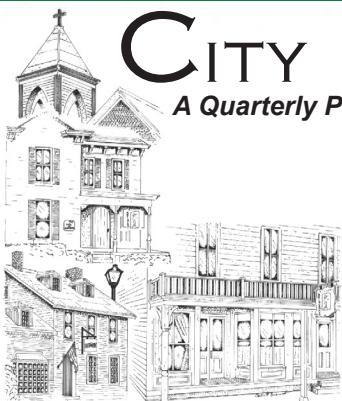


# SPRINGBORO



## CITY NOTES

*A Quarterly Publication for the Citizens of Springboro*



## STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS

As presented by Mayor John Agenbroad  
on January 4, 2018

**AS MAYOR OF SPRINGBORO**, I am excited to share some highlights of the progress we have made over the past year and just a few reasons why Springboro is



such a great place to call home. The year 2017 was underscored by a personal lifelong dream of building a veterans memorial in Springboro. On November 11 at 11:00 a.m. that dream became a reality when

nearly 400 people witnessed the dedication of the new Springboro Veterans Memorial. The new memorial at Gardner Park will serve as a beautiful and lasting tribute to our veterans. Many thanks to everyone who made this project possible and made the dedication such a special day in the history of our city.

With that said, I would like to welcome our newly appointed Assistant City Manager Greg Shackelford to the team and say a fond farewell to Retired City Manager Chris Thompson with special thanks for her 28 years of service to Springboro. I would also like to recognize our outstanding staff led by City Manager Chris Pozzuto, who is dedicated to making Springboro the best it can be. Together, we are committed to improving services to our residents and business community while continuing to provide all of the great programs our city has to offer.

We would not be able to rise to the level of service our citizens deserve without the hard work and support of our staff, which is why it gives us great pride to report that Springboro received a 97% satisfaction rating in our 2017 public opinion survey.

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*The new Springboro Veterans Memorial.*

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This is the fourth survey completed since 2008. In 2008, 87% of the citizens surveyed were either satisfied or highly satisfied living in Springboro. Today's rate is 97%! According to the Miami University Center for Public Management, who conducted the survey, no other community has reached this threshold for overall rating. Wow, what a great vote of confidence!

According to the survey, our high ratings are driven by Springboro's quality of life enhanced by amenities such as parks, walking trails and community activities and events like our "Concerts in the Park." Survey results reflected some very positive opinions regarding various city services such as street maintenance and especially snow removal. The survey also indicated that our park system remains one of our most popular community assets. A lot of time and resources have been spent developing our park land in response to increasing demands for recreational space and we are glad to see that these efforts will benefit our community for many years to come. We appreciate the great response we received from citizens and will make every effort to address areas needing improvement as quickly as possible. Overall, the survey revealed that people really enjoy living here and appreciate what the city is doing for the community.

**SPRINGBORO** continues to be recognized as one of the best, family-friendly communities in Ohio for reasons such as economic stability and growth, quality schools and neighborhoods, safety and services and assets like our beautifully preserved historic district, eight recreational parks and superior public golf course. We have worked together to shape the progress of our community and have enjoyed growth and prosperity in recent years, but remain a small town at heart. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the community for your support and trust in City Council. All four incumbent Council Members were elected to serve another term, and we are honored to continue representing Springboro by striving to provide a high level of service and leadership on behalf of our citizens.

**FINANCE** We are pleased to report that the City has a healthy financial outlook going into 2018. Our annual budget was approved in November following a review of anticipated revenues and expenditures needed to fund operations, programs and services such as police, building and zoning, water and sewer services, and street and park maintenance. All 44 funds reflect a total budget of \$61.4 million in expenditures for 2018, which is a decrease of 4.3% from 2017. Reserve balances fall within the

recommended range of 30 to 50% of expenditures allowing the City to tap into those funds if necessary eliminating the need to generate additional revenue by raising income taxes or fees.

