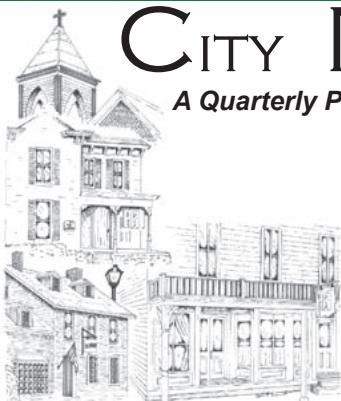


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CITY NOTES

A Quarterly Publication for the Citizens of Springboro



17,409...That is our City's population as confirmed by the U.S. Census Bureau in early March. Springboro's response rate to the Census Bureau's household survey was among the highest percentages in the state and the region at 83%. We would like to thank our residents for cooperating with the U.S. Census Bureau to get the most accurate and complete count possible. The results show that the City's population has grown by 5,029 or approximately 41% over the past decade compared to the 89% that Springboro grew in the previous decade. Warren County grew over 25% since 2000 with a population of 212,693. Ohio's population grew by 183,364 to 11,536,504 or about 1.6%. Finally, the 2010 Census reported 308.7 million people in the United States, a 9.7 percent increase from the Census 2000 population of 281.4 million. Official enumeration reports should be released to state and local entities soon and 2010 census data will become available on the U.S. Census Bureau's official website at www.census.gov or American FactFinder at www фактfinder2. census.gov.

Our population numbers are our voice in the federal government providing the information needed to help direct billions of dollars of funding to state and local communities for such needs and services as schools, libraries, roads and transportation, programs for the elderly and disabled, child care centers, and for the unexpected such as disaster emergency equipment and rescue and relief efforts. Also, our population numbers help further our local economies by attracting businesses to viable areas based on census statistics and are used to determine the number of seats each state will hold in



the United States House of Representatives. A table of general demographics of our community has been provided by the U.S. Census Bureau.

Again, we thank you for making sure you were part of Springboro's one voice in the 2010 Census!



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'Round Town

Clearcreek Youth Soccer Association (CYSA) registration began May 1st for the Fall season. For more information, visit their website at www.borosay.org. CYSA also sponsors a British Soccer Camp from July 25th – 29th at Clearcreek Park. To register visit: www.challengersports.com.

Springboro Lions Club – The City would like to send out a big THANK YOU to the Springboro Lions Club for re-roofing the Lions Club Shelter at North Park. The all volunteer organization took time out of their busy schedules to assist the City with the work and get it done before the new solar panels were added to the shelter.



Greetings from the Mayor and City Council

Every spring City Council holds a special goals and objectives work session and this year we met on Thursday, April 21 to discuss both long range and short term goals for the City. This special meeting was very productive and Council Members in consultation with the City Manager reviewed and revised recommended goals for this and future years.

Among the items on the “to-do” list was the Citizen Satisfaction Survey, which was initiated three years ago to monitor the City’s ongoing performance, expanding communications with the public, identify and promote regional opportunities and projects to be more efficient and cost effective, and economic development initiatives at South Tech Business Park and Austin Interchange as well as other commercial areas in the City. City Council also received a copy of the newly published “City Boards and Commissions Guide” and “Board and Commission Handbook.” The purpose of the “Guide” is to introduce Springboro residents who are interested in serving on a board or commission to the variety of committee service opportunities, the application process, and the commitment involved in volunteering.

Please visit our website to see the new booklet along with a volunteer application at www.ci.springboro.oh.us. The “Handbook” is a companion piece to the “Guide,” which will be used as a training and resource manual for appointed board and commission members. Beginning in 2012, newly appointed committee members will participate in a training session at the beginning of their term of service to help them better understand their duties and responsibilities as a representative of the City.

We truly do appreciate the many residents who express interest in volunteering to serve on a committee; Council is always looking for opportunities to increase citizen involvement in our local government. Special thanks are extended to our hard working volunteers who are extremely dedicated to community leadership in Springboro.

