

CITYNotes

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A number of projects are in various stages of approval or construction throughout the City. For the latest updates, visit ci.springboro.oh.us or call the City, 937-748-4343.

Wright Station Expansion

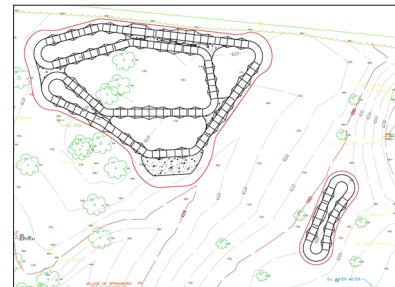
Construction will soon be underway on a new 6,000 square foot building at Wright Station, at N. Main and Central Ave. Set for the space between the Performing Arts Center and the Cassano's building, part of the new building is already leased by an unnamed tenant. According to John Kopilchack, director of development at Synergy and Mills, the new business will be more of a daytime user, freeing up parking in the evenings and weekends, noting that 40 spaces were added near Cassano's.

All five current buildings at Wright Station have full occupancy at the Synergy and Mills development, which first opened in 2019 with the City's Performing Arts Center. In addition to a variety of restaurants and services, Wright Station offers free Wi-Fi and a Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA) along with an outdoor seating area.



Two Pump Tracks Coming to Community Park

The City is working with contractors to begin work this fall on a set of pump tracks to be located on the west end of Community Park on W. Market Street. A pump track is a circuit of rollers, banked turns and other features designed for BMX or mountain bike riders to "pump"—generating momentum by body movements—instead of pushing or pedaling. The City is constructing two tracks: a 810-foot track and a 200-foot accessible/youth track. Both tracks will be completed using asphalt and connect to the park's restroom and shelters by concrete trail. The pump track was a recommendation of the Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan adopted by City Council in July 2020.



Mayfield Brain & Spine Project Under Review

Mayfield Brain & Spine recently signed a purchase agreement for about six acres of land near Dayton Children's off of West Tech Blvd. Springboro Planning Commission reviewed plans in September for new construction that would include up to a 20,000 square foot medical office building. If approved, construction could begin yet this fall. Future plans also call for the construction of a surgery center on the site. Mayfield offers brain and spinal surgery, physical therapy and rehabilitation. There are currently four locations in the Cincinnati area.



Legislative Update

Your City Council Members meet monthly on the first and third Thursday at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers to pass legislation and authorize budgeted expenditures related to the management and operation of our City, and the health, safety and welfare of our citizens. Here are just a few agenda items recently approved by City Council.

- A resolution **approving the appointment of representatives to the OneOhio Recovery Foundation Board**. In March of 2020, it was announced that local governments encompassing more than two-thirds of the state's population had signed on to OneOhio, a plan to jointly approach settlement negotiations with the drug manufacturers and distributors of opioids. As part of the settlement agreement, 30% of the funding will be directed to local governments to address immediate needs at the local level. The OneOhio Board has been established to help direct that funding to the proper resources. Greta Hochstetler Mayer was chosen as the region's representative and Karen Scherra as the alternate.
- An agreement with PUMPTRAXUSA for the **design and construction of pump tracks at Community Park**. PUMPTRAXUSA will construct a 810-ft. asphalt pump track on the west side of the park. A small tot-lot pump track will also be constructed for children and will be handicap accessible. This project is part of the City's Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan recommendations.
- A contract with Sturm Construction for the **"2022 Water Main Replacement"** Project. This project will consist of replacing aging, deteriorating 6" water mains with new 8" water mains on Fairway Drive from St. Rt. 73 to Sesame Street in the Country Club Estates and Springbrook neighborhoods. This project also includes the widening of Fairway Drive from St. Rt. 73 to Nutmeg Square. The total cost of improvements is \$825,000.
- A resolution **approving plans for a 6,000-sq. ft. building** to house new office and retail tenants **at Wright Station** on the corner of St. Rts. 73 and 741. The new building will be situated between the Performing Arts Center and the Cassano's building.
- An agreement to sell approximately 4.25 acres of property located at The Ascent on West Tech Road to Mayfield Cornerstone LLC for the purpose of **constructing a 20,000-sq.ft. surgery center known as Mayfield Brain & Spine**. The Ascent office park is located east of I-75 and south of Austin Boulevard.
- ODOT preliminary legislation for the Clearcreek-Franklin Road Resurfacing Project to include the **resurfacing of the road with base repairs and pavement markings from St. Rt. 73 to the north corporation limit**. The project spans approximately 1.6 miles and is scheduled for construction in 2024. The City's share of this project is estimated at \$273,229 of the total estimated cost of \$624,448. The balance of the cost will be paid by federal funds.
- ODOT preliminary legislation for the **Edgebrook Drive and St. Rt. 73 Intersection Improvements** to include a new traffic signal, crosswalks and sidewalks. The project is scheduled for construction in 2025. The City's share of this project is estimated at \$181,171 of the total estimated cost of \$452,928. The balance of the cost will be paid by federal funds.

