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CHAMBER-RUN FALL FESTIVAL AND CAR SHOW IS BIG HIT

Thousands of residents and out of towners enjoyed beautiful weather as they strolled the Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce Fall Festival that featured a street fair and car show.

Vendors included local restaurants, crafts and street vendors. Multiple bands played at both ends of the

Mountain Avenue area in front of the municipal building. The car show contained 130 antique autos.

Attendees were entertained by martial arts and dancing demonstrations. Children also enjoyed pony rides, a petting zoo and obstacle course. The chamber would like to thank the sponsors who helped make the event successful.



Event photos can be found at: picasaweb.google.com/joerenna1/SpringfieldStreetFair2010

HUBER AND AMLN TOP VOTE-GETTERS IN 2010 ELECTION

Two Democratic candidates, Richard Huber and David Amlen won both open seats on the Springfield Township Committee. Huber received 2,007* votes while Amlen received 1,976*. Results are unofficial as of this printing.

Runners-up in the race were the incumbent Springfield Mayor Ziad Shehady, 1,939* votes and running mate Bobby Abraham, 1,842* votes. Independent candidate, former Mayor Bart Fraenkel trailed with 863* votes. (*unofficial)

VETERAN'S DAY REMEMBRANCE

NOVEMBER 11th AT 11am

Springfield Veterans Alliance announces that the annual observance and commemoration of Veterans Day will be held on Thursday, November 11, 2010 at 11:00 AM at Veterans Memorial Park located at the corner of Shunpike Road and Mountain Avenue in Springfield.

November is the month in which we traditionally give thanks for all of the many blessings that we as Americans have received. Each year on 11/11 at 11 am, the Veteran's Day National Ceremony is held at Arlington National Cemetery.

On Veteran's Day please remember to thank all veteran's serving now and in the past for all they have done for us. Springfield's events will include students, the Springfield Fire Department, the Springfield Auxiliary Police among other groups. All are urged to attend.

MCLYNN'S CELEBRATES 10 YEARS



(above) McLynn's Celebrates 10th Anniversary – Owners Greg and Steve Keller receive certificate from Mayor Ziad Shehady and Committeeman Marc Krauss.

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Message from the Mayor



I want to thank everyone who came out to the First Annual Fall for Springfield Festival & Car Show. Those who spent the beautiful fall Sunday on Mountain Avenue enjoyed a larger than usual street festival with an assortment of vendors and food. Between the free inflatable rides and games to the diverse car show and music, there was plenty of entertainment for young and old. The turnout was impressive and hopefully it is just the start of an annual program that will grow and become more successful. It would not have been possible without the

efforts of the Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce, the many sponsors, and the organizer, Bobby Abraham.

It is important to make note of a new state mandate that requires electronic items such as televisions, computers and printers be recycled. Residents will no longer be allowed to place these items out for bulk waste collection. As an alternative, the Department of Public Works has instituted a new program that will allow residents to recycle more easily. The program will also generate revenue by selling all metal items while the additional tonnage recycled will ensure a higher amount in grant money for the coming year. The enactment of this program will result in a new resident service, additional revenue and reduced expenditures at no cost to the taxpayer. One Saturday per month, residents will be allowed to drop off electronics, appliances and yard waste (leaves, grass, branches) at the parking lot of the municipal pool. Hours of operation will be 7:00 a.m. through 11:00 a.m. only. D.P.W. personnel will assist residents and place the items in dumpsters. The next scheduled drop-off date is Saturday, November 6th from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m.

For those who aren't sold on the idea, there is a great incentive to recycle. Every item recycled is one less item in our garbage stream that we have to pay for. The fees associated with garbage, between hauling and incineration, are much greater than recycling. We can reduce our budget by paying less for garbage and we earn credit for recycling.

I ask residents to take time out of their day on Thursday, November 11th at 11 a.m. to join the Springfield Veterans Alliance for a Veterans Day Tribute at Veterans Memorial Park. It is important to come together to honor and remember the sacrifices of those veterans who served our country. With the day-to-day commotion of our busy lives, it is too easy to forget the selfless contributions made by a few and we should endeavor to pass along the legacy to new generations.

Last month, I issued two proclamations to recognize two very important causes: the first declared October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month and the second declared November as Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month. I encourage residents to make an effort to learn more about both as they affect people in our own community.