The Springboro Tree Authority sponsored our City’s annual Arbor Day Celebration on April 30 with a tree planting ceremony in memory of Dick Chenault. A proclamation memorializing Mr. Chenault for his life-long service to his country and community was presented at the ceremony. Mr. Chenault was a member of the Clearcreek Fire Department for 45 years and served as Chief for 23 years, and he was a letter carrier for the U.S. Post Office for 22 years and a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army. Dick Chenault is

survived by his wife, Phyllis, four children, four grandchildren and two great grandchildren. An Autumn Blaze Maple Tree was dedicated in his memory at the South Main Street Fire Station with staff and city officials in attendance. This year’s Arbor Day Ceremony also marked the 139th Anniversary of Arbor Day, and thanks to the commitment of the Springboro Tree Authority, volunteers, and city staff Springboro has received national recognition as a Tree City USA for the 15th consecutive year by the National Arbor Day Foundation.

During our March 17 Regular Meeting, Council received a report regarding our City’s new recycling program instituted last fall, which provided residents with larger toters at no additional cost and a bi-weekly pick-up schedule. The program has been in effect for six months and is working very well. Recycling has increased by about 12% since the program began saving the City about \$24,000 in tipping fees. In other words, when the community recycles more, the City pays less in trash tipping fees. In addition, Waste Management has lowered their price for our recycling service, which has amounted to approximately \$14,000 in savings in the first two months of the program. The total projected savings over the entire year is approximately \$104,000! The City should see a return on its investment in the program in about 2.5 years. We appreciate all of the residents who have participated in the program by increasing their recycling; keep it up! This program not only helps to protect the environment, it also saves taxpayer dollars.

City Council was pleased to receive a very positive economic development update from Assistant City Manager Chris Pozzuto at our April 7 meeting. Highlights in 2010-2011 include 23 new companies, six vacant buildings now occupied, and the sale of 6.8 acres of commercial land owned by the City for development; all of which equal immediate and future contributions to the City’s income tax base. Springboro participates in the Business First! Program, an outreach program that links businesses with community resources to help them succeed in the Miami Valley Region. Ten of the sixteen businesses visited through the Business First! Program in 2010 plan to expand their business in Springboro in the next year. The City also reached out to small businesses in Springboro by providing three specialized marketing seminars in 2010. The City has two in-house economic development projects planned for 2011. The West Tech Road extension project, which will add 1,100 feet to the roadway to provide access to 31 acres of property for the proposed development of 400,000 square feet of Class A office space near the Austin Road Interchange. Also, a web

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based property search tool has been added to the City's website to enable prospective businesses to search for available properties within the City. Finally, the City hosted its annual Business Appreciation Breakfast on Thursday, April 7 at Heatherwoode Golf Course with 180 members of our business community in attendance. At this year's event, our business community learned about the City's new provisions for digital signage, projects such as the State Route 73/I-75 improvements and asked questions regarding other topics of interest to Springboro businesses. Last but not least, our Mayor and Council Members have already attended several ribbon cuttings this spring in conjunction with the Springboro Chamber of Commerce. We would like to congratulate the new businesses that have opened in Springboro and wish our existing businesses continued success.

Memorial Day will be observed on Monday, May 30 in Springboro with a parade on South Main Street followed by a ceremony at Wade Field. Please join Mayor John Agenbroad and many members of our community who are veterans in a walking parade and ceremony in remembrance and honor of all men and women who serve and have served to keep our nation safe and strong. The parade will form at the alley and parking lot near Jonathon Wright School and proceed on South Main Street to Springboro Elementary at 2:00 p.m. sharp. The ceremony will immediately follow the parade at Wade Field. A complimentary "picnic" will be served in the school cafeteria following the program.

Finally, our 3rd U.S. District Representative, Congressman Mike Turner, will have a field representative in the Springboro Municipal Building on a monthly basis to meet with constituents. Warren County Outreach Coordinator Marty Heide will be in the Community Room on Fridays from 1:00-2:00 PM on May 27, June 24, July 22, and August 26 to meet with residents regarding Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid, VA problems and concerns, Federal taxes, Housing/Community Developments, and other Federal issues. Please contact Ms. Heide at the Dayton District Office at (937) 225-2843 or via e-mail at marty.heide@mail.house.gov to confirm office hours or for additional information.

Many thanks to the Springboro community for your support and best wishes for a great spring and summer!

