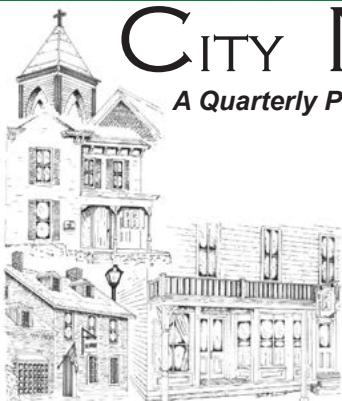


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CITY NOTES

A Quarterly Publication for the Citizens of Springboro



Happy 200th Birthday Springboro!

Springboro is turning 200 years old in 2015. Happy Birthday Springboro!

In order to properly celebrate a milestone such as a 200th birthday, Springboro200, Inc., a non-profit organization, has been formed to coordinate the year long festivities to celebrate and commemorate the City's founding back in 1815.

The Springboro200 Committee has been working diligently on creating a wonderful experience that will not only showcase the City's rich and historical past, but to

celebrate our next 200 years as well! While many events will highlight the year, two main events are already planned: the weekend of July 4 will feature day long concerts and activities at North Park and the night of November 14 will be the "Bicentennial Bash" at Heatherwoode.

The main source of information concerning the celebration will be the group's website at www.boro200.com. You can also follow the group on their Facebook page. Search "Springboro Bicentennial" to Like their page.

Long Time Resident Janie Ridd Appointed to City Council



At a Special Meeting of City Council on November 10, long time resident Janie Ridd was unanimously appointed to serve out the remaining term of the Ward 1 Council vacancy. Mrs. Ridd was sworn into her position on November 20 by Law Director Alan Schaeffer.

Mrs. Ridd has lived in Springboro for 36 years and has been a very active member of the community. She served on the City's Planning Commission for almost 30 years, so she isn't new to public meetings!

In her application for Council, Mrs. Ridd stated, "To this day, I am so thankful to be able to call Springboro home. I am very proud of our City. And while I am so proud of our past, our progress and achievements, I'm equally passionate about our potential for the future and would love the opportunity to continue serving Springboro as the City Council representative of Ward 1."

Mrs. Ridd will be serving the unexpired Ward 1 term until December, 2017.



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From the Office of Mayor and City Council

HAPPY BIRTHDAY SPRINGBORO; 2015 is our City's Bicentennial! For those who don't already know, the 2015 Committee has been working on our bicentennial celebration for the past two years in recognition of our community's 200th birthday. We have so many great events planned, together with lots and lots of patriotism. We really do have so much to celebrate and appreciate living in the 10th best community in the country! A variety of exciting entertainment is lined-up for this year's celebration including the famous American Bombshells from New York City, who have been invited to perform for the community on Friday, July 3 at our very own North Park Amphitheater. This very talented and fun vocal group travels around the world performing for our troops and at public concerts on all major holidays. In fact, they have performed for two U.S. Presidents and appeared on Good Morning America, CNN, Fox, The Tomorrow Show and 4th of July with General Colin Powell at the Military Memorials just to name a few. We are also planning a community fireworks display and a host of other great surprises to be announced. We would like to thank the Bicentennial Committee for all of their efforts and the many, many hours they have devoted to helping the community celebrate this very special birthday. The committee is made up of about 30 very dedicated Springboro residents, who will be recognized as we get closer to the event. Please mark your calendars for a special Bicentennial Celebration the Fourth of July weekend beginning Friday, July 3 through Sunday, July 5. Other events are planned leading up to this historic celebration, and we will keep everyone posted along the way. Look for updates in our local newspapers, upcoming newsletters and on our website at www.cityofspringboro.com.

