

CITYNotes

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Summer Events are Ready to Rock!

Summer, we've been waiting for you! And your City has a lot of cool events planned! **North Park** is your destination for all kinds of fun activities. Kicking off our schedule of special events is **Touch A Truck, 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Saturday, May 13**. Check out our new addition to our concerts, a classical series each Sunday evening at 7 p.m. in June. The Concerts at North Park continue **June 23 – July 28 with Tuesday and Friday evening shows** featuring rock, pop, R&B, Motown and tribute bands. Wear your favorite Disney costume to audience-favorite **The Little Mermen's show on July 15**. Come early to meet some Disney characters.

It's Boro Boom on July 4! Before the fireworks at 10 p.m., look for bounce houses and food trucks starting at 6 p.m. and live music by The Bucket List Players at 7:30 p.m. in the Springboro High School parking lot.

We're celebrating **Bike the Boro's 10th anniversary on Sept. 16** with the traditional bike rides, activities and vendor booths in the morning and then continuing the party with The Eagles Project, food trucks and kids' activities later that day.

In addition, we have nature hikes, bike rides, the splash pad at Kacie Jane Park, trails and walking paths and entertainment at Rotary Park. Additional information can be found in this newsletter and visit www.ci.springboro.oh.us for the latest details.

City of Springboro Fiber to Home Project Receives Global Smart 50 Award

The City of Springboro is a recipient of the Smart 50 Award, **honoring the 50 most transformative smart city projects in the world**. Each year, Smart 50 Awards - in partnership with Smart Cities Connect and Smart Cities Connect Foundation - recognize global smart cities' projects, honoring the most innovative and influential work. Springboro's Fiber to the Home Plan, which includes joining with six local cities to build a fiber loop, building a 17-mile fiber optic network infrastructure within the City and selling conduits to two private Internet Service Providers, was selected as a top project from submissions across the globe. Awards will be presented in May.



The City of Springboro had already determined that offering universal broadband called for open access fiber infrastructure to nearly every major street intersection with an aggregation point in every neighborhood throughout the community, and soon thereafter, initiated the fiber construction project. In 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic brought stay at home orders and a new focus to the meaning of communication and connectivity. With only one internet service provider for the community, the lack of fiber infrastructure and internet service choices became more apparent to the City. Point Broadband and altafiber are expanding the availability of broadband service to homes and businesses and increasing resident choices from one to three. After purchasing conduits from the City, each ISP ran its own fiber optic cables to provide high speed internet to every home and business in the City. In addition, the technology upgrade allows the City to provide better safety, communication and public works services. The project will also soon provide free Wi-Fi to City parks and buildings along with other indoor/outdoor spaces for public use.

Smart Cities Connect covers best practices, outstanding technologies, future trends and global projects. For more information, visit www.smartcitiesconnect.org.



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.

- **THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE.** This ordinance authorizes budgeted expenditures for the calendar year 2023 totaling \$62,504,903 for all City capital and operational expenses.
- **An ordinance approving the record plan for The Ascent, Section Three.** This plan is the site of the proposed Mayfield Brain & Spine medical building located at the west end of Pinnacle Point Drive in The Ascent business park. The plan contains three lots totaling approximately 5.5 acres.
- **An agreement with the Warren County Engineer's Office to participate in a cooperative bidding process to purchase road salt for the 2023-2024 winter season.** This cooperation lowers the cost of salt and allows the participating communities to purchase salt as needed.
- **A contract with Barrett Paving Materials for the 2023 Street Resurfacing & Concrete Program.** This annual program consists of resurfacing asphalt streets and replacing deteriorating curbs, gutters, sidewalks and driveway aprons. This year's program includes 19 neighborhood streets at a total cost of \$1.66 million.



- **A professional services agreement with Synergy Building Systems for the Wright Station central park enhancements.** The central park area of the Wright Station development will be upgraded to include field turf, paver areas, a pergola, a performance stage and various other landscape and lighting enhancements to further promote the area for social gathering and entertainment.
- **A 10-year agreement with Utility Service Co., Inc. to maintain the City's four water towers including items such as interior and exterior painting, cleaning and inspections, maintenance and repairs as well as required engineering and EPA compliance.** This agreement will streamline the maintenance of the towers and significantly reduce costs over the 10-year period. The annual fee for this professional maintenance agreement is \$154,076.