— Mayor and City Council

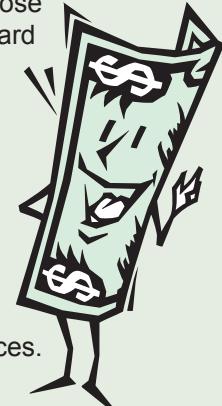
Water & Sewer Bill Assistance Program

At their meeting on May 5, the City Council adopted a Water & Sewer Assistance Program for those residents that may have a hardship in regard to the recently adopted rate increase.

Basic guidelines to be eligible for the program are as follows:

- Must be residents of the City;
- Utility bill must be in the applicant's name;
- Income cannot exceed 175% of the federal poverty guidelines under the Department of Health and Human Services.

Full details concerning the program can be found on the City's website at www.ci.springboro.oh.us or residents can contact the Utility Department at (937) 748-4343.



Recycling Increases

The new City-wide recycling program that was instituted last November has been paying some immediate dividends. Over the first six months of the program the residents of the City increased recycling 12%! This is great news and a great start to the new program, considering, that reduces waste being placed in the landfills by about 12%.

And don't forget, as part of the new program, all households are allowed one "upgrade" of recycling toter if you found that the new toter you have is too big or too small for your current needs. To request a different sized toter, please call the Utility Department at (937) 748-4343.

Let's keep up the good work Springboro!

On a side note — we have received some feedback from Waste Management about where residents are placing their new recycling toters. Waste Management is utilizing new trucks with automatic "arms" that help collect the toters and increase efficiency for the drivers. However, as indicated in a picture on the tops of the new toters, the arms need some room in order to operate — at least 3 feet to be exact. So, next time you place your toter and your trash out for pickup, please give your toter at least 3 feet of clear space around it so the "arms" and the drivers can do their job. Thank you.

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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2011 will be a banner year for the Concerts in the Park Series at the North Park Amphitheater as the City and the Park Board are raising the stakes by bringing in some well known regional acts (and a national act) and bands that residents of all ages should enjoy. In addition, we are offering 5 concerts for the price of...NONE! That's right - all the concerts are free of charge! Concerts are held on Tuesdays and start at 7:00p.m.

June 28 – Vanity Theft

In a homecoming performance, the band members originally from Springboro, perform songs that are mostly about past romances.



Though their front is unfailingly united, it took a while for Vanity Theft to get its footing. Forming in 2005, the band—then with a rotating bassist slot—formed in high school, practicing cover tunes in one members parents' living room. They graduated to writing original songs (the first being "Professional Hands," off

their first EP, *Symptoms*) that mixed their two loves—guitars and synths—and assembled enough material to ultimately self-release a 10-song debut, *Postscript*, in 2008. They landed their first show on the fly, filling in for an absent band at a charity event to help the homeless. (Indie / Alternative Rock)

July 5 – The Ohio Army National Guard Band

Feeling patriotic? For over 50 years, the Ohio National Guard's 122nd Army Band has been a staple of the musical tradition of the United States military in Ohio. Members from every corner of the state (plus a few from other states) are charged with carrying out the mission of increasing troop morale and creating a link between the public and the Ohio Army National Guard. (Big Band)

July 12 – The Band of Flight Wright Brass Band

The Wright Brass is one of the sub units of the Air Force Band of Flight. The musicians are chosen from the 45-member concert band and divide their time between the two groups. Wright Brass is a brass quintet expanded to include percussionists and a vocalist. Wright Brass personnel stay busy playing in military ceremonies on base and concert tours throughout the Midwest. (Brass)

July 19 – Sonny Hill and the Night Shift

Sonny Hill was nominated twice for the prestigious Cincinnati Entertainment Award for Best Blues and R&B performer. Also to his credit: two consecutive wins at the Greater Cincinnati Blues Society "Best Blues Band" competition, which led Sonny and Nightshift to represent Greater Cincinnati for the National Finals in Memphis, Tennessee. (Blues and R&B)



July 26 – Phil Dirt & The Dozers

America's premier "Rock 'N R'oldies" review (and the most popular vintage rock and roll show in the nation) will help you recapture those wonderful days! With their musical talent, high energy and contagious sense of humor, Phil Dirt & The Dozers will transport you to another time and place...namely, the 50's, 60's, and 70's of Rock and Roll! The Dozers have been mesmerizing and winning the hearts of millions of clients and fans from the Bellaire Country Club in Beverly Hills to the stage of the Lincoln Center in New York City...from the sunny beaches of Hawaii to the State Fairs of America... and from the Caribbean to Canada. (Rock n Roll)





Parks Update

In an effort to continue to upgrade and add to park facilities and amenities, the City will be adding another ball diamond to Clearcreek Park. Work is scheduled to begin on a large ball diamond directly to the west of the new small diamond that was added two years ago. If the weather cooperates, the new diamond should be ready for use during the fall baseball season.

