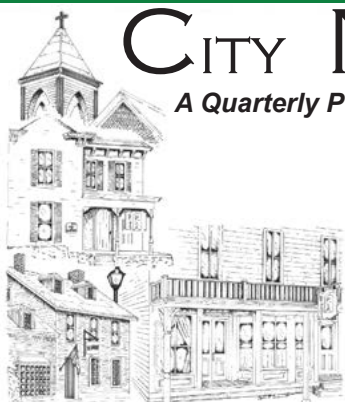


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CITY NOTES

A Quarterly Publication for the Citizens of Springboro

"That Spring Thing" 2013 Hometown Expo

Saturday, March 9, 2013 will be the Hometown EXPO 2013, "That Spring Thing," at Springboro High School. This is Warren County's Largest Business to Consumer Expo featuring 190+ exhibits where local businesses and non-profit organizations showcase their products and services.

Doors open to the public at 10am on Saturday, March 9. Over 8,000 people attended this great community event in 2012. Hope to see you there!

This one day event features:

- **Grand Prize of a 50+ inch LG Plasma HDTV with full installation & 5 year performance plan**
- **Hundreds of Door Prizes, as each exhibitor will raffle at least one item worth at least \$25**
- **Day long local family friendly entertainment by local bands, school music groups, choirs and dancers**
- **A Taste of Springboro with local food providers, from pizza to sandwiches to BBQ.**
- **20 booths in the KidsZone in the East Gym, with kids entertainment and activities all day long**



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Community Happenings – SAY Soccer

- 1) Registration will begin on May 1, 2013 and end on June 15, 2013. Late Fee is assessed if child is registered after June 15 and there is no guarantee of team placement. Registration is completely closed as of July 15th (except Minors/Seniors Division)
- 2) The season starts August 1, 2013 and runs through the end of October.
- 3) To register and for more information, visit our website at www.borosay.org
- 4) Want to get involved in the community? CYSA is looking for new volunteer Board members to help run the program. This soccer program provides recreational soccer to over 900 kids each fall and we need more help! Please visit our website www.borosay.org for a list of open board positions. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact CYSA at borosay@earthlink.net.





Happy 2013! 2012 Accomplishments

2013 is underway, and we are very proud of everything the City has accomplished over the past year. Here are just a few of the things City Council, Staff and Volunteers worked together to make happen in 2012.

Council voted on more than 100 legislative items concerning capital improvements, planning and zoning, economic development, and other code amendments pertaining to City policies and procedures. Council Members attended approximately 75 Council, Committee and Special Meetings, represented Springboro as members of local and regional organizations, and met with state and federal representatives to address issues and priorities for our municipal government. Mayor and Council Members also attended nearly 60 ribbon cuttings, dedication ceremonies and other community events this year.

Our Finance Department was integral in proposing legislation to refinance \$14.9MM in sewer system bonds saving the City approximately \$800,000 in interest, and reductions in capital debt by paying off smaller bond issues eliminated an additional \$50,000 in interest payments. Due to this significant savings in interest and reductions in expenses, our Finance Committee reanalyzed projected balances and was able to recommend eliminating the water and sewer rate increase for 2013. Legislation was adopted in May to accept the committee's recommendation saving residents an additional 5% on water and 15% on sewer costs. The City also refinanced \$1.75MM in real estate acquisition notes for City-owned property at South Tech Business Park prompting Moody's Financial Services to reevaluate the City's bond rating of Aa2 and award an upgraded rating of Aa1 to reflect the City's well managed financial operations.