Water and Sewer Assistance Program

The City of Springboro has a Water and Sewer Assistance Program. Please contact 937-748-4343 for program details and specific information for residents age 80 and older.

Election Day is Nov. 8

Tuesday, November 8 is Election Day and polls are open 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Several seats in our federal and state leadership are on the ballot this November including Ohio's Governor. The voter registration deadline for the November election is October 11. Visit vote.warrencountyohio.gov to register, view your sample ballot and obtain absentee ballots and early voting information. Contact the Board of Elections at 513-695-1358 for additional information.



Submit a Message for Gateway Sign

Share your uplifting message or quote for our community on our gateway sign at St. Rts. 73 and 741. Submit your message for consideration to maureen@cityofspringboro.com and [cityofspringboro.com](https://www.cityofspringboro.com) and

- ✓ Include your name, phone number and address.
- ✓ Keep your message to about 24 characters per line with a maximum of three lines.
- ✓ Quotes are accepted. Author of the quote must be cited.
- ✓ The City reserves the right to edit submissions if needed.





From Mayor John Agenbroad

It's been quite a summer in Springboro! Over the past four months, our City has welcomed thousands of guests to our concerts, parks and special events. We hosted a record of more than 22,000 visitors to our live shows at North Park and Wright Station! I'm very proud of the outstanding reputation we've built for providing quality entertainment in a safe and fun venue. Special thank you to our Park Board along with our Parks, Service, Police and Fire departments, Springboro Rotary and Springboro Wee Panther Football. Springboro is certainly setting the standard for outstanding events and family entertainment!

As we welcome fall, please get out and enjoy all the wonderful resources your city has to offer! Our parks are perfect for walking, running, cycling, playing or just sitting and taking in the beautiful views.

Your City Council and staff will be focusing the next few months on the city annual budget and Capital Improvement Program (CIP). Each year the City reviews capital needs such as improvements to essential public infrastructure, parks and recreation projects, and equipment needed for operations and services for the next five-year period. Council will review all capital projects and the proposed budget in November prior to approving all budgeted expenditures for 2023 this December.

Veterans Day is November 11. We send our sincere and heartfelt appreciation to all those who have served. Thank you for your dedication to keeping our country safe.

This is the last issue of City Notes for 2022. As we approach the holiday season, I wish you a peaceful and joyous Christmas and a very happy New Year. It is an honor to serve as your mayor.

Happy Holidays!



New Parking Lot for Downtown Visitors

A new public parking lot with 29 spaces is available on East Street, directly behind Rotary Park, 320 S. Main Street. The City purchased the lot a few years ago to create the additional parking for visitors to Historic Springboro. The parking lot is the latest improvement downtown. New LED light poles, free Wi-Fi and live entertainment at Rotary Park have also supported the area.

"Our downtown is vibrant and robust," says Greg Shackelford, assistant city manager. "These additional spaces will make a difference for shoppers, visitors and our businesses in Historic Springboro."



Get Involved in Your Local Government

Springboro's board and commission volunteers have the unique opportunity to participate in the leadership of our community. Applicants must be a City of Springboro resident and a registered voter. Committees typically meet once per month to conduct business. For more information and to apply for committee service, search "boards and commissions" at www.ci.springboro.oh.us for an application. All committee members serve as volunteers.

City Council will make appointments to the following citizen committees in December for new terms beginning in 2023:

- Architectural Review Board*
- Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee
- Board of Zoning Appeals
- Park Board
- Planning Commission
- Tree Authority

*Applicants for the Architectural Review Board should have preservation-related professional backgrounds including archaeology, architectural history, architecture, historical architecture, history or planning to meet federal requirements for this board.

Applications will be accepted until November 4 at: lori@cityofspringboro.com or Lori Martin, Clerk of Council, City of Springboro, 320 W. Central Avenue, Springboro, Ohio 45066.

Plaque Recognizes DAR Chapter Founding

The Jonathan Wright Daughters of the American Revolution, Springboro chapter, held a dedication ceremony in August at Rotary Park, 320 S. Main St., for a new plaque placed in recognition of the chapter's founding in 2000. Deputy Mayor Becky Iverson, DAR Regent Cheryl Cavandish, Lynda Walker, past chapter regent, and Mayor John Agenbroad participated in the ceremony.