Stephen Harding



Kim Loesche



Matt Leedy

Community Leadership Appointments

City Council member **Stephen Harding** was appointed to serve as Deputy Mayor for 2023. Serving his second term on City Council, he also serves on the City's Planning Commission and is Springboro's delegate to the Miami Valley Communications Council.

Newly appointed citizen committee members for 2023 include **Kim Loesche**, Architectural Review Board, **Scott Oxley**, Board of Zoning Appeals, and **Matt Leedy**, now serving on our Planning Commission. These Springboro residents are among approximately 40 citizens who participate in our community's leadership. Thank you to all of our volunteer board and commission members for their continued service this year.

Residents Respond to Communications Survey

The City of Springboro is working with FlashVote to engage our community and gather valuable input from residents to help inform City decisions. Our first survey, held in March, looked at communication efforts. Data showed of the 305 residents participating, more than 80 percent get their City news from this newsletter, followed by the City website, social media sites and the Annual Report.

Another survey will be coming soon. Make sure you're a part of it. Sign up takes less than one minute and your input is always kept anonymous. Surveys take less than a minute, too! Once a survey is closed, everyone who participated will automatically receive a summary of the overall results. Register at www.flashvote.com/springboro or call 775-235-2240.





From Mayor John Agenbroad

Springboro has been recognized with a global award for innovation! **Our Fiber to Home project was selected as a 2023 Smart 50 Award recipient.** This award, in partnership with Smart Cities Connect and Smart Cities Connect Foundation, honors the 50 most transformative smart city projects in the world. This is quite an accomplishment and we are delighted to be recognized, however, it is meeting a need of our residents that we are most proud. The necessity for our Springboro homes, schools and businesses to have reliable high-speed internet led City Council to support this project. It does require time by the private companies and construction, so we appreciate your patience as infrastructure continues to be installed. The end result of having internet service options at a competitive cost to our residents and businesses, is a win for everyone!



As we head into warmer weather and a summer full of events, **I invite you to get out and enjoy all the wonderful resources your city has to offer!** May is National Bicycling Month, and we are proud to earn the status of a Bicycle Friendly Community. Our parks are perfect for walking, running, playing and cycling. Our signature events—the Concerts at North Park—start June 4 with a classical music series on Sunday evenings. We have a fantastic lineup of rock, R&B, Motown and tribute bands on Tuesday and Friday evenings, see it on page 11.

Our City lost a good friend in March. **Betty Bray** was a fixture at every City Council meeting for more than 30 years! We could count on her to share her opinions and the numerous photos she would take during City Council meetings. Just last May, we recognized Betty—a longtime resident of downtown Springboro—with the Jonathan Wright Award for Historic Preservation. Betty loved Springboro! To honor her memory, City Council has placed an engraved plaque at her seat. Council meetings won't be the same without her.

On behalf of our City, I send best wishes for a long and healthy retirement to **Police Chief Jeff Kruithoff**, who retired in April after 50 years in law enforcement. He has been an important part of our community for the past 21 years. I also congratulate **Dan Bentley**, who has served 25 years with our PD, on being named Police Chief. Our City is in good hands.

I look forward to seeing you around town!



City Launches Updated Website Design

The City of Springboro has launched its updated website, www.ci.springboro.oh.us. The site underwent a six-month redesign process by CivicPlus, the leading government website designer. The last redesign was completed in 2017.

The City website serves as a helpful tool for residents to stay in touch with the latest Springboro news. "Our site was ready for some functionality updates as well as a new design," says City Manager Chris Pozzuto. "The new site showcases a cleaner, easier layout to navigate." The homepage features links to popular pages like Forms and Apps, Special Events and Trash & Recycling. In addition, City news, calendar of events and live traffic camera feeds are accessible from that page.

Business List Continues to Grow

Welcome to these new Springboro businesses that have recently opened or are opening soon. Thank you for supporting local!

Balanced Wellbeing Acupuncture, 337 S. Main St.
Axim Planning & Wealth, 4 Sycamore Creek Dr.