The City has acquired more than 150 acres of new park land over the last year for future development. Acquisitions include 47 acres to expand Clearcreek Park directly to the north for recreational purposes including new ball fields and 108 acres southwest of the park, across Lower Springboro Road, for future passive and recreational park space. The City also partnered with the Springboro Rotary Club to develop a passive park on the City-owned lot at 330 S. Main Street; this new park was officially dedicated on September 6. Following the completion of Rotary Park, Council approved the purchase of the lot neighboring the park to further invest in downtown and potentially expand the park by adding some new amenities. Springboro's park system

is a major community asset and the continued maintenance and improvement of our park land is one of our top priorities. City Council held a joint meeting with the Clearcreek Township Trustees this past spring to discuss jurisdictional cooperation concerning parks and other services shared by the two communities. Future funding of park development, diminishing park revenues and increased maintenance costs, and usage of parks were discussed in detail. The City and Township agreed to work together to ensure our parks continue to be sufficiently funded and well maintained to better serve Springboro and Clearcreek community residents.

Our Planning and Zoning staff worked closely with the Planning Commission to propose several amendments to the City's code in 2012. The Exterior Lighting code was revised to establish more uniform lighting standards city-wide and new provisions for Solar Energy Systems were established for both residential and commercial use to allow more energy efficient methods of generating electricity in the City. Also, based on feedback from members of the community, staff surveyed noise regulations in other cities and formed a recommendation to add a new section to our code, Noise Abatement, to help keep noise to a reasonable level within our neighborhoods and business areas by establishing overall hours of restriction. City staff continues to assist the Planning Commission this year in completing a rewrite of the City's Planning and Zoning Code, parts of which date back more than three decades. The Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee, along with City Council, staff and citizens participated in two public meetings to provide input concerning objectives and implementation of a Bicycle and Pedestrian plan for the City. The plan is expected to be finished by year-end and will further the City's goal to become a bicycle and pedestrian friendly community.

Traffic and roadway improvements remain priority for the City and our Public Works Department worked with the Ohio Department of Transportation this past fall to complete the resurfacing of N. Main Street along with improvements to Lower Springboro Road and other city streets. The City is also working on improvements to West Tech Road in South Tech Business Park to advance business development projects at Austin Place and traffic signalization and intersection improvements at West Tech and South Tech Boulevards to help traffic flow south of Austin. Our initiative to improve mobility throughout

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2012 Accomplishments (cont.)

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Springboro continued in 2012 by installing new sidewalk on S. Main Street linking schools to the downtown area and nearby subdivisions and on S. Pioneer Boulevard in the employment district. Plans to continue making sidewalk connections are moving forward and will provide citizens with safe walkways to many areas of the community.

City staff worked on some great cooperative projects this past year including an agreement with Clearcreek Township, Springboro Schools and local sports organizations to install synthetic turf at Wade Field to upgrade the field for youth sports in the community; the new field was officially dedicated by the community on August 18. Another intergovernmental agreement was approved with the Warren County Transportation Improvement District (TID) for the construction of a new northbound ramp to I-75 on the north side of State Route 73. City Manager Chris Thompson has worked very closely with the TID to promote this project and coordinate the funding and planning to carry it out. The State is providing Surface Transportation Project funds through the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission at approximately \$2.6MM and plans to begin construction in 2014. Also, thanks to our Assistant City Manager Chris Pozzuto, the City is part of an exciting new venture involving jurisdictions and private partners throughout Warren County. On November 1, Council approved legislation authorizing Springboro to become a member of the Warren County SBDC (Small Business Development Center). The SBDC will help small and start-up businesses grow by providing professional counseling concerning business and marketing plans, financing and capital loans and much more. The Warren County SBDC has a lot of public support and the State of Ohio Small Business Development Center would like to make it a model for the entire state; the center will receive funding from Warren County, the State of Ohio, and the Federal SBA (Small Business Administration). The SBDC will be housed at the Warren County Career Center, but businesses in Springboro and surrounding northern Warren County communities will be able to receive assistance in the City Building, which will be used for a local meeting site.

As reported late last year, Council worked through the process of redistricting the City based on the 2010 Census. Springboro's population of 17,409 increased 40% since 2000 mainly east of State Route 741, with Ward 1 housing

one-third of our population. Various redistricting options were considered to redistribute the population more evenly between wards before Council adopted a new ward boundary map in June that reflects our population as follows: Ward 1/4,066, Ward 2/4,177, Ward 3/4,639, and Ward 4/4,527. The new ward map was submitted to the Board of Elections and will take effect in the ward election this November for terms of office beginning January 1, 2014. The new City Ward Map and information are posted on our website for reference.