Leaf Collection— Rules for Rakin’ ‘em Right

The Service Department is gearing up for our annual leaf pickup service. Early pickup will be offered Oct. 17, 18, 24 or 25—depending on your area. To keep leaf collection on schedule and help keep costs down, please follow these guidelines:

- Rake your leaves to the curb or tree lawn, but not into the street where they will block traffic.
- Place your leaves at the curb at least two days before crews are scheduled to arrive. Depending on Mother Nature, equipment problems and volume of leaves, crews may run up to two days early or two days late.
- Do not rake anything except leaves to the curb for collection. Branches, sticks and other waste clog the machinery and can potentially damage the leaf vacuum.
- Do not bag your leaves for collection. Bagged leaves will be by-passed. Leaves must be at the curb for ease of pick up by leaf vacuums. Bagged leaves will be left for Rumpke to pick up as part of their yard waste collection.
- Do not park vehicles within 20 feet of leaf piles. Leaves must be accessible to the trucks and the leaf vacuum. If leaves are not accessible, they will be bypassed — we do not want to risk damaging the leaf vacuum or your vehicles.

Leaf collection schedule updates are available at www.ci.springboro.oh.us or call 937-748-0020 for more information.

See the collection map on page 5.

Wellness Program and Treasure Hunts Continue

“Give us 10 or 30” is our citywide Wellness Program. We know it’s tougher to do in the cooler months, but if you walk ten miles or cycle 30 in one month and upload a snapshot of your achievement to our website, you’ll be eligible for terrific prizes! Visit ci.springboro.oh.us for details.

Residents are having a ball finding our treasure bags hidden in various City parks. Since May 2021, 80 bags have been found—each filled with fun treats!

“Boro Boo” is the theme for our October treasure hunt, “Sporty Springboro” is the theme for November, and December’s theme is “Snowy Springboro.” Clues will be posted on the City’s Facebook and Twitter pages Oct. 17, Nov. 14 and Dec. 6 for each respective hunt for five lucky winners to find the goody bags. If you find one of the bags, please post a photo with the item on your social media with #StayConnectedSpringboro.



Dogs are Best Friends, but Must be on a Leash

We love seeing our furry friends and their owners enjoying our great parks and neighborhoods. A reminder that Springboro has a few rules with respect to our four-legged friends.

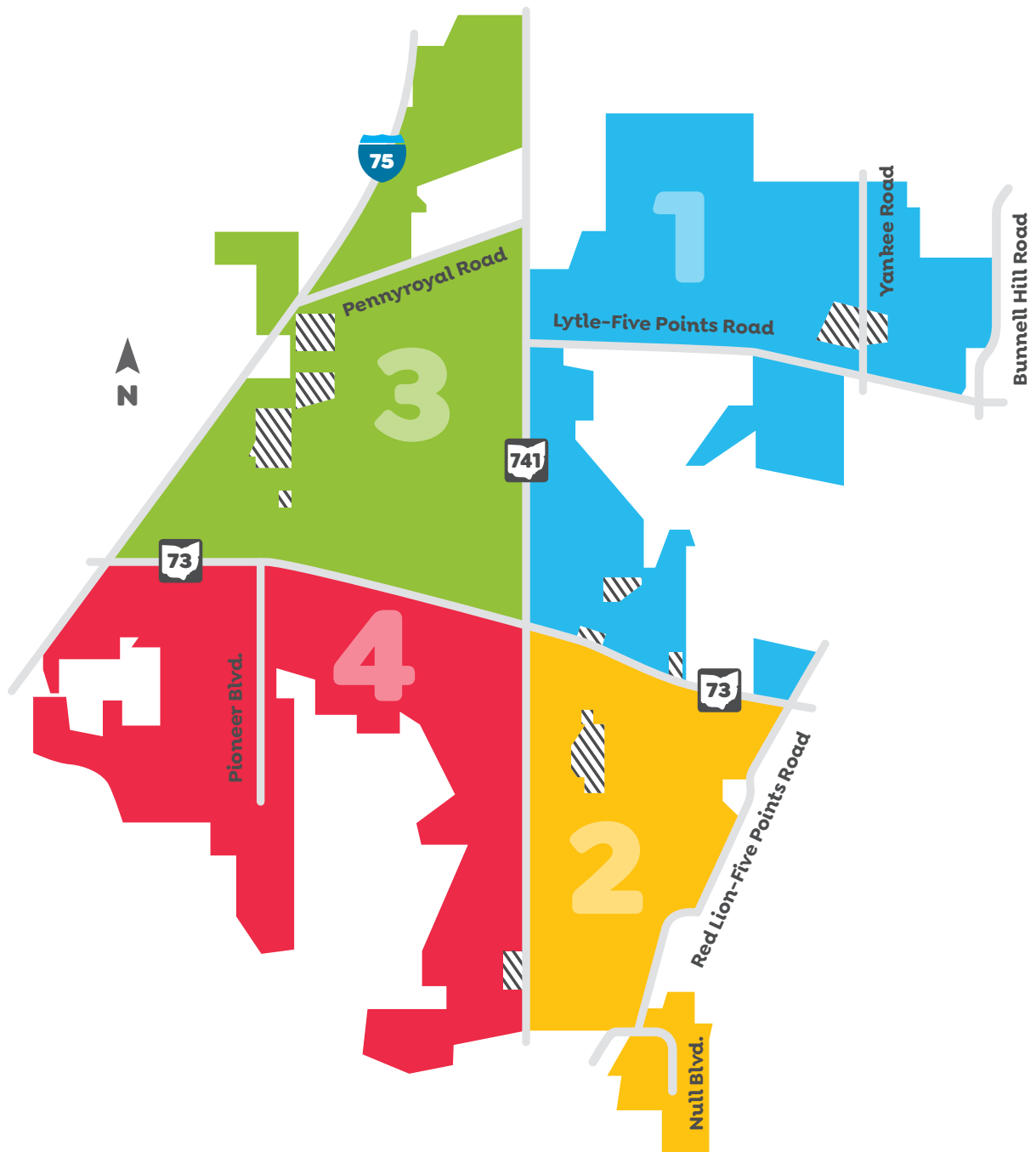
- 🐾 Do not allow your dog to roam freely. Dogs should be confined to your property or walked on a leash.
- 🐾 Dogs must be on a leash—and kept under control—at all City parks.
- 🐾 Dogs may not run at large on any park property.
- 🐾 All pet owners are responsible for cleaning up after their pets.