We would like to start the year by welcoming newly appointed Councilwoman Janie Ridd, who was sworn into office as Springboro City Council Member for Ward 1 on November 20. Ms. Ridd was selected from among four well-qualified candidates seeking the vacant Council seat. Janie has been a resident of Springboro since 1979. She and her husband, John, have two grown children, both graduates of the Springboro schools. Janie is a graduate of the Krannert School of Management at Purdue University and works at Oberer Realty Services as the Administrative & Marketing Coordinator. During her children's school years, Janie was an active volunteer in many capacities including the PTO and numerous event committees. In 1987, Janie was appointed to the City Planning Commission and continued to serve Springboro in that capacity for nearly 28 years. During that time, she served on several related

committees including the Strategic Planning Committee, the Board of Zoning Appeals and the Community Reinvestment Committee. Janie is very passionate about Springboro and dedicated to our City's success and future. She looks forward to serving the citizens of Springboro as a Council Member for the next three years, and Council welcomes Janie to our City's leadership!

We would also like to recognize two very dedicated community leaders who retired from volunteer service in 2014.

Brian Frock was officially honored at our December 18 Council Meeting for 32 years of service on our Board of Zoning Appeals along with Chris Papakirk for his 12 years of service on our Planning Commission. Councilwoman Janie Ridd was recognized for her long-term service on the Planning Commission as well. Many thanks to Mr. Frock, Mr. Papakirk and Ms. Ridd for their countless hours of service and valuable contributions to the leadership of our community, and to all of our hardworking volunteer boards and commissions for their time and contributions to Springboro's success!



City Council held their first meeting of the year on January 15. Councilman Bruce Moore was appointed to serve as Deputy Mayor and all Council standing committees and citizen boards and commissions were appointed for new terms beginning in 2015. Committee membership and information are posted on our website for reference. Once again, we thank all of the residents who took the time to apply for committee seats and the committee volunteers who were willing to continue their service on our boards and commissions.

With 2015 underway, we are very proud to report that Springboro received a 95% satisfaction rating from citizens in a survey conducted over the summer. The percentage of respondents who indicated that they are "very satisfied" or "satisfied" living in Springboro has increased from 87% in 2008 to 95% in 2014. Satisfaction was measured by residents' attitudes and opinions toward the quality of life in Springboro and city services provided to residents. During the survey, approximately 20% of the households in Springboro were randomly selected to respond and almost

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half of the citizens that participated have been residents of Springboro for at least 10 years. The City has conducted three surveys since 2008, which show continued improvement in many areas of service in the past six years and provides us with a snapshot of how we are doing as a city. The survey was conducted by the Center for Public Management and Regional Affairs at Miami University led by Senior Project Manager Dr. Mark Morris. Dr. Morris presented the results of the 2014 survey and compared results from our last two surveys at the November 20 Council Meeting. This year's survey results revealed some very positive feedback regarding street maintenance especially with respect to snow removal, which we owe to our hard-working and resourceful road crew in the Service Department. Also, according to the survey, our parks remain one of our greatest assets. We appreciate the great response and support we received regarding our park services and all of the time, energy and funding spent to improve and enhance our parks for the residents of our community. Most of the other services included in the survey, such as police protection, improved as well. In addition, this newsletter continues to be the primary source for City news and information and we are pleased to see that the number of residents using our website and social media sources for information has increased since 2008 and that so many of you are finding convenient ways to access city updates and information. The City plans to repeat the survey about every three years in order to track its performance based on public opinion. Many thanks to the residents who took the time to complete the 2014 survey!

In case you haven't heard, Springboro was rated one of the best suburbs in America in 2014 by *Business Insider Magazine!* The rating was based on an analysis of approximately 300 suburbs and Springboro ranked #10 out of the 50 best suburbs in America with populations between 5,000 and 100,000 and within about 25 miles of a metropolitan area. Data on commute times, average household income, crime rates, school ratings, and housing affordability were used to rate the communities, and a number of Ohio suburbs made it into the top 50. Springboro was described by *Business Insider Magazine!* as "boasting big-city amenities and a small-town atmosphere." It's great to be recognized for having it all! We are proud of our efforts to balance the old with the new and have remained focused on both preserving our heritage and encouraging responsible, forward-thinking growth. This most recent rating follows several high rankings bestowed upon Springboro in the past five to six years. We are happy to know

that our hard work is paying off and that our residents, businesses and schools continue to work together to make Springboro even better.