Springboro became a "Purple Heart City" on August 2 when Mayor John Agenbroad, a Purple Heart recipient, accepted this honorable distinction on behalf of the City from the State Commander of the Military Order of the Purple Heart. Only months later Ohio's Governor signed House Bill 459 into law declaring Ohio a "Purple Heart State"; the very first in the nation. Springboro is truly honored to be a "Purple Heart City" in the first "Purple Heart State" in the country, and we thank all who serve and have served our country. Many of our residents are dedicated service men and women and Council was fortunate to be able to honor a Springboro veteran at our meeting on December 6. Mayor Agenbroad presented Specialist Bridget Oesterlin of the Ohio Army National Guard with a proclamation in honor of her military service. Ms. Oesterlin, a Springboro High School graduate, has served in the Army National Guard for three years following her enlistment in 2009. SPC Oesterlin had recently returned from a 9-month deployment in Afghanistan, and it was a privilege for us to personally thank her for her service.

City Council's first meeting of the New Year was held on January 3. Councilman Jim Chmiel was appointed by Council to serve as Deputy Mayor, and all standing committees and citizen boards and commissions were appointed for new terms beginning in 2013. Committee membership and information are posted on our City's website at www.ci.springboro.oh.us. We would again like to thank the residents who took the time to apply for committee seats and to our citizen volunteers who were willing to continue serving on their respective committees. As always, we are thankful for our volunteers and all of the time and energy they devote to making Springboro a better place for all of us.

We would like to recognize two very dedicated community leaders who resigned from volunteer service in 2012.

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2012 Accomplishments (cont.)

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Barbara Gibson served the City on numerous boards and commissions over the years in addition to 19 years of service as a member of our Planning Commission. Many thanks to Barbara for her countless hours of dedicated service; her valuable contributions helped shape the progress of our community. We also honored Board Member Tim Raberding for 16 years of service on the City's Architectural Review Board. Tim was a charter member of the ARB and served as chairman. His leadership and expertise were invaluable, and we sincerely thank him for his many years of loyal service to the City.

More upcoming events include the City's annual Business Appreciation Breakfast on April 18 at Heatherwoode Golf Course. We always enjoy this opportunity to host our businesses and meet the many people in Springboro who keep our local economy alive. Our Tree Authority sponsors Springboro's Arbor Day celebration annually in April with a tree planting ceremony and residents are encouraged to attend. In 2012, the City was recognized as a "Tree City USA" for the 16th year in a row by the National Arbor Day Foundation. The Tree Authority and staff accepted this award on the City's behalf and have worked hard to maintain this distinction. Details regarding Arbor Day will be posted on our website calendar closer to the date.

Memorial Day will be observed on Monday, May 27 in Springboro with a walking parade on S. Main Street followed by a ceremony at Wade Field. The entire community is welcome to participate in honor and remembrance of veterans who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our great nation.

Our many accomplishments are owed to our hard working, dedicated employees, talented volunteers and the great citizens of Springboro. Council is extremely proud of the City's achievements over the past year and will continue to support efforts to maintain the high standards Springboro is known for and keep our tax base strong.

Thank you to everyone for your help and support this year. We look forward to another great year, and wish you all health and happiness in 2013!

– Mayor and City Council

City Council Meeting Dates 2013

Springboro City Council meets the first and third Thursdays of each month beginning with a Work Session at 6:00 PM followed by a Regular Meeting at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers. Meetings are open to the public and residents are encouraged to attend or watch the live broadcast on local cable GATV Channel 6.

2013 City Council Meeting Dates:

(Schedule changes will be posted.)