Following these simple rules helps keep our parks safe and enjoyable for everyone.

Take advantage of Logan’s Bark Park, our dog park located in Hazel Woods Park. It provides a fun place for dogs to run and play within a fenced area. Wherever you walk your dog, please practice neighborly courtesy by cleaning up any dog waste. Help keep Springboro clean and beautiful!



2022 Leaf Collection Schedule



Area 1

OCT. 17*, 31
NOV. 1, 2, 14, 15, 16, 30
DEC. 1, 2, 14, 15, 16, 27

Area 2

OCT. 18*
NOV. 3, 4, 17, 18
DEC. 5, 6, 19, 20, 28

Area 3

OCT. 24*
NOV. 7, 8, 9, 21, 22, 23
DEC. 7, 8, 9, 21, 22, 29

Area 4

OCT. 25*
NOV. 10, 28, 29
DEC. 12, 13, 30



Not in City Limits - No Collection

*Early Leaf Pick Up

Areas are bounded by the centerline of Main Street (State Route 741) and the centerline of Central Avenue (State Route 73)

City Council Extends DORA to Downtown

City Council voted in September to extend the Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area to include downtown Historic Springboro. The new area includes S. Main Street to Mill Street and includes Springboro United Church of Christ and Midwest Wealth Management. The DORA will be effective when approved by the state.

A DORA allows patrons over the age of 21 to purchase alcoholic beverages in specially marked cups from an establishment and carry them within a clearly defined area.

Wright Station, the development at Main and Central avenues, was designated as a DORA in 2020. That DORA includes the area around Warped Wing, The Performing Arts Center, Heroes and Cassano's—all liquor permit holders. The Springboro Community Theatre holds the permit for the PAC.

"A DORA gives folks the opportunity to eat, drink, enjoy entertainment and shop all in one location," says Assistant City Manager Greg Shackelford, noting that no safety issues associated with the DORA have been reported. In addition, Shackelford says this economic development tool will give a boost to the various festivals and other special events that occur in Historic Springboro.



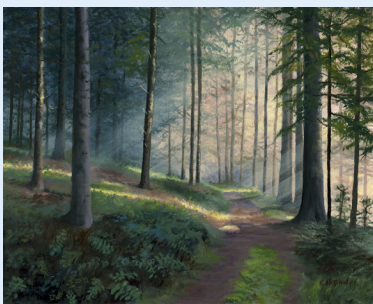
Gallery Showcases Variety of Works Through December

A variety of works is scheduled at the Springboro Performing Arts Center Art Gallery, 115 Wright Station Way. The October show features "**Artists United by Hope for Ukraine**" featuring fine art works by Ukrainian artists from the local area and across the ocean united in their efforts to help Ukraine heal and rebuild. Works include watercolor, acrylics, and colored pencil. All proceeds from art sales support the non-profit organization Razom for Ukraine, which translates as Together for Ukraine. Meet the artists at a reception 2–5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 9.