The upcoming winter season also marks the second annual Springfield Luminary fundraiser. This initiative is an excellent tradition that we can take pride in and it can serve as beneficial source for assistance to various community causes. The recipients this year are the Springfield First Aid Squad, the Springfield Y.M.C.A. Before & After Child Care Program and the Jonathan Dayton Baseball & Softball Programs. Together, let's light up Springfield this New Year's Eve.

I would like to wish everyone a happy and healthy Thanksgiving holiday!

Mayor Ziad Andrew Shehady

ADVERTISING & PRESS RELEASES

Inquiries concerning advertising and submissions of press releases can be made to the Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce via email or fax to:

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Fax: 973-376-0425

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Recreation Department 973-912-2226.

RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SHOW TRIP

Tuesday November 30th.

Bus leaves Sarah Bailey Civic Center at 10:00am for a luncheon at Redd's restaurant in Carlstadt, NJ. Then on to a 2:00pm performance with orchestra seating at Radio City Music Hall.

TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Meetings will be held the 2nd and 4th Tues. of the month unless otherwise noted in the Municipal Building.

November 9, Executive Session 6:30 p.m.

Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

November 23 Executive Session 6:30 p.m.

Regular 7:00 p.m.

PLANNING BOARD

1st Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Municipal Building

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

3rd Tuesday, 8 p.m., Municipal Building

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE

3rd Wednesday, 7 p.m., Municipal Building

RECREATION COMMITTEE

3rd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Chisholm Center

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

3rd Monday, 7:30 p.m., Annex building

BOARD OF HEALTH

2nd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.,

Municipal Building

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

3rd Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Library

RENT LEVELING BOARD

Last Thursday of Month, 8 p.m.,

Municipal Building

SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Springfield Board of Education meets at 7:00 pm for Executive Sessions and 7:30 pm for Public Sessions in the Instructional Media Center located on the 1st floor of Jonathan Dayton High School.

Meetings: November 15, December 6

• Springfield H.O.P.E. •
 • Springfield Fire department •
 • Community Conference of Springfield School's Parent Group •
TOYS FOR SPRINGFIELD KIDS
Nov. 1 through Dec 21, 2010

Springfield H.O.P.E. and the Springfield Fire Department, together with the Community Conference of Springfield Schools' Parent Groups have joined forces this year for a successful Toys for Springfield Kids campaign.

Please donate a NEW, UNWRAPPED TOY or a Barnes and Noble gift card; collection boxes have been placed in all five schools, toys can also be dropped off at the locations with a box labeled Toys for Springfield Kids listed on H.O.P.E.'s website www.springfieldhope.com.

Financial donations are also appreciated. Please make checks payable to Springfield H.O.P.E and should be dropped off or mailed to Hecht Family Chiropractic Care, LLC, 201 Mountain Avenue, or the Springfield Fire Department, 200 Mountain Avenue.

Toys are needed for children up to the age of 15, older kids will receive a Barnes and Noble gift card, and distribution will be to the town's needy. The drive will run from Monday November 1 through Tuesday December 21, 2010.

For information, please e-mail Dr. Gary Hecht of Springfield Hope at toys@springfieldhope.com

Show your town spirit and join together as we

LIGHT THE HOLIDAY TREE

Sing holiday songs,
and welcome Santa Claus!

TUESDAY, DEC. 7, 6 P.M.

(Rain date December 8)

TOWN HALL LAWN

Everyone is welcome to the First Aid Squad immediately following the celebration.
Sponsored by FMBA Local 57. Hot Chocolate, Apple Cider, and Doughnuts will be served.

The Westfield Regional Health Department, located at 425 East Broad Street in Westfield, will be offering Springfield residents the following health screenings:

CHOLESTEROL SCREENING

Thursday, November 18th
10:00 am – 12 noon. *\$10 charge

RESPIRATORY SCREENING

Thursday, December 9th
10:00 am – 12 noon * no charge

*Requires pre registration, Copy of results given to you.

Sponsored by: Westfield Regional Health Dept. and Overlook Hospital

For more information please contact Customer Service, Community Health Dept., Overlook Hospital at 1-800-247-9580

The Springfield Garden Club will sponsor an Over-Wintering Workshop

Wednesday, November 10th at 07:30pm.