January	3 & 17
February	7 & 21
March	7 & 21
April	4 & 18
May	2 & 16
June	6 & 20
July	4 & 18
(July 4 to be rescheduled.)	
August	1 & 15
September	5 & 19
October	3 & 17
November	7 & 21



Spring Cleaning

Before you know it, spring will be here and that means one thing – Spring Cleaning! April 1 is the start of the yard waste program through our refuse hauler Waste Management. Residents are reminded that due to new environmental regulations, Waste Management can only accept yard waste in composting bags, not plastic ones. They will take up to 10 bags at each residence.

Also, if you are looking to not only clean up your yard, but your garage, the following website might assist you with that. The Warren County Solid Waste District at www.co.warren.oh.us/solidwaste/ has a list of the many drop-off locations throughout the county that will take old paint, construction debris, batteries, tires, etc.



Warren County Small Business Development Center (SBDC)

Have you ever thought of starting your own business, but just didn't know where to begin? The City of Springboro has partnered with 12 other Warren County jurisdictions and 17 private entities to create a new Small Business Development Center (SBDC) in Warren County.

What exactly does a SBDC do? A SBDC is an entity that can help someone with a great idea or new product start a company from the ground up, or also help an existing small business grow into a larger one. Services include: Comprehensive business management, business plan assistance, and marketing services; free and confidential one-on-one counseling and low-or no-cost training, strategic planning, information about Federal, State and Local programs, loan packaging assistance, and much more.

Joe Schiesler has recently been hired as the Executive Director of the SBDC. If you are interested in speaking with Joe, please contact him at joe.schiesler@mywccc.org or (513) 932-8145 x 5317. His physical office is located at the Warren County Career Center, however, Joe is also afforded meeting space in the Springboro City Building when necessary, so he can hold "office hours" in Springboro for local clients.



Shred-It Day Saturday, May 4, 12 noon - 4:00 p.m.

The City has scheduled another "Shred-It Day" on Saturday, May 4; from 12pm to 4pm in the City Building Parking Lot, located at 320 West Central Avenue.

On May 4, tax time will be in the rearview mirror for all but the most diehard of extension-seekers, so it might be a good time to think of getting rid of some of the records that the passage of another year makes obsolete. We've got you covered!

The event offers City of Springboro residents the opportunity to protect themselves against identity theft by having personal papers and other material shredded by the mobile shredding unit of Cintas. And in keeping with the City's "Go Green" theme, all documents that are shredded are recycled by Cintas.

There is no charge for the service. We hope you can take advantage of it.

Welcome Home!

During the Thursday, December 6 meeting of City Council, Mayor John Agenbroad officially welcomed home SPC Bridget Oesterlin of the Ohio Army National Guard, from a 9-month deployment at Bagram Airfield in Afghanistan.

At the request of Councilman David Vomacka, SPC Oesterlin was presented a proclamation from the Mayor for her outstanding service to her community and country. SPC Oesterlin is a Springboro resident and 2010 graduate of Springboro High School where she was very active in the Air Force Junior ROTC and enlisted in the Ohio Army National Guard her senior year in November 2009, recently celebrating her third anniversary of enlistment.



SPC Oesterlin is assigned to the HHC 37th Special Troops Battalion in Springfield, Ohio and she is trained as a Wheeled Vehicle Mechanic, and received special training to serve as an MP and Corrections Officer while in Afghanistan.

Welcome home Bridget! Thank you for your dedication to this community and for serving your country!



Made in Springboro

Have you ever been shopping before and looked at the label on the product you are buying to see if it is “Made in America?” Well, now you can look at certain products and know that they are “Made in Springboro!” Many residents may not realize that several of the products we use or see in stores throughout the country and around the world are made right here in Springboro! We wanted to highlight a few of those to give you an idea of the work that goes on right here in your backyard.

CAP CAN®

Have you ever been feeling sluggish during the day and stopped in a convenience store to buy a can of *Monster* drink to wake yourself up? Well, if you have and you buy one that has a resealable top – you are probably drinking out of something that was made right here in Springboro – the can! **CAP CAN®** (the twistable and sealable top), was developed and produced in Springboro by Dayton Systems Group (DSG) located in South Tech Business Park.