The November show highlights the work of **Cecilia Brendel**, owner of Olde Masters Galleria in Centerville. Her oil works include large biblical pieces, paintings on copper panels and winter landscapes.

ArtAbilities! is the December show. Coordinated by Cathy Jeffers, the exhibit will showcase the work of local artists managing disabilities.

Gallery Hours are 8 a.m. –4 p.m. Monday through Friday with some extended hours on evenings and weekends or by appointment by calling 937-748-5774. For more information on the exhibits, visit ci.springboro.oh.us.



Concert Season: It's a Wrap!

It was quite a summer of entertainment in Springboro! The City presented almost 30 live shows and other events at North Park, Wright Station and Rotary Park including kids' shows, tribute bands, bluegrass, country, rock and swing music and a fashion show! Wow! Something for everyone! Keep up to date on the 2023 schedule by visiting ci.springboro.oh.us.



Roadway and Infrastructure Projects

Our annual street program has been delayed because of material availability, but it is scheduled to start soon. This year 23 streets will be resurfaced along with repairs to curbs, sidewalk and driveway aprons. The City has committed \$1.47 million to this project.

Streets in the Resurfacing Program include: Greenwood Lane, South Pioneer Blvd. (from SR 73 to the south exit of the Post Office), Dogwood Court and Evergreen Drive (extending approximately 300 feet in each direction from the intersection of Dogwood Court), Lemonwood Court, Foliage Drive (from Whispering Pines to Tamarack Trail), Heston Drive (from the intersection of Fairway Drive to the east), Stillwater Court, Wedgewood Court, Pembroke Court, Millbrook Court, Springmill Drive (from Reed Road to Millbrook Court), Arbor Hills Drive, Balsam Court, Timbermill Court, Lexington Court, Brighton Court, Beckley Farm Way (from Beckworth Way to the west), Pasture Court, Wheatmore Court, Edinburgh Drive, Devon Court, E. Market Street, E. State Street, E. Factory Road, E. South Street and the north/south alley on the east side of S. Main Street. Work also includes concrete repairs to curbs, sidewalk and driveway aprons. Construction is anticipated to be completed soon.

2022 Water Main Improvements

New 8" water mains will be constructed on Fairway Drive from W. Central Ave. to Sesame Street to replace aging and deteriorating 6" water main. In addition, Fairway Drive will be widened from W. Central Ave. to just north of Nutmeg Square. Construction start date is dependent on material availability.

Fiber to Home Update

As part of the City's Fiber Master Plan, construction on the 17-mile fiber optic loop with six conduits is complete. This \$2.4 million investment in the digital future is a partnership with the Warren County Port Authority to build a broadband fiber network to provide high-speed internet service to Springboro homes and businesses.

The City is not providing internet services, however, this investment in a fiber network has attracted two Internet Service Providers (ISPs) that have collectively purchased five of those conduits—providing internet service options for residents and businesses. In addition, the sale of the fiber lines has covered a majority of the fiber optic loop installation. Point Broadband began installing its lines last year and is wrapping up work in neighborhoods. Alta Fiber (formerly Cincinnati Bell) purchased four lines from the City and is now working in neighborhoods with an expected completion date by the end of 2023.

The internet providers run their own fiber optic cables to provide high speed internet to neighborhoods. Expect to see construction teams and equipment for both ISPs throughout the City completing necessary aerial and underground work. Both ISPs will notify residents via a door hanger before crews begin work in that area.

In addition to providing options to residents and businesses for high speed internet, the technology upgrades will help the City provide better safety, communication and public works services. For a list of FAQs, visit ci.springboro.oh.us Fiber to Home project.



Interchange Makeover Project Update

The I-75 and SR73 intersection located in the City of Springboro and the City of Franklin is getting a makeover, thanks to an Ohio Department of Transportation Safety Grant and a partnership between the two cities.

Phase I of the aesthetics project includes planting trees along the exit and on-ramps on both the Springboro and Franklin sides of the interstate. Work on that phase is set to begin later this year. After the safety project is complete, Phase II of the aesthetics upgrade will include landscaping the Sharts Road area, the large "bowl area" near the interstate, the on and exit-ramps for I-75 and underneath I-75. The Warren County Transportation Improvement District will manage the multi-phase project.

The safety upgrade portion of the project, to begin in 2023, includes adding turn lanes off the northbound exit ramp and widening SR 73 for additional lanes underneath I-75. In addition, prior to the start of the safety project — Springboro and Franklin are partnering on an aesthetics project to upgrade both cities' gateways in that area.