Council voted on more than 50 legislative items concerning capital improvements, planning and zoning, economic development and operations and maintenance in 2014. Council Members attended approximately 100 council, committee and association meetings this year, represented Springboro as members of several local and regional organizations and kept in touch with the legislature concerning issues and priorities important to local government. We are also happy to share that the City has a healthy financial outlook going into 2015. We thank our City Manager, Finance Department and staff for all of the time and effort they spent to present a balanced budget, which was unanimously approved by Council in November. I, as well as other Council Members, attended nearly 50 ribbon cuttings and community events in 2014, and I had the pleasure of performing a number of marriage ceremonies for residents throughout the year. It was an honor to unite these couples and help them begin their lives together, and all of the money received for this service goes directly to the DARE Program.

Some events to look forward to in 2015 include the Springboro Chamber of Commerce 15th Annual Hometown EXPO on Saturday, March 21 from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at Springboro High School. Thousands of people from Springboro and neighboring communities attend this event each year, and we hope to see you there this year! Also, the City hosts a Business Appreciation Breakfast for our business community each year in April at Heatherwoode Golf Course. This is always a great event for business people and community leaders to meet and learn about the many Springboro businesses that support our local economy. Invitations for the breakfast will be mailed to businesses in March.

Again, we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in our community for making Springboro the 10th best suburb in America! People everywhere are finding out what we have always known, Springboro is a great place to be and just keeps getting better. **A BIG THANK YOU** to our Springboro friends and families for your support this past year and into the next!

***All the very best of health, happiness and success in 2015,
Mayor John Agenbroad***

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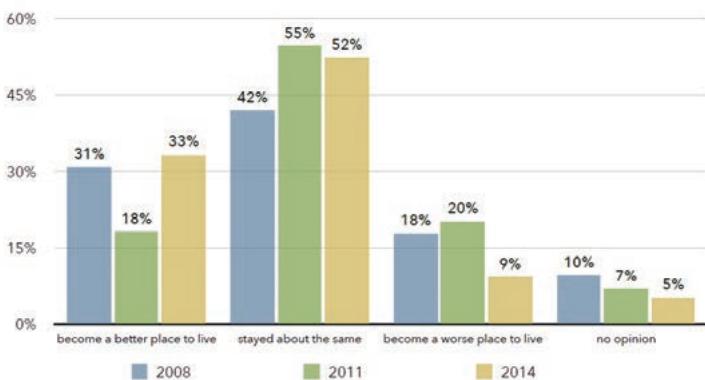
Citizen Attitudes and Public Opinion Survey

During the Summer of 2014, The Center for Public Management and Regional Affairs (CPMRA) at Miami University conducted a citizen attitudes and public opinion survey for the City. The survey was mailed to a random sample of 1,250 households in Springboro and 34.5% of those households responded. Similar Surveys were conducted in Springboro by CPMRA in 2008 and 2011. The City conducts the survey every three years to track the City's improvement (or lack thereof) of services over a specific period of time.

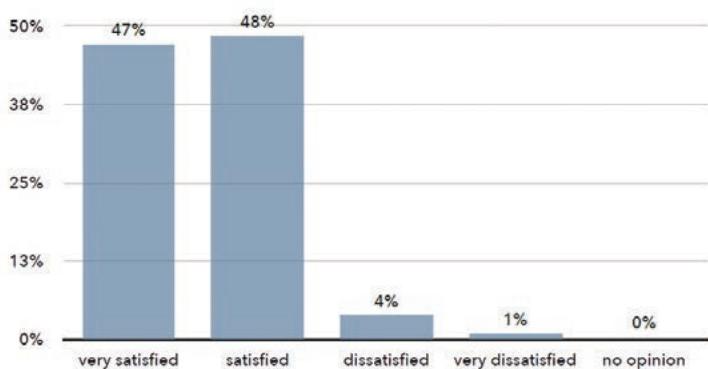
The Mayor, City Council and City Staff appreciate all the responses and take the results very seriously. While we appreciate any positive comments and/or results, we will attempt focus more on those areas where we need to improve. Here are some of the key findings from the survey:

- **Nine out of ten respondents are either very satisfied (47%) or satisfied (48%) with living in Springboro.**
- **Satisfaction with the Police Department improved 8% in comparison to the 2011 survey (83% versus 75%).**
- **Satisfaction levels increased in regard to every single park in Springboro over 2008 and 2011.**
- **When asked what citizens "most liked about living in Springboro", 56% rated some type of "Quality of Life" factor.**
- **When asked what citizens "dislike about living in Springboro", 28% of the responses identified growth and development issues.**
- **Three of the top ten public nuisances not adequately addressed are; Vegetation height (weeds), unattended pets and noise.**

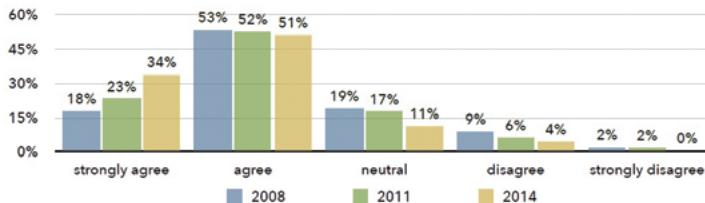
In the past five years, do you think Springboro has... (n=400)



Overall, how satisfied are you with living in Springboro? (n=410)



Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statement: "I am satisfied with the current level of parks and recreation facilities provided by the City of Springboro." (n=397)



Thank you again to everyone who took the time to complete a survey. The City does take the responses seriously as we are always looking for ways to improve the services provided to our residents. To see the complete results of the survey, please visit the City website at www.ci.springboro.oh.us.



Tell your friends about us!



Groups That Give Back

Springboro is fortunate to have so many service organizations and youth sports organizations for our residents to take advantage. These groups not only provide fellowship for adults and opportunities for kids of all ages and backgrounds to participate in activities, but they also give back to the City as well!

The City would like to thank the Optimist Club of Springboro for its pledge of \$9,000 towards the replacement of the “metal” shelter at Community Park. The shelter is starting to show its age and the City will be taking it down and erecting a new one in its place in the spring of 2015. The Optimists were looking for a project to partner with the City on, and the shelter project was a great fit for the group.

Another group that has given back to the City is the select baseball organization that utilizes the ball diamonds at Community Park. Select baseball donated money to the City to assist with erecting dugouts at the fields last spring. They were able to raise the money through playing fees as well as concession stand sales from tournament games hosted at Community Park.

Finally, as they do every year – the Clearcreek Youth Soccer Association (CYSA) has made a donation to the City for the purchase of grass seed and other materials to “put back in the ground” for the fields at Clearcreek and North Parks.



Springboro Makes Yet Another Top 10 List

David Letterman's *Top Ten List* has nothing on Springboro! Along with recently being named one of the best places to live for a young family in Ohio, one of the safest places to live in Ohio, and the 41st and 43rd best place to live in America by *CNN/Money Magazine* within the last 6 years...now Springboro has been named the #10 Best Suburb in America by the *Business Insider Magazine*!

An excerpt from the article naming the top 50 suburbs in America: *“The U.S. is full of incredible places to live — cities, yes, but also numerous unique smaller towns and villages that people call home. After examining data on nearly 300 suburbs, we put together a list of the 50 best suburbs in America. For this list, we considered suburbs with populations between 5,000 and 100,000 within 40 kilometers of the nearest metropolitan area. We also factored in average commute times, median household income, poverty and crime rates, public school ratings, and a measure of housing affordability. Our list was dominated by the Midwest, or more specifically by Ohio suburbs. This is likely due to several factors, most notably a reasonable cost of living.”*

This ranking, and all the others, are a wonderful testament to the Springboro community, businesses, schools, and most of all its residents.