It is important and rewarding to prepare our plants to survive a harsh winter. Come and learn what you need to do and get your questions answered. We meet at the Presbyterian Parish House at 37 Church Mall. Call Elaine or Don at 973 379 4879.



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MAFFEY'S SECURITY GROUP: 100 YEARS WITH THE RIGHT COMBINATION

One hundred years ago Charles Maffey Sr. discovered the "key" to business success – honesty, integrity and personal service.

The founder of a grinding business in 1910 who would soon become a locksmith created a combination that still serves as the keystone of Maffey's Security Group in Elizabeth as the company celebrates its 100th anniversary and four generations of service.

"Honesty and integrity are the hallmark of the Maffey family, combined with treating our customers as partners," said Ed Maffey, who with his brother Andy oversees the business started by their grandfather. "We have an impeccable reputation for quality and integrity which is vital in a field that revolves around security."

Maffey's provides a full menu of locksmith and security services comprising: locks and security devices for homes, businesses and public facilities; safes; automobile locks and keys; and electronic security systems, including

alarm, intercom and access control systems and surveillance solutions.

As the world has changed over 10 decades, Maffey's has maintained pace with technology and customer demands. While in the 1980s Maffey's did little electronics work, today those demands account for 60-70 percent of the company's business.

"The business has changed dramatically in the last 10 to 15 years, especially regarding electronics," Ed Maffey said. "Everything is IP (Internet Protocol) addressable and integrated.

"First customers said, 'I'd like to be able to open that door remotely.' So we installed an electric strike. Then they said, 'I'd like to speak with the visitor first, so we put in an intercom. Then they wanted to see the person so we installed a camera. Now they can remotely see, hear and speak with a person anywhere in the world and remotely open the door right from their desktop."

To remain current with evolving technologies,

Maffey's is committed to continuing education. In addition, the company holds licenses for locksmith and access control/burglary alarm installation and servicing, as required by New Jersey law since 2007.

"It legitimizes the business," Maffey said. "For all those years you could have no credentials and background checks and advertise that you were a locksmith."

Trust, however, has never been a factor for Maffey's. The four-generation company enjoys several multi-generational relationships with customers, such as Trinitas Hospital and the city of Elizabeth, and serves as a reliable partner for such entities as NJ TRANSIT and Port Authority of New York/New Jersey. Maffey's also maintains several national accounts throughout the country.

Maffey's has changed dramatically since Charles Maffey Sr. was sharpening knives and scissors, but in some ways not at all – retaining his commitment to customers of all sizes.

"My late mom, Evelyn, and my 89-years-young dad, Charles Maffey Jr., instilled these values in our minds by example throughout our lives and their careers at Maffey's," Ed Maffey said.

"It means a lot that we've been in business 100 years. Not too many companies can make that statement."

Maffey's Security Group serves all of New Jersey as well as New York and Pennsylvania. They can be reached at 908.351.1172 and visited at www.maffeys.com. License #34BL0000600.



(above) Charles Maffey Sr. (inside truck) graduated from horse to horseless with the purchase of a 1914 Republic solid tire truck.



(above) Brothers, Andy and Ed Maffey, are now d/b/a Maffey's Security Group, which describes the wide breadth of services.

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CHANGE IS A CONSTANT IN MAFFEY'S BUSINESS

From tool box to laptop Maffey's Security Group has grown by responding to the increased security needs of business and industry throughout their first 100 years of existence.

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HISTORY LIVES AT THE CANNON BALL HOUSE

Living History was played out at the re-opening of the Cannon Ball House. The Historic Cannon Ball House located at 126 Morris Avenue in Springfield was re-open as part of the Four Centuries Weekend on October 16 and 17.

Visitors to the House observed a military drill from the Revolutionary War, including musket firing and the use of a bayonet. Other displays included the contents of a typical soldier's backpack and spinning techniques from the 18th century. For information, call 973-376-4784.



(above) Members of the Living History group, led by Art Green (second from right) represented several units, including the British, who fought at the Battle of Springfield. Brigid Green and her mom Michelle demonstrated 18th century spinning techniques.

JONATHAN DAYTON HS PTSO AND PROJECT GRADUATION CLASS OF 2011

“BULL DOG BASKET AUCTION” WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17,

6:00 PM

JONATHAN DAYTON HIGH SCHOOL GYM

ADMISSION: \$8.00

There is no individual assigned seating. Full table (8 chairs) can be reserved.