Dayton Systems Group (DSG) was founded by Henry C. (Hank) Bachmann in 1993. Mr. Bachmann's vision was to develop a practical resealable closure system for the beverage and food markets. Four years in development and 10 patents later, DSG introduced the first practical resealable can closure in 2001. Designed as an alternative to pull tab closures the new CAP CAN® resealable closure is an industry changing innovation.

One place you may see CAP CAN® is in Mexico. *Jumex*, Mexico's largest food company also utilizes CAP CAN® for their fruit and juice products. *Jumex* utilizes CAP CAN® because it has all of the features of a can, including durability and is 100% recyclable. It also has the added reclosable features of a glass jar and has tamper evident features.

So, next time you are laying on the beach in Cancun and you open a *Jumex* juice, tell everyone around you that what you are drinking out of was Made in Springboro!



Marketing Displays

Many of us are preparing to host friends and family for the biggest at-home party event of the year – the Super Bowl. This year, as you visit the grocery store to prepare, take notice of the in-store displays that highlight your

favorite snacks and beverages. The end-aisle display featured here was designed and produced by InnoMark Communications to promote and merchandise the *Pepsi* and *Lays* brand portfolios.

InnoMark, which is located in South Tech Business Park, designs and manufactures a variety of visual merchandising materials. Their in-house capabilities include creative design, printing, temporary and permanent displays, packaging, store décor, and fulfillment. InnoMark has developed a reputation for high-quality large format, small format, digital, and screen printing. Their in-house print operation combines the best in experience, expertise, and printing creativity.

InnoMark's visual merchandising solutions support a variety of high-profile retailers and consumer products companies. The next time you're shopping with your friends and family, take moment to admire the window display, which very well may have been produced here in Springboro.

Fuel Nozzle

You fill up the gas tank on your vehicle on a regular basis, but have you ever stopped to think where that nozzle on the gas pump might have come from? Well, if you happen to be filling up in California or Texas, you might be using a Vapor Systems Technology (VST) nozzle made here in Springboro!





Made in Springboro

VST, located on Pleasant Valley Drive, began operations in 1989 and relocated to Springboro in 2006. Recognizing that a healthier environment is a need and not an option, VST has dedicated its undivided attention to the ever changing, stringent regulations that govern fugitive vapors at retail gasoline dispensing facilities (GDF).

The VST ORVR (Onboard Refueling Vapor Recovery) system pictured here, is the most economical ORVR conversion when capturing the most harmful fuel vapors during refueling. The product has been approved by both California and Texas, who have the most stringent environmental requirements for fuel pumps in the nation.



Televisions in Hospitals

If you have ever been in a local hospital for an ailment or after surgery and you have been lying in bed watching the television trying to pass the time,

there is a very good chance that you have been watching a television made right here in Springboro. PDI Communication Systems, located on Greenwood Lane near I75/SR73, is an industry leader in the design and fabrication of televisions and the television arms for use in the medical field.

PDI designs and manufactures televisions as small as 10" all the way up to 40" televisions. PDI recently won an award from *Facility Care Magazine* for their P26LCDC Modular television in the "Communication" category.

PDI was started in 1976. The company was originally a machine shop for its primary customer, NCR. In 1980, Positioning Devices, Inc. a Cincinnati based company, called on PDI to manufacture a mechanical arm to hold television sets in hospital patient rooms. Precision improved the design of this arm and purchased the sales rights to this product in 1986. In 1992, Bunting, a Connecticut based manufacturer was acquired to

complement existing products. Since that time PDI Communication Systems has grown to be the leader in advanced entertainment solutions for the healthcare market and continues to offer the best-supported line of healthcare specific television solutions in the industry.