Students from Springboro High School government classes spent a morning at the Municipal building. Their visit included attending Mayor's Court and meeting with Prosecutor Mark Webb and Magistrate Kent DePoorter. The students also toured the Police Department and learned about City operations from Mayor John Agenbroad, City Manager Chris Pozzuto and department heads.

Water Softening Project Update

When the City first began investigating the feasibility of constructing a new citywide water softening treatment plant, **original estimates in 2021 were in the \$12 million to \$15 million range, which would have created an \$10 - \$15 monthly increase in residents' water bills.** Since we began the due diligence process about 18 months ago, inflation has skyrocketed, construction costs have increased exponentially and we are now seeing significantly higher interest rates in the market. Taking all these factors into account, the potential cost of construction is now estimated to have almost doubled. If we were to move ahead at this time with design and construction, **the new estimate is \$25 to \$30 million, which would cause water bills to increase \$30 - \$35 per month.**

Our staff has been exploring all potential federal and state infrastructure dollars, grants and programs to help offset some of the high cost of construction. Unfortunately, for a variety of reasons, **the City is not eligible for any of those available dollars.**

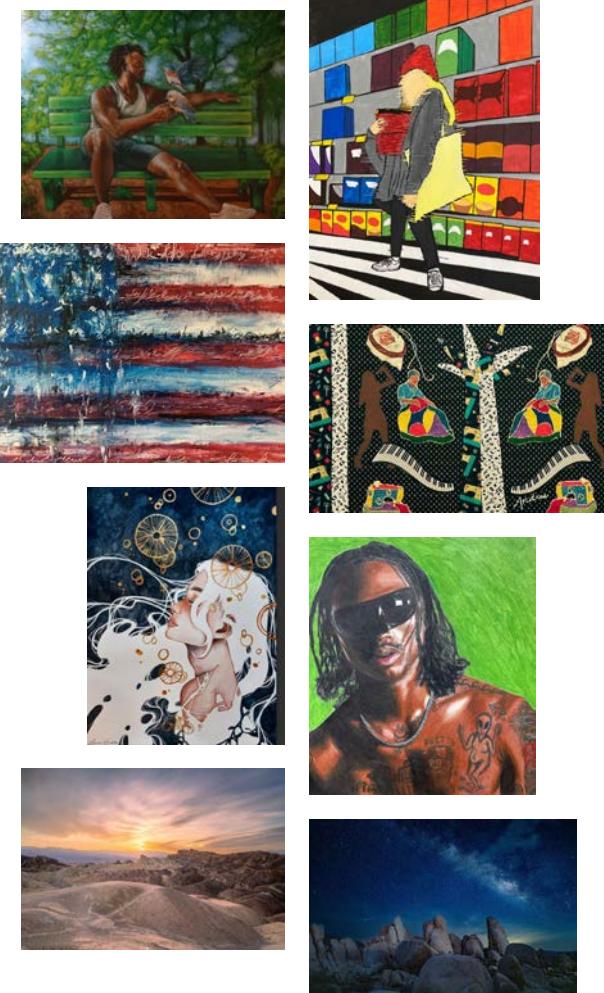
In addition to a greater potential cost, we also have to navigate the vast **Environmental Protection Agency requirements** for construction of the plant, the potential for future (and unknown) EPA regulations as it relates to the softening process, and the potential effect softening may have on our existing sewer treatment plant. Furthermore, the softening process could cause the City to have to discharge our sewage in another location entirely, which would also add to the overall cost. In addition, per EPA regulation, the City is not permitted to take out 100% of the "hardness" of water. The softening process only takes out about half of the hardness, so depending on preference, some residents might still need to utilize a water softening system in their home.

Because of all these factors, **the City has made the decision to delay the design of a water softening treatment plant** as it would not be prudent to pass along these types of monthly costs to our residents at this time. "It is our hope that by delaying the project, the economy, construction costs and interest rates will normalize to allow for a more reasonable cost of construction in the near future," says City Manager Chris Pozzuto.

The City is exploring other potential—and less costly—solutions to deal with the hard water issue. As always, we will continue to update our residents on any decisions that are made in regard to any future water softening process.

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.