Recent Noteworthy Springboro Community and School Rankings

City:

- 41st Best Place to Live in America from *CNN/Money Magazine* (2009)
- 43rd Best Place to Live in America from *CNN/Money Magazine* (2011)
- #7 for Best Place to Live in Ohio For Young Families by *NerdWallet* (2013)
- #8 Safest Place To Live in Ohio by *Safewise* (2013)
- #10 Best Suburb in America by *Business Insider Magazine* (2014)

Schools:

- Ranked in the top 7% of all school districts in Ohio, 61 out of 881. (2013)
- #8 Top District in the Region by the *Dayton Business Journal*. (2014)
- #84 Top High School in Ohio by *US News & World Report* (2014)

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Income Tax Information

The following is information to help you prepare for the income tax season.

2014 Income Tax Forms

Tax forms or extension requests are due by **April 15, 2015**.

Remember, an extension is for time to file, not time to pay. Any tax due is to be paid by April 15, 2015.

For assistance with your return, please bring all your tax information to 320 W. Central Ave. **There is no charge for this service.**

Forms are available at the Income Tax Department – 320 W. Central Avenue or the City website at www.ci.springboro.oh.us.

Quarterly Estimated Payment Reminder:

Would you like to receive an email to remind you that your estimated payment is due? If so, 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.

Quarterly Estimated Payments

Declarations 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 Department.

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

Fax: (937) 748-6185

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

“That Spring Thing” Hometown Expo Is Right Around The Corner

The Springboro Chamber of Commerce is proud to announce that the 2015 Hometown Expo “That Spring Thing,” presented by Wade Insurance Agency, will be held on Saturday, March 21st at Springboro High School. Hometown Expo is Warren County’s Largest Business-to-Consumer Expo each year, featuring 200+ exhibits including local businesses and non-profit organizations. Truly a community event, Hometown Expo is free to attend, and allows Springboro residents to directly interface with the Springboro business community. Find a doctor, an attorney, an insurance agent or an electrician all in one day. Residents can also enter to win hundreds of door prizes valued at over \$15,000, including a Grand Prize HDTV package valued at \$3,000, sponsored by Custom Connections Audio Video, Ltd.

Opening ceremonies will be held promptly at 10:00 AM and will feature well-known community leaders. Make

sure to get there early in order to secure a great parking space! In 2014, over 7,000 people attended Hometown Expo, despite the poor weather, with the Chamber projecting a much larger crowd in 2015. Once you enter the event, you can stay throughout the entire day. The Expo Food Court will offer a variety of low-cost choices for breakfast/lunch. Restaurant vendors will provide smaller portions at around the \$3 price point and below. Sales in the food court will be on a cash basis only.

Entertainment will be provided on the stage in the commons area of the high school. Music groups from Springboro Community Schools will perform as well as other local talent. Hometown Expo will conclude at 3:00 PM with a local music ensemble closing the event. The Grand Prize winner is announced during the closing ceremonies, but the winner is not required to be present to claim the prize, which must be claimed within 30 days.

Top 10 Mistakes People Make in Filing Tax Returns

10. Failure to sign return or attach check.
9. Failure to file the return because the resident is fully withheld.
8. Failure to advise of address changes.
7. Failure to file return for the year taxpayer moves in or out.
6. Failure to allocate taxes and credits paid when allocating income for move-in/move-out year.
5. Failure to file and pay estimates.
4. Failure to mail return.
3. Failure to attach Schedules/Forms and statements.
2. Failure to attach W-2.
1. Failure to use gross compensation.

City Hires New Police Officer

Officer Aaron Nicely was hired as a police officer on October 27. Aaron began her law enforcement career as a dispatcher for the Germantown Police Department and then the Centerville Police Department for 12 years. While working as a dispatcher on the midnight shift, Aaron attended the Sinclair Police Academy in the evenings and graduated with a silver medal in physical fitness.



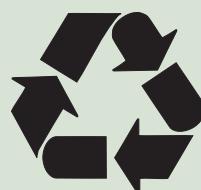
Aaron also worked as an officer for the City of Beavercreek for two years but wanted to join a department with a hometown feel and closer to home.

Aaron’s husband of 14 years is a recently retired Sergeant with the Miami Township Police Department. They have four children that are active in football and cheerleading. Aaron is currently working on her Bachelor’s Degree in Business Management.