Drop Off Expired, Unused Pills at Drug Take-Back Day

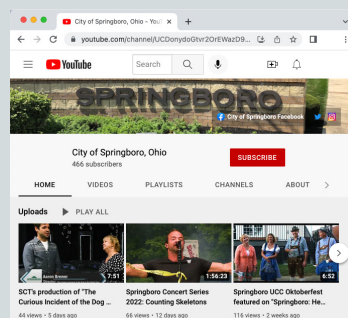
The Drug Enforcement Administration National Prescription Drug Take Back Day provides a safe, convenient and responsible means of disposing of prescription drugs. Drop off expired, unwanted and unused pills and capsules Saturday, Oct. 22 to the Springboro Police Department. Officers will be on-site 10 a.m.–2 p.m. to collect prescription and over-the-counter medications. Pills should be removed from containers and placed in a zipper-lock storage bag for disposal. Liquids, creams, powders and needles are not accepted.

Following the event, representatives from the DEA will collect and safely dispose of the medications. In April, more than 65 lbs. of pills were collected from residents.

In addition to participating in the nationwide Take-Back events, the Police Department maintains a drug drop box located in the lobby of the City Building for drop-offs 7 a.m. to 11 p.m., seven days a week. For more information, contact Springboro Police, 937-748-0611.

City's YouTube Channel Features Concerts, Events

Relive all the great music and fun of our summer concert series by watching the City of Springboro YouTube channel. In addition to our concert lineup from the past several years, you can also catch episodes of our government programs, speaker series and other special events. Subscribe to the channel and never miss a Springboro show! Search City of Springboro on YouTube for all the latest programs.



Blood Drive Held in Honor of Clearcreek Township Police Officer

A blood drive was held in September at the City Building in honor of Clearcreek Township Police Officer Eric Ney. Officer Ney was shot in July while responding to a domestic disturbance call and as of press time, has been hospitalized since that time. More than 60 people including Springboro Police, Clearcreek Township Police and Fire donated blood, including many first-time donors.

Springboro Police Officer Antwaun Scott gives blood in honor of Clearcreek Officer Eric Ney. Photo courtesy of the Community Blood Center.

Trick or Treat Night is October 31



Look for ghosts and goblins to come knocking at your door trick-or-treating 6–8 p.m., Monday, Oct. 31. This is not a City-sponsored event and as always, it is the parent's decision whether a child should participate. The Springboro Police Department reminds youngsters and parents of the following precautions:

- DO**
- Carry a flashlight
 - Go in groups with at least one adult
 - Go to houses with the lights on
 - Make sure shoes fit and costumes are short enough to prevent tripping
 - Use common sense. If something feels wrong, it probably is
 - Dress for the weather. October brings cooler weather and sometimes windy and rainy conditions.
- DON'T**
- Wear masks or any costume that would interfere with vision or walking
 - Go into a home of someone you do not know
 - Eat any candy or other items until it has been checked over by an adult

Most area communities have agreed to hold the event on Oct. 31 for the next several years.

Outdoor Security Cameras Help Deter Crime



When a crime occurs in a neighborhood, one tool proven to be helpful is reviewing video from a resident's outdoor security camera. By registering your home security camera with the Springboro Police Department, you are deterring crime, assisting the police with potential investigations and protecting your family as well as your community. Please note that should you register with 'Boro Street Watch, you will ONLY be contacted by the police if a criminal incident occurs in the vicinity of your camera.

To register:

- 1) Call or email the Springboro Police Department at 937-748-0611 or springborodispatch@cityofspringboro.com.
- 2) Complete the online registration form on the City's website, www.ci.springboro.oh.us, Police Services.

You will be asked to provide necessary information for our PRIVATE database. An officer can also give you tips on the best placement for your security cameras.



Club Fitting is a Heatherwoode Specialty

Heatherwoode is rated one of the best club fitting facilities in Ohio. Treat yourself or your group to a fun, exclusive, personalized experience. Utilizing Foresight GC Quad launch monitors, the staff can analyze 200 high-speed photos through impact of your swing. The Heatherwoode golf pros don't work on commission--their focus is finding the right shaft and head to help you play better golf. Look for the best prices on all of the hottest new equipment from all major brands. Contact Matt Cole, 937-748-3222, to schedule your fitting.



Heatherwoode Makes Gift Shopping Easy

Gift cards are the perfect choice for the golfers in your life! Heatherwoode makes it easy to pick up the gifts they want--apparel, club fitting, dining or golf! Just visit golfheatherwoode.com and you're a click away from "It's the perfect size!"