For more information please go to http://www.springfieldschools.com/downloads/news/fundraisers/oct10_basketauction.pdf . or call: Jonathan Dayton High School office.

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Police Department Column

TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE

In the past persons who were the victims of bunco scams or confidence schemes were looked upon as being complicit in the fraud acts committed against them under the old adage of “you can’t cheat an honest man”. Today that saying is no longer true as fraud scams are now designed to target unsuspecting persons through sophisticated cons with the use of modern technology. Fraudsters nowadays know that it is very possible, and at times extremely easy, to “cheat an honest man” so in order to enable town residents to recognize a fraud scam attempt the police division offers the following preventative tips.

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

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

If you are selling an item over the internet or you advertise some type of service that you perform, be wary of persons who contact you wanting to purchase items you’ve listed for

sale or wanting to pay you for the services you offer where the subject pays by check which is payable to more monies than were agreed to. This scam specifically wants the intended victim to believe that the check was made out in the inflated amount by accident and will attempt to have the victim wire any monetary difference before the actual check is discovered to be counterfeit. The suspects will always be out of state or in a foreign country but will claim to be in the process of moving into Springfield. The scam targets persons selling any item from a car to a couch or offering services from babysitting to piano lessons.

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

In short, to prevent falling for the myriad of fraud schemes one old adage is as true today as it was years ago, and that is...“if something seems too good to be true, it probably is”.

EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZED

At a recent township committee meeting Springfield Police Officer Angelo Bonavitacola was promoted to Sergeant. The Township also presented its first employee recognition awards to three people, Bob Brennan; Ken Homlish, and Mike Rella. Laura Grimshaw of sponsor Investors Savings Bank, presented the award.

(right) Police Officer Angelo Bonavitacola (second from right) is pictured with his family, Captain John Cook, Mayor Ziad Shehady and Public safety Director Richard Rosell.





Fire Chief's Column

Chief James Sanford

OPEN HOUSE 2010

On Saturday, October 23rd, the Springfield Fire Department hosted its 3rd annual open house from 1-4pm. More than 100 people took advantage of the beautiful weather and stopped by the Fire House for a tour. They were greeted by the National Fire Protection Association mascot "Sparky", who posed for photos.

Visitors were able to climb into the fire engines, see the equipment and view a demonstration of the thermal imaging camera. They also sat in and got to ring the bell on Springfield's 1933 Diamond T chemical engine. After enjoying the apparatus, children got to squirt a real fire hose at wooden flames to "knock down the fire". A cartoon movie about exit drills in the home, was shown in the training room while guests were treated to refreshments provided by Hecht Family Chiropractic. Children got to practice "Stop, Drop and Roll" and see the fire pole that the fire fighters slide down.

A table-top "Hazard House" was used to demonstrate the effects of common fire

hazards that occur in a residence -- too many cords plugged into one outlet, wires running under carpet, unattended cooking, etc.

Fire fighters Michael Mastroeni and David Maas demonstrated how the fire department uses the "jaws of life" to cut open a car if an occupant is trapped inside. Captain Carlo Palumbo explained to the audience each step of the procedure. The fire fighters also showed how they can cut into the engine compartment to release the hood of the car if needed.

A reported fire cut short the demonstration as Chief James Sanford and the fire fighters responded to what turned out to be a toaster oven fire. The children especially enjoyed seeing the fire engine leave Headquarters with lights and sirens as the on-duty crew responded to three actual emergencies during the open house.

When they returned, the fire fighters continued their presentation with a roof ventilation demonstration.

Two people were interested in becoming volunteer fire fighters and took applications.

FIRST AID SQUAD KICKS OFF FUND DRIVE

The Springfield Volunteer First Aid Squad kicked off its 2010 Fall Fund drive this week. Squad President Elizabeth Fritzen stated that mailers will be sent to every home and business address in Springfield.

Fritzen reminds you that the Squad is a volunteer organization dedicated to providing emergency first aid services to you, your family and those working in or passing through the township. It is the primary Emergency Medical Service provider to the community and responded to over 1500 emergency calls last year. While the costs of operating this service for the community are significant, the Squad has never charged for this service and therefore relies heavily on donations. Household and business's financial support insures that the Squad can continue training and upgrade its equipment to the highest standards.