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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!**



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20th Anniversary
HEATHERWOODE
GOLF CLUB

Golf Anyone?

Now is the time to book your next special occasion at Heatherwoode Golf Club. Whether you are hosting

a wedding, anniversary, birthday party, graduation, please give Amy Cox-DeBorde a call at 937-748-3222 x106 to discuss your function. Space is available for up to 200 guests. Visit our website at www.heatherwoodegc.com.

The golf course at Heatherwoode has taken on a new look with our newly renovated practice facility. The upper practice tee was renovated last year with the old Bent grass being replaced with an extremely fast-recovering Bermuda grass. That conversion has been so beneficial that this spring the lower tee grass will be upgraded as well, providing Heatherwoode with one of the premier grass hitting areas in the area. Not only is the grass perfect for working on your full swing, but we added a new short game practice area to hone in on your finesse shots and save yourself valuable strokes. The short game area consists of a regulation putting green for both putting and chipping, as well as two fantastic practice bunkers; one green side and another for those hard to hit fairway bunker shots.

There hasn't been a better time to consider our PDP or Player Development Program for only \$299 or \$399. Both programs include unlimited use of the range and practice facilities, and all PDP members receive \$5 off anytime they come out to play. At the \$399 level, you also receive the added benefit of free green fees 2 hours before dark each day (some restrictions apply and cart fees are additional). A limited number of these memberships are offered each year so stop in and secure your spot today!



City and School Cooperation

The City and Schools have a long history of cooperation between the two entities. Some projects are well publicized (most recently Wade Field), and some aren't (the City plowing the main driveway at the Senior and Junior Highs during snow events). Recently, the City and Schools embarked on another project of cooperation – a traffic study of State Route 741 and school campus ingress and egress.

In December, the City and the Schools joined forces to hire Lockwood, Jones and Beals (LJB) to conduct a two-pronged traffic study; 1) To study the traffic, traffic patterns and traffic signal coordination from the High School all the way to SR 73/SR 741 during peak school times, and 2) To study the ingress and egress to the High School/Junior High/Dennis Elementary area during peak school times and special events.

As far as the traffic portion of the study is concerned, LJB is tasked with observing the daily traffic patterns during the heaviest parts of the day, determining how the coordination of the traffic signals helps, or hurts that traffic pattern and then will make recommendations on potential solutions to lessen the traffic issues. It is no secret that traffic gets a little backed up on SR 741 (South Main Street) during two times of the day when school is in session. Yes, we know that would be an understatement!