Our General Fund comprises approximately 20% of our overall budget and covers the cost of most city services. We truly appreciate the efforts staff makes each year to streamline operating costs while providing the same or enhanced services. About 80% of the General Fund's revenue is generated from income tax and revenue continues to increase with income tax collections up 13% since 2014. We are again anticipating a 2% increase in income tax revenue over last year's projections at \$8.84 million in 2018. Our tax base has increased 37% in the past 10 years and Springboro's tax rate has remained the same since 1988. Our strong tax base is attributed to our thriving business community, increased commercial development, and economic growth partnerships like the Austin Center JEDD (Joint Economic Development District), which generated approximately \$185,000 in income tax revenue for the city in 2017 and is projected to produce the same revenue in 2018. Although Austin Landing is entirely within Miami Township, Springboro benefits from this additional revenue stream each year. Also, Council passed legislation to refinance outstanding bonds held by the city for various street, water system and other capital improvements saving approximately \$450,000 in interest last year. We appreciate the efforts of our Finance Department to pursue these savings and for their professional accountability with our city's finances. Staff has done a great job of analyzing the budget and Springboro is on solid fiscal ground.

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS** Our most recent population estimate is well over 18,000 and our community's growth has presented some challenges. Among one of the most important has been meeting the needs of our growing population while remaining focused on what makes Springboro such a desirable community. There are many important factors to consider such as land planning and development, traffic, infrastructure and services. Our Capital Improvement Program, which is reviewed on an annual basis, serves as an excellent tool to help the city plan and apply staff and financial resources long-term. Proposed expenditures for capital over the next five years is \$19.8 million, with investments covering our entire infrastructure improvement program. Transportation

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projects have been a priority to improve the flow of traffic in our community and reconstruction of the SR73/SR741 intersection will be complete this summer. This major capital project will be the culmination of a six-year planning and funding process under the management of the Warren County Transportation Improvement District and received more than \$3 million in federal transportation dollars. Expansion and safety upgrades will improve peak traffic flow and allow more traffic to safely utilize the intersection. We appreciate the community's patience during construction and look forward to the official re-opening of our main intersection.

The city also maintains approximately 84 miles of streets each year, which involves cleaning, plowing, asphalt repairs and leaf pick-up; however, street maintenance also involves resurfacing and concrete replacement. In 2017, 18 streets were repaved mainly in the subdivisions of Brookside, Royal Oaks and Sycamore Springs. Our annual street resurfacing program will continue in 2018 on 15 streets in six other neighborhoods.

Maintaining our water system requires capital as well and in 2017 the city replaced 4,000 feet of water main in several residential areas and repaired and painted the Lytle Five Points Water Tower. Water service is a 24-hour operation, which typically provides 2.5 million gallons of water per day to our residents and businesses and water quality is a very important factor. The city received an award from the Ohio EPA last year for exceptional implementation of our source water protection program and was recognized for doing an outstanding job of actively protecting our drinking water from contamination. Of the 165 communities with ground water systems in Southwestern Ohio, Springboro was 1 of 9 communities that received this distinction. Well done!

Capital improvements are ongoing for our more than 400 acres of park land, which is a significant percentage of our community dedicated to parks per capita. Springboro's park system offers numerous athletic fields, shelters and playgrounds, an amphitheater and paved walking paths. The city received \$23,000 in grand funds from the State of Ohio last year for Hazel Woods Park. The first phase of development was completed in 2017 with the construction of a dog park facility that is now open to the public. Development of the park will continue westward through 2022 with the construction of multiple soccer/lacrosse fields, a play area, concession stand, restrooms and another walking trail. We will continue to invest in our