Car radios and audio products

Picture cruising down the road on a nice summer day, with the windows down, your sunglasses on, and the radio playing your favorite songs. Well, if you're driving a Honda, Toyota or GM vehicle, there is a good chance you're listening to these tunes on a Pioneer audio system made or enhanced right here in Springboro!



Pioneer Automotive Technologies, Inc., located on Pioneer Boulevard, develops and manufactures car audio and navigational equipment for many car companies, including their largest customers, Honda



and Toyota. Pioneer has all sort of products, ranging from in-dash CD Players to GPS navigation systems to subwoofers and speakers. Pioneer has even

developed an App that allows you to control the music played on your Pioneer car radio from your iPhone.

Nozomu Matsumoto founded Pioneer as an audio products manufacturer in 1938, making speakers in his garage. Today Pioneer is a world leader in electronics products for the car, home and business markets, respected for its role in introducing such innovations as consumer laser disc (1979), car CD player (1984), GPS car navigation (1990), DVD-Video player (1996), high definition plasma display (1997) and organic electroluminescent (OEL) display (1997). In 1986, Pioneer opened its 157,000 square foot facility in Springboro, and together with hundreds of dedicated employees, has been enhancing the car audio and infotainment experience ever since.



News from the Income Tax Department

Some friendly reminders to get you ready for tax time!

2012 Income Tax Forms can be found on the City of Springboro website at www.ci.springboro.oh.us or at the City Building, 320 West Central Avenue. Tax forms or extension requests are due by **April 15, 2013**. Please remember that an extension is for time to file, not time to pay. Any tax due is to be paid by April 15, 2013.

Anyone needing assistance with their Springboro taxes can bring all your tax information to the Income Tax Department at the City Building and we will be happy to assist you!

There is no charge for this service.

The Springboro Income Tax Department can send you a reminder email of when your estimated payment is due. If you would like to receive a reminder, please send your email address to taxdept@cityofspringboro.com. **This is a reminder of the due date only and will not include any personal or payment information.**

The City has an easy to use online tax calculation tool program available through the City website. Log on and click on the online tax tool link. Follow the instructions to create an online account. This is an easy to use tool to calculate and prepare your City income tax return for filing with the tax office. You will be able to access your estimated tax credits via this tool. It will be up to you to authorize your paid tax professional to utilize this site. Please remember: This is not on-line filing; It requires you to print the return and mail it to the Tax Office with all required documentation, including signature(s) and payment (if applicable)

Were you aware that Springboro requires estimated income tax payments? Declaration and payment of estimated tax shall be filed on or before April 15 of each year or four months after the end of the taxpayer's fiscal year end. Quarterly payments of the estimated tax shall be due and payable as follows, or 30 days after the end of the taxpayer's quarter based on a fiscal year other than January 1 through December 31, except for the first quarter payment which is due fifteen (15) days after the end of the taxpayer's first quarter, to achieve the following cumulative percentages of the estimated tax at a minimum:

1st.....	April 15	22.5%
2nd	July 31	45%
3rd	October 31	67.5%
4th	January 31	90%

If you owe more than \$500.00, you must file a declaration of estimated tax and remit quarterly installments to the Income Tax Division.

You may be able to deduct your estimated payments on your Federal income tax return. If you take itemized deductions on your Federal Return, you will include them on line 5 of the Federal Schedule A under State and local taxes paid.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q – I'm filing an extension for my federal taxes. When must I pay my city tax?

A – Your payment is still due by April 15th in order to avoid interest and penalty charges. Also, you must file a copy of your Federal extension with our office by April 15th.

Q – I owe taxes but I am unable to pay my full liability at the time my return is due. Should I still file my return?

A – Yes, you should file your return by the due date whether or not you are able to pay the entire amount of tax that you owe. Please contact the Tax Department to discuss payment options.

Q – I reside in Springboro, my wages are my only taxable income and my employer is withholding my Springboro tax liability properly. Do I need to file a Springboro return?

A – Yes. Springboro has required filing with no income or age restrictions.