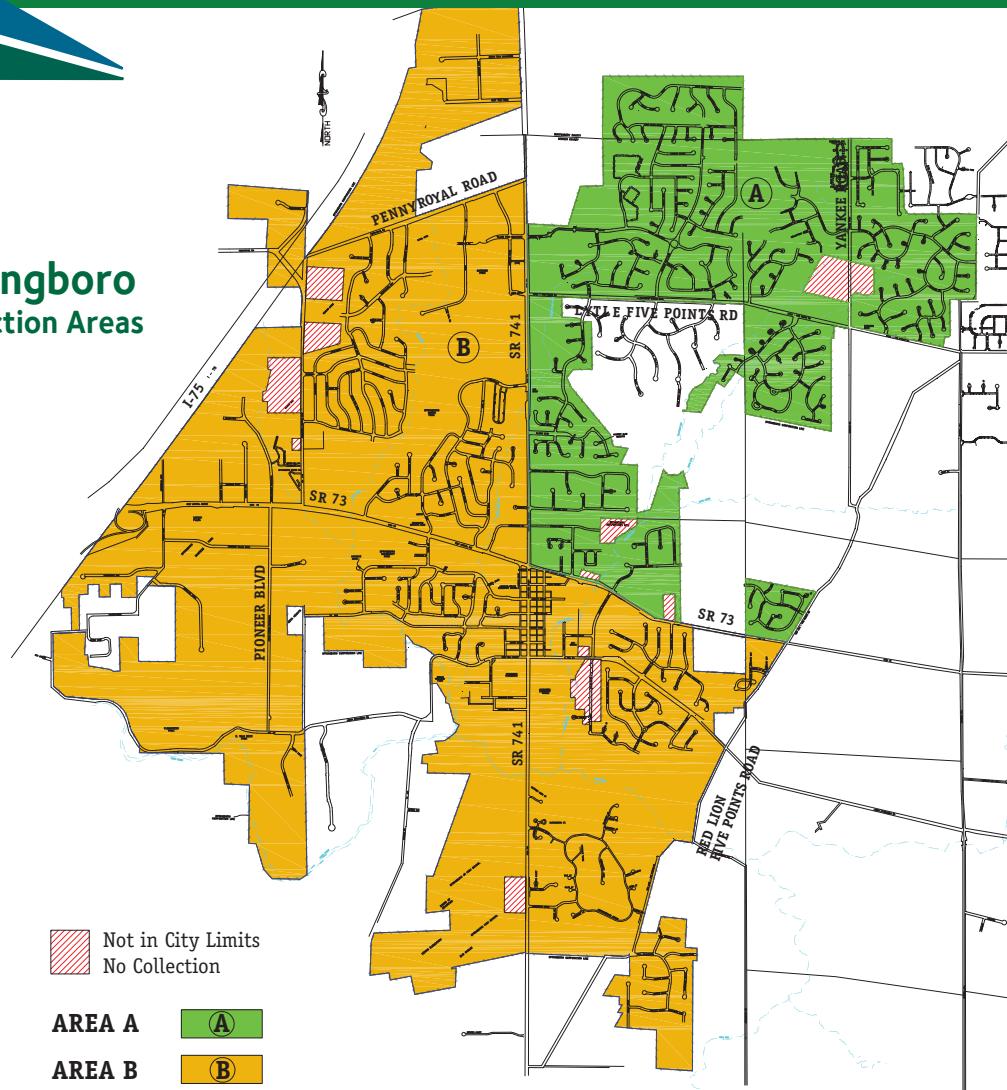
Please keep in mind it says "potential solutions to LESSEN traffic issues." Due to the volume of traffic and the amount of kids and parents that drive their kids to and from school each day, no solutions will be able to completely solve the problem. There is simply too much traffic on that road at certain times of the day. However, LJB will hopefully be able to suggest solutions that can help minimize the traffic impact.

The second part of the study is concerned with ingress and egress to the schools. As many people know, there are only two main entrances to three schools and an athletic complex that cover over 300 acres of property. LJB is tasked with analyzing the existing entrances and volume of traffic they can accommodate and determine if a third entrance/exit point can and should be added to the schools.

The preliminary report is due back to the City and Schools in late January. The results will be reported to the public by the City and Schools after both entities have had time to analyze the results and recommendations.



City of Springboro Recycling Collection Areas



* PLEASE SEE CALENDAR FOR YOUR COLLECTION DATES.

** AREAS ARE BOUNDED BY THE CENTERLINE OF NORTH STATE ROUTE 741 AND THE CENTERLINE OF EAST STATE ROUTE 73.

2015 Calendar of Recycling Dates

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The following holidays will be observed:

New Years Day	Labor Day
Memorial Day	Thanksgiving Day
Independence Day	Christmas Day

In the event that a holiday falls on Monday or Tuesday, your collection day will be moved to the next day.

Should you have any questions regarding the every other week recycling program, or the use of your cart, please contact **1-866-797-9018**.

● = Observed Holiday
Service Delayed 1 Day

● = Area A Recycling Week
(north of SR73 & east of SR 741)

● = Area B Recycling Week
(south of SR73 & west of SR 741)

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PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS



Red Lion-Five Points Road Roadway Improvements, Phase II

Red Lion-Five Points Road will be widened to a pavement width of 24 ft., along with 2 ft. shoulders, between the intersection of Balcombe Way and Null Boulevard (approximately 1,050 ft.). The road will be re-profiled to improve site distance along the road. Storm sewers and water main are also a part of the project. This project is currently in the design phase.