Art Gallery Showcases Painting, Photography, and Student Work

Support local artists featured each month at the Springboro Performing Arts Center. The Gallery hosts the **Springboro High School Senior Art Show**, May 1 – 11. Work includes painting, ceramics, pen and ink and colored pencil. Meet the artists at a reception 5 – 7 p.m. Thursday, May 11. Immediately following, a show featuring art students and teachers from **Chasing Light Art Studio and Gallery** in Springboro will be in the gallery May 15 – May 26. Work includes paintings, photography and mixed media.

The June show will feature more than 15 artists from the **African American Visual Artist Guild** in Dayton. "The Artist's Life" will be on display June 1 – 23, and focuses on each artist's journey. An artists' reception will be 2 – 4 p.m., Sunday, June 11.

Works by award-winning photographer **Kelly Ann Settle** is the July exhibit. Settle, a member of the Professional Photographers of America, was named a Top 10 photographer in Ohio and has won numerous awards for her work. Her studio is located in Historic Springboro.

The Gallery is located in the Performing Arts Center, 115 Wright Station Way. Exhibits change monthly. Gallery Hours are 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday through Friday or by appointment by calling 937-748-5781. Visit www.ci.springboro.oh.us Art Gallery for details.



North Park and Wright Station Park Ready for Upgrades

Springboro's North Park is set to undergo a significant upgrade. The City is planning **\$4 million in improvements and new equipment**, including replacing the 25-year-old playground with two all-access playgrounds and pickleball courts. City Council approved the upgrades, which will take place over several years, using remaining COVID relief American Rescue Plan Act funds to cover much of the cost.

Phase I plans include a **30,000 sq. ft. all-access playground with two age-appropriate areas**: one for youngsters under the age of five and the other for children 5 – 12 years of age. Elements include swings, slides, a zipline and climbing tower. In addition, musical play areas, similar to those found at the City's Kacie Jane Park, will be a part of the design.

Future plans for the park include the **addition of pickleball courts and upgrades to the areas near the amphitheater and concession building**.

Located at 195 Tamarack Trail, **North Park is Springboro's busiest park and home to the City's Summer Concert Series and other special events**. Construction on the playground will begin soon with completion expected by the fall.

The City's Wright Station central park is gearing up for summer visitors with a new look. Located at the intersection of St. Rts. 73 and 741, last year the City hosted 12 bands in the park throughout the

summer. The central outdoor area is undergoing major improvements.

A popular spot for outdoor gatherings and concerts, the plan calls for **a stage area for entertainment, synthetic turf, paved walkways and a pergola along with additional seating areas and landscaping**. City Council authorized a contract extension with Synergy Building Systems not to exceed \$630,000.

Home to restaurants, retail and office spaces, a fifth building at Wright Station is under construction. Set between the Performing Arts Center and Cassano's, the 6,000 sq. ft. building will have space for two to three tenants and should be completed by summer. Additional parking is also planned for the area.

Wright Station is a Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area and last year City Council extended the designated area to include Historic Downtown along S. Main Street. As the entry point to downtown, a new gateway is under construction near the northwest corner of the development and should be completed by early summer.

According to City Manager Chris Pozzuto, Wright Station has become a destination gathering spot for food, drink and entertainment. The new improvements will make it all the more enticing to spend some time there, he said. In addition, the area serves as a starting or ending point for venturing downtown to the shops of the Historic District.

Help Us Keep Our Parks Clean and Safe

Our parks are for everyone to enjoy, however, the City is experiencing an uptick in vandalism and graffiti in our parks, Community Park restrooms and particularly the gazebo at Rotary Park. These incidents lead to additional time and costs to repair, replace and paint. Because of the increase in vandalism, security cameras will be installed at various park sites and charges will be filed against those found responsible. If you see any type of suspicious activity, please call the Police, 937-748-0611 or 911 for emergency, to report it.





Police Memorial Week

Each year the Springboro Police Department commemorates National Police Memorial Week—traditionally the second week of May—by placing a wreath on a cruiser in memory of Springboro officer William Johnson, who was killed in the line of duty in 1983. In 2020, the Ohio General Assembly passed a resolution designating a section of West Central Avenue (St. Rt. 73) as Bill Johnson Memorial Highway. Two signs are placed along West Central Avenue in his memory. The City of Springboro honors and remembers all those who have died in the line of duty.