Example:

Your 16-year-old daughter, who is a Springboro resident, worked part-time at Wendy's located within the city limits and earned \$1300.00. Wendy's properly withheld 1.5% of her earnings. Even though her income was fully taxed and nothing additional is due, she is still required to file a tax return.

Q – When can I expect my refund?

A – The city has 90 days from the later of the date your taxes were due or the date your completed refund request is received to review your request. If your return is complete and approved, a refund check will be mailed to you. A refund request is not considered received unless it is complete and all the required information has been provided.

Important Contact Information:

Springboro Income Tax Department (937) 746-9701
(937) 748-6185 (fax), taxdept@cityofspringboro.com,
www.ci.springboro.oh.us

Internal Revenue Service (800) 829-1040 (individual)
(800) 829-4933 (business), www.irs.gov

State of Ohio (800) 282-1780 (individual)
(800) 405-4039 (business), www.tax.ohio.gov



Operation Santa

Every year around the Christmas holiday, the Springboro Police Department bands together to support Operation Santa, which was put in place many years ago to assist those in the Springboro area that may not be able to afford Christmas for their families.

Operation Santa assisted 9 families and 18 children in Springboro this past December. It was an eclectic mix of families, but they were all deserving for different reasons. This year's program would not have been possible without the donations from the community, City staff and especially the proceeds from the Christmas Festival 5K race. Thank you to everyone that donated money, wrapped presents and visited the families! Once again, Officer Lisa Walsh organized Operation Santa and the program would not be possible without her leadership and dedication to the community.



PLEASE RECYCLE

After you are finished reading the City Notes Newsletter, please consider the environment and recycle this publication instead of throwing it in the regular trash. This paper is recyclable.

Thanks for doing your part!

SLIP Program Senior Lifestyles & Injury Prevention

The Clearcreek Fire District, in conjunction with Atrium Medical Center, has initiated a new program – SLIP; Senior Lifestyles & Injury Prevention, to identify and prevent slips and falls and traumatic brain injury (TBI) within our senior population.

Fall risk increases with age. This year, one in three adults age 65 and older will fall. Although fall risk does increase with age, falling down is NOT a normal part of getting older. The majority of falls occur at home, among independent older adults. Exercise and diet are key factors in decreasing fall risk; however promoting a safe living environment and decreasing risk factors are vital in preventing falls in the home.

As part of the SLIP Program, the Fire District will visit your home to inspect your living areas to identify fall risks. They will also gather information about any medications or medical conditions you may have that heightens the risk of a fall.

For more information about the SLIP Program, contact Lt. Troy Bonfield, EMS Coordinator, Clearcreek Fire District, at (937) 748-2766. Brochures and additional information are available at any Clearcreek Fire District Station or the Springboro City Building.



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PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS



Pennyroyal Road, West End, Roadway Improvements

The West End Pennyroyal Road Improvements project consists of widening approximately 2,500 feet of Pennyroyal Road from Queensgate Drive to the west. The pavement will be 29 feet wide, with curb & gutter, storm sewers, and a 5 foot wide sidewalk on the south side. The project was awarded to Brumbaugh Construction, and will be completed by this summer.

Red Lion-Five Points Road Roadway Improvements, Phase 1

Red Lion-Five Points Road will be widened between the intersection of Balcomie Way and Springboro Road (approximately 2,500 feet). The road will be reconstructed to improve site distance along the existing tight curves in the road. Storm sewers and water main are also a part of the project. The project was awarded to Rack and Ballauer Excavating. Construction will begin this summer, after schools have closed.

Lytle-Five Points Road Roadway Improvements

The City is in the design phase of improving a portion of Lytle-Five Points Road (approximately 500 feet) between Country Club Lane and Yankee Road. The road will be widened to three lanes, with curb & gutter, storm sewer, and sidewalk on the north side. The project will be awarded this fall.

Clearcreek-Franklin Road, West of I-75, Roadway Improvements

The City is currently in the design phase of improving a portion of Clearcreek-Franklin Road, west of I-75. The project includes widening the city's portion of the road to 3 lanes, with curb & gutter and storm sewer. The portion of the road in Franklin Township will be resurfaced only. The project will be awarded this fall.