recreational space as resources permit to preserve these valuable assets within our community including our public golf course. Heatherwoode has undergone recent course and clubhouse upgrades that have further enhanced the excellent course conditions and facilities. Golf course customer service and maintenance continue to exceed regional standards attracting collegiate teams, tournaments and major corporate outings. About 34,000 rounds were played in 2017, and we applaud our entire Heatherwoode staff for earning such high-ratings in both golf and event services.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** Springboro is hands-on in supporting business growth through incentives and assistance programs and works regionally with the Small Business Development Center, the Warren County Port Authority and the JobsOhio Regional Network; alliances that create opportunities for business and employment growth in Springboro and the greater region. Last year, we joined the Springboro Chamber of Commerce in welcoming 15 businesses to the nearly 500 businesses supporting our local economy, and we approved more than 41,000 sq. ft. of new commercial projects for development in the community. Our city is home to a variety of successful manufacturing, wholesale, service and retail enterprises and we thank our businesses for choosing to invest and grow in Springboro.

Developments on the horizon include the former IGA plaza. Funds have been budgeted to begin constructing basic infrastructure at the site this year and proposed designs include retail and convenience services. A public building for community oriented activities is also being considered and the city will be seeking state capital dollars to help fund this community space.

Also, conceptual plans for the south side of Austin Boulevard in Springboro were presented to Council in September. The proposed development will be a large-scale, mixed-use community featuring retail, residential, corporate and medical office plus public spaces for events and activities, and will produce an income tax and hotel tax within the city limits. This new development will be unique from the north side of Austin and all of the roadways will be constructed up-front to ensure the internal traffic circulation is convenient and accessible. Construction is anticipated to begin this spring with the public improvements such as underground infrastructure, signage and public plaza.

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According to the project's timeline, the first wave of development will open in November 2019 and will continue within an overall time frame of five years. It is a great new project for Springboro and we are excited to watch it take shape. Austin Center and other developing commercial areas and main corridors in the city promise to further strengthen our tax base supporting the services and amenities enjoyed by our residents well into the future.

**COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE** Council has appointed all citizen boards and commissions for new terms beginning in 2018, and we greatly appreciate the willingness of our nearly 40 volunteers to continue their service this year in areas such as planning, historic preservation and parks and recreation.

This past year, Springboro's Architectural Review Board initiated a historic preservation grant program to assist property owners in the historic district with building improvement projects. The city sponsored matching grants from \$1,000 to \$5,000 totaling \$25,000. Twenty-two property owners responding to the application process and the board approved eight grants, which resulted in a pledged investment of approximately \$220,000 in the downtown area. This program was a huge success and will be offered again later this year. This is one of the many initiatives, projects and programs that our board and commission members carry out as volunteers, and we are grateful for everything they do for Springboro!

**COMMUNITY SAFETY** Under the direction of Chief Jeff Kruithoff, our police department employs 26 officers in command, investigations and patrol, who are dedicated to the safety, security and welfare of our citizens and community. Our 17-hour per day communications center received approximately 16,500 calls for service in 2017 compared to 15,400 in 2016. Our police department also provides a neighborhood crime prevention program and participates in regional law enforcement such as the Warren County Drug Task Force and Miami Valley Tactical Crime Suppression Unit to aid in investigations and policing, and shares costs for specialized services, equipment and training across agencies. Our police officers also work in partnership with the community by meeting with residents to address questions and concerns regarding community safety. This past year, officers responded to traffic concerns in neighborhoods surrounding



Springboro D.A.R.E. celebrated 25 years in 2017

the schools along S. Main Street. We would like to thank our residents for their positive feedback regarding the department's efforts to help alleviate these issues and promote safety during school hours.

Also, Springboro D.A.R.E. celebrated 25 years in 2017 and was recognized by Council, staff and D.A.R.E. representatives in November. The program started in 1992 and has educated and mentored 39,500 students in our school district through a 100% working partnership with Springboro Schools. We congratulate Springboro D.A.R.E. and acknowledge the many contributions the program has made to our students, families and community over the past 25 years.

