912-2227
Monday-Friday, 8:00 am-4:00 pm
Danielle McLeer, Recreation Program Coordinator, at danielle.mcleer@springfield-nj.us.

FALL 2015 CROSS COUNTRY
Join the Springfield Cross Country Team!

The Cross Country Team is a travel sport for Springfield boys and girls ages 8-14.
Meets on Wednesdays and Fridays from 4:30-5:30 pm at the Meisel Avenue Park Track.

PRE-SEASON: Monday, August 10th-Monday, September 7th
Train on your own with a program provided by the coach.

RACE SEASON: Wednesday, September 9th-Friday October 16th
Team practices and official races.


(End date may be extended once all races are finalized.)
Fees: \$55 (payable to Township of Springfield) • \$225 (payable to Coach Michael Czech)
Uniform and water bottle are included. No refunds will be provided.

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

TEEN NIGHTS RETURN IN SEPTEMBER Beginning the second week of September, Teen Night will return on Tuesdays and Fridays, from 7:00-9:00 pm. Springfield teens in 6th-12th grades are welcome to drop-in for basketball, volleyball, lounge games (pool, air hockey, and foosball), TV, and studying. The program is free and is supervised by Springfield Recreation Department staff members. Teens must check-in at the lobby reception desk. Participants will be asked to read and acknowledge a set of guidelines, submit an emergency contact form, and have a photo taken for a new ID card. For more information, contact the Springfield Recreation Department at (973) 912-2227.



The Springfield Recreation Department is a member of TryCan,
a multi-communitycollaboration 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>.

MEN'S OPEN PLAY 35+ BASKETBALL

This is a non-competitive program for players ages 35 and older.
Basketball will be held on most Wednesdays at Jonathan Dayton High School from 7:00-9:00 pm and on most Sundays at Florence Gaudineer Middle School from 8:00-10:00 am.
You will be notified in advance of gym closures due to school events or holidays.

Register in person or by mail to: Springfield Recreation Department, Chisholm Community Center
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recreation@springfield-nj.us www.springfield-nj.us/departments/recreation

Fall 2015 Street Hockey Clinic

Would you like to try something new? Grab some friends and come try out street hockey!
You will need to bring protective eye wear and a stick.


If you do not have a stick you can borrow one from the Recreation Department.
Street Hockey is open to Springfield boys and girls in 5th-8th grades.

Meets on Mondays from September 21st-October 26th
at 6:15-7:15 pm at the Springfield Community Pool hockey rink.

In the event of rain, every effort will be made to reschedule classes. 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. Register by mail or in-person at the Springfield Recreation Department. Or register online at https://register.communitypass.net/springfield	Chisholm Community Center 100 South Springfield Avenue (973) 912-2227 Monday-Friday, 8:00 am-4:00 pm Danielle McLeer, Recreation Program Coordinator, at danielle.mcleer@springfield-nj.us .
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8 HOUR CORE COOKING PROGRAM 4 week session for 2 HOURS each class beginning Sept.16th ending October 7th AFTER-SCHOOL WED! 3 pm-5 pm Cost \$169
To reserve a spot for your child please go to www.LillySprouts.com Scroll to the bottom to Calendar of Events find 8 Hour Core Cooking beginning Sept.16th and register. Class will close at 10 students.
Any questions contact Lilly Bussin @ LillySprouts@gmail.com or 908-499-0270 or contact Danielle McLeer @ 973-912-2227 or Danielle.McLeer@springfield-nj.us

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• Fosters a lifetime of healthy food choices
• Creates a healthy body, mind and spirit!
6 week sessions beginning Sept.15th- Oct.20th
Tuesday 10 am - 11 am and 1:30 pm -2:30 pm Cost Age: \$159 Pre-K 3 & 4
To reserve a spot for your child please go to www.LillySprouts.com Scroll to the bottom to Calendar of Events find PreSchool Class beginning Sept.15th and register. Class will close at 10 students.
Any questions contact Lilly Bussin @ LillySprouts@gmail.com or 908-499-0270 or Danielle McLeer @ danielle.mcleer@springfield-nj.us or 973-912-2227
Payment not due until first Day of Class Via Check payable to LillySprouts