Lock Your Car, Take Your Valuables

Each year, almost two million thefts from vehicles occur, with thieves stealing more than a billion dollars in personal items. Reduce the chances your vehicle will become a target. Don't be a victim of crime of opportunity!



- Lock your doors: Most thefts from vehicles involve unlocked vehicles.
- Remove valuables: Hide electronics and accessories out of sight, or better yet, take them with you.
- Completely close windows and sunroofs: Thieves may reach in through the gap and unlock your vehicle. Opened windows disable the pressure sensor in some car alarms, leaving the vehicle more vulnerable to break-ins and giving a thief more time before the alarm sounds.
- Park for visibility: Park in a busy, well-lit area, away from larger vehicles, fences, signs or foliage that may hide your vehicle.



Heatherwoode to Host High School District Golf Tournament

Heatherwoode Golf Club was selected to host the OHSAA (Ohio High School Athletic Association) Southwest District Championships in October. Districts will be held Oct. 3 (Boys Division 3), Oct. 4 (Boys Division 2), Oct. 5 (Girls Division 2), Oct. 12 (Girls Division 1) and Oct. 13 (Boys Division 1). Practice rounds will also take place at Heatherwoode, prior to the tournament.

Over 2,000 attendees will be on site as these elite junior golfers compete for a place in the State Tournament finals. The City of Springboro will utilize a state of the art video board to show highlights, leaderboards and live golf action, made possible by the sponsorships from local businesses and organizations.

"We're pleased that Heatherwoode was selected as the site for this year's district championship," says City Manager Chris Pozzuto. "Our course is in great shape and we know the students will enjoy this experience."



Styles on Main Highlighted Fall Fashions

Shoppers got a sneak peek at the latest fall trends during the merchants of Historic Springboro and City of Springboro's Styles on Main fashion show held in August at the Performing Arts Center. Fashions from Suburban Hippie, shoppe smitten, Hope & Grace Boutique, and Magnolias on Main along with décor from Barefoot Girl at Home were highlighted by Carrie Robbins, who served as emcee. Ambiance Catered Events, Eve's Ink Tattoo & Permanent Make-up, Chasing Light Art Studio and Gallery, and Weathervane Woodworks hosted displays in the lobby and each guest received a goodie bag.



CHRISTMAS in historic SPRINGBORO



Christmas in Historic Springboro is November 18-20

Springboro's annual Christmas Festival is a celebration of the winter holidays! Covering more than seven blocks of our beautiful historic downtown, the festival attracts more than 60,000 visitors each year with plenty of food vendors, local music and entertainment, shopping, crafts and other activities for the whole family to enjoy. The official tree lighting ceremony kicks off the festivities at 6:45 p.m. Friday at Rotary Park. Santa's Parade begins at noon Saturday and the festival concludes at 5 p.m. Sunday.

Christmas in Springboro partners with Operation Santa, the Springboro Community Assistance Center and The Pantry utilizing festival funds to help improve the quality of life for families in need in our community. The festival is managed by the Springboro Christmas Festival Committee. Visit www.springborofestivals.org for the complete schedule of events.

Theatre Showcases Musical, Holiday Celebration and Youth Show

Springboro Community Theatre presents the musical "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" Nov. 11 – 13 and 18 – 20 at the Performing Arts Center, 115 Wright Station Way. Get into the holiday spirit with the annual Holiday Jubilee, featuring SCT performers and Center Stage Academy of the Arts dancers, Dec. 2 – 4. Superhero alert! "Marvel Spotlight" is the Youth Theatre's production, Jan. 6 – 8 and 13- 15. Visit www.borotheatre.org for ticket and audition information.



Gallery Night in Historic Springboro

Gallery Night at 140 is an evening of live music, art demonstrations, displays and refreshments, 6 – 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7 at the Galleries at 140 S. Main Street. A collaboration of residing artists, photographers and business owners, resident and other artists will show and sell a variety of eclectic work including paintings, jewelry, glass work and photography. Visit Galleries at 140 Facebook page for details.



Halloween Activities Set for Historic Springboro

Here's a chance to show off your best Halloween costume! The merchants of Historic Springboro host a Trick or Treat event 5–7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 11. Bring your little ghouls and goblins to participating stores for candy and other treats.

Also that evening, the Springboro Area Historical Society is celebrating the 30th year of the Haunted Hot Dog Roast. The event includes hot dogs, roasted marshmallows, kid-friendly Halloween stories, activities and more, 6 – 9 p.m. at the museum. New this year is online ticket sales with limited tickets available at the door. Visit [EventBrite.com](https://www.EventBrite.com) and search Haunted Hotdog Roast for ticket information.