As reported in previous editions of City Notes, the City received \$77,328 from the State of Ohio to install 4 additional solar arrays within the parks. Work has already begun on the new arrays and should be completed by the end of May. As part of that project, electronic reporting of the electricity being generated is required by the state. In order to accomplish that, the City is setting up wireless hot spots at each of the arrays for reporting purposes. One positive by-product of the reporting requirement is that patrons of the park will also have the ability to utilize the hot spots as they are enjoying the park!

So, once the arrays are up and running, bring your laptop to the parks and enjoy surfing the net! The hot spots will be located at all shelters at Community Park, the concession stand and shelter at North Park, and the concession stand at Clearcreek Park.

Safety Surface at North Park Playground – Rubberized safety surface is scheduled to be added to the North Park Playground by July (weather permitting). This playground is the last of the older playgrounds to receive the safety surface.

In the City's continuing effort to Go Green, seven new recycling cans have been added to the parks. If you are looking to discard any recyclable materials that are usually used in the parks – namely pop cans, plastic bottles or newspapers – please look for the recycling cans to the right and discard your recyclables.



business spotlight

Prodigy Training & Fitness Center

2011 NCAA Champion Wrestler Anthony Robles is scheduled as Prodigy Wrestling Camp Clinician.

Anthony, a 125 lb. senior wrestler from Arizona State University born without a right leg has been in the media spotlight since his win. (Go to http://thesundevils.cstv.com/sports/m-wrestl/mtt/robles_anthony00.html) for more information about Anthony.

Prodigy Training & Fitness is pleased to announce that Anthony will be training with the students during their Wrestling Summer Camp series. In addition to technique, he will be sharing about life. His message is "no matter your circumstances, you can be unstoppable." For more information, go to the Prodigy website: www.prodigyteams.com or call them at 937-550-0051.

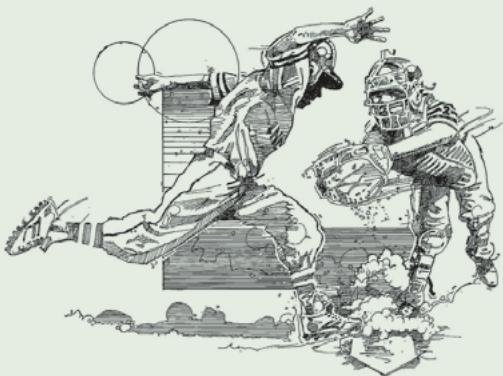


Police Beat

The Police Department has issued its annual report for 2010. To view the complete report, go to the City's website at www.ci.springboro.oh.us and click on "Departments", "Police" then "Crime Statistics". Some general highlights:

- In 2010, the Police Department responded to 18,622 calls for service. That's an average of 51 calls per day.
- Part I crimes (burglary, auto theft, etc.) were down 6% in 2010 compared to 2009.
- Traffic accidents decreased by 5% in 2010 as compared to 2009, and decreased by 24% as compared to 2006.
- Four more DUI arrests were made in 2010 versus 2009 (110 v. 106).

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SCBA 2011 Opening Day Celebration

The Springboro Clearcreek Baseball Association's 2011 Opening Day took place on Saturday, April 9, 2011 at Clearcreek Park. This year over 1,100 kids are playing on 95 softball and baseball teams. During the Opening Day ceremony, each team was introduced, the players marched onto the field and the National Anthem was sung by SCBA softball player Amanda Thornton. The SCBA provided a variety of fun activities, including a rock climbing wall, train rides and a bounce house and slide. Heater from the Dayton Dragons even showed up to visit with the kids. The SCBA enjoys great support from the Springboro business community with 19 league sponsors and 81 team sponsors. The SCBA also gives back to the Springboro community by asking families to bring donations to Opening Day to help fill the shelves of the Springboro Community Assistance Center. Despite the soggy weather, the 2011 Season got off to a great start! For more information about SCBA – please visit their website at www.borosports.com.