Kruithoff Retires, Bentley Named Chief

After 21 years serving Springboro as Chief of Police, **Jeff Kruithoff** retired in April, following 50 years of service in law enforcement. “He has made a tremendous impact on our Police Department as well as the entire community,” says Mayor John Agenbroad. “Chief Kruithoff has left a legacy of which to be proud, and we wish him many happy years of retirement.”

Kruithoff, who moved from Michigan to take the position, says he’s had a great experience in Springboro. “I have had the opportunity to work with dozens of police agencies in the past 21 years since I moved to Ohio,” he says. “Watching them operate and listening to issues they deal with from politics to staffing, I can say with complete confidence that I have been working for the best City and best Police Department possible. I have been extremely blessed.”

Chief Kruithoff was recognized by several local, regional and national organizations at a farewell event held at Heatherwoode Golf Club. He and his wife, Jami, who also retired after working in the Springboro Schools, will continue to live in Springboro.

Dan Bentley, a 25-year veteran with the department who served as the Operations Lieutenant, was named Chief of Police. “He will build on the strong foundation left by Chief Kruithoff and our City will remain one of the safest in Ohio,” says Agenbroad.

In addition, **Eric Kuhlman** has been named Lieutenant and **Drew Pyles** has been appointed as a Sergeant.



Jeff Kruithoff



Dan Bentley

Phones Down, It's the Law

As of April 4, 2023, **it is illegal to use or hold a cell phone or electronic device in your hand, lap, or other parts of the body while driving on Ohio roads**. If an officer sees a violation, they can pull you over. **Drivers over 18 years old can make or receive calls via hands-free devices, including:**

- Speakerphone
- Earpiece
- Wireless headset
- Electronic watch
- Connecting phone to vehicle

In most cases, anything more than a single touch or swipe is against the law.



This new law allows drivers over 18 to make or receive phone calls using “hands-free” technology such as Bluetooth or integrated systems within the vehicle, as long as you don’t hold or support the device or manually enter letters, numbers, or symbols.

Drivers can listen to audio streaming apps and use navigational equipment if they turn them on before getting on the road or use a single touch or swipe to activate, modify, or deactivate them.

WHAT'S OFF-LIMITS?

With very few exceptions, anything that involves using, holding or supporting a device while driving is off-limits. This could include:

- Dialing a phone number
- Sending a text message (voice to text is legal via a “hands free” method)
- Updating or browsing social media
- Video calls or FaceTime
- Browsing the internet
- Watching videos (GPS/navigational displays are allowed)
- Playing games
- Recording or streaming video

Remember, drivers under the age of 18 are still restricted from using their devices in any way, including hands-free features.

Blue Turns 4!

Blue celebrates his fourth birthday on May 14. The Springboro Police Department's beloved comfort dog will enjoy special treats and lots of hugs. Blue continues to keep a busy schedule visiting schools and nursing homes, comforting individuals in crisis and greeting people at special events.



Three Cheers for Our Service Department!

Each May, we celebrate National Public Works Week, recognizing the contributions of the hard-working folks who take care of many of the amenities and services that make our community so special. Your Springboro Public Service crews:

- Maintain over 85 miles of streets, 1200 fire hydrants, 1800 storm drains, 50 street lights, 13 public buildings, 9 parks with restrooms, concession stands, playground equipment, 4 water towers and more than 500 acres of grass and landscaped areas
- Provide water service to 6800 customers
- Maintain over 150 different vehicles and pieces of equipment, including maintenance and building of police cruisers
- Clear snow from roads, pick up leaves, mark water utility lines, repair streets and fix potholes
- Work special events including Concerts in the Park, Bike the Boro, Christmas in Springboro and other celebrations

They help keep our city clean, safe and in tip-top condition. Hats off to our Service Department!



Street Resurfacing 101

Spring is the time for construction, orange barrels and street improvements. As we prepare for our 2023 Street Program, here's information to help better understand how our street resurfacing program works.