Cooking & Nutrition SATURDAY FUN! 1st-5th Graders
Instructor adapts to all ages during instruction
8 HOUR CORE COOKING PROGRAM, 4 week session for 2 HOURS each class beginning Sept.19th ending Oct.10th 10am-12pm Cost \$169
To reserve a spot for your child please go to www.LillySprouts.com Scroll to the bottom to Calendar of Events find 8 Hour Core Cooking beginning Sept.19th and register. Class will close at 10 students.
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The Springfield Recreation Department is excited to partner with TGA of Union County to offer youth tennis and golf lessons and clinics this fall (ages 4-12). More information and online registration are available at: <http://playtga.com/unioncounty>.

Springfield Basketball Association

Youth Open Gym 2015 (Coach Supervised)



WHERE: Chisholm Community Center

WHEN: Sundays, July 26th-November 29th

TIMES: 9:00-10:00 am (5th-6th grade girls) 10:00-11:00 am (3rd-4th grade boys)

COST: \$25 per child. Checks payable to Springfield Basketball Association (SBA) Return form and payment to SBA, PO Box 1353, Springfield, NJ 07081

WHO: Springfield residents and students who attend school in Springfield

WHAT: Volunteer coach-led drills, skills, shoot arounds, pick-up games

QUESTIONS: Email springfieldnjbasketball@gmail.com

FALL 2015 CO-ED RUNNING GRADES K-2nd and AGES 8-14

Mondays from September 21st-October 26th

(K - 2nd 4:15-4:45 pm at Chisholm Park)

(Ages 8 - 14 5:00 - 6:00 pm Meisel Avenue Park)

Mondays from November 2nd-December 7th

(K - 2nd 4:15-4:45 pm at Chisholm Park)

(Ages 8 - 14 5:00 - 6:00 pm Meisel Avenue Park)

(If the weather is too cold, Session 2 will be held in the Chisholm Community Center gym)

A minimum of six children are required for the program.

Cost is \$55 per session. T-shirt and water bottle will be 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>

Chisholm Community Center

100 South Springfield Avenue (973) 912-2227

Monday-Friday, 8:00 am-4:00 pm

Senior Citizens of Springfield Bus Trip to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse

“SOCIAL SECURITY”

Thursday, September 17, 2015

Bus will depart from Chisholm Community Center at 10:00 A.M.

\$30.00 per member

\$35.00 per non-members and guests

Payment due by Thursday September 10th

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

Make checks payable to: Springfield Recreation Department. Return form and check to: Chisholm Community Center, 100 S. Springfield Ave. Includes: Round-trip coach bus transportation, driver gratuity, chaperone, lunch and show. **Danielle McLeer, Recreation Program Coordinator, (973) 912-2227**

One registration form per person please

*** Limited Seating***

Senior Bus Trip to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse – Thursday September 17th

Name: _____ Member: _____ Yes _____ No

Enclosed is my check made payable to Springfield Recreation Department in the amount of \$ _____

Girls Lacrosse Clinics with Krysta Cento Summer 2015

Krysta Cento is a 2015 graduate of Drew University where she scored over 300 career points and achieved three-time All Conference First Team 3 Drew Woman of the Year, set a season assist record, and three-time Regional All American. Her summer 2015 sessions will teach basic-to-intermediate skills for girls learning the game of lacrosse in a friendly and constructive environment!

The program is open to girls ages 8 and older. Required equipment includes goggles and mouth guard. Bring your own stick, or we will loan one to you.

Clinic date is Wednesday, August 19th, from 6:15-7:45 pm at Dayton Back Field. In the event of rain, every effort will be made to reschedule clinics. No refunds will be provided.