Utility News

There are two trash collection delays of note between May and August. The scheduled collections of Tuesday, May 31 and July 4 will each be picked up one day later (on Wednesday) due to the holidays.

There may be a little confusion about the new leaf pickup program begun last fall. The program is only a fall / early winter pick up program. The City does not collect leaves during the spring or summer. There have been a few residents sweeping their remaining spring leaves out to the curb for pick up. Those leaves will not be collected as part of the City's leaf program. Outside of the fall season, please take advantage of Waste Management's yard waste program and place the remaining leaves in the biodegradable bags and place the bags out for collection on trash day.

Springboro Library News

We've all been there...kids are out of school for three days for summer break and already they are saying "we're bored, there is nothing to do!" Well, with everything planned at the Springboro Library - your kids can't claim they are bored anymore! The library has plenty scheduled for the kids to keep them busy over the summer. Check it out:



Summer Reading Program for children, teens, and adults

Join us for programs, prizes, and fun!

May 31, 2011 – July 31, 2011

Bugs, Baboons, and Story Tunes with Tom Sieling

Springboro Public Library

Monday, June 6, 2011 at 2:00 p.m.

For children and their families.

Comedian, Juggler and Ventriloquist with Mike Hemmelgarn

Springboro Public Library

Monday, June 13, 2011 at 2:00 p.m.

For children and their families.

Teen Game Night

Springboro Public Library

Friday, June 17, 2011 from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Ages 11-18, registration required.

We've Got Talent! Dance Party and Talent Show

Springboro Public Library

Monday, June 20, 2011 at 2:00 p.m.

For children and their families.

Madcap Puppets – Jack and the Gentle Giant

North Park Amphitheater in Springboro

Monday, June 27, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

For children and their families.

Surfin' Pirate Turtle with Lea Craine

Springboro Public Library

Monday, July 11, 2011 at 2:00 p.m.

For children and their families.

Pop Culture Trivia

Springboro Public Library

Wednesday, July 13, 2011 from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Ages 11-18, registration required.

John Steven Bloom Magician and Illusionist

Springboro Public Library

Monday, July 18, 2011 at 2:00 p.m.

For children and their families.



SPRINGBORO HISTORY 101

This article was co-authored by Dan Boron and Becky Hall

Preservation Month is an Opportunity to Recognize Springboro's Accomplishments in Preserving and Protecting Its Heritage

May is Preservation Month, and the City of Springboro and its surrounding township and community have much to celebrate. Both the City of the Springboro and the Springboro Area Historical Society have worked tirelessly to protect and promote the heritage of the Springboro area.

Preservation efforts in the community coalesced when the development around Heatherwoode Golf Course potentially compromised the preservation of the oldest on-site log house in Warren County, the Null Log Home. A group of local residents formed the Springboro Area Historical Society in 1992 and, with a small group of members and volunteers, lobbied the City to protect the log house and its bank barn. Although the bank barn was lost, the log house still stands due to months and months of volunteer labor and city support. It now enjoys the status of one of Springboro designated local landmarks.

Visitors can tour the log house the second Sunday of each month from 2 – 4 p.m., and they can enjoy an Annual Ice Cream Social at the log house on the third Sunday in August. The Springboro Area Historical Society Museum at 110 South Main Street is open from 11-3 on Friday and Saturdays.

In addition to the Null Log House, Springboro has designated local landmark status to four other important historic properties: the Aron Wright Property at 155 West Central Avenue; the Samuel McCray house at 300 McCray Boulevard; the Jacob Null Homestead at 15 Keevers Point; and the United Brethren Church Cemetery located on Red Lion-Five Points Road. In the 1980s, low-interest loans were offered to property owners on South Main Street to encourage them to restore their buildings and beautify the area. Later on

several occasions, property owners of South Main Street were offered matching-fund grants to improve their properties. As part of the revitalization and preservation of the area, the City established an historic district on South Main Street including approximately seven blocks and 91 contributing structures and sites along State Route 741. Local residents and tourists can take a self-guided tour of the area by obtaining a guide booklet from the Springboro Chamber of Commerce at 325 South Main Street and by reading the historic markers along the way that give more information about each of the buildings.