Fast Facts

- The City has roughly 85 miles of streets
- Four miles of streets are set for resurfacing in 2023
- The City is spending \$1.66 million for street resurfacing this year
- Most streets are resurfaced every 20-25 years, depending on condition and traffic volume
- The City keeps a schedule five years ahead of streets set for resurfacing. This is subject to change, based on the condition of the street, as they don't always age at the same rate.
- Weather and contractor availability could delay resurfacing
- The cost of asphalt has increased 30% since 2021

How does the City decide which streets are paved?

Each year a street assessment is performed based upon an independent engineering study completed in 2019. The study rated each street based on four factors: Condition of the Pavement, Pavement Ridability, Age of Street and Street Classification (residential, collector, minor arterial and major arterial). Total scores range from poor condition at a 1, to 18, in excellent condition. When a street is in the 11 or under range, it is typically placed on the five-year Street Resurfacing Program list. The average score this year is 9.

Who pays for the street construction?

The City's Capital Budget covers much of the cost for the Street Program. The City receives federal, state and other grant monies to help with road construction costs for State Routes 741 and 73 along with Pennyroyal, Lytle-Five Points and Clearcreek Franklin roads.

City Council has increased the budget for the 2023 Street Program, almost doubling the budget from 2021.

Will my curb, driveway entrance or sidewalk be repaved or repaired?

If your street is being repaved, damaged or trip hazard sections of curb, driveway and sidewalk will be repaired by the City. If your property is in need of these repairs and your street is not part of the Street Program, the homeowner is responsible.

My street has a pothole, when will it get repaired?

Please complete a Pothole Complaint form available on the City's website, www.ci.springboro.oh.us or call the Public Service Department, 937-748-0020. Our crews will repair the pothole, as weather permits.

Register for Utilities Auto Pay and E-billing and Get a Discount

We're making your Springboro water, sewer and trash payments easier! Beginning with the April bill, every customer using both Auto Pay from a checking or savings account and e-billing services will receive a \$2 per month discount. Customers already taking advantage of these easy services don't need to re-register, your next bill will show the \$2 discount.



Through e-billing, you'll receive a notification on the first business day of each month that your bill is ready to view, with a due date of the 20th of that month. Auto Pay will ensure your bill is paid on time, and you'll never need to worry about finding a stamp, getting to the post office or missing a due date.

Once you're registered, our Utilities Department will contact you for billing information.

To register, visit www.ci.springboro.oh.us Utility Services or call 937-748-4343.



Youth Production and Spring Show on Theatre's Agenda

There's nothing like a live performance—whether you are on stage or in the audience! Check out the Springboro Community Theatre's upcoming Spring Spectacular, May 12 – 14 and youth production "Cyrano Burger Shack" June 16 – 18 and June 23 – 25. Performances take place in the Premier Health Theatre, located in the Springboro Performing Arts Center, 115 Wright Station Way. SCT's new season kicks off in August at North Park with "The Wizard of Oz." For more information, visit www.borotheatre.org.



Pastors Association Partners with SCAC for Food Drives

Monthly community food drives for the Springboro Community Assistance Center (SCAC) are underway. Coordinated by members of the Springboro Pastors Association, a food drive is held each month at a local church helping to assure that no family or child in Springboro goes hungry. Jubilee Church will host in May, Covenant Presbyterian Church is scheduled for June and Springboro United Church of Christ will cover July. A list of needed items is available at springborocommunityassistance.org.

Tours, Programs and More at the Historical Society Museum

The Springboro Area Historical Society continues to grow and enhance programs and the museum. Now open 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. every Friday and Saturday, the society has launched a new website, www.springbororeahistory.org, in addition to the Facebook page. New features in the museum include interactive touch screens and presentation monitors to expand the historical experience.

Open to the public, the Historical Society programs highlight a wide range of topics. In addition, guided walking tours of the Underground Railroad sites are offered throughout the summer. Tour the Null Log Home, 544 Heatherwoode Circle, 2 – 4 p.m. May 21 and June 11. Built in 1798, it is the oldest standing in-place, building in Warren County.



As part of the Springboro Juneteenth Celebration, self-guided tours of significant Underground Railroad sites in historic downtown Springboro will be offered noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 17.

For more information, contact springboromuseum@gmail.com, visit the website or Facebook page.