Cost is \$20 per clinic. Each clinic teaches skills and techniques that are stand-alone, or can build on attendance to both clinics.

Register by mail or in person at the Springfield Recreation Department. Or register online at <http://register.communitypass.net/springfield> Checks payable to Township of Springfield.

Chisholm Community Center, 100 South Springfield Avenue

(973) 912-2227 • Monday-Friday, 8:00 am-4:00 pm

Questions? Contact Danielle McLeer,

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



Stress Reduction Workshop

for High School Teens, Grades 9 - 12

Tuesdays, August 18, 25 & Sept. 1 • 7:00 – 8:30PM • Cost: \$75

Chisholm Community Center, 100 S. Springfield Ave, Springfield

If you are, or know a teen who is struggling with the accumulation of stressors such as maintaining good grades, competition in sports, college application process, relationship drama, stress, depression, anxiety, poor diet, lack of sleep and more... This workshop can help decrease/eliminate many of these worries for not only a great school year, but a healthy life now and in the future.

In this workshop, teens come together in a welcoming, accepting, non-judgemental atmosphere and learn much needed skills such as

Meditation, Yoga and Life Skills

for decreasing stress and worry, and inducing joy and happiness. The techniques taught in this workshop are simple to learn and can be used immediately. The benefits are life long.

Registration and Information:

In person: Danielle McLeer, Chisholm Community Ctr, 100 S. Springfield Ave, Springfield, danielle.mcleer@springfield-nj.us

By mail: Kerri Bacall, Springfield Holistic Wellness, 719 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081 Investment in your well-being: \$75 for all 3 classes.

Checks payable to: Springfield Holistic Wellness. No refunds.

Questions or concerns: contactus@springfieldholisticwellness.com or 973-379-2250.

TRIATHLON SPRINGFIELD 2015

Date: Sunday, September 6, 2015

Location: Springfield Community Pool
44 Morrison Road

Time: Registration/Body Marking: 7:00-7:50 am
First Wave: 8:00 am

Ages: 5-12 — Each age group will start separately Training wheels allowed up to age 7

Distances:

Age	Swim	Bike	Run
5-6	15 yds	1/4 mile	1/4 mile
7-8	25 yds	1/2 mile	1/2 mile
9-10	50 yds	1 mile	3/4 mile
11-12	100 yds	2 miles	1 mile

Cost: \$25 for Springfield residents
\$35 for non-residents

All questions and to volunteer please email Danielle McLeer at:
Danielle.mcleer@springfield-nj.us

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CARDIO TENNIS (Adult): 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.

Saturday • September 12th – October 24th
Irwin Park Tennis Courts • 3:30pm-4:30pm

ADULT INSTRUCTIONAL TENNIS (Adult): USSI'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.

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

Saturday • September 12th – October 24th
Irwin Park Tennis Courts • 2:30pm-3:30pm

TOTAL SPORTS SQUIRTS WEEKLY CLASSES (Age 3 to 5): Experience a new sport each week of the program, with Sports Squirts. Participants have the opportunity to try Lacrosse, Soccer, Basketball, T-Ball, Floor Hockey, Flag Football, Parachute games and more in a safe, structured environment.

Saturday or Tuesday
September 12 to October 24 or September 15 to October 27
Chisholm Park • 3:00pm-4:00pm or 4:00pm-5:00pm (Saturday)
4:00pm-5:00pm or 5:00pm-6:00pm (Tuesday) • \$135

FIRST PLAY SOCCER CAMPS (Age 5-8 or 8-11): The First Play Soccer camp is perfect for children playing at a recreation level, as well as those entering the world of soccer for the very first time. Participants will engage in a variety of fun challenges and exciting games designed to enhance basic soccer skills (dribbling, passing & shooting) and ball awareness.