Fritzen asks residents to respond to their mailing with a fully tax deductible donation in addition, to consider volunteering your time.

Call 973-376-2040 or visit their website at www.springfieldfas.org for more information.

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The start of our 2nd Annual Springfield Luminary Fundraiser begins!

- 2010 Recipients:
- Springfield Volunteer 1st Aid Squad
 - Springfield YMCA Before & After Child Care Program
 - Jonathan Dayton Baseball & Softball Programs

Last year with the help of businesses and several Springfield residents, the Fund raised \$9,423 with \$3,880 going to each of the 2009 recipients. Nearly 4,000 luminaries lined the streets of Springfield, a breathtaking sight that will hopefully get bigger and become an eagerly awaited tradition.

Order forms will be distributed in the month of November or you can visit www.springfieldluminaryfund.com to download an order form or email springfieldluminaryfund@yahoo.com to request an order form.

All orders are due by Tuesday, December 14th (or earlier). On the night of December 31st, Springfield residents will place their luminaries along sidewalks, driveways, or walkways, and light them at nightfall.

Please email springfieldluminaryfund@yahoo.com

With any questions or if you are interested in volunteering!

A Community Project Assisting the Springfield Children & Seniors and the Springfield Community!

LOCAL SUPPORTERS: TOM'S PIZZA & WELSH FARMS

“REMEMBER WHEN”



This building was the Springfield Public School and Town Hall, located at the east end of Academy Green. It was built in 1858 and was destroyed by fire in 1901. The fenced in tree in the foreground was planted in 1885 in memory of Captain Edward Wade, a Civil War hero.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Over the weekend of Friday October 15, five students, along with Volunteer Club co-advisor Mr. Drew Krumholz, attended the New Jersey Principal's and Supervisor's Association (NJPSA) and Foundation for Educational Administration (FEA) Youth Leadership Institute at Camp Bernie in Port Murray, NJ.

The students engaged in a variety of leadership skill building activities and attended multiple benchmark workshops. On the campgrounds, students worked their way through rope courses, engaged in leadership and team building activities and climbed a tower. On Saturday evening, students viewed an improvisation show hosted by two professional performers and then created their own improvisation acts to present to the entire group.

The students will collaborate, under the supervision of Mr. Krumholz, to design a project that will increase social capital in their community. Then, they will share their project results and compete with all of the other schools involved in the weekend Youth Leadership Institute in the spring. The winning project receives statewide recognition, is honored at a

luncheon in the fall at NJPSA and receives a scholarship for five more students to attend the Youth Leadership Institute the following year. Springfield won first place in last year's competition for the design of the Springfield Public Schools Youth Leadership Institute that they implemented last April for middle school students and were honored in October at NJPSA.



(above, l-r) Participating students Nicole Dash, Drew Farbstein, Bailey Rudolph, Tommy Walsh, Naomi Karlin, Mr. Drew Krumholz.

SEN. THOMAS KEAN, JR. AT THE CURRENT EVENTS DISCUSSION GROUP

On Monday, December 6th, Senator Thomas H. Kean, Jr. will be the guest speaker at the Springfield Free Public Library's Current Events Discussion Group meeting. Senator Kean will discuss cost reductions for senior citizens' prescription drugs, economic development, the Opportunity Scholarship Act, the 2% property tax cap, the Governor's tool kit bills and more. He will be available to answer questions.

The Current Events Discussion Group provides a forum for sharing thoughts and gaining new insight into the local, national and world events which affect our daily lives. Share your concern or the expertise you have gained in your field. The meetings are held on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 P.M. The discussions are facilitated by Bobby Fewell,

who is Chief Editor and Writer of Wilson World Newsletter, Summit, NJ, and has been a Legislative aide for General Assembly Legislator Willie B. Brown of Newark.

For further information, call 973-376-4930 or check the library website at www.sfplnj.org. The Springfield Free Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Avenue, Springfield.

ANTIQUES APPRAISAL

Do you have \$\$\$ stored in your closet or attic? Is your grandmother's vase valuable? Do you watch the Antiques Road Show? Find out the value of the "treasures" you have always held dear.

On Wednesday, November 17th, at 7 p.m., Ken Jakupko, of Ken's Antiques in Rahway, and the Summit Antiques Center in Summit, will be at the Springfield Free Public Library to offer appraisals on objects patrons choose to present to him. With thirty years of experience in the field Jakupko is both knowledgeable and

entertaining.