**ON A FINAL NOTE**, I truly enjoy working with our citizens and partnering with all of the other communities and officials in Warren County to make our community a better place. Effective leadership is a team effort and our success is the result of many people working together to make Springboro a great place to live, work and enjoy life. Our commitment to leadership and service has enabled us to take Springboro to the next level, and it is an immense honor to share this success with all of you! Many thanks for your support and please accept my very best wishes for health and happiness in 2018!

– Mayor John Agenbroad



## Help Us With Snowplowing

During the winter season, the snow plow crews ask that you please remove the portable basketball hoops from cul-de-sacs or any tree-lawns so the snowplows can clean the streets from curb to curb.

Additionally, if you know a snowstorm is predicted, or it has already started snowing, please park your vehicles in your driveway if at all possible. This allows the snowplows to better and more efficiently clean your streets so you can safely drive on them.



## City Council Meeting Dates 2018

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.

### 2018 City Council Meeting Dates: (Schedule changes will be posted.)

February .....	1 & 15
March .....	1 & 15
April .....	5 & 19
May .....	3 & 17
June .....	7 & 21
July .....	5 & 19
August .....	2 & 16
September .....	6 & 20
October .....	4 & 18
November .....	1 & 15
December .....	6 & 20



*“That Spring Thing”*

## 2018 Hometown Expo “That Spring Thing”

The Springboro Chamber of Commerce is proud to announce the 2018 Hometown EXPO “That Spring Thing,” presented by Wade Insurance Agency, will be held on Saturday, March 17th from 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM at Springboro High School. Hometown EXPO is Warren County’s Largest Business EXPO with over 200 exhibits featuring Springboro area small businesses and nonprofit 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 \$20,000! The Grand Prize this year is a choice of an HDTV package or HD Surveillance Systems package valued at \$3,000, sponsored by Custom Connections Audio Video, Ltd. The Chamber will also have an extra special raffle for an iPad mini for everyone who joins the Hometown EXPO Facebook event.

Opening ceremonies will be held promptly at 9:45 AM and will feature well-known community leaders. Make sure to get there early in order to secure a great parking space! In 2017, roughly 10,000 people attended Hometown EXPO with the Chamber projecting a much larger crowd in 2018. 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 and lunch. Restaurant vendors will offer family-friendly portions at affordable prices and food trucks will be featured outside the event. 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.

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## Police Beat

On December 13, the Springboro Police Chief Jeff Kruithoff hosted a meeting of local church pastors to discuss any issues surrounding the faith community in Springboro, specifically the concept of church security and safety. With the recent church shooting in Texas, the Chief felt it was a good time to gather the pastors to discuss the issue of keeping people safe while attending services and also wanted to take the time to discuss the role of the churches when a tragedy strikes a community.

Many issues regarding church safety and security were discussed and many of the local pastors shared their thoughts, ideas and best practices that they already have in place to ensure the safety of their churches and parishioners.

The safety of our citizens is the number one concern of our Police Department, and the Chief is willing to meet with any groups (not just churches) who might have a concern with the safety of their employees, attendees of large meetings you might hold in town, community events, etc. Please feel free to reach out to Chief Kruithoff at [chief@cityofspringboro.com](mailto:chief@cityofspringboro.com) if you would like for him or another staff member to come out and speak with your group(s).



## New City Events For 2018

The City always strives to differentiate ourselves from other communities and we also look for ways to offer more free public events throughout the year. In addition to our Concerts in the Park in July, Theatre Under the Stars in August and Big Event in September, we are excited to share some of the new events we are working on for 2018! (More specific dates and times for the following events will be provided in future City Notes Newsletters, as well as Facebook, Twitter and our E-Newsletter.)

### Doggie Day

With the opening of the new Dog Park at Hazel Woods Park on Lower Springboro Road, we felt this would be a

good opportunity to showcase the Dog Park as well as offer an event for our furry four-legged friends (and their owners of course!). Doggie Day is tentatively scheduled for some time in late April (weather permitting) and will feature vendors, dog treats, dog performances and a whole host of other events for the dogs and humans to enjoy!