Monday to Tuesday • September 14 to September 15
Chisholm Park • 8:30am-2:00pm • \$90

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Wednesday • September 23 • Chisholm Park • 8:30am-2:00pm • \$60

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Monday • October 12 (Columbus Day) • Chisholm Park • 8:30am-2:00pm • \$60

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Tuesday to Friday (no class on Wed. 11/4) • November 3 to November 6
(Tuesday, Thursday and Friday) • Chisholm Park • 8:30am-2:00pm • \$120

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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!

FALL 2015 INTRODUCTION TO DANCE

This class will introduce the basics of ballet and will also incorporate creative movement. This class is for both boys and girls! Instructor Diana Perez has been a dance teacher, choreographer, and performer for over 20 years.

Session 1 meets on Mondays from
September 21st through November 2nd at 1:30-2:15 pm

Session 2 meets on Mondays from
December 21st at 1:30-2:15 pm (No class on October 12th or November 30th)

Class is open to Springfield children ages 3-5, and held at the Chisholm Community Center
Minimum of four children are needed to run this program

Cost per session is \$55. No refunds will be provided. Make checks payable to Township of Springfield. Payment must be submitted PRIOR to the first class.

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

Chisholm Community Center • 100 South Springfield Avenue
(973) 912-2227 • Monday-Friday, 8:00 am-4:00 pm

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

CHISHOLM PLAYGROUND CAMP – SUMMER 2015

Chisholm Playground Camp operates outside at Chisholm Park and inside the Chisholm Community Center at 100 South Springfield Avenue. It is a morning program (8:30 am-12:30 pm) that is supervised by a camp director and counselors (high school-age and older). Activities include sports, games, arts and crafts, theme days, Friday trips to the Springfield Community Pool, and much more! The camp runs for eight individual weeks. You may register for any number of weeks. Camp is open to boys and girls ages 3 to 13, and is limited to the first 100 campers registered per week. Campers must be potty-trained. Snacks are included in the camp fee. Parents should provide children with a drink.

• Week #7: August 10th-August 14th
• Week #8: August 17th-August 21st

TIMES: 8:30 am-12:30 pm
FEES: Resident first child: \$40 per week • Resident additional child: \$35 per week
• Non-Resident child: \$50 per week

REGISTER: Online (credit card) at <http://register.communitypass.net/springfield>
In person at Chisholm Community Center. Payable to Township of Springfield.
Call (973) 912-2227, recreation@springfield-nj.us,
or www.springfield-nj.us/recreation

**BRICKS 4 KIDZ SUMMER CAMP IN
SPRINGFIELD SUMMER 2015**

(8/17 – 8/21)...1:00 – 4:00 pm Superhero Academy
Join Bricks 4 Kidz for a week of building Superheroes with LEGO® bricks. Come and explore all the caped crusaders and discover their super powers. Together, the campers will create a fantasy world and protect it against all the evil arch enemies with custom contraptions made with LEGO® bricks - both motorized models and 3-D superhero figures.

Location: Chisholm Community Center,
100 South Springfield Avenue,
Springfield, NJ 07081
Ages: 5-11 Camp Schedule & Costs

1:00 PM – 4:00PM (\$160 per week)

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

Please register at www.brick4kidz.com/cnj
For additional information about our program offerings, please visit our website at www.brick4kidz.com/cnj (908) 866-1066 or (908) 616-0492



SENIOR CITIZENS BUS TRIP TO PNC ARTS CENTER
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 1, 2015
FRANKIE AVALON & BOBBY RYDELL
(1:30 P.M. SHOW) BUS DEPARTS 11:45 am from Chisholm Community Center.
Seats are limited and first-come first-served.
Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Chisholm senior wing.

REGULAR LIBRARY HOURS
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY
10:00 AM – 9:00 PM
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10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Mother Goose Group @ 10:30 selected days -- Babies, toddlers and preschoolers w/ a caregiver. Stop by and drop in! **August – 8/19, 8/21 and 8/25.**

Storytime Yoga! –Slither like a snake & roar like a lion with Miss Carly, certified yoga instructor. **Fridays 8/14, & 8/28 @ 10:30 am.** Ages 2 and up with caregiver.