Participants are asked to arrive at 6:30 p.m. to sign in. Each participant is limited to two items. Each item must be tagged or labeled with the owner's name and address. The total number of items may be limited due to the time. Pre-registration is highly recommended.

This free program is sponsored by the Friends of the Springfield Free Public Library. Donations to the Friends of the library are always appreciated and memberships are available.

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

EVENTS FOR ADULTS

Every Monday Night at 7:00 p.m.

Scrabble Night

Every Tuesday & Thursday Morning

10:30 A.M. -12:00 Noon BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.

**Individual Assistance Searching the Internet
online databases and library catalog.**

NOVEMBER

Monday, November 8th, 7:00 p.m.

Lecture – Back Pain? We Can Help

presented by

the St. Barnabas Institute for Pain Management

Tuesday, November 9th, 12:00 p.m.

Lecture - The Old Time Radio Man Henry L. Morse – “The Art of Radio Drama”

Sunday, November 14th, 2:00 p.m.

Concert – Harriet Steinberg on piano

Tuesday, November 16th, 1:00 p.m.

Bridge Club—Two groups:

Beginners & Intermediate Players—No lessons.

Tuesday, November 16th, 12:00 p.m.

Lunchtime Video – White Collar Crime series

featuring 2006 film about author Clifford Irving’s
Howard Hughes scam

Wednesday, November 17th, 7:00 p.m.

Antiques Appraisal with Ken Jakupko.

Pre-registration recommended.

Thursday, November 18th, 10:15 a.m.

Great Books Discussion Group

Planning & Democracy by Friedrich Hayek

Thursday, November 18th, 10:00 a.m.

Memoir Writing Group

Thursday, November 18th, 7:30 p.m.

Board of Trustees meeting

Saturday, November 20th, 9:15 a.m.

American Association of Individual Investors

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Sunday, November 21st, 2:00 p.m.

Photography Contest Reception & Awards Ceremony

Sunday, November 21st, 3:00 p.m.

Artists’ Reception – Helen Frank & JoAnn Holmes

Monday, November 22nd, 10:00 a.m.

Knit Wits Knitting Group

Tuesday, November 30th, 12:00 p.m.

Lunchtime Video—White Collar Crime series

featuring Matt Damon in *The Informant*

DECEMBER

Thursday, December 2nd, 7:00 p.m.

Really Good Book Discussion Group

City of Thieves by David Benioff

Monday, December 6th, 7:00 p.m.

Current Events Discussion Group

with special guest Senator Thomas H. Kean Jr.

Tuesday, December 7th, 12:00 p.m.

Lecture – Hudson River Lighthouses by Kevin Woyce

Tuesday, December 7th, 1:00 p.m.

Bridge Club - Two groups:

Beginners & Intermediate Players—No lessons.

Thursday, December 9th, 10:15 a.m.

Memoir Writing Group

Thursday, December 9th, 12:00 & 7:00 p.m.

International Film – The Last Station (English)

YOUTH EVENTS

Mother Goose Group @ 10:30 am

MGG is for babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers with caregiver. Wee listen to storybooks and sing and dance!

Tues. Nov 16 • Wed. Nov 24

Thurs. Dec 2 • Fri Dec 10

Step Up to Chapterbooks

For Grades 2-4. Join up with other interested students as we explore the grande adventure of reading!
Mondays Nov 15 and Dec. 20 @ 4pm

Friday Storycraft @ 4pm

A story and a craft for ages 3 to 7.
Nov 12, 19

Let’s Learn Chess continues

Thursday Nov 18 @ 7pm,
Dec 2 and 9 @ 7pm

Please note: You must register for this program by calling or stopping by the Youth Services Desk. Ages 9-Adult

Storytime Yoga ages 2-12

Fridays Nov 12 and 19 @ 10:30

Wii Games ages 6-11

Wednesday Nov. 17 @ 4pm

Guitar Bob’s Kids on the Move Concert

Friday Nov 26 @ 10:30

This lively performance teaches kids to joyfully participate in musical activities through singing, dancing, moving, pretending. Bring the family, grandparents, too!