### National Trails Day

This event is scheduled for early June and will highlight our growing biking and hiking trails system throughout the City. The City's Park Board is partnering with the Springboro Historical Society and the Bike & Pedestrian committee to organize this event. This event will encourage citizens to explore, on foot and by bicycle, the City Parks system as well as the Historic Walking Trail in our downtown.

### Touch A Truck Day

Occurring some time over the summer, this event will allow children of all ages to "explore" the various equipment that the City utilizes on a daily basis (dump trucks, leaf vacuums, police cruisers, backhoes, etc.). Children will be allowed to climb on, touch, and "operate" the equipment, so it can give them a better perspective on what our City employees do in their work for the City. (And the kids might be allowed to turn on a siren on a police cruiser!)



## Income Tax Information

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

### 2017 Income Tax Forms

Tax forms or extension requests are due by **April 17, 2018**.

**EXTENSIONS:** If you have requested an extension of time to file your federal return with the IRS, you will automatically receive a 6-month extension of time to file your Springboro return. Taxpayers that have requested or received a federal extension need not complete the Springboro extension form. Simply attach a copy of your federal extension to your return when the return is filed. If you have not requested a federal extension, you may still receive a Springboro extension by filing your request by April 17, 2018. An extension will not be granted for payment of tax due. **Remember, an extension is for time to file, not time to pay. Any tax due is to be paid by April 17, 2018.**

For assistance with your return, please bring all your tax information to 320 W. Central Ave. **There is no charge for this service.** All income tax forms are available at the Springboro Income Tax Department and the City website at [www.ci.springboro.oh.us](http://www.ci.springboro.oh.us).

### Online Tax Calculation Tool:

The online tax calculation tool program is 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. **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)**

If you prefer to complete the tax return manually, a blank return that has your name, address and account number printed on it can be downloaded from this site.

**DECLARATIONS:** Filing and paying quarterly estimated tax payments are required if you owe more than \$200. The quarterly declaration is calculated on the prior year income from the city tax return. You must pay 22.5% of your tax liability by 4/18(first quarter), 45% of your total tax liability by 6/15(second quarter), 67.5% of your total tax liability by 9/15(third quarter), 90% of your total tax liability by 12/15(fourth quarter) or you may remit 100% of the prior year tax liability. Vouchers for 2nd, 3rd and 4th quarter payments can be found on our website at [www.ci.springboro.oh.us](http://www.ci.springboro.oh.us) and will not be mailed separately. 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](mailto:taxdept@cityofspringboro.com). This is a reminder of the due date only and will not include any personal or payment information.

### Quarterly Estimated Payments Due Dates

Every taxpayer shall make a declaration of estimated taxes for the current year, if they owe at least \$200.00 for the previous year. Quarterly estimated payments are due as follows:

1st	.....	April 17	.....	22.5%
2nd	.....	June 15	.....	45%
3rd	.....	September 15	.....	67.5%
4th	.....	December 15	.....	90%

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.

**ATTACHMENTS:** Each return must include your forms W-2 (showing wages and all taxes withheld for any municipality) **and a copy of your federal income tax return (1040).** Supporting documentation is necessary to verify all amounts of taxable income, expenses, deductions and credits. federal schedules and statements, forms, W-2's, 1099's, etc are required for your return to be complete.

### 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 17th in order to avoid interest and penalty charges. Also, you must file a copy of your Federal extension with our office by April 17th.