Campfire Stories – Scare yourself chilly around our indoor campfire! Join us for a fun and creepy story time. **Monday and Thursday evenings @ 7:30 pm.** Appropriate for kids who can sit and listen to several stories.

Wii Games – Wednesdays in August @ 4:00-5:30 pm. Ages 6 to 11.

Lego Club - Continues weekly in August on Tuesdays **@ noon-2:00.** Ages 6 and up.

Storycraft is BACK! - Hear a great story and make something fun! Ages 3-7 w/ caregiver. **Tuesdays (8/11 & 8/18) @ 11am AND Thursdays (8/13, 8/20) @ 11 am.**

Family movies : Escape the heat and come to the movies at the library. Bring your own snacks! **Wednesdays @ 2:00pm. Check online for movie titles.**

Little Game Day - Wed. Aug 26 @ 11:00-1:00 for ages 2 to 5. A fun day for our littlest patrons to try arcade games just their size!

TEENS:

Duct Tape Crafts – Thursday Aug. 20 @ 4 pm drop in to make something amazing out of wacky duct tape! Ages 10+

Teen Advisory Board (TAB)– Earn volunteer hours and make your voices heard by joining TAB. From developing programs just for teens to helping the library select books you'd like to read, TAB is the perfect way to make the library all your own. **August 24 @ 4 pm.**

Monday Night Teen Movies! – Bring a snack and your BFF and head to the library for our Monday movie nights! Some movies are PG-13 – so grab a permission form at the Youth Services desk. Movies start between 6 and 7pm depending on the length of the movie. Check online for titles!

Summer Reading @ Your Library! We have the Springfield Schools' summer reading list books, so come in and check out a bagful! Use the Self-CheckOut in the Youth Dept to avoid lines at the Circulation Desk!

Ask your librarians for recommendations for good books—we read them, too, from Board Books to Young Adult (and Adult).

We give prizes for reading! Keep track of what you're reading in your Library Reading log and each time you come to the library (and have read more books) you can rummage through our Treasure Chest for a prize. Fill out

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a raffle ticket for a chance to win a GRAND Prize! Teens could win an iPad Mini! Kindles, B&N Gift Cards and MORE for everyone! Reading logs, raffle tickets and Treasure Chest prizes continue through August 28! Raffle prizes will be drawn Sept 1. If you haven't signed up yet, what are you waiting for??

SPECIAL EVENTS

Friday, (dates to be announced)
Chair Yoga with Pamela Nixon.

August 10 thru August 12
Friends of the Library Book Sale.

Thursday, August 20, 6:30 pm
"Two Gentlemen of Verona" – play presented by Hudson Shakespeare Company.

DISCUSSIONS and WRITING

Thursdays, August 27 & September 10 , 10:15 am
Memoir Writing Group.

FILMS

Monday, August 17, 1:00 pm Lunchtime Film –
ROBIN WILLIAMS RETROSPECTIVE: The story of rebellious 20-year old janitor at MIT (Matt Damon), a math genius who gets "discovered" by a professor, and helped by psychiatrist (Williams) to come to terms with his difficult past and hopeful future.

Monday, August 31, 1:00 pm Lunchtime Film –
ROBIN WILLIAMS RETROSPECTIVE: The tale of unconventional physician who attempted to heal patients with laughter. The film follows the trials and tribulations of his career.

Thursday, September 10, 7:00 pm
Documentary: "Highlands Rediscovered".

Monday, September 14, 7:00 pm
Lunchtime Film – Eli Wallach mini-festival: An American remake of the Akira Kurosawa's film "The Seven Samurai" (1954). Yul Brynner plays Chris, a mercenary hired to protect a Mexican farming village from its annual invasion by bandit Calvera (Eli Wallach).

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!

Every Thursday at 7:00 pm
Chess club

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.