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Springfield H.O.P.E. – or Helping Other People Endure – was created to enable residents, businesses and visitors to town to help individuals and families cope with extraordinary circumstances or simply just get by throughout the year, not only during the holiday season. Anyone wanting to make a donation to Springfield H.O.P.E. may do so by calling 973-467-3388 or mailing a check to Springfield H.O.P.E.,

C/O Springfield OEM,
200 Mountain Ave., Springfield NJ 07081.
Anyone seeking help or assistance from Springfield H.O.P.E may call 973-467-3388.

You will be contacted promptly. All requests for donations and assistance will be kept strictly confidential.

HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS IN SPRINGFIELD

Families had a full day of activities to choose from on Halloween in Springfield. Beginning with arts and crafts at the YMCA, Treat Street provided by the Recreation Department, a FREE Costume Contest and Parade were sponsored by the Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce and the festivities ended with a Trunk or Treat event sponsored by The Springfield

Schools' All For One Fund at Dayton HS.

The parade, with hundreds of costumed participants, proceeded down Mountain Ave. to Jonathan Dayton High School and was led by Dr. Charles Serson in his antique Chevrolet pick up truck which he decorated for the event. At the high school, Charlie handed out apples and candy to the children.



(left) The winners of a Costume Contest. Each winner received a Barnes & Noble Gift Card for \$25 provided by the Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce.



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COAT DRIVE

The Community Conference of Springfield Schools' Parent Groups ("CCSSPG") is working on Springfield's coat drive for Jersey Cares. The goal of the 15th Annual Jersey Cares Coat Drive is to collect and distribute thousands of "gently used" winter coats to at-risk men, women, children and infants. Thanks to all who donated coats, we collected around 500 coats in 2009!

Please help by donating your unwanted winter coats. The drive in Springfield starts on November 15th and ends on December 10th.

Collection boxes are located at the 5 Springfield public schools. In addition, boxes are located at the following sites:

Springfield Municipal Building

(100 Mountain Avenue),

Springfield YMCA

(100 South Springfield Avenue),

Springfield Public Library

(66 Mountain Avenue),

Sarah Bailey Civic Center

(30 Church Mall),

Hecht Family Chiropractic Care

(201 Mountain Avenue),

Essex Union Podiatry

(500 Morris Avenue, Suite 203),

Investors Savings Bank

(173 Mountain Ave. and 193 Morris Ave.),

Kearny Federal Savings Bank

(130 Mountain Avenue),

TD Bank (166 Morris Avenue).

Springfield residents in need of a winter coat, can contact Springfield H.O.P.E. at www.springfieldhope.com or drhecht@aol.com to request assistance or ccsspg@gmail.com.

SPRINGFIELD CHAPTER OF HADASSAH

The Springfield Chapter of Hadassah will host a regular meeting on Thursday, November 18, starting at 12:30 PM in the Springfield Library.

The meeting will be devoted to Springfield H.O.P.E., Helping Other People Endure. The organization was created by the Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce, to enable residents, businesses and visitors to town to help individuals and families cope with extraordinary circumstances or simply just get by throughout the year.

The speaker is Dr. Gary S. Hecht, a Springfield chiropractor with offices on

Mountain Ave. Dr. Hecht is a trustee of Springfield H.O.P.E. At the Township's 2010 reorganization meeting, Mayor Ziad Shehady recognized Dr. Hecht for his outstanding voluntary participation.

A member of the Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce and treasurer of the Springfield Rotary Club, Dr. Hecht's office is a pick-up and drop off point for H.O.P.E. holiday toy and food collections. A light lunch will be served.

The meeting is open to everyone but individuals who are not Hadassah members are urged to make reservations by phoning 973.376.5067.

JEWISH SENIORS PRESENTS HEALTH CARE SEMINAR

The Jewish Seniors of Springfield (JSS) will host a seminar on "How Seniors are Affected by the New National Health Care Reform." AARP Speaker and Temple congregant Dave Mollen will lead the conversation, which takes place on Monday, November 22 at 1:30 pm at Temple Sha'arey Shalom, 78 South Springfield Avenue in Springfield. The event is free and open to the public.

The recently-passed legislation is full of new benefits, rules, penalties and projects. This JSS seminar will discuss those changes that affect seniors, including Medicare cuts and enhancements, prescription drug plans and Medicare's drug coverage gap.

For more information, contact the temple office at (973)379-5387 or email office@shaarey.org.

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