The City established the Historic Commission in 1994 to promote the historical and cultural heritage of the community and the Architectural Review Board (ARB) in 1997 through the Historic Preservation Code to establish procedures to protect historic properties. In 2000, the ARB began an awards program to recognize and honor those who have taken the time and effort to either lead in the preservation of Springboro's history or have actually restored and preserved buildings and/or sites of historic importance to the community.

The Mayor's Award for Preservation Leadership honors those providing leadership and service in support of historic preservation or supporting projects and activities that have substantially increased public understanding and awareness of historic preservation in the Springboro area. Those who have received the Mayor's Award for Preservation Leadership are: Don Ross, Helen Sproat, Carol Stone, Clarice Rook, Becky Hall, Rosalie Yoakam, Sterling Gardner, Springboro Chamber of Commerce, Glenn Harper, and The United Methodist Church of Springboro.

The Jonathan Wright Award for Preservation honors those who have restored, rehabilitated, or preserved an important building, site, or artifact representing the history of the Springboro area or

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Golf Anyone?



20th Anniversary
HEATHERWOODE
 GOLF CLUB

Celebrates its 20th Anniversary

It seems like only yesterday when the City of Springboro opened Heatherwoode. To celebrate our 20th Anniversary we will be hosting special events on the 20th of each month starting in June and running through August. Some of our events scheduled include the following:

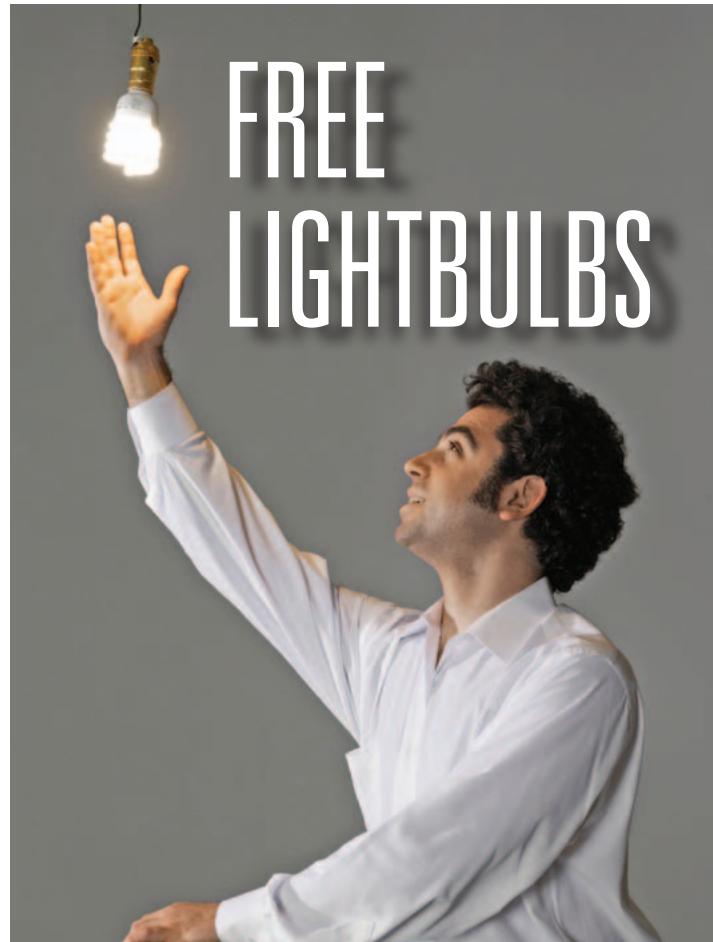
- **June 20th** we will be hosting an Adult 9 Hole Putting Tournament along with a free golf clinic, music, drinks and appetizers on the deck.
- **July 20th** will consist of an Adult Long Drive & Closest to the Pin Contest plus a Demo Day on the range. Drinks & appetizers will be available on the deck.
- **August 20th** is our Grand Finale Event with an Adult 18 Hole Golf Tournament with a Free Golf Clinic, Pig Roast with Music, Drink and Dinner on the deck.