FRIENDS BOOK SALE

SAVE THE DATES

AUGUST 10-12

The Annual Friends of the Springfield Library Book Sale will be Monday – Wednesday, August 10 - 12, 2015 at the Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave. in Springfield.

There will be a preview sale on Monday, August 10 from 10am – noon for members of the Friends. Memberships will be accepted the day of the sale and start at \$10. The Public Sale will begin at noon on August 10. Sale hours are: Monday, August 10 noon – 8pm, Tuesday August 11 10am – 4pm, and the sale will end with a Bag Sale on Wednesday August 12 10am – 4pm. Each filled bag will cost \$5 and the Friends will provide the bags.

Donations for the sale will be accepted at the Library July 18-Saturday August 8. All donations should be clean, well kept, hard cover and paperback books, DVD's, CD's, or educational toys. Donations may be brought to the library's Circulation Desk. Please place large donations in small to medium sized cartons. Books in poor condition, "Readers Digest" Condensed books, and text books are not saleable and will not be accepted. Donations of fine and costume jewelry, recent popular magazines, and paperback books are accepted at the Circulation Desk all year long.

The sale will also include a selection of costume jewelry. Please note that the Friends Annual Vintage Jewelry Sale will be Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, October 2-4, 2015.

Volunteers to assist with the Book Sale setup, sale, and cleanup are needed starting Monday, August 3. Those interested in helping with the sale should call Bill Holmes at 973-379-9637 or email him at global3032@yahoo.com.



SPRINGFIELD SENIORS

TREATED TO YO ADDICTION

Members of the Springfield Senior Citizens Club were treated to a free dessert party at Yo Addiction in Springfield on Wednesday, July 22. Owner Paul Marzarella provided make-your-own yogurt sundaes and coffee to a bus full of senior citizens. The trip was chaperoned by Springfield Recreation Department program coordinator Danielle McLeer and senior citizen bus driver James Blondet.



JEAN MOORE ASSISTS RECREATION DEPARTMENT AS SUMMER INTERN

This summer, the Township of Springfield is continuing its partnership with the All Stars Project of New Jersey by hiring Jean Moore as a summer intern with the Recreation Department. Jean is a senior at American History High School in Newark and a participant in the All Stars Project's Joseph A. Forgione Development School for Youth (DSY). DSY is a leadership training program for young people that focuses on development and partners with professionals to provide training experiences and summer internships. Jean has been assisting with pool, camp, youth, and senior operations, as well as leading camp and senior activities in her interest areas. Welcome Jean!

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RECREATION DEPARTMENT JOBS AVAILABLE

Youth Wing Supervisors at Chisholm Community Center. Duties include: supervising afterschool drop-in program for middle and high school students on weekday afternoons and evenings; checking in and out all participants; monitoring hallways, gymnasium, teen lounge, study room, and bathrooms; enforcing youth wing policies; maintaining sports and lounge equipment; securing building at closing time; and other duties as assigned. Applicants must be 18+. Previous youth supervision, teaching, coaching, recreation, or other relevant experience required. Applicant review begins immediately. Job listing can be viewed at <http://springfield-nj.us/employment-opportunities>. If interested, please email a cover letter and resume to Adam Lieb, Recreation Director, adam.lieb@springfield-nj.us.

GIRL SCOUTS OF SPRINGFIELD END THE SCHOOL YEAR STRONG



*Township Committeeman
Jerry Fernandez hosted 2 Girl Scout
Troops working on cooking badges.
The girls learned a little bit about
the restaurant business, toured a
professional kitchen and had a
great Spanish lunch.*



*Mayor Barnett attended the Girl Scout
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the
room at Chisholm that will be the
primary meeting spot for all
the scouts in town.*



On June 12, 65 Girl Scouts from Springfield gathered to make sandwiches for St. John's Soup Kitchen in Elizabeth. The girls donated the items necessary and prepared more than 300 sandwiches and packaged 200 bags of girl scout cookies.