**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.

### Important Contact Information:

**Springboro Income Tax Department: (937) 746-9701**  
 Fax: (937) 748-6185  
[taxdept@cityofspringboro.com](mailto:taxdept@cityofspringboro.com)  
[www.ci.springboro.oh.us](http://www.ci.springboro.oh.us)

**Internal Revenue Service: (800) 829-1040 (individual)**  
 (800) 829-4933 (business)  
[www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)

**State of Ohio: (800) 282-1780 (individual)**  
 (800) 405-4039 (business)  
[www.tax.ohio.gov](http://www.tax.ohio.gov)



## Around Boro

### Springboro Lacrosse Club

The Springboro Lacrosse Club is gearing up for their 12th season. Registration for the 2018 season was completed in October with 355 Girls & Boys Players registered from grades 1 to 12. Winter fitness training is under way at the high school level with the youth levels beginning in January. Regular season games will begin in March. The Springboro Lacrosse Club will be hosting their annual Springboro Shootout tournament at Clearcreek Park on Saturday, May 19th where 48 youth teams will compete for a championship. The Girls and Boys High School teams are both coming off their most successful seasons in history and are looking forward to even greater success in 2018. Please come out and see the fastest game on two feet this spring. Home games are played at Wade Field. Learn more about Springboro Lacrosse at [www.borolax.org](http://www.borolax.org) and reach out if you are interested in getting involved.

### Springboro Library

Storytimes at the Springboro Library will run through April 19, 2018. The Library offers storytimes for babies, toddlers, and preschool aged children. Baby storytime (ages 6 to 18 months) features songs, stories, and toys. Toddler storytime (ages 18 months to 3 years) features songs, stories, and activities. Preschool storytime (ages 3 to 5 years) includes songs, stories, activities, and crafts.



Parents can choose from the following times:

Mondays: 9:30 a.m. (Baby), 10:30 a.m. (Toddler),  
11:30 a.m. (Preschool)

Thursdays: 9:30 a.m. (Toddler), 10:30 a.m. (Toddler),  
11:30 a.m. (Preschool), 6:30 p.m. (Preschool/Family)

On Tuesday, January 30, 2018, from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., join Andy Niekamp, Chief Adventure Officer of Outdoor Adventure Connection and founder of Dayton Hikers, for Backpacking 101 – Get Started with Backpacking at the Springboro Library. Andy will teach you the techniques to have a safe and enjoyable backpacking trip.

On Saturday, February 10, 2018, from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m., teens ages 11-18 are welcomed to attend a Yoga Class at the Springboro Library. An instructor from Day Yoga Studio will be teaching the class. Bring your own mat if you have one. Space is limited, so registration is required. Call 937-748-3200 to register.

On Tuesday, February 13, 2018, from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m., join professional organizer, Lori Firsdon, for Organized and Productive – Tackle Your To-Do List, Email, and More at the Springboro Library. Lori will share ideas and skills that will help you find more time in your day and more satisfaction in your accomplishments. You will learn how to transform your to-do list items to done, learn to prioritize tasks, spend less time on email, and get caught up on your reading material. You must be 16 years and older to attend and registration is not required.

### Springboro Community Assistance Center (SCAC)

Not many people realize that we have a community assistance center right here in Springboro! Located in the EduCare building at 1629 South Main Street on the School Campus, the SCAC serves those families in need in the Springboro/Clearcreek Township area by providing food, bill payments, etc. Volunteers and monetary donations are always needed to help support the SCAC's mission of helping those in need in Springboro. Please visit their website at [www.springborocommunityassistance.org](http://www.springborocommunityassistance.org) for more information.

### Springboro Clearcreek Baseball Association (SCBA)

The Springboro Clearcreek Baseball Association (SCBA) is pleased to announce the opening of registration for the Spring 2018 season. Players and sponsors may now begin registering on [www.borosports.com](http://www.borosports.com) for ragball, tee ball, baseball, and softball. Practices will begin on the 10th of March and the opening day ceremony for the league will be on the 21st of April.

Offseason planning has led to many exciting changes for the league for 2018. The board has approved changes to the fields, rules, equipment, and draft process in an effort to improve gameplay and competition for the league's players. As a result of changes to equipment requirements, players and parents should consult the league's website, [www.borosports.com](http://www.borosports.com), for current rules prior to purchasing bats and other equipment. The changes to field sizes and bats will lead to increased player involvement and more excitement for the players.