Memorial Day Parade

The annual Memorial Day Parade in tribute to those who served and sacrificed for our nation steps off at 2 p.m. Monday, May 29 on S. Main Street. This is a walking parade, with the exception of military vehicles. Groups and individuals interested in participating should meet in the area behind River Valley Credit Union adjacent to Florence Drive at 1:30 p.m. and check in with the parade marshal. After the parade, a brief ceremony is set for Wade Field, with complimentary refreshments and picnic fare following.

The event would not happen without the support of the Memorial Day Committee, volunteers, businesses and citizens. The City is pleased to partner with Clearcreek Township to sponsor this commemorative event. For more information, please contact the Memorial Day Committee Chairman, Mayor John Agenbroad, 513-256-4929.



Girls' Night Out with Food Trucks

Make Historic Springboro your destination for Girls' Night Out and food trucks on the third Thursday of each month. In addition to a cool theme, look for sales, specials and other activities 6-9 p.m. Grab dinner from a selection of food trucks 5 to 8 p.m. Visit the Historic Springboro Facebook page for details.



Community to Celebrate Juneteenth

The Springboro Juneteenth Jubilee is a family-friendly community celebration set for June 15 – June 17, honoring the day in our nation's history, June 19, 1865, when the last slaves in Galveston, Texas received word that they were free—nearly two years after the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation had abolished slavery.

Organized by PEACOC and a group of community volunteers, events include a blood drive, community symposium and jazz event. On June 17, look for tours of the Underground Railroad sites in Springboro led by the Springboro Historical Society, a festival at North Park featuring music, vendors and food trucks, and a 3 on 3 Basketball tournament at the Coffman YMCA. For more information, visit springborojuneteenth.com.



June 15-17, 2023
SpringboroJuneteenth.com

Party on the Patio Starts May 31

Spend your Wednesday evenings throughout the summer at the Heatherwoode clubhouse. There's live music, a great selection of bourbon and cigars and—new this year, food trucks! Stop by 6 – 9 p.m. every Wednesday evening beginning May 31. Visit www.golfheatherwoode.com for information.

Heatherwoode Golf Club's **PARTY ON THE PATIO** 2023 MUSICAL LINEUP



Velvet Crush Unplugged • Alexis Gomez • Short of Stable • 5 Star Day Band
Locking up Otis • Last Call Duo • Two Wheels Down

ARTFest on Main

Spend the day at ARTFest on Main on Saturday, August 26 in Historic Springboro. Sponsored by the Springboro Arts Council, this juried, fine arts show will welcome more than 80 artists to S. Main Street. In addition, there's music, beer and wine tents, food trucks, entertainment and children's activities. Visit www.ArtfestOnMain.com.





Celebrate National Bike Month

May is National Bike Month, promoted by the League of American Bicyclists and celebrated in communities from coast to coast. Established in 1956, National Bike Month is a chance to showcase the many benefits of bicycling — and encourage more folks to give biking a try. Springboro earned bronze status as a Bicycle Friendly Community starting in 2016. In 2021, the City updated its Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan and maintains 12 miles of bikeways.

New places to ride in Springboro include the 2,500-foot multiuse trail that **connects E. Milo Beck Park to Clearcreek Park**, completed in Spring 2022. The City received a \$150,000 grant for the Clearcreek Park to Hazel Woods Park connection that will eventually connect to the City of Franklin's bike trail system. By the end of 2023, the project will connect 3.5 miles of trails under development in Springboro and Franklin that will extend to near downtown Franklin. A pump track is under construction at Community Park with an opening this summer.

Springboro's Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) in partnership with three local establishments sponsor **10-mile bike rides on City streets** this summer. Crooked Handle Brewing Company hosts June 20 and Sept. 5. Meet at Mr. Boro's Tavern on May 22 and July 17, and ride with Warped Wing on Aug. 22. All rides start at 6:30 p.m.

Bike the Boro/BoroFest is scheduled for Sept. 16 at North Park. In addition to bike rides throughout the City, to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Bike the Boro, North Park will feature bounce houses and kids' activities. Beginning at 4 p.m. the kids' activities continue along with food trucks and live music from The Eagles Project.