Don't forget some of our other scheduled events for 2011.

- **June 10th Mixed Couples Golf Event**
- **July 8th Mixed Couples Event**
- **July 16th & 17th Springboro Golf Open**

We would like to invite all of you to come out and see what has transpired at Heatherwoode Golf Club over the past 20 years. Please come out and take part in our 20th Anniversary parties and festivities. If you would like more details about any of the events scheduled please give us a call at (937) 748-3222. Don't forget, if you are having any special functions of your own, we have wonderful banquet spaces for weddings, birthday parties, anniversaries or business meetings. I look forward to seeing you here at the club.

Tom West, General Manager



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have provided long-term stewardship of such a property. The Springboro Area Historical Society was recognized for its restoration of the Null Log House; Sterling Gardner for his restoration of the Jonathan Wright House at 80 State Street (listed on the National Registry of Historic Properties and recognized by the State of Ohio as an Underground Railroad site); Charles Anderson for preservation of 40 North Main Street; Charles McCormick for restoration of 100 South Main Street; Ted and Becky Hall for restoration of Wright General Store at 245 South Main Street; Gregory and Susan Darling for stewardship of 400 South Main Street; Clarence and Jean Applegate for their care of 535 South Main Street; Don and Saron McLaughlin for their care of 205 South Main Street; Coldwell Banker/Heritage Realtors for their restoration of 20 South Main Street; Greg McDonald for his care of 25 West Central Avenue; Todd Henderson, et al for their adaptive reuse The 1919 Garage at 550 South Main Street; Robin Combs and daughters for their restoration and preservation of the Aron Wright House (local landmark and listed on the National Registry of Historic Properties) at 155 West Central Avenue; Heather Sukola for preservation of the Tommy Miller House at 505 South Main Street; and Brian and Robin Lambert for their restoration and preservation of the 1857 Aron Wright Pennsylvania Bank Barn (part of a local landmark property) located at 155 West Central Avenue.

Springboro residents have celebrated their heritage with local events beginning in 1915 with its Centennial Celebration. Numerous postcards of this gala event still exist at the museum and in published history books. The 1965 Sesquicentennial Celebration was a memorable weekend event, and a committee of local residents and *The Franklin Chronicle* published a softcover commemorative book that can be seen at the museum and in the homes of several residents. In 1990, *The Star Press* and a group of residents sponsored the Centseptuaquintennial Celebration that was also a weekend event.

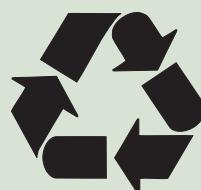
A second commemorative book was published for this event, and this book can be also found at the museum as well. When Ohio held its celebration in 2003, the Springboro Historic Commission and the Springboro Area Historical Society published its first hardcover pictorial history of Springboro with over 300 photos of the area. Copies of this book can be seen and purchased at the museum.

A committee of local residents is currently working on providing a year-long celebration of Springboro's bicentennial in 2015. If you would like to be a part of planning and implementing this landmark celebration, call 937-748-0698 for more information and for meeting dates and times.



PLEASE RECYCLE

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Stormwater Runoff

What is Stormwater Runoff?

Stormwater is water from rain or melting snow. It flows from rooftops, over paved streets, sidewalks and parking lots, across bare soil and through lawns and storm drains. As it flows, runoff collects and transports soil, pet waste, salt, pesticides, fertilizer, oil and grease, litter and other pollutants. This water drains directly into the Miami Valley's creeks, streams and rivers, without receiving any treatment at sewage plants.

Only rainwater should enter into the storm sewer system. Residents should not dump any other items into catch basins including lawn clippings, leaves, paint, motor oil, or any other waste. Catch basins should be kept clear of debris or any other solid matter that could clog the storm sewer and prohibit water from draining properly. We would ask the residents to help keep our creeks and streams free from contaminants. If you see anyone dumping anything into the storm sewer system please contact the Public Works Department at 937-748-9791.

Spring Into Action – Stormwater Management Tips

During the Spring, here's what you can do to help prevent stormwater runoff, a major pollutant of our rivers, lakes, and streams.