"The SCBA board is excited to be moving into the 2018 season with fresh leadership and many positive changes that will enhance the experience of the young ballplayers that we serve" says Dave Meester, the President of Baseball Operations.

The Springboro Clearcreek Baseball Association is a recreational baseball and softball league serving the greater Springboro area. The league focuses on providing an enjoyable baseball and softball experience for hundreds

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20th Anniversary  
**HEATHERWOODE**  
GOLF CLUB

Heatherwoode as their home course! Wright State will utilize Heatherwoode for home matches as well as host



## Golf Anyone?

The City and Heatherwoode Golf Club are very excited to welcome the Wright State University Men's Golf Team to town as they have chosen Heatherwoode as their home course! Wright State will utilize Heatherwoode for home matches as well as host invitationals with teams from around the country. This is yet another way to showcase Heatherwoode as one of the premier golf courses in the State of Ohio. Come out and see some of the best collegiate golfers in the country. Go Raiders!

Winter might be adding rust to your golf game, but spring is right around the corner! This is the perfect time of year to start planning for the new golf season. Whether it's joining a golf league or upgrading your equipment, we've got you covered at Heatherwoode.

### It's Not You, It's Your Clubs

Ready for an equipment upgrade? Did you know that Heatherwoode carries the biggest names in golf like Callaway, Ping, Taylor Made, and Titleist or that we guarantee the best price in the area including the big box stores? Not only that, any you will receive 2 FREE rounds of golf with any club purchase over \$500. We also accept

name brand trade-ins, so bring your bag by the golf shop and see how the newest technology can take your game to the next level!

### Evening Men's Leagues

Are you interested in joining a golf league? We host leagues every evening Monday-Thursday for a variety of skill and competition levels. Contact Assistant Professional Neal Amburgey for help finding the right league for you.

### Tuesday Morning 18 Hole Ladies League

We are proud to have one of the best 18-hole ladies leagues in the area and they are always looking for new members. This league runs from April-October and offers ladies a fun, competitive league with great special events throughout the year and special league only pro shop discounts.

### Tuesday Morning 9 Hole Ladies League

Looking for a more casual ladies league? Our 9-hole ladies league could be the perfect fit! The league plays between 8 AM & 9 AM each week April-September and is designed for ladies looking to enjoy playing in a less competitive, casual league that is very time friendly. At only \$15 (walking) and \$20 (riding), it's the best bargain around.

### The Original Irish Open

Saturday March 17th • 11 AM Shotgun Start  
\$60 Per Player includes: 18 holes, cart, range, Irish themed dinner, and prizes! Make sure to wear your best Irish outfit for the Irish costume contest!

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of youth ranging from Pre-K through high school. The league emphasizes an instructional sporting experience and provides a family oriented atmosphere.

### Springboro Wee Panthers Football

Springboro Wee Panthers Football has concluded a successful 2017 season which featured over 325 kids, 14 Tackle Teams with multiple teams in every age group and 8 Flag Football Teams. We had several playoff advancements and two teams competing in the WOJFC Super Bowl. Coach John Coppock led his 5th Grade Blue team to back-to-back championship appearances, 2016 SuperBowl champions and 2017 Runner ups. 2016 was the first ever WOJFC Championship for WPFI. Brad Six coached the 3rd Grade White team to a big championship victory to complete the 2017 season. WPFI would like to thank all of the coaches and numerous volunteers, as well as, our

generous sponsors who made for a memorable season and fantastic experience for those youngsters.

Be sure to visit [www.weepanthersfootball.com](http://www.weepanthersfootball.com) in February to sign up for the 2018 season.