If you have a daughter interested in Girl Scouts or you are interested in becoming a leader, please contact Andrea Schaffer at oddo_kitty@yahoo.com.

10TH ANNIVERSARY OF "SWIM FOR FOOD"



The summer of 2015 marks the 10th anniversary of "Swim for Food" – an organization that collects canned goods and donates them to food pantries across New Jersey. The Springfield Swim Team, led by coach Karen Bocian, has participated every year. In an effort to increase donations, the Springfield Community Pool's activities director, Dawn Wilkenfeld, hosted "Pie for a Cause" on Sunday, July 19th. During the event, pool patrons and guests were given the opportunity to pie one of the Springfield Community Pool staff members in exchange for a monetary or can donation. The event raised a total of \$73, and 135 cans were purchased with this money. Between the donations from "Pie for a Cause" and the Swim Team's annual food drive, 602 pounds of food were collected and donated to "Swim for Food." The food collection helps to ensure that children who are not at school during the summer months are eating nutritious meals. Dawn and Karen would like to extend their gratitude and appreciation to those who donated money, cans, and time to this important cause.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE MONDAY



At the Springfield Pool Camp during the week of July 20th, "Make a Difference Monday" encouraged pool campers and their families to donate children's books, DVDs, and CDs. As a result, director Sara Steinman and assistant director David Steinman delivered over 825 items to the Bristol-Myers Squibb Children's Hospital at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital. Thank you to our pool camp staff, campers, and families for participating in this worthwhile project!

FALL 2015 LACROSSE CLINIC

GRADES PRE-K, K, 1ST AND 2ND

Interested in trying a new sport?
Join Springfield Lacrosse Club's Fall clinic!
Sundays September 20th - October 25th



Look for Details in next month's Patriot

STYROFOAM PACKING CAN BE RECYCLED

What do you do with all that styrofoam packing material that seems to come with everything you buy these days? Throw it out, pay to put it in your dumpsters or the Township's garbage pick up? Why not get rid of it for free! Foam Pack Industries at 72 Fadem Road in Springfield will take any and all your styrofoam packing material for free. Just bring it to them anytime and place it in their drop off box located at the end of our driveway (businesses must call ahead). Help the town and yourself save money and be environmentally friendly while you are at it!

GUIDELINES: Identify the foam by the recycle symbol #6. Remove any foreign matter such as tape, stickers, labels and cardboard. All block form EPS is acceptable. General rule of thumb: Usually furniture, appliances and electrical fixtures are packed in EPS.

We do accept food service products such as cups, meat trays and food shipping coolers. All foam that has come in direct contact with food and/or drink must be washed thoroughly before it is received at our facility. All foam can be dropped off at our location (72 Fadem Road, Springfield, NJ 07081).

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I would like to express my complete satisfaction with regard to buying my two vehicles from Autoland in Springfield, NJ. From the minute I stepped into the showroom to the time I drove out with the vehicles, the staff had been courteous, informative and non-aggressive in their approach. The salesmen took the time to go over every detail with regard to the purchase. Being a business owner in Union and personally servicing the public for 15 years, I noticed the complete professionalism of the staff at Autoland and I would recommend this dealership to anyone looking to purchase a vehicle with complete confidence. Thank you to the staff at Autoland!

- Michael and Carmen Ranieri



My name is Richie and I have to tell you I am a big fan of trucks! Having the pleasure of owning a trucking company, hauling cars enables me to not only test drive my favorite vehicles, but to buy them too! I have visited Autoland twice in the past two years and purchased two cars from them. I had a smooth deal not once, but twice! When I purchased my '12 Toyota Rock Edition Tundra from Autoland, I was probably a salesman's worst nightmare - I wanted it all and within days it was all there! Autoland even came to my house and hand delivered special mats, rain guards, and all the rest of the goodies I wanted. I could not have been served any better!

- Richie, Springfield NJ

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