- Plant trees, shrubs and ground cover to help rainwater soak into the ground. Keep the soil covered; bare soil is the primary cause of erosion. Mulch bare areas with straw, grass clippings, stones or wood chips.
- Redirect rain gutter downspouts into landscaped areas instead of onto paved surfaces such as driveways. Rain that falls onto paved areas wash pollutants into the storm drains.
- Consider growing clover in your lawn; it's hardy, stands up to wear and produces nitrogen needed by other lawn grasses.

For more information about stormwater visit:
www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater.

Springboro Trivia Question



TREE CITY USA®

Every issue we will ask a trivia question about something Springboro. The answer can be found by going to the City's website at www.ci.springboro.oh.us and searching in the "City News & Updates" section. See how much you really know about your hometown...

The City of Springboro just received another Tree City USA Award. Tree City USA awards are granted to communities throughout the United States that meet four standards established by The Arbor Day Foundation and the National Association of State Foresters:

A Tree Board or Department, A Tree Care Ordinance, A Community Forestry Program with an Annual Budget of at Least \$2 Per Capita, and An Arbor Day Observance and Proclamation.

What year was Springboro first awarded the Tree City USA designation?

A) 1964 B) 1985 C) 1987 D) 1996



PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS



East Central Avenue, SR 73, Roadway Widening

The "East Central Avenue, SR 73, Roadway Widening" project consists of widening East Central Avenue from approximately 250 feet east of South Richards Run to 550 feet east of Farmridge Road. The road will be widened to 3 lanes, with each lane being 12 feet wide. There will be a 4 foot shoulder on both sides, with a total pavement width of 44 feet. The project will be constructed by Barrett Paving Materials Inc, and is scheduled to be completed by August, 2011.

Gilpin Drive – South Street Improvements

South Street from the alley west of South Main Street to Gilpin Drive will be widened to include the installation of curb and gutter, storm sewers and a 5 foot concrete sidewalk on the north side of South Street. The remainder of Gilpin Drive will also be widened with the installation of curb and gutter on the east side of Gilpin Drive. The missing sidewalk and curb and gutter on the west side of the street will be completed. A storm sewer system will also be installed. This project will be completed later this year.

South Main Street Sidewalk Improvements Phase II

Coate Construction LLC has completed the installation of the sidewalk along the east side of South Main Street, from Heather Glen Court to Heatherwoode Boulevard, and from Edinburgh Drive to the traffic signal at Springboro High School. Phase III will be completed later this year.

West Tech Road Extension Phase 1

West Tech Road will be extended approximately 1,100 feet from its west terminus to open up the land in the South Tech Development. Sanitary Sewers and Water Mains will be extended from existing Montgomery County facilities to serve this project. The construction includes the installation of curb and gutter, storm sewers and a 6 foot wide concrete sidewalk. Construction of Phase I should be completed early this fall.

2011 Street Resurfacing Program

The city has marked deteriorated or damaged curb, sidewalk and driveway aprons in preparation for the 2011 Street Resurfacing Program. Letters have been mailed notifying the affected property owners to allow the owners the opportunity to complete the work prior to the start of the contract. Home owners have an opportunity to hire a contractor to complete the work or have the city complete the repairs as part of the street resurfacing program. The asphalt streets will be milled and overlayed with asphalt. The streets in this year's program include: Angel Court,

Brookside Drive, Carnoustie Lane, Northbrook Court, Deer Trail Drive (from Pennyroyal Road to Paddock Trail), Elkins Drive (west end), Greenleaf Village Drive (west end, from Country Club Lane to Abbey Springs), Reed Road (west end), Renwood Place (through North Park), Royal Birkdale Drive (east of the eye brow), Sharts Road, Springmill Drive (from Yankee Road to Millbrook Court, including 100 feet of Reed Road). This project will begin in the summer of 2011.

State Route 741 Bridge over Clear Creek

The Ohio Department of Transportation has begun the work to widen the bridge deck for the bridge over Clear Creek on South Main Street (SR 741). Traffic will be maintained throughout the construction period however one lane of traffic will be closed beginning June 6th. A temporary traffic signal will be installed to maintain the traffic.



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).

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.



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