### Community Garden - Andrew Wilson Boy Scout Project

A Community Garden is being constructed for the summer of 2018 by Boy Scout Andrew Wilson of Troop 7. A garden plot will be 10' x 15', and there is no charge to use one of the available plots. The garden will be located at the south end of the overflow parking field by the Springboro High School. Garden plots will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis. Anyone interested in gardening can find the link to the application form at [www.ci.springboro.oh.us/394/Community-Garden](http://www.ci.springboro.oh.us/394/Community-Garden). There will be hard copies of the application available at the Springboro Public Library as well. Deadline for application is April 15, 2018.

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## PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS

### 2018 Street Resurfacing

The streets in the 2018 Street Resurfacing Program include: Brandon Court, Berryhill Court, Chase Court, Eleanor Drive (from Homestead to the east), Evergreen Drive (from Pennyroyal to 750 feet south), Larchway, West Lower Springboro Road (along Clearcreek Park), Null Boulevard (from Red Lion Five Points to 1230 feet east), Pine Ridge Court, Renwood Place (form Heston to Allspice), Sheridan Circle, Teakwood Lane, Waverly Road, Wood Creek Court, and Woods Road. Concrete repairs to the curbs, sidewalk and driveway aprons will also be completed on these streets as a part of this program. The concrete work will began in the summer. Resurfacing work will begin in the fall and is anticipated to be completed by the end of fall.

### 2018 South Main & Jr High School Intersection Improvements

This project will complete the improvements on South Main Street at the Jr. High School intersection by providing turn lanes for the northbound and southbound directions into the school. This will include pavement widening, curb and gutter, storm sewer, and associated traffic signal work to provide safer access into the Jr. High School. Springboro Schools have pledged \$50,000 towards this project and we appreciate their cooperation on this project! This project is currently being designed and is scheduled to be constructed and completed during the summer, while school is not in session.

### Water Main Improvements

The following streets will have water main replacements in 2018: Spruceway Drive, Paw Paw Drive and Catalpa. New 8" water mains will be constructed on these streets. 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. The design of the project will begin in early 2018.

### Hazel Woods Park Water Main

In cooperation with the City of Franklin, the City is installing approximately 2,400 feet of 8" water main to Hazel Woods Park. The water main is being installed by V&S Bowman, Inc. and is expected to be completed in early 2018.



## 24/7 Shredding

No more wait for Shred It Day!

Based on the overwhelming response we had to our two recent Shred-It days, the City is happy to announce that we now have a shredder in the main foyer of the City Building that is accessible to the public 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.



Feel the need to shred papers at 10:00 at night? Want to get rid of those old tax documents on Christmas Day? Go for it.

The shredder can handle up to 34 regular-sized papers at a time and can even take paper clips and staples. It can even shred CDs and DVDs!

The shredder is free to use, so shred away!

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### “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, Facebook or Instagram! The City uses 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, you can search us on Facebook at City of Springboro-Municipal Government and our Instagram account is City\_of\_Springboro. Follow or Like us today - don't be out of the information loop!





## 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](http://www.ci.springboro.oh.us)). **The new fee schedule went into effect January 1, 2018.**

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 were 61 Residential Building Permits issued in 2016. The number of Residential Building Permits over the past sixteen 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
2014	66
2015	67
2016	61



### State Route 73 / State Route 741 Intersection Improvement Project

The improvements to the intersection of SR 73 / SR 741 are progressing very nicely and on schedule! The contractor is approximately 80% complete with the entire project. Much of the curb and concrete work is complete, the new traffic signals and new street light fixtures are being installed. Best of all – the Speedway has FINALLY been demolished!

Due to the onset of winter and the closing of the asphalt plants, we wanted to make the public aware that you will not see much activity at the intersection until spring. This is due to the fact that the largest portion of the project remaining is the final course of asphalt to be applied to the entire project area – and asphalt will not be produced again until the plants restart operations. (And we are beholden to Mother Nature as to when that will occur!)

As always, we will keep the public updated as much as we can, or as new information is provided by the contractor and the Warren County Transportation Improvement District, who is managing the project. Thank you again for your patience with this project – we are in the home stretch!



### 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.



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