Visit www.ci.springboro.oh.us for more information about Bike Month and other activities.

Name Our Snow Plows!

There's no business like snow business! When snow and ice hit the road, so do our Public Works crews in snow plows. Each neighborhood area typically has the same snow plow and driver throughout the season. Here's your chance to name a plow! We'll open our contest in August. A panel of judges will select names for our 14 plows. Then, each plow will be personalized with its new name! Look for contest details in our next newsletter.



Experience the Seasonal Changes of Nature

See the wonder of nature as the season changes. The City and Park Board's last nature walk of spring is 2 p.m. Sunday, May 14 at North Park, 195 Tamarack Trail. Led by Lynn Johnson, Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist and Springboro resident, the walk will focus on spring wildflowers and explore other seasonal changes in the natural surroundings. This is a free event, and no registration is required. Wear hiking boots or appropriate shoes and dress for weather. Call 937-748-5774 for more information.



Kacie Jane Splash Pad to Open Memorial Day Weekend

Your favorite place to cool off is opening at the end of May. We've set May 25 as our target date, weather permitting, for the opening of the splash pad at Kacie Jane Park at Lytle-Five Points and Crosley roads. In addition to water play, the park features two age-appropriate playgrounds, a musical interactive area, restrooms and shelter. Springboro is home to nine parks. All City parks are open dawn until dusk. Restrooms are open year-round in several parks. Visit www.ci.springboro.oh.us for more information.



COOL CONCERTS HOT NIGHTS

We're bringing the **HEAT** with our Concert Series at North Park, 195 Tamarack Trail.

Sing along to your favorite tunes as the City of Springboro and Park Board present an entertaining schedule of **FREE** concerts.

THE ESSENTIALS

Sunday and Tuesday
concerts start at 7 p.m.

Friday concerts
start at 7:30 p.m.

Bring your own seating

Concessions and
food trucks available

Friday shows and
July 1 show also
include beer sales

	Sunday, June 4	Springboro Wind Symphony
	Sunday, June 11	Ohio Valley British Brass Band
	Sunday, June 18	Hauer Swing Band
	Friday, June 23	The Sly Band - R&B, Pop, Rock
	Sunday, June 25	Miami Valley Symphony Orchestra
	Friday, June 30	Naked Karate Girls
	Saturday, July 1 (7:30 p.m.)	E5C4P3 - Journey Tribute
	Friday, July 7	Message In a Bottle-Police Tribute
	Tuesday, July 11	Don't Tell Steve
	Friday, July 14	The Motown Sounds of Touch
	Saturday, July 15 (6 p.m.)	The Little Mermen, Disney Tribute
	Tuesday, July 18	Aftermath, Experience the Sixties
	Friday, July 21	Forever Seger, Tribute
	Tuesday, July 25	Pandora Effect
	Friday, July 28	Chicago Transit, Tribute

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Touch A Truck Revs Up May 13 at North Park

Get an up close look at all kinds of cool vehicles and equipment. Police cruisers, fire trucks, backhoes, towing truck, school bus, SWAT and more! Kiddos can sit in the driver's seat, honk horns and "operate" vehicles at Touch A Truck, 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Saturday, May 13 at North Park. Sensory sensitive time with no horns is 9:30 – 10 a.m.



Boro BOOM!

Springboro July 4th Fireworks Show at Springboro High School

Celebrate Independence Day with a night under the stars! This year, the City and Township are celebrating in the Springboro High School parking lot with bounce houses and food trucks starting at 6 p.m. and live music by The Bucket List Players at 7:30 p.m. The fireworks show will light up the sky at 10 p.m. Go to www.ci.springboro.oh.us for details.

City and Township Offer Free Shred Day

Saturday, May 20 at North Park

It's time to get rid of those old bills, checkbooks and other papers that you've been saving! Bring the items to the City of Springboro and Clearcreek Township Free Shred-It Day, 9 a.m. – noon – or until trucks are full – Saturday, May 20 at North Park, 195 Tamarack Trail. 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 and Clearcreek Township residents.

For more information, call 937-748-4343.



Holiday Schedule

City Offices will be closed on Monday, May 29 in observance of Memorial Day. Rumpke waste collection will remain on schedule.