Water Main Improvements – Whispering Pines, Timberwood Drive, and Evergreen Drive

The City is currently in the design phase of replacing existing 6" water mains on the various roads in the Tamarack Subdivision. There have been many water main breaks in this area, and the mains require replacement. New 8-inch water mains will be installed along Whispering Pines, Timberwood Drive, and Evergreen Drive (from Spruceway to Whispering Pines). The project will be awarded this fall.

West Tech Road Lighting, Landscaping and Irrigation

The west end of West Tech Road was extended to provide access for future development in the South Tech Business Park. This portion of West Tech Road will be lighted, landscaped, and irrigated. The project was awarded to Saturn Electric. The project has begun, and will be completed by the summer.

Park Maintenance Building

A new park maintenance building is being constructed at the north end of Clearcreek Park. The project was awarded to Dryden Builders to build a 5,000 square foot maintenance building, to be used to store park maintenance equipment. Construction has begun, and will be completed this spring.

Office Addition for the Service Department

The service garage located at 220 E. Mill Street is being expanded to include a new 2,500 square foot office addition. As a part of this project, interior renovation of the existing locker room and restroom facilities will be constructed. The project was awarded to G/C Contracting. Construction has begun, and will be completed this spring.

2013 Street Resurfacing Program

The streets in this year's resurfacing program include: Colonial Way, Crandell Court, Greenleaf Village Drive (from Country Club Lane to Abbey Springs), Heritage Court, a portion Industry Lane, Lincolnshire Lane, Orchard Drive, Royal Birkdale Drive (western half), Royal Troon, a portion of South Pioneer Boulevard, and Tamarack Trail (from Clearcreek Franklin Road to Evergreen Drive). Concrete repairs to the curbs, sidewalk and driveway aprons will also be completed on these streets as a part of this program, as well as on the streets resurfaced in 2012, which included a portion of Renwood Place, Beckworth Way, and Lower Springboro Road. Letters will be mailed to the property owners that require sidewalk and driveway apron repairs shortly.



Parks Update

The winter months give the City Staff plenty of time to plan for more improvements in our parks system when the weather improves and more people are out enjoying the warmer weather and sunshine. 2013 will be no different. City Council authorized approximately \$400,000 worth of park improvements for this year. Those include:

North Park

A new basketball court, finishing the safety surface at the playground, and widening and improving the entrance drive to the park.

Clearcreek Park

Irrigation of the soccer fields on the east side of the park, new restroom facility and a new parking area on the west side of the park.

Community Park

Repair the Royal Drive entrance to the park, replace the existing swing set and older shelter on the west side of the park.

Gardner Park

Installation of a fountain in the pond and additional furniture elements for residents to sit, relax and enjoy the scenery or take a break from a walk on the walking trail.

Stormwater Runoff

Illicit Discharges

If you see anyone dumping anything into the storm sewer system please contact the Public Works Department at 937-748-9791.

Winter Time Tips – Stormwater Management Tips

Did you know?

Excess salt and other deicing chemicals can harm aquatic life in our streams and impact drinking water supplies.

This winter you can help by following these environmentally friendly snow removal practices:

- Shovel snow before it turns to ice to limit the need for deicing chemicals like rock salt.
- Shovel snow onto non-paved surfaces such as landscaped and/or grassy areas. As the snow melts it will soak into the ground rather than flow directly into a nearby storm drain or stream.
- Sand and sawdust can be used as an environmentally friendly alternative to commonly used salt products. Cracked corn has been suggested as an alternative because animals can eat it before it gets washed into the storm sewers in the spring.
- After snowmelt, sweep up residues, including sand, to prevent it from washing into the storm drains and streams.
- Using the old fashioned approach of a shovel means eliminating ice and snow without harmful chemicals and it also provides the added benefit of physical exercise.





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