Sharts Road and Greenwood Lane Intersection Improvements

An additional left turn lane is being added for Sharts Road and Greenwood Lane at the intersection of State Route 73. Upon completion, Sharts Road will have dual left turn lanes onto SR 73. Traffic signal improvements are also being made, upgrading the existing strain poles to mast arms. This project is currently in the design phase.

East Mill Street/Lower Springboro Road Improvements

East Mill Street will be widened to 3 lanes from the east side of the Fieldstone subdivision to the intersection of Red Lion-Five Points Road (approximately 900 feet). Curb & gutter, and storm sewers are also included in the project.

West Central Avenue (State Route 73) Resurfacing

West Central Avenue will be resurfaced from I-75 to SR 741 (approximately 2 miles), at which time a bike lane will be added. This bike lane will be provided from Sharts Road to Springwood Drive.

Royal Oaks Subdivision Concrete Improvements

Deteriorating concrete curbs, sidewalks, and driveway aprons are being replaced in the Royal Oaks subdivision. The concrete sidewalks and aprons have been marked and notification letters will be mailed to the affected property owners. The curbs will be marked in the spring.

Water Main Improvements – Bramble Bush, West Market Street, Carey Drive

Design will begin on replacing an existing 6" water main on Bramble Bush and Carey Drive with new 8" water mains, as well as replacing the existing 8" water main on West Market Street. There have been many water main breaks in these areas, and the mains require replacement. The new 8" water main will be installed the entire length of each road. Construction to be completed by year end 2015.



Permits for Building or Remodeling

Any resident wishing to remodel, build or add-on to any structure must first obtain a permit from the City of Springboro Building/Zoning Department. This would include the construction of decks, fences, patio covers, enclosures, accessory buildings, installation of irrigation systems, etc. Any remodeling to existing houses such as basements or any unfinished area in a home requires building plans to be filed with the City along with a building application. Applications may be obtained at 320 West Central Avenue or downloaded from the City of Springboro Web Page (www.ci.springboro.oh.us). **The new fee schedule went into effect January 1, 2015.**

Double fees are charged for work completed without a permit and some work may need to be removed and redone. It is very important to apply for the appropriate permit prior to work being started. Problems have developed when residents put their house on the market without proper inspection records on file with the Building Department.

Please contact the Building/Zoning Department at 748-9791 for any other information that you may require.

Residential Building Permits

There have been 66 Residential Building Permits issued as of mid-December 2014. There were 95 new single family permits in 2013. The number of Residential Building Permits over the past fourteen years is shown below:

Year	Residential Building Permits
2000	305
2001	256
2002	280
2003	276
2004	204
2005	141
2006	74
2007	37
2008	12
2009	19
2010	25
2011	24
2012	67
2013	95

Litter & Illegal Dumping

We all pay for litter and illegal dumping. The cost is more than just the money we pay to have someone clean it up. Litter and dumping can increase the health and safety risks of residents through disease and hazardous objects, as well as degrade natural resources, the esthetics of a community, and the local economy.

Discarded plastic bags, bottles, wrappers, fast food packaging and tires are among the most common types of litter known to create the perfect breeding habitat for mosquitos and other vermin. These “floatables” can also clog storm drains and cause flooding. Debris such as cigarette butts, broken glass and aluminum cans create cutting and choking hazards for humans and wildlife.

Toxins from cigarette butts, oils, paints, liquid wastes and chemicals leach into and can contaminate nearby water sources and soil. The accumulation of aged food, drinks, pet waste and stagnant rain water can increase harmful, disease-spreading bacteria and other contaminates that find their way to the stream.

A nation-wide study done by Keep America Beautiful discovered that litter clean up costs an estimated \$11.5 billion annually.



“Get Social” With the City!

The City of Springboro’s presence on social media continues to grow...but you wouldn’t know that if you haven’t “Followed” or “Liked” us yet on Twitter or Facebook! The City uses both social media platforms to provide current information to our residents about City Council actions, City projects, tax information and a whole host of other issues. Our Twitter handle is @cityofboroOH and you can search us on Facebook at City of Springboro-Municipal Government. Follow or Like us today - don’t be out of the information loop!





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