Library Under Construction

They have a million stories to tell—and need more space! The Springboro Library is renovating and repurposing existing areas and adding 4,500 sq. ft. to the rear of the building.

The Springboro branch was built in 1989. Today, Springboro's population has far exceeded the scope of what the library was built to facilitate. The branch hosts an average of 40 programs a month and provides free meeting space to the community, so the new square footage will be devoted to including a larger meeting room for big groups and programs, a conference room, and four study rooms. The children's and teen area will also increase in size to offer a larger collection for younger patrons and a new maker space will be added.

Springboro City Council transferred its 50 percent interest in the library's property to the library board allowing the library to pursue an expansion project.

Construction is expected to be completed in the summer of 2023.

While services and accessibility will vary during construction, the library plans to remain open as much as possible. Note that public computers are no longer available, but you can visit the Franklin Branch for those services. Visit [fspl.org](https://www.fspl.org) for the latest updates.



Historical Society Wraps Up Year with Programs and Special Events

The Springboro Area Historical Society wraps up the year with a variety of programs for history lovers of all ages. For more information, visit the Facebook page or email springboromuseum@gmail.com.

Tour the Underground Railroad, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 8.

This 90-minute tour is \$5 per person and includes both an in-museum overview of the Underground Railroad followed by a walking tour of Downtown's many still-standing safe houses. Limited to 14 people. Pay online at [EventBrite.com](https://www.EventBrite.com). The society also offers private tours for a minimum of five guests. Contact springboromuseum@gmail.com for more information.

Haunted Hot Dog Roast, 6–9 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 11 at the museum.

Hot dogs, roasted marshmallows and family-friendly ghost tours of downtown. This is a ticketed event, visit [EventBrite.com](https://www.EventBrite.com) Haunted Hotdog Roast for details.

Serpent Mound Presentation, 7–8 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 10 at

South Dayton Church of Christ. Presented by Brad Lepper, Curator of Archaeology and Manager of Archaeology and Natural History at the Ohio History Connection, gain insight into the cultures of our earliest settlers in the area – the Native Americans of Southwest Ohio.

Veteran's Day Salute, 9 a.m.–noon, Friday, Nov. 11 at the museum.

The second annual Day of Salute includes presentation of colors, remarks from Mayor John Agenbroad and entertainment by the Springboro High School Choir. The Society is offering free memberships to veterans and their families as part of its 101 Acts of Kindness program. This event is open to the public to celebrate those who have given so much.



Meet the Authors at Christmas in Springboro, Nov. 18–20 at the museum.

One of the museum's favorite traditions, in cooperation with Jan Irving, stop in for warm cider and chat with Springboro's very talented local authors.



Cookies with Claus, 1 – 3 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 10 at the museum.

Santa and his elves always find time to visit the Springboro Museum to greet children. Kids can decorate cookies too.



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Meet Santa at the PAC

Kick off the ho-ho-holidays with a visit with Santa Claus at the Springboro Performing Arts Center, 115 Wright Station Way. Santa will stop by the lobby for visits 6–8 p.m. Dec. 3, noon–2 p.m. and 6–8 p.m. Dec. 4. Make a craft, too! This event is free and open to the public.

In addition, the Holiday Jubilee, featuring dancers from Center Stage Academy of the Arts along with members of the Springboro Community Theatre choir, band and improv troupe will perform at 8 p.m. Dec. 2 and 3 and 2 p.m. Dec. 4 in the Premier Health Theater. Ticket information is available at www.borotheatre.org.



City Offers Free Shred Day

Saturday, Oct. 15 at North Park

Because of the popularity of the spring Shred Day, the City is offering a second opportunity to get rid of those old bills, checkbooks and other papers that you've been saving! Bring the items to the City of Springboro Free Shred-It Day, 10 a.m. to noon—or until trucks are full—Saturday, Oct. 15 at North Park, 195 Tamarack Trail. For more information, call 937-748-4343 or visit ci.springboro.oh.us.



Please follow these guidelines:

- Bring papers to be shredded in cardboard boxes or other containers—plastic bags are not accepted.
- Our staff will remove the items from your car. This will keep the line moving.
- We will accept household shredding only. This event is not for businesses.
- Proof of residency required. This event is for City of Springboro residents only.

Veterans Day

November 11

With appreciation and honor, the City of Springboro proudly salutes all those who have served our country.

Holiday Schedule

City Offices will be closed on the following days:

- Friday, November 11 in observance of Veterans Day
- Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday
- Friday, December 23 and Monday, December 26 in observance of the Christmas holiday
- Monday, January 2 in observance of New Year's Day

Rumpke waste collection will